Version Control with Git: Task-Oriented Hands-on Lab

Objectives:

By the end of the session, students will be able to:

- 1. Install and configure Git on Windows
- 2. Work with local Git repositories
- 3. Use Git commands to manage source code versions
- 4. Create and use remote GitHub repositories
- 5. Simulate team collaboration with Git branches and pull requests

Task 0: Install Git on Windows

- 1. Visit https://git-scm.com/download/win
- 2. Download and run the installer with default settings
- 3. Open Command Prompt and verify:

```
git --version
```

Task 1: Configure Git

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

Task 2: Initialize Local Repository

```
mkdir my-git-project
cd my-git-project
git init
echo "Hello Git World" > readme.txt
git status
```

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Task 3: Stage and Commit Changes
git add readme.txt
git commit -m "Initial commit with readme"
echo "Added second line." >> readme.txt
git diff

Task 4: View History and Revert
git log
git checkout readme.txt
```

Task 5: Create GitHub Repository

1. Go to https://github.com

git reset --soft HEAD~1

Optional:

- 2. Click `+` > New repository > Name: `my-git-project`
- 3. Do not initialize with README
- 4. Create repository and copy the URL

Task 6: Connect Local Repo to GitHub git remote add origin https://github.com/yourname/my-git-project.git git branch -M main git push -u origin main

Task 7: Create and Merge Branches git checkout -b feature1 echo "Feature 1 added" > feature.txt

git add feature.txt
git commit -m "Added feature1"
git checkout main
git merge feature1
git push

Task 8: Two-Person Collaboration Workflow

Roles: Student A and Student B

Step 1: Student A

- Creates GitHub repo and pushes code
- Adds Student B as a collaborator via GitHub settings

Step 2: Student B

- Accepts invite

git clone https://github.com/studentA/my-git-project.git
cd my-git-project
git checkout -b feature-branch
echo "Code added by Student B" > newfile.txt
git add newfile.txt
git commit -m "Student B: added new feature"
git push origin feature-branch

Step 3: Student A

- Reviews and merges pull request on GitHub UI

Step 4: Student A

git pull origin main

Optional Bonus: Both students edit the same file and resolve merge conflicts.

Deliverables:

- GitHub repo link
- Screenshot of git log and pull requests
- Code files with individual contributions