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Welcome to the course website for Computer Systems and Programming Tools in Spring 2024 with Professor Brown.

This class meets TuTh 12:30-1:45 in Ranger 302 and lab on Monday 3-4:45 in Ranger 202.

This website will contain the syllabus, class notes, and other reference material for the class.

## Navigating the Sections

The Syllabus section has logistical operations for the course broken down into sections. You can also read straight through by starting in the first one and navigating to the next section using the arrow navigation at the end of the page.

This site is a resource for the course. We do not follow a text book for this course, but all notes from class are posted in the notes section, accessible on the left hand side menu, visible on large screens and in the menu on mobile.

The resources section has links and short posts that provide more context and explanation. Content in this section is for the most part not strictly the material that you'll be graded on, but it is often material that will help you understand and grow as a programmer and data scientist.

## Reading each page

Some pages of the syllabus and resources are also notebooks, if you want to see behind the curtain of how I manage the course information.

```
# this is a comment in a code block  
command argument --option -a
```

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command output  
important line, emphasized
```

### Try it Yourself

Notes will have exercises marked like this

Questions that are asked in class, but unanswered at that time will be answered in the notes and marked with a box like this. Long answers will be in the main notes

#### Further reading

Notes that are mostly links to background and context will be highlighted like this. These are optional, but will mostly help you understand code excerpts they relate to.

#### Hint

Both notes and assignment pages will have hints from time to time. Pay attention to these on the notes, they'll typically relate to things that will appear in the assignment.

#### Click here!

Special tips will be formatted like this

#### Check your Comprehension



Questions to use to check your comprehension will looklike this

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Chances to earn community badges will sometimes be marked like this

# Computer Systems and Programming Tools

## About this course

In this course we will study the tools that we use as programmers and use them as a lens to study the computer system itself. We will begin with two fundamental tools: version control and the [shell](#). We will focus on [git](#) and [bash](#) as popular examples of each. Sometimes understanding the tools requires understanding an aspect of the system, for example [git](#) uses cryptographic [hashing](#) which requires understanding number systems. Other times the tools helps us see how parts work: the [shell](#) is our interface to the operating system.

## About this syllabus

This syllabus is a *living* document. You can get notification of changes from GitHub by “watching” the [repository](#) You can view the date of changes and exactly what changes were made on the Github [commit history](#) page.

Creating an [issue](#) is also a good way to ask questions about anything in the course it will prompt additions and expand the FAQ section.

No, because the syllabus changes

## About your instructor

Name: Dr. Sarah M Brown Office hours: listed on communication page

Dr. Sarah M Brown is a third year Assistant Professor of Computer Science, who does research on how social context changes machine learning. Dr. Brown earned a PhD in Electrical Engineering from Northeastern University, completed a postdoctoral fellowship at University of California Berkeley, and worked as a postdoctoral research associate at Brown University before joining URI. At Brown University, Dr. Brown taught the Data and Society course for the Master's in Data Science Program. You can learn more about me at my [website](#) or my research on my [lab site](#).

You can call me Professor Brown or Dr. Brown, I use she/her pronouns.

The best way to contact me is e-mail or an issue on an assignment repo. For more details, see the [Communication Section](#)

## Land Acknowledgement

### Important

The University of Rhode Island land acknowledgment is a statement written by members of the University community in close partnership with members of the Narragansett Tribe. For more information see [the university land acknowledgement page](#)

The University of Rhode Island occupies the traditional stomping ground of the Narragansett Nation and the Niantic People. We honor and respect the enduring and continuing relationship between the Indigenous people and this land by teaching and learning more about their history and present-day communities, and by becoming stewards of the land we, too, inhabit.

## Tools and Resources

We will use a variety of tools to conduct class and to facilitate your programming. You will need a computer with Linux, MacOS, or Windows. It is unlikely that a tablet will be able to do all of the things required in this course. A Chromebook may work, especially with developer tools turned on. Ask Dr. Brown if you need help getting access to an adequate computer.

All of the tools and resources below are either:

- paid for by URI **OR**
- freely available online.

## BrightSpace

On BrightSpace, you will find links to other resource, this site and others. Any links that are for private discussion among those enrolled in the course will be available only from Brightspace.

Our class link for [Prismia chat](#) is available on Brightspace. Once you've joined once, you can use the link above or type the url: [prismia.chat](#). We will use this for chatting and in-class understanding checks.

On Prismia, all students see the instructor's messages, but only the Instructor and TA see student responses.

### Important

Prismia is **only** for use during class, we do not read messages there outside of class time

You can get a transcript from class from Prismia.chat using the menu in the top right.

## Course Website

The course website will have content including the class policies, scheduling, class notes, assignment information, and additional resources.

Links to the course reference text and code documentation will also be included here in the assignments and class notes.

## GitHub

You will need a [GitHub Account](#). If you do not already have one, please [create one](#) by the first day of class. If you have one, but have not used it recently, you may need to update your password and login credentials as the [Authentication rules](#) changed in Summer 2021.

You will also need the [gh CLI](#). It will help with authentication and allow you to work with other parts of GitHub besides the core [git](#) operations.

### Important

You need to install this on Mac

## Programming Environment

In this course, we will use several programming environments. In order to participate in class and complete assignments you need the items listed in the requirements list. The easiest way to meet these requirements is to follow the recommendations below. I will provide instruction assuming that you have followed the recommendations. We will add tools throughout the semester, but the following will be enough to get started.

### Warning

This is not technically a *programming* class, so you will not need to know how to write code from scratch in specific languages, but we will rely on programming environments to apply concepts.

## Requirements:

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- a C compiler
- Git
- A bash shell
- A web browser compatible with [Jupyter Notebooks](#)
- nano text editor (comes with GitBash and default on MacOS)
- one IDE with [git](#) support (default or via extension)
- the [GitHub CLI](#) on all OSs

## Recommendation

| Windows- option A                                                                                                                                                                        | Windows - option B | MacOS | Linux | Chrome OS |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------|-------|-----------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Install python via <a href="#">Anaconda video install</a></li> <li>• Git and Bash with <a href="#">GitBash (video instructions)</a>.</li> </ul> |                    |       |       |           |

## Zoom

(backup only & office hours only)

This is where we will meet if for any reason we cannot be in person. You will find the link to class zoom sessions on Brightspace.

URI provides all faculty, staff, and students with a paid Zoom account. It can run in your browser or on a mobile device, but you will be able to participate in office hours and any online class sessions if needed best if you download the [Zoom client](#) on your computer. Please [log in](#) and [configure your account](#). Please add a photo (can be yourself or something you like) to your account so that we can still see your likeness in some form when your camera is off. You may also wish to use a virtual background and you are welcome to do so.

For help, you can access the [instructions provided by IT](#).

## Grading

This section of the syllabus describes the principles and mechanics of the grading for the course. The course is designed around your learning so the grading is based on you demonstrating how much you have learned.

Additionally, since we will be studying programming tools, we will use them to administer the course. To give you a chance to get used to the tools there will be a grade free zone for the first few weeks.

## Learning Outcomes

The goal is for you to learn and the grading is designed to as close as possible actually align to how much you have learned. So, the first thing to keep in mind, always is the course learning outcomes:

By the end of the semester, students will be able to:

systems.

2. Apply appropriate programming workflows using context-relevant tools that enable adherence to best practices for effective code, developer time efficiency, and collaboration.
3. Differentiate the different classes of tools used in computer science in terms of their features, roles, and how they interact and justify positions and preferences among popular tools
4. Identify how information flows across levels of abstraction.
5. Discuss implications of design choices across levels of abstraction
6. Describe the social context in which essential components of computing systems were developed and explain the impact of that context on the systems.
7. Differentiate between social conventions and technical requirements in programming contexts.

These are what I will be looking for evidence of to say that you met those or not.

## Principles of Grading

Learning happens through practice and feedback. My goal as a teacher is for you to learn. The grading in this course is designed to reflect how deeply you learn the material, even if it takes you multiple attempts to truly understand a topic. The topics in this course are all topics that will come back in later courses in the Computer Science major, so it is important that you understand each of them *correctly* so that it helps in the next course.

This course is designed to encourage you to work steadily at learning the material and demonstrating your new knowledge. There are no single points of failure, where you lose points that cannot be recovered. Also, you cannot cram anything one time and then forget it. The material will build and you have to demonstrate that you retained material. You will be required to demonstrate understanding of the connections between ideas from different parts of the course.

- Earning an A means that you can use knowledge from this course to debug tricky scenarios; you can know where to start and can form good hypotheses about why uncommon errors have occurred; you can confidently figure out new complex systems.
- Earning a B means that you can apply the course concepts in other programming environments; you can solve basic common errors without looking much up.
- Earning a C in this class means you have a general understanding; you will know what all the terms mean; you could follow along in a meeting where others were discussing systems concepts and use core tools for common tasks. You know where to start when looking things up.

The course is designed for you to *succeed* at a level of your choice. As you accumulate knowledge, the grading in this course is designed to be cumulative instead of based on deducting points and averaging. No matter what level of work you choose to engage in, you will be expected to revise work until it is correct. The material in this course will all come back in other 300 and 400 level CSC courses, so it is essential that you do not leave this course with misconceptions, as they will make it harder for you to learn related material later.

### If you made an error in an assignment what do you need to do?



Read the suggestions and revise the work until it is correct.

## Penalty-free Zone

course. This will help you learn these tools really well and create accountability for getting enough practice with core operations, but it also creates a high stakes situation: even submitting your work requires you understanding the tools. This would not be very fair at the beginning of the semester.

For the first three weeks we will have a low stakes penalty-free zone where we will provide extra help and reminders for how to get feedback on your work. In this period, deadlines are more flexible as well. If work is submitted incorrectly, we will still see it because we will manually go look for all activities. After this zone, we will assume you *choose* to skip something if we do not see it submitted.

#### **What happens if you merged a PR without feedback?**

During the Penalty-Free zone, we will help you figure that out and fix it so you get credit for it. After that, you have to fix it on your own (or in office hours) in order to get credit.

#### **Important**

If there are terms in the rest of this section that do not make sense while we are in the penalty-free zone, do not panic. This zone exists to help you get familiar with the terms needed.

During the third week, you will create a course plan where you establish your goals for the course and I make sure that you all understand the requirements to complete your goals.

#### **What happens if you're confused by the grading scheme right now?**

Nothing to worry about, we will review it again in week three after you get a chance to build the right habits and learn vocabulary. There will also be a lab activity that helps us to be sure that you understand it at that time.

## Learning Badges

Your grade will be based on you choosing to work with the material at different levels and participating in the class community in different ways. Each form of engagement is tracked with a particular type of badge that you can earn as you accumulate evidence of your learning and engagement.

- experience: guided in class activities, with reflection
- lab: accountability to basics through 1:1 conversation with a member of the instructional team
- review: just the basics
- practice: a little bit more independent
- explore: posing your own directions of inquiry
- build: in depth application of course topics

Below are the recommended paths to different grade targets.

To earn a D, complete:

- 22 experience badges
- 13 lab check outs

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- 22 experience badges
- 13 lab check outs
- 18 review badges

To earn a B, complete:

- 22 experience badges
- 13 lab check outs
- one of the following:
  - 18 practice badges
  - 12 review + 12 practice

For an A you must complete:

- 22 experience badges
- 13 lab check outs
- one of the following:
  - 18 practice badges + 6 explore badges
  - 18 review badges + 3 build badges
  - 6 review badges + 12 practice badges + 4 explore badges + 1 build badges
  - 12 review badges + 6 practice badges + 2 explore badges + 2 build badges

You can also mix and match to get +/- . For example (all examples below assume 22+ experience badges and 13 lab checkouts)

- A-: 18 practice + 4 explore
- B+: 6 review + 12 practice + 4 explore
- B-: 6 review + 12 practice
- B+: 24 practice
- C+: 12 review + 6 practice

### Warning

These counts assume that the semester goes as planned and that there are 26 available badges of each base type (experience, review, practice). If the number of available badges decreases by more than 2 for any reason (eg snowdays, instructor illness, etc) the threshold for experience badges will be decreased.

All of these badges will be tracked through PRs in your kwl repo. Each PR must have a title that includes the badge type and associated date. We will use scripts over these to track your progress.

### Important

There will be 20 review and practice badges available after the penalty free zone. This means that missing the review and practice badges in the penalty free zone cannot hurt you. However, it does not mean it is a good idea to not attempt them, not attempting them at all will make future badges harder, because reviewing early ideas are important for later ideas.

the review requirements plus some extra steps.

In the second half of the semester, there will be special *integrative* badge opportunities that have multipliers attached to them. These badges will count for more than one. For example an integrative 2x review badge counts as two review badges. These badges will be more complex than regular badges and therefore count more.

### Can you do any combination of badges?



No, you cannot earn practice and review for the same date.

## Experience Badges

### In class

You earn an experience badge in class by:

- preparing for class
- following along with the activity (creating files, using git, etc)
- responding to 80% of inclass questions (even incorrect, `\idk`, `\dgt`)
- reflecting on what you learned
- asking a question at the end of class

### Makeup

You can make up an experience badge by:

- preparing for class
- reading the posted notes
- completing the activity from the notes
- completeing an “experience report”
- attaching evidence as indiated in notes OR attending office hours to show the evidence

### Tip

On prismia questions, I will generally give a “Last chance to get an answer in” warning before I resume instruction. If you do not respond at all too many times, we will ask you to follow the makeup procedure instead of the In Class procecdure for your experience badge.

To be sure that your response rate is good, if you are paying attention, but do not have an answer you can use one of the following special commands in prismia:

- `\idk`: “I am paying attention, but do not know how to answer this”
- `\dgt`: “I am paying attention, not really confused, but ran out of time trying to figure out the answer”

you can send these as plain text by pressing `enter` (not Mac) or `return` (on Mac) to send right away or have them render to emoji by pressing `tab`

are unsure, reach out ASAP to get instructions. These are evaluated only for completeness/ good faith effort. Revisions will generally not be required, but clarification and additional activity steps may be advised if your evidence suggests you may have missed a step.

#### **Do you earn badges for prepare for class?**

No, prepare for class tasks are folded into your experience badges.

#### **What do you do when you miss class?**

Read the notes, follow along, and produce and experience report or attend office hours.

#### **What if I have no questions?**

Learning to ask questions is important. Your questions can be clarifying (eg because you misunderstood something) or show that you understand what we covered well enough to think of hypothetical scenarios or options or what might come next. Basically, focused curiosity.

## Lab Checkouts

### Review and Practice Badges

The tasks for these badges will be defined at the bottom of the notes for each class session *and* aggregated to badge-type specific pages on the left hand side fo the course website.

You can earn review and practice badges by:

- creating an issue for the badge you plan to work on
- completing the tasks
- submitting files to your KWL on a new branch
- creating a PR, linking the [issue](#), and requesting a review
- revising the PR until it is approved
- merging the PR after it is approved

#### **Where do you find assignments?**

At the end of notes and on the separate pages in the activities section on the left hand side

#### **You should create one PR per badge**

The key difference between review and practice is the depth of the activity. Work submitted for review and practice badges will be assessed for correctness and completeness. Revisions will be common for these activities, because understanding correctly, without misconceptions, is important.

Revisions are to help you improve your work **and** to get used to the process of making revisions. Even excellent work can be improved. The **process** of making revisions and taking good work to excellent or excellent to exceptional is a useful learning outcome. It will help you later to be really good at working through PR revisions; we will use the same process as code reviews in industry, even though most of it will not be code alone.

## Explore Badges

Explore badges require you to pose a question of your own that extends the topic. For inspiration, see the practice tasks and the questions after class.

Details and more ideas are on the [explore](#) page.

You can earn an explore badge by:

- creating an [issue](#) proposing your idea (consider this ~15 min of work or less)
- adjusting your idea until given the proceed label
- completing your exploration
- submitting it as a PR
- making any requested changes
- merging the PR after approval

For these, ideas will almost always be approved, the proposal is to make sure you have the right scope (not too big or too small). Work submitted for explore badges will be assessed for depth beyond practice badges and correctness. Revisions will be more common on the first few as you get used to them, but typically decrease as you learn what to expect.

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**You should create one PR per badge**

## Build Badges

Build badges are for when you have an idea of something you want to do. There are also some ideas on the [build](#) page.

You can earn a build badge by:

- creating an [issue](#) proposing your idea and iterating until it is given the “proceed” label
- providing updates on your progress
- completing the build
- submitting a summary report as a PR linked to your proposal issue
- making any requested changes

## You should create one PR per badge

For builds, since they're bigger, you will propose intermediate milestones. Advice for improving your work will be provided at the milestones and revisions of the complete build are uncommon. If you do not submit work for intermediate review, you may need to revise the complete build. The build proposal will be assessed for relevance to the course and depth. The work will be assessed for completeness in comparison to the proposal and correctness. The summary report will be assessed only for completeness, revisions will only be requested for skipped or incomplete sections.

# Community Badges

Community badges are awarded for extra community participation. Both programming and learning are most effective in good healthy collaboration. Since being a good member of our class community helps you learn (and helps others learn better), some collaboration is required in other badges. Some dimensions of community participation can only be done once, for example fixing a typo on the course website, so while it's valuable, all students cannot contribute to the course community in the same way. To reward these unique contributions, you can earn a community badge.

You can see some ideas as they arise by issues labeled `community`.

Community badges can replace missed experience, review, and practice badges, upgrade a review to a practice badge, or they can be used as an alternate way to earn a + modifier on a D,C, or B (URI doesn't award A+s, sorry). Community badges are smaller, so they are not 1:1 replacements for other badges. You can earn a maximum of 14 community badges, generally one per week. Extra helpful contributions may be awarded 2 community badges, but that does not increase your limit. When you earn them, you can plan how you will use it, but they will only be officially applied to your grade at the end of the semester. They will automatically be applied in the way that gives you the maximum benefit.

Community Badge values:

- 3 community = 1 experience badge
- 4 community = 1 review
- 7 community = 1 practice.
- 3 community badges + 1 review = 1 practice.
- 10 community = add a `+` to a D,C, or B, **note that this is more impactful**

You can earn community badges by:

- fixing small issues on the course website (during penalty free zone only)
- contributing extra terms or reviews to your team repo
- sharing articles and discussing them in the course discussions
- contributing annotated resources the course website

You will maintain a list of your contributions in your KWL repo in the `community_contributions.md` file. Every individual change to this file (representing one contribution) should be committed to a new `branch` and then submitted as a PR, with a review requested from @brownsarahm.

Some participation in your group repo and a small number of discussions will be required for experience, review, and practice badges. This means that not every single contribution or peer review to your team repo will earn a community badge.

Example(nonexhaustive) uses:

- 22 experience + 17 review + 11 community = C (replace 2 experience, 1 review)
- 24 experience + 17 review + 5 community = C (replace 1 review)
- 24 experience + 18 review + 10 community = C+ (modifier)
- 24 experience + 18 practice + 10 community = B+ (modifier)
- 23 experience + 18 practice + 13 community = B+ (modifier, replace 1 experience)
- 24 experience + 16 practice + 2 review + 10 community = B (upgrade 2 review)
- 24 experience + 10 review + 10 community + 6 practice + 3 explore + 2 build = A (replace 2 review)
- 24 experience + 14 review + 10 community + 4 practice + 3 explore + 2 build = A (upgrade 2 review to practice)
- 24 experience + 12 review + 14 community + 4 practice + 3 build =A (replace 2 practice)

These show that community badges can save you work at the end of the semester by reducing the number of practice badges or simplifying badges

## 🎁 Free corrections

All work must be correct and complete to earn credit. In general, this means that when your work is not correct, we will give you guiding questions and advice so that you can revise the work to be correct. Most of the time asking you questions is the best way to help you learn, but sometimes, especially for small things, showing you a correct example is the best way to help you learn.

Additionally, on rare occasions, a student can submit work that is incorrect or will have down-the-line consequences but does not demonstrate a misunderstanding. For example, in an experience badge, putting text below the `#` line instead of replacing the hint within the `< >`. Later, we will do things within the kwl repo that will rely on the title line being filled in, but it's not a big revision where the student needs to rethink about what they submitted.

In these special occasions, good effort that is not technically correct may be rewarded with a 🎁. In this case, the instructor or TA will give a suggestion, with the 🎁 emoji in the comment and leave a review as “comment” instead of “changes requested” or “approved”. If the student commits the suggestion to acknowledge that they read it, the instructor will then leave an approving review. Free corrections are only available when revisions are otherwise eligible. This means that they cannot extend a deadline and they are not available on the final grading that occurs after our scheduled “exam time”.

### ⚠️ Important

These free corrections are used at the instructional team's discretion and are not guaranteed.

This means that, for example, the same mistake the first time, might get a 🎁, a second will probably be a hint, and a third or fourth time might be a regular revision where we ask you to go review prior assignments to figure out what you need to fix with a broad hint instead of the specific suggestion

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If the course response rate on the IDEA survey is about 75%, 🎁 will be applicable to final grading. **this includes the requirement of the student to reply**

## Ungrading Option

At the end of the semester, you have the option of submitting a final reflection that states what grade you think you deserve, and justifies it by summarizing what you have learned and providing evidence of that. Instructions for this option will be provided as we approach the end of the semester. The policy of no submitted content that was not generated by you still applies. If you take this option, you may be required to also take an oral exam by appointment to supplement the evidence provided in your reflection.

This option exists in recognition of the fact that grading schemes are not perfect and I am truly committed to your learning. If you think that the grading scheme described on this page is working out to you earning a different grade than you deserve and you can support that with strong evidence that you have learned, you can have the grade you deserve.

### 🔔 What do you think?

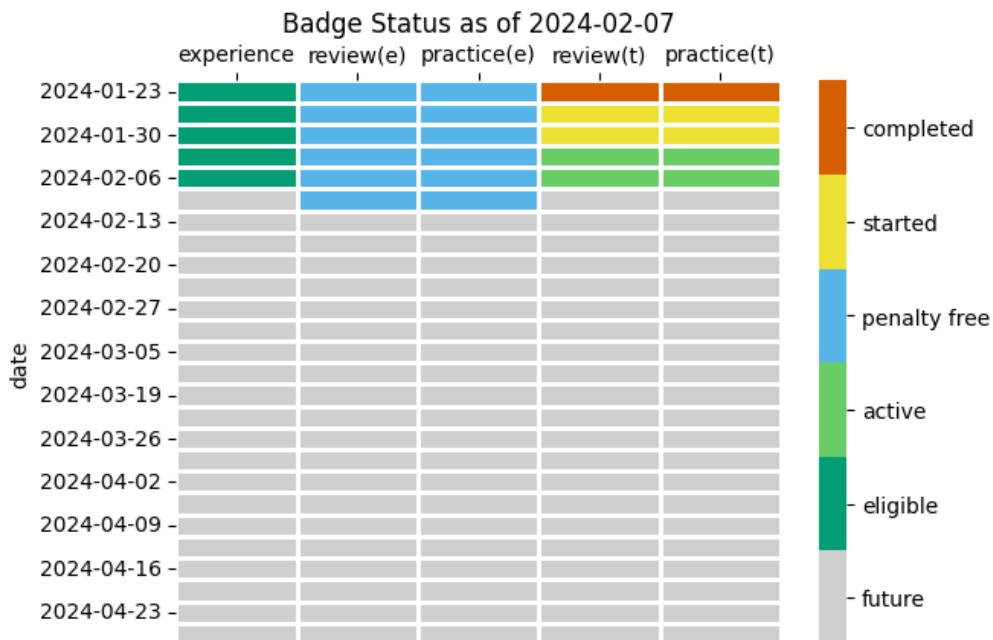
share your thoughts on this option in the discussions for the class and then

## Badge Deadlines and Procedures

This page includes more visual versions of the information on the badge page. You should read both, but this one is often more helpful, because some of the processes take a lot of words to explain and make more sense with a diagram for a lot of people.

► Show code cell source

```
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Badge Status as of 2024-02-07')
```



We do not have a final exam, but URI assigns an exam time for every class. The date of that assigned exam will be the final due date for all work including all revisions.

## Experience badges

Prepare for class tasks must be done before class so that you are prepared. Missing a prepare task could require you to do an experience report to make up what you were not able to do in class.

If you miss class, the experience report should be at least attempted/drafted (though you may not get feedback/confirmation) before the next class that you attend. This is strict, not as punishment, but to ensure that you are able to participate in the next class that you attend. Skipping the experience report for a missed class, may result in needing to do an experience report for the next class you attend to make up what you were not able to complete due to the missing class activities.

If you miss multiple classes, create a catch-up plan to get back on track by contacting Dr. Brown.

## Review and Practice Badges

These badges have 5 stages:

- posted: tasks are on the course website
- planned: an issue is created
- started: one task is attempted and a draft PR is open
- completed: all tasks are attempted PR is ready for review, and a review is requested
- earned: PR is approved (by instructor or a TA) and work is merged

### Tip

these badges *should* be started before the next class. This will set you up to make the most out of each class session. However, only prepare for class tasks have to be done immediately.

These badges badges must be *started* within one week of when they are posted (2pm) and *completed* within two weeks. A task is attempted when you have answered the questions or submitted evidence of doing an activity or asked a sincere clarifying question.

If a badge is planned, but not started within one week it will become expired and ineligible to be earned. You may request extensions to complete a badge by updating the PR message, these will typically be granted. Extensions for starting badges will only be granted in exceptional circumstances.

Expired badges will receive a comment and be closed

Once you have a good-faith attempt at a complete badge, you have until the end of the semester to finish the revisions in order to earn the badge.

### Tip

Try to complete revisions quickly, it will be easier for you

Explore badges have 5 stages:

- proposed: issue created
- in progress: issue is labeled “proceed” by the instructor
- complete: work is complete, PR created, review requested
- revision: “request changes” review was given
- earned: PR approved

Explore badges are feedback-limited. You will not get feedback on subsequent explore badge proposals until you earn the first one. Once you have one earned, then you can have up to two in progress and two in revision at any given time. At most, you will receive feedback for one explore badge per week, so in order to earn six, your first one must be complete by March 18.

## Build Badges

At most one build badge will be evaluated every 4 weeks. This means that if you want to earn 3 build badges, the first one must be in 8 weeks before the end of the semester, March 4. The second would be due April 1st, and the third submitted by the end of classes, April 29th.

## Prepare work and Experience Badges Process

This is for a single example with specific dates, but it is similar for all future dates

The columns (and purple boxes) correspond to branches in your KWL repo and the yellow boxes are the things that you have to do. The “critical” box is what you have to wait for us on. The arrows represent PRs (or a local merge for the first one)

sequenceDiagram participant P as prepare Sep 12 participant E as experience Sep 12 participant M as main note over P:  
complete prepare work<br/> between feb Sep 7 and Sep12 note over E: run experience badge workflow <br/> at the end of class  
Sep12 P -> E: local merge or PR you that <br/> does not need approval note over E: fill in experience reflection critical Badge  
review by instructor or TA E -> M: Experience badge PR option if edits requested note over E: make requested edits option when  
approved note over M: merge badge PR end

In the end the commit sequence for this will look like the following:

```
gitGraph commit commit checkout main branch prepare-2023-09-12 checkout prepare-2023-09-12 commit id:  
"gitunderstanding.md" branch experience-2023-09-12 checkout experience-2023-09-12 commit id: "initexp" merge prepare-2023-  
09-12 commit id: "fillinexp" commit id: "revisions" tag:"approved" checkout main merge experience-2023-09-12  
Where the "approved" tag represents and approving review on the PR.
```

## Review and Practice Badge

Legend:

```
flowchart TD badgestatus{[Badge Status]} passive[/ something that has to occur<br/> not done by student /] student[Something for  
you to do] style badgestatus fill:#2cf decisionnode{Decision/if} sta[action a] stb[action b] decisionnode --> |condition a|sta  
decisionnode --> |condition b|stb subgraph phase[Phase] st[step in phase] end
```

This is the general process for review and practice badges

finalizes tasks after class/] post[/Dr. Brown pushes to github/] link[/notes are posted with badge steps/] posted[[Posted: on badge date]] write -->post post -->link post --o posted end subgraph planning[Plan the badge] direction TB create[/Dr Brown runs your workflow/] decide{Do you need this badge?} close[close the issue] branch[create branch] planned[[Planned: on badge date]] create -->decide decide -->|no| close decide -->|yes| branch create --o planned end subgraph work[Work on the badge] direction TB start[do one task] commit[commit work to the branch] moretasks[complete the other tasks] ccommit[commit them to the branch] reqreview[request a review] started[[Started <br/> due within one week <br/> of posted date]] completed[[Completed <br/>due within two weeks <br/> of posted date]] wait[/wait for feedback/] start --> commit commit -->moretasks commit --o started moretasks -->ccommit ccommit -->reqreview reqreview --> wait reqreview --o completed end subgraph review[Revise your completed badges] direction TB ppreview[Read review feedback] approveddq{what type of review} merge[Merge the PR] edit[complete requested edits] earned[[Earned <br/> due by final grading]] discuss[reply to comments] ppreview -->approveddq approveddq -->|changes requested|edit edit -->|last date to edit: May 1| ppreview approveddq -->|comment|discuss discuss -->prioritize approveddq -->|approved|merge merge --o earned end posting ==> planning planning ==> work work ==> review %% styling style earned fill:#2cf style completed fill:#2cf style started fill:#2cf style posted fill:#2cf style planned fill:#2cf

## Explore Badges

flowchart TD subgraph proposal[Propose the Topic and Product] issue[create an issue] proposed[[Proposed]] reqproposalreview[Assign it to Dr. Brown] waitp[/wait for feedback/] proceedcheck{Did Dr. Brown apply a proceed label?} branch[start a branch] progress[[In Progress ]] iterate[reply to comments and revise] issue --> reqproposalreview reqproposalreview --> waitp reqproposalreview --> proposed waitp --> proceedcheck proceedcheck -->|no| iterate proceedcheck -->|yes| branch branch --> progress iterate -->waitp end subgraph work[Work on the badge] direction TB moretasks[complete the work] ccommit[commit work to the branch] reqreview[request a review] wait[/wait for feedback/] complete[[Complete]] moretasks -->ccommit ccommit -->reqreview reqreview --o complete reqreview --> wait end subgraph review[Revise your work] direction TB ppreview[Read review feedback] approveddq{what type of review} revision[[In revision]] merge[Merge the PR] edit[complete requested edits] earned[[Earned <br/> due by final grading]] ppreview -->approveddq approveddq -->|changes requested|edit edit -->prioritize edit --o revision approveddq -->|approved|merge merge --o earned end proposal ==> work work ==> review %% styling style proposed fill:#2cf style progress fill:#2cf style complete fill:#2cf style revision fill:#2cf style earned fill:#2cf

## Build Badges

flowchart TD subgraph proposal[Propose the Topic and Product] issue[create an issue] proposed[[Proposed]] reqproposalreview[Assign it ] waitp[/wait for feedback/] proceedcheck{Did Dr. Brown apply a proceed label?} branch[start a branch] progress[[In Progress ]] iterate[reply to comments and revise] issue --> reqproposalreview reqproposalreview --> waitp reqproposalreview --> proposed waitp --> proceedcheck proceedcheck -->|no| iterate proceedcheck -->|yes| branch branch --> progress iterate -->waitp end subgraph work[Work on the badge] direction TB commit[commit work to the branch] moretasks[complete the work] draftpr[Open a draft PR and <br/> request a review] ccommit[incorporate feedback] reqreview[request a review] wait[/wait for feedback/] complete[[Complete]] commit -->moretasks commit -->draftpr draftpr -->ccommit moretasks -->reqreview ccommit -->reqreview reqreview --> complete reqreview --> wait end subgraph review[Revise your work] direction TB ppreview[Read review feedback] approveddq{what type of review} revision[[In revision]] merge[Merge the PR] edit[complete requested edits] earned[[Earned <br/> due by final grading]] ppreview -->approveddq approveddq -->|changes requested|edit edit -->prioritize edit -->revision approveddq -->|approved|merge merge --o earned end proposal ==> work work ==> review %% styling style proposed fill:#2cf style progress fill:#2cf style complete fill:#2cf style revision fill:#2cf style earned fill:#2cf

## Community Badges

- In the `community\_contributions.md` file on your kwl repo, add an item in a bulleted list (start the line with - )
- Include a link to your contribution like `[text to display](url/of/contribution)`
- create an individual pull request titled "Community-shortname" where `shortname` is a short name for what you did. approval on this PR by Dr. Brown will constitute credit for your grade
- request a review on that PR from @brownsarahm

### ! Important

You want one contribution per PR` for tracking

flowchart TD  
 contribute[Make a contribution <br> \*typically not in your KWL\*] --> link[Add a link to your <br> contribution to your<br> communityt\_contribution.md<br> in your KWL repo]  
 link --> pr[create a PR for that link]  
 pr --> rev[request a review <br> from @brownsarahm]  
 rev --> approved[Dr. Brown approves]  
 approved --> merge[Merge the PR]  
 merge --o earned

## Detailed Grade Calculations

### ! Important

This page is generated with code and calculations, you can view them for more precise implementations of what the English sentences mean.

### ! Warning

Some phrasing on this may change, but the core of what is required will not change

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```
{'D': 106,
'D+': 124,
'C-': 142,
'C': 192,
'C+': 210,
'B-': 228,
'B': 246,
'B+': 264,
'A-': 282,
'A': 300}
```

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```
-----
NameError                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
Cell In[2], line 23
      21 learning_df = pd.Series(learning_weights, name='complexity').reset_index()
      22 learning_df['badge_type'] = 'learning'
--> 23 comm_df = pd.Series(community_weights, name='weight').reset_index()
      24 comm_df['badge_type'] = 'community'
      25 # nans are for learning badges which all ahve weight 1

NameError: name 'community_weights' is not defined
```

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```
NameError                                                 Traceback (most recent call last)
Cell In[3], line 2
  1 # display
----> 2 influence_df[['badge_type', 'badge', 'complexity', 'weight', 'influence']]
NameError: name 'influence_df' is not defined
```

The total influence of a badge on your grade is the product of the badge's complexity. All learning badges have a weight of 1, but have varying complexity.

## Bonuses

In addition to the weights for each badge, there also bonuses that will automatically applied to your grade at the end of the semester. These are for longer term patterns, not specific assignments. You earn these while working on other assignments, not separately.

### ! Important

the grade plans on the grading page and the thresholds above assume you earn the Participation and Lab bonuses for all grades a D or above and the Breadth bonus for all grades above a C.

| Name                | Definition                                                                                                                                     | Influence | type  |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------|
| Participation       | 22 experience badges                                                                                                                           | 18        | auto  |
| Lab                 | 13 lab badges                                                                                                                                  | 18        | auto  |
| Breadth             | If review + practice badges<br>>-18:                                                                                                           | 32        | auto  |
| Git-ing unstuck     | fix large mistakes your repo<br>using advanced git operations<br>and submit a short reflection<br>(allowable twice; Dr. Brown<br>must approve) | 9         | event |
| Early bird          | 6 review + practice submitted<br>by 2/15                                                                                                       | 9         | event |
| Descriptive commits | all commits in KWL repo and<br>build repos after penalty free<br>zone have descriptive commit<br>messages (not GitHub default<br>or nonsense)  | 9         | event |
| Community Star      | 10 community badges                                                                                                                            | 18        | auto  |

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instructions when you meet the criteria.

#### **i Note**

These bonuses are not pro-rated, you must fulfill the whole requirement to get the bonus. Except where noted, each bonus may only be earned once

#### **i Note**

You cannot guarantee you will earn the Git-ing unstuck bonus, if you want to intentionally explore advanced operations, you can propose an explore badge, which is also worth 9.

## Grade thresholds

Grade cutoffs for total influence are:

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| letter | threshold |
|--------|-----------|
| D      | 106       |
| D+     | 124       |
| C-     | 142       |
| C      | 192       |
| C+     | 210       |
| B-     | 228       |
| B      | 246       |
| B+     | 264       |
| A-     | 282       |
| A      | 300       |

## Bonus Implications

Attendance and participation is *very* important:

- 14 experience, 6 labs, and 9 practice is an F
- 22 experience, 13 labs, and 9 practice is a C-
- 14 experience, 6 labs, 9 practice and one build is a C-
- 22 experience, 13 labs, 9 practice and one build is a C+

Missing one thing can have a nonlinear effect on your grade. Example 1:

- 22 experience, 13 labs, and 18 review is a C

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- 21 experience, 13 labs, and 17 review is a D+
- 21 experience, 12 labs, and 17 review is a D

Example 2:

- 22 experience, 13 labs, and 17 practice is a C
- 22 experience, 13 labs, 17 practice, and 1 review is a B-
- 22 experience, 13 labs, and 18 practice is a B

The Early Bird and Descriptive Commits bonuses are straight forward and set you up for success. Combined, they are also the same amount as the participation and lab bonuses, so getting a strong start and being detail oriented all semester can give you flexibility on attendance or labs.

Early Bird, Descriptive commits, Community Star, and Git-ing Unstuck are all equal to the half difference between steps at a C or above. So earning any two can add a + to a C or a B for example:

- 22 experience, 13 labs, 18 practice, Descriptive Commits, and Early Bird is a B+
- 22 experience, 13 labs, 18 review, Descriptive Commits, and Early Bird is a C+

in these two examples, doing the work at the start of the semester on time and being attentive throughout increases the grade without any extra work!

If you are missing learning badges required to get to a bonus, community badges will fill in for those first. If you earn the Participation, Lab, and Breadth bonuses, then remaining community badges will count toward the community bonus.

For example, at the end of the semester, you might be able to skip some the low complexity learning badges (experience, review, practice) and focus on your high complexity ones to ensure you get an A.

The order of application for community badges:

- to make up missing experience badges
- to make up for missing review or practice badges to earn the breadth bonus
- to upgrade review to practice to meet a threshold
- toward the community badge bonus

To calculate your final grade at the end of the semester, a script will count your badges and logged event bonuses. The script will output a dictionary with keys for each type of learning badge and event bonus with a count for the value of each.

```
example_student = {'experience': 21, 'lab': 13, 'review': 6, 'practice': 12,
                  'explore': 2,
                  'build': 1,
                  'community': 3,
                  'unstuck': 0,
                  'descriptive': 1,
                  'early': 1 }
```

Then these counts will go into the following function to calculate the final grade

### Warning

This is not complete, but will be before the end of the penalty free zone.

```

# Set up remaining constants (some are above)
bonus_criteria = {'participation_bonus': lambda r: int(r['experience'] >=22),
                  'lab_bonus': lambda r: int(r['lab'] >=13),
                  'breadth_bonus': lambda r: int(r['review'] + r['practice']>=18),
                  'community_bonus': lambda r: int(r['community']>=10),
                  'unstuck_bonus': lambda r: r['unstuck'],
                  'descriptive_bonus': lambda r: r['descriptive'],
                  'early_bonus': lambda r: r['early'] }

bonus_values = {'participation_bonus': bonus_participation,
                'lab_bonus': bonus_lab,
                'breadth_bonus': bonus_breadth,
                'community_bonus': 18,
                'unstuck_bonus': 9,
                'descriptive_bonus': 9,
                'early_bonus': 9 }

weights = learning_weights.copy()
weights.update(bonus_values)

community_thresh = {'experience':22,
                     'review':4,
                     'practice':7,
                     'review_upgrade':3}

community_cost = {'experience':3,
                  'review':4,
                  'practice':7,
                  'review_upgrade':3}

# compute grade

# def calculate_grade(badge_dict):
#     if badge_dict['community']>0:
#         # apply community badges

#     # add bonuses

#     # final sum
#     # sum([weights[cat]*count_dict[cat] for cat in count_dict.keys()])

```

# Schedule

## Overview

The following is a tentative outline of topics in an order, these things will be filled into the concrete schedule above as we go. These are, in most cases bigger questions than we can tackle in one class, but will give the general idea of how the class will go.

## How does this class work?

*one week*

We'll spend the first two classes introducing some basics of GitHub and setting expectations for how the course will work. This will include how you are expected to learn in this class which requires a bit about how knowledge production in computer science works and getting started with the programming tools.

## What tools do Computer Scientists use?

Next we'll focus in on tools we use as computer scientists to do our work. We will use this as a way to motivate how different aspects of a computer work in greater detail. While studying the tools and how they work, we will get to see how some common

actually works.

Topics:

- bash
- linux
- git
- i/o
- ssh and ssh keys
- number systems
- file systems

## What Happens When I run code?

Finally, we'll go in really deep on the compilation and running of code. In this part, we will work from the compilation through to assembly down to hardware and then into machine representation of data.

Topics:

- software system and Abstraction
- programming languages
- cache and memory
- compilation
- linking
- basic hardware components

## Recommended workload distribution

### Note

General badge deadlines are on the [detailed badge procedures page](#).

To plan your time, I recommend expecting the following:

- 30 minutes, twice per week for prepare work (typically not this much).
- 1.5(review)-3(practice) hours, twice per week for the dated badges (including revisions).

For each explore:

- 30 min for proposal
- 7 hours for the project

For each build:

- 1.5 hour for the proposal (including revisions)
- 22 hours for the project

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This is a four credit course, meaning we have approximately 4 hours of class + lab time per week( $75 \times 2 + 105 = 255$  minutes or 4.25 hours). By the [accreditation standards](#), students should spend a minimum of 2 hours per credit of work outside of class over 14 weeks. For a 4 credit class, then, the expected minimum number of hours of work outside of class you should be spending is 112 hours( $2 * 4 * 14$ ). With these calculations, given that there are 26 class sessions and only 18 review or practice are required, it is possible to earn an A with approximately 112 hours of work outside of class and lab time.

## Tentative Timeline

### Warning

This section is not yet updated for spring 2024.

This is a rough example.

This is the planned schedule, but is subject to change in order to adapt to how things go in class or additional questions that come up.

```
import pandas as pd
pd.read_csv('schedule.csv',index_col='date').sort_index()
```

| date       | question                                      | keyword         | conceptual                                        | practical                                         | social                                             | activity                                          |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| date       |                                               |                 |                                                   |                                                   |                                                    |                                                   |
| 2023-09-07 | Welcome, Introduction, and Setup              | intro           | what is a system, why study tools                 | GitHub basics                                     | class intros                                       | create kwl repo in github, navigate github.com... |
| 2023-09-12 | Course Logistics and Learning                 | logistics       | github flow with issues                           | syllabus                                          | working together and building common vocab         | set up to work offline together, create a folder  |
| 2023-09-14 | Bash intro & git offline                      | terminal start  | git structure, paths and file system              | bash path navigation, git terminal authentication | why developers work differently than casual users  | navigate files and clone a repo locally           |
| 2023-09-19 | How can I work with branches offline?         | gitoffline      | git branches                                      | github flow offline, resolving merge conflicts    | communication is important, git can help fix mi... | clone a repo and make a branch locally            |
| 2023-09-21 | When do I get an advantage from git and bash? | why terminal    | computing mental model, paths and file structure  | bash navigation, tab completion                   | collaboration requires shared language, shared...  | work with bash and recover from a mistake with... |
| 2023-09-26 | What *is* a commit?                           | merge conflicts | versions, git vlaues                              | merge conflicts in github, merge conflicts wit... | human and machine readable, commit messages ar...  | examine commit objects, introduce plumbing com... |
| 2023-09-28 | How do programmers communicate about code?    | documentation   | build, automation, modularity, pattern matching,  | generate documentation with jupyterbook, gitig... | main vs master, documentation community            | make a jupyterbook                                |
| 2023-10-03 | What *is* git?                                | git structure   | what is a file system, how does git keep track... | find in bash, seeing git config, plumbing/porc... | git workflows are conventions, git can be used...  | examine git from multiple definitions and insp... |
| 2023-10-05 | Why are these tools like this?                | unix philosophy | unix philosophy, debugging strategies             | decision making for branches                      | social advantages of shared mental model, diff...  | discussion with minor code examples               |
| 2023-10-12 | How does git make a commit?                   | git internals   | pointers, design and abstraction, intermediate... | inspecting git objects, when hashes are unique... | conventions vs requirements                        | create a commit using plumbing commands           |
| 2023-10-17 | What is a commit number?                      | numbers         | hashes, number systems                            | git commit numbers, manual hashing with git       | number systems are derived in culture              | discussion and use hashing algorithm              |
| 2023-10-19 | How can can I release and share my code?      | git references  | pointers, git branches and tags                   | git branches, advanced fixing, semver and conv... | advantages of data that is both human and mach...  | make a tag and release                            |
| 2023-10-24 | How can I automate things with bash?          | bash scripting  | bash is a programming language, official docs,... | script files, man pages, bash variables, bash ... | using automation to make collaboration easier      | build a bash script that calculates a grade       |
| 2023-10-26 | How can I work on a remote server?            | server          | server, hpc, large files                          | ssh, large files, bash head, grep, etc            | hidden impacts of remote computation               | log into a remote server and work with large f... |

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| date       | question                                              | keyword               | conceptual                                         | practical                              | social                                             | activity                                            |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 2023-10-31 | What is an IDE?                                       | IDE                   | IDE parts                                          | compare and contrast IDEs              | features, developer communities                    | discussions and sharing IDE tips                    |
| 2023-11-02 | How do I choose a Programming Language for a project? | programming languages | types of PLs, what is PL studying                  | choosing a language for a project      | usability depends on prior experience              | discussion or independent research                  |
| 2023-11-07 | How can I authenticate more securely from a terminal? | server use            | ssh keys, hpc system structure                     | ssh keys, interactive, slurm           | social aspects of passwords and security           | configure and use ssh keys on a hpc                 |
| 2023-11-09 | What Happens when we build code?                      | building              | building C code                                    | ssh keys, gcc compiler                 | file extensions are for people, when vocabulary... | build code in C and examine intermediate outputs    |
| 2023-11-14 | What happens when we run code?                        | hardware              | von neuman architecture                            | reading a basic assembly language      | historical context of computer architectures       | use a hardware simulator to see step by step output |
| 2023-11-16 | How does a computer represent non integer quantities? | floats                | float representation                               | floats do not equal themselves         | social processes around standard developments, ... | work with float representation through fractions    |
| 2023-11-21 | How can we use logical operations?                    | bitwise operation     | what is a bit, what is a register, how to break... | how an ALU works                       | tech interviews look for obscure details sometimes | derive addition from basic logic operations         |
| 2023-11-28 | What *is* a computer?                                 | architecture          | physical gates, history                            | interpreting specs                     | social context influences technology               | discussion                                          |
| 2023-11-30 | How does timing work in a computer?                   | timing                | timing, control unit, threading                    | threaded program with a race condition | different times matter in different cases          | write a threaded program and fix a race condition   |
| 2023-12-05 | How do different types of storage work together?      | memory                | different type of memory, different abstractions   | working with large data                | privacy/respect for data                           | large data that has to be read in batches           |
| 2023-12-07 | How does this all work together                       | review                | all                                                | end of semester logistics              | group work final                                   | review quiz, integration/reflection questions       |
| 2023-12-12 | How did this semester go?                             | feedback              | all                                                | grading                                | how to learn better together                       | discussion                                          |

## Tentative Lab schedule

```
pd.read_csv('labschedule.csv', index_col='date').sort_index()
```

| <b>date</b>       | <b>topic</b>            | <b>activity</b>                                   |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| <b>2023-09-08</b> | GitHub Basics           | syllabus quiz, setup                              |
| <b>2023-09-15</b> | working at the terminal | organization, setup kwl locally, manage issues    |
| <b>2023-09-22</b> | offline branches        | plan for success, clean a messy repo              |
| <b>2023-09-29</b> | tool familiarity        | work on badges, self progress report              |
| <b>2023-10-06</b> | unix philosophy         | design a command line tool that would enable a... |
| <b>2023-10-13</b> | git plumbing            | git plumbing experiment                           |
| <b>2023-10-20</b> | git plumbing            | grade calculation script, self reflection         |
| <b>2023-10-27</b> | scripting               | releases and packaging                            |
| <b>2023-11-03</b> | remote, hpc             | server work, batch scripts                        |
| <b>2023-11-10</b> | Compiling               | C compiling experiments                           |
| <b>2023-11-17</b> | Machine representation  | bits and floats and number libraries              |
| <b>2023-12-01</b> | hardware                | self-reflection, work, project consultations      |
| <b>2023-12-08</b> | os                      | hardware simulation                               |

## Support

### Academic Enhancement Center

Academic Enhancement Center (for undergraduate courses): Located in Roosevelt Hall, the AEC offers free face-to-face and web-based services to undergraduate students seeking academic support. Peer tutoring is available for STEM-related courses by appointment online and in-person. The Writing Center offers peer tutoring focused on supporting undergraduate writers at any stage of a writing assignment. The UCS160 course and academic skills consultations offer students strategies and activities aimed at improving their studying and test-taking skills. Complete details about each of these programs, up-to-date schedules, contact information and self-service study resources are all available on the [AEC website](#).

- **STEM Tutoring** helps students navigate 100 and 200 level math, chemistry, physics, biology, and other select STEM courses. The STEM Tutoring program offers free online and limited in-person peer-tutoring this fall. Undergraduates in introductory STEM courses have a variety of small group times to choose from and can select occasional or weekly appointments. Appointments and locations will be visible in the TutorTrac system on September 14th, FIXME. The TutorTrac application is available through [URI Microsoft 365 single sign-on](#) and by visiting [aec.uri.edu](#). More detailed information and instructions can be found on the [AEC tutoring page](#).
- **Academic Skills Development** resources helps students plan work, manage time, and study more effectively. In Fall FIXME, all Academic Skills and Strategies programming are offered both online and in-person. UCS160: Success in Higher Education is a one-credit course on developing a more effective approach to studying. Academic Consultations are 30-minute, 1 to 1 appointments that students can schedule on Starfish with Dr. David Hayes to address individual academic issues. Study Your Way to Success is a self-guided web portal connecting students to tips and strategies on studying and time management related topics. For more information on these programs, visit the [Academic Skills Page](#) or contact Dr. Hayes directly at [davidhayes@uri.edu](mailto:davidhayes@uri.edu).
- The **Undergraduate Writing Center** provides free writing support to students in any class, at any stage of the writing process: from understanding an assignment and brainstroming ideas, to developing, organizing, and revising a draft. Fall 2020 services

available Sunday - Friday), and 2) written asynchronous consultations with a 24-hour turn-around response time (available Monday - Friday). Synchronous appointments are video-based, with audio, chat, document-sharing, and live captioning capabilities, to meet a range of accessibility needs. View the synchronous and asynchronous schedules and book online, visit [uri.mywconline.com](http://uri.mywconline.com).

## General Policies

### Anti-Bias Statement:

We respect the rights and dignity of each individual and group. We reject prejudice and intolerance, and we work to understand differences. We believe that equity and inclusion are critical components for campus community members to thrive. If you are a target or a witness of a bias incident, you are encouraged to submit a report to the URI Bias Response Team at [www.uri.edu/brt](http://www.uri.edu/brt). There you will also find people and resources to help.

### Disability, Access, and Inclusion Services for Students Statement

Your access in this course is important. Please send me your Disability, Access, and Inclusion (DAI) accommodation letter early in the semester so that we have adequate time to discuss and arrange your approved academic accommodations. If you have not yet established services through DAI, please contact them to engage in a confidential conversation about the process for requesting reasonable accommodations in the classroom. DAI can be reached by calling: 401-874-2098, visiting: [web.uri.edu/disability](http://web.uri.edu/disability), or emailing: [dai@etal.uri.edu](mailto:dai@etal.uri.edu). We are available to meet with students enrolled in Kingston as well as Providence courses.

### Academic Honesty

Students are expected to be honest in all academic work. A student's name or email address associated with a commit on any written work, quiz or exam shall be regarded as assurance that the work is the result of the student's own independent thought and study. Work should be stated in the student's own words, properly attributed to its source. Students have an obligation to know how to quote, paraphrase, summarize, cite and reference the work of others with integrity. The following are examples of academic dishonesty:

- Using material, directly or paraphrasing, from published sources (print or electronic) without appropriate citation
- Claiming disproportionate credit for work not done independently
- Unauthorized possession or access to exams
- Unauthorized communication during exams
- Unauthorized use of another's work or preparing work for another student
- Taking an exam for another student
- Altering or attempting to alter grades
- The use of notes or electronic devices to gain an unauthorized advantage during exams
- Fabricating or falsifying facts, data or references
- Facilitating or aiding another's academic dishonesty
- Submitting the same paper for more than one course without prior approval from the instructors

Assignments are tested against LLMs and designed so that they require you to learn and that an LLM answer will be low quality and not earn credit.

All of your work must reflect your own thinking and understanding. The written work in English that you submit must all be your own work or content that was provided to you in class, it cannot include text that was generated by an AI or plagiarized in any other way. You may use auto-complete in all tools including, IDE-integrated [GitHub](#) co-pilot (or similar, IDE embedded tool) for any code that is required for this course because the code is necessary to demonstrate examples, but language syntax is not the core learning outcome.

If you are found to submit prismia responses that do not reflect your own thinking or that of discussion with peers as directed, the experience badge for that class session will be ineligible.

If work is suspected to be the result of inappropriate collaboration or AI use, you will be allowed to take an oral exam in lab time to contest and prove that your work reflects your own understanding.

The first time you will be allowed to appeal through an oral exam. If your appeal is successful, your counter resets. If you are found to have violated the policy then the badge in question will be ineligible and your maximum number of badges possible to be earned will be limited according to the guidelines below per badge type (you cannot treat the plagiarized badge as skipped). If you are found to have violated the policy a second time, then no further work will be graded for the remainder of the semester.

If you are found to submit work that is not your own for a *review or practice* badge, the review and practice badges for that date will be ineligible and the penalty free zone terms will no longer apply to the first six badges.

If you are found to submit work that is not your own for an *explore or build* badge, that badge will not be awarded and your maximum badges at the level possible will drop to 2/3 of the maximum possible.

## Viral Illness Precautions

The University is committed to delivering its educational mission while protecting the health and safety of our community. Students who are experiencing symptoms of viral illness should NOT go to class/work. Those who test positive for COVID-19 should follow the isolation guidelines from the Rhode Island Department of Health and CDC.

If you miss class, you do not need to notify me in advance. You can follow the [makeup procedures](#).

## Excused Absences

Absences due to serious illness or traumatic loss, religious observances, or participation in a university sanctioned event are considered excused absences.

**You do not need to notify me in advance.**

For short absences (1-2 classes) can follow the [makeup procedures](#).

For this, email Dr. Brown when you are ready to get caught up and she will help you make a plan for the best order to complete missed work so that you are able to participate in subsequent activities. Extensions on badges will be provided if needed. In your plan, include what class sessions you missed by date.

We understand that college comes with challenges and stress associated with your courses, job/family responsibilities and personal life. URI offers students a range of services to support your mental health and wellbeing, including the [URI Counseling Center](#), [MySSP](#) (Student Support Program) App, the [Wellness Resource Center](#), and [Well-being Coaching](#).

## Office Hours & Communication

### Announcements

Announcements will be made via [GitHub](#) Release. You can view them online in the releases page or you can get notifications by watching the [repository](#), choosing “Releases” under custom see GitHub docs for instructions with screenshots. You can choose [GitHub](#) only or e-mail notification from the [notification settings page](#)

#### Warning

For the first week they will be made by BrightSpace too, but after that, all course activities will be only on GitHub.

#### Sign up to watch

Watch the repo and then, after the first class, claim a community badge for doing so, using a link to these instructions as the “contribution” like follows.

- [watched the repo as per announcements](<https://introcompsys.github.io/spring2023/syllabus/community-watch>)

put this on a branch called [watch\\_community\\_badge](#) and title your PR “Community-Watch”

### Help Hours

| Day       | Time        | Location      | Host      |
|-----------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Monday    | 4:45-6:30   | 052 Tyler     | Trevor    |
| TBD       | TBD         | Zoom          | Dr. Brown |
| TBD       | TBD         | 134 Tyler     | Dr. Brown |
| Tuesday   | 11-12:30    | 052 Tyler     | Trevor    |
| Tuesday   | 1:00 - 3:00 | Zoom          | Marcin    |
| Wednesday | 2:00 - 4:00 | 049 Tyler     | Gyanko    |
| Thursday  | 11-12:30    | 052 Tyler     | Trevor    |
| Friday    | 2:00 - 4:00 | 049 Tyler     | Gyanko    |
| TBD       | TBD         | Zoom          | TA        |
| TBD       | TBD         | in person TBD | TA        |

Online office hours locations are linked on the [GitHub Organization Page](#)

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You can only see them if you are a “member” to join, make sure that you have completed Lab 0.

## Tips

### For assignment help

- **send in advance, leave time for a response** I check e-mail/github a small number of times per day, during work hours, almost exclusively. You might see me post to this site, post to BrightSpace, or comment on your assignments outside of my normal working hours, but I will not reliably see emails that arrive during those hours. This means that it is important to start assignments early.

### Using issues

- use issues for content directly related to assignments. If you push your code to the repository and then open an issue, I can see your code and your question at the same time and download it to run it if I need to debug it
- use issues for questions about this syllabus or class notes. At the top right there's a GitHub logo ☒ that allows you to open a issue (for a question) or suggest an edit (eg if you think there's a typo or you find an additional helpful resource related to something)



...

You can submit a pull request for the typo above, but be sure to check the pull request tab of the repo before submitting to see if it has already been submitted.

### For E-mail

- use e-mail for general inquiries or notifications
- Include [CSC392] in the subject line of your email along with the topic of your message. This is important, because your messages are important, but I also get a lot of e-mail. Consider this a cheat code to my inbox: I have setup a filter that will flag your e-mail if you include that in subject to ensure that I see it.



Should you e-mail your work?

No, request a pull request review or make an issue if you are stuck

## 1. Welcome, Introduction, and Setup

### 1.1. Introductions

- Dr. Sarah Brown
- Please address me as Dr. Brown or Professor Brown,

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## 1.2. Prismia

- instead of slides
- you can message us
- we can see all of your responses
- emoji!

## 1.3. This course will be different

- no Brightspace
- 300 level = more independence
- I will give advice, but only hold you accountable to a minimal set
- High expectations, with a lot of flexibility

## 1.4. Getting started

Your KWL chart is where you will start by tracking what you know now/before we start and what you want to learn about each topic. Then you will update it throughout the semester. You will also add material to the repository to produce evidence of your learning.

(see prismia or a member of the instructional team for the link to create your KWL if you are making up class)

## 1.5. We have a Glossary!!

For example, the term we used above:

repository



In class, on prismia, I will sometimes link like above, but you can also keep the page open if that is helpful for you.

In the course site, glossary terms will be linked as in the following list.

Key terms for the first class:

- repository
- git
- github
- PR

## 1.6. GitHub Docs are really helpful and have screenshots

Today we did the following:

1. Accept the assignment to create your repo: [KWL Chart](#)
2. Edit the README to add your name by clicking the pencil icon ([editing a file step 2](#))
3. adding a descriptive commit message and committed directly to main ([editing a file step 5](#))
4. Edit the README to fill in one row of the table by clicking the pencil icon ([editing a file step 2](#))
5. created a new branch (named [prior\\_knowledge](#)) ([editing a file step 7-8](#))
6. added a message to the Pull Request ([pull request step 5](#))
7. Creating a pull request ([pull request step 6](#))
8. Clicking Merge Pull Request

## 1.8. GitHub Actions

GitHub allows us to run scripts within our repos, the feature is called GitHub Actions and the individual items are called workflows.

We ran the [Experience Reflection](#) action at the end of class.

## 1.9. Questions After Class

### 1.9.1. is there a limit to how many branches you can have from the main branch?

Not specifically. Technically there are limits, but they're second hand and we will see them later

### 1.9.2. what should I name the commit for the experience badge?

something like "reflected on class" or if you make an extra one where you add more detail you could use "add more detail"

### 1.9.3. When did Git and GitHub get created?

git was created in 2005. GitHub was founded in 2008.

### 1.9.4. Do I commit directly to the branch when I edit my experience badge?

yes

### 1.9.5. will these experience files be auto-generated each class?

You will run the action manually, but it will create and name the files for you.

### 1.9.6. Is making Pull Requests our way of submitting work?

Yes

Copying a file, naming it with that day's date, making a branch with today's date, and opening a PR with a specific body and title.

## 1.9.8. How does GitHub actions work and what is it useful for?

This is a big picture question for the [github docs](#) to answer.

# 2. How does this course work?

Today we will:

- continue getting familiar with the structure of GitHub
- clarify more how the course will flow
- practice with new vocabulary

*Tuesday was a lot of new information, today we will reinforce that mostly, and add only a little*

## 2.1. Warm up

1. Navigate to your KWL repo
2. Find the issues tab
3. Open the prepare-2024-01-25 issue and follow those instructions

\*hint: my KWL repo URL is: <https://github.com/compsys-progtools/kwl-sp24-brownsarahm>

## 2.2. What is it like to know things really well?

When you know something well:

- it becomes automatic, you can do it without thinking about the details
- you are able to anticipate things
- you use specialized vocabulary with ease

### Important

The goal is to get you to that point with all of the developer tools we will learn about.

If the tools become automatic in this class, you can use them with ease in other classes to your advantage.

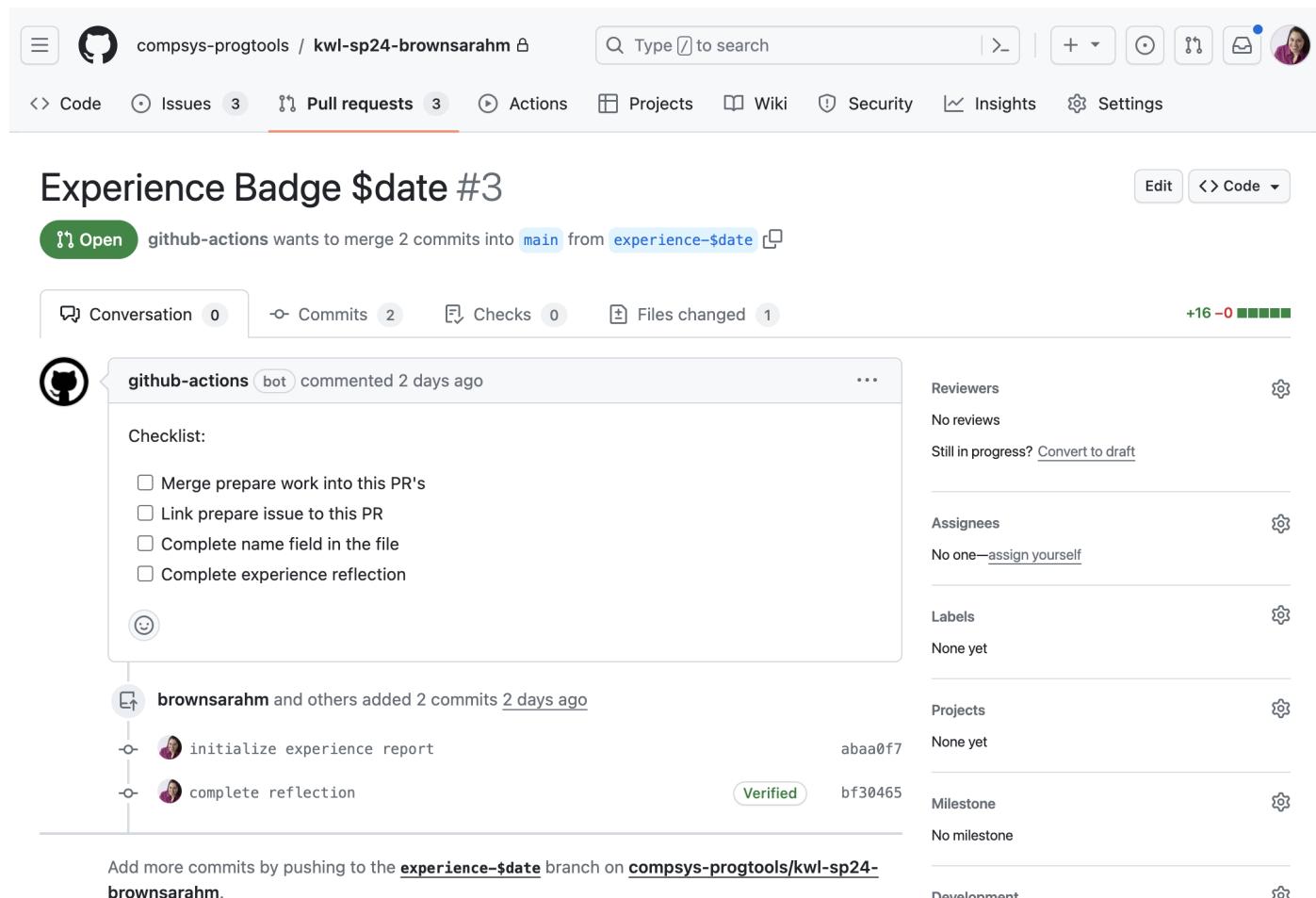
We did some prismia questions on GitHub things to reinforce that material we had already seen. When we do this, I'll typically skip that section in the posted notes, but you can always view on prismia including getting a transcript from prismia:

1. In the top left corner there is a  icon which opens a sidebar popup.
2. In the top left opens a menu
3. "Get transcript from class"

## 2.3. Pull Requests and Commits

The unit of changes in a history is a commit. Each commit is said to be "on" a branch.

We examined the PRs for your first experience badge.



The screenshot shows a GitHub pull request page. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Code, Issues (3), Pull requests (3), Actions, Projects, Wiki, Security, Insights, and Settings. A search bar is also at the top. The main title of the PR is "Experience Badge \$date #3". Below the title, it says "github-actions wants to merge 2 commits into `main` from `experience-$date`". The PR has 0 conversations, 2 commits, 0 checks, and 1 file changed. The file changed is "+16 -0".  
  
The PR details section shows a comment from "github-actions bot" from 2 days ago. It includes a checklist:

- Merge prepare work into this PR's
- Link prepare issue to this PR
- Complete name field in the file
- Complete experience reflection

  
Below the checklist, there's a comment from "brownsarahm and others" from 2 days ago, mentioning "initialize experience report" and "complete reflection". The "initialize experience report" commit is verified and has hash abaa0f7, while the "complete reflection" commit has hash bf30465.  
  
On the right side, there are sections for Reviewers, Assignees, Labels, Projects, Milestone, and Development, each with a gear icon for configuration.

Fig. 2.1 A PR that has two commits on it with one file changed. This PR compares the `experience-$date` branch to the `main` branch.

From this page we can learn an important implication of the fact that **a pull request is a comparison between two branches**. Since the relationship is between the branches, it is not related directly to commits. We can *add more commits* to the branch after we make a PR, and they show up on the PR page.

Add more commits by pushing to the experience-\$date branch on compsys-progtools/kwl-sp24-brownsarahm.

#### Note

here we are learning *by example* and then *synthesizing* that into concrete facts.

This course will proceed like this a lot; we *do* things to let you experience the important to know things *in context* first, then discuss and label and examine.

#### Hint

If we ever do something and you are not sure why, please ask!!

## 2.4. Why learn by example?

just play with it

- common attitude in CS
- not optimal for learning

It's not optimal for learning because it can leave you unguided and not know where to start, but it is the common culture in developer environments.

My goal is to teach you to thrive within that culture, because you are likely to encounter it at work.

My goal, however, is not to just drop you in with no preparation. If it feels that way, **please ask questions**.

We'll practice what it *looks like* to learn by tinkering and then examining.

To do this:

- set up opportunities for you to *do* the things that give you the opportunity
- highlight important facts about what just happened
- ask you questions to examine what just happened

This is why attendance/participation is a big part of your grade.

Experience badges are evidence of having learned, you get credit for engaging in the *process* of learning.

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## 2.5. Admin

1. Go to your PR tab
2. Find the PR titled "Template updates" that I created
3. Merge and confirm the PR

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When we merge a PR into `main` all of the commits on the PR compare branch are added to `main` + an additional commit for the merge itself.

For easy merges, that commit does not add more changes to any files, but if the merge is not automatic, it can.

## 2.7. This course will be different

- no Brightspace
- 300 level = more independence
- I will give advice, but only hold you accountable to a minimal set
- High expectations, with a lot of flexibility

### 2.7.1. I do not judge your reasons for missing class.

- **No need to tell me in advance**
- For 1 class, no need to tell me why at all
- For 1 class, make it up and keep moving
- For long absences, I will help you plan how to get caught up, must meet university criteria for excused absence

If you do email me about missing a single class, I will likely not reply. Not because I do not care about your long term success; I do! I get too many emails. I try to prioritize time on things that has the biggest impact; confirming I saw an email that does not change any other policies is lower impact than, for example giving feedback on student work.

### 2.7.2. My focus is for you to learn

- that means, practice, feedback, and reflection
- you should know that you have learned
- you should be able to apply this material in other courses

#### ! Important

You **will** be asked to revise things at some point, for 2 reasons:

- since I allow revisions, I enforce really high standards on the quality of your work so that you do not hold onto misconceptions
- the process of using GitHub to make revisions is something to get familiar with.

### 2.7.3. Learning comes in many forms

- different types of material are best remembered in different ways
- some things are hard to explain, but watching it is very concrete

## 2.8. Learning is the goal

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- in a job, you may get paid to do things fast
- your work also needs to be correct, without someone telling you it is
- in a job you are trusted to know your work is correct, your boss does not check your work or grade you
- to get a job, you have to interview, which means explaining, in words, to another person how to do something

## 2.9. What about AI?

Large Language Models will change what programming looks like, but understanding is always going to be more effective than asking an AI. Large language models actually do not know anything, they just know what languages look like and generate text.

*if you cannot tell it when it's wrong, you do not add value for a company, so why would they pay you?*

## 2.10. This is a college course

- more than getting you one job, a bootcamp gets you one job
- build a long (or maybe short, but fruitful) career
- build critical thinking skill that makes you adaptable
- have options

## 2.11. “I never use what I learned in college”

- very common saying
- it's actually a sign of deep learning
- when we have expertise, we do not even notice when we apply it
- college is not (just) about the facts, but the processes

## 2.12. How does this work?

### 2.12.1. In class:

1. Memory/ understanding checks
2. Review/ clarification as needed
3. New topic demo with follow along, tiny practice
4. Review, submit questions

### 2.12.2. Outside of class:

1. Read notes to refresh the material, check your understanding, and find more details
2. Practice material that has been taught
3. Activate your memory of related things to what we will cover to prepare
4. Read articles/ watch videos to either fill in gaps or learn more details

## 2.13. How to be successful

### ! Important

There are links on the side to advice from previous semesters, details in the grading have changed, but the core is still the same.

I give a [time breakdown](#) in the syllabus.

Take a minute to think about how you use your time and what that breakdown means for how you will plan.

This time breakdown is planned based on if the time-blocking strategy is helpful to you, but the most important thing is for you to make a plan that will work for you. I want this to be flexible enough that you can adapt it to your liking, but that means you have to make choices.

## 2.14. What is this course about?

In your KWL chart, there are a lot of different topics that are not obviously related, so what is this course really about?

We will:

- practical exposure to important tools
- design features of those tool categories
- basic knowledge of many parts of the CS core
- focus on the connections

We will use learning the tools to understand how computer scientists think and work.

Then we will use the tools to examine the field of Computer Science top to bottom (possibly out of order).

### 2.14.1. How it fits into your CS degree

knowing where you've been and where we're going will help you understand and remember

In CSC110, you learn to program in python and see algorithms from a variety of domain areas where computer science is applied.

(for BS) in CSC 340 and 440 you study the algorithms more mathematically, their complexity, etc.

In CSC211, 212, you learn the foundations of computer science: general programming and data structures.

Then in 301, 305, 411, 412 you study different aspects of software design and how computers work.

In this class, we're going to connect different ideas. We are going to learn the tools used by computer scientists, deeply. You will understand why the tools are the way they are and how to use them even when things go wrong.

### 2.14.2. Programming is Collaborative

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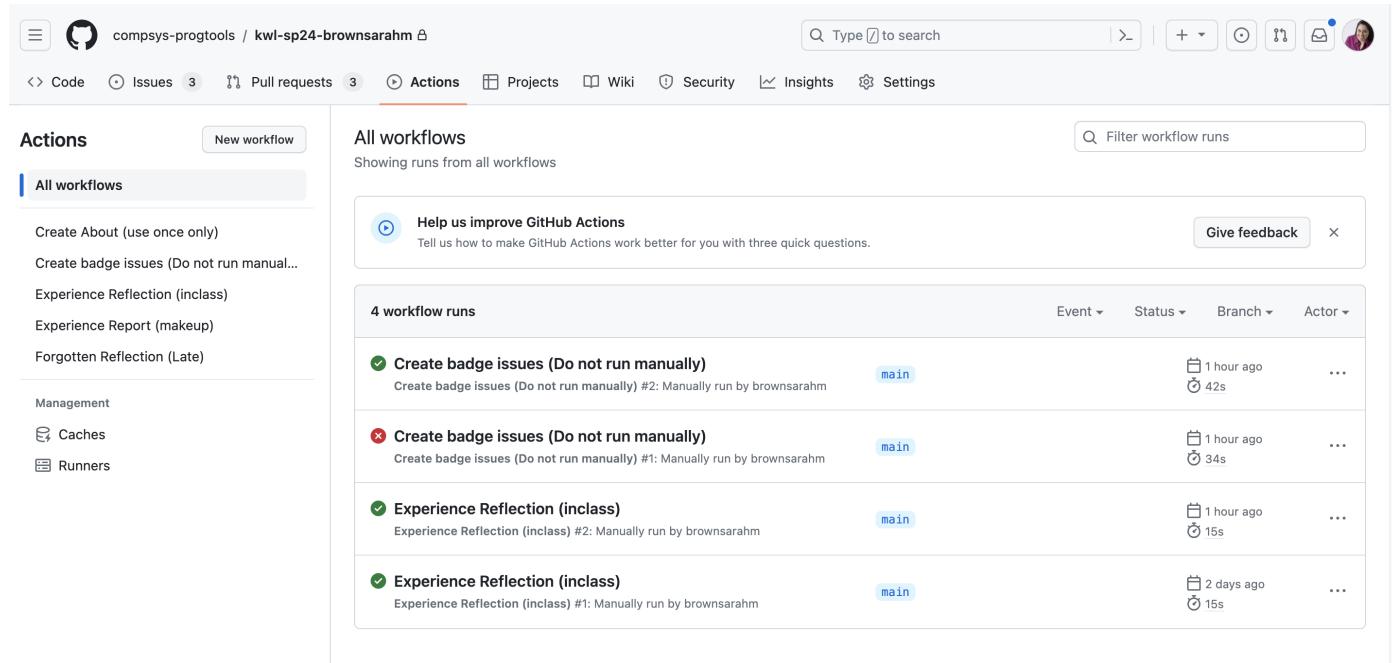
- code review (working independently and then reviewing)
- pair programming (sitting together and discussing while writing)

We are going to build your skill in the *code review* model, especially.

You can do build badges collaboratively, for a closer collaboration, but those are your choice.

## 2.15. GitHub Actions Tab Review

GitHub allows us to run scripts within our repos, the feature is called GitHub Actions and the individual items are called workflows.



The screenshot shows the GitHub Actions tab for a repository named 'compsys-progtools / kwl-sp24-brownsarahm'. On the left sidebar, there are sections for 'Actions' (with a 'New workflow' button), 'All workflows' (selected), 'Create About (use once only)', 'Create badge issues (Do not run manually...)', 'Experience Reflection (inclass)', 'Experience Report (makeup)', and 'Forgotten Reflection (Late)'. Under 'Management', there are 'Caches' and 'Runners'. The main center panel is titled 'All workflows' and shows 'Showing runs from all workflows'. It includes a 'Help us improve GitHub Actions' card with a 'Give feedback' button. Below this, it displays '4 workflow runs' with the following details:

| Action                                    | Status                    | Event | Time Ago   | Actor       |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|------------|-------------|
| Create badge issues (Do not run manually) | Success (green checkmark) | main  | 1 hour ago | brownsarahm |
| Create badge issues (Do not run manually) | Failure (red X)           | main  | 1 hour ago | brownsarahm |
| Experience Reflection (inclass)           | Success (green checkmark) | main  | 1 hour ago | brownsarahm |
| Experience Reflection (inclass)           | Success (green checkmark) | main  | 2 days ago | brownsarahm |

*Fig. 2.2* Screen shot of the actions tab of my repo showing 4 total runs in the center panel. Three of the runs succeeded and have a green check mark. One failed and has a red x. On the left hand side there is a list of 5 possible actions to run. Notice the list of workflows on the left each has a unique name (because we generally choose to name things so that names can be used as identifiers) the list of workflow runs includes the same name multiple times because we can *run* each workflow multiple times.

*this should be different from yours, because I tested things in mine before making your PRs*

### 2.15.1. Get Credit for Today's class

**\*\*Run your Experience Reflection (inclass) action on your kwl repo \*\***

*talk with peers to make sure you remember what the right way to click on it is*

## 2.16. Reminder about class structure

total] exp --> | tracks participation for each| inclass rev --> |is one type of| dated pra --> |is one type of| dated breadth[Breadth bonus] breadth --> |awarded for 18 total | dated participation[Participation bonus] participation --> |awarded for 22 total| exp dated -> |posted for each| inclass

This is called a concept map, you would read it along the arrows, so this corresponds to the following bullets:

- review badges are one type of dated badge
- practice badges
- dated badges are posted for each class session
- experience badges track participation for each class session

### 💡 Hint

Remember, this website is generated from a GitHub repo, you can find it from the course organization page on GitHub. The organization is named `compsys-progtools` so the org page is at <https://github.com/compsys-progtools> and it is the owner of your KWL repo so there is a link to it in the top left corner.

## 2.17. Prepare for lab

**this is really a tip/hint about what we will do in the next lab**

Next lab we will give you help with sorting out the procedures of PRs and issues and submitting work.

If you work on the badges, but you are not sure about things, log your work as comments on the issue or even in a separate file somewhere, and we will help you get it submitted in lab.

You can also bring questions about anything in the syllabus to get help (or post them for written answers).

## 2.18. Prepare for next class

1. Find the glossary page for the course website, link it below. Review the terms for the next class: shell, terminal, bash, git, zsh, powershell, GitHub. Make a diagram using `mermaid` to highlight how these terms relate to one another
2. Check your kwl repo before class and see if you have received feedback, reply or merge accordingly.

Example “venn diagram ” with `mermaid` subgraphs

flowchart subgraph Browsers subgraph Safari end subgraph Chromium based gg[Google Chrome] me[Microsoft Edge] end end

## 2.19. Badges

**Review**      **Practice**

1. review notes after they are posted, both rendered and the raw markdown include links to each in your badge PR
2. map out your computing knowledge or what you know about git/GitHub so far and add it to your kwl chart repo in a file called `prior-knowledge-map.md`. Use `mermaid`

## 2.20.1. In experience badge, after I commit, do I do anything after?

Yes, request a review from [@instructors](#)

## 2.20.2. Are we adding a reviewer to our experience badge?

Yes

## 2.20.3. do we check off the things in the experience badge checklist or does a TA do that?

In the future, you will, but we'll work through what that looks like in more detail next week.

## 2.20.4. do we do both the review and prepare?

Only one per date. If you look, they're very similar. For the first class, they're just about the same. As we go on for the first few weeks the difference between them will increase (which is mostly complexity or depth of understanding that I am looking to check)

## 2.20.5. How do I submit work?

Create a PR and request a review.

Two things to note:

- *in the penalty free zone, there is no penalty for doing it wrong*
- checking this is the main topic of the next lab, so we will one on one check in with each of you that you know how to do this

## 2.20.6. If we wanted to ping an instructor/the instructor that got assigned to us, would we @ them in a comment?

Yes! you can @ mention any of us or the team whenever you need help.

## 2.21. A final note

### 💡 Tip

Reading to the end is always valued, you can [claim a community badge](#) for finding this by linking to the heading above and requesting a review from @brownsarahm, title your PR [community-reading-notes](#).

Extra bonus, there are tips like this throughout the website that let you get community badges for setting things up, or reading carefully.



## 3.1. Why do we need this for computer systems?

### 3.1.1. Computer Systems are designed by people

Computer Science is not a natural science like biology or physics where we try to understand some aspect of the world that we live in. Computer Science as a discipline, like algorithms, mostly derives from Math.

So, when we study computer science, while parts of it are limited by physics, most of it is essentially an imaginary world that is made by people. Understanding how people think, both generally, and common patterns within the community of programmers can help us understand how things work and why they are the way they are. The *why* can also make it easier to remember things, or, it can help you know what things you can find alternatives for, or even where you might invent a whole new thing that is better in some way.

Of course, not *all* programmers think the same way, but when people spend time together and communicate, they start to share patterns in how they think. So, while you do **not** have to think the same way as these patterns, knowing what they are will help you reading code, and understanding things.

### 3.1.2. Context Matters

This context of how things were developed can influence how we understand it. We will also talk about the history of computing as we go through different topics in class so that we can build that context up.

### 3.1.3. Optimal is relative

The “best” way to do something is always relative to the context. “Best” is a vague term. It could be most computationally efficient theoretically, fastest to run on a particular type of hardware, or easiest for another programmer to read.

## 3.2. Let’s get organized

For class you should have a folder on your computer where you will keep all of your materials.

We will start using the terminal today, by getting all set up.

Open a terminal window. I am going to use `bash` commands

- if you are on mac, your default shell is `zsh` which is mostly the same as bash for casual use. you can switch to bash to make your output more like mine using the command `bash` if you want, but it is not required.
- if you are on windows, your **GitBash** terminal will be the least setup work to use `bash`
- if you have WSL (if you do not, no need to worry) you should be able to set your linux shell to `bash`

On mac you can optionally use the `bash` command to switch to bash.

```
bash
```

To update your account to use ZSH, please run chsh -s /bin/zsh .  
For more details, please visit <https://support.apple.com/kb/HT208050>.

Then it tells you Apple's default is something else and how to switch back.

We can use `pwd` you can see your current "location". It stands for print working directory.

```
pwd
```

this is called the **path** and specifically this is an **absolute path**, we can tell because it starts with `/` that is the "root" or "top" of the directory tree structure.

```
/Users/brownsarahm
```

### 💡 Tip

You can think of absolute paths like a street address. It describes the location in a general (absolute) way; not relative to another location.

I can say Tyler hall is at 9 Greenhouse Road and you can get there from anywhere.

In contrast if I say it is that building in the distance, across the quad past the large glass building, that works from our classroom in Ranger, but not from the library, or anywhere off campus. This would be a relative set of directions to get to Tyler Hall.

We can change into another directory with `cd` for change directory

```
cd Documents/
```

We can use a the **relative path** to describe where we want to change to. The `Documents/` is a relative path because it does not start with `/`

To see what changed, we use `pwd` again

```
pwd
```

```
/Users/brownsarahm/Documents
```

Note that the current path is the same as the old one plus the place we changed to.

I moved one step further into my `inclass` folder

```
cd inclass/
```

We can **make** a new **directory** with `mkdir`

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What you want to have is a folder for class (mine is systems) in a place you can find it. (mine is in my inclass folder)

### 3.3. Your Home directory is easy to get to

Next we will use `cd` without path at all.

```
cd
```

Here we noted that the prompt changed back to what we started with, the `-`. The home directory.

Next we will go back to where we were working.

```
cd Documents/inclass/systems/
```

Remember, you can use `tab` to completed. So I typed: `cd Doc tab in tab sys tab`

This saves time **and** reduces typos, the terminal is filling in based on what the available options are, what exists in your filesystem, it will not fill in with something that is not there.

### 3.4. Relative paths

Let's look at our current location again:

```
pwd
```

```
/Users/brownsarahm/Documents/inclass/systems
```

`..` is a special file that points to a specific relative path, of one level up.

We can use `..` to go up one level from wherever we are.

```
cd ..
```

we can see the impact using `pwd`

```
pwd
```

```
/Users/brownsarahm/Documents/inclass
```

Notice that before the last part was systems and the new path is missing that last part.

We will go back to the folder we made, since that is where we want to work for class.

## 3.5. A toy repo for in class

### ⚠ Warning

I removed the link from the public notes, but you can get it in prismia

this repo will be for *in class* work, you will not get feedback inside of it, unless you ask, but you will answer questions in your kwl repo about what we do in this repo sometimes

only work in this repo during class time or making up class, unless specifically instructed to (will happen once in a few weeks)

After you have the repo, run the one action that is there.

Then find your readme issue and note its number, and copy the template for the README.

From the code tab, create a new file called `README.md` and paste in the template.

Commit the changes directly to main with `start readme closes #` and the number of your issue as the message, mine was `start readme closes #3`.

This will close the issue.

## 3.6. Connecting with GitHub

We have two choices to Download a repository:

1. clone to maintain a link using git
2. download zip to not have to use git, but have no link

we want option 1 because we are learning git

### 3.6.1. Authenticating with GitHub

There are many ways to authenticate securely with GitHub and other git clients. We're going to use easier ones for today, but we'll come back to the third, which is a bit more secure and is a more general type of authentication.

1. ssh keys (we will do this later)
2. `gh` CLI / gitscm in GitBash through browser

### 3.6.2. Windows (gitbash)

- `git clone` and paste your URL from GitHub
- then follow the prompts, choosing to authenticate in Browser.

- GitHub CLI: enter `gh auth login` and follow the prompts.
- then `git clone` and paste your URL from github

### 3.6.4. If nothing else works

Create a [personal access token](#). This is a special one time password that you can use like a password, but it is limited in scope and will expire (as long as you choose settings well).

Then proceed to the clone step. You may need to configure an identity later with `git config`

### 3.6.5. Cloning a repo

```
git clone https://github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm.git
```

then we get several messages back from git and GitHub (the remote, it *could* be a different host and a repo can have multiple remotes)

```
Cloning into 'gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 8, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (8/8), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (4/4), done.
remote: Total 8 (delta 0), reused 4 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
Receiving objects: 100% (8/8), done.
```

We can see that it made a new folder by looking at what is in our folder.

We can view what is in a folder with `ls` for [list](#)

```
ls
```

```
gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm
```

It was empty and now it has your repo!

## 3.7. What is in a repo?

We can enter that folder

```
cd gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm/
```

When we compare the local directory to GitHub

```
ls
```

Notice that the `.github/workflows` that we see on GitHub is missing, that is because it is *hidden*. All file names that start with `.` are hidden. Hidden files are not protected, they are just lightly hidden to protect a casual user from accidentally editing them. As a developer, you will likely edit hidden files a lot.

In this case, the hidden files are **for** GitHub's server, not for local use.

We can actually see the rest with the `-a` for **all** option or *flag*. Options are how we can modify how a command line program works, mostly they are optional or nonrequired.

```
ls -a
```

```
.
```

```
..
```

```
.git
```

```
.github
```

```
README.md
```

Now we see the `.github` folder like we saw on GitHub.

There is also the `.git` directory. This folder is for use by the git program. Most simple programs we write in school, run, store all of their values in variables in memory and then when you restart you make new values. git, as a program uses that `.git` directory to store all of the information it needs in files.

We also see some special “files” that we will always see in every location:

- `.` the current location
- `..` up one directory

## 3.8. How do I know what git knows?

`git status` is your friend.

Let's see how it works:

```
git status
```

```
on branch main
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/main'.

nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

this command compares your working directory (what you can see with `ls -a` and all subfolders except the `.git` directory) to the current state of your `.git` directory.

this tells us:

- the branch we are on (`On branch main`)
- that we have incorporated all changes downloaded from GitHub (`up to date with 'origin/main'`)
- that our working directory matches what it was after the repo's last commit (`nothing to commit, working tree clean`)

On your about issue on [Github.com](#), create a branch using the link in the development section of the right side panel. See the [github docs](#) for how to do that.

Then it gives you two steps to do. We are going to do them one at a time so we can see better what they each do.

First we will update the `.git` directory without changing the working directory using `git fetch`. We have to tell git fetch where to get the data from, we do that using a name of a remote.

```
git fetch origin
```

```
From https://github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm
 * [new branch]      2-create-an-about-file -> origin/2-create-an-about-file
```

then we check status again

```
git status
```

```
On branch main
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/main'.

nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

Looks like nothing so far.

Next, we switch to that branch.

```
git checkout 2-create-an-about-file
```

```
branch '2-create-an-about-file' set up to track 'origin/2-create-an-about-file'.
Switched to a new branch '2-create-an-about-file'
```

and verify what happened

```
git status
```

```
On branch 2-create-an-about-file
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/2-create-an-about-file'.

nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

Now it shows us the new branch!

## 3.10. Creating a file on the terminal

The `touch` command creates an empty file

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```
touch about.md
```

```
git status
```

```
On branch 2-create-an-about-file
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/2-create-an-about-file'.

Untracked files:
  (use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be committed)
    about.md

nothing added to commit but untracked files present (use "git add" to track)
```

Now we see something new. Git tells us that there is a file in the working directory that it has not been told to track the changes in and it knows nothing.

It also tells us what we can do next. Under "Untracked files" it gives us advice for how to handle those files specifically. If we had made more than one type of change, there would be multiple subheadings each with their own suggestions.

The very last line is advice of what do to overall.

We're going to do a bit more work first though, by adding content to the file.

We are going to use the `nano` text editor to edit the file

```
nano about.md
```

We put some content in the file, any content then saved and exit.

On the nano editor the `^A` stands for control.

and we can look at the contents of it.

Now we will check again with git.

```
git status
```

```
On branch 2-create-an-about-file
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/2-create-an-about-file'.

Untracked files:
  (use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be committed)
    about.md

nothing added to commit but untracked files present (use "git add" to track)
```

In this case both say to `git add` to track or to include in what will be committed. Under untracked files it says `git add <file>...`, in our case this would look like `git add about.md`. However, remember we learned that the `.` that is always in every directory is a special "file" that points to the current directory, so we can use that to add all files. Since we have only one, the two are equivalent, and the `.` is a common shortcut, because most of the time we want to add everything we have recently worked on in a single commit.

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single commit. This is something we **cannot** do on GitHub in the browser, in order to save changes at all, we have to commit. Offline, we can save changes to our computer without committing at all, and we can group many changes into a single commit.

We will use `.` as our “file” to stage everything in the current working directory.

```
git add .
```

And again, we will check in with git

```
git status
```

```
On branch 2-create-an-about-file
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/2-create-an-about-file'.

Changes to be committed:
  (use "git restore --staged <file>..." to unstage)
    new file:   about.md
```

Now that one file is marked as a new file and it is in the group “to be committed”. Git also tells us how to undo the thing we just did.

### 💡 Try this yourself

Try making a change, adding it, then restoring it. Use git status to see what happens at each point

Next, we will commit the file. We use `git commit` for this. the `-m` option allows us to put our commit message directly on the line when we commit. Notice that unlike committing on GitHub, we do not choose our branch with the `git commit` command. We have to be “on” that branch before the `git commit`.

```
git commit -m 'create about file close s #2'
```

```
[2-create-an-about-file 81c6f18] create about file close s #2
 1 file changed, 2 insertions(+)
 create mode 100644 about.md
```

### ⚠️ Warning

At this point you might get an error or warning about your identity. Follow what git says to either set or update your identity using `git config`

Remember, the messages that git gives you are designed to try to help you. The developers of git know it's a complex and powerful tool and that it's hard to remember every little bit.

We again check in with git:

```
git status
```

```
(use `git push` to publish your local commits)
```

```
nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

Now it tells us we have changes that GitHub does not know about.

We can send them to github with `git push`

```
git push
```

```
Enumerating objects: 4, done.  
Counting objects: 100% (4/4), done.  
Delta compression using up to 8 threads  
Compressing objects: 100% (2/2), done.  
Writing objects: 100% (3/3), 337 bytes | 337.00 KiB/s, done.  
Total 3 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0  
To https://github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm.git  
 faef6af..81c6f18 2-create-an-about-file -> 2-create-an-about-file
```

This tells us the steps git took to send:

- counts up what is there
- compresses them
- sends them to GitHub
- moves the `2-create-an-about-file` branch on GitHub from commit `3f54148` to commit `57de0cd`
- links the local `2-create-an-about-file` branch to the GitHub `2-create-an-about-file` branch

## 3.11. Concept Overview

### Note

In the notes from last class I described what this type of diagram is called and how to read it.

### Important

This is not the only thing that would be correct for the prep work, in the next prepare, you can see if yours *conceptually* matches this even if visualized differently.

flowchart TD shell --> |is used through| terminal zsh --> |is an example of a | shell bash --> |is an example of a | shell powershell --> |is an example of a | shell shell --> |interface to | os[Operating system] git --> |is a program used through | terminal

Another way to think about things (and adds some additional examples to help you differentiate between categories and examples of categories)

flowchart LR subgraph programs subgraph shell bash zsh powershell end subgraph vcs[version control systems] git svn mercurial end end subgraph gh[git hosts] GitHub BitBucket GitLab end

Today's bash commands:

### Note

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| command      | explanation                  |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| pwd          | print working directory      |
| cd <path>    | change directory to path     |
| mkdir <name> | make a directory called name |
| ls           | list, show the files         |
| touch        | create an empty file         |

We also learned some git commands

| command             | explanation                                                                              |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| status              | describe what relationship between the working directory and git                         |
| clone <url>         | make a new folder locally and download the repo into it from url, set up a remote to url |
| add <file>          | add file to staging area                                                                 |
| commit -m 'message' | commit using the message in quotes                                                       |
| push                | send to the remote                                                                       |

## 3.12. Prepare for Next Class

1. Find the glossary page for the course website, link it below. Review the terms for the next class: shell, terminal, bash, git, zsh, powershell, GitHub. Make a diagram using [mermaid](#) to highlight how these terms relate to one another
2. Check your kwl repo before class and see if you have received feedback, reply or merge accordingly.

Example “venn diagram ” with [mermaid](#) subgraphs

```
flowchart subgraph Browsers
    subgraph Safari
    end
    subgraph Chromium
        based gg[Google Chrome]
        me[Microsoft Edge]
    end
    end
```

## 3.13. Badges

[Review](#) [Practice](#)

1. Read the notes. If you have any questions, post an issue on the course website repo.
2. Using your terminal, download your KWL repo. Include the command used in your badge PR comment. Be sure it is not inside another repository.
3. Try using setting up git using your favorite IDE's git integration (not its terminal) or GitHub Desktop. Make a file gitgui.md and include some notes of how it went. Give the file a heading like `# Setting up <tool name>`, with the actual tool name you setup in the title (eg Github Desktop or VSCode source control panel or ...) Was it hard? easy? what did you figure out or get stuck on? Is the terminology consistent to the terminal or does it use different terms?

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If you missed class today, link to your gh-inclass repo in the Experience report PR.

## 3.15. Questions After Today's Class

### 3.15.1. can you link an issue to both commits and PRs, or only PRs

both! we did both in today's class. We closed an issue via commit for the README file and then make a PR with a linked issue for the about.md file.

### 3.15.2. if we want to stage multiple files, can we do that in one command, like git add about.md README.md

Yes! or you can use `.`

### 3.15.3. do we do anything with the pull request we just made in the in-class repo?

Leave the about PR open for class on Thursday

### 3.15.4. Is mermaid something we will be using just for now, or should I become more familiar with it?

It is useful and we will use it on and off throughout class. Since GitHub supports it in all markdown, including comments, it is handy to be able to put in a quick diagram to explain something.

If you like it, it is something you can use even more, for a possible explore badge.

### 3.15.5. What are the benefits of using GitHub locally

Using git and GitHub locally means you can use your regular devtools and use GitHub as a could copy of your work.

## 4. How do branches work?

### 4.1. Review

#### Note

This part of the notes is the key facts of the questions we did, not the questions, you can review the actual questions on Prismia

- `cd` with no path changes to home (`~`)
- absolute paths start with `/` or `C:/\` or similar on Windows outside of bash

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- `.` is a special file that references the current location, for example, we can stage all of the files in the working directory with  
`git add .`

## 4.2. Back to the gh-inclass repo

Recall, We can move around and examine the computer's file structure using shell commands.

First we will navigate to our working directory for class that we made in the last class

To confirm our current working directory we print it with `pwd`

```
pwd
```

```
/Users/brownsarahm
```

Now that we know where we are, we can move to the target location

```
cd Documents/inclass/systems/
```

and look at the location again to confirm it is what we expected

```
pwd
```

```
/Users/brownsarahm/Documents/inclass/systems
```

### 💡 Tip

In class, I demoed the fact about `cd` without a path going to home and then used my built in history to repeat a command by using the `&#8593;` key

Then we move into the gh inclass repo

```
cd gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm/
```

and confirm the path

```
pwd
```

```
/Users/brownsarahm/Documents/inclass/systems/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm
```

## 4.3. Branches do not sync automatically

We start examining our local copy by looking at the working directory

```
ls
```

```
README.md      about.md
```

we see both files like we expected.

```
git status
```

```
On branch 2-create-an-about-file
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/2-create-an-about-file'.

nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

and everything is logged in git.

```
Opening github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm in your browser.
```

In the browser, we merged the PR we opened on Tuesday, that updates the main branch on GitHub with 2 more commits:

- the commit that was on the [2-create-an-about-file](#)
- the merge commit

First we check,

```
git status
```

```
On branch 2-create-an-about-file
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/2-create-an-about-file'.

nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

merging on GitHub does not change anything locally

Back on our local computer, we will go back to the main branch, using [git checkout](#)

```
git cehkout main
```

```
git: 'cehkout' is not a git command. See 'git --help'.
The most similar command is
checkout
```

Now, I spell it correctly and actually switch

```
git checkout main
```

```
Switched to branch 'main'  
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/main'.
```

It says we are up to date with `origin/main` and remember `origin` is the *name* of the remote that is where we cloned from on GitHub.com.

Now, we look at the working directory.

```
ls
```

```
README.md
```

the file is missing. It said it was up to date with origin main, but that is the most recent time we checked github only. It's up to date with our local record of what is on GitHub, not the current GitHub.

We can also confirm that it is not hidden:

```
ls -a
```

```
.          ..        .git        .github      README.md
```

## 4.4. Updating Locally

Updating locally involves 2 steps:

- update the local repo (the `.git` directory with all of the commits)
- update the working directory

Next, we will update locally, with `git fetch`

```
git fetch
```

```
remote: Enumerating objects: 1, done.  
remote: Counting objects: 100% (1/1), done.  
remote: Total 1 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0  
Unpacking objects: 100% (1/1), 919 bytes | 919.00 KiB/s, done.  
From https://github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm  
  faef6af..1e2a45f  main    -> origin/main
```

Here we see 2 sets of messages. Some lines start with “remote” and other lines do not. The “remote” lines are what `git` on the GitHub server said in response to our request and the other lines are what `git` on your local computer said.

So, here, it counted up the content, and then sent it on GitHub's side. On the local side, it unpacked (remember git compressed the content before we sent it). It describes the changes that were made on the GitHub side, the main branch was moved from one

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Now, again, we check the working directory

```
ls
```

```
README.md
```

no changes yet. `fetch` updates the .git directory so that git knows more, but does not update our local file system.

However, we can see the impact of the `fetch` using `git status`

```
git status
```

```
on branch main
Your branch is behind 'origin/main' by 2 commits, and can be fast-forwarded.
(use "git pull" to update your local branch)
```

```
nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

Now, git knows that our local main is behind `origin/main` and by how much and tells us how to apply the changes to the local branch.

So we do that.

```
git pull
```

```
Updating faef6af..1e2a45f
Fast-forward
 about.md | 2 ++
 1 file changed, 2 insertions(+)
 create mode 100644 about.md
```

It applies the changes to the local directory too:

```
ls
```

```
README.md      about.md
```

## 4.5. What other tools do I have to examine things on the terminal

Lets try two more ways of looking at our repo and files. Then we will use those to learn more about working with branches.

### 4.5.1. Git log

We can see commits with `git log`

this is a program, we can use enter/down arrow to move through it and then `q` to exit.

```
commit 1e2a45fbca5ce7bf775827f5f4dbe23b6561cff4 (HEAD -> main, origin/main, origin/HEAD)
Merge: faef6af 81c6f18
Author: Sarah Brown <brownsarahm@uri.edu>
Date: Thu Feb 1 12:51:17 2024 -0500

    Merge pull request #4 from compsys-progtools/2-create-an-about-file

    create about file close s #2

commit 81c6f187f146caaaf43d97bc1bb8ed237142f4c3 (origin/2-create-an-about-file, 2-create-an-about-file)
Author: Sarah M Brown <brownsarahm@uri.edu>
Date: Tue Jan 30 13:33:54 2024 -0500

    create about file close s #2

commit faef6af98e6bd0951ebcef809ff4e353a0c7fbc
Author: Sarah Brown <brownsarahm@uri.edu>
Date: Tue Jan 30 13:03:36 2024 -0500

    start readme, closes #3

commit 98cff657d25adf9a0820a04d60f6409445f70e76
Author: github-classroom[bot] <66690702+github-classroom[bot]@users.noreply.github.com>
Date: Tue Jan 30 17:53:54 2024 +0000

Initial commit
```

## 4.5.2. Concatenate a file

the `cat` command \*concatenates a files' contents to the terminal output (which is actually a special file called standard out or `stdout`)

```
cat about.md
```

```
I like to ski
```

## 4.6. Making a branch locally

### ! Important

It is totally okay to test ideas out and see what happens as a way to investigate how things work. Here we tested a few suggestions to see what works. This lets us learn 2 things:

- what works
- how to read error messages

### 4.6.1. Checkout requires the branch to exist

```
git checkout my_branchcehckout
```

```
error: pathspec 'my_branchcehckout' did not match any file(s) known to git
```

This error message says that it cannot switch because the name we gave does not already exist. This is a good to recognize error message because this is also what would happen if you tried to switch, but spelled the branch name wrong.

#### 4.6.2. the -b option lets checkout create a branch

```
git checkout -b my_branch_cehckoutb
```

```
Switched to a new branch 'my_branch_cehckoutb'
```

Success!

the `-b` lets `git checkout` both create and switch to a branch

#### 4.6.3. create is not an option

```
git branch create example
```

```
fatal: not a valid object name: 'example'
```

This error message is tricky; it only complains about `example`. We could try

```
git branch create
```

this gives no response, but if we use `git branch` we would see it created a branch called `create`.

So, back to our original attempt, is that it thinks we are asking to make a branch named `create` but then sees this extra thing `example` that it doesn't know what to do with, so blames that for the error.

#### 4.6.4. Chaining commands together

Finally, we tried:

```
git branch my_branch; git checkout my_branch
```

```
Switched to branch 'my_branch'
```

This worked. From this example, we learn a 2 things:

→ `git branch -new_name` creates a new branch

## 4.6.5. We can list branches

without any argument, we get a list of the branches that exist`

```
git branch
```

```
2-create-an-about-file
main
* my_branch
  my_branch_cehckoutb
```

note it also indicates which branch you are on

## 4.7. Branches are pointers

We'll go back to main

```
git checkout main
```

```
Switched to branch 'main'
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/main'.
```

and then make a new branch for the next changes we will make.

We've used `git checkout` to switch branches before. To also create a branch at the same time, we use the `-b` option.

```
git checkout -b fun_fact
```

```
Switched to a new branch 'fun_fact'
```

If we use `git log` to see the commits, we can see more about the branches.

```
git log
```

```
commit 1e2a45fbca5ce7bf775827f5f4dbe23b6561cff4 (HEAD -> fun_fact, origin/main, origin/HEAD, my_branch_cehckoutb)
Merge: faef6af 81c6f18
Author: Sarah Brown <brownsarahm@uri.edu>
Date:   Thu Feb 1 12:51:17 2024 -0500

Merge pull request #4 from compsys-progtools/2-create-an-about-file
create about file close s #2

commit 81c6f187f146caaaf43d97bc1bb8ed237142f4c3 (origin/2-create-an-about-file, 2-create-an-about-file)
Author: Sarah M Brown <brownsarahm@uri.edu>
Date:   Tue Jan 30 13:33:54 2024 -0500

create about file close s #2
```

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```
commit 98cff657d25adf9a0820a04d60f6409445f70e76
Author: Sarah Brown <brownsarahm@uri.edu>
Date: Tue Jan 30 13:03:36 2024 -0500
```

```
start readme, closes #3
```

```
commit 98cff657d25adf9a0820a04d60f6409445f70e76
Author: github-classroom[bot] <66690702+github-classroom[bot]@users.noreply.github.com>
Date: Tue Jan 30 17:53:54 2024 +0000
```

```
Initial commit
```

branches are pointers a branch points to a commit.

Note in the above that we have different branches pointed to different commits.

## 4.8. Linking a locally created branch to a remote

Next we will edit the file so we can create a commit.

```
nano about.md
```

Add any fun fact on the line below your content. Then, write out (save), it will prompt the file name. Since we opened nano with a file name (`about.md`) specified, you will not need to type a new name, but to confirm it, by pressing enter/return.

we used the `nano` text editor. `nano` is simpler than other text editors that tend to be more popular among experts, `vim` and `emacs`. Getting comfortable with nano will get you used to the ideas, without putting as much burden on your memory. This will set you up to learn those later, if you need a more powerful terminal text editor.

```
cat about.md
```

```
I like to ski
I came to URI in 2020
```

My file now has 2 lines in it.

Now we check the status

```
git status
```

```
on branch fun_fact
Changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)
  (use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
    modified:   about.md

no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit -a")
```

Now the file is *modified* instead of what we saw before that was *untracked*

Again we stage it first:

[Skip to main content](#)

then look again

```
git status
```

```
on branch fun_fact
Changes to be committed:
  (use "git restore --staged <file>..." to unstage)
    modified:   about.md
```

and commit.

```
git commit -m 'add a fun fact'
```

```
[fun_fact 07897fd] add a fun fact
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)
```

Then we push

```
git push
```

```
fatal: The current branch fun_fact has no upstream branch.
To push the current branch and set the remote as upstream, use

  git push --set-upstream origin fun_fact

To have this happen automatically for branches without a tracking
upstream, see 'push.autoSetupRemote' in 'git help config'.
```

but it fails.

It cannot push, because it does not know where to push, like we noted above that it did not compare to origin, that was because it does not have an “upstream branch” or a corresponding branch on a remote server.

We follow git's advice

```
git push --set-upstream origin fun_fact
```

```
Enumerating objects: 5, done.
Counting objects: 100% (5/5), done.
Delta compression using up to 8 threads
Compressing objects: 100% (2/2), done.
Writing objects: 100% (3/3), 287 bytes | 287.00 KiB/s, done.
Total 3 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
remote: Resolving deltas: 100% (1/1), completed with 1 local object.
remote:
remote: Create a pull request for 'fun_fact' on GitHub by visiting:
remote:     https://github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm/pull/new/fun_fact
remote:
To https://github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm.git
 * [new branch]      fun_fact -> fun_fact
```

and success!

## 4.9. Merge conflicts

We are going to *intentionally* make a merge conflict here.

This means we are learning two things:

- what *not* to do if you can avoid it
- how to fix it when a merge conflict occurs

Merge conflicts are not **always** because someone did something wrong; it can be a conflict in the simplest term because two people did two types of work that were supposed to be independent, but turned out not to be.

To create the merge conflict we are going to edit the same branch in two different ways locally and in browser. This could also happen by two different people making edits to the same branch or more commonly, by having edits made on both the compare branch and the base branch of a PR to the same part of the same file.

### 4.9.1. Edit in browser

First, in your browser edit the `about.md` file to have a second fun fact. Commit directly to the `fun_fact` branch.

### 4.9.2. Edit locally

Then edit it locally to also have 2 fun facts.

```
nano about.md
```

My local version looks like this:

```
cat about.md
```

```
I like to ski  
I came to URI in 2020  
I moved to RI in 2018
```

Now we check with git

```
git status
```

```
On branch fun_fact  
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/fun_fact'.  
  
Changes not staged for commit:  
(use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)  
(use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)  
modified:   about.md
```

```
no changes added to commit but you have uncommitted changes. If you want to commit them, use "git commit -a".
```

and stage and commit

```
git add .  
git commit -m 'another funfact'
```

```
[fun_fact 7985615] another funfact  
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
```

### 4.9.3. Getting a conflict

Now if we try to pull the changes from GitHub.

```
git pull
```

```
remote: Enumerating objects: 5, done.  
remote: Counting objects: 100% (5/5), done.  
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (2/2), done.  
remote: Total 3 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0  
Unpacking objects: 100% (3/3), 938 bytes | 312.00 KiB/s, done.  
From https://github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm  
 07897fd..7e78493 fun_fact -> origin(fun_fact)  
hint: You have divergent branches and need to specify how to reconcile them.  
hint: You can do so by running one of the following commands sometime before  
hint: your next pull:  
hint:  
hint:   git config pull.rebase false # merge  
hint:   git config pull.rebase true  # rebase  
hint:   git config pull.ff only    # fast-forward only  
hint:  
hint: You can replace "git config" with "git config --global" to set a default  
hint: preference for all repositories. You can also pass --rebase, --no-rebase,  
hint: or --ff-only on the command line to override the configured default per  
hint: invocation.  
fatal: Need to specify how to reconcile divergent branches.
```

Now it cannot work because the branches are divergent. This illustrates the fact that our two versions of the branch `fun_fact` and `origin(fun_fact)` are two separate things.

diverged means like this diagram:

```
gitGraph  
commit id:"A"  
commit id:"B"  
branch fun_fact  
checkout fun_fact  
commit id:"C"  
branch origin(fun_fact)  
checkout origin(fun_fact)  
commit id:"D"  
checkout fun_fact  
commit id:"E"
```

Note that the `origin(fun_fact)` and `fun_fact` have different histories.

other.

*diverged* does not necessarily mean a conflict, sometimes we can simply change what commit has what parent and it will work.

git gave us some options, we will use `rebase` which will apply our local commits *after* the remote commits.

Rebase will try to make it like this:

```
gitGraph commit id:"A" commit id:"B" branch fun_fact checkout fun_fact commit id:"C" commit id:"D" checkout fun_fact commit id:"E"
```

the commits **D** and **E** get modified some, the time and parent info is updated, but the changes to the content are the same.

```
git pull --rebase
```

```
Auto-merging about.md
CONFLICT (content): Merge conflict in about.md
error: could not apply 7985615... another funfact
hint: Resolve all conflicts manually, mark them as resolved with
hint: "git add/rm <conflicted_files>", then run "git rebase --continue".
hint: You can instead skip this commit: run "git rebase --skip".
hint: To abort and get back to the state before "git rebase", run "git rebase --abort".
could not apply 7985615... another funfact
```

It was not able to do it; because both had edited the same line of the same file. This requires a person to figure out what the content should be.

it tells us what file the issue is in the 2nd line.

#### 4.9.4. Resolving a merge conflict

To resolve manually, we have to edit the file. We are going to use nano again here.

```
nano about.md
```

The file looks like this when we open it up:

```
I like to ski
I came to URI in 2020
<<<<< HEAD
I am from NH
=====
I moved to RI in 2018
>>>> 7985615
```

git added markup to the file to show us what was in each of the two versions, labeled by the HEAD pointer and the specific commit for the other. It puts **=** between the two. To resolve, we edit the file to be what we want. We can choose one version, the other, or both. We'll choose both here.

```
cat about.md
```

I moved to RI in 2018

Next, we go back to check in with git.

```
git status
```

```
interactive rebase in progress; onto 7e78493
Last command done (1 command done):
  pick 7985615 another funfact
No commands remaining.
You are currently rebasing branch 'fun_fact' on '7e78493'.
  (fix conflicts and then run "git rebase --continue")
  (use "git rebase --skip" to skip this patch)
  (use "git rebase --abort" to check out the original branch)

Unmerged paths:
  (use "git restore --staged <file>..." to unstage)
  (use "git add <file>..." to mark resolution)
    both modified:  about.md

no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit -a")
```

it tells us how to finish up what we were doing.

First we commit:

```
git add .
git commit -m 'resolve conflict'
```

```
[detached HEAD 07959c0] resolve conflict
 1 file changed, 3 insertions(+), 1 deletion(-)
```

then use the `continue` option

```
git rebase --continue
```

```
Successfully rebased and updated refs/heads/fun_fact.
```

Finally we check in:

```
git status
```

```
On branch fun_fact
Your branch is ahead of 'origin/fun_fact' by 1 commit.
  (use "git push" to publish your local commits)

nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

and push

```
Enumerating objects: 5, done.
Counting objects: 100% (5/5), done.
Delta compression using up to 8 threads
Compressing objects: 100% (3/3), done.
Writing objects: 100% (3/3), 314 bytes | 314.00 KiB/s, done.
Total 3 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
remote: Resolving deltas: 100% (1/1), completed with 1 local object.
To https://github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm.git
  7e78493..07959c0 fun_fact -> fun_fact
```

## 4.10. Prepare for Next Class

1. Add file called terminal-vocab.md on a branch linked to this issue. Fill in the template below:

```
# Terminal vocab

## Before

<insert your diagram from 2024-01-30 prepare>

## Reflection

<!-- write a few bullets assessing your diagram above based on the notes from 2024-01-30. was anything in it

-->

## Final thoughts

<!-- write a few bullets/sentences on how trying to make the diagram did/not help you think about the terms -->
```

## 4.11. Badges

[Review](#) [Practice](#)

1. Create a merge conflict in your github in class repo and resolve it using your favorite IDE,. Describe how you created it, show the files, and describe how your IDE helps or does not help in ide\_merge\_conflict.md. Give advice for when you think someone should resolve a merge conflict manually vs using an IDE. (if you do not regularly use an, IDE, try VSCode)
2. Read more details about [git branches](#)(you can also use other resources) add branches.md to your KWL repo and describe how branches work, in your own words. Include one question you have about branches or one scenario you think they could help you with.

## 4.12. Summary

- branches do not sync automatically
- branches are pointers to commits
- every commit knows its parents

- divergent branches can be merged by different strategies
- a merge conflict occurs if, when merging branches, a single file has been edited in two different ways

We often visualize git using graphs like subway maps:

```
gitGraph commit id:"A" commit id:"B" branch fun_fact checkout fun_fact commit id:"C" commit id:"D" checkout fun_fact commit id:"E"
```

However you can also think of what we learned today like this:

```
flowchart LR cA[A <br> commit] --> |knows its parent| cB[B <br> commit] cB --> |is a pointer to| cC[C <br> commit] --> |knows its parent| cB  
blocal[fun_fact <br> branch] --> |is a pointer to| bremote[origin(fun_fact <br> branch)] --> |is a pointer to| cB
```

Over the next few weeks we will keep refining this understanding.

### 4.12.1. New bash commands

| command          | explanation                                                 |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>cat</code> | concatenate a file to standard out (show the file contents) |

### 4.12.2. New git commands

| command                               | explanation                                                             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>git log</code>                  | show list of commit history                                             |
| <code>git branch</code>               | list branches in the repo                                               |
| <code>git branch new_name</code>      | create a <code>new_name</code> branch                                   |
| <code>git checkout -b new_Name</code> | create a <code>new_name</code> branch and switch to it                  |
| <code>git pull</code>                 | apply or fetch and apply changes from a remote branch to a local branch |

## 4.13. Experience Report Evidence

run the command:

```
git log >> makeup-2024-02-02.md
```

then `mv makeup-2024-02-02.md <rel>` where `<rel>` is the relative path from your gh incalss repo to your KWL repo.

commit this file to the experience report branch

## 4.14. Questions After Today's Class



so far we have used git and bash to accomplish familiar goals, and git and bash feel like just extra work for familiar goals.

Today, we will start to see why git and bash are essential skills: they give you efficiency gains and time traveling super powers (within your work, only, sorry)

## 5.1. Setting the stage

Discuss your prepare work with your neighbors. Share what project you looked at and discuss the following. If you all looked at the same repo, split up and look at different ones now.

- What things were common across different repos?
- What was different?

## 5.2. Important references

Use these for checking facts and resources.

- bash
- git

## 5.3. Setup

First, we'll go back to our github inclass folder

```
cd gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm/
```

Find your PR that I opened for you today that has the title, "2/6 in class activity"

I am going to use the CLI for this. It might not work on Windows unless you got gh and GitBash configured correctly.

```
gh pr list
```

```
Showing 1 of 1 open pull request in compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm
```

```
#5 2/6 in class activity organizing_ac about 1 hour ago
```

It shows me the number of total PRs and then for each one:

- the PR number (remember there is one sequence of numbers for issues and PRs)
- PR title
- branch name
- when it was created

Mine was 5, so I can view it with this command:

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If you  
and v  
badges  
can ta

```
gh pr view 5
```

```
2/6 in class activity #5
Draft • brownsarahm wants to merge 1 commit into main from organizing_ac • about 1 hour ago
+17 -0 • No checks
```

```
this draft PR https://github.blog/2019-02-14-introducing-draft-pull-
requests/ adds some example files that we will use during class
on 2/6. \n\n wait until class time (or when you make up class
by following the notes) to do anything with this PR
```

```
View this pull request on GitHub: https://github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm/pull/5
```

by default it shows the contents of the PR message and then the link to view in browser

Alternatively, we can use the `--web` option to open it in browser.

```
gh pr view 5 --web
```

```
Opening github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm/pull/5 in your browser.
```

Then we merged in the PR after converting it from a draft PR to a regular PR using the “Ready for Review” button.

Then back locally, we check where we are

```
git status
```

```
On branch fun_fact
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/fun_fact'.

nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

## 5.4. Organizing a project (workign with files)

A common question is about how to organize projects. While our main focus in this class session is the `bash` commands to do it, the task that we are going to do is to organize a hypothetical python project

Put another way, we are using organizing a project as the *context* to motivate practicing with bash commands for moving files.

A different the instructor might go through a slide deck that lists commands and describes what each one does and then have examples at the end. Instead, we are going to focus on organizing files, and I will introduce the commands we need along the ways.

We'll go back to main first

```
git checkout main
```

```
Switched to branch 'main'
```

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Then we will get the update from main.

```
git pull
```

```
remote: Enumerating objects: 20, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (20/20), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (9/9), done.
remote: Total 19 (delta 1), reused 17 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
Unpacking objects: 100% (19/19), 2.46 KiB | 114.00 KiB/s, done.
From https://github.com/compsys-progtools/gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm
  1e2a45f..9f39946  main          -> origin/main
 * [new branch]  organizing_ac -> origin/organizing_ac
Updating 1e2a45f..9f39946
Fast-forward
 API.md           | 1 +
 CONTRIBUTING.md | 1 +
 LICENSE.md       | 1 +
 _config.yml      | 1 +
 _toc.yml         | 1 +
 abstract_base_class.py | 1 +
 alternative_classes.py | 1 +
 example.md       | 1 +
 helper_functions.py | 1 +
 important_classes.py | 1 +
 philosophy.md    | 1 +
 scratch.ipynb   | 1 +
 setup.py         | 1 +
 test_abc.py      | 1 +
 tests_alt.py     | 1 +
 tests_helpers.py | 1 +
 tests_imp.py     | 1 +
17 files changed, 17 insertions(+)
create mode 100644 API.md
create mode 100644 CONTRIBUTING.md
create mode 100644 LICENSE.md
create mode 100644 _config.yml
create mode 100644 _toc.yml
create mode 100644 abstract_base_class.py
create mode 100644 alternative_classes.py
create mode 100644 example.md
create mode 100644 helper_functions.py
create mode 100644 important_classes.py
create mode 100644 philosophy.md
create mode 100644 scratch.ipynb
create mode 100644 setup.py
create mode 100644 test_abc.py
create mode 100644 tests_alt.py
create mode 100644 tests_helpers.py
create mode 100644 tests_imp.py
```

next we are going to pretend we worked on the project and made a bunch of files

I gave a bunch of files, each with a short phrase in them.

- none of these are functional files
- the phrases mean you can inspect them on the terminal

We can view the contents of a file with `cat`.

`cat` concatenates the contents of a file to stdout, which is a special file that our terminal reads

```
cat setup.py
```

```
file with function with instructions for pip
```

### ⚠️ Important

file extensions are for people; they do not specify how the file is actually written . these are all *actually* plain text files, despite different file extensions.

Before we start organizing, we will make a new branch.

```
git checkout -b organization
```

```
Switched to a new branch 'organization'
```

```
git status
```

```
on branch organization
nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

## 5.5. Files, Redirects, git restore

Let's first look at the README file

```
cat README.md
```

```
# GitHub Practice
Name: Sarah Brown
```

Echo allows us to send a message to stdout.

```
echo "hello"
```

```
hello
```

Now we are going to put these two things together, but first let's connect what we are about to learn to something you have probably seen before.

Think about a time you opened a file within a program that you wrote. For example

- `fopen` in C
- or `open` in Python

Typically we also have to tell it what *mode* to open the file with, and some options are:

- read
- write
- append

We can also **redirect** the contents of a command from stdout to a file in `bash`. Like file operations while programming there is a similar concept to this mode.

There are two types of redirects, like there are two ways to write to a file, more generally:

- write (`>`)
- append (`>>`)

We will use append first. We can add contents to files with `echo` and `>>`

```
echo "hello" >> README.md
```

This command does not return anything, because instead of writing to stdout, it wrote to the file.

We can see the impact by looking at the README file.

```
cat README.md
```

```
# GitHub Practice  
Name: Sarah Brown  
hello
```

We can redirect other commands too:

```
git status >> curgit
```

we see this created a new file

```
ls
```

```
API.md           example.md  
CONTRIBUTING.md helper_functions.py  
LICENSE.md       important_classes.py  
README.md        philosophy.md  
_config.yml     scratch.ipynb  
_toc.yml        setup.py  
about.md         test_abc.py  
abstract_base_class.py tests_alt.py  
alternative_classes.py tests_helpers.py  
curgit          tests_imp.py
```

and we can look at its contents too

```
On branch organization
Changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)
  (use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
    modified: README.md

Untracked files:
  (use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be committed)
    curgit

no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit -a")
```

This also highlights a bit more about how the redirect works.

The `curgit` file was created first, and then the command was run, with its output going to that file instead of to stdout.

### ! Important

Redirect docs

Note this also explains that `<` is for redirecting inputs (stdin is also a file like stdout and has input, like your keyboard)

this is not a file we actually want, which gives us a chance to learn another new bash command: `rm` for remove

```
rm curgit
```

### ! Important

Note that this is a true, full, and complete DELETE, this does not put the file in your recycling bin or the apple trash can that you can recover the file from, it is **gone** for real.

We will see soon a way around this, because git can help.

use `rm` with great care

```
git status
```

```
On branch organization
Changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)
  (use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
    modified: README.md

no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit -a")
```

Now we have made some changes we want, so let's commit our changes.

When we want to commit all files that are changed or deleted we can use the `-a` option. This does not do anything to untracked files. This option is short for all, and can also be used like `--all`, so you cannot pick a subset of files out with this option.

```
git commit -a -m add to README
```

```
[organization 29ffc88] add to readme  
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
```

and we confirm that it is what we want

```
git status
```

```
On branch organization  
nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

clean working area, ready to keep going

Now, let's go back to thinking about redirects. We saw that with two `>>` we appended to the file. With just *one* what happens?

```
echo "hello" > README.md
```

Now we look at the file:

```
cat README.md
```

```
hello
```

It wrote over. This would be bad, we lost content, but this is what git is for!

It is *very very* easy to undo work since our last commit.

This is good for times when you have something you have an idea and you do not know if it is going to work, so you make a commit before you try it. Then you can try it out. If it doesn't work you can undo and go back to the place where you made the commit.

We can also use `git status` for a hint.

```
git status
```

```
On branch organization  
Changes not staged for commit:  
(use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)  
(use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)  
modified: README.md  
  
no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit -a")
```

Notice that it tells us what to do (`use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory`). The version of README.md that we broke is in the working directory but not committed to git, so git refers to them as "changes" in the working directory.

```
git restore README.md
```

First we will check with git

```
git status
```

```
On branch organization
nothing to commit, working tree clean
```

back to a clean working tree is a good sign!

and it looks like it did before the > line. and we can check the file too

```
cat README.md
```

```
# GitHub Practice
Name: Sarah Brown
hello
```

back how we wanted it!

## 5.6. What if I forgot the -m

Now we will add some text to the README so we have a single point of reference about what these files are “about”

```
echo "|file | contents |
> | ----- | -----
> | abstract_base_class.py | core abstract classes for the project |
> | helper_functions.py | utilty funtions that are called by many classes |
> | important_classes.py | classes that inherit from the abc |
> | alternative_classes.py | classes that inherit from the abc |
> | LICENSE.md | the info on how the code can be reused|
> | CONTRIBUTING.md | instructions for how people can contribute to the project|
> | setup.py | file with function with instructions for pip |
> | test_abc.py | tests for constructors and methods in abstract_base_class.py|
> | tests_helpers.py | tests for constructors and methods in helper_functions.py|
> | tests_imp.py | tests for constructors and methods in important_classes.py|
> | tests_alt.py | tests for constructors and methods in alternative_classes.py|
> | API.md | jupyterbook file to generate api documentation |
> | _config.yml | jupyterbook config for documentation |
> | _toc.yml | jupyter book toc file for documentation |
> | philosophy.md | overview of how the code is organized for docs |
> | example.md | myst notebook example of using the code |
> | scratch.ipynb | jupyter notebook from dev |" >> README.md
```

this explains each file a little bit more than the name of it does. We see there are sort of 5 groups of files:

- about the project/repository
- code that defines a python module
- test code

- extra files that “we know” we can delete.

We also learn something about bash: using the open quote `"` then you stay inside that until you close it. when you press enter the command does not run until after you close the quotes

```
git status
```

```
on branch organization
Changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)
  (use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
    modified:   README.md

no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit -a")
```

This time we will add separately

```
git add .
```

and commit without using `-m`

```
git commit
```

This brings us into `vim`. `vim` is a ubiquitous, but not novice friendly terminal text editor.

What is is doing is making a temporary file for you, opening it in the `vim` editor and waiting for you to write a commit message.

### ! Important

What you need to know about `vim`:

- it has 2 modes, command and edit
- in command mode pressing keys does not enter text, but does commands
- in edit mode, it says `-insert-` at the bottom
- to get into edit mode press `a`
- to get into command mode press `escape`
- to exit type `:wq` and press `enter` or `return`

Once you edit your temp file so that there is a line without a `#` that has your commit message and exit, your commit gets created.

```
[organization 260c9c3] describe the files
  1 file changed, 19 insertions(+)
```

## 5.7. Moving files and patterns

First, we'll make a directory with `mkdir`

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We can see that it worked with `ls`

```
ls
```

|                        |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| API.md                 | example.md           |
| CONTRIBUTING.md        | helper_functions.py  |
| LICENSE.md             | important_classes.py |
| README.md              | philosophy.md        |
| _config.yml            | scratch.ipynb        |
| _toc.yml               | setup.py             |
| about.md               | test_abc.py          |
| abstract_base_class.py | tests_alt.py         |
| alternative_classes.py | tests_helpers.py     |
| docs                   | tests_imp.py         |

next we will move a file there with `mv`

```
mv philosophy.md docs/
```

what this does is change the path of the file from `.../gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm/philosophy.md` to  
`.../gh-inclass-sp24-brownsarahm/docs/philosophy.md`

### ! Important

moving a file means changing its path; it does not rewrite the file.

While it is useful to think of a path like an address, a path is not tied to a specific memory location on the disk. The operating system keeps an index of the human readable paths that relates them to actual memory locations on the storage device.

`mv` updates that index, not the actual storage device.

This doesn't return anything, but we can see the effect with `ls`

```
ls
```

|                        |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| API.md                 | example.md           |
| CONTRIBUTING.md        | helper_functions.py  |
| LICENSE.md             | important_classes.py |
| README.md              | scratch.ipynb        |
| _config.yml            | setup.py             |
| _toc.yml               | test_abc.py          |
| about.md               | tests_alt.py         |
| abstract_base_class.py | tests_helpers.py     |
| alternative_classes.py | tests_imp.py         |
| docs                   |                      |

the `philosophy.md` file is no longer visible in the current working directory.

We can also use `ls` with a relative or absolute path of a directory to list the location instead of our current working directory

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```
philosophy.md
```

### 5.7.1. Move can also rename files

We have one file with `test_` and a bunch of others with `tests_`. We want them all to follow the same pattern, so let's rename.

We can use `mv` to change the name as well. This is because “moving” a file and is really about changing its path, not actually copying it from one location to another and the file name is a part of the path.

```
mv test_abc.py tests_abc.py
```

This changes the path from `.../test_abc.py` to `.../tests_abc.py` to. It is doing the same thing as when we use it to move a file from one folder to another folder, but changing a different part of the path.

```
ls
```

|                        |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| API.md                 | example.md           |
| CONTRIBUTING.md        | helper_functions.py  |
| LICENSE.md             | important_classes.py |
| README.md              | scratch.ipynb        |
| _config.yml            | setup.py             |
| _toc.yml               | tests_abc.py         |
| about.md               | tests_alt.py         |
| abstract_base_class.py | tests_helpers.py     |
| alternative_classes.py | tests_imp.py         |
| docs                   |                      |

### 5.7.2. Moving multiple files with patterns

let's look at the list of files again.

```
ls
```

|                        |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| API.md                 | example.md           |
| CONTRIBUTING.md        | helper_functions.py  |
| LICENSE.md             | important_classes.py |
| README.md              | scratch.ipynb        |
| _config.yml            | setup.py             |
| _toc.yml               | tests_abc.py         |
| about.md               | tests_alt.py         |
| abstract_base_class.py | tests_helpers.py     |
| alternative_classes.py | tests_imp.py         |
| docs                   |                      |

We have a lot of `tests_` files, we will put them all in one folder. First we create the folder:

```
mkdir tests
```

```
mv tests_* tests/
```

Again, we confirm it worked by seeing that they are no longer in the working directory.

```
ls
```

```
API.md           alternative_classes.py
CONTRIBUTING.md  docs
LICENSE.md        example.md
README.md         helper_functions.py
_config.yml       important_classes.py
_toc.yml          scratch.ipynb
about.md          setup.py
abstract_base_class.py tests
```

and that they are in `tests`

```
ls tests/
```

```
tests_abc.py      tests_helpers.py
tests_alt.py      tests_imp.py
```

success!

We will do the same thing for the `.yml` files to move them to the `docs` folder

```
mv *.yml docs/
```

Next we are going to move the Python files that are for the “package” that we have made. We will make a folder for this too.

```
mkdir pkg
```

Here we want to move all of the `.py` files that have a `_` in the name, because the only one we do not want to move is `setup.py`

```
mv *_*.py
```

```
usage: mv [-f | -i | -n] [-v] source target
          mv [-f | -i | -n] [-v] source ... directory
```

I made an error here so it gave me usage for the command.

`mv` requires both a source and target, and I did not provide one.

Once I fix it

```
mv *_*.py pkg/
```

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## ⚠ Warning

Some students got a different error message, instead of being told they had used the command wrong, their error message said that `important_classes.py` is not a directory. That tells me that what happened was the `*.*.py` was expanded to a list of files and then `mv` tried to work on the list of files using all but the last one as sources and tried to use the last one as the destination.

To debug, I tried comparing bash versions, but it appears that we had the same version, so why we saw different behavior is TBD.

this is worth a community badge if you can explain why

```
bash --version
```

```
GNU bash, version 3.2.57(1)-release (x86_64-apple-darwin20)
Copyright (C) 2007 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
```

## 5.8. Hidden files

We are going to make a special hidden file and an extra one. We will use the following command:

```
touc .secret .gitignore
```

```
bash: touc: command not found
```

I spelled `touch` wrong so `bash` told me the command was not found.

```
touch .secret .gitignore
```

We also learn 2 things about `touch` and `bash`:

- `touch` can make multiple files at a time
- lists in `bash` are separated by spaces and do not require brackets

We can see if it worked:

```
ls
```

```
API.md      README.md      example.md      setup.py
CONTRIBUTING.md  about.md      pkg          tests
LICENSE.md     docs          scratch.ipynb
```

but then notice that we cannot see hidden files as is

```
ls -a
```

```
.          .secret      about.md    setup.py
..          API.md       docs        tests
.git        CONTRIBUTING.md example.md
.github     LICENSE.md    pkg
.gitignore   README.md    scratch.ipynb
```

lets put some content in the secret (it will actually *not* be going to GitHub)

```
echo "my dev secret" >> .secret
```

Now we can check with git

```
git status
```

```
on branch organization
Changes to be committed:
  (use "git restore --staged <file>..." to unstage)
    new file:  tests_abc.py

Changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add/rm <file>..." to update what will be committed)
  (use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
    deleted:  _config.yml
    deleted:  _toc.yml
    deleted:  abstract_base_class.py
    deleted:  alternative_classes.py
    deleted:  helper_functions.py
    deleted:  important_classes.py
    deleted:  philosophy.md
    deleted:  test_abc.py
    deleted:  tests_abc.py
    deleted:  tests_alt.py
    deleted:  tests_helpers.py
    deleted:  tests_imp.py

Untracked files:
  (use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be committed)
    .gitignore
    .secret
    docs/
    pkg/
    tests/
```

we have lots of changes, including the secret file. it is not tracked yet, but git is still telling us that it sees it. We want git to *ignore* the secret file.

gitignore lets us *not* track certain files

let's ignore that `.secret` file

```
echo ".secret" >> .gitignore
```

Next we check in with git again

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```

On branch organization
Changes to be committed:
  (use "git restore --staged <file>..." to unstage)
    new file:  tests_abc.py

Changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add/rm <file>..." to update what will be committed)
  (use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
    deleted:  _config.yml
    deleted:  _toc.yml
    deleted:  abstract_base_class.py
    deleted:  alternative_classes.py
    deleted:  helper_functions.py
    deleted:  important_classes.py
    deleted:  philosophy.md
    deleted:  test_abc.py
    deleted:  tests_abc.py
    deleted:  tests_alt.py
    deleted:  tests_helpers.py
    deleted:  tests_imp.py

Untracked files:
  (use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be committed)
    .gitignore
    docs/
    pkg/
    tests/

```

and the `.secret` file is no longer there! git is not checking on that file at all.

### 5.8.1. Gitignore works with patterns too

First, I'll make a folder

```
mkdir my_secrets
```

then go into it

```
cd my_secrets/
```

and make a bunch of files

```
touch a b c d e f
```

```
git status
```

```

On branch organization
Changes to be committed:
  (use "git restore --staged <file>..." to unstage)
    new file:  ./tests_abc.py

```

```
(use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)
(use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
  deleted: ../_config.yml
  deleted: ../_toc.yml
  deleted: ./abstract_base_class.py
  deleted: ./alternative_classes.py
  deleted: ./helper_functions.py
  deleted: ./important_classes.py
  deleted: ./philosophy.md
  deleted: ./test_abc.py
  deleted: ./tests_abc.py
  deleted: ./tests_alt.py
  deleted: ./tests_helpers.py
  deleted: ./tests_imp.py

Untracked files:
(use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be committed)
  ../.gitignore
  ../docs/
  ./
  ../pkg/
  ../tests/
```

### ! Important

notice that the paths all start with `..` because we are in a *subdirectory* of the git repo, but not the top of it.

we will go back up

```
cd ..
```

and now ignore that folder we just made:

```
echo my_secrets/* >> .gitignore
```

next we check in with git

```
git status
```

```
On branch organization
Changes to be committed:
  (use "git restore --staged <file>..." to unstage)
    new file:  tests_abc.py

Changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add/rm <file>..." to update what will be committed)
  (use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
    deleted:  _config.yml
    deleted:  _toc.yml
    deleted:  abstract_base_class.py
    deleted:  alternative_classes.py
    deleted:  helper_functions.py
    deleted:  important_classes.py
    deleted:  philosophy.md
    deleted:  test_abc.py
    deleted:  tests_abc.py
    deleted:  tests_alt.py
    deleted:  tests_helpers.py
    deleted:  tests_imp.py
```

```
Just yet and notice... to include in what will be committed)
.gitignore
docs/
my_secrets/
pkg/
tests/
```

It did not work because we did not put the text we were adding to `.gitignore` with echo in quotes. Let's fix it and then inspect further what happened

```
echo "my_secrets/*" >> .gitignore
```

Now we check again

```
git status
```

```
On branch organization
Changes to be committed:
  (use "git restore --staged <file>..." to unstage)
    new file:   tests_abc.py

changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add/rm <file>..." to update what will be committed)
  (use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
    deleted:   _config.yml
    deleted:   _toc.yml
    deleted:   abstract_base_class.py
    deleted:   alternative_classes.py
    deleted:   helper_functions.py
    deleted:   important_classes.py
    deleted:   philosophy.md
    deleted:   test_abc.py
    deleted:   tests_abc.py
    deleted:   tests_alt.py
    deleted:   tests_helpers.py
    deleted:   tests_imp.py

Untracked files:
  (use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be committed)
    .gitignore
    docs/
    pkg/
    tests/
```

It works!

To inspect, let's look at the `.gitignore` file

```
cat .gitignore
```

```
.secret
my_secrets/a my_secrets/b my_secrets/c my_secrets/d my_secrets/e my_secrets/f
my_secrets/*
```

We see that it has a list of all of the files that match the pattern `my_secrets/*` on the second line. That would match to each of those files, but not to the directory itself. In contrast, the last line matches both the files and the directory itself.

```
git add .
```

```
git commit -m 'oranzizng'
```

```
[organization e3b192a] oranzizng
12 files changed, 3 insertions(+)
create mode 100644 .gitignore
rename _config.yml => docs/_config.yml (100%)
rename _toc.yml => docs/_toc.yml (100%)
rename philosophy.md => docs/philosophy.md (100%)
rename abstract_base_class.py => pkg/abstract_base_class.py (100%)
rename alternative_classes.py => pkg/alternative_classes.py (100%)
rename helper_functions.py => pkg/helper_functions.py (100%)
rename important_classes.py => pkg/important_classes.py (100%)
rename test_abc.py => tests/tests_abc.py (100%)
rename tests_alt.py => tests/tests_alt.py (100%)
rename tests_helpers.py => tests/tests_helpers.py (100%)
rename tests_imp.py => tests/tests_imp.py (100%)
```

## 5.9. Summary

- stdout is a file, that is displayed on the terminal
- “moving” a file does not re-write the data to a different part of the disk, it updates its address only
- the wildcard operator `*` allows us to use patterns with bash commands
- `touch` can accept a list of files
- bash lists are space delimited without any brackets
- the `.gitignore` file prevents files from being in your repo

### 5.9.1. New commands

| command                     | explanation                       |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <code>echo 'message'</code> | repeat ‘message’ to stdout        |
| <code>&gt;</code>           | write redirect                    |
| <code>&gt;&gt;</code>       | append redirect                   |
| <code>rm file</code>        | remove (delete) <code>file</code> |

### 5.9.2. New git commands

| command                             | explanation                                                        |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>git commit -a -m 'msg'</code> | the <code>-a</code> option adds modified files (but not untracked) |

## 5.11. Badges

Review Practice

## 5.12. Experience Report Evidence

redirect the history to a file

```
history >> makeup_2023-09-21.md
```

then move the file created to your KWL repo on your experience report branch.

## 5.13. Questions After Today's Class

### 5.13.1. Why exactly does the mv command also work as the rename function?

There is also a `rename` utility, but `mv` can do both because “moving” a file is just changing its path.

### 5.13.2. Can you access the . folders not using terminal?

Yes, but I do not know the specifics for each operating system. Usually I think you can right click or control a setting somewhere.

### 5.13.3. Why do some open source projects have a lot of open issues, maybe even more issues than files?

Some open source projects get inundated with bug reports or questions. Some projects even use issues for other things. For example, [the Carpentries trainers repo](#) uses issues to keep track of proposals for running a leadership committee of a group of people. The journal of open source software uses the [joss-reviews](#) repo to do peer reviews, it has 12 files and 291 open issues + 6017 closed issues.

### 5.13.4. How can the “\*” be used consistently to move a bunch of file? because we used it with the text in front of the similarity and behind it. i'm just wondering how it's used for multiple files, because it was used both before the similarity and after the similarity.

It fills in for any number of characters.

### 5.13.5. I have some badges from 2 weeks ago that are awaiting a second review after changes had been fixed.

Do not merge an unapproved badge

Re-request a review

### 5.13.6. can you close pull requests on the terminal?

Not with git because pull requests are not a git feature, but it is a feature of github. The `gh` CLI can do this.

### 5.13.7. If you do `mv *` will it move all files?

In the current working directory.

### 5.13.8. Are there any other ways of using mv that haven't been covered yet?

No those are basically the two purposes.

### 5.13.9. how often should we be practicing with the terminal for git?

Ideally, you work on badges on at least several of the days we do not have class so that you are working with it close to every day.

You could also start trying to use them for your other classes.

### 5.13.10. Would it be beneficial to organize files with github rather than bash?

GitHub cannot organize files and doing so in browser would be slow and difficult. We will see that GitHub code spaces give us a virtual machine that we can work with.

## KWL Chart

### Working with your KWL Repo

#### Important

The `main` branch should only contain material that has been reviewed and approved by the instructors.

1. Work on a specific branch for each activity you work on
2. when it is ready for review, create a PR from the item-specific branch to `main`.
3. when it is approved, merge into main.

## Minimum Rows

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<!-- replace the \_ in the table or add new rows as needed -->

| Topic                  | Know | Want to Know | Learned |
|------------------------|------|--------------|---------|
| Git                    | _    | _            | _       |
| GitHub                 | _    | _            | _       |
| Terminal               | _    | _            | _       |
| IDE                    | _    | _            | _       |
| text editors           | _    | _            | _       |
| file system            | _    | _            | _       |
| bash                   | _    | _            | _       |
| abstraction            | _    | _            | _       |
| programming languages  | _    | _            | _       |
| git workflows          | _    | _            | _       |
| git branches           | _    | _            | _       |
| bash redirects         | _    | _            | _       |
| number systems         | _    | _            | _       |
| merge conflicts        | _    | _            | _       |
| documentation          | _    | _            | _       |
| templating             | _    | _            | _       |
| bash scripting         | _    | _            | _       |
| developer tools        | _    | _            | _       |
| networking             | _    | _            | _       |
| ssh                    | _    | _            | _       |
| ssh keys               | _    | _            | _       |
| compiling              | _    | _            | _       |
| linking                | _    | _            | _       |
| building               | _    | _            | _       |
| machine representation | _    | _            | _       |
| integers               | _    | _            | _       |
| floating point         | _    | _            | _       |
| logic gates            | _    | _            | _       |
| ALU                    | _    | _            | _       |
| binary operations      | _    | _            | _       |
| memory                 | _    | _            | _       |
| cache                  | _    | _            | _       |
| register               | _    | _            | _       |
| clock                  | _    | _            | _       |
| Concurrency            | _    | _            | _       |

## Required Files

This lists the files for reference, but mostly you can keep track by badge issue checklists.

| date       | file                         | type     |
|------------|------------------------------|----------|
| 2024-01-25 | brain.md                     | practice |
| 2024-01-30 | gitgui.md                    | review   |
| 2024-01-30 | gitgui.md                    | practice |
| 2024-02-01 | branches.md                  | review   |
| 2024-02-01 | terminal-vocab.md            | prepare  |
| 2024-02-01 | branches-forks.md            | practice |
| 2024-02-06 | terminal_review.md           | review   |
| 2024-02-06 | software.md                  | prepare  |
| 2024-02-06 | terminalpractice.md          | practice |
| 2024-02-06 | terminal_organization_adv.md | practice |

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## ⚠️ Warning

This will change for spring 2024

## Contributions

Your team repo is a place to build up a glossary of key terms and a “cookbook” of “recipes” of common things you might want to do on the shell, bash commands, git commands and others.

For the glossary, follow the [jupyterbook](#) syntax.

For the cookbook, use standard markdown.

to denote code inline `use single backticks`

```
to denote code inline `use single backticks`
```

to make a code block use 3 back ticks

```
```  
to make a code block use 3 back ticks  
```
```

To nest blocks use increasing numbers of back ticks.

To make a link, `[show the text in squarebrackets](url/in/parenthesis)`

## Collaboration

You will be in a “team” that is your built in collaboration group to practice using Git Collaboratively.

There will be assignments that are to be completed in that repo as well. These activities will be marked accordingly. You will take turns and each of you is required to do the initialization step on a recurring basis.

This is also where you can ask questions and draft definitions to things.

## Peer Review

If there are minor errors/typos, suggest corrections inline.

In your summary comments answer the following:

- Is the contribution clear and concise? Identify any aspect of the writing that tripped you up as a reader.
- Are the statements in the contribution verifiable (either testable or cited source)? If so, how do you know they are correct?
- Does the contribution offer complete information? That is, does it rely on specific outside knowledge or could another CS student not taking our class understand it?

Choose an action:

- If the suggestions necessary before merging, select **request changes**.
- If it is good enough to merge, mark it **approved** and open a new issue for the broader suggestions.
- If you are unsure, post as a **comment** and invite other group members to join the discussion.

## Review Badges

### Review After Class

After each class, you will need to review the day's material. This includes reviewing prismia chat to see any questions you got wrong and reading the notes. Most days there will be specific additional activities and questions to answer. These should be in your KWL repo. Review activities will help you to reinforce what we do in class and guide you to practice with the most essential skills of this class.

#### 2024-01-23

[related notes](#)

Activities:

#### 2024-01-25

[related notes](#)

Activities:

#### 2024-01-30

[related notes](#)

Activities:

1. Read the notes. If you have any questions, post an issue on the course website repo.
2. Using your terminal, download your KWL repo. Include the command used in your badge PR comment. Be sure it is not inside another repository.
3. Try using setting up git using your favorite IDE's git integration (not its terminal) or GitHub Desktop. Make a file gitgui.md and include some notes of how it went. Give the file a heading like `# Setting up <tool name>`, with the actual tool name you setup in the title (eg Github Desktop or VSCode source control panel or ...) Was it hard? easy? what did you figure out or get stuck on? Is the terminology consistent to the terminal or does it use different terms?

#### 2024-02-01

Activities:

1. Create a merge conflict in your github in class repo and resolve it using your favorite IDE,. Describe how you created it, show the files, and describe how your IDE helps or does not help in ide\_merge\_conflict.md. Give advice for when you think someone should resolve a merge conflict manually vs using an IDE. (if you do not regularly use an IDE, try VSCode)
2. Read more details about [git branches](#)(you can also use other resources) add branches.md to your KWL repo and describe how branches work, in your own words. Include one question you have about branches or one scenario you think they could help you with.

## 2024-02-06

[related notes](#)

Activities:

badge steps marked **lab** are steps that you will be encouraged to use lab time to work on. In this case, in lab, we will check that you know what to do, but if we want you to do revisions those will be done through the badge.

1. Update your KWL chart with the new items and any learned items.
2. Clone the course website. Append the commands used and the contents of your [fall2023/.git/config](#) to a terminal\_review.md (hint: history outputs recent commands and redirects can work with any command, not only echo). Edit the [README.md](#), commit, and try to push the changes. What happens and what GitHub concept that we have not used yet might fix it? see your [vocab-](#) repo for a list of key github concepts. (answer in the [terminal\\_review.md](#))
3. **lab** Organize the provided messy folder in a Codespace (details will be provided in lab time). Commit and push the changes. Answer the questions below in your kwl repo in a file called [terminal\\_organization.md](#)
4. clone your [messy\\_repo](#) locally and append the [history.md](#) file to your [terminal\\_organization.md](#)

## Prepare for the next class

These tasks are not always based on things that we have already done. Sometimes they are to have you start thinking about the topic that we are *about* to cover. Getting whatever you know about the topic fresh in your mind in advance of class will help what we do in class stick for you when we start.

The correct answer is not as important for these activities as it is to do them before class. We will build on these in class. These are evaluated on completion only, but we may ask you questions or leave comments if appropriate, in that event you should reply and then we'll approve.

## 2024-01-25

*this will actually be done in the first few minutes of class*

Think about one thing you've learned really well (computing or not). Be prepared to discuss the following: How do you know that you know it? What was it like to first learn it?

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powershell, GitHub. Make a diagram using mermaid to highlight how these terms relate to one another

2. Check your kwl repo before class and see if you have received feedback, reply or merge accordingly.

Example “venn diagram ” with mermaid subgraphs

```
graph TD; subgraph Browsers [Browsers]; Safari --> Chromium; end; subgraph Chromium [Chromium based]; gg[Google Chrome]; me[Microsoft Edge]; end;
```

## 2024-02-01

1. Add file called terminal-vocab.md on a branch linked to this issue. Fill in the template below:

```
# Terminal vocab

## Before

<insert your diagram from 2024-01-30 prepare>

## Reflection

<!-- write a few bullets assessing your diagram above based on the notes from 2024-01-30. was anything in it

## Final thoughts

<!-- write a few bullets/sentences on how trying to make the diagram did/not help you think about the terms -->
```

## 2024-02-06

Examine an open source software project and fill in the template below in a file called software.md in your kwl repo on a branch that is linked to this issue. You do not need to try to understand how the code works for this exercise, but instead focus on how the repo is set up, what additional information is in there beyond the code. You may pick any mature open source project, meaning a project with recent commits, active PRs and issues, multiple contributors. In class we will have a discussion and you will compare what you found with people who examined a different project. Coordinate with peers (eg using the class discussion or in lab time) to look at different projects in order to discuss together in class.

```
## Software Reflection

Project : <markdown link to repo>

## README

<!-- what is in the readme? how well does it help you -->

## Contents

<!-- denote here types of files (code, what languages, what other files) -->

## Automation

<!-- comment on what types of stuff is in the .github directory -->

## Documentation

<!-- what support for users? what for developers? code of conduct? citation? -->
```

[Skip to main content](#)

<!-- What type of things are in the hidden files? who would need to see those files vs not? -->

Some open source projects if you do not have one in mind:

- pandas
- numpy
- GitHub CLI
- Rust language
- vs code
- Typescript
- Swift
- Jupyter book
- git-novice lesson

## 2024-02-08

1. Bring git questions or scenarios you want to be able to solve to class on Thursday (in your mind or comment here if that helps you remember)
2. Practice using the new bash commands we have learned to read and understand the workflow files in your KWL repo. Look for bash commands that we have seen before. Try to modify files on a prepare branch so that your name is already filled in when your experience badge (inclass) action runs.

## More Practice Badges

### Note

these are listed by the date they were *posted*

More practice exercises are a chance to try new dimensions of the concepts that we cover in class.

## 2024-01-23

related notes

Activities:

1. Review the notes after I post them.
2. Fill in the first two columns of your KWL chart (on a branch for this badge).
3. review git and github vocabulary be sure to edit a file and make an issue or PR (include link in your badge PR comment)

## 2024-01-25

related notes

the text in () below is why each step is assigned

1. review today's notes after they are posted, both rendered and the raw markdown versions. Include links to both views in your badge PR comment. (to review + there are hints for some of the following there)
2. read Chapter 1, "Decoding your confusion while coding" in [The Programmer's Brain](#) add a file called brain.md to your kwl repo that summarizes your thoughts on the chapter. Do you think this information will help you approach learning more effectively? why or why not? How, if at all, does it changes how you think about debugging and learning to program? Give examples of how you have encountered the different types of confusion in your prior programming experiences. (to help you get good strategies and prime for things we will see in the next few weeks)
3. Make a concept map of your current understanding of git and github git-basics-map.md. Use [mermaid](#) syntax, to draw your map. GitHub can render it for you including while you work using the preview button. (review what we have learned so far; think about connections + learn a new tool)
4. Read more about [version control in general](#) and add a "version control" row to your KWL chart with all 3 columns filled in. (git is version control, but not the only one)

## 2024-01-30

[related notes](#)

Activities:

1. Read the notes. If you have any questions, post an issue on the course website repo.
2. Using your terminal, download your KWL repo. Include the command used in your badge PR comment. Be sure it is not inside another repository.
3. Try using setting up git using your favorite IDE's git integration (not its terminal) or GitHub Desktop. Make a file gitgui.md and include some notes of how it went. Give the file a heading like `# Setting up <tool name>` with the actual tool name you setup in the title (eg Github Desktop or VSCode source control panel or ...). Was it hard? easy? what did you figure out or get stuck on? Is the terminology consistent to the terminal or does it use different terms?
4. Design a small demo to illustrate the difference between git add and git commit and how they impact `git push`. Write your demo in stage\_commit.md. Compare what happens based on what you can see on GitHub and what you can see with git status. Denote what you can tell about each case from the terminal and what you can tell from [GitHub.com](#). For this demo, test things either using the files for this badge in your KWL repo or create a new sandbox repo where your account (not the course) is the owner.

## 2024-02-01

[related notes](#)

Activities:

1. Create a merge conflict in your KWL repo on the branch for this issue and resolve it using your favorite IDE, then create one and resolve it on GitHub in browser (this requires the merge conflict to occur on a PR). Describe how you created it, show the files, and describe how your IDE helps or does not help in merge\_conflict\_comparison.md. Give advice for when you think someone should resolve a merge conflict in GitHub vs using an IDE. (if you do not regularly use an, IDE, try VSCode) *You can put content in the file for this step for the purpose of making the merge conflicts for this exercise.*

may use mermaid diagrams if that helps you think through or communicate the ideas. If you use other resources, include them in your file as markdown links.

## 2024-02-06

### related notes

Activities:

badge steps marked **lab** are steps that you will be encouraged to use lab time to work on. For this one in particular, I am going to give you the messy repo in lab.

1. Update your KWL chart with any learned items.
2. Get set up so that you can pull from the course website repo and push to your own fork of the class website by cloning the main repo, then forking it and adding your fork as an additional `remote`. Append the commands used and the contents of your `spring2024/.git/config` to a terminalpractice.md (hint: `history` outputs recent commands and redirects can work with any command, not only echo). Based on what you know so far about forks and branches, what advantage does this setup provide? (answer in the `terminal_practice.md`)
3. **lab** Organize the provided messy folder (details will be provided in lab time). Commit and push the changes. Clone that repo locally.
4. Organize a folder on your computer ( good candidate may be desktop or downloads folder), using only a terminal to make new directories, move files, check what's inside them, etc. Answer reflection questions in a new file, `terminal_organization_adv.md` in your kwl repo. Tip: Start with a file explorer open, but then try to close it, and use only command line tools to explore and make your choices. If you get stuck, look up additional commands to do accomplish your goals.

#### # Terminal File moving reflection

1. How was this activity overall Did this get easier toward the end?
2. How was it different working on your own computer compared to the Codespace form?
3. Did you have to look up how to do anything we had not done in class?
4. When do you think that using the terminal will be better than using your GUI file explorer?
5. What questions/challenges/ reflections do you have after this?
6. Append all of the commands you used in lab below. (not from your local computer's history, from the codespace)

## KWL File List

## Explore Badges

### ⚠️ Warning

Explore Badges are not required, but an option for higher grades. The logistics of this could be streamlined or the instructions may become more detailed during the penalty free zone.

Explore Badges can take different forms so the sections below outline some options. This page is not a cumulative list of requirements or an exhaustive list of options.

You might get a lot of suggestions for improvement on your first one, but if you apply that advice to future ones, they will get approved faster.

## How do I propose?

Create an issue on your kwl repo, label it explore, and “assign” @brownsarahm.

In your issue, describe the question you want to answer or topic to explore and the format you want to use.

If you propose something too big, you might be advised to consider a build badge instead. If you propose something too small, you will get ideas as options for how to expand it and you pick which ones.

## Where to put the work?

- If you extend a more practice exercise, you can add to the markdown file that the exercise instructs you to create.
- If its a question of your own, add a new file to your KWL repo.

### ! Important

Either way, there must be a separate issue for this work that is also linked to your PR

## What should the work look like?

It should look like a blog post, written tutorial, graphic novel, or visual aid with caption. It will likely contain some code excerpts the way the class notes do. Style-wise it can be casual, like how you may talk through a concept with a friend or a more formal, academic tone. What is important is that it clearly demonstrates that you understand the material.

The exact length can vary, but these must go beyond what we do in class in scope

## Explore Badge Ideas:

- Extend a more practice:
  - for a more practice that asks you to describe potential uses for a tool, try it out, find or write code excerpts and examine them
  - for a more practice that asks you to try something, try some other options and compare and contrast them. eg “try git in your favorite IDE” -> “try git in three different IDEs, compare and contrast, and make recommendations for novice developers”
- For a topic that left you still a little confused or their was one part that you wanted to know more about. Details your journey from confusion or shallow understanding to a full understanding. This file would include the sources that you used to gather a deeper understanding. eg:
  - Describe how cryptography evolved and what caused it to evolve (i.e. SHA-1 being decrypted)
  - Learn a lot more about a specific number system
  - compare another git host

- Create a visual aid/memory aid to help remember a topic. Draw inspiration from [Wizard Zines](#)
- Review a reference or resource for a topic
- write a code tour that orients a new contributor to a past project or an open source tool you like.

Examples from past students:

- Scripts/story boards for tiktoks that break down course topics
- Visual aid drawings to help remember key facts

For special formatting, use [jupyter book's documentation](#).

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## Build Badges

Build may be individual or in pairs.

## Proposal Template

If you have selected to do a project, please use the following template to propose a build

```
## < Project Title >

<!-- insert a 1 sentence summary -->

### Objectives

<!-- in this section describe the overall goals in terms of what you will learn and the problem you will solve -->

### Method

<!-- describe what you will do , will it be research, write & present? will there be something you build? what will you deliver -->

### Deliverables

<!-- list what your project will produce with target deadlines for each-->

### Milestones
```

The deliverables will depend on what your method is, which depend on your goals. It must be approved and the final submitted will have to meet what is approved. Some guidance:

- any code or text should be managed with git (can be GitHub or elsewhere)
- if you write any code it should have documentation
- if you do experiments the results should be summarized
- if you are researching something, a report should be 2-4 pages, plus unlimited references in the 2 column ACM format.

This guidance is generative, not limiting, it is to give ideas, but not restrict what you *can* do.

## Updates and work in Progress

These can be whatever form is appropriate to your specific project. Your proposal should indicate what form those will take.

This summary report will be added to your kwl repo as a new file `build_report_title.md` where `title` is the (title or a shortened version) from the proposal.

This summary report have the following sections.

1. **Abstract** a one paragraph “abstract” type overview of what your project consists of. This should be written for a general audience, something that anyone who has taken up to 211 could understand. It should follow guidance of a scientific abstract.
2. **Reflection** a one paragraph reflection that summarizes challenges faced and what you learned doing your project
3. **Artifacts** links to other materials required for assessing the project. This can be a public facing web resource, a private repository, or a shared file on URI google Drive.

## Collaborative Build rules/procedures

- Each student must submit a proposal PR for tracking purposes. The proposal may be shared text for most sections but the deliverables should indicate what each student will do (or be unique in each proposal).
- the proposal must indicate that it is a pair project, if iteration is required, I will put those comments on both repos but the students should discuss and reply/edit in collaboration
- the project must include code reviews as a part of the workflow links to the PRs on the project repo where the code reviews were completed should be included in the reflection
- each student must complete their own reflection. The abstract can be written together and shared, but the reflection must be unique.

## Build Ideas

### General ideas to write a proposal for

- make a [vs code extension](#) for this class or another URI CS course
- port the courseutils to rust. [crate clap](#) is like the python click package I used to develop the course utils
- build a polished documentation website for your CSC212 project with [sphinx](#) or another static site generator
- use version control, including releases on any open source side-project and add good contributor guidelines, README, etc

### Auto-approved proposals

For these build options, you can copy-paste the template below to create your proposal issue and assign it to [@brownsarahm](#).

For working alone there are two options, for working with a partner there is one.

#### 212 Project Solo- Docs focus

Use this option if your team for your 212 project is not currently enrolled in this class or does not want to do a collaborative build. This version focuses on the user docs.

```
## 212 Project Doc & Developer onboarding
```

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```
### Objectives
<!-- in this section describe the overall goals in terms of what you will learn and the problem you will solve
This project will provide information for a user to use the data structure implemented for a CSC 212 project

### Method
<!-- describe what you will do , will it be research, write & present? will there be something you build? what will you contribute to the project?
1. ensure there is API level documentation in the code files
1. build a documentation website using [jupyterbook/ sphinx/doxygen/] that includes setup instructions and examples
1. configure the repo to automatically build the documentation website each time the main branch is updated

### Deliverables
- link to repo with the contents listed in method in the reflection file

### Milestones
<!-- give a target timeline -->
```

## 212 Project Solo- Developer focus

Use this option if your team for your 212 project is not currently enrolled in this class or does not want to do a collaborative build.  
This version focuses on the contributor experience.

```
## 212 Project Doc & Developer onboarding
Add documentation website and developer onboarding information to your CSC 212 project.

### Objectives
<!-- in this section describe the overall goals in terms of what you will learn and the problem you will solve
This project will provide information for a user to use the data structure implemented for a CSC 212 project

### Method
<!-- describe what you will do , will it be research, write & present? will there be something you build? what will you contribute to the project?
1. ensure there is API level documentation in the code files
1. add a license, readme, and contributor file
1. add [code tours](https://marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=vsls-contrib.codetour) that help some one understand how to use the code
1. set up a PR template
1. set up 2 issue templates: 1 for feature request and 1 for bug reporting

### Deliverables
- link to repo with the contents listed in method in the reflection file

### Milestones
<!-- give a target timeline -->
```

## 212 Project Pair

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```
## 212 Project Doc & Developer onboarding

Add documentation website and developer onboarding information to your CSC 212 project.

### Objectives

<!-- in this section describe the overall goals in terms of what you will learn and the problem you will solve

This project will provide information for a user to use the data structure implemented for a CSC 212 project

### Method

<!-- describe what you will do , will it be research, write & present? will there be something you build? will there be tests?
1. ensure there is API level documentation in the code files
1. build a documentation website using [jupyterbook/ sphinx/doxygen/] that includes setup instructions and examples
1. configure the repo to automatically build the documentation website each time the main branch is updated
1. add [code tours](https://marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=vsls-contrib.codetour) that help some of the concepts
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### Deliverables

- link to repo with the contents listed in method in the reflection file

### Milestones

<!-- give a target timeline -->
```

## Syllabus and Grading FAQ

### How much does activity x weigh in my grade?

There is no specific weight for any activities, because your grade is based on earning the badges. Everything at a level must be complete and correct.

### How do I keep track of my earned badges?

You will have several options. You will have a project board that you can track assigned work, in progress work and earned badges with in one place. This is quite different than checking your grade in BrightSpace, but using tools like this represents the real tools used by developers.

You will be able to use provided command line tools and github actions to produce a report of your status at any time from your PR list, starting in the third week. Additionally, at particular points in the course, an in class or class preparation activity will be for you to review a “progress report” that we help you create and update your success plan for the course.

### Also, when are each badge due, time wise?

Review and practice must start within a week, but I recommend starting before the next class. Must be a good faith completion

next class.

Explore and build, we'll agree to a deadline when you propose.

## Who should I request to review my work?

- Experience badge (inclass): TA in your group
- Experience report(makeup) `@brownsarahm`
- Review badge: `@instructors` team (it will convert to one of the three of us)
- Explore Proposal: `@brownsarahm`
- Explore Badge: `@brownsarahm`
- Build Proposal: `@brownsarahm`
- Build Badge: `@brownsarahm`

## Will everything done in the penalty free zone be approved even if there are mistakes?

No. In the penalty-free zone I still want you to learn things, but we will do extra work to make sure that you get credit for all of your effort even if you make mistakes in how to use GitHub. We will ask you to fix things that we have taught you to fix, but not things that we will not cover until later.

The goal is to make things more fair while you get used to GitHub. It's a nontrivial thing to learn, but getting used to it is worth it.

I want this class to be a safe place for you to try things, make mistakes and learn from them without penalty. A job is a much higher stakes place to learn a tool as hard as GitHub, so I want this to be lower stakes, even though I cannot promise it will be easy.

## Once we make revisions on a pull request, how do we notify you that we have done them?

You do not have to do anything, GitHub will automatically notify whichever one of us who reviewed it initially when you make changes.

## What should work for an explore badge look like and where do I put it?

It should be a tutorial or blog style piece of writing, likely with code excerpts or screenshots embedded in it.

[an example that uses mostly screenshots](#)

[an example of heavily annotated code](#)

They should be markdown files in your KWL repo. I recommend myst markdown.

## Git and GitHub

If your error looks like this...

```
! [rejected] main -> main (fetch first)
error: failed to push some refs to <repository name>
hint: Updates were rejected because the remote contains work that you do
hint: not have locally. This is usually caused by another repository pushing
hint: to the same ref. You may want to first integrate the remote changes
hint: (e.g., 'git pull ...') before pushing again.
hint: See the 'Note about fast-forwards' in 'git push --help' for details.
```

Your local version and github version are out of sync, you need to pull the changes from github to your local computer before you can push new changes there.

After you run

```
git pull
```

You'll probably have to resolve a merge conflict

## My command line says I cannot use a password

GitHub has strong rules about authentication. You need to use SSH with a public/private key; HTTPS with a Personal Access Token or use the [GitHub CLI auth](#)

## Help! I accidentally merged the Badge Pull Request before my assignment was graded

That's ok. You can fix it.

**note: these instructions use the main branch the way we use the badge branches and the feedback branch the way we use the main branch in this course**

You'll have to work offline and use GitHub in your browser together for this fix. The following instructions will work in terminal on Mac or Linux or in GitBash for Windows. (see [Programming Environment section on the tools page](#)).

First get the url to clone your repository (unless you already have it cloned then skip ahead): on the main page for your repository, click the green "Code" button, then copy the url that's shown

19 feedback had recent pushes 1 minute ago

Compare & pull request

main ▾ 5 branches 1 tag

Go to file

Add file ▾

Code ▾

brownsarahm update toc to include notebook

|                  |                                      |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 📁 .github        | correct path for jupytext conversion |
| 📁 about          | mvoe notebook                        |
| 📁 template_files | convert notebooks to md              |
| 📄 .gitignore     | merge gh changes and ignore          |
| 📄 README.md      | Initial commit                       |

Clone with HTTPS ?

Use SSH

Use Git or checkout with SVN using the web URL.

<https://github.com/rhodyprog4ds/por>



Open with GitHub Desktop

Download ZIP

Next open a terminal or GitBash and type the following.

```
git clone
```

then past your url that you copied. It will look something like this, but the last part will be the current assignment repo and your username.

```
git clone https://github.com/rhodyprog4ds/portfolio-brownsarahm.git
```

When you merged the Feedback pull request you advanced the `feedback` branch, so we need to hard reset it back to before you did any work. To do this, first check it out, by navigating into the folder for your repository (created when you cloned above) and then checking it out, and making sure it's up to date with the `remote` (the copy on GitHub)

```
cd portfolio-brownsarahm
git checkout feedback
git pull
```

Now, you have to figure out what commit to revert to, so go back to GitHub in your browser, and switch to the feedback branch there. Click on where it says `main` on the top right next to the branch icon and choose feedback from the list.

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**feedback** had recent pushes 1 minute ago [Compare & pull request](#)

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**Switch branches/tags** [Find or create a branch...](#)

| Branches        | Tags    |
|-----------------|---------|
| ✓ main          | default |
| feedback        |         |
| gh-pages        |         |
| someOtherBranch |         |

|                                      |                          |                |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| notebook                             | ✓ a6f7f45 15 minutes ago | ⌚ 14 commits   |
| correct path for jupytext conversion |                          | 17 hours ago   |
| mvoe notebook                        |                          | 17 minutes ago |
| convert notebooks to md              |                          | 17 hours ago   |
| merge gh changes and ignore          |                          | 3 days ago     |
| Initial commit                       |                          | 3 days ago     |

Now view the list of all of the commits to this branch, by clicking on the clock icon with a number of commits

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This branch is 1 commit ahead of main. [Pull request](#) [Compare](#)

|                                                                                                                                                  |                                      |                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
|  brownsaramm Merge pull request #1 from rhodyprog4ds/main ... | f301d90 16 minutes ago               | ⌚ 15 commits   |
| .github                                                                                                                                          | correct path for jupytext conversion | 17 hours ago   |
| about                                                                                                                                            | mvoe notebook                        | 20 minutes ago |
| template_files                                                                                                                                   | convert notebooks to md              | 17 hours ago   |

On the commits page scroll down and find the commit titled "Setting up GitHub Classroom Feedback" and copy its hash, by clicking on the clipboard icon next to the short version.

## more examples

brownsarahm committed 3 days ago

 9427c13 

convert notebooks to md 

brownsarahm committed 3 days ago

 e2f5b79 

Update jupytext\_ipynb\_md.yml

brownsarahm committed 3 days ago 

Verified

 7bd76c6 

solution

brownsarahm committed 3 days ago 

 fbe6613 

Setting up GitHub Classroom Feedback

brownsarahm committed 3 days ago 

 822cf5 

GitHub Classroom Feedback

brownsarahm committed 3 days ago 

 f3e0297 

Initial commit

brownsarahm committed 3 days ago 

 66c21c3 

Newer Older

Now, back on your terminal, type the following

```
git reset --hard
```

then paste the commit hash you copied, it will look something like the following, but your hash will be different.

```
git reset --hard 822cf51a70d356d448bcaede5b15282838a5028
```

If it works, your terminal will say something like

```
HEAD is now at 822cf51 Setting up GitHub Classroom Feedback
```

but the number on yours will be different.

Now your local copy of the `feedback` branch is reverted back as if you had not merged the pull request and what's left to do is to push those changes to GitHub. By default, GitHub won't let you push changes unless you have all of the changes that have been made on their side, so we have to tell Git to force GitHub to do this.

Since we're about to do something with forcing, we should first check that we're doing the right thing.

```
git status
```

and it should show something like

```
On branch feedback
Your branch is behind 'origin/feedback' by 12 commits, and can be fast-forwarded.
  (use "git pull" to update your local branch)
```

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you know you're not deleting the `main` copy of your work and `Your branch is behind origin/feedback` to know that reverting worked.

Now to make GitHub match your reverted local copy.

```
git push origin -f
```

and you'll get something like this to know that it worked

```
Total 0 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0)
To https://github.com/rhodyprog4ds/portfolio-brownsarahm.git
 + f301d90...822cfe5 feedback -> feedback (forced update)
```

Again, the numbers will be different and it will be your url, not mine.

Now back on GitHub, in your browser, click on the code tab. It should look something like this now. Notice that it says, "This branch is 11 commits behind main" your number will be different but it should be 1 less than the number you had when you checked `git status`. This is because we reverted the changes you made to main (11 for me) and the 1 commit for merging main into feedback. Also the last commit (at the top, should say "Setting up GitHub Classroom Feedback").

The screenshot shows a GitHub repository page for 'rhodyprog4ds / portfolio-brownsarahm'. The 'Code' tab is selected. At the top, it says 'This branch is 11 commits behind main.' Below that, there's a list of commits:

| Author      | Commit Message                       | Date       | Commits   |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| brownsarahm | Setting up GitHub Classroom Feedback | 3 days ago | 3 commits |
|             | .github                              | 3 days ago |           |
|             | about                                | 3 days ago |           |
|             | template_files                       | 3 days ago |           |
|             | .gitignore                           | 3 days ago |           |
|             | README.md                            | 3 days ago |           |

Now, you need to recreate your Pull Request, click where it says pull request.

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This branch is 11 commits behind main.

[Pull request](#) [Compare](#)



brownsarahm Setting up GitHub Classroom Feedback

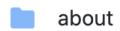
✗ 822cf5 3 days ago ⌚ 3 commits



.github

GitHub Classroom Feedback

3 days ago



about

Initial commit

3 days ago



template\_files

Initial commit

3 days ago



.gitignore

Initial commit

3 days ago



README.md

Initial commit

3 days ago

It will say there isn't anything to compare, but this is because it's trying to use [feedback](#) to update [main](#). We want to use [main](#) to update [feedback](#) for this PR. So we have to swap them. Change base from [main](#) to [feedback](#) by clicking on it and choosing [feedback](#) from the list.

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## Comparing changes

Choose two branches to see what's changed or to start a new pull request. If you need to, you can also [compare across forks](#).

base: [main](#) ▼ ← compare: [feedback](#) ▼

Choose a base ref

Find a branch

Branches Tags

✓ main default

[feedback](#)

gh-pages someOtherBranch

Show

Up to date with all commits from feedback. Try switching the base for your comparison.

**There isn't anything to compare.**

Up to date with all commits from feedback. Try switching the base for your comparison.

Up to date with all commits from feedback. Try switching the base for your comparison.

Then change the compare [feedback](#) on the right to [main](#). Once you do that the page will change to the "Open a Pull Request" interface.

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## Open a pull request

Create a new pull request by comparing changes across two branches. If you need to, you can also [compare across forks](#).

The screenshot shows a GitHub pull request interface. At the top, there are dropdown menus for 'base: feedback' and 'compare: main'. A green checkmark indicates 'Able to merge. These branches can be automatically merged.' Below this, a user profile picture is visible. The title of the pull request is 'Feedback'. There are 'Write' and 'Preview' buttons. A toolbar with various icons for bold, italic, etc., is present. A text area for comments contains the placeholder 'Leave a comment'. At the bottom, there is a note to 'Attach files by dragging & dropping, selecting or pasting them.' and a 'Create Pull Request' button.

Make the title “Feedback” put a note in the body and then click the green “Create Pull Request” button.

Now you're done!

If you have trouble, create an issue and tag `@rhodyprog4ds/fall20instructors` for help.

**For an Assignment, should we make a new branch for every assignment or do everything in one branch?**

Doing each new assignment `in` its own branch `is` best practice. In a typical software development flow once the

## Other Course Software/tools

### Courseutils

This is how your badge issues are created. It also has some other utilities for the course. It is open source and questions/issues should be posted to its [issue tracker](#)

### Jupyterbook

### Glossary

Contributing glossary terms or linking to uses of glossary terms to this page is eligible for community badges

## **absolute path**

the path defined from the root of the system

## **add (new files in a repository)**

the step that stages/prepares files to be committed to a repository from a local branch

## **argument**

input to a command line program

## **bash**

bash or the bourne-again shell is the primary interface in UNIX based systems

## **bitwise operator**

an operation that happens on a bit string (sequence of 1s and 0s). They are typically faster than operations on whole integers.

## **branch**

a copy of the main branch (typically) where developmental changes occur. The changes do not affect other branches because it is isolated from other branches.

## **Compiled Code**

code that is put through a compiler to turn it into lower level assembly language before it is executed. must be compiled and re-executed everytime you make a change.

## **directory**

a collection of files typically created for organizational purposes

## **divergent**

git branches that have diverged means that there are different commits that have same parent; there are multiple ways that git could fix this, so you have to tell it what strategy to use

## **fixed point number**

the concept that the decimal point does not move in the number. Cannot represent as wide of a range of values as a floating point number.

## **floating point number**

the concept that the decimal can move within the number (ex. scientific notation; you move the decimal based on the exponent on the 10). can represent more numbers than a fixed point number.

## **git**

a version control tool; it's a fully open source and always free tool, that can be hosted by anyone or used without a host, locally only.

## **GitHub**

a hosting service for git repositories

a file in a git repo that will not add the files that are included in this .gitignore file. Used to prevent files from being unnecessarily committed.

## git objects

FIXME something (a file, directory) that is used in git; has a hash associated with it

## git Plumbing commands

low level git commands that allow the user to access the inner workings of git.

## git Workflow

a recipe or recommendation for how to use Git to accomplish work in a consistent and productive manner

## HEAD

a file in the .git directory that indicates what is currently checked out (think of the current branch)

## merge

putting two branches together so that you can access files in another branch that are not available in yours

## merge conflict

## mermaid

mermaid syntax allows user to create precise, detailed diagrams in markdown files.

## hash function

the actual function that does the hashing of the input (a key, an object, etc.)

## hashing

transforming an input of arbitrary length to a unique fixed length output (the output is called a hash; used in hash tables and when git hashes commits).

## integrated development environment

also known as an IDE, puts together all of the tools a developer would need to produce code (source code editor, debugger, ability to run code) into one application so that everything can be done in one place. can also have extra features such as showing your file tree and connecting to git and/or github.

## interpreted code

code that is directly executed from a high level language. more expensive computationally because it cannot be optimized and therefore can be slower.

## issue

provides the ability to easily track ideas, feedback, tasks, or bugs. branches can be created for specific issues. an issue is open when it is created. pull requests have the ability to close issues. see more in the [docs](#)

## Linker

a program that links together the object files and libraries to output an executable file.

## option

also known as a flag, a parameter to a command line program that change its behavior, different from an argument

the “location” of a file or folder(directory) in a computer

## pointer

a variable that stores the address of another variable

## pull (changes from a repository)

download changes from a remote repository and update the local repository with these changes.

## pull request

allow other users to review and request changes on branches. after a pull request receives approval you can merge the changed content to the main branch.

## PR

short for [pull request](#)

## push (changes to a repository)

to put whatever you were working on from your local machine onto a remote copy of the repository in a version control system.

## relative path

the path defined **relative** to another file or the current working directory; may start with a name, includes a single file name or may start with `./`

## repository

a project folder with tracking information in it in the form of a .git directory in it

## ROM (Read-Only Memory)

Memory that only gets read by the CPU and is used for instructions

## SHA 1

the hashing function that git uses to hash its functions (found to have very serious collisions (two different inputs have same hashes), so a lot of software is switching to SHA 256)

## sh

abbr. see shell

## shell

a command line interface; allows for access to an operating system

## ssh

allows computers to safely connect to networks (such as when we used an ssh key to clone our github repos)

## templating

templating is the idea of changing the input or output of a system. For instance, the Jupyter book, instead of outputting the markdown files as markdown files, displays them as HTML pages (with the contents of the markdown file).

## terminal

a program that makes shell visible for us and allows for interactions with it

type of git object in git that helps store multiple files with their hashes (similar to directories in a file system)

## yml

see YAML

## YAML

a file specification that stores key-value pairs. It is commonly used for configurations and settings.

## zsh

zsh or z shell is built on top of the bash shell and contains new features

# General Tips and Resources

This section is for materials that are not specific to this course, but are likely useful. They are not generally required readings or installs, but are options or advice I provide frequently.

## on email

- [how to e-mail professors](#)

# How to Study in this class

In this page, I break down how I expect learning to work for this class.

Begin a great programmer does not require memorizing all of the specific commands, but instead knowing the common patterns and how to use them to interpret others' code and write your own. Being efficient requires knowing how to use tools and how to let the computer do tedious tasks for you. This is how this course is designed to help you, but you have to get practice with these things.

Using reference materials frequently is a built in part of programming, most languages have built in help as a part of the language for this reason. These tools can help you when you are writing code and forget a specific bit of syntax, but these tools will not help you *read* code or debug environment issues. You also have to know how to effectively use these tools.

Knowing the common abstractions we use in computing and recognizing them when they look a little bit differently will help you with these more complex tasks. Understanding what is common when you move from one environment to another or to This course is designed to have you not only learn the material, but also to build skill in learning to program. Following these guidelines will help you build habits to not only be successful in this class, but also in future programming.

# Why this way?

Learning requires iterative practice. In this class, you will first get ready to learn by preparing for class. Then, in class, you will get a first experience with the material. The goal is that each class is a chance to learn by engaging with the ideas, it is to be a guided inquiry. Some classes will have a bit more lecture and others will be all hands on with explanation, but the goal is that you *experience* the topics in a way that helps you remember, because being immersed in an activity helps brains remember more than passively watching something. Then you have to practice with the material

A new book  
programming  
Brain As of  
by clicking  
contents so

You will be making a lot of documentation of bits, in your own words. You will be directed to try things and make notes. This based on a recommended practices from working devs to [keep a notebook](<https://blog.nelhage.com/2010/05/software-and-lab-notebooks/>) or keep a blog and notebook.

## Learning in class

### ! Important

My goal is to use class time so that you can be successful with *minimal frustration* while working outside of class time.

Programming requires both practical skills and abstract concepts. During class time, we will cover the practical aspects and introduce the basic concepts. You will get to see the basic practical details and real examples of debugging during class sessions. Learning to debug something you've never encountered before and setting up your programming environment, for example, are *high frustration* activities, when you're learning, because you don't know what you don't know. On the other hand, diving deeper into options and more complex applications of what you have already seen in class, while challenging, is something I'm confident that you can all be successful at with minimal frustration once you've seen basic ideas in class. My goal is that you can repeat the patterns and processes we use in class outside of class to complete assignments, while acknowledging that you will definitely have to look things up and read documentation outside of class.

Each class will open with some time to review what was covered in the last session before adding new material.

To get the most out of class sessions, you should have a laptop with you. During class you should be following along with Dr. Brown. You'll answer questions on Prismia chat, and when appropriate you should try running necessary code to answer those questions. If you encounter errors, share them via Prismia chat so that we can see and help you.

## After class

After class, you should practice with the concepts introduced.

This means reviewing the notes: both yours from class and the annotated notes posted to the course website.

When you review the notes, you should be adding comments on tricky aspects of the code and narrative text between code blocks in markdown cells. While you review your notes and the annotated course notes, you should also read the documentation for new modules, libraries, or functions introduced in that class.

If you find anything hard to understand or unclear, write it down to bring to class the next day or post an issue on the course website.

## GitHub Interface reference

This is an overview of the parts of GitHub from the view on a repository page. It has links to the relevant GitHub documentation for more detail.

## Top of page

The very top menu with the  logo in it has GitHub level menus that are not related to the current repository.

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## This is the main view of the project

Branch menu & info, file action buttons, download options (green code button)

About has basic facts about the repo, often including a link to a documentation page

### File panel

the header in this area lists who made the last commit, the message of that commit, the short hash, date of that commit and the total number of commits to the project.

If there are actions on the repo, there will be a red x or a green check to indicate that if it failed or succeeded on that commit.

Releases, Packages, and Environments are optional sections that the repo owner can toggle on and off.

Releases mark certain commits as important and give easy access to that version. They are related to git tags

Packages are out of scope for this course. GitHub helps you manage distributing your code to make it easier for users.

Environments are a tool for dependency management. We will cover things that help you know how to use this feature indirectly, but probably will not use it directly in class. This would be eligible for a build badge.

The bottom of the right panel has information about the languages in the project

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### README file

## Language/Shell Specific References

- bash
- C
- Python

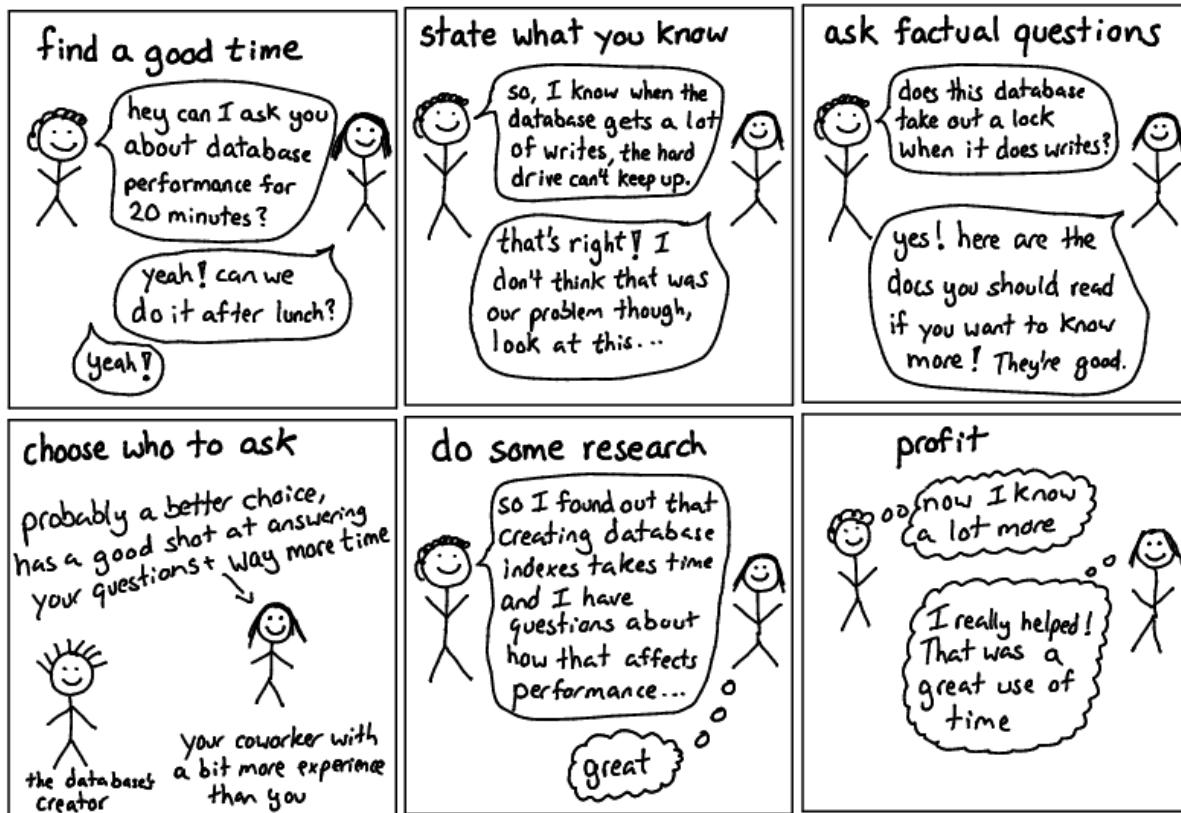


This class will help you get better at reading errors and understanding what they might be trying to tell you. In addition here are some more general resources.

## Asking Questions

JULIA EVANS  
@b0rk

### asking good questions



One of my favorite resources that describes how to ask good questions is [this blog post](#) by Julia Evans, a developer who writes comics about the things she learns in the course of her work and publisher of wizard zines.

## Describing what you have so far

Stackoverflow is a common place for programmers to post and answer questions.

As such, they have written a good guide on creating a minimal, reproducible example.

Creating a minimal reproducible example may even help you debug your own code, but if it does not, it will definitely make it easier for another person to understand what you have, what your goal is, and what's working.

## Getting Organized for class

The only **required** things are in the Tools section of the syllabus, but this organizational structure will help keep you on top of what is going on.

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# File structure

I recommend the following organization structure for the course:

```
csc310
|- notes
|- portfolio-username
|- 02-accessing-data-username
|- ...
```

This is one top level folder will all materials in it. A folder inside that for in class notes, and one folder per repository.

Please **do not** include all of your notes or your other assignments all inside your portfolio, it will make it harder to grade.

## Finding repositories on github

Each assignment repository will be created on GitHub with the [rhodyprog4ds](#) organization as the owner, not your personal account. Since your account is not the owner, they do not show on your profile.

Your assignment repositories are all private during the semester. At the end, you may take ownership of your portfolio[^pttrans] if you would like.

If you go to the main page of the organization you can search by your username (or the first few characters of it) and see only your repositories.

### Warning

Don't try to work on a repository that does not end in your username; those are the template repositories for the course and you don't have edit permission on them.

## More info on cpus

| Resource                            | Level | Type    | Summary                                                                                         |
|-------------------------------------|-------|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| What is a CPU, and What Does It Do? | 1     | Article | Easy to read article that explains CPUs and their use. Also touches on "buses" and GPUs.        |
| Processors Explained for Beginners  | 1     | Video   | Video that explains what CPUs are and how they work and are assembled.                          |
| The Central Processing Unit         | 1     | Video   | Video by Crash Course that explains what the Central Processing Unit (CPU) is and how it works. |

## Windows Help & Notes

### CRLF Warning

This is GitBash telling you that git is helping. Windows uses two characters for a new line `CR` (carriage return) and `LF` (line feed). Classic Mac Operating system used the `CR` character. Unix-like systems (including MacOS X) use only the `LF` character. If you try to open a file on Windows that has only `LF` characters, Windows will think it's all one line. To help you, since git knows people collaborate across file systems, when you check out files from the git database (`.git/` directory) git replaces `LF` characters with `CRLF` before updating your working directory.

When working on Windows, when you make a file locally, each new line will have `CRLF` in it. If your collaborator (or server, eg GitHub) runs not a unix or linux based operating system (it almost certainly does) these extra characters will make a mess and make the system interpret your code wrong. To help you out, git will automatically, for Windows users, convert `CRLF` to `LF` when it adds your work to the index (staging area). Then when you push, it's the compatible version.

[git documentation of the feature](#)