

Git / GitHub Tutorial

1) Create Repository

- a. Create a folder for your git repositories (e.g. c:\git).
- b. Make a directory (mkdir TestGit) called TestGit and go into it (cd TestGit) using the Git Bash
- c. Convert the TestGit directory to a git Repository: **git init**

2) Commit Changes to the Repository

- a. Create a file called test.txt in the TestGit directory and write some text in it.
- b. See the unstaged files in the repository: **git status**
- c. Stage the file in preparation for adding it to the repository: **git add test.txt**
- d. See the staged files in the repository: **git status**
- e. Commit the file to the repository: **git commit -m "First File"**
- f. Change the file and do a **git add** and a **git commit** again.

3) Branches

- a. Create a branch to do a new task: **git branch task12**
- b. Display a list of all the branches: **git branch -a**
- c. Change to the branch: **git checkout task12**
- d. Create a new file in the branch called hello.txt and write some text in it.
- e. Use **git add** and **git commit** to commit the change to the branch (note that if you want to add all unstaged files use "." instead of the filename when you do the **git add**).
- f. Go back to the master (main) branch: **git checkout master**
- g. Look at the files in the folder and notice there is no hello.txt since it only exists in the branch

4) Rebase a Branch

- a. Change test.txt in master. Commit the change in master.
- b. Change back to the branch: **git checkout task12**
- c. Notice that test.txt does not have the update you made in the master branch.
- d. Rebase the branch so it contains the latest updates from the master: **git rebase master**
- e. Look at test.txt and you will see the changes from master.

5) Merge a Branch

- a. Go back to the master branch: **git checkout master**
- b. Merge the changes you made in the branch into master: **git merge task12**
- c. Notice the file created in the branch is now in master
- d. Delete the branch since it is not needed anymore: **git branch -d task12**

6) Create GitHub Repository

- a. Three ways to create a repository in Github:
 - i. Create a project in Github and then clone it on your hard drive from the folder where you have your git repositories (e.g. c:\git): **git clone <Github URL>**
NOTE: You can do this with the CS246_Class repository
 - ii. Use IntelliJ to “Share Project in Github” (you will do this in assignment 4). This will create a Git repository wherever you have your project stored on your hard drive.
 - iii. If you already have a git repository on your computer (which we have been doing in this tutorial), then you can first create a repository in Github and then type the following:
git remote add origin <Github URL>
git push -u origin master
After doing this initial push, you can just do **git push** and **git pull**

7) Synchronize Changes with GitHub

- a. Make a change to test.txt and commit the change to your repository.
- b. Share the changes with Github:
 - i. Always first get the latest changes from Github: **git pull**
 - ii. Send your changes to Github: **git push**
- c. Go into GitHub and see the change that was made

8) Merge Conflicts

- a. Simulate two changes happening by different people at the same time by going into Github and changing test.txt. Click on Commit.
- b. On your computer, change test.txt and commit your change (**git add** and **git commit**)
- c. Always do the pull first: **git pull**
- d. Notice the merge conflict. Edit the file and fix the conflict manually. Redo the **git add** and **git commit** for the updated file.
- e. Redo the pull and notice that it is “up to date”: **git pull**
- f. You can now do the push: **git push**
- g. Go into GitHub and see the change that was made

9) Synchronize a Branch with Github

- a. Create a branch in your repository and commit a change. Push the branch to Github:
 - i. **git branch task40** and **git checkout task40**
 - ii. After modifying the file, **git add** and **git commit**
 - iii. **git push -u origin task40**
- b. After the initial push of the branch, you can just do **git push** and **git pull**. Look in GitHub and see the branch. When you merge a branch, you can create a pull request in GitHub for it. This will allow for some reviews and approvals prior to merging the branch into the master.