KWOC – Project Report

That amazing feeling when you make your first commit or successfully merge your first pull request is something which cannot be described in words. Thank you KWOC for providing such a great opportunity.

#Getting Started

Choosing the project was a very challenging task for me as I was new to python and open source I wanted the project be easy enough to get me going, something on which I have already worked upon like 'KOSS Chatbot', and new enough to learn something like 'Naarad'. Finally after some brainstorming i decided to learn something new. I chose 'Naarad'.

Naarad (GitHub | Website) is a news aggregator localized to the students of IIT Kharagpur. That is, Naarad scrapes IIT Kharagpur related posts from various IIT Kharagpur pages on facebook, to show them all at one place.

#Work/Challenges

I did a course for Git on Udacity which took time but was finally able to complete with satisfaction. I started getting help from my mentor Ayush Goyal. I setup my local git and started working. I started late and we had to have at least 1 commit till 15th of December. I cloned the project but was getting error while running the files as the files were setup in linux environment and I was using windows. I did some search and found the bug and then did some required changes. I was ready for my first commit. I committed and sent a pull request on 14th of December. Till morning it was accepted and I was really happy to see my first pull request getting merged. With full of joy I opened KWOC leaderboard but to my surprise it was still showing zero commit with my name. I got sad. Later when I mailed KOSS I came to know that I have setup my local git with wrong email-id and hence even after so much of struggle i still had zero commit on the leaderboard.

On 14th December I made my second commit with correct email-id and was successful in getting it merged on 15th of December.

I tried, I failed, I tried again and I learnt.

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