Getting Started with Open Source

What is Open Source?

- Open source simply means that anyone can access, modify and improve.
- Developed in a decentralized and collaborative way, relying on peer review and community production
- More flexible
- Lot of softwares and libraries are open source.

Why Open Source?

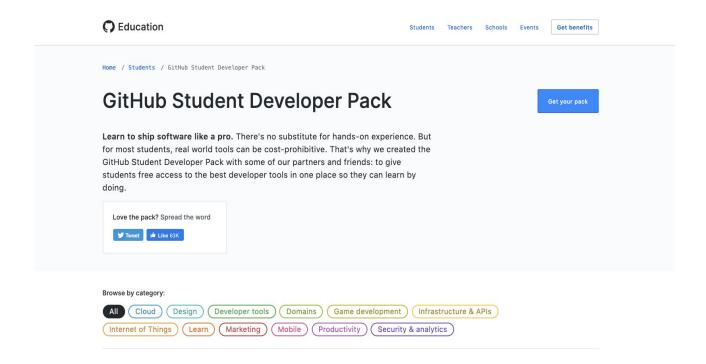
- Improves code style
- Helps understand best coding principles
- Showcases your skills
- Learn workflow of softwares and libraries
- Working in collaborative environment
- Your github profile speaks a lot about your skills and helps to make your profile stand out irrespective of if you are applying for jobs/internships, research, higher studies etc.



Github Profile

- Setting up github profile
- Writing Bio and Main README
- Pinning repositories
- Public and private repositories
- Contributions
- Contributions Activity

Github Student Developer Pack

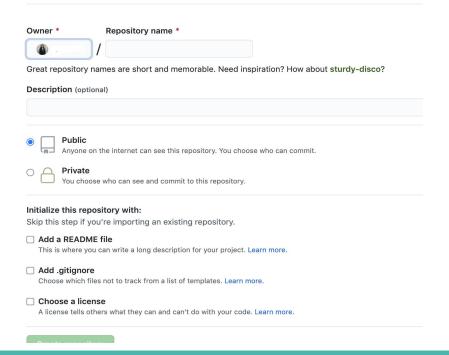


https://education.github.com/pack

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Create a new repository

A repository contains all project files, including the revision history. Already have a project repository elsewhere? Import a repository.



 https://herewecode.io/blo g/a-beginners-guide-to-git -how-to-start-and-create-y our-first-repository/

https://docs.github.com/e
n/github/getting-started-w
ith-github

Your own README!



☐ Overview ☐ Repositories ☐ Projects ۞ Packages

Create a repository with name same as your github username.



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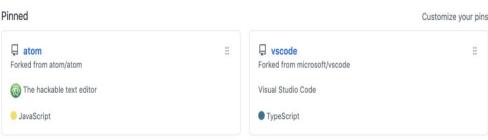
https://docs.github.co

Mona Lisa Octocat

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Hi, I'm Mona [≫] You might recognize me as @github's mascot [∞]

Edit profile



A Handy Tool

Github commands at one place:

https://github.github.com/training-kit/downloads/github-git-cheat-sheet.pdf

Markdown Guide:

https://guides.github.com/pdfs/markdown-cheatsheet-online.pdf

Best Practices for Github

- Projects should have meaningful names and descriptions
- Projects should follow README practices
- The README may contain the purpose of the project, environment setup guide, how to run the project, any significant detail of the project etc.
- Do not put any OS configurations file or any other system files in github repository
- Make sure the code is clean, without any extra files.

Do make any confidential data public, if your code uses any API keys remove it before uploading the code.

(Inspired from real life incident:P)





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Choosing an Issue

The first step when contributing to a project is to visit the project site and find an issue you would like to work on and which you think is suitable for your skill set. From the project homepage on GitHub you can click the Issues tab to navigate to a list of the open issues.

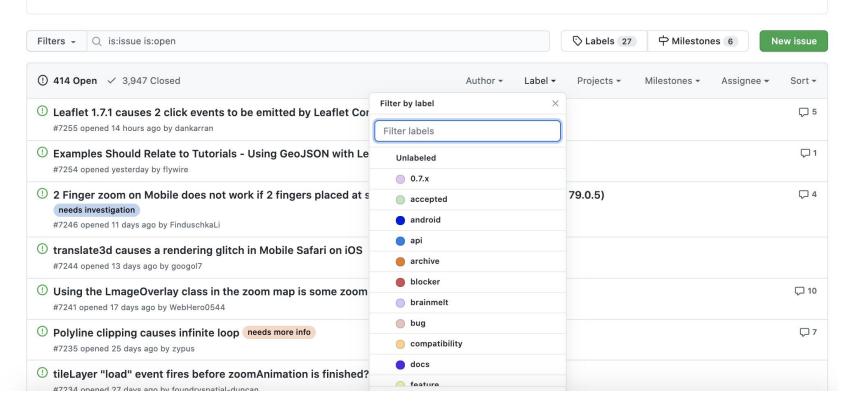


- Check the labels of the issue and comments before choosing it or working on it.
- If you are a beginner check out the issues with labels good for first contribution, first timers only, ideal for beginners etc in the repository of your relevant skills and interest.
- Some repositories are especially for beginners first start with that before going on to complicated source codes.
- Participating in open source hackathons can give a kickstart



Want to contribute to Leaflet/Leaflet?

If you have a bug or an idea, read the contributing guidelines before opening an issue. If you're ready to tackle some open issues, we've collected some good first issues for you .

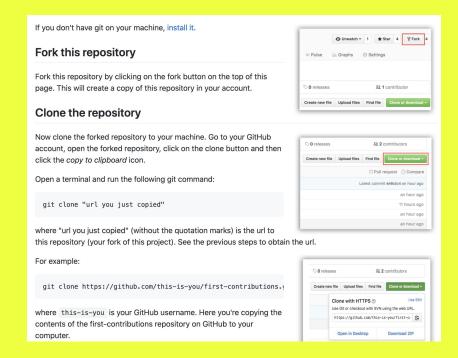


Contributing

- Every repository has different contributing guidelines read that before proceeding to any contribution. (Joining slack channels, IRLs helps a lot)
- Make sure you follow the coding practices and style of that repository
- Always have a relevant name to your branch and pull request
- If anything is unclear, don't hesitate to comment on the issue and ask
- There are lot of non coding issues like documentation available as well. It is not necessary to contribute only to coding issues.

Making your first contribution on GitHub

First contributions is a hands-on tutorial that walks you through contributions workflow on github. When you complete the tutorial, you have made a contribution to the same project.

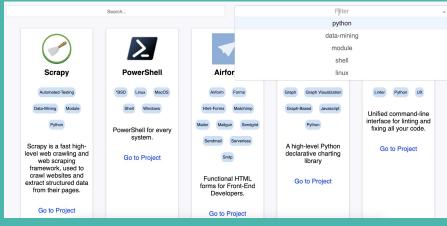




Clueless?

Find projects from here 👉





https://firstcontributions. github.io/

- https://up-for-grabs.net is a site that aggregates (rolls up and makes easy to explore) projects that actively want help. They label those projects with things like "up-for-grabs", "jump-in" or "help wanted."
- goodfirstissues.com is a site that aggregates the latest issues with the label "Good First Issue", which is a GitHub feature for finding easy issues to tackle
- **CodeTriage** helps you subscribe to your favorite open-source projects and **get a new open issue from them in your inbox** every day.

Types of coding contributions

- Writing code that implements new features. (See this issue)
- Creating patches / solving bugs reported as issues by users.
- Reviewing Pull requests of other developers by advising them on how to refactor and improve their code.
- Writing unit tests for existing code that has no tests in the code base to improve test-coverage.

Submitting a PR

- Write useful descriptions and titles
- Owner of the repository will use this to decide whether to accept your change
- Have on-point commit messages (write the objective of PR in not more than 10 words)
 - Avoid names like "feedback improvement", "final commit", "final final commit", etc.
- Attach screenshots of visual changes have been made
- Read More: [1], [2]



yahonda commented 12 days ago • edited •

Summary

Fixes #31988

Other Information

Ubuntu 18.04 LTS.

\$ sqlite3 --version

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This feature has been introduced since

defer_foreign_keys pragma has been implemented since version-3.8.0 mackyle/sqlite@ 8ebb3ba

Unlike other databases, changing SQLite3 table definitions need to create a temporary table.

to defer re-enabling foreign keys until the transaction is committed. https://www.sglite.org/pragma.html#pragma_defer_foreign_keys

. This pull request has been validated with sqlite3 3.8.2 on Ubuntu 14.04 LTS and sqlite3 3.22.0 on

3.22.0 2018-01-22 18:45:57 0c55d179733b46d8d0ba4d88e01a25e10677046ee3da1d5b1581e86726f2alt1

ActiveRecord::Migration::ForeignKeyChangeColumnTest#test_change_column_of_parent_table: ActiveModel::UnknownAttributeError: unknown attribute 'name' for ActiveRecord::Migration::Fo

3.8.2 2013-12-06 14:53:30 27392118af4c38c5203a04b8013e1afdb1cebd0d

While changing table operations, the original table needs dropped which caused SOLite3::ConstraintException: FOREIGN KEY constraint failed if the table is referenced by foreign

keys. This pull request disables foreign keys by disable_referential_integrity.

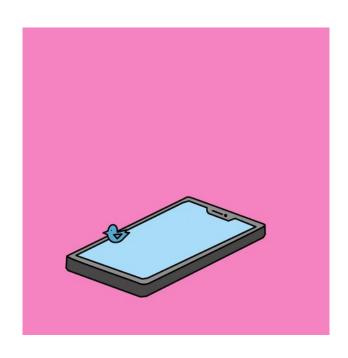
Also disable_referential_integrity method needs to execute_defer_foreign_keys = ON

- Contributor + (=)

SQLite Release 3.8.0 On 2013-08-26. Also according to git blame at cloned SQLite repository,



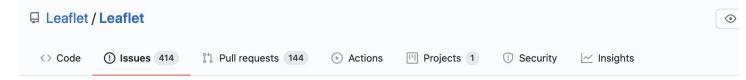
"YOU NEED TO HAVE CODING SKILLS TO CONTRIBUTE TO OPEN-SOURCE"



Non-code ways to contribute

- 1. Translation (internationalization / localization): Try asking the maintainers
- 2. Technical writing
 - a. **Documentation**: Google Season of Docs
 - b. Proposals (eg. design)
 - c. Tutorials, like PyPA's contributors did
 - d. QnAs (Contributing to StackOverflow counts too!)
- 3. Designing
 - a. Improving UI, UX (user interface and design)
 - b. Logo creating; <u>See this issue</u>
- 4. Reporting Issues
 - a. From bugs and edge cases to UI/UX issues, like buttons that seem to be inconveniently located or confusingly named. (even typos too (a))
 - b. If you can include screenshots and steps for reproducing a bug, that is extremely helpful for the folks fixing it.
- 5. Organize and participate in meetups; <u>See this issue</u>
- 6. Curate resources for others (Kudos to Shikha!)

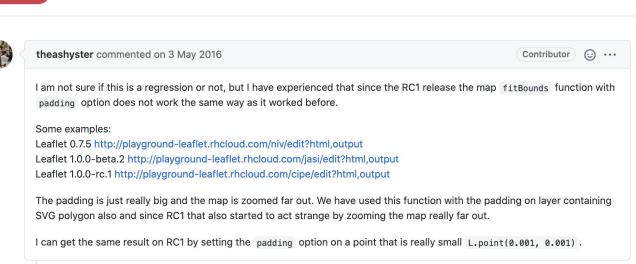
Example Workflow



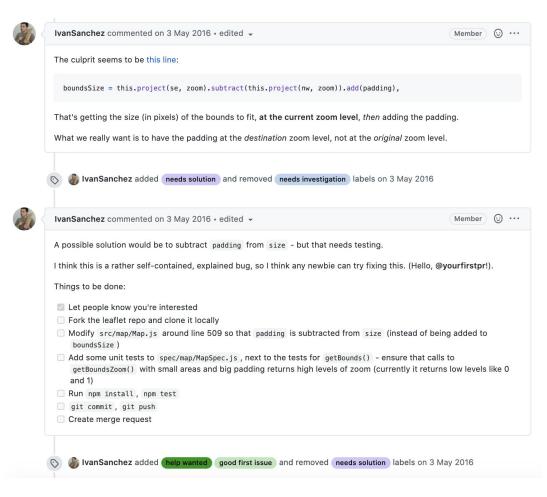
Open an issue/Read already open issues

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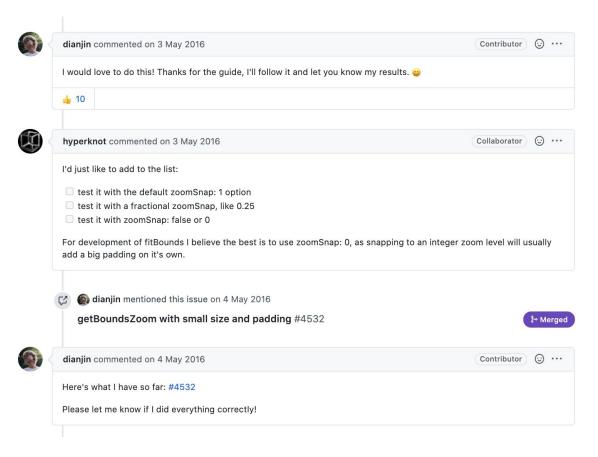
(Closed) theashyster opened this issue on 3 May 2016 · 19 comments



2. Read owner's comments and see the labels (up for contributions or not)



3. Express your interest to contribute. Once done, reference to your PR



Miscellaneous

- Q. Are there any clubs/departments/groups in BITS for open source or development? SAiDL, Project Kratos
- Q. Which languages/tech stack should we focus on learning to effectively contribute? Markdown, Git, Docker, etc. are used by almost every project. Rest is project specific.
- **Q. What is the application process of WWDC Scholarship?** Applications open in March-mid, early-April. Develop an interactive playground (something like a dynamic UI stories, animations, digital books, etc.) using Swift language. Having either an iPad or a Mac is a must.

Tips

- Don't hesitate to contact the repository's owner or your mentor for the smallest of doubts
- First-time installation of the project on your system can be messy and frustrating
- 3. It's absolutely fine if your PR doesn't get accepted for the first time. Make optimum use of the comments/feedback received.
- 4. Don't rely just on the GitHub UI. Keep yourself well-versed with CLI too.

Useful Links

http://archaeogeek.github.io/foss4gukdontbeafraid/index.html

https://www.hackerearth.com/getstarted-opensource/

https://dev.to/realabbas/curated-list-of-open-source-programs-events-and-competitions-4cfk

https://www.outreachy.org/outreachy-may-2020-internship-round/