# Working with Git and Github

- Cheatsheet I - Local Repositories -

## Git in a nutshell

Git is a Source Code Management (SCM) system. It lays the foundation for code trust by providing a secure way to review and monitor code changes. Each project will be represented by a **repository**. They are represented by a hidden folder in your project named **.git**. Git uses repositories to keep track of all changes made to files in the project's folder. Each change is called a **commit**. Collaboration is supported by online Git services, such as Github or Gitlab. Over these, many developers can independently work on issues, features and bug fixes.

## Overview of a local Git development workflow

1) **Create** a new repository with '*git init*'

**2)** Add new files and **create an initial commit** with '*git add <filename>*' and '*git commit -m "<message>"*'

**3) Create a new branch** with '*git branch <branchname>*' and change to it with '*git checkout <branchname>*'

**4)** Make changes, **stash** with '*git stage <filename>*' **and commit** them with '*git commit -m "'<message>"*'

**5) Merge** the changes into the initial branch with '*git checkout master*' and '*git merge <branchname>*'

**6) Check** what changes were made with '*git log*'. You can also check a single file's history using '*git blame <filename>*'

**See local changes**: '*git diff [<filename>]*'

**Revert local changes**: '*git checkout -- .*'

**Revert a commit** '*git revert <commit-hash>*' (get commit # with '*git log*')

**Remove a tracked file:** '*git rm --cached <filename>*' ('*git reset*' if not comitted yet)

**Delete a local branch:** '*git branch -d <branchname>*'

**Stash changes and re-apply *:** '*git stash*' + '*git stash pop*'

* Stashing means: Temporarily store away changes made without committing them. This is useful when pulling remote changes that conflict with local, uncommitted changes