

INTRODUCTION TO GIT AND GITHUB

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Introduction: Git is a distributed version control system that allows multiple developers to collaborate on project efficiently. It tracks changes to code, facilitates branching for parallel development and ensures version history integrity. GitHub, on the other hand, is a web-based platform that hosts Git repositories (repo) providing a centralized hub for collaboration issue tracking and code review. Together Git and GitHub streamline the development process making it easier for teams to work together on software projects.

Materials:

- ① PC
- ② Internet
- ③ Server
- ④ Git hub Link
- ⑤ Account (Git hub)

Activity:

Create a git repo.

- ① create a directory you want to set as your repository in a location:

```
$ mkdir myFirstRepo
```

```
cd myFirstRepo # you should be in ~documents/  
myFirstRepo
```

note: or ~documents/.../myFirstRepo if you specified

- ② Initialize the directory as a repository:

```
$ git init
```

```
$ git config --global init.defaultBranch main
```

```
$ git branch -m main
```


③ Use config to add your name and email:
\$ git config --global user.name "name.Here"
\$ git config --global user.email "email.Here"

④ Create a txt script in your directory:
myFirstFile.txt

⑤ Inside the file, write code to print the text
"Hello World!"
print("Hello World!")

Activity-2 : change helloworld.txt and run
it on the terminal Then add it, commit
it and do git status and git diff.

⑥ Add file to staging

\$ git status # get used to using this command
as it helps to verify which state the files
are in

\$ git add myFirstFile.txt

\$ git status.

7. Commit files in staging!

```
$ git commit -m "saving original file"
```

```
$ git log # to see what our commit looks like
```

```
$ git status
```

8. Change, save, and exit out of the text file:

```
# change the text inside of the file
```

```
print("Hello World! and Stanford!")
```

9. Set automatic command line coloring for Git for easy reviewing

```
$ git config --global color.ui auto
```

10. Retrieve an entire repository from a hosted location via URL

```
$ git clone [url]
```

Activity 3: Stage & Snapshot

11. Show modified files in working directory staged for your next commit

```
$ git status.
```


12. ~~undo~~ a file while retaining the changes in working directory

```
$git reset [file]
```

13. Add file as it looks now to your next commit (stage)

```
$git add [file]
```

14. diff of what is changed but not staged

```
$git diff
```

Activity 4: Branch & Merge

15. list your branches. a* will appear next to the currently active branch.

```
$git branch
```

16. create a new branch at the current commit

```
$git branch [branch-name]
```

17. switch the specified branch's history into the current .

```
$git checkout.
```

18. merge the specified branch's history into the current one

`$git merge [branch]`

19. Show all commits in the current branch's history

`$git log`

Activity 5: Temporary Commits

20. Save modified and staged changes

`$git stash`

21. list stack-order of stashed file changes

`$git stash list`

22. Write working from top of stash stack

`$git stash pop`

23. discard the changes from top of stash stack

`$git stash drop`

REWRITE HISTORY

24. apply any commit of current branch ahead of specified one

`$git rebase [branch]`

Discussion: users often face challenges with git and github. Such as merge conflicts and the learning curve for commands. To address merge conflicts, developers should carefully review and resolve differences before merging branches. Overcoming the learning curve involves thorough understanding of git commands and workflows which can be acquired through tutorials and practice. Accidental deletions or modifications can be mitigated by using git's version history to restore previous states. Collaborative conflicts are best managed by effective communication among team members to synchronize code changes and avoid simultaneous pushes. Overall, Practice learning and clear communication are key to resolving common Git and GitHub issues.

Conclusion: Git is an invaluable tool that enhances collaboration, version control and project management. Learning git empowers programmers to track changes systematically, create branches for experimental features or bug fixes, and merge changes seamlessly. It facilitates collaboration by providing a centralized repository, allowing multiple developers to work on the same codebase without conflicts. Git's commit history and branching capabilities offer a safety net, enabling programmers to revert to previous states or explore different approaches without compromising the project. Understanding git not only streamlines individual workflow but also aligns with industry best practices, making it an essential skill for any programmer.