Git Fundamentals Notes

🔹 What is Git?

- **Git** is a **distributed version control system** used to track changes in source code during software development.
- It allows multiple developers to work on a project simultaneously and maintains a history of every change.

🔹 Git Architecture

- **Local Machine**: Git is installed here. Developers write code and use Git to track changes.
- **Remote Server**: Platforms like **GitHub**, **BitBucket**, and **GitLab** host repositories online.

🔹 How Git Works

Developer Workflow:

1. Write code.
2. Use Git CLI (Command Line Interface) to track changes.
3. Push changes to a remote server.

Git CLI Syntax:

```
$ git <command> [options]
```

Example: $ git status

🔹 Starting a Git Project

🅰️ Method 1: Clone from GitHub

1. Clone the repository:

```
git clone <repository-url>
```

2. Make changes locally.
3. Commit changes.
4. Push changes back to GitHub.

🅱️ Method 2: Initialize Locally

1. Initialize Git:

```
git init
```

2. Make changes and commit.
3. Connect to GitHub:

```
git remote add origin <repository-url>
```

4. Push changes:

```
git push -u origin main
```

🔹 Connecting to GitHub

Using HTTPS:

```
git clone https://github.com/username/repo-name.git
```

Using SSH:

- Secure connection via port 22.
- Requires SSH key setup.

🔹 Git Repository Structure

After cloning or initializing:

- .git/ folder: Tracks changes.
- main branch: Default branch.
- origin/main: Remote branch.

🔹 Common Git Commands

Command	Description
git clone <URL>	Clone a remote repository
git init	Initialize a local repository
git status	Show current status of files
git add <file>	Stage file for commit
git commit -m "message"	Commit staged changes
git push origin main	Push commits to GitHub
git log	View commit history
git config --global user.name "Name"	Set global username

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git config --global user.email "Email"	Set global email

🔹 **Linux Commands in Git Bash**

Command	Description
ls	List files and directories
cd ..	Move to parent directory
cat <file>	Display file contents
cd -	Move to the previous directory
cd ~	Move to home directory of the user

🧪 **Lab Practice: Hands-On Git**

🧭 **Objective:**

Create a simple HTML project and track it using Git.

🛠️ **Steps:**

1. **Create a directory and initialize Git**

```
mkdir my-git-project
cd my-git-project
git init
```

2. **Create a file**

```
touch index.html
echo "<h1>Hello Git</h1>" > index.html
```

3. **Check status and add file**

```
git status
git add index.html
```

4. **Commit the file**

```
git commit -m "Added index.html"
```

5. **Set Git user info (if needed)**

```
git config --global user.name "Your Name"
git config --global user.email "your.email@example.com"
```

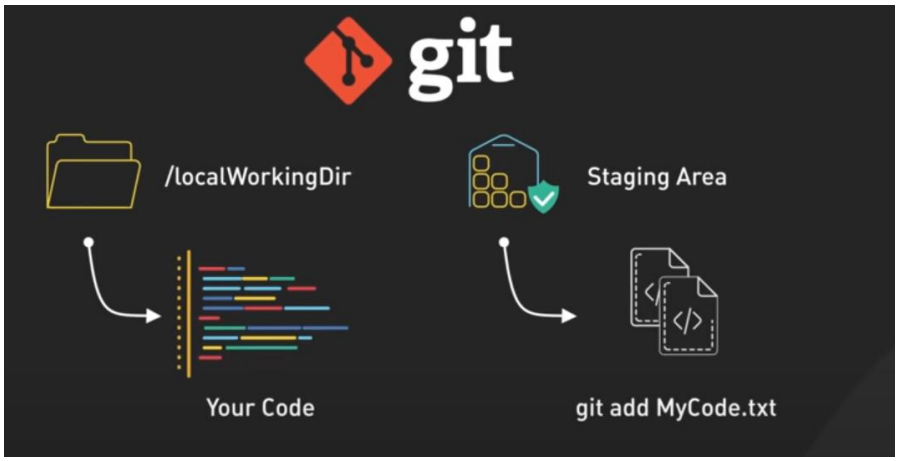
6. **Connect to GitHub and push**

```
git remote add origin https://github.com/yourusername/my-
git-project.git
git push -u origin main
```

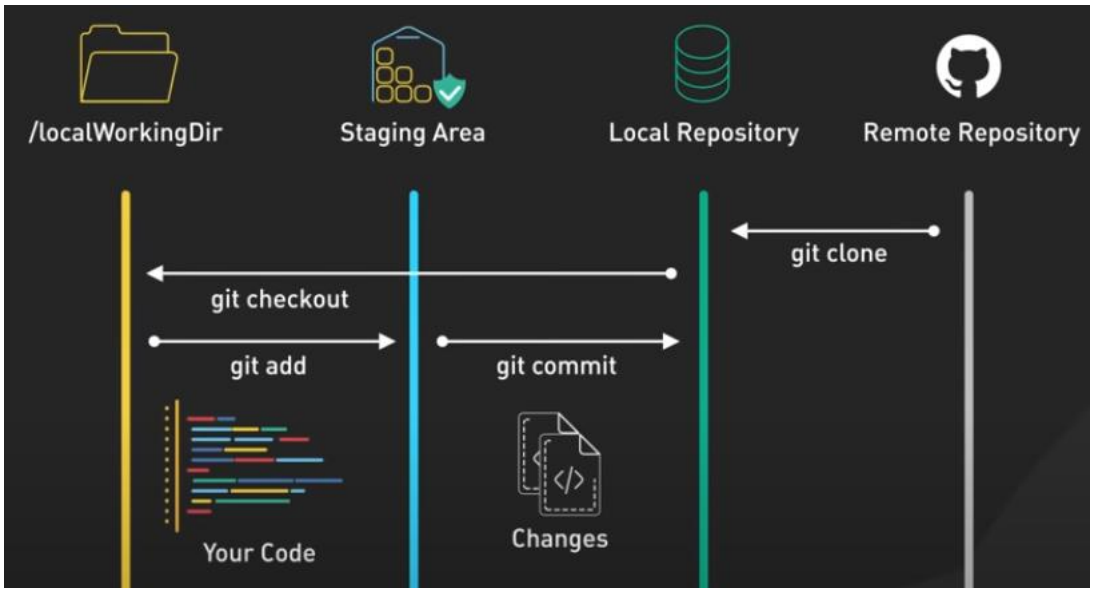
Workflow of Git

Three areas:

1. **Working Directory** – Your project folder
2. **Staging area** – A temporary holding area for changes before committing
3. **Git repository** – Local repository where we store commits locally on machine.



How Git Works?



A diagram illustrating the relationship between local and remote branches with commits in Git. It shows how commits are made locally and then pushed to the remote repository.