

1. Create a GitHub account

- Go to github.com or use this link <https://github.com/join>
- you can have an overview of the process here <https://www.wikihow.com/Create-an-Account-on-GitHub>

2. Install git on your computer

- Type `git --version` and `which git` in your terminal to check if git is already installed.
- If it is not installed, install git on your computer <https://github.com/git-guides/install-git>

3. Link git to your GitHub account

- Option 1

- Use the git commands in the Terminal:

```
git config --global user.name 'Alex H'  
git config --global user.email 'alex.herbay@gmail.com'  
git config --global --list
```

The name that will
appear in your commits

The email used for your
GitHub account

- Option 2

- Use the function `use_git_config` from the R package `usethis`
(install it if necessary: `install.packages("usethis")`)

```
library(usethis)  
use_git_config( user.name = "Alex H",  
                user.email = "alex.herbay@gmail.com")
```

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