GitHub

Big Data y Machine Learning para Economía Aplicada

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Intro to Git (Hub)

Motivation

- ▶ Git
 - Git is a distributed version control system
 - ▶ It is optimized for the things that economists and data scientists spend a lot of time working on (e.g. code).
- ► GitHub
 - ► It's important to realize that Git and GitHub are distinct things.
 - ► GitHub is an online hosting platform built on top of the Git system. (Like Bitbucket and GitLab.)
 - ▶ Just like we don't *need* Rstudio to run R code, we don't *need* GitHub to use Git

- ► This is what Andrés and I will do
 - Andrés: Fork the Problem Set folder and invite me, Ignacio, to join as a collaborator on the PS GitHub repo (See the Settings tab of your repo.)
 - Andrés will add a script to the folder.
 - Ignacio: Clone Andrés repo to my local machine. Make some edits to the script. Stage, commit and push these changes.
 - ► Andrés: Make your own changes to the script on your local machine. Stage, commit and then try to push them

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# script
Some text here.
<<<<<< HEAD
Text added by Partner 2.
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Text added by Partner 1.
>>>>>> 814e09178910383c128045ce67a58c9c1df3f558.
More text here.
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► Git is protecting Andres by refusing the merge. It wants to make sure that you don't accidentally overwrite all of your changes by pulling my version of the script.

- ► Fixing these conflicts is a simple matter of (manually) editing the script file.
 - ▶ Delete the lines of the text that you don't want.
 - ► Then, delete the special Git merge conflict symbols.
- Once that's done, you should be able to stage, commit, pull and finally push your changes to the GitHub repo without any errors.
 - ► Andrés gets to decide what to keep because they fixed the merge conflict.
 - ▶ The full commit history is preserved, I can always recover their changes if desired.
 - Another solution is using branches

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Branches



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