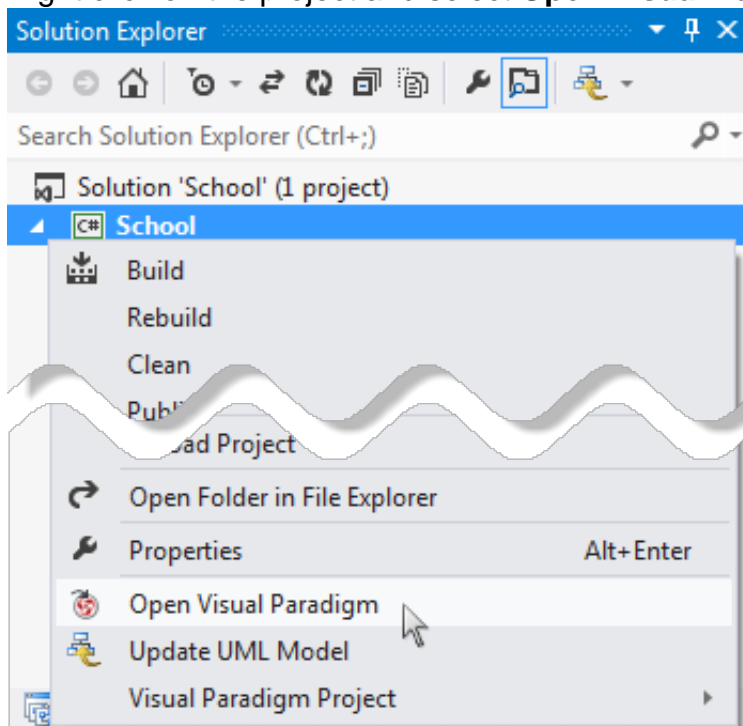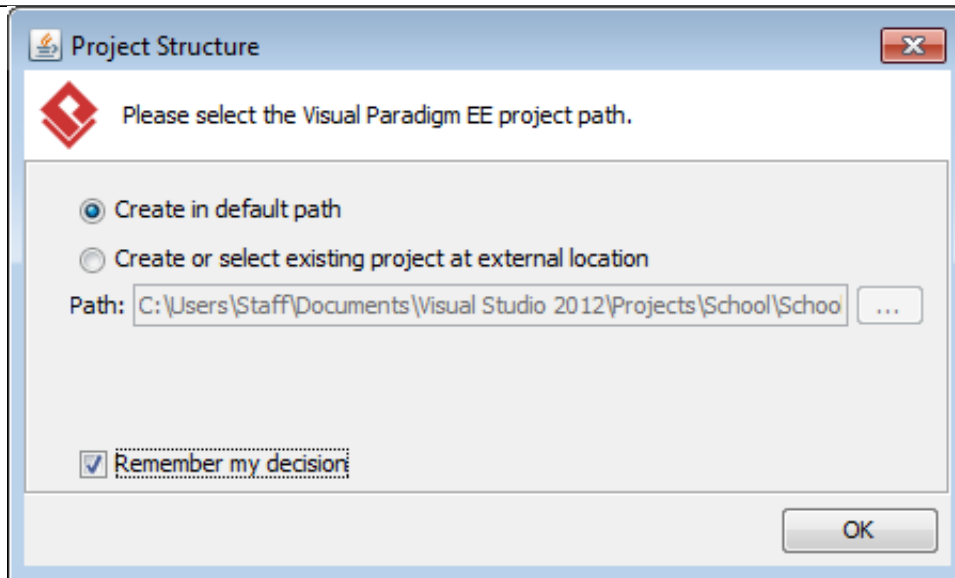# How to create a UML project in Visual Studio

You can create [UML](#) project for any of your project in [Visual Studio](#). Note that one Visual Studio project can associate with at most one UML project and you cannot create UML project without associating it with any Visual Studio project. Once you have created a UML project for a Visual Studio project, you cannot remove it or de-associate it.

Creating a New UML Project

1. In Visual Studio, select the project where you want to create a UML project for it.
2. Right click on the project and select **Open Visual Paradigm** from the popup menu.
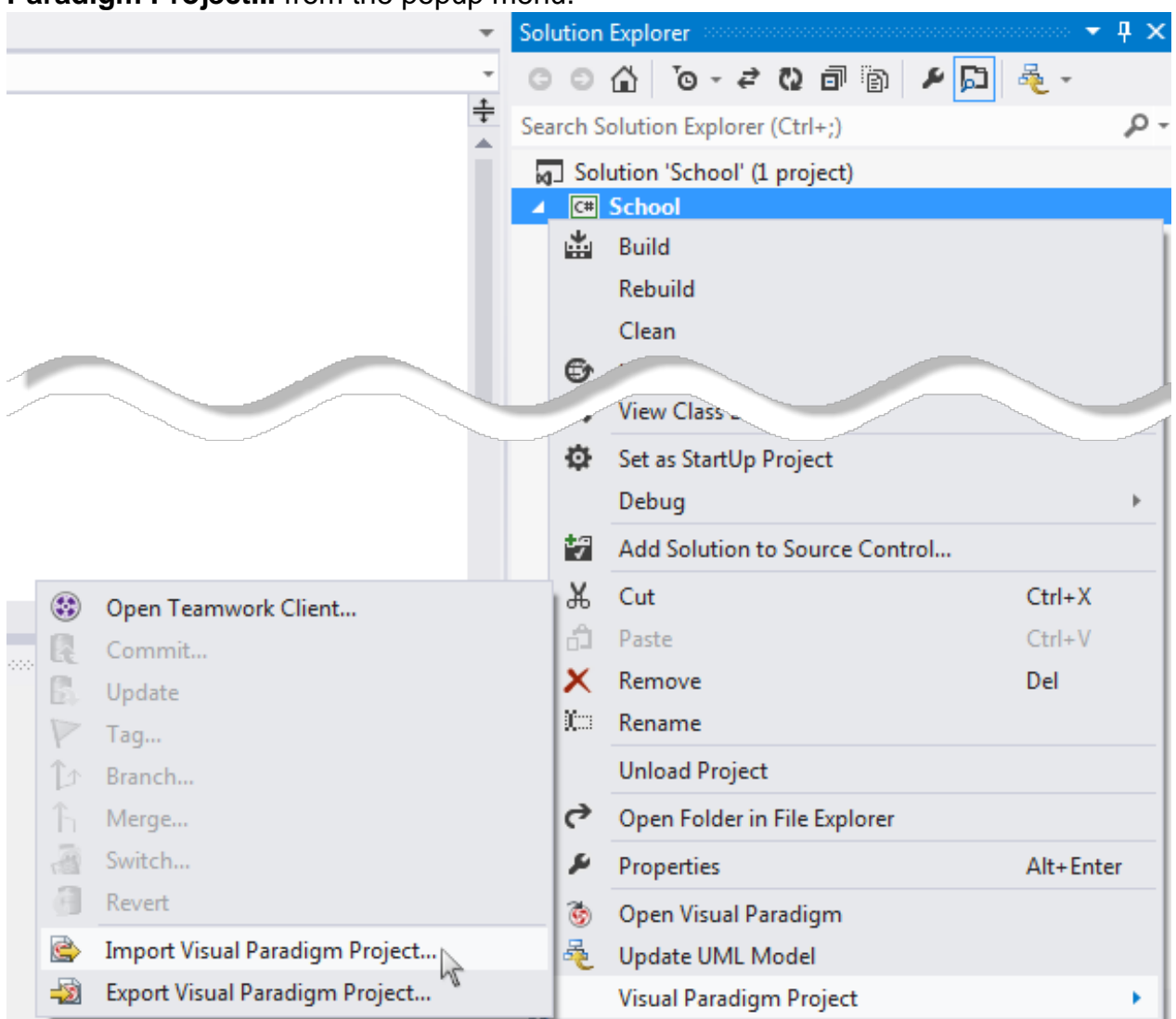

3. Select from the **Project Structure** window the location of the Visual Paradigm project is to be saved. The Visual Paradigm project, with .vpp extension is the UML project file that is going to be associated with the selected Visual Studio project file. Select **Create in default path** will save the UML project to **%Visual Studio_Project_Directory%/vpproject** while selecting **Create at external location** require you to specify the project path you desire. If you want to create in default path for all projects, check **Create in default path** and **Remember my decision**.
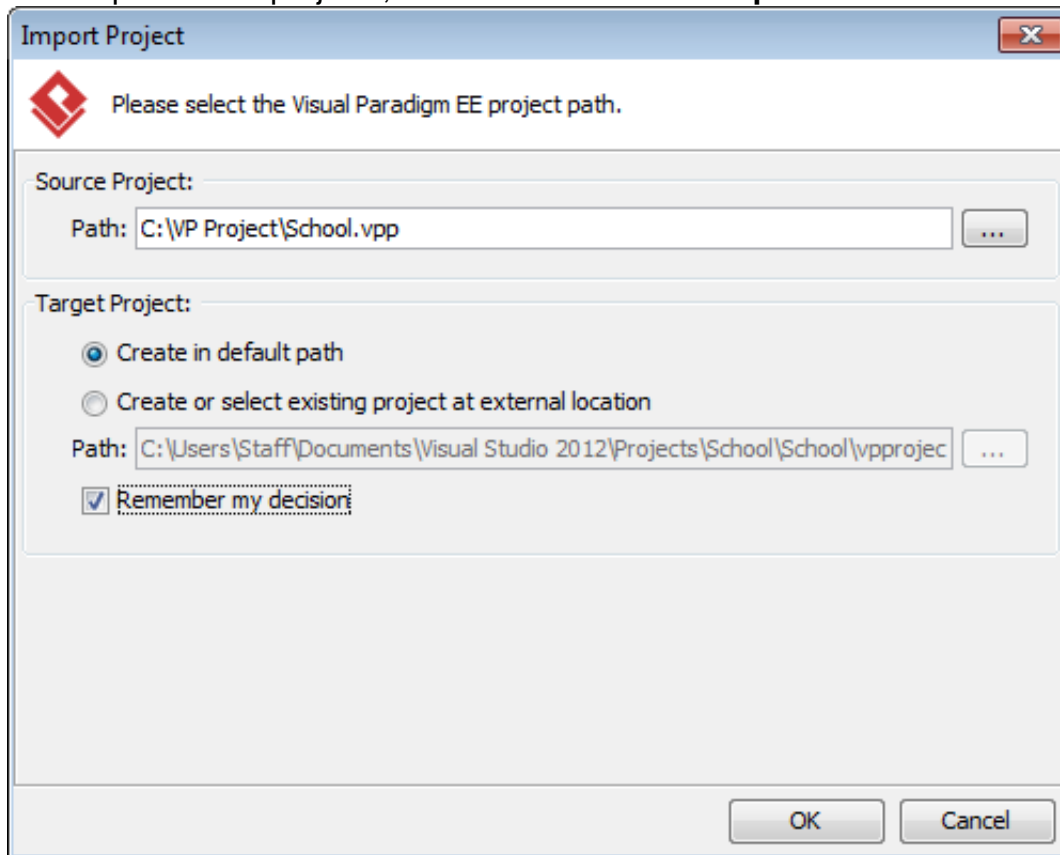
4. Click **OK**.

Creating a UML Project by Importing an Existing .vpp Project File

1. In Visual Studio, select the project where you want to create a UML project for it.
2. Right click on the project and select **Visual Paradigm Project > Import Visual Paradigm Project...** from the popup menu.

3. Specify the path of source .vpp project as well as the location of the imported project file

is to be saved. Select **Create in default path** will save the UML project to **%Visual Studio_Project_Directory%/vpproject** while selecting **Create at external location** require you to specify the project path you desire. If you want to create in default path for all projects, check **Create in default path** and **Remember my decision**.

4. Click **OK**.