Lab 0: Create Bluemix and GitHub accounts

Objective

This lab sets up the pre-requisite accounts for the remaining labs.

Prerequisites

Prior to running these labs, you must have a Bluemix account, a GitHub account and access to a lab laptop. Follow the steps in this lab to create one or both of those accounts. Note you will need access to your eMail account to confirm the account setup activity.

Tasks:

- Task 1: Create Bluemix trial account
- Task 2: Create GitHub account

Task 1: Create Bluemix trial account

1. If you already have an active Bluemix account, you can skip this task.
2. Open a web browser and enter the following URL: https://console.ng.bluemix.net/
3. Click on the **Sign Up** button.
4. Follow the directions to fill out the form. Note you will need access to an eMail account to confirm the account setup activity. Make note of the password you specify.
5. Click **Create Account**. This will cause Bluemix to send an email to the eMail account you specified.
6. Login into the eMail account you specified. Open the eMail with the subject: *Action Required: Confirm your Bluemix account*.
7. Click on the **Confirm Account** button.
8. You now have an active Bluemix trial account.

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Task 2: Create GitHub account

1. If you already have a GitHub account, skip this task.
2. In a web browser, enter the following URL: https://github.com/
3. Follow the directions to fill out the form. Note you will need access to an eMail account to confirm the account setup activity. Make note of the password you specify.
4. Click on the **Sign up for GitHub** button. This will cause GitHub to send an email to the eMail account you specified.
5. Login into the eMail account you specified. Open the eMail from GitHub with the subject: *Please verify your email address*.
6. Click on the **Verify email address** link.
7. You now have an active GitHub account.