



INTRODUCTION TO

GIT









1. What is Git, and what is its purpose?

Git is a distributed version control system that helps track changes in files and collaborate on projects. Its purpose is to manage and maintain different versions of code or files, enabling multiple developers to work on the same project simultaneously.



2. What is Repository?

- A Git repository is a virtual storage of your project.
- It allows you to save versions of your code, which you can access when needed.
- It tracks and saves the history of all changes made to the files

Two types of Repository:

- 1. Local Repository
- 2. Remote Repository



3.How is Git different from other version control systems?

Git is different from other version control systems because it is distributed, meaning each developer has a complete copy of the entire project history. This allows for offline work and faster operations compared to centralized systems. Git also has powerful branching and merging capabilities.



What are the basic Git commands you use frequently?

git init

This command let us create a new reposiitory. A hidden .git directory is added to the folder. Most of the git command do not work outside initialized project, so this is the first command you will run in a project Go to project folder > run git init

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$ git init <repository name>
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git commit

This command saves your changes to your local repository. Everytime you commit you have to add a small message about the changes you made. This will help to keep track of the changes later.

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$ git commit -m <commit message>
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git push

This command push your changes from local repository to your remote repository. One can only push the committed changes. It also creates the repository with the branch name you enter if repository does not exist on remote location. If branch is already connected to remote then run - git push



git pull

This command fetches latest changes from remote repository to your local. This is helpful when multiple people are working on same repository. It will help to keep your local repo updated with latest code. If branch is already connected to remote then run - git pul

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$ git pull <Repository Link>
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git clone

This command creates a local copy of a remote repository. When you clone a repo the source code gets automatically downloaded to local machine. This local repo will point to remote repo and can PUSH and PULL changes to it



git add

This command add your changes to staging area where you can compare you local version with remote repo code. It is mandatory to stage the code before commit(push to remote) using git add command. To stage all files use (.) - git add . in the same repo

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$ git add <file>
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git staus

The git status command is used to display the state of the repository and staging area. It allows us to see the tracked, untracked files and changes. This command will not show any commit records or information.

Mostly, it is used to display the state between <u>Git Add</u> and <u>Git commit</u> command. We can check whether the changes and files are tracked or not.



git diff

Git diff is a command-line utility. It's a multiuse Git command. When it is executed, it runs a diff function on Git data sources. These data sources can be files, branches, commits, and more. It is used to show changes between commits, commit, and working tree, etc.





git branch

A branch is a version of the repository that diverges from the main working project. It is a feature available in most modern version control systems. A Git project can have more than one branch. These branches are a pointer to a snapshot of your changes. When you want to add a new feature or fix a bug, you spawn a new branch to summarize your changes. So, it is complex to merge the unstable code with the main code base and also facilitates you to clean up your future history before merging with the main branch



git checkout

In Git, the term checkout is used for the act of switching between different versions of a target entity. The git checkout command is used to switch between branches in a repository. Be careful with your staged files and commits when switching between branches.





git merge

This command merges the specified branch's history into the current branch.

In Git, the merging is a procedure to connect the forked history. It joins two or more development history together. The git merge command facilitates you to take the data created by git branch and integrate them into a single branch. Git merge will associate a series of commits into one unified history. Generally, git merge is used to combine two branches.

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$ git merge <branch name>
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git remote add <name> <url>

Adds a remote repository with a specified name and URL.

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$ git checkout <branchname>
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git remote -v

List the remote connections you have to other repositories.



git log

Displays a history of commits.

Git log is a utility tool to review and read a history of everything that happens to a repository. Multiple options can be used with a git log to make history more specific.





git stash

Temporarily saves changes that are not ready to be committed.

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$ git status
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git fetch

Downloads changes from a remote repository without merging them.

Git fetch Downloads commits, objects and refs from another repository. It fetches branches and tags from one or more repositories. It holds repositories along with the objects that are necessary to complete their histories to keep updated remote-tracking branches.

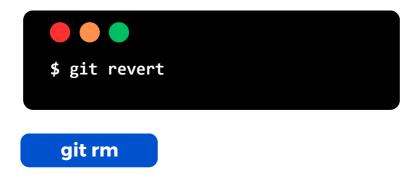




git revert

Creates a new commit that undoes a previous commit.

In Git, the term revert is used to revert some changes. The git revert command is used to apply revert operation. It is an undo type command. However, it is not a traditional undo alternative. It does not delete any data in this process; instead, it will create a new change with the opposite effect and thereby undo the specified commit. Generally, git revert is a commit.



Removes a file from the repository.

In Git, the term rm stands for remove. It is used to remove individual files or a collection of files. The key function of git rm is to remove tracked files from the Git index. Additionally, it can be used to remove files from both the working directory and staging index.

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$ git rm <file Name>
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4.What is a merge conflict, and how would you resolve it?

A merge conflict occurs when Git encounters conflicting changes in different branches during a merge or a pull operation. To resolve a merge conflict, you need to manually edit the conflicting file(s) to reconcile the differences. After resolving the conflicts, you can stage the changes and complete the merge using "git add" and "git commit" commands.



5. How do you create a new branch in Git?

To create a new branch in Git, you can use the command "git branch

branch-name>". For example, to create a branch named "feature-branch", you would run "git branch feature-branch". To switch to the newly created branch, you can use "git checkout

branch-name>" or "git switch

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6. What is the difference between Git and GitHub?

Git is the version control system itself, while GitHub is a web-based hosting service for Git repositories. Git is responsible for tracking changes, managing branches, and performing version control tasks locally. GitHub provides a platform for hosting and collaborating on Git repositories with additional features like issue tracking, pull requests, and project management tools.



7. Explain the concept of git clone and git fork.

"git clone" is a command used to create a local copy of a remote Git repository. It downloads the entire repository, including its history, branches, and files. On the other hand.

"git fork" is a feature provided by hosting platforms like GitHub. It allows you to create a copy of a repository under your account, enabling you to make changes and contribute to the project without modifying the original repository.



8. How do you revert a commit in Git?

To revert a commit in Git, you can use the command "git revert <commit-hash>". This command creates a new commit that undoes the changes made in the specified commit. The commit hash can be obtained from the commit history using "git log".



9. What is the purpose of Git rebase?

Git rebase allows you to integrate changes from one branch onto another by moving or combining commits. It helps create a linear commit history, keeping the project timeline clean and easier to follow. Rebasing is commonly used to incorporate changes from a feature branch into the main branch before merging.



10. How do you remove a file from a Git repository?

To remove a file from a Git repository and stage the deletion, you can use the command "git rm <file>". This command removes the file from both your working directory and the Git repository. After executing the command, you need to commit the change using "git commit" to permanently remove the file from the repository.



11. What is the purpose of Git stash?

Git stash is used to temporarily save and hide changes in your working directory that are not ready to be committed. It allows you to switch branches or work on a different task without committing incomplete changes. Later, you can apply the stashed changes to your working directory using "git stash apply" or "git stash pop".



12. How can you view the commit history in Git?

You can view the commit history in Git using the command "git log". This command displays a detailed list of commits in reverse chronological order, showing the commit hash, author, date, and commit message. It provides a comprehensive overview of the project's commit history.



12. Explain the concept of Git pull and Git fetch.

"git pull" is a command that fetches changes from a remote repository and automatically merges them into the current branch. It combines the "git fetch" and "git merge" commands. On the other hand.

"git fetch" only downloads the latest changes from a remote repository, updating your local copy, but it doesn't automatically merge the changes. It allows you to review the changes before merging them using "git merge" or other Git commands.



13. What are Git hooks, and how can they be used?

Git hooks are scripts that are executed before or after specific Git events, such as committing, merging, or pushing. They allow you to automate certain actions or enforce custom workflows in a Git repository. Git hooks can be used to enforce code quality checks, run tests, trigger deployments, or perform any custom actions based on your project's needs. Git provides both client-side and server-side hooks that can be customized and configured.



14. How do you discard local changes in Git?

To discard local changes in Git and revert a file to its last committed state, you can use the command "git checkout -- <file>". This command replaces the file in your working directory with the version from the last commit. If you want to discard all local changes and revert to the last commit for the entire repository, you can use "git reset --hard HEAD" command. This will reset your working directory and staging area to the last commit.



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16. Why git is used?

Git is used for version control, enabling tracking of changes in files, facilitating collaboration among developers, managing branches and merges, supporting distributed development, offering flexibility for different workflows, and integrating with various tools and services.



17. What is a version control system?

A version control system (VCS) is a software tool that helps track and manage changes to files or a set of files over time. It provides a systematic way to keep track of revisions, modifications, and additions made to files, allowing multiple people to work on the same project simultaneously. A VCS maintains a history of changes, enabling users to view, compare, and revert to previous versions of files. It also facilitates collaboration, branch management, and merging of changes, ensuring a smooth and organized development process.



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19. What is a git repository?

A repository is a file structure where git stores all the project-based files. Git can either stores the files on the local or the remote repository.



20. What does git clone do?

The command creates a copy (or clone) of an existing git repository.

Generally, it is used to get a copy of the remote repository to the local repository.



21. What does the command git config do?

The git config command is a convinient way to set
Configuration option for defining the behavior of the
Mepository, usen information and preferences, git
installaria

based configuration, and many such things.



22. What is the functionality of git-Is-tree?

The command returns a tree object representation

of current repository along with the mode and the name of each item and SHA-1 value of the blob.



23. What is a git conflict?

Git usually handles feature menger automatically but Sometimes while working in a team environment, thou might be causes of conflicts such as:

1. When two separate branches have changes to the same

line in a file.

2. file is deleted is one branch but has been modified in the other.

Those conflicts have to be solved manually after discussion with the team as git will not be able to predict what and whose changes have to be given precedence.

