Crowdsourcing evaluate git for everyone

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Visibility of system status

- The pages somewhat meet the visibility of system status as it displays what commits have been made by certain users but information is too vague. It does not show what files have been changed. The main working page shows where the user is on the menu on the top of the screen which helps the user see their location on the site.

Match between system and the real world

- File selection page and main working area page has buttons which are straightforward and easy to understand. (ie. login, settings, help, home). Whereas the repository page and version control page are too vague and simple in which they don't have that much functionality for a user to understand.

User control and freedom

- The version control page meets user control and freedom as it allows the user to click a button to view changes that are made and also navigate repositories. There is also a navigation bar built into the system for easier navigation.

Consistency and standards

- Version control page somewhat meets standards through consistent colour palette usage and overall page layout. Repository page and version control page are not consistent but slightly different, the above title on both pages have different colours.

Error prevention

- The pages do not include any error prevention. Therefore, it is difficult to evaluate them. The developers can improve it by adding error messages. For instance, they can add an error message in the File selection page, when the user tries to upload too heavy file or too many files at one time.

Recognition rather than recall

- Version control page somewhat meets recognition standards, layout may be confusing to a first time user and might be hard to remember how to use. For example, the changes button may be a bit too vague, it doesn't really explain where it will take the user after the button is clicked. (Does changes expand)

- Main working area page has good icons for recognition.

Flexibility and efficiency of use

- It is hard to figure out if there are any short cuts for the new users. Repository page especially lacks contents. It does not have customization such as add or delete buttons. On the other hand, the Navigation bar offers some customizations by including a (changes) button. (Though still unsure if using the changes button opens up more options for customization like add or delete)

Aesthetic and minimalist design

- Two pages, File selection page and Main working area page, have nice aesthetic and minimalist design. File selection page has simple buttons which people can understand easily and the bright background colors and dark fonts help make tools stand out more. On the other hand dark on dark (colors) pages such as the Version control page and Repository page don't stand out, (pretty much it looks depressing/gloomy). Try and improve the color pallet to have colors that go together.

Help users recognize, diagnose, and recover from errors

- The pages do not include any error prevention. Therefore it is difficult to recognize and evaluate them. However, as we mentioned in **Error prevention**, the developers can show the message in simple language and provide help such as "Only up to 2GB file can be uploaded."

Help and documentation

- Version control Page and Repository page does not include any user help functions. Therefore it is difficult to evaluate. However, File selection page and Main working area page have a help button in the nav bar which is easy to find and recognize.