

## Full Stack AI Software Development

# Intro to Git, Github, AI Tools and Exercise

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# Outline

## **Version Control Basics**

Learn why developers use version control and how Git helps track changes in projects.

## **GitHub for Collaboration**

Discover how GitHub enables teamwork with branching, pull requests, and code reviews.

## **Git Fundamentals**

Understand Git's workflow, architecture, and key commands for managing code history.

## **AI Tools in Development**

Explore how AI assistants accelerate coding and learning.

# What is Version Control?

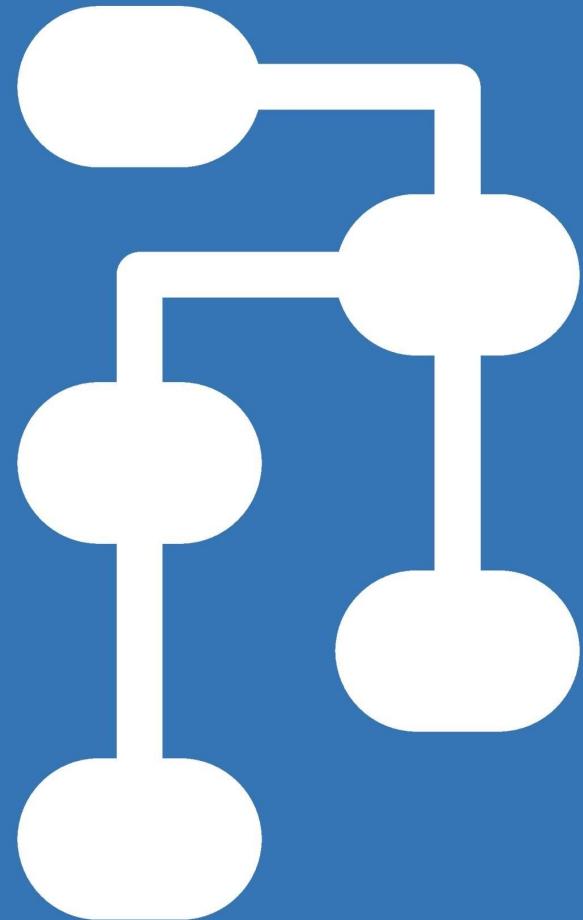
A system to track and manage changes in code or documents over time.

## Why It Matters

- Keeps a history of changes
- Supports rollback to previous versions
- Allows collaboration between developers
- Prevents code from being overwritten
- Industry standard for software development

## Real-World Analogy

- Like Google Docs with “track changes” but for code.



# Why Version Control is Important?

## Without Version Control:

- Hard to track who changed what
- Risk of losing important work
- Difficult to collaborate safely
- Manual file versioning (e.g.,  
final\_code\_v2\_fix\_reallyfinal.js)

## With Version Control:

- Centralized project history
- Multiple people can work on the same project
- Easy recovery from mistakes
- Professional workflow used in real companies

# What is Git?

- Git = Distributed Version Control System → <https://git-scm.com/>
- Created by Linus Torvalds (Linux creator) in 2005
- Works offline and stores the entire project history locally
- Enables branching, merging, and efficient collaboration

**Key Idea: Every developer has a complete copy of the repository.**



# Git Architecture & Workflow

## Main Concepts:

- **Working Directory** → Your actual files
- **Staging Area** → Prepares changes before saving
- **Repository (Local)** → Where commits are stored
- **Remote Repository** → Shared copy on a server ([GitHub](#), [GitLab](#))

## Workflow



# What is GitHub?

- A cloud-based Git hosting service ➔ <https://github.com/>
- Lets developers share and collaborate on projects
- Supports open-source contributions

## Features:

- Repositories (public/private)
- Issues & Project Boards (task management)
- Pull Requests (code collaboration)
- GitHub Actions (automation/CI/CD)



# Setup Git

- Install Git
  - Download from [git-scm.com](https://git-scm.com)
  - Install using default settings
- Configure Git (first time only)



```
git config --global user.name "Your Name"  
git config --global user.email "your@email.com"  
git config --list # verify settings
```

# Basic Git Commands

- Initialization & Setup
  - `git init` → start a repo
  - `git config` → set username/email
- Tracking Changes
  - `git status` → check status
  - `git add <file>` → stage changes
  - `git commit -m "message"` → save snapshot
- Working with Remote
  - `git clone <url>` → copy repo
  - `git push / git pull` → sync with remote
- History & Branching
  - `git log` → see history
  - `git branch` → list branches
  - `git checkout -b feature-x` → new branch

# Create Local Repository

- Create a new project folder:



```
mkdir my-first-repo  
cd my-first-repo
```

- Initialize Git:

- `git init`

- Create a file:

- `echo "Hello Git!" > hello.js`

- Stage & commit:



```
git add hello.js  
git commit -m "first commit: add hello.js"
```

# Create & Connect GitHub Repository

- Log in to [GitHub](#)
- Click **New Repository**
- Fill in repo name → e.g., **my-first-repo**
- Choose **Public** or **Private**
- Click **Create Repository**
- Connect **Local Repo** to **GitHub**:



```
git remote add origin https://github.com/username/my-first-repo.git
git branch -M main
git push -u origin main
```

# Conventional Commit Messages

## Why?

- Keep commit history clear & consistent
- Make project easier to read, review, and automate (e.g., changelogs)

## Format:

```
<type>(optional scope): <short description>
```

## Common Types:

- **feat** → new feature
- **fix** → bug fix
- **docs** → documentation only
- **style** → formatting, no logic change
- **refactor** → code restructure
- **test** → add/update tests
- **chore** → maintenance tasks

## Example:

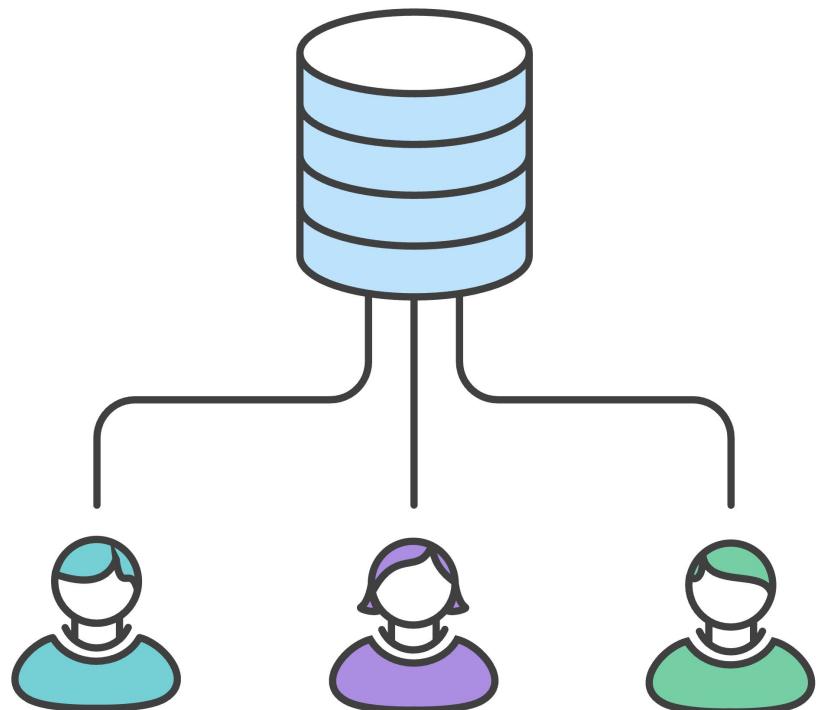
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- fix(api): handle null values in response
- docs(readme): update installation guide

# Working Together with Git and GitHub

Learn how to collaborate effectively using GitHub — fork, branch, pull request, and teamwork workflow.

## Why It Matters

- Real-world projects involve multiple developers
- GitHub allows everyone to contribute safely
- Key idea: “*Work separately, merge confidently*”



# Collaboration Workflow Overview

## Typical steps in a team workflow:

- Clone or fork a repository
- Create a new branch
- Make changes & commit
- Push your branch
- Create a Pull Request (PR)
- Review, discuss, and merge

# Using Branches

- Branch = safe copy of your code
- Use branches for new features or bug fixes
- Example commands:
  - `git checkout -b feature/login-page`
  - `git push origin feature/login-page`

*Tip:* Always name branches clearly.

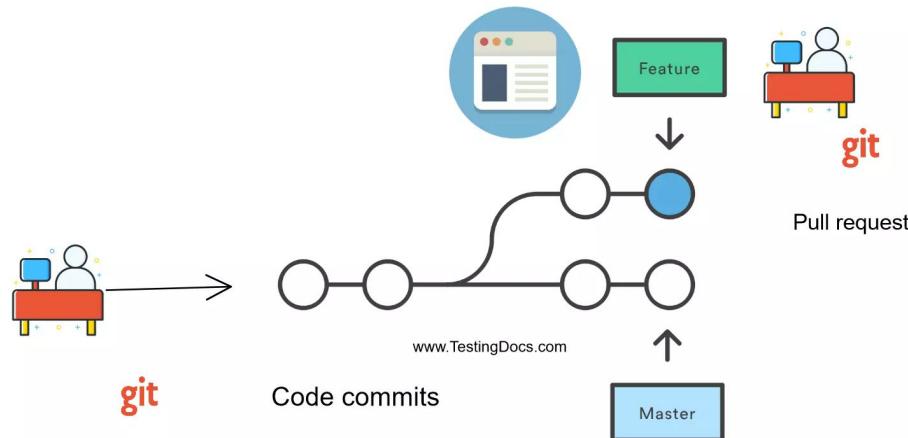
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# Pull Requests (PR)

- PR = request to merge your changes into main branch
  - Used for code review and discussion
  - Workflow:
    - Push your branch
    - Open PR on GitHub
    - Reviewer checks and merges it



# Resolving Conflicts

- Happens when two people edit the same file
- Git will mark conflicts
- Steps to fix:
  - Pull latest main
  - Edit conflicting files manually
  - Commit and push again

# Clone an Existing Repo

- Copy repo URL from GitHub
- Run:



```
git clone https://github.com/username/my-first-repo.git
```

- Enter the project folder:



```
cd my-first-repo
```

# Branching & Switching

- Create new branch:



```
git checkout -b feature-1
```

- Make changes in files
- Stage & commit changes:



```
git add .
git commit -m "Add new feature"
```

- Switch back to main:



```
git checkout main
```

# Push Branch & Pull Request

- Push branch to GitHub:



```
git push origin feature-1
```

- On GitHub → Open a **Pull Request**
- Ask teammates to review
- Merge PR into main

# Resolving Merge Conflicts

- If GitHub says “Conflict”, pull latest main:



```
git pull origin main
```

- Open conflicting file (Git marks conflicts with <<<<< >>>>>)
- Edit file to keep correct version
- Stage & commit:



```
git add .
git commit -m "Resolve conflict"
git push
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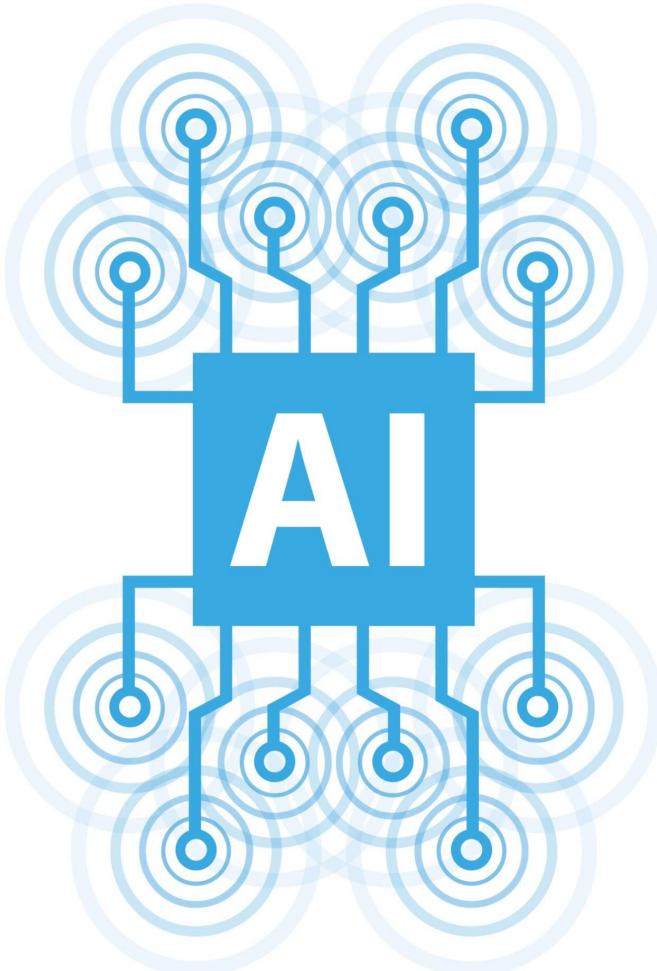
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# AI Tools in Software Development

## What is AI in Software Development?

- AI tools are assistants that help write and understand code.
- They use Machine Learning trained on large amounts of code.
- Think of them as a coding buddy:
  - Suggesting solutions
  - Explaining errors
  - Helping you learn faster

# How AI Helps Developer

## Code Completion Tools

- Suggest next lines of code automatically.
- Example: GitHub Copilot, Qodo.

## Debugging Assistants

- Help identify and fix errors.
- Example: ChatGPT, Tabnine.

## Documentation & Learning Helpers

- Explain code in simple words.
- Generate documentation automatically.
- Example: ChatGPT, AI Doc Generators.

## Project Management

- Help track tasks, write commit messages, or review pull requests.
- Example: Linear + AI, GitHub Copilot Chat.

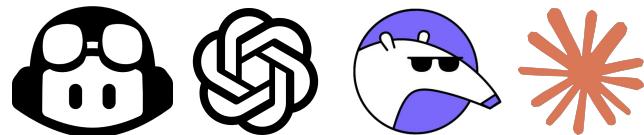
# Popular AI Tools

- **ChatGPT / Claude**

- Ask coding questions in plain English.
- Example prompt:
  - “Explain how variables work in JavaScript with a simple example.”
- Can also debug:
  - “Why does this Python code give me an error? [paste code]”

- **Qodo / Github Copilot**

- AI code completion tool.
- Works inside IDEs like VS Code.
- Suggests code as you type.
- Helps generate functions, tests, and even documentation.



# Example: AI Suggests a Program

## Prompt to AI:

*"Write a JavaScript program that calculates the area of a circle given the radius"*

## AI Output:

```
● ● ●  
function areaOfCircle(radius) {  
    return Math.PI * radius * radius;  
}  
  
console.log(areaOfCircle(5));
```

**Learning Point:** Students already know variables & data types → AI helps connect those to real problems.

# Example: Debugging with AI

Student Code:

```
let number = "10";
let result = number * 2;
console.log("Result is " + result);|
```

AI Explains:

- "10" is a string, not a number.
- JavaScript auto-converts it, but this may cause bugs.
- Suggestion:

```
let number = 10;|
```

# Example: AI Explains Algorithms

Prompt to AI:

*"Explain bubble sort like I'm a beginner"*

AI Answer (simplified):

- Compare two numbers at a time
- Swap them if out of order
- Repeat until the list is sorted

AI can also generate code for bubble sort.

# Best Practices Using AI

## ✓ Use AI to:

- Learn syntax
- Explore examples
- Debug errors
- Speed up writing boilerplate code

## ✗ Don't rely only on AI:

- AI can make mistakes
- You must understand the logic
- Always test the code

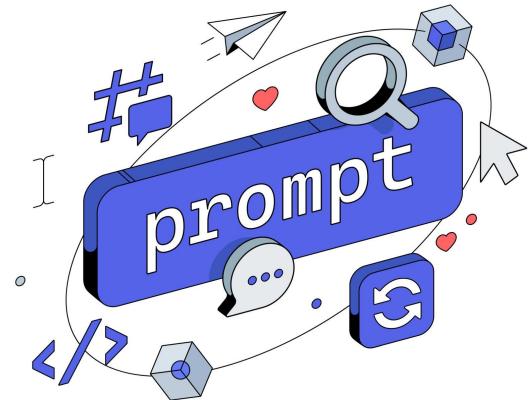
# Limitations of AI Tools

- Sometimes give wrong or insecure code
- May not understand project context fully
- You still need problem-solving skills
- Should be used as a mentor, not replacement

# Mastering Prompting for Developers

## The 5-Step Prompt Format

- Role / Context
- Goal / Task
- Details / Constraints
- Input / Reference Code
- Output Format



# The 5-Step Prompt Format

## Step 1: Role / Context

- Define AI's role (senior dev, code reviewer, tester).
- Mention tech stack and environment.
- Example:
  - Act as a senior backend developer using Go and PostgreSQL in Docker.

## Step 2: Goal / Task

- Be direct about what you need.
- Example tasks: generate code, debug, optimize, explain, document.
- Example:
  - Write a REST API endpoint for user login.

# The 5-Step Prompt Format

## Step 3: Details / Constraints

- Add requirements:
  - Libraries/frameworks
  - Coding style (functional, OOP, clean code)
  - Performance/security needs
- Example:
  - Use JWT for authentication. Password must be hashed with bcrypt.

## Step 4: Input / Reference Code

- Provide existing code if applicable.
- Keep it minimal but runnable.
- Helps AI give precise fixes/refactoring.

## Step 5: Output Format

- Specify how you want the answer:
  - Full code block
  - Step-by-step guide
  - Diff only
  - Explanation with comments

# Prompt Templates for Developers

- **Debugging:**
  - Find the bug in this code and explain step by step.
- **Refactoring:**
  - Refactor this code to be more readable using clean code principles.
- **Testing:**
  - Generate Jest unit tests for this function.
- **Documentation:**
  - Write API documentation in Markdown format for this code.

# Best Practice & Common Mistakes

## Best Practice

- Be specific, not vague.
- Break big tasks into smaller prompts.
- Use iterative prompting (refine with follow-ups).
- Provide context (framework, versions, libraries).
- Ask for explanations if you're learning.

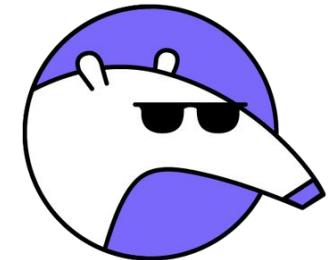
## Common Mistakes

-  Being too vague → bad results.
-  Asking multiple tasks in one prompt.
-  Forgetting to specify language/framework.
-  Not giving input code for debugging.

# Using AI-powered Assistant

## What is Qodo?

- AI tool that helps you write code faster.
- Works as an extension inside Visual Studio Code.
- Suggests code while you type (autocomplete).
- Supports many languages (JavaScript, Python, Java, etc.).



# Best Practices & Common Use Case

## Best Practices

- Use Qodo as a helper, not a replacement.
- Always review and test AI suggestions.
- Use it to learn new syntax and patterns.
- Combine with ChatGPT for explanations & debugging.

## Common Use Cases

- Writing functions quickly.
- Generating loops and conditions.
- Creating HTML/CSS boilerplates.
- Suggesting SQL queries.

# Exercise

- Install Qodo in VSCode.
- Create a file app.js.
- Type function greet(name) { and see Qodo's suggestion.
- Accept the suggestion and run it.

# Exercise

Practice JS fundamentals & use AI to improve.

- Create a file intro.js.
- Write a program that:

```
● ● ●  
const name = "Alice";  
const age = 20;  
const language = "JavaScript";  
  
console.log(`Hi, my name is ${name}. I'm ${age} years old and I love ${language}.`);
```

- Use Qodo to:
  - Suggest improvements (e.g., make it interactive using prompt-sync).
  - Add input validation.
- Commit with:
  - feat: add introduction program

# Exercise

- Create a GitHub repo called js-basics.
- Clone it.
- Add a file hello.js that prints "Hello AI!".
- Create a branch feature/greet-user.
- Modify the program to ask for user input (use prompt-sync).
- Push branch and create a Pull Request.
- Use Qodo AI to review the PR and suggest improvements.

# Thank you

