
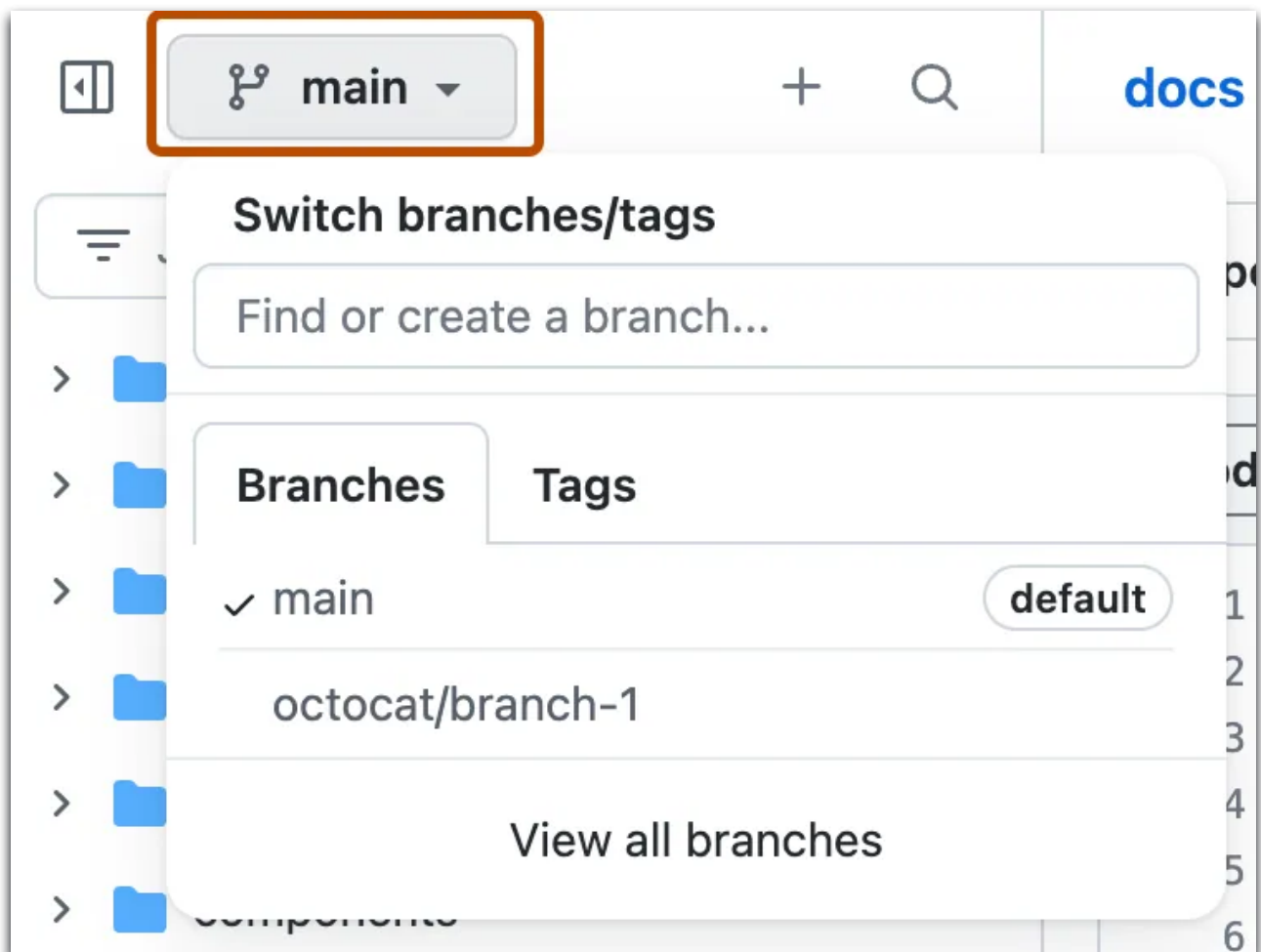




## Viewing branches in your repository

Branches are central to collaboration on GitHub, and the best way to view them is the branches page.

- 1 On GitHub.com, navigate to the main page of the repository.
- 2 From the file tree view on the left, select the  branch dropdown menu, then click **View all branches**. You can also find the branch dropdown menu at the top of the integrated file editor.



- 3 Use the navigation at the top of the page to view specific lists of branches:
  - **Your branches:** In repositories that you have push access to, the **Yours** view shows all branches that you've pushed to, excluding the default branch, with the most recent branches first.
  - **Active branches:** The **Active** view shows all branches (excluding the default branch) that anyone has committed to within the last three months, ordered by the branches with the most recent commits first.
  - **Stale branches:** The **Stale** view shows all branches that no one has committed to in the last three months, ordered by the branches with the oldest commits first. Use this list to determine [which branches to delete](#).
  - **All branches:** The **All** view shows the default branch, followed by all other branches ordered by the branches with the most recent commits first.
- 4 Optionally, use the search field on the top right. It provides a simple, case-insensitive, substring search on the branch name. It does not support any additional query syntax.

## Further reading

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- ["Creating and deleting branches within your repository"](#)
- ["Deleting and restoring branches in a pull request"](#)
- ["Using the activity view to see changes to a repository."](#)

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