Introduction to Git

As a PhD student, do I really need a version control system?

- Are you in a team of developers or developing a project you have to share? ✔
- Do you need to track changes in your project? ✔
- Are you working in a project that needs to be maintained in the medium term? ✔

- Are you working on an analysis that you'll never share and you'll never look at it again after you'll finish

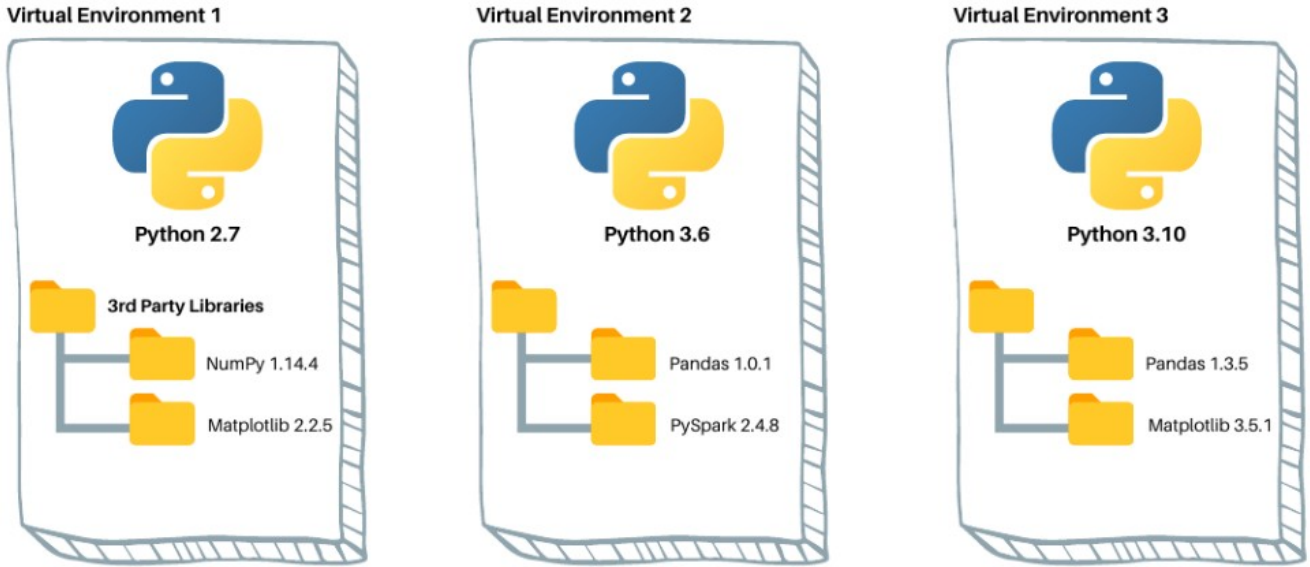
Good free reference: https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2

Outline

- ✗ Environment management with Conda/Mamba
- ✗ Installation and configuration of Git
- ✗ Introduction to GitHub repository platform: accounts, local and remote repositories
- ✗ SSH protocol and key generation, authentication

https://github.com/jtrengarcia/gitcourse

Environment management



Environment management

Package and environment manager use cases

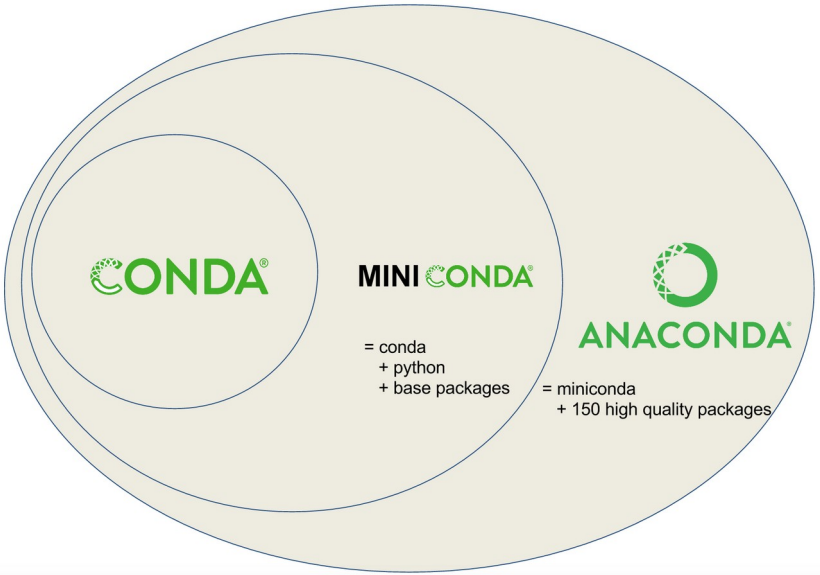
- **Software compatibility:** you'll **prevent obsolescence** due to future updates of your system libraries
- **Collaborative projects:** same environment for all team members will **avoid compatibility problems**
- **Developing incompatibilities: prevent conflicts** between modules/libraries developed by you and those of your system

CONDA Family

- **Conda**: the package and environment manager
  - It will create and manage the environments
  - It will install packages and update them when you need it

- **Miniconda**: conda + python + few dependencies (~400MB)

- **Anaconda**: conda + lots and lots of packages (~3GB)



MINICONDA

- Let’s install MINICONDA

  - wget https://repo.anaconda.com/miniconda/Miniconda3-latest-Linux-x86_64.sh (Linux)
  - wget https://repo.anaconda.com/miniconda/Miniconda3-latest-MacOSX-x86_64.sh (macOS)

  - chmod +x Miniconda3-latest-Linux-x86_64.sh (Linux)
  - ./Miniconda3-latest-Linux-x86_64.sh (Linux)

  - You’ll have to accept the license
  - You’’l have to accept the location to be installed
  - You can/can’t accept base conda environment being activated
    - If you want to deactivate it: conda config –set auto_activate_base false
  - Type on a term:
    - conda version
    - conda –list

You should have conda now

```
# >>> conda initialize >>>
# !! Contents within this block are managed by 'conda init' !!
__conda_setup="$('/home/juan/miniforge3/bin/conda' 'shell.bash' 'hook' 2> /dev/null)"
if [ $? -eq 0 ]; then
    eval "$__conda_setup"
else
    if [ -f "/home/juan/miniforge3/etc/profile.d/conda.sh" ]; then
        . "/home/juan/miniforge3/etc/profile.d/conda.sh"
    else
        export PATH="/home/juan/miniforge3/bin:$PATH"
    fi
fi
unset __conda_setup
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  - conda create -n "myenv" python=3.3.0
  - conda activate myenv
  - conda deactivate

CONDA problems... ??

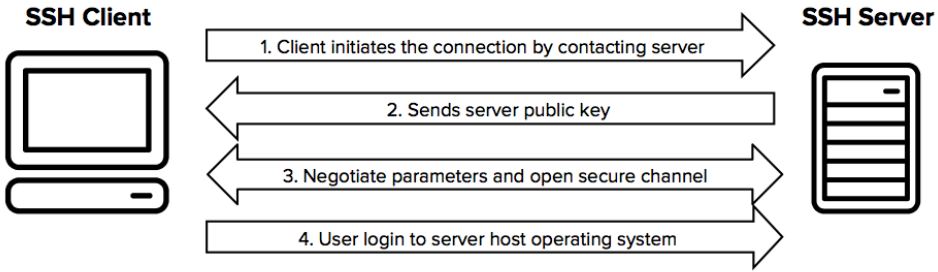
- CONDA had/have performance issues, which led to the development of Mamba as a faster alternative.

- Supposedly, after CONDA version 23.11 is expected to offer similar performance levels.

Mamba

SSH protocol

SSH stands for Secure Shell, and enables secure system administration and file transfers over insecure networks.



SSH protocol

- To create ssh keys: ssh-keygen -t rsa

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juan@hp:~/.ssh$ ssh-keygen -t rsa
Generating public/private rsa key pair.
Enter file in which to save the key (/home/juan/.ssh/id_rsa):
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
Enter same passphrase again:
Your identification has been saved in /home/juan/.ssh/id_rsa
Your public key has been saved in /home/juan/.ssh/id_rsa.pub
The key fingerprint is:
SHA256:LvrREG9SRV29Sh7l7Z2NBThYF//L2EUBqTJ9sOJNzBI juan@hp
The key's randomart image is:
+---[RSA 3072]----+
|         .o+.+*+ |
|        E..+o.oo|
|      . . = +.o.=|
|       + = B + ++|
|      o S B + o+*|
|       * . . o=.*|
|      o o    . + |
|     . o         |
|    ...          |
+----[SHA256]-----+
juan@hp:~/.ssh$ ls
authorized_keys  config  id_rsa  id_rsa.pub  known_hosts  known_hosts.old
juan@hp:~/.ssh$
```

- You will have to copy your public key to your github account: cat id_rsa.pub

```
juan@hp:~/.ssh$ cat id_rsa.pub
ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAABgQDHcqSfDKf+8i8
cB9/Kp+dlgIcI3AJScLw9Ze5O3q1Ip9OlTYpJ+7jL+aJztl3MR4
J3rvHVAATBdVTTbo5yf9N0j5u0MefCmj+dzxMH58lVSehN8QQ3S
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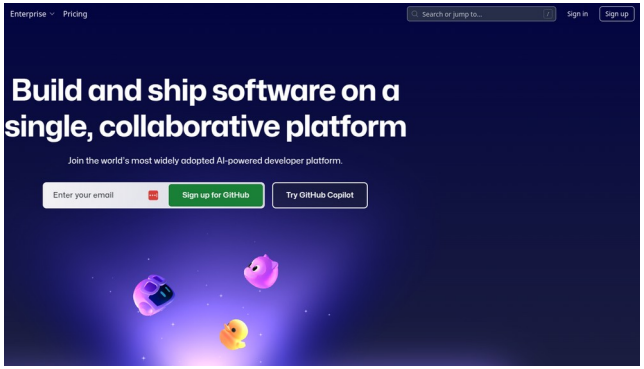
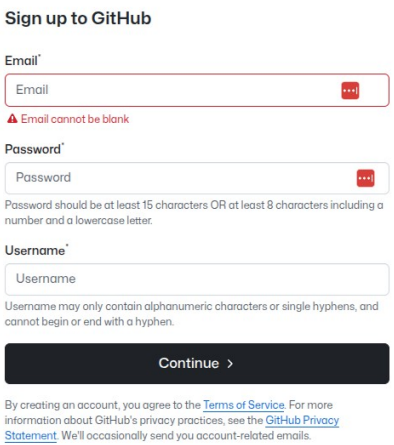
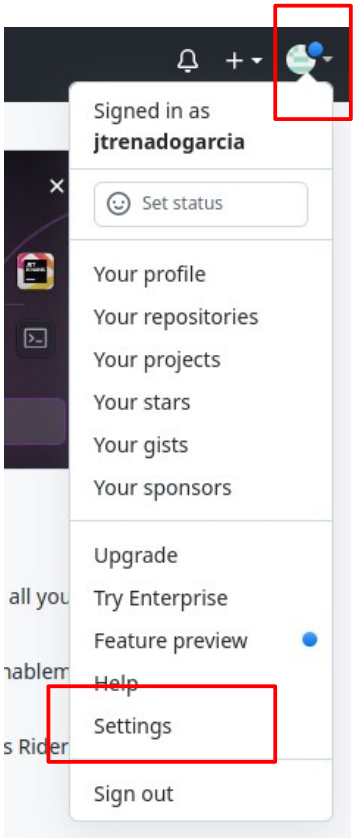
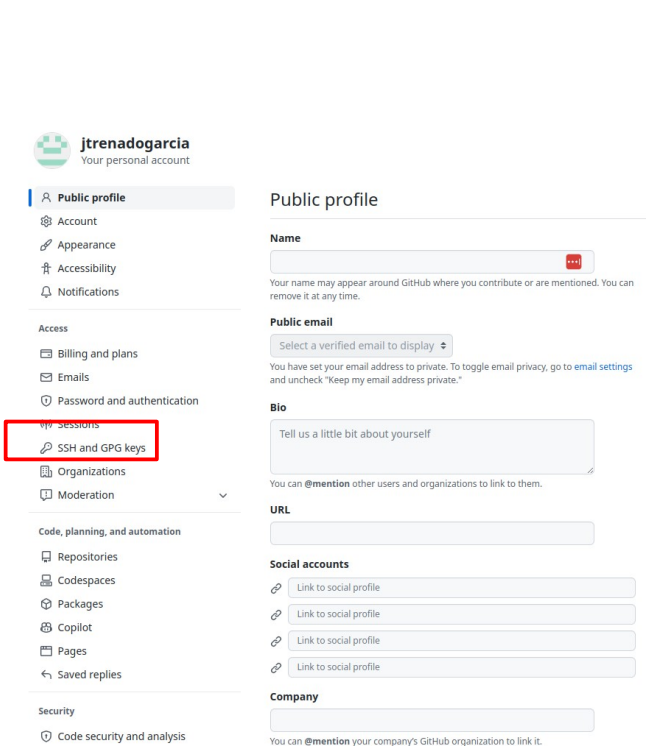
Create a github account

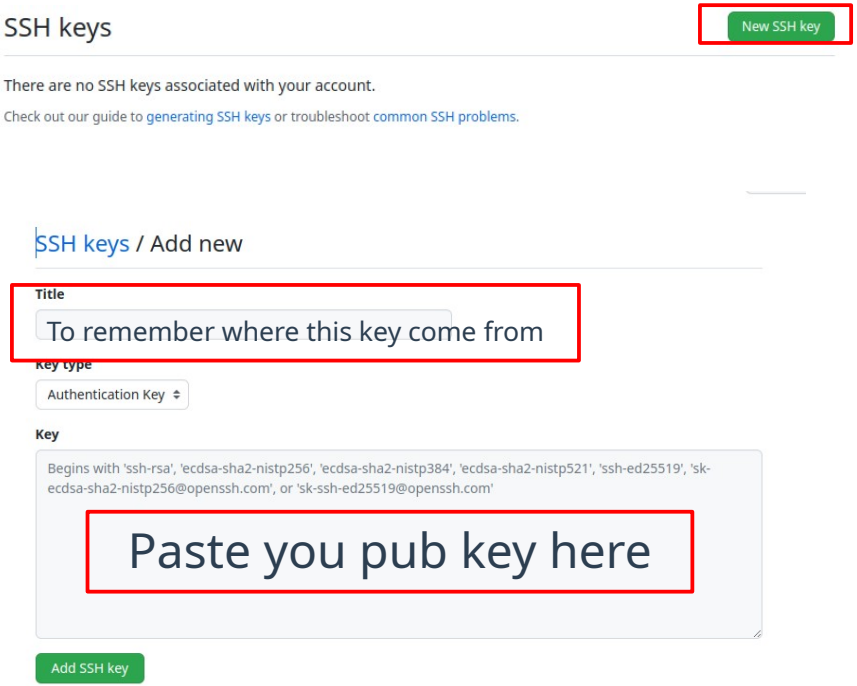




Add your pub key to you github account

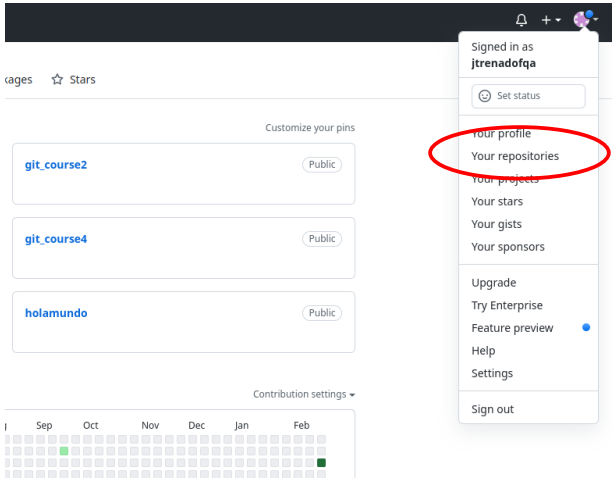


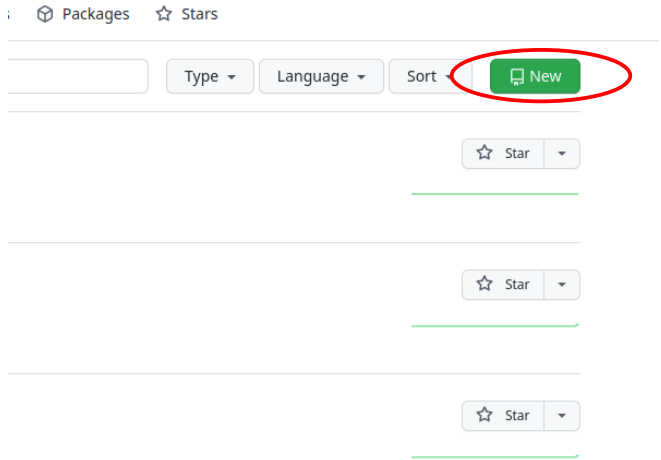


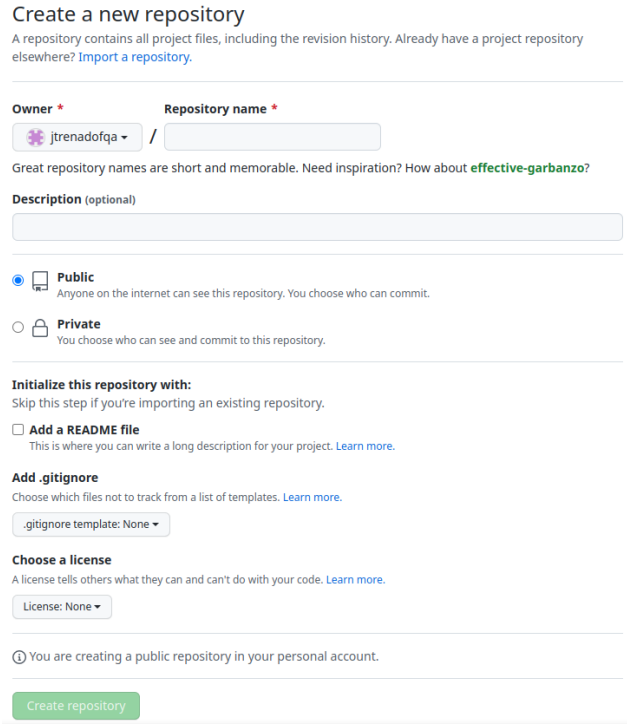


Basics: create origin repo

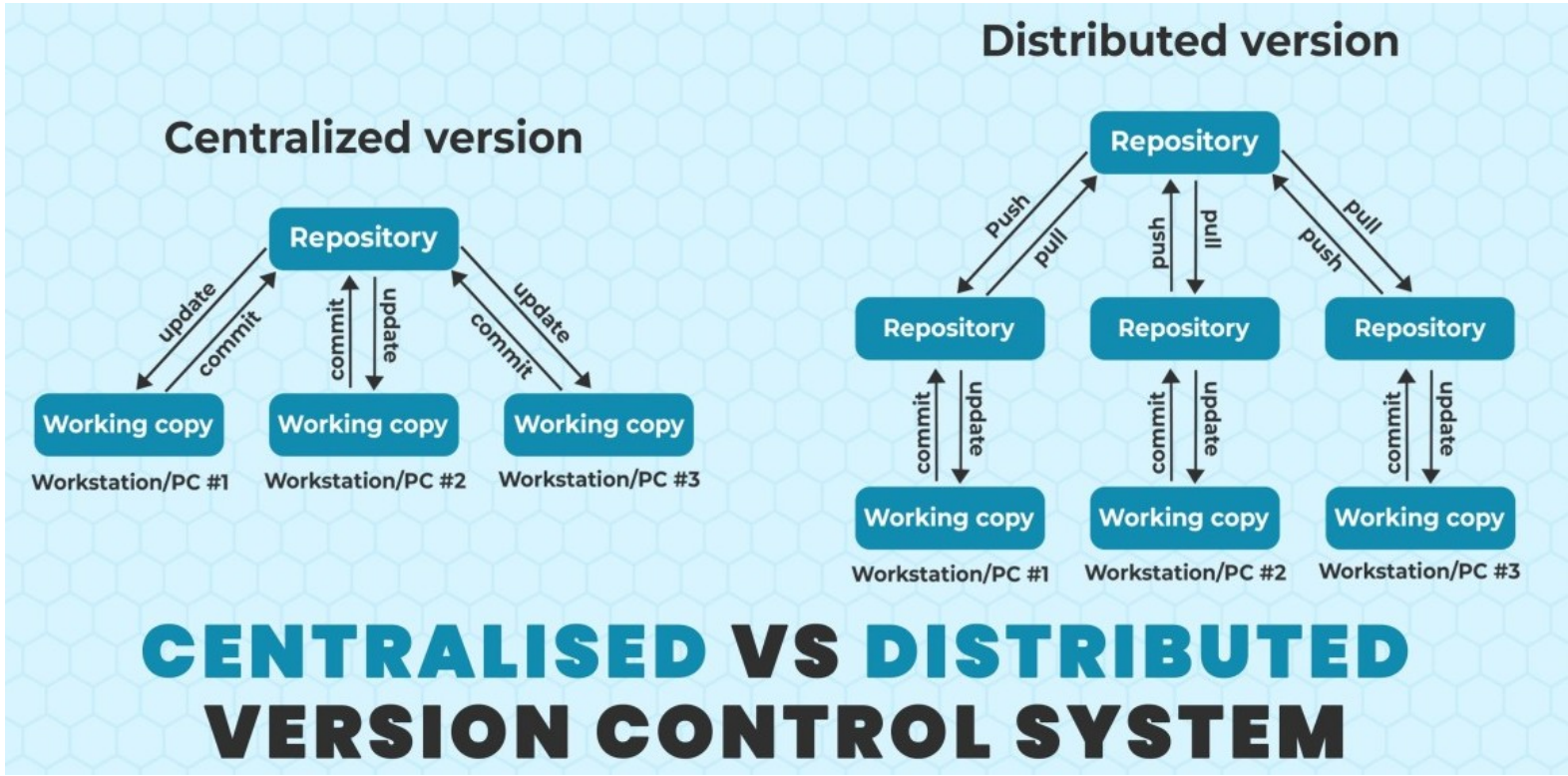
- Create a remote repository called holamundo







CVCS vs DVCS


Centralized version
Repository
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Distributed version
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CENTRALISED VS DISTRIBUTED
VERSION CONTROL SYSTEM

CVCS vs DVCS

Distributed Version Control System (DVCS - GIT)

- Every developer has a copy of the entire repository locally, so you can work offline
- Working on branches is easy because every developer has a entire history of the code
- If the remote repo goes down or it crashes you can back it up from local
- Projects with long history or large binary files will need more space locally and they will be slower to download and push changes.
- Less merger conflicts, only when pushing/pulling changes.

Centralized Version Control Systems (CVCS – Subversion)

- There is only one copy of the repository in a central server, so you need to be connected to the server to make changes.
- Working with branches is more complicated because it requires continuous communications with the server
- Suitable for projects with large binary files because they don't have to be upload/download continuously and they don't need a entire copy locally.
- More merger conflicts because we have to commit to remote continuously any change.

GIT – Installation & Configuration

- For Ubuntu-like systems
  - sudo apt-get install git

  - For other OS
    - https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2/Getting-Started-Installing-Git

- Configure your credentials and editor
  - User: **git config --global user.name “Your name”**
  - Email: **git config --global user.email “Your email”**
  - Editor: **git config –global core.editor “Your editor”**