

A³ Platform

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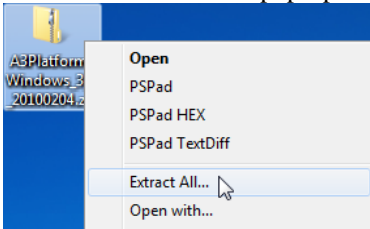


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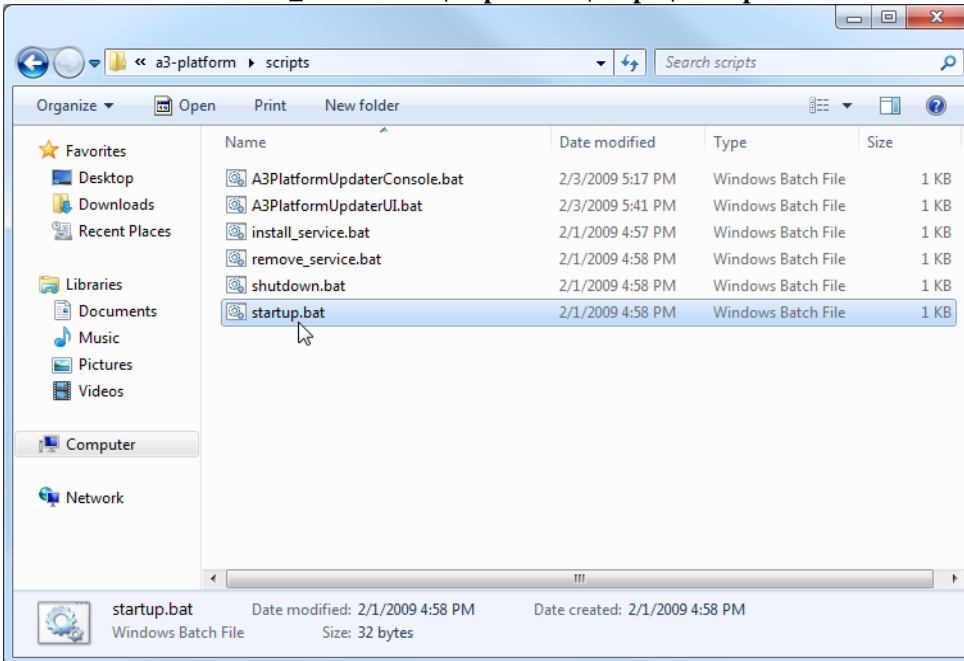
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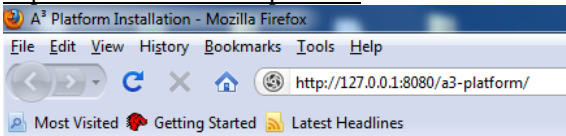
1. After you have downloaded the A³ **platform zipped folder** from our webpage, right click on it and select **Extract All...** from the pop-up menu.



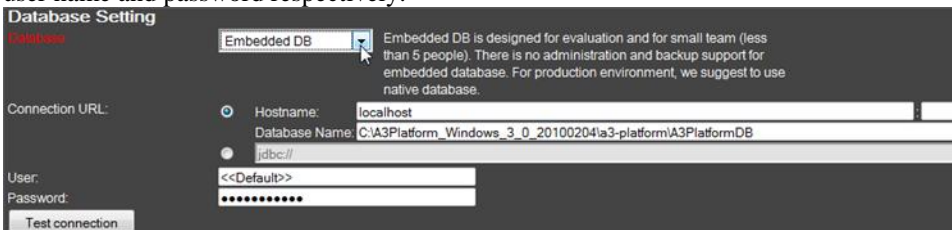
2. Execute `%EXTRACTED_FOLDER%\a3-platform\scripts\startup.bat`.



3. After the A³ Platform App Server dialog box pops out, open the Web browser and visit <http://127.0.0.1:8080/a3-platform/>.



4. Select your database setting from the **Database** drop-down menu, and then enter hostname, database name, user name and password respectively.



5. Enter the directory of files folder, the directory of temp folder and the directory of log files folder respectively under **System Setting** section.

System Setting

File Folder: C:\A3Platform_Windows_3_0_20100204\A3-platform\files
 (Place to store users uploaded files. Make sure there is enough spaces and have both read and write permissions.)

Temp Folder: C:\A3Platform_Windows_3_0_20100204\A3-platform\temp
 (Place to store any temporary files the system produces.)

Log File Folder: C:\A3Platform_Windows_3_0_20100204\A3-platform\logs
 (Place to store log files which records errors reported by the system.)

6. You have to get a license key and then copy and paste the key in the **License Key** text field.

License Key: [A3PlatformKeyStart]
 12345678
 License Key
 3.0
 Visual Paradigm
 peter.wong@visual-paradigm.com
 50
 2010-12-12
 TTTBPTwSNkUYTndwbnt+aStv2X4WQC4yD116dXdkdiJhb31nc21rbhBudGx8fTbb
 [\/A3PlatformKeyEnd]

For customers who have purchased, please login to the Customer Service Center (<https://cs.visual-paradigm.com/>) to download the license key.
 For evaluation, Visual Paradigm will send you evaluation key by E-mail when you download the installer.

For evaluation, check your email account after you have downloaded the installer as the evaluation key will be sent to your email account directly; for our customer, login your customer account at: <https://cs.visual-paradigm.com/>.

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Please input the id and password.

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7. Enter admin login, admin password and confirm password.

Admin Login:

Admin Password:

Confirm Password:

A3 Platform Server URL:

8. Finally, click **Install** button on the bottom left of the window.
9. After that, you are required to wait for a while. Be patient and do not try to refresh or close this page until the process has completed.
10. In **Manage User** page, click **Add User** button to add a new user.

Step 2 of 3 - Create Users

Manage User

11. Enter full name, login name, new password and re-type password for the new user, and then click **Save** button to confirm the detail.

The screenshot shows a user creation form. On the left, a list of users includes 'Administrator (admin)'. The 'My Photo' section shows a 'Predefined: A3 Pattern' image. The form fields are filled with: Full Name: Peter Wong, Login Name: peter, New Password: [masked], Re-type Password: [masked], E-mail: [empty], Tel: [empty], Fax: [empty], Description: [empty]. The 'Active' checkbox is checked. Under 'User Type', 'Project Director' is selected in the left list and 'User' is selected in the right list. 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons are at the bottom right.

12. More new users can be added by following the previous step. Finish adding all users, click **Next** button to proceed.

The screenshot shows the same user creation form, but now the user list on the left includes 'John Chan (john)'. The form fields are filled with: Full Name: John Chan, Login Name: john, New Password: [masked], Re-type Password: [masked], E-mail: [empty], Tel: [empty], Fax: [empty], Description: [empty]. The 'Active' checkbox is checked. Under 'User Type', 'Project Director' is selected in the left list and 'User' is selected in the right list. 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons are at the bottom right, and a 'Next' button is at the bottom right corner.

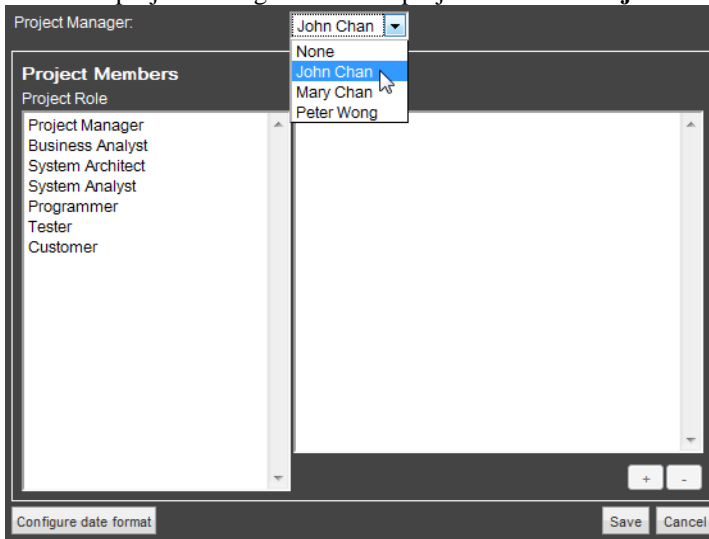
13. In **Manage Project** page, click **New Project** button to create a new project.

The screenshot shows the 'Manage Project' page with the title 'Step 3 of 3 - Create Projects'. Below the title, there are two buttons: 'New Project' and 'Delete Project'. A mouse cursor is pointing at the 'New Project' button.

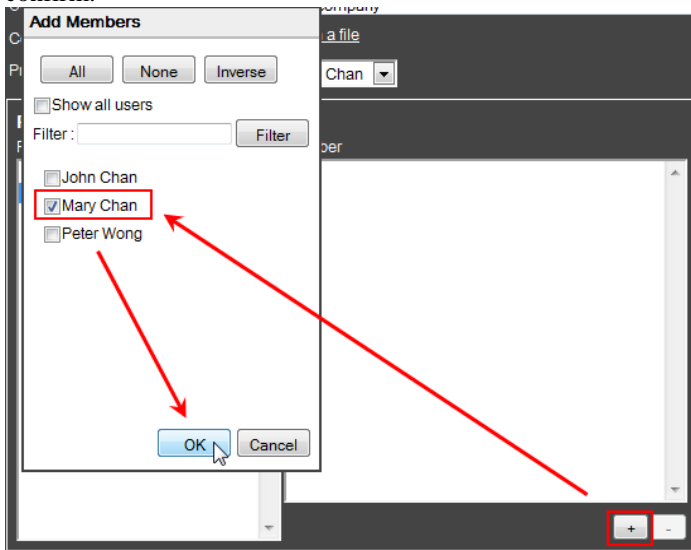
14. Enter the name and a brief description for the new project.

The screenshot shows a form for creating a new project. The fields are: Name: ABC Company, Description: Long-term development project, URL Alias: abc_company. At the bottom, there is a link 'Configure project with XML config. file: Attach a file'.

15. Select the project manager for a new project from the **Project Manager** drop-down menu.

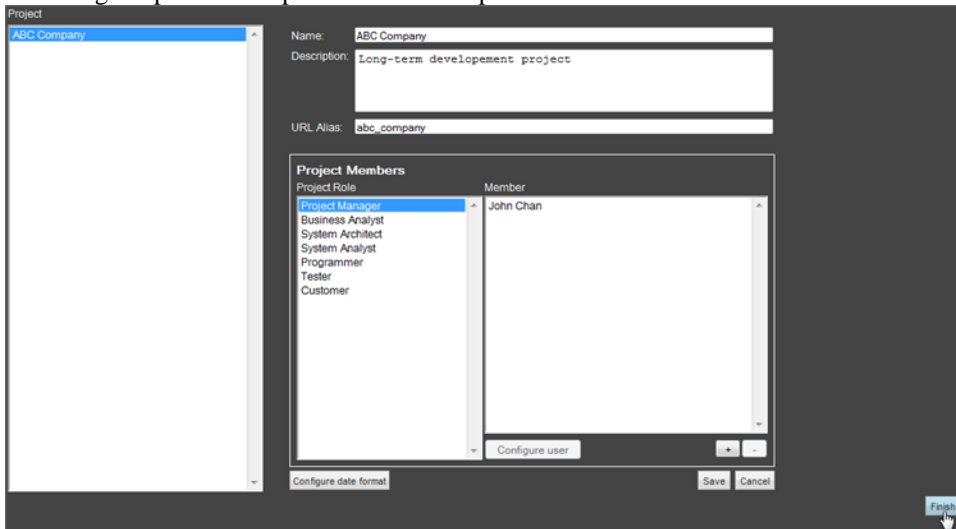


16. Select a specified project role in **Project Role** column and press **PLUS** button to select a member. When the **Add Members** dialog box pops out, check a member's name for the specified role and click **OK** to confirm.



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17. Click **Save** button to confirm all information you have edited. More project roles can be added by following the previous step. Click **Finish** to proceed.

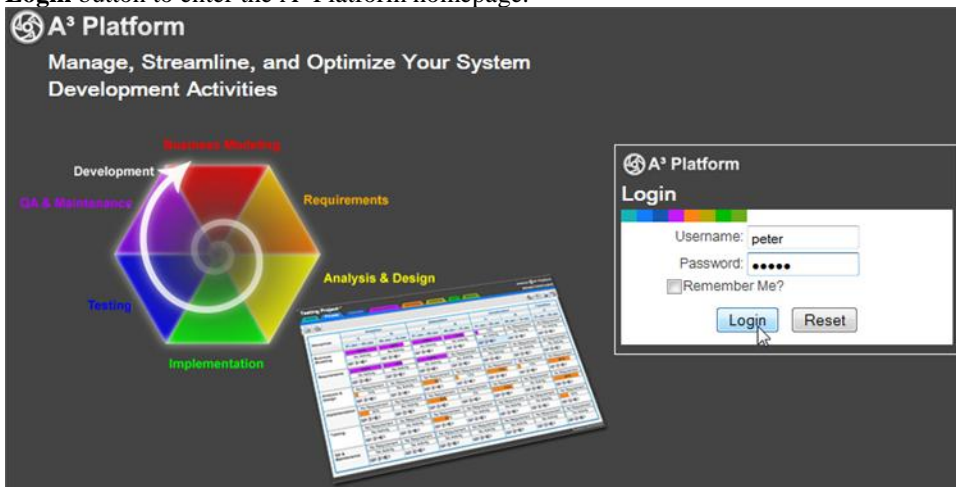


The screenshot shows the 'Project' configuration window. On the left, a list of projects includes 'ABC Company'. The main area contains the following fields:

- Name: ABC Company
- Description: Long-term development project
- URL Alias: abc_company

Below these fields is the 'Project Members' section, which is a table with two columns: 'Project Role' and 'Member'. The 'Project Role' column has a dropdown menu currently showing 'Project Manager'. The 'Member' column contains the name 'John Chan'. At the bottom of the window, there are buttons for 'Configure date format', 'Configure user', 'Save', 'Cancel', and 'Finish'.

18. The login page of A³ Platform will pop out subsequently. Enter username and password. Finally, click **Login** button to enter the A³ Platform homepage.



The screenshot shows the A³ Platform login page. The header includes the A³ Platform logo and the text 'Manage, Streamline, and Optimize Your System Development Activities'. Below the header is a colorful circular diagram with six segments labeled: Business Modeling, Requirements, Analysis & Design, Implementation, Testing, and QA & Maintenance. To the right of the diagram is a 'Login' form with the following fields:

- Username: peter
- Password: •••••
- Remember Me?

At the bottom of the form are 'Login' and 'Reset' buttons. The background of the page features a screenshot of the A³ Platform software interface.