

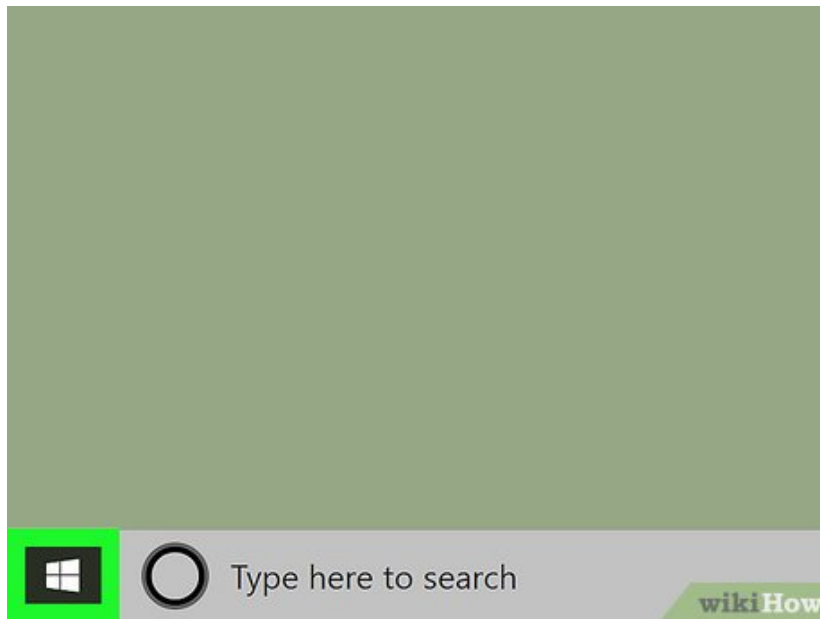
How to Update DirectX Settings

Microsoft DirectX is a set of Application Programming Interfaces (API) required for running the multimedia features on Windows. It is most commonly used with gaming and video applications. There is no way to access or make changes to...

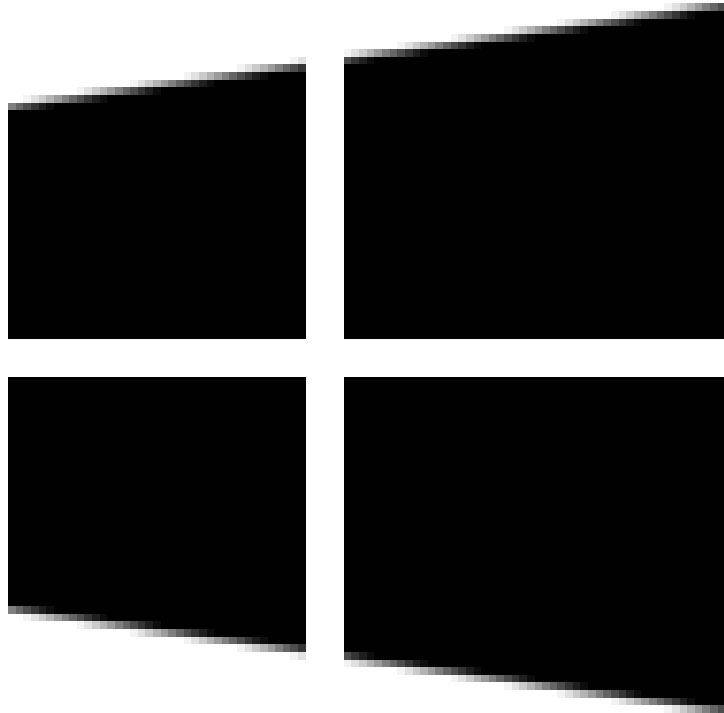
Method 1 of 2:

Checking Your Version of DirectX

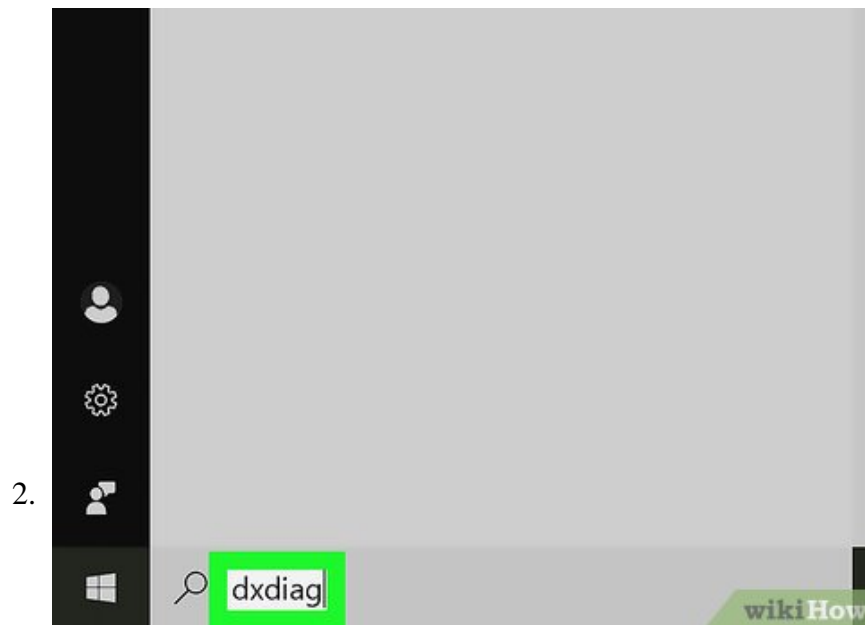
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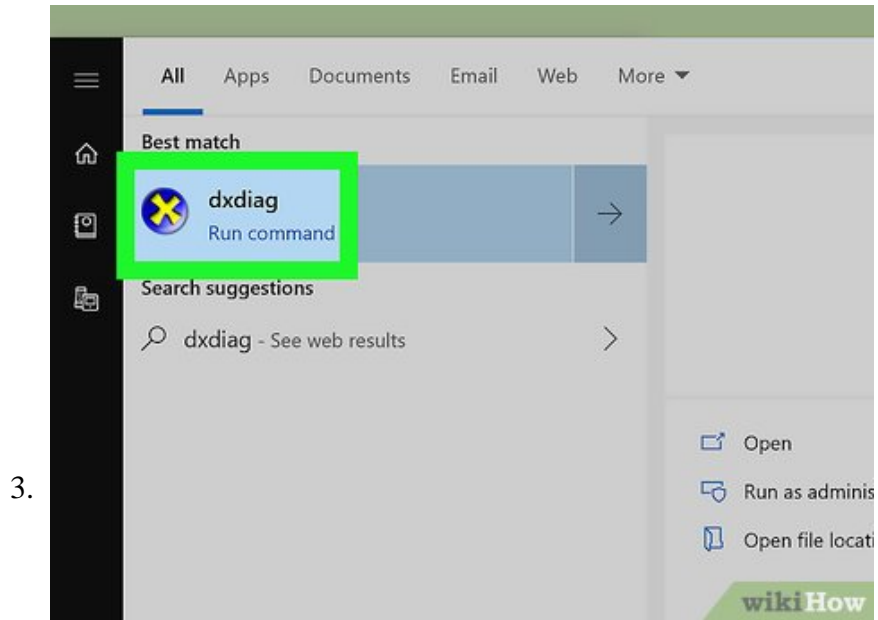
Click the Windows Start menu



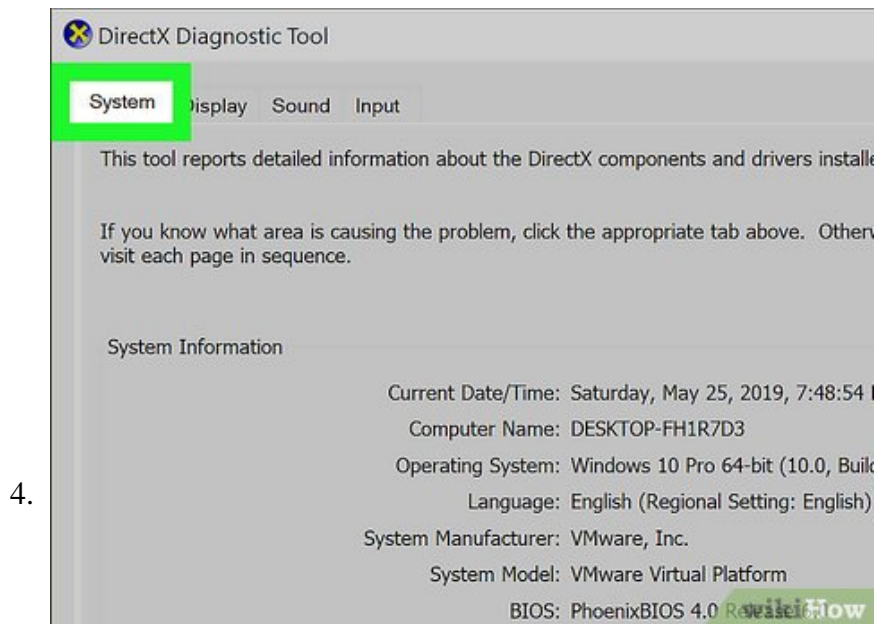
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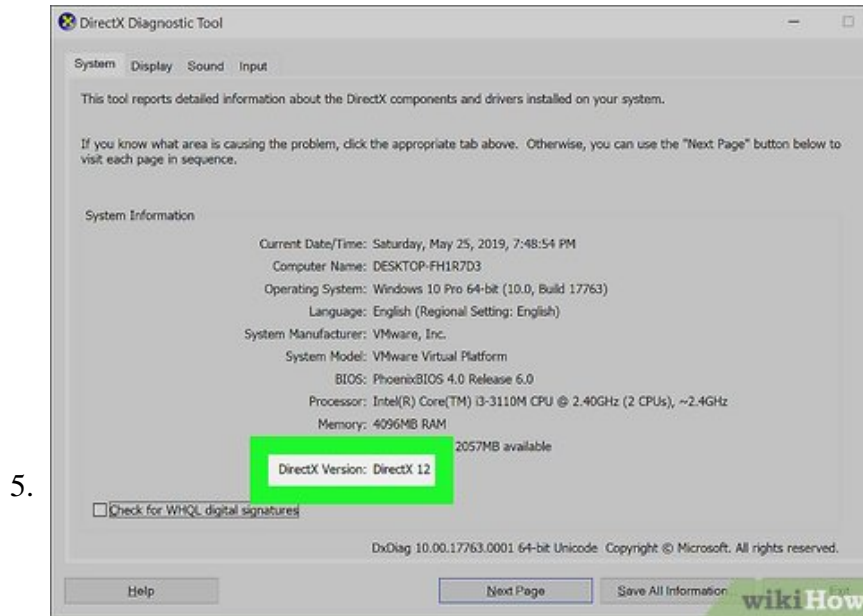
Type **dxdiag**. This displays a list of matching applications in the Windows Start menu.



Click **dxdiag**. It's next to a purple icon with a yellow "X". It's at the top of the Windows Start menu. This displays the DirectX Diagnostic Tool.



Click the **System** tab. It's the first tab at the top of the DirectX Diagnostic Tool window. This displays the "System Information" list.



Check your version of DirectX. It's next to "DirectX Version" at the bottom of the "System Information" list. The latest version of DirectX is **DirectX 12**.

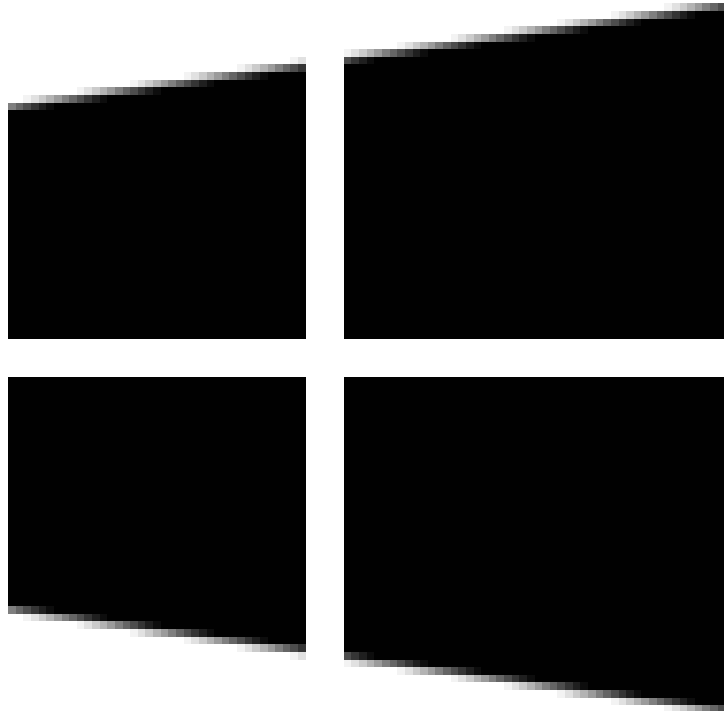
1. Click the other tabs at the top of the DirectX Diagnostic Tool, and then look at the box at the bottom of the window to see if there are any detected problems with DirectX.

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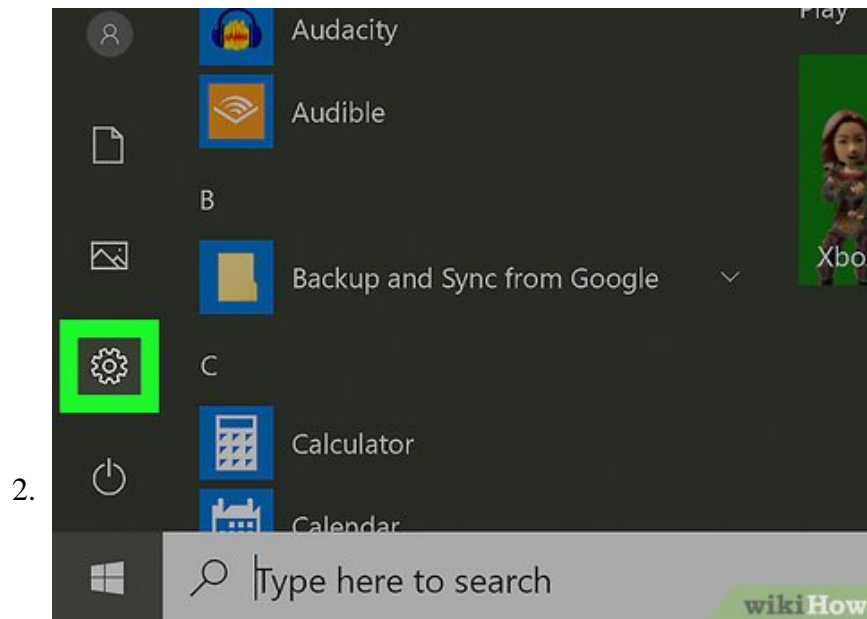
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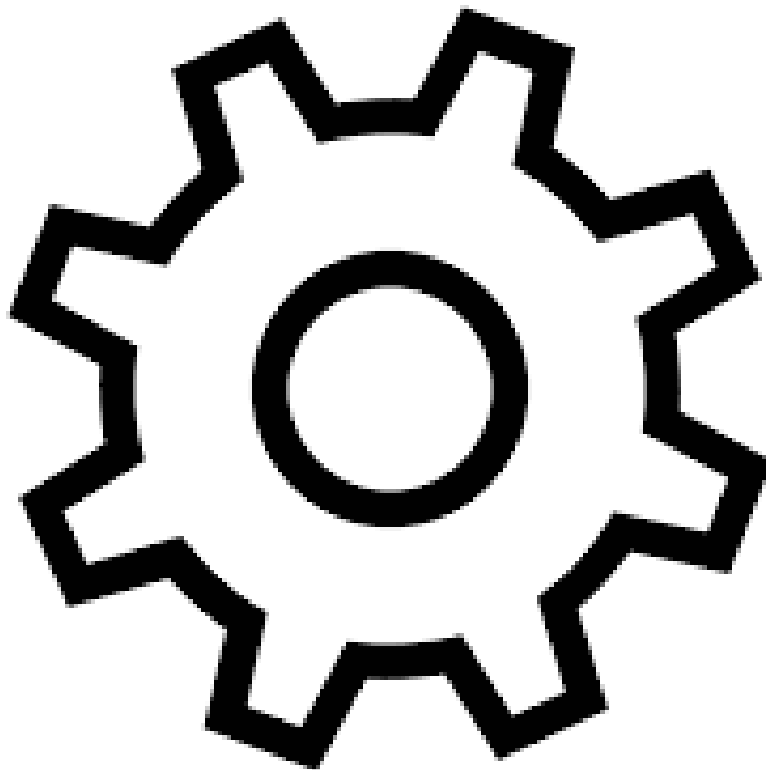
Click the Windows Start menu



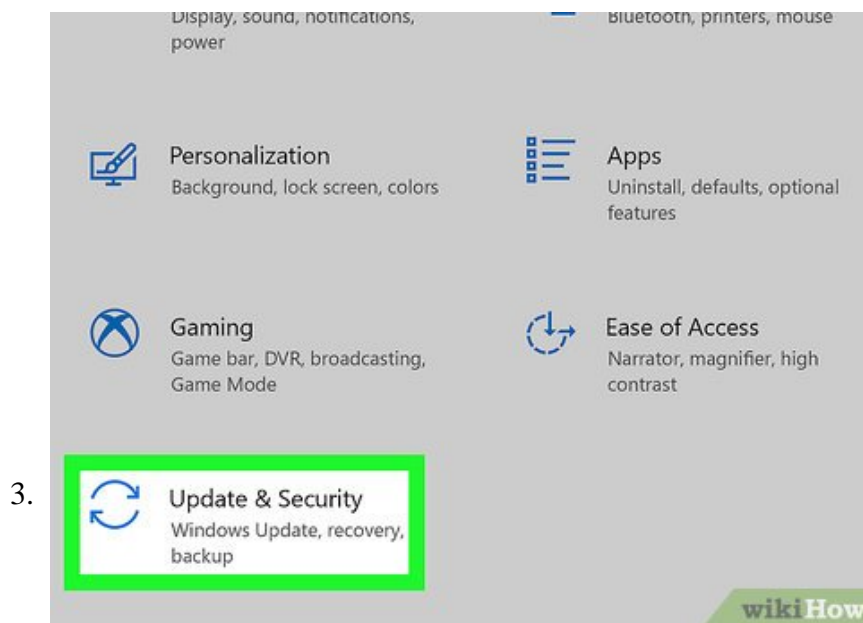
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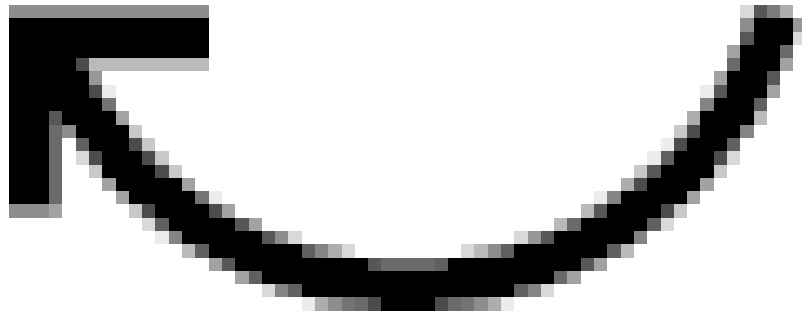
Click Settings



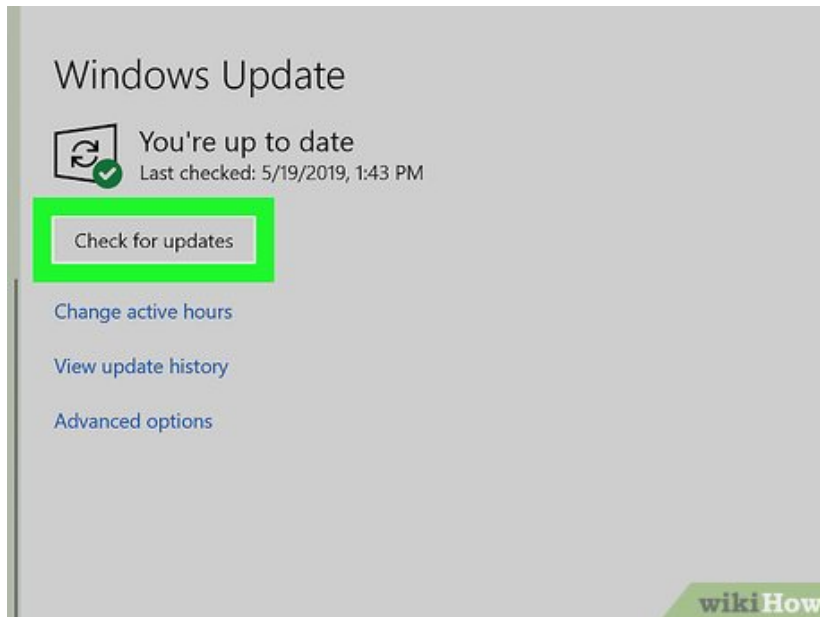
icon. It's the icon that resembles a gear on the left side the Windows Start menu. This displays the Windows Settings.



Click the **Windows & Security**



option. It's the last option on the Windows Settings page. It's next to an icon that resembles two arching arrows that form a circle.



4.

Click **Check for updates**. It's the grey button at the top of the "Windows Update" page. This checks for updates and downloads and installs any needed updates on your Windows computer.

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