**CONNECT LOCAL PROJECT FOLDER TO GITHUB REPO**

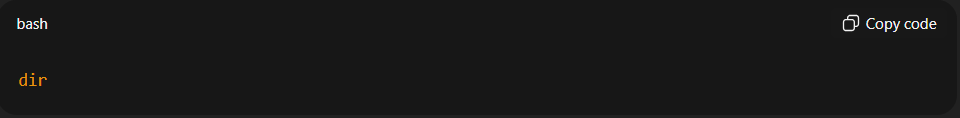
***Step 1: Make sure you’re in your project folder***

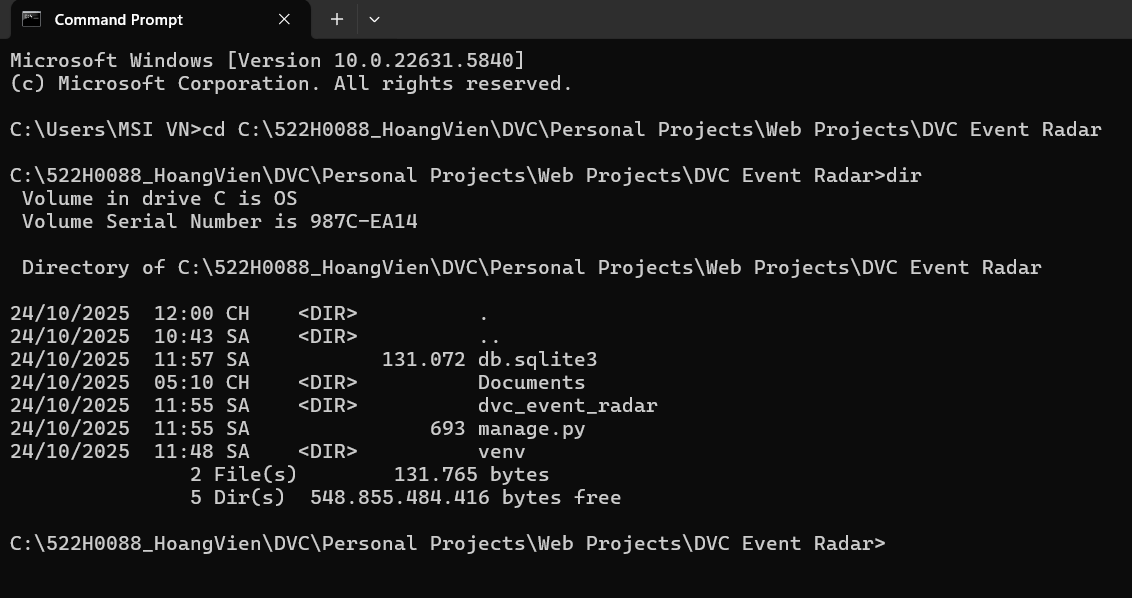
Open your terminal (Command Prompt / PowerShell) and navigate to your Django project folder. For example:

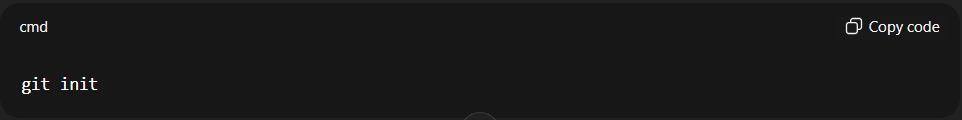
cd "C:\Users\MSI VN\Web Projects\DVC Event Radar"

Check you’re in the right place:

dir

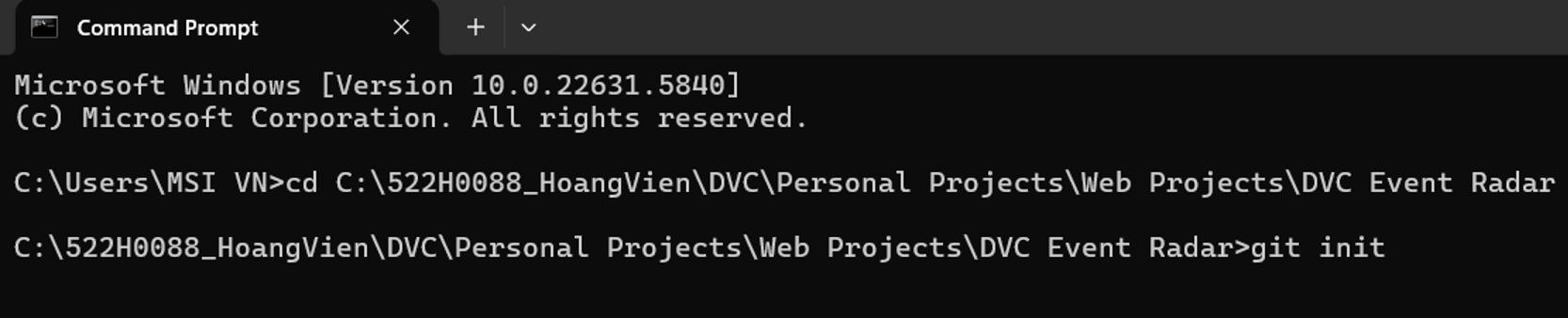


You should see something similar to this:

***Step 2: Initialize Git (if not done already)***

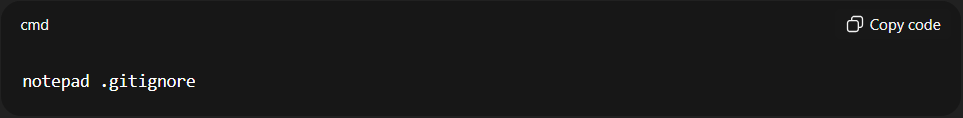
git init

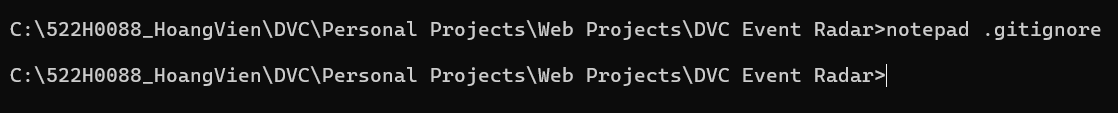
This creates a local Git repository.

Example:

***Step 3: Create a .gitignore file***

This prevents unnecessary files from being committed.

notepad .gitignore

Example:

This creates a .gitignore file. Now copy and paste this in the file:

# Python

\*.pyc

\_\_pycache\_\_/

# Virtual environment

venv/

# Database

db.sqlite3

# Environment variables

.env

# OS-specific

.DS\_Store

Thumbs.db

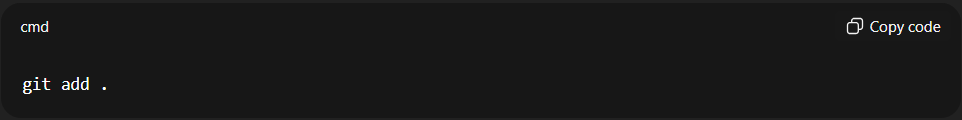
# Django migrations

\*/migrations/\*.py

\*/migrations/\*.pyc

Now save and close the file.

***4. Add files to Git***

******git add .

Only the files that are **not** in .gitignore will be added.