Module Checklist

Version Control with GIT

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Introduction to Version Control

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Basic concepts of Git

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Setup Git Repository

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- ❏ **Demo executed**
  - ❏ Created a user account for GitLab or GitHub (if you haven't already)
  - ❏ Created your own git repository/project on GitLab or GitHub
  - ❏ Installed a Git client (GUI or Command Line Tool)
  - ❏ Created a SSH key pair (in case you don't have one already)
  - ❏ Added public ssh key to GitLab or GitHub
  - ❏ Configured your git command line tool with your username and email address using "git config .." command
  - ❏ Cloned remote repository to your local machine

Useful Links:

- Git GUI - Installation Guides: https://www.git-scm.com/downloads/guis
- Install Git Command Line: https://git-scm.com/downloads
- Steps to create SSH Key Pair: https://docs.gitlab.com/ee/ssh/#common-steps-for-generating-an-ssh-key-pair

Working with Git

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- ❏ **Demo executed** - make your first commit and push to your remote repository

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Initialize a Git Repository locally

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- ❏ **Demo executed**
  - ❏ Created another project locally (which is NOT a git repository yet)
  - ❏ Transformed project into a git repository with *git init*
  - ❏ Configured a remote repository for that local repository (*git remote add origin* ...) and pushed to it

Concept of Branches

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- ❏ **Demo executed** - create a branch locally and remotely

Merge Requests

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- ❏ **Demo executed** - create a Merge Request

Deleting Branches

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- ❏ **Demo executed** - delete a branch remotely and locally

Avoiding Merge Commits (rebase)

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- ❏ **Demo executed**

Resolving Merge Conflicts

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- ❏ **Demo executed**

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Don’t track certain files/folders (.gitignore)

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- ❑ **Demo executed** - create a .gitignore file to exclude editor specific files/folder

Save work-in-progress local changes (stash)

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- ❑ **Demo executed**

Going back in history (git checkout, git log)

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- ❑ **Demo executed**

Undoing and changing commits (reset, revert, amend)

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- ❑ **Demo executed**
  - ❑ Used git reset
  - ❑ Used git commit --amend
  - ❑ Used git revert

Merging Branches

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- ❑ **Demo executed** - merge bugfix branch into master

Git for DevOps

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More Resources...

Best practices

Commit related best practices:

- Use descriptive and meaningful commit messages
- Commit in relatively small chunks
- Commit only related work
- Adequately configure the commit authorship (name and email address) with git config

Avoiding very large deviations between local and remote repository:

- Keep your feature/bugfix branch up-to-date with remote master and/or develop branch. So pull often from remote git repository
- Branches shouldn't be open for too long or master branch should be merged into your feature/bugfix branch often

Others:

- Don't git push straight to master branch
- Use -force push carefully! Do NOT force push into master or develop branches or better only when working alone in a branch
- Create a separate branch for each feature or bugfix and name the branch with prefix "feature/xx" and "bugfix/xxx" respectively
- Doing Code Reviews via Merge Requests
- Use .gitignore file to ignore e.g. editor specific files, build folders

More Resources...

More useful commands

- git diff (show difference between working changes and last commit)
- git diff --cached (show difference between staged changes and last commit)
- git cherry-pick (apply the changes introduced by some existing commits)

Cheatsheet

- Handy git cheatsheet: https://www.atlassian.com/git/tutorials/atlassian-git-cheatsheet