

SIT225

Git and GitHub

Git is a distributed version control system that tracks versions of files. It is often used to control source code by programmers collaboratively developing software.

GitHub is a developer platform that allows developers to create, store, manage and share their code. It uses **Git** software, providing the distributed version control of Git plus access control, bug tracking, software feature requests, task management, continuous integration, and wikis for every project.

Why is GitHub for this unit?

SIT225 requires you to store your Arduino sketch and Python scripts to be stored in GitHub inside weekly folders under a root directory SIT225_2024T2. The content of week 1 should go in SIT225_2024T2/week_1, week 2 content should go in SIT225_2024T2/week_2 and so on.

As a future IT professional, you should have the technical skill to play with git so you can do collaborative software development with confidence.

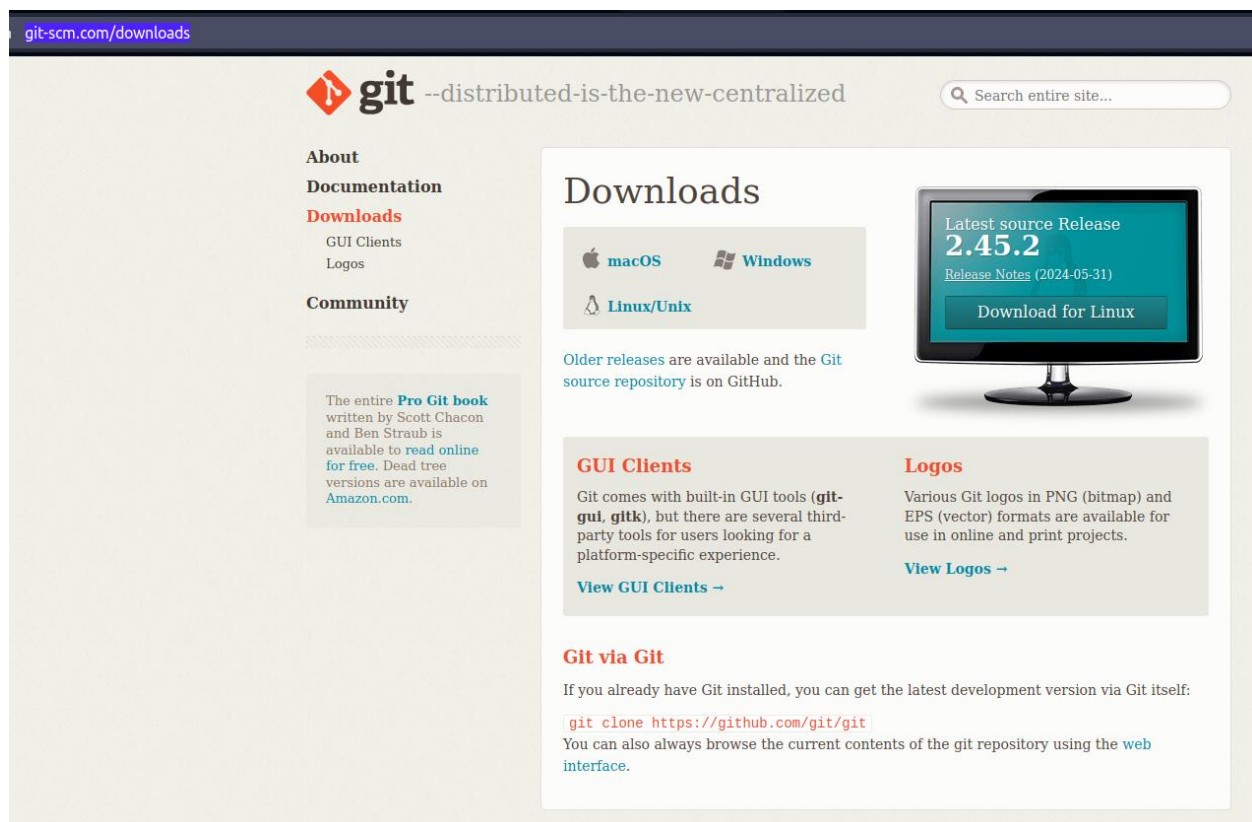
Git installation manual

Linux and MacOS are likely to ship with git pre-installed. You can open a terminal and try command git -

```
mahabib@ahsan-X1: ~  
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~$ git  
usage: git [--version] [--help] [-C <path>] [-c <name>=<value>]  
        [--exec-path=<path>] [--html-path] [--man-path] [--info-path]  
        [-p | --paginate | -P | --no-pager] [--no-replace-objects] [--bare]  
        [--git-dir=<path>] [--work-tree=<path>] [--namespace=<name>]  
        [--super-prefix=<path>] [--config-env=<name>=<envvar>]  
        <command> [<args>]  
  
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start a working area (see also: git help tutorial)  
  clone      Clone a repository into a new directory  
  init       Create an empty Git repository or reinitialize an existing one  
  
work on the current change (see also: git help everyday)  
  add        Add file contents to the index  
  mv         Move or rename a file, a directory, or a symlink  
  restore    Restore working tree files  
  rm         Remove files from the working tree and from the index  
  
examine the history and state (see also: git help revisions)  
  bisect     Use binary search to find the commit that introduced a bug  
  diff       Show changes between commits, commit and working tree, etc
```

If the output says error such as unknown command, then you should install git using the following ways.

Go to website <https://git-scm.com/downloads>, which looks like below



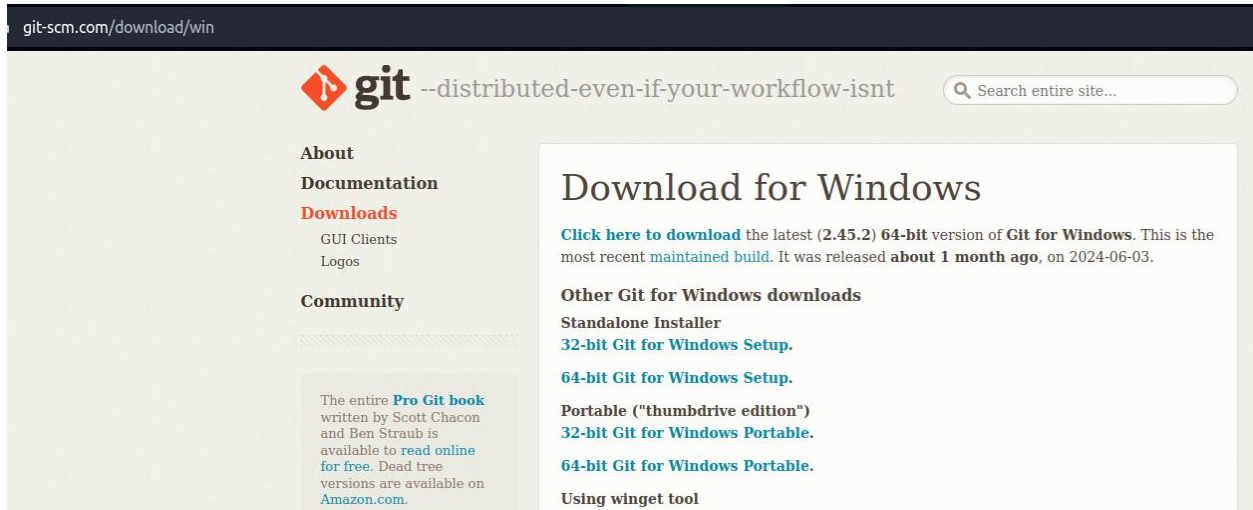
Go to macOS and issue the bellow commands -

```
$ brew install git
```

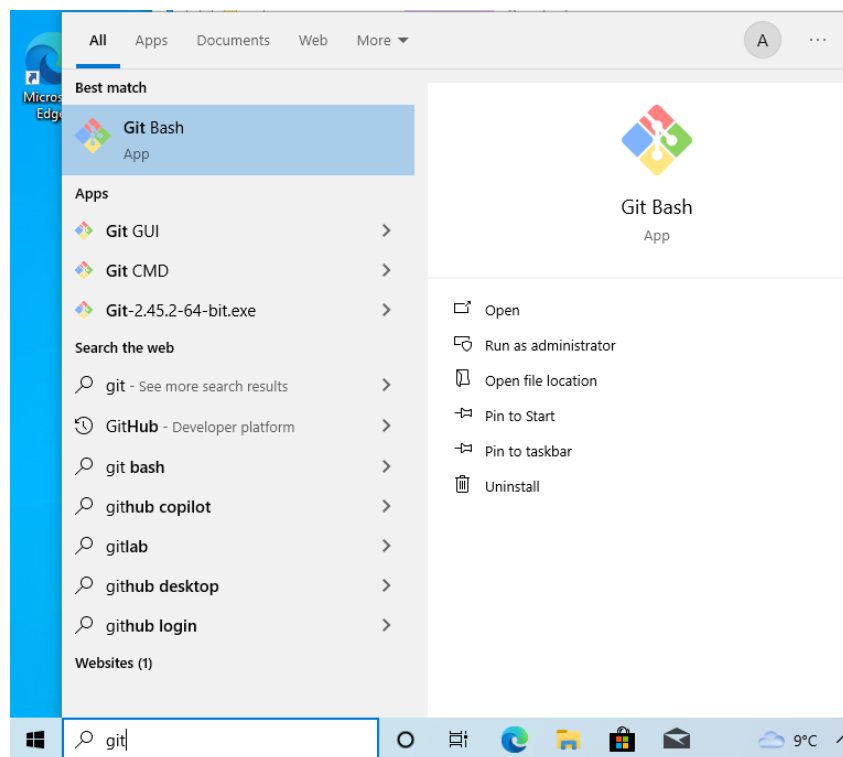
If you are a Linux user (Ubuntu or other distributions), use the below command in a terminal -

```
$ sudo apt-get install git
```

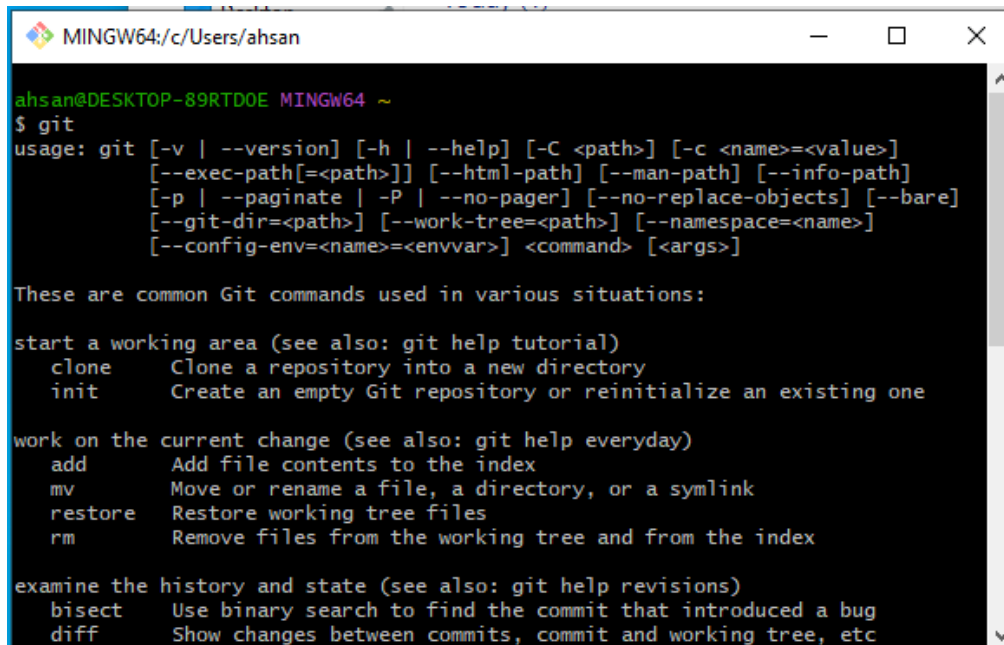
For windows users, click on the download link at the top of the page as shown below to download the latest version (2.45.2) 64-bit version of Git for Windows.



Follow all the default options to complete the installation. After installing is done, you will be given a Git Bash.



The Git Bask looks like a regular terminal (or command line) as found in macOS or Ubuntu Linux. You can type a command git and see similar output in shown in Linux terminal above.



```
MINGW64:/c/Users/ahsan
ahsan@DESKTOP-89RTD0E MINGW64 ~
$ git
usage: git [-v | --version] [-h | --help] [-C <path>] [-c <name>=<value>]
          [--exec-path[=<path>]] [--html-path] [--man-path] [--info-path]
          [-p | --paginate | -P | --no-pager] [--no-replace-objects] [--bare]
          [--git-dir=<path>] [--work-tree=<path>] [--namespace=<name>]
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GitHub account and developer token

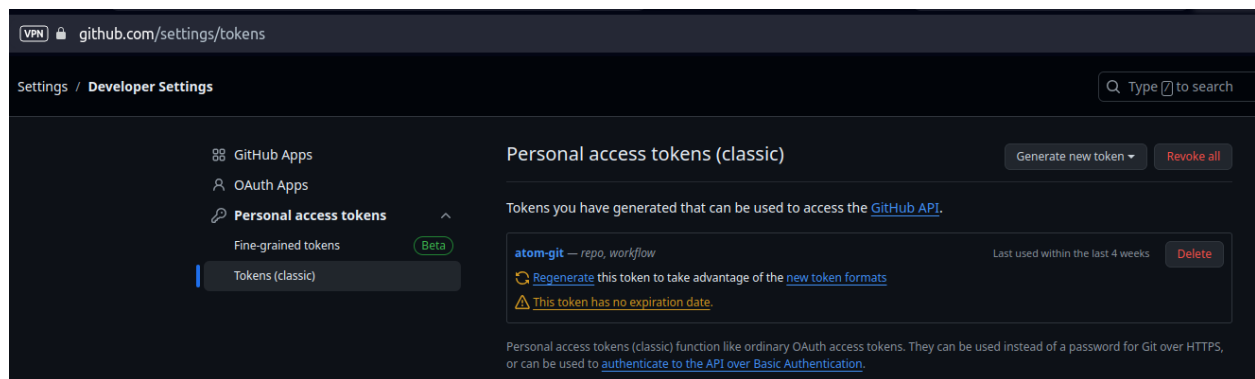
Create an account in GitHub if you are new to github.com.

Remember your GitHub password which you need to login github.com. However, this password can NOT be used from applications such as the git bash tool you have just installed. This is a new norm adopted by GitHub, similar to Google or other as part of a security standard. You need to create a personal token.

GitHub developer personal token:

Login to GitHub.

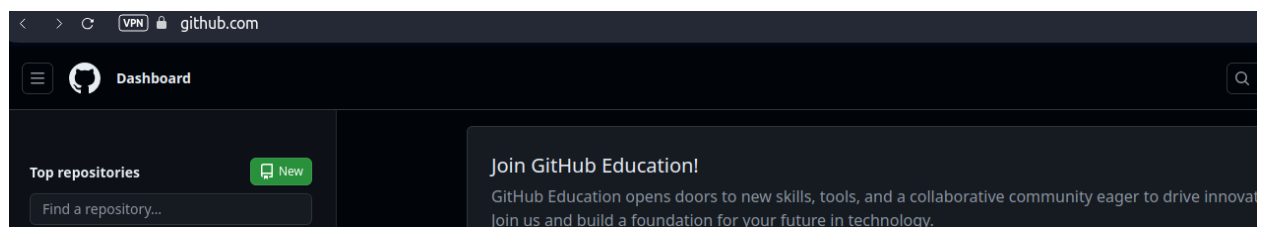
Click on the user icon in the top right corner, a menu pops up, select Settings – which gives you below page -



Select Develop Settings and then Tokens (classic). At top right, Generate new tokens > Generate new token (classic). This will create a passcode for you to use to login to your account instead of using password.

Create a new repository in GitHub:

Login to github.com and create a new repository by clicking the New button.



Create a new repository SIT225_2024T2. Make it **private**. This is important you create a private repository to keep your codes sharable only to your tutor.

Create a new repository

A repository contains all project files, including the revision history. Already have a project repository elsewhere? [Import a repository.](#)

Required fields are marked with an asterisk (*).

Owner *



deakin-deep-dreamer

/

Repository name *

SIT225_2024T2

✔ SIT225_2024T2 is available.

Great repository names are short and memorable. Need inspiration? How about **cautious-octo-tribble** ?

Description (optional)



Public

Anyone on the internet can see this repository. You choose who can commit.



Private

You choose who can see and commit to this repository.

Initialize this repository with:



Add a README file

This is where you can write a long description for your project. [Learn more about READMEs.](#)

Add .gitignore

.gitignore template: None

Choose which files not to track from a list of templates. [Learn more about ignoring files.](#)

Choose a license

License: None

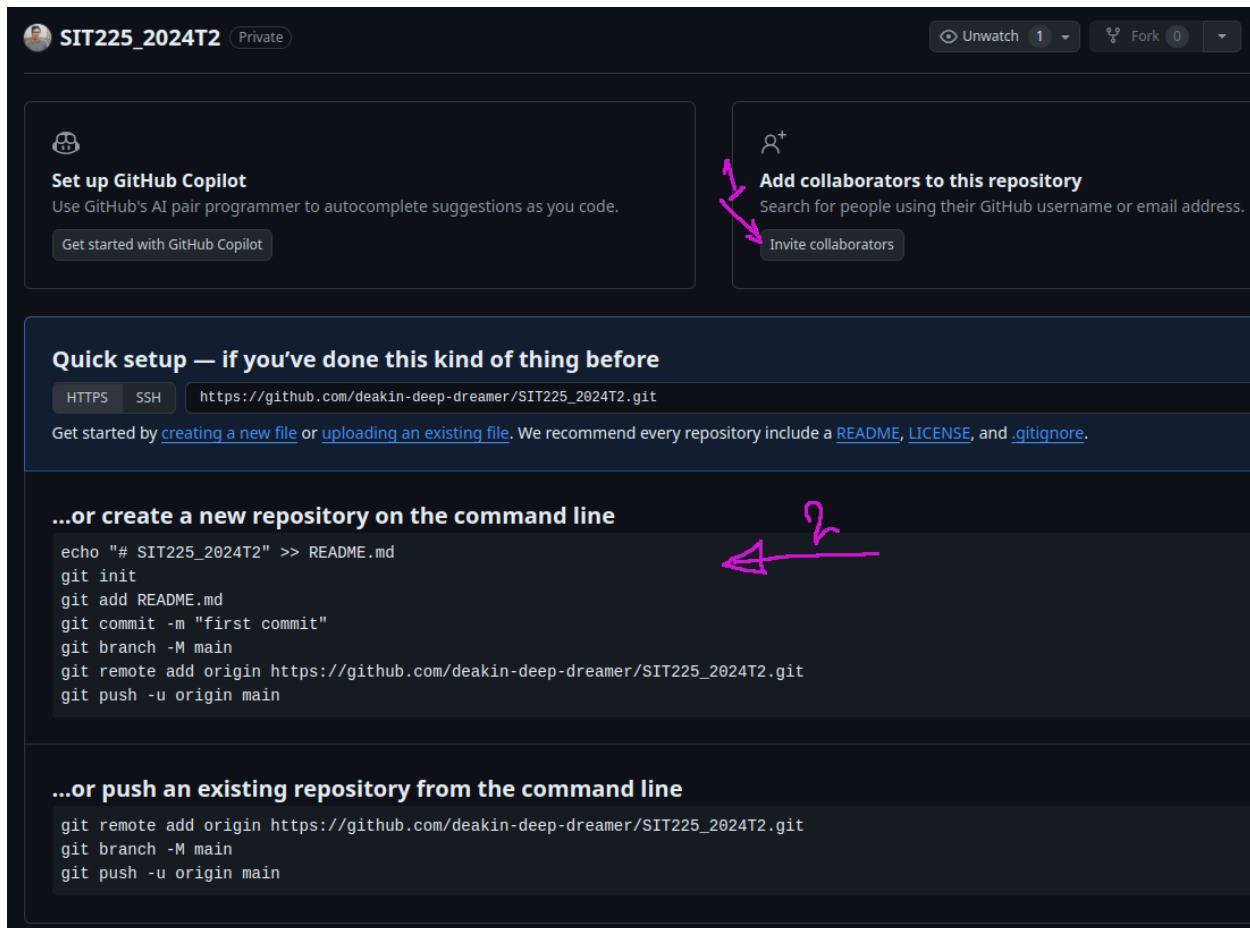
A license tells others what they can and can't do with your code. [Learn more about licenses.](#)



You are creating a private repository in your personal account.

Create repository

Click on Create repository, this will create a new repository with instructions what to do next.



Step 1 shows you can add collaborator, your tutor, by clicking on Invite collaborators button.

Step 2 shows list of git commands you need to issue from your Git Bash (windows) or terminal (macOS or Linux).

Open a terminal and go to a folder (say, source_code) where you want to create a new repository with provided instructions. Create a new folder SIT225_2024T2 and go to that folder. Issue the instructions in order –

Initialise git in current folder -

```
$ git init
```

Create a temporary file (say, README.md, you can do it from your file explorer)

```
$ touch README.md
```

Now add all updated items (files or folder within SIT225_2024T2) to version control. This prepares git to list down items to save.

```
$ git add *
```

Commit or save the content to git repository. Note that it requires you to provide a comment what is the purpose of this save.

```
$ git commit -m "first commit"
```

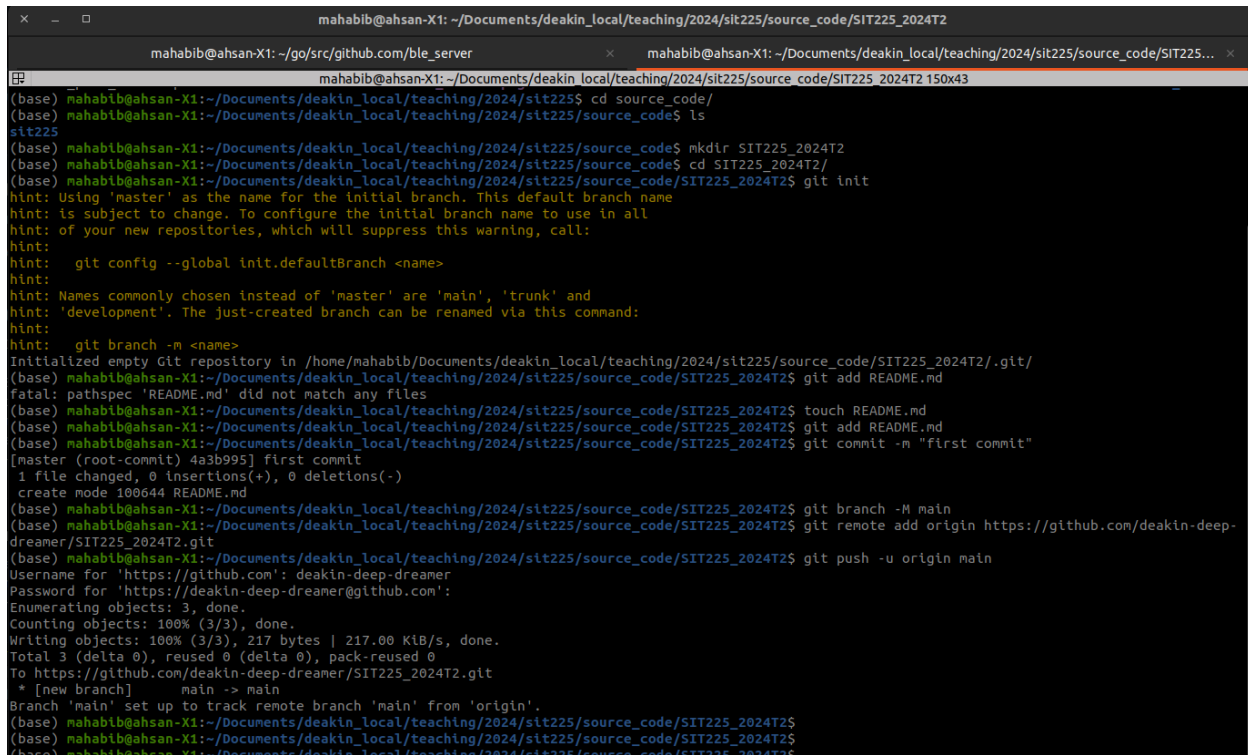
Below 2 commands **branch** and **remote** are for the first time only, which does not requires next time when you commit something (say, you have created week_1 folder and your Arduino sketch and Python scripts in it). The branch command informs git to save in the main trunk of the repository. The "remote add origin" links your local git to the GitHub repository which your local git installation will remember for the next time.

```
$ git branch -M main
```

```
$ git remote add origin https://github.com/deakin-deep-dreamer/SIT225\_2024T2.git
```

Now you need to upload your git saved content to GitHub online repository. You will use the git push command following the git commit next time, without needing git branch and git remote command anymore. Git push command will ask your username and password. Use your GitHub username and developer token (classic) for login.

```
$ git push -u origin main
```



```
mahabib@ahsan-X1: ~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2
mahabib@ahsan-X1: ~/go/src/github.com/ble_server
mahabib@ahsan-X1: ~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2
mahabib@ahsan-X1: ~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code$ cd source_code/
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code$ ls
sit225
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code$ mkdir SIT225_2024T2
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code$ cd SIT225_2024T2/
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2$ git init
hint: Using 'master' as the name for the initial branch. This default branch name
hint: is subject to change. To configure the initial branch name to use in all
hint: of your new repositories, which will suppress this warning, call:
hint:
hint:   git config --global init.defaultBranch <name>
hint:
hint: Names commonly chosen instead of 'master' are 'main', 'trunk' and
hint: 'development'. The just-created branch can be renamed via this command:
hint:
hint:   git branch -m <name>
Initialized empty Git repository in /home/mahabib/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2/.git/
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2$ git add README.md
fatal: pathspec 'README.md' did not match any files
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2$ touch README.md
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2$ git add README.md
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2$ git commit -m "first commit"
[master (root-commit) 4a3b995] first commit
 1 file changed, 0 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)
 create mode 100644 README.md
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2$ git branch -M main
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2$ git remote add origin https://github.com/deakin-deep-dreamer/SIT225_2024T2.git
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2$ git push -u origin main
Username for 'https://github.com': deakin-deep-dreamer
Password for 'https://deakin-deep-dreamer@github.com':
Enumerating objects: 3, done.
Counting objects: 100% (3/3), done.
Writing objects: 100% (3/3), 217 bytes | 217.00 KiB/s, done.
Total 3 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
To https://github.com/deakin-deep-dreamer/SIT225_2024T2.git
 * [new branch]   main -> main
Branch 'main' set up to track remote branch 'main' from 'origin'.
(base) mahabib@ahsan-X1:~/Documents/deakin_local/teaching/2024/sit225/source_code/SIT225_2024T2$
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```


The above terminal is in Ubuntu which may not be the same for your case but consider above and match with the instructions above for better understanding.

Refresh your github page and you will see the content you have created in your computer.

What is next?

Create a week_1 folder in parent folder SIT225_2024T2 using your file explorer. Open terminal and go to SIT225_2024T2 folder and issue below commands in sequence -

```
$ git add *
```

```
$ git commit -m "week 1 content"
```

```
$ git push -u origin main
```

You are good to go!

Welcome to git !!!