

Cheat Sheet: Git Branching and Collaboration

Using Branches

- Try creating a branch called: new-feature-X
 - Make a change and commit in that branch
 - Switch back to the main branch
 - Look at code
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 - Merge the changes back to main
- For more detailed steps, use the next two slides for help

Branching Commands

- To list all branches:git branch
- To create a branch:git branch new-feature-X
- To select a branch:git checkout new-feature-X
- Make changes to code and commit changes the normal way:
 git commit -a -m "some message"
- Can switch between branches with: git checkout main git checkout new-feature-X

Merging Branches

- To merge a branch to main:
 - First checkout the main:git checkout main
 - Then merge the branch:git merge new-feature-X
- May need to resolve conflicts



Collaboration

- Nominate one team member to host the main repo in GitHub
 - That person needs to invite the other teammates
 - In the GitHub external repo: click Settings, click Manage Access, click Invite a collaborator, enter email of teammates
 - Other teammates need to check email and accept invite
- Teammates now need to clone repo
 - In Cloud Shell, issue the following commands:

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mkdir ~/environment/shared-repos
cd ~/shared-repos
git clone <GIT_HUB_URL_TO_SHARED_EXTERNAL_REPO>
ls
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Collaboration (continued)

- Each teammate should now try to:
 - Create a branch in the new repo
 - Make a change to the branch
 - Merge the branch with the main branch
- If another team member has pushed changes and changed the repo, you need to pull them
 - git pull
 - This will pull down the changes from the remote repo

Collaboration (continued)

- If you have more time...
- Do the same thing for the repo for the internal service

Success!

 Congratulations! You have successfully used git for branching and collaboration