

Introduction to git and github



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Introduction

Version control software (VCS)



Introduction

- As an IT professional, you will come across these two words: Git and Github
- These are very popular tools used nowadays for version control
- The term Version control refers to a system that records changes (versions) to a file or set of files over the time
- In other words, these versions will help you track the changes in your codes/projects and if necessary, undo those changes as well.





What is the difference?





- ♦ Git is an open-source, version control tool created in 2005 by developers working on the Linux operating system;
- ♦ It is used to manage versions of your code or files locally, that is, Git is installed and maintained on your local computer system
- ♦ **GitHub** is a company founded in 2008
- It provides a cloud-based hosting service that lets you store and manage Git repositories.
- ♦ There are many other alternatives to GitHub, such as GitLab, BitBucket...



Git	GitHub
1. It is a software	1. It is a service
2. It is installed locally on the system	2. It is hosted on Web
3. It is a command line tool	3. It provides a graphical interface
4. It is a tool to manage different versions of edits, made to files in a git repository	4. It is a space to upload a copy of the Git repository
5. It provides functionalities like Version Control System Source Code Management	5. It provides functionalities of Git like VCS, Source Code Management as well as adding few of its own features





Why do we need git or github

Collaboration on projects

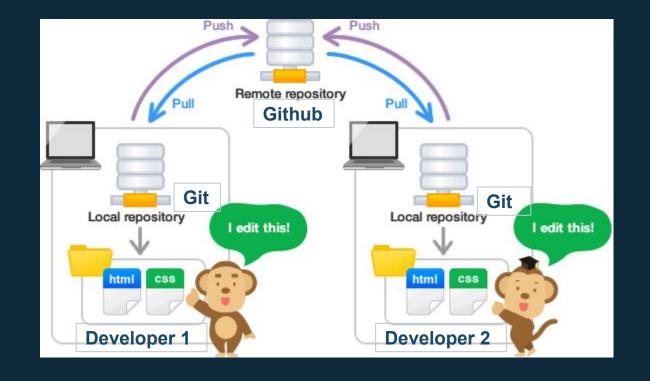


Why git or github?

- GitHub makes it easier to collaborate on projects using git.
- Multiple developers can work on a single project and see each others' edits in real-time in the cloud:
- This reduces the risk of duplicative or conflicting work, and can help decrease production time.
- With Git, developers can
 - build code, push it to Github to share with collaborators,
 - track changes, and innovate solutions to problems that might arise during the development process.











GitHub language



- While using **Git** and **Glthub**, there are some **keywords** you will often come across:
 - Repositories
 - Branches
 - Commits
 - Pull requests
- Let's briefly explain some of these concepts





Repository

- A Repository is like a directory that contains all the files and folders of a specific project
- ♦ It generally contains a **licence** and a **README** file about the project
- We can create local repositories with git or online repositories in GitHub
- ♦ A GitHub repository can also be used to store ideas or any resources that you want to share with your team or the world





Branch

- ♦ A branch is used to work with different versions of a repository.
 That is, a branch can contain a whole version of a project
- Each developer can work on a specific branch of the project at any time
- ♦ By default, a repository has a main (master) branch and any other branch is a copy of the main branch at a specific point in time
- Branches are generally created by developers or team members to work on separate features of the project before merging it with the main branch





Commits

- A commit is like a change you do to the project
- Each commit (change) has a description (commit message) explaining why a change was made, an ID to identify the commit, information about the Author (who made the change) and the date (when)

Pull Requests

- With a pull request you are proposing that your changes should be merged (pulled in) with the main branch (master)
- As soon as you have a **commit**, you can open a **pull request**

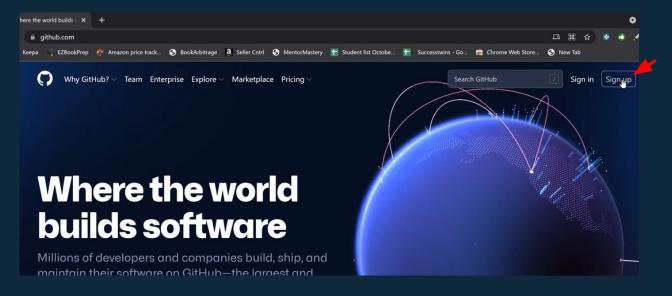








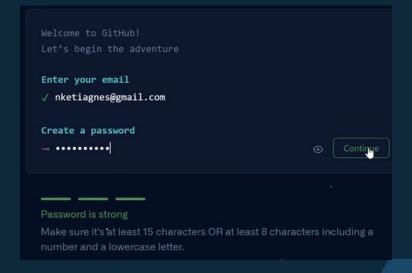
- ♦ To use GitHub, we need to create an account on the GitHub platform
- Launch your google chrome browser and open <u>github.com</u>
- You will get the following page: Click on Sign up







- ♦ Enter your email address
- This email must be valid
- Create a strong password
- Note your email and password and carefully keep that somewhere (We will use it later)
- Click on Continue







- Enter a valid or available username (Here I used sre2021)
- To the question Would you like to receive product update and announcements via email? Type n for no and Continue

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Enter a username

√ sre2021

Would you like to receive product updates and announcements via email?

Type "y" for yes or "n" for no

✓ n
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- To verify your account, read the message displayed and do accordingly till the verification is successful
- Then click on Create account
- A code will be sent to the email address you provided.







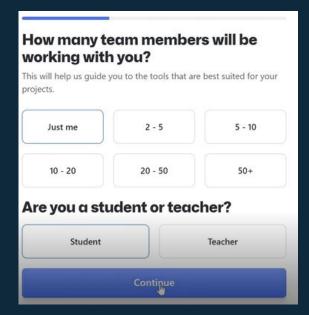
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- How many team members
 - Choose Just me
- Are you a student or a teacher?
 - Choose Student
- ♦ Click on Continue







- Make sure you check the Collaborative coding and the Automation and CI/CD checkboxes
- Allow other features for now
- Scroll down and click Continue
- Scroll down the various plan page and click on Skip personalization
- After this, you will be redirected to your GitHub account home page

What specific features are you interested in using?

Select all that apply so we can point you to the right GitHub plan.



Collaborative coding

Codespaces, Pull requests, Notifications, Code review, Code review assignments, Code owners, Draft pull requests, Protected branches, and more.



Automation and CI/CD

Actions, Packages, APIs, GitHub Pages, GitHub Marketplace, Webhooks, Hosted runners, Self-hosted runners, Secrets management, and more.







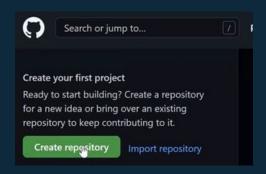
Create our first GitHub repository





Create GitHub Repo

- For now, our account is still empty
- To create our first repository in GitHub, just click on Create repository



- Repository name: test
- Allow it Public repository
- Scroll down and click on Create repository

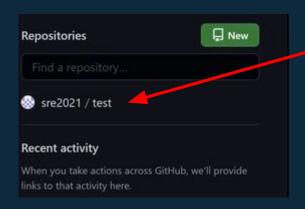




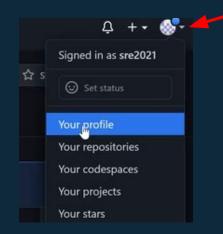


Create GitHub Repo

- Click on the GitHub logo at the top of the page to return to your account home page
- Click on the repo name to check its default content



- You can Also modify your profile information by clicking on the dropdown
- You can modify your profile picture and put a professional picture of you









GitHub is a very useful and powerful tool

It can be used to search and utilize other developers or team projects

In the search bar: just type bash shell script or docker

Search or jump to...

You will get a whole bunch of repositories on these topics that may help you when working with scripts or docker!



How to use git?

Local Installation and git commands





Git installation





- ♦ To use Git on our computer, we first need to install it
- To do that, launch your google chrome browser, and search for the term git
- Click on the first result from <u>https://git-scm.com</u>
- Click on Download for Windows (For mac computers you will see there Download for MAC)







If you get the following page, just click on Click here to download

Note: The latest version displayed might be different at the time you download, it is not a problem.

Download for Windows

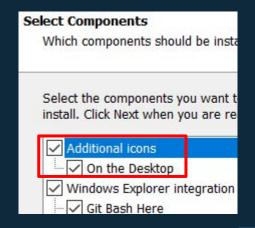
Click here to download the latest (2.35.0) 64-bit version of Git for Windows. This is the most recent maintained build. It was released 3 days ago, on 2022-01-24.

Other Git for Windows downloads





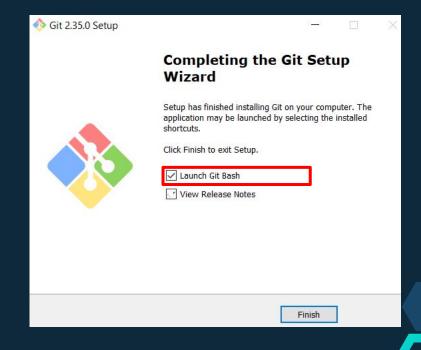
- When it is done downloading, click on it to start the installation process
- Click Yes if you are asked to Allow the app to get installed
- Click on Next to accept the GNU Licence
- Click on Next to select the default location
- Check the Additional icons box then click on Next
- Now, click on Next and install until the process is complete







- Check the Launch Git Bash box and Uncheck the View Release Notes box
- Click on Finish
- The installation is complete and the Git Bash window will open







On Mac, it might look a little bit different. At the end of the process it might open your regular Terminal. Just run the command **git version** to make sure git is installed



♦ To check the version that was installed, run the command \$ git version

```
$ git version
git version 2.35.0.windows.1
```

- You can use Ctrl + or Ctrl to adjust the font-size
- If you close all, you can see the icon of **Git Bash** on your windows Desktop
- You can easily launch the Git Bash from there
- You can also use the Windows search bar by typing bash to get the Git Bash app



Install git

- You can also use Git from the Powershell on your windows computer
- Search for Powershell in your Windows search bar and launch the app
- Check the git version installed with the command \$ git version

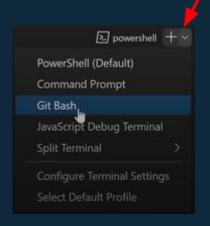
Note: For macs, just use your regular mac terminal





Install git

- Another way to access the git bash terminal is to use the Visual studio code
- Click on the dropdown and choose Git Bash to open a git bash terminal
- Git Bash accept some commands that Powershell don't. <u>Example:</u> id
- You can switch between Git Bash and Powershell terminal









Basic Git Commands





- To create and manage projects or repositories, we use git commands in the terminal
- Open your Visual Studio code and launch a Git Bash terminal
- Let's create a folder on our Desktop for our git repository
 - \$ cd Desktop
 - \$ mkdir tes-repo then \$ cd tes-repo
- Now, we will use the **git init command** to initialize a repository in there:
- Just run the command: \$ git init





For windows users, you will see (master) at the end of the line. But for mac users you won't have that

```
kserg@DESKTOP-023NQ4M MINGW64 ~/Desktop/tes-repo
$ git init
Initialized empty Git repository in C:/Users/kserg/Desktop/tes-repo/.git/
kserg@DESKTOP-023NQ4M MINGW64 ~/Desktop/tes-repo (master)
```

As previously mentioned, the master here represents the main branch of our project





To check the various branches we have created in a project, we run the commands: \$ git branch

```
$ git branch
kserg@DESKTOP-023NQ4M MINGW64 ~/Desktop/tes-repo (master)
$ 1s
kserg@DESKTOP-023NQ4M MINGW64 ~/Desktop/tes-repo (master)
```

Check the content of the master branch with \$ Is: Nothing in there for now





- Let's create a file called **README.md** in this main branch:
 - \$ code README.md
- The file will open in a tab of your Visual Studio code (reduce the terminal if necessary)
- ♦ Write a simple comment in there: **#This is my first project**
- Press Ctrl then s to save the changes (Ctrl-s)





- ♦ In the Git Bash terminal, run \$ Is to check the content of the branch
- ♦ To check the status of the files in our project, we run the command:
 - \$ git status
- Here we can see an Untracked file: README.md

```
$ git status
On branch master

No commits yet

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

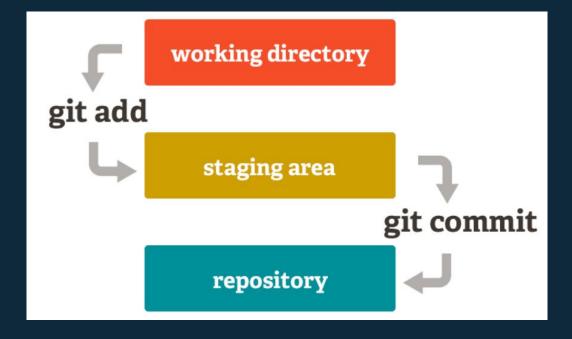
nothing added to commit but untracked files present (use "git add" to track)
```







In git, we use the following workflow







- When a file is created for the project, it stays in the working directory in an untracked state.
- For the file to go to a tracked state, we must send it to the Staging area using the command git add filename
- The command \$ git add . will add all modified and new (untracked) files in the current directory and all subdirectories to the staging area
- After adding the file to the staging area, we need to use the command git commit to commit the changes to our local repository
- Let's practice that on our README.md file





- ♦ Still in your terminal, run the commands
 - \$ git add.
 - \$ git commit -m "new repo"
- After running this command, it will throw an error
- This because, before committing any change to our local repository, we need to configure the git username and git email address
- In fact, every git commit will use these configuration details to identify you as the Author





- ♦ The command use for that is **git config**:
 - \$ git config --global user.email "your email here"
- Use the email with which you created your github account
- Example | used: \$ git config --global user.email "nketiagnes@gmail.com"
 - \$ git config --global user.name "your name here"
- Example | used: \$ git config --global user.name "Serge"
- After this, recall the commit command: \$ git commit -m "new repo"





- Now, make a new change to the **README.md** file and commit:
- ♦ Add this line in the file: **#This is the second line** and **save** the file (Ctrl s)
- In the terminal:
 - \$ git add.
 - \$ git status

- \$ git commit -m "new change"
- \$ git status





To display all the commit informations of changes done in the project, we run the command: \$ git log

```
$ git log
commit 5af120731b169cf6c50d35e85cfc98c16f2C3fab (HEAD -> master)
Author: Serge <nketiagnes@gmail.com>
Date: Fri Nov 12 15:37:28 2021 -0600

    new change

commit 8f1332b842656d5ec5c73162f1f2916e55669c21
Author: Serge <nketiagnes@gmail.com>
Date: Fri Nov 12 15:33:07 2021 -0600

New repo
```

Commit ID











- To create a new branch identical to our **master branch**, we use the command \$ git branch branchName
- Let's create a new branch called feature1
 - \$ git branch feature1
- ♦ Now the master and feature 1 branch have the exactly the same content
- To display all the branches of the project, we can simply run the command: \$ git branch

```
kserg@DESKTOP-023NQ4M MINGW64 ~/Desktop/tes-repo (master)
$ git branch
  feature1
* master
```





- ♦ To move to the new branch we created, we use the git checkout command: \$ git checkout feature1
- Verify with \$ git branch (the star * is now showing on feature1)
- Let's create 2 new files on the feature1 branch:
 - \$ touch file
 - \$ touch script.sh

```
$ Is

kserg@DESKTOP-023NQ4M MINGW64 ~/Desktop/tes-repo (feature1)
$ 1s
file README.md script.sh
```





- Let's check, add and commit our new change
 - \$ git status
 - \$ git add.
 - \$ git status
 - \$ git commit -m "new branch"

```
$ git commit -m "new branch"
[feature1 f8e2605] new branch
2 files changed, 0 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)
create mode 100644 file
create mode 100644 script.sh
```





Let's modify the **README.md** file on the **feature1** branch:

- \$ code README.md
- Add the line: #This change is done on the feature branch and save the changes Ctrl - s
- In the Terminal:

- \$ git commit -m "change to readme"
- You can check the new content of README.md with: \$ cat README.md



- Now, let's switch back to the master branch:
 - \$ git checkout master

```
$ git checkout master
Switched to branch 'master'
```

\$ cat README.md

```
kserg@DESKTOP-023NQ4M MINGW64 ~/Desktop/tes-repo (master)
$ cat README.md
#This is my first project
#This is a second
```

- We can see that we have only 2 lines in the **README.md** file that is on the master branch
- There is an operation we will often do to merge the content of a specific branch with the content of the master branch



Link local and online repository

Push to code to GitHub, clone the code from GitHub





Push code to GitHub repository for others to access it at any time





- For better collaboration with the team on a project, we need to store and share the code in Github
- We need to link the local repository to a GitHub repository where others will have access to the code we developed locally
- When creating a new repository in **GitHub** (like the test repo we created earlier), it will provide the steps we can use to push an existing local repository to **GitHub** from the command line
- You can click on the test repo in your Github account home page and scroll down to get the steps





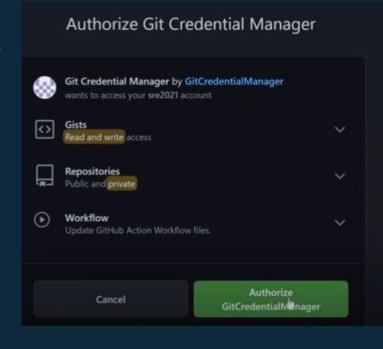
- Being in the test repo online, you will get the command needed and the link to the repository
- Now, let's push our local repository online:
 - \$ git remote add origin paste the link here
 - For me: \$ git remote add origin https://github.com/sre2021/test.git
 - Use the command \$ git remote -v to verify that the remote site was added to the list
 - Now, run: \$ git push -u origin master

Note: We are not using main here!





- The previous command might ask you to authenticate:
- Click on Sign in with your browser. This will open a tab in your browser
- Click on Authorize
 GitCredentialManager and make
 sure the authentication
 succeeded







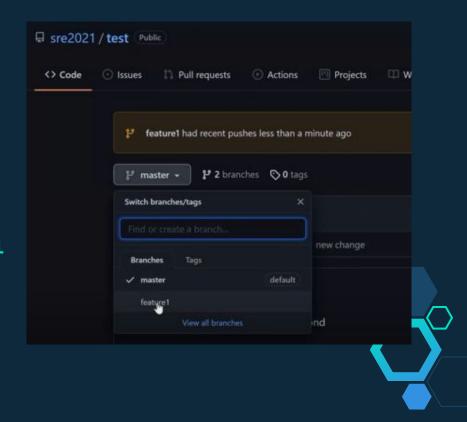
Now refresh your GitHub account page, you will see that a new branch (master) was added to the online repository

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<> Code	⊙ Issues 11 Pull requests ⊙	Actions	Projects	Ф
	P master P 1 branch	⊙ 0 tags		
	sre2021 new change			
	☐ README.md		new change	
	README.md			
	#This is my first project #T	his is a sec	cond	





- Let's also push the feature1 branch
 - From your terminal, switch to the branch:
 - \$ git checkout feature1
 - Push the branch online:
 - \$ git push origin feature1
- Refresh your GitHub account page:we have 2 branches in the project







How can others copy the project and work with it locally on their own computer?





- When the project has been pushed online, team members can access it and can also make a copy of it on their local machine
- ♦ To do that, they need to clone the project
- To clone the project, click on Code then copy the link







- Let's pretend to be another team member by opening a new git bash terminal
- Let's create a folder on the local machine for our project:
 - \$ cd Desktop then \$ mkdir repo1 then \$ cd repo1
- Now, let's use the git clone command to clone the online repo locally
 - \$ git clone paste the URL here
 - For me: \$ git clone https://github.com/sre2021/test.git
- This will clone the master branch of our Github repository





- You can check the content of the repo:
 - \$ ls
 - \$ cd test
 - \$ ls

```
$ 1s
test/
kserg@DESKTOP-023NQ4M MINGW64 ~/repo1
$ cd test/
kserg@DESKTOP-023NQ4M MINGW64 ~/repo1/test (master)
$ 1s
README.md
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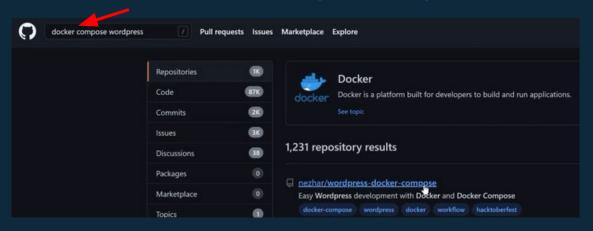


Fork a repo





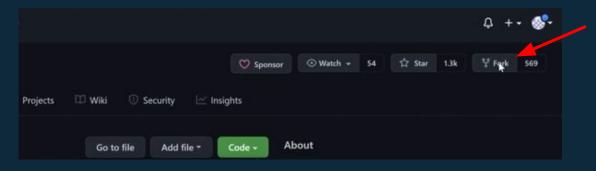
- You can also Fork any repo online and put it in your GitHub account before working on it
- Let's practise that on a docker-compose wordpress repo online
- In your search bar, enter docker-compose wordpress and validate







- Click on the first result displayed
- ♦ To fork this repository, click on the button Fork



- Now, click on the **Github logo** to return to your home page
- Check the list of the repositories you have now: It has been added!







Work on this and follow all the steps to make sure you understand the concept. We will use this for **DevOps**

See you guys in the next lesson



Summary



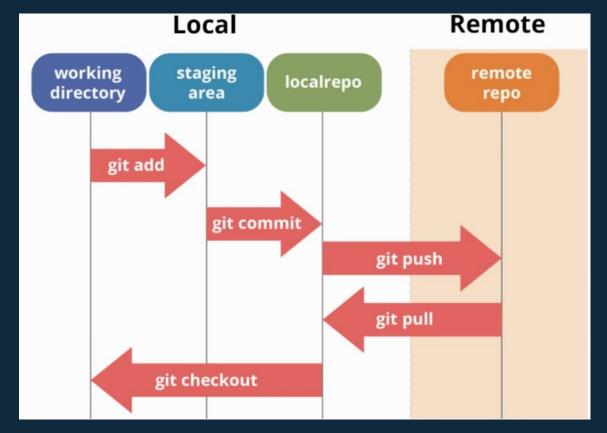
How to use GitHub

- Step 1 > Sign up for GitHub
- Step 2 Create repository
- Step 3 Install and set up Git
- Step 4 Clone the remote repository
- Step 5 Make changes to files
- Step 6 > Add changes to the staging area
- Step 7 Commit changes
- Step 8 > Push changes to the remote





Basic GitHub commands









Thanks!

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