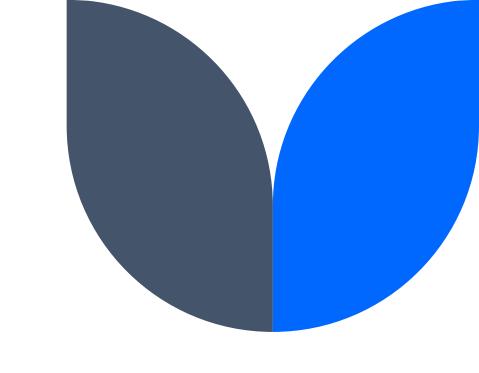
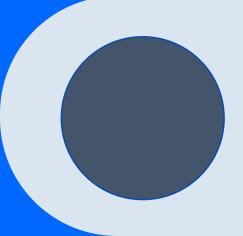
Git and GitHub: Essential Commands and Concepts





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- Git is a version control system for tracking changes in source code.
- GitHub is a hosting platform for Git repositories.
- They facilitate collaboration and version control in software development.

What is a Git Repository?

Understanding Git Repositories

- A Git repository is a collection of files under version control.
- It contains a complete history of all the changes made to the project.
- Differs from a regular directory as it includes a `.git` subfolder with the repository's history and configuration.

Using 'git clone'

The 'git clone' Command

- Used to copy a Git repository from a remote source, like GitHub.
- Clones the entire history and version of the files in the repository.
- Creates a local copy on your computer with its own .git directory.

The 'git add' Command

Using `git add` to Track Changes

- `git add` stages changes in files for commit.
- Helps in selectively adding file changes to the next commit.
- Files not added will not be included in the commit.

The 'git commit' Command

Committing Changes with `git commit`

- `git commit` saves staged changes to the repository's history.
- Each commit has a unique ID and message describing the changes.
- It's a snapshot of your repository at a specific point in time.

The 'git push' Command

Pushing Changes with `git push`

- `git push` uploads local repository changes to a remote repository.
- Used to share your commits with others or backup your work.
- Essential for collaborative work in shared repositories.

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- Git and GitHub are fundamental tools in modern software development.
- Commands like `git clone`, `git add`, `git commit`, and `git push` are essential for managing code changes.
- Understanding repositories and these commands helps in effective collaboration and version control.