Exercise: Branches and Pull Requests on GitHub

prerequise create your own github account to do this exercise

Objective:

Practice creating branches, making changes, and opening pull requests using only GitHub's web interface. Simulate a collaborative development environment without using the command line.

Steps:

1. Setup the Repository:

- Create a new GitHub repository for your web application.
- Initialize the repository with a basic web application codebase.

2. Define Branching Strategy:

• Choose a branching strategy (e.g., **main** as the primary branch, feature branches for development).

3. Create a Feature Branch:

- Navigate to your GitHub repository.
- Click on the "Branch" button and create a new branch for a specific feature (e.g., feature-login).

4. Make Changes:

- Navigate to the new branch and make changes to the codebase related to the login feature.
- Commit the changes directly on the branch.

5. Open a Pull Request:

- Go to the "Pull Requests" tab on your GitHub repository.
- Click on the "New Pull Request" button.
- Set the base branch as **main** and the compare branch as **feature-login**.
- Add a description of the changes and open the pull request.

6. Code Review:

- Review the changes in the pull request.
- Comment on specific lines of code or the overall changes.
- Discuss any concerns or suggestions with team members using GitHub comments.

7. Merge the Pull Request:

- If the code review is successful, merge the pull request into the **main** branch.
- Confirm the merge on GitHub.

8. Repeat for Other Features:

• Repeat the process for other features or bug fixes by creating new feature branches and opening pull requests.

9. Handle Merge Conflicts (Optional):

- Introduce a conflicting change in the **main** branch using GitHub's web interface.
- Attempt to merge a feature branch with conflicting changes.
- Resolve the merge conflict using GitHub's built-in tools.