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#### Abstract

The Graphical User Interfaces (managementstudyguide.com) are the development of the past many years to facilitate users to have easy access to the systems through a set of icons. The icons are small boxes indicating the operation type they can perform once clicked upon by the pointing cursor. These are counter parts of the command line user interfaces as used in the Disk Operating Systems (DOS) environments. The windows operating systems and Mac operating systems are using GUI for all the applications that a system can afford to operate upon. This chapter will teach the students about GUI the start menu and operations related to each one of them in detail.

#### 4.1 Introduction

User interface is a way to communicate with computer system. These can be a common line user interface like Disk Operating Systems—use to have or it can be icon base, graphic base User Interface (managementstudyguide.com) like Windows User Interface. Command line User Interface uses a text base command to interact with a computer system, the difficulty with this interfaces was that the user has to remember all the commands to operate a system and enter them correctly. However in GUI, user has to click for any action on an appropriate icon and by simply doing it, the executions of instruction is carried by the system automatically.