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Introduction to GitHub: A Crash Course for Social Science Researchers

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Lesson Outline

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Frictions and dangers in
analytic work abound

Frameworks and Principles

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| Version Control Systems | File Repository Services | Desktop Clients |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Git | GitHub | GitHub Desktop |
| Subversion | BitBucket | SourceTree |
| ... | ... | ... |

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- **Quick Demo: N2FL Text Analysis**

Level 4: GitHub as a Facilitator of Complex Collaboration

- Level 3 plus:
 - Can formally request changes, document bugs, and keep track of future changes needed
 - Can incorporate suggestions *from* total strangers, or suggest your own changes *to* total strangers (“open source!”)
 - Can allow for the same codebase to exist in many forms at once, be many things to different people
 - Automate codebase updates

- Quick Demo: [Parttree Package](#)

Next Steps

Resources to Explore

- [GitHub's Hello World tutorial](#)
- [Similar tutorial from HubSpot](#)
- [Similar tutorial, but using more of the back-end command line](#)
- Just play around with it!

Any Questions?

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File Explorer window showing the contents of the 'n2fl_nlp' folder on the Local Disk (C:).

Address bar: << GitHub > n2fl_nlp

Search: Search n2fl_nlp

| Name | Date modified | Type | Size |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------|
| .git | 5/3/2021 10:21 AM | File folder | |
| logs | 4/16/2021 11:02 A... | File folder | |
| 00_n2fl_nlp_core.do | 4/15/2021 3:40 PM | Stata Do-file | 4 KB |
| 01_data_aggregation.do | 9/13/2020 11:59 A... | Stata Do-file | 7 KB |
| 02_advisor_flagging.R | 4/14/2021 3:20 PM | R File | 9 KB |
| 04_process_analytic_data.do | 4/15/2021 3:50 PM | Stata Do-file | 8 KB |
| 05a_topic_model_training.R | 4/14/2021 4:22 PM | R File | 22 KB |
| 05b_topic_modeling.R | 4/14/2021 4:26 PM | R File | 10 KB |
| 06a_analysis.do | 4/14/2021 4:53 PM | Stata Do-file | 10 KB |
| 06b_forest_accuracy_analysis.do | 4/16/2021 11:59 A... | Stata Do-file | 11 KB |
| 06c_sentiment_masking_comparisons.do | 4/14/2021 4:29 PM | Stata Do-file | 2 KB |
| 06d_interaction_descriptives.do | 4/14/2021 4:41 PM | Stata Do-file | 12 KB |
| 07a_sentiment_graphs.R | 4/14/2021 4:42 PM | R File | 6 KB |
| 07b_topic_modeling_graphs.R | 4/14/2021 4:45 PM | R File | 9 KB |
| 07c_interaction_graphs.R | 4/14/2021 4:49 PM | R File | 4 KB |
| 99_data_exploration.do | 4/14/2021 3:03 PM | Stata Do-file | 4 KB |

17 items

File Edit View Repository Actions Tools Help

employment_pathways_vccs | n2fl_nlp | cc_job_recommendations

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Git-flow Remote Terminal Explorer Settings

WORKSPACE

Pending files, sorted by file status

Staged files Unstage All Unstage Selected

Unstaged files Stage All Stage Selected

00_n2fl_nlp_core.do +

04_process_analytic_data.do +

06b_forest_accuracy_analysis.do +

logs/n2fl_nlp_log_15Apr2021.log +

logs/n2fl_nlp_log_16Apr2021.log +

06b_forest_accuracy_analysis.do

Hunk 1: Lines 2-8

```

2 2 .....
3 3 ..... Name: 06b_forest_accuracy_analysis.do
4 4 ..... Created: September, 2020
5 5 ..... Modified: September, 2020
6 6 ..... Modified: April, 2021
7 7 ..... Purpose: This do-file compares the results of the masked and unmasked
8 8 ..... texts (with respect to advisor names and the NAME token) for sentiment

```

Hunk 2: Lines 11-128

```

11 11 ...../
12 12 .....
13 13 .....
14 ..... local coding_template = 0
15 ..... //whether to create a coding template
16 ..... local coding_cases = 150
17 ..... //Number of cases to create for the coding template
18 .....
19 ..... local coding_template = 1
20 ..... //whether to create coding templates for the sentiment analysis validation process
21 ..... local common_cases = 100
22 ..... //Number of common cases across all coders to sample for the coding template
23 ..... local unique_cases = 100
24 ..... //Number of unique cases per coders (not shared) for the coding template
25 ..... local num_coders = 5
26 ..... //Number of coders (not counting algo) to generate templates for
27 .....
28 ..... /* BK deprecated the approval validation process 21-04-15
29 ..... local approval_template = 0
30 ..... //whether to create an approval coding template
31 ..... local approval_cases = 150
32 ..... */
33 .....
34 ..... local accuracy_analysis = 1
35 ..... local accuracy_analysis = 0
36 ..... //whether to run the accuracy analysis section, requires a completed
37 ..... coding template complete.csv and approval template complete.csv to run

```

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Push changes immediately to origin/master

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Hunk 1: Lines 57-63

```

57 57 ..... local switch_topic_modeling = 0
58 58 ..... local switch_analysis = 0
59 59 ..... local switch_forest_accuracy_analysis = 0
60 ..... local switch_sentiment_masking_comparisons = 0
60 ..... local switch_sentiment_masking = 0
61 61 ..... local switch_interaction_descriptives = 0
62 62 ..... local switch_sentiment_graphs = 0
63 63 ..... local switch_topic_modeling_graphs = 0

```

Hunk 2: Lines 81-87

```

81 81 ..... rscript using "${scripts}/02_advisor_flagging.R"
82 82 ... }
83 83 .....
84 ..... //SENTIMENT ANALYSIS SCRIPTS ARE TO BE RUN HERE (03 scripts)
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85 85 .....
86 86 ..... if `switch_process_analytic_data` == 1 {
87 87 ..... do "${scripts}/04_process_analytic_data.do"

```

Hunk 3: Lines 103-109

```

103 103 ..... do "${scripts}/06b_forest_accuracy_analysis.do"
104 104 ... }
105 105 .....
106 ..... if `switch_sentiment_masking_comparisons` == 1 {
106 ..... + if `switch_sentiment_masking` == 1 {
107 107 ..... do "${scripts}/06c_sentiment_masking_comparisons.do"
108 108 ... }
109 109 .....

```

04_process_analytic_data.do

Hunk 1: Lines 96-103

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Create automated process to create individual qual-coding validation datasets

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All Branches | Show Remote Branches | Date Order

| Graph | Description | Date | Author | Commit |
|--|-------------|-------------------|------------------|---------|
| note | | 1 Oct 2020 13:31 | kem3e <kem3e@v> | e8ed8c7 |
| add ttest | | 1 Oct 2020 12:45 | kem3e <kem3e@v> | 8bb1039 |
| adjust | | 1 Oct 2020 11:00 | kem3e <kem3e@v> | 4d96419 |
| replicate t5 | | 1 Oct 2020 10:59 | kem3e <kem3e@v> | 5c9d594 |
| adjust measures for table | | 1 Oct 2020 10:55 | kem3e <kem3e@v> | 45778f1 |
| add in text file | | 1 Oct 2020 10:17 | kem3e <kem3e@v> | abc44b1 |
| descriptives and tables | | 30 Sep 2020 16:13 | kem3e <kem3e@v> | 5b9f2a7 |
| code model | | 30 Sep 2020 15:36 | kem3e <kem3e@v> | 2266773 |
| adjust sample | | 29 Sep 2020 21:57 | kem3e <kem3e@v> | fd19287 |
| km results file | | 29 Sep 2020 20:48 | kem3e <kem3e@v> | 2b38ce7 |
| Add do-file logs for diagnostics in the future | | 21 Sep 2020 17:26 | brhkim <brhkim@> | 40cc8e0 |
| Add copy of analytic code from overall N2FL intervention just for reference | | 21 Sep 2020 17:26 | brhkim <brhkim@> | 58220e5 |
| Create ridgeline graphs to show distribution of sentiment scores across groupings of texts | | 21 Sep 2020 17:26 | brhkim <brhkim@> | 93c21c3 |
| Run basic comparisons of the masked and unmasked sentiment analysis output | | 21 Sep 2020 17:26 | brhkim <brhkim@> | fb4a56f |
| Create basic tables for descriptives and interaction measures | | 21 Sep 2020 17:25 | brhkim <brhkim@> | fea0408 |
| Initialize accuracy analysis to compare hand-coded output to algorithm output | | 21 Sep 2020 17:25 | brhkim <brhkim@> | 010135c |
| Initialize basic outcomes analysis, incomplete as of now | | 21 Sep 2020 17:25 | brhkim <brhkim@> | 5d7a5fe |

Sorted by file status

Commit: 5b9f2a72f1dff71d24672b146e2824de3956e07c [5b9f2a7]
 Parents: 2266773160
 Author: kem3e <kem3e@virginia.edu>
 Date: Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:13:00 PM
 Committer: kem3e

descriptives and tables

99_interaction_descriptives_km.do

Hunk 1: Lines 17-151

```

17 17 ..... replace model = "faculty" if inlist(institution, "CT")
18 18 ..... replace model = "segmented" if inlist(institution, "KBCC")
19 19 ..... mdesc model
20 ..... tab model, m
   \. No newline at end of file
20 + ..... tab model, m
21 + .....
22 + .....
23 + gen response = num_nonform_texts / num_received_texts
24 + .....
25 + gen no_response = num_nonform_texts==0
26 + gen no_initiate = num_received_texts==0
27 + bys no_initiate: su_no_response
28 + .....
29 + .....
30 + .....
31 + .....
32 + .....
33 + .....
34 + .....
35 + .....
36 + .....
  
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