**Git** 

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**Introduction:** 

**Version Control:** 

Version Control systems is a software tool that helps to track the files or set of data over time

so that if one needs, then he can recall back to the specific version later. It helps to manage

your codebase very efficiently. If a mistake appears, then developers can easily compare the

earlier versions of code and fix the problem and manage the disruption between the team

members.

There are undoubtedly different types of version control, but here I am going to talk about Git

specifically.

Git and Github:

Git is by far the most widely used modern version control system. It is an actively maintained

open source project which was initially developed by Linus Torvalds in 2005, the creator of

Linux operating system kernel.

Github is a code hosting platform that is based on Git version control for collaborations and

like-minded people.

Before moving further, there are some terms one should know,

• **Repository**:- A GitHub repository is used to store the development of the project. It

also includes a license file and a README file about the project.

• **Branch**:- A GitHub branch enables developers to create and work on different

versions of the repository simultaneously. By default, a repository contains a master

branch, and other branches are just a copy of it.

• Commits:- Changes made are recorded.

• Pull requests:- It helps collaborators to merge the proposed changes with the master

branch.

## **Git Commands:**

- 1. **git init** When you first start any project, type this in **git bash** or terminal, it initialize the git repository in your folder.
- 2. **touch .gitignore** You dont want to keep everything in source control, especially all the heavy dependencies file. **Note**:- 'touch' only works when you are in your project directory
- 3. **git add .** It stages all the changes in the files for commit.
- 4. **git reset** . It unstaged the file from a commit.
- 5. **git reset --hard** It not only unstaged the file but delete it too, so be careful in using this command. **Note**:- Make a habit for small commits; even you change one or two lines of code, commit it so in future it would be easy to track the faulty codes.
- 6. **git commit -m ''\$your\_message''** After staging all your changes, it commits your changes with a message so that you can remember at a certain point what did you change. **Note:-** To get GitHub's star start using emojis during committing because more stars mean how good a project is.
- 7. **git branch** It tells in which branch you are working in the repository.
- 8. **git checkout -b "\$branch\_name"** It helps you to create a new branch with a given branch name.
- 9. **git stash -u** If you don't want to commit your progress but save it for future use, then stash command takes your modified tracked files, stage the changes, save them on a stack of unfinished changes to reapply at any time.
- 10. **git stash pop** Then later, if you want to apply the committed stack, you can use this command.
- 11. **git merge "\$branch\_name"** It let you merge your other branch with the master branch, your branch, and master branch id becomes the same. **Note:-** This sometimes leads to conflicts. Then you have to review it and fix the conflicts manually; this why committing to small changes are considered the best choice.
- 12. **git merge "\$branch\_name" --squash -** Sometimes commits in child branches are ahead of commits of the master branch so to keep the commit history concise, this command helps to squash them down to single commit but still preserve all the commits in child branches.

- 13. **git remote add origin "\$url"** It helps to add a new remote in the directory your repository is stored at. **Note:-** It takes two arguments, remote name "origin" and second remote URL.
- 14. git push -u origin master this only pushes your master branch to origin.

# Git bash:

**Git Bash** is a source control management system for Windows. It allows users to type Git commands that make source code management easier through versioning and commit history. **Bash** is a Linux-based command line (that has been ported over to Windows) while **Shell** is a native Windows command line.

Installing Git bash:

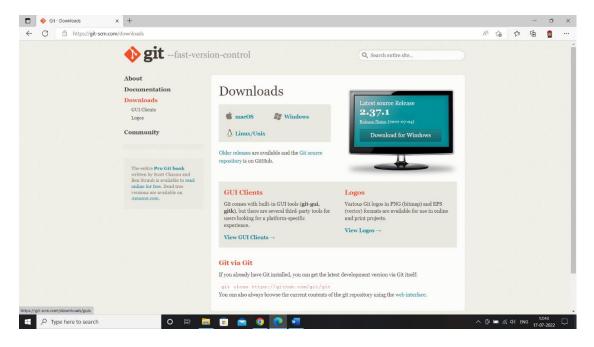
Step 1:

Download the Git Bash setup from the official website: https://git-scm.com/



#### Step 2

#### Download the installer.



### Step 3

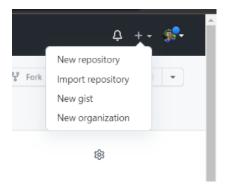
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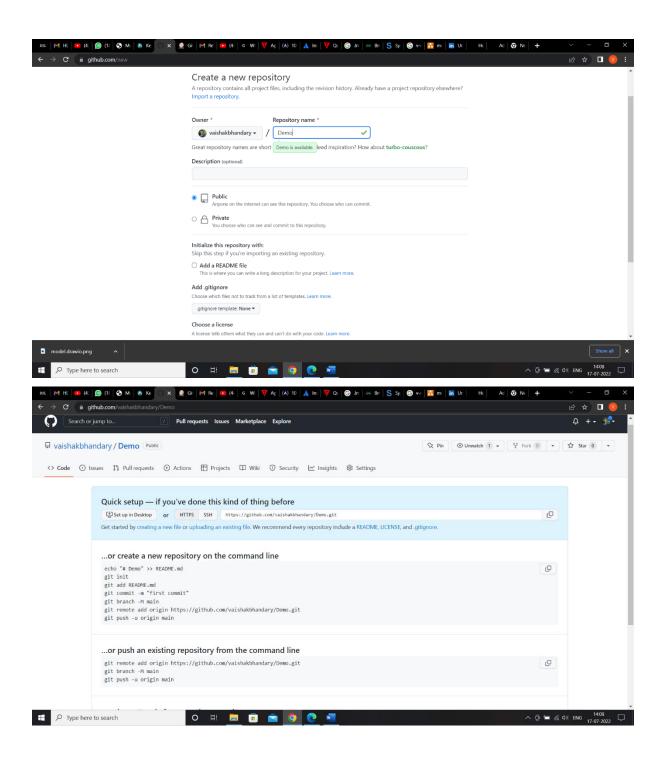
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Run Git Bash by right-clicking on any folder and selecting the **Git Bash Here** option from the context menu(right-click menu).

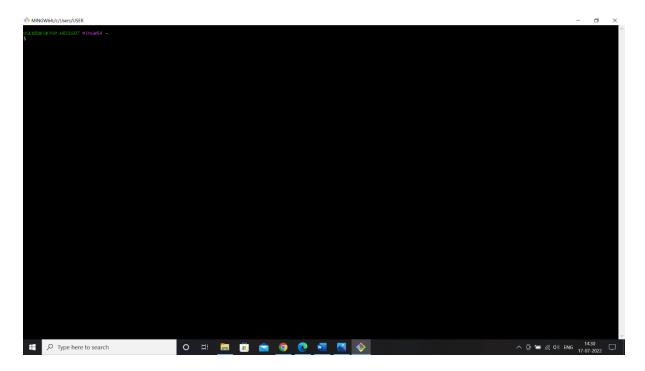
### **Git Terminal:**

Step 1 : Create a new repository on GitHub.com. To avoid errors, do not initialize the new repository with README, license, or gitignore files. You can add these files after your project has been pushed to GitHub.

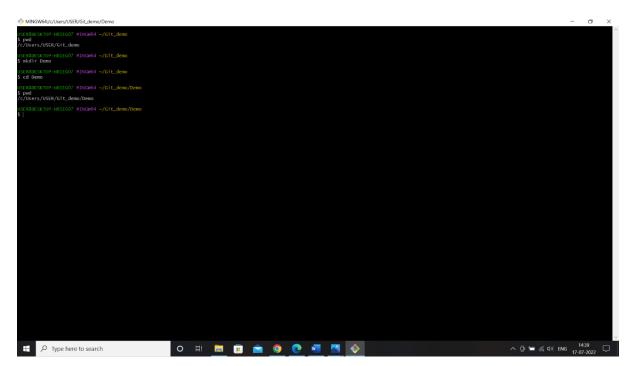




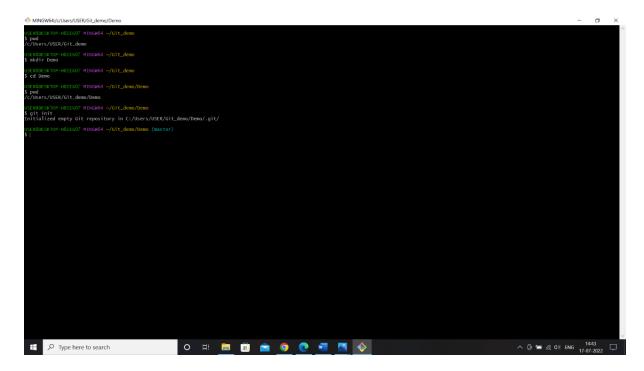
# Step 2: Open Git Bash.



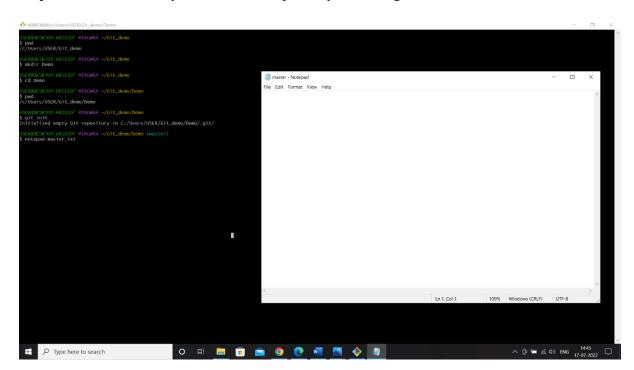
Step 3 : Change the current working directory to your local project.



Step 4: Initialize the local directory as a Git repository.



Step 5: Add the files in your new local repository. This stages them for the first commit.

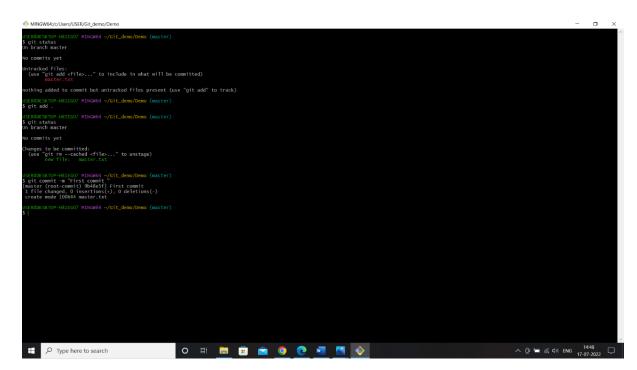


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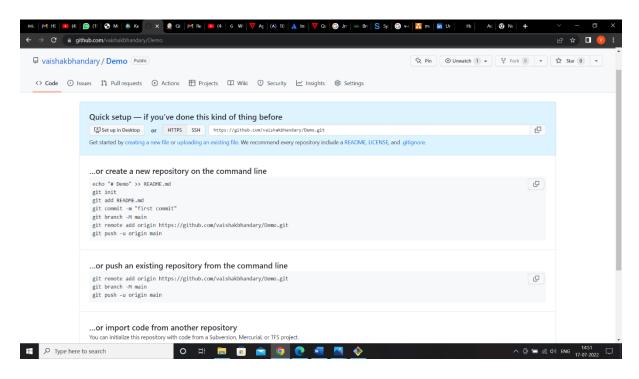
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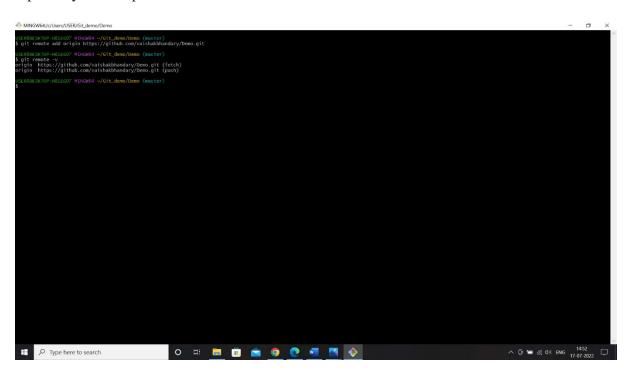
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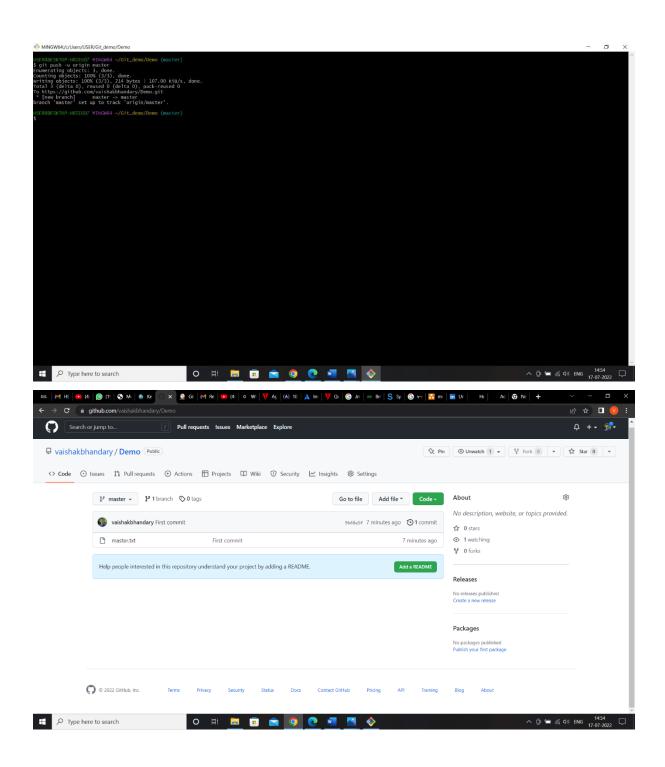
Step 7: At the top of your repository on GitHub.com's Quick Setup page, click to copy the remote repository URL.



Step 8: In the Command prompt, add the URL for the remote repository where your local repository will be pushed.



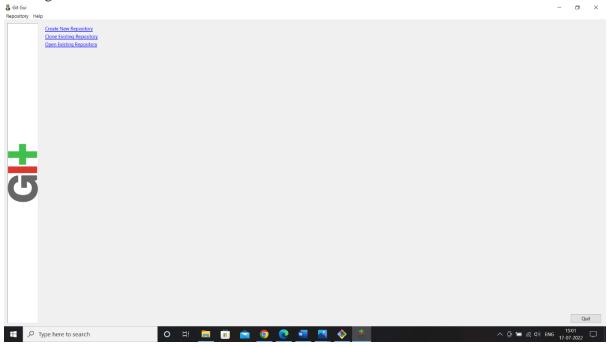
Step 9: Push the changes in your local repository to GitHub.com.



# **GUI:**

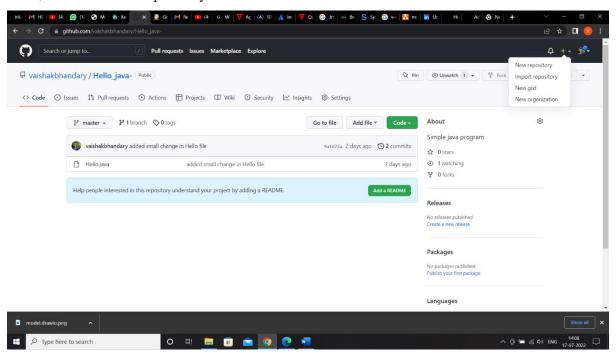
Step 1 : Go to Start > All Programs > Git > Git GUI and make a Desktop Shortcut.

Getting started with Git GUI

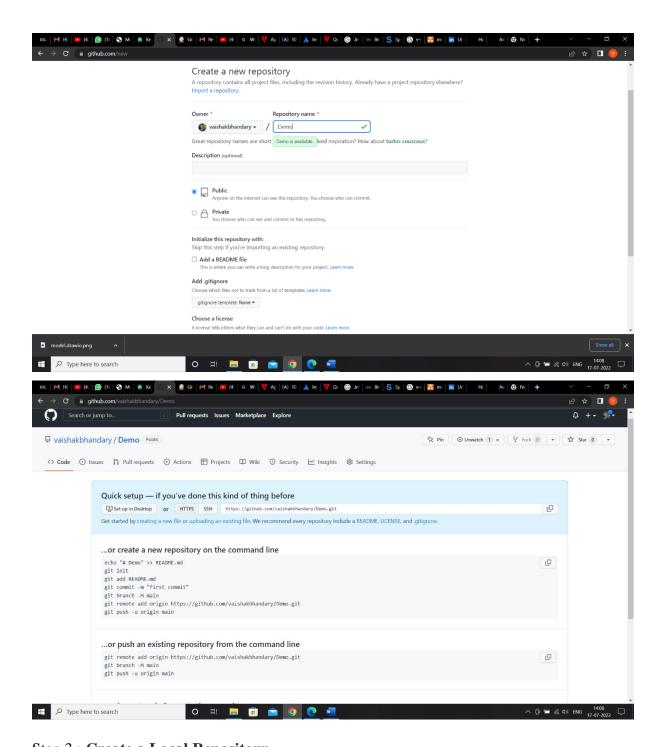


**Step 2: Create Remote Repository** 

Now, we need a Git repository



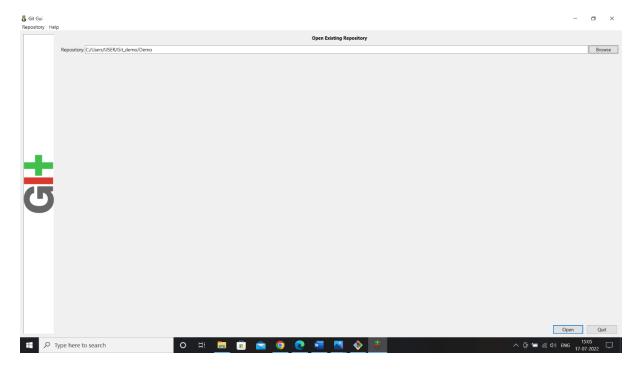
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**Step 3 : Create a Local Repository** 

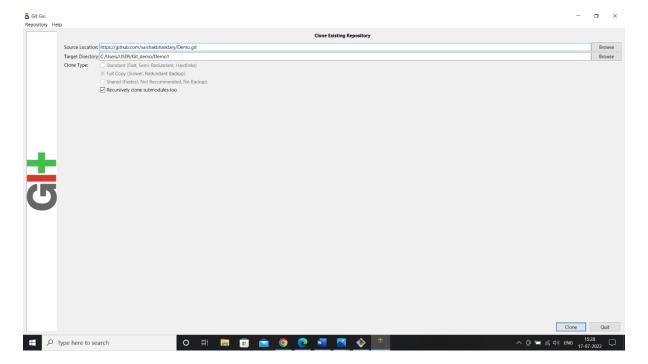
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For creating a local repository: in our Git GUI, click on "Create New Repository". Select the location you wish to store your repository in. It is important to note that the selected repository location



Step 4 : Clone a Remote Repository to a Local Repository

In order to clone a repository, click on the "Clone Existing Repository" link in the Git GUI window. An existing repository is one that is already initialized and/or has commits pushed to it.

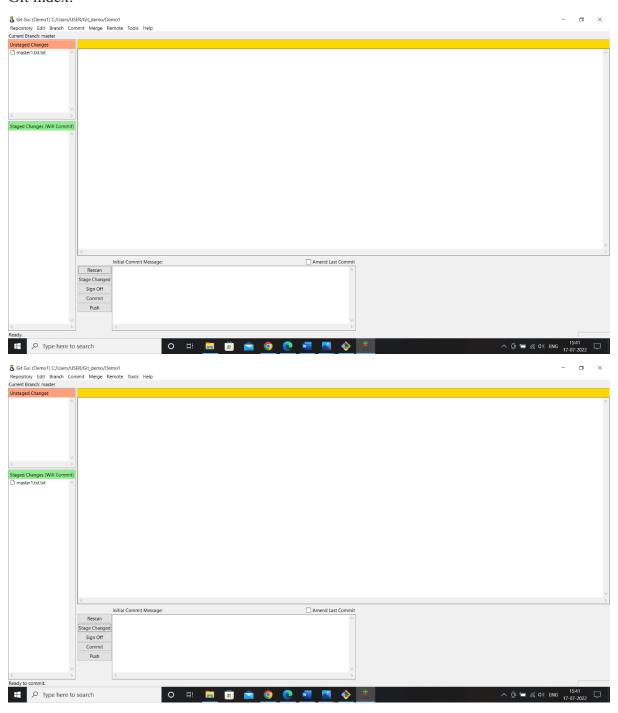


#### Step 5: Working with the GUI Client

The Git GUI makes it easier to perform Git-related tasks, such as staging changes, commits, and pushes.

### Staged Changes

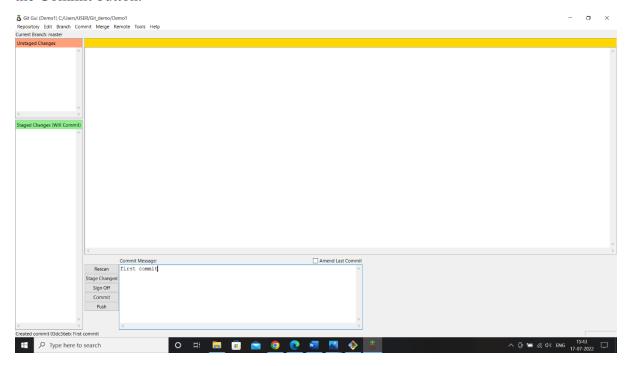
When we move files to a Git directory, you will see all the files in the "Unstaged Changes" window. This basically means that new files have been added, removed, updated, etc. When we click the "Stage Changed" button, it will attempt to add all the new files to the Git index.



# Step 6:

#### Commits:

After we've staged your changes, we need to commit them to your local repository. Type a Commit Message that makes sense to the changes that were made. When we are done, press the Commit button.



### Step 7:

### Pushing:

After we have committed all the codes in the local repository, we need to push these changes to our remote repository on GitHub. Without pushing the changes, others would not be able to access the code.

