Open Project Management

from an "open" perspective

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Further Reading

Oh My Git! An Interactive way to learn version-control https://ohmygit.org/

Git Guides

https://github.com/git-guides/

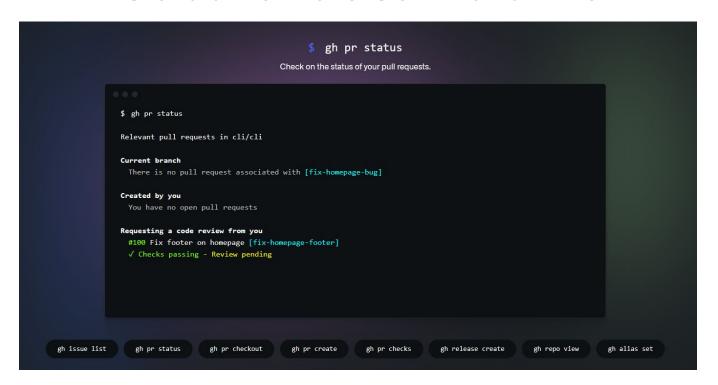
Getting Git Right (Atlassian Bitbucket) https://www.atlassian.com/git

GitHub Docs

https://docs.github.com/en

Galen M. Charlton, Distributed Version Control and Library Metadata code4lib Journal, 3, 6-23. https://journal.code4lib.org/articles/86

Github from the Command Line



What is "Git"?

Linus Torvalds coined the term in 2005.

A version-control system, allows you to manage edits to a document shared by many collaborators.

Managing Linux Kernel development, Torvalds used a proprietary tool, which cost money.

Alternative to concurrent version systems (CVS). Open protocol (free to use and develop).

Every Git directory on every computer is a full-fledged repository with complete history and full version-tracking abilities, independent of network access or a central server.

Git forms the core of Github, but is not the only Git-based system.

History of Git: https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/history-of-git/



Version Control for Distributed Working

Forking and the Basics of Version Control

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Forking can either help or hinder development:

- need to create different functionality.
- need to create versions with different goals.

Forking can be hugely successful!

May the Fork be With You: https://thenewstack.io/may-fork-short-history-open-source-forks/



Every time there is a fork, and I think forks are actually good things, it means somebody sees a need and a technical reason to do something different from the standard kernel. But most forks are failures. They find that the things they needed were not actually worth doing and as a result, most forks die. — Linus Torvalds

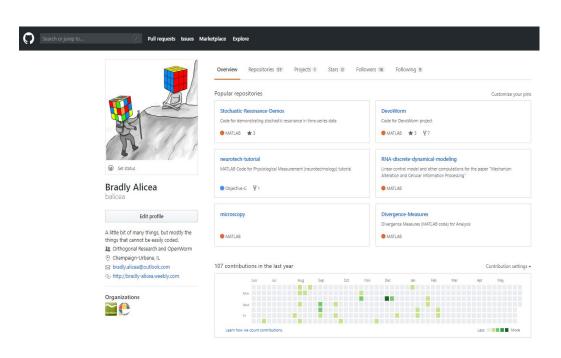


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Using Github and Open Science Framework

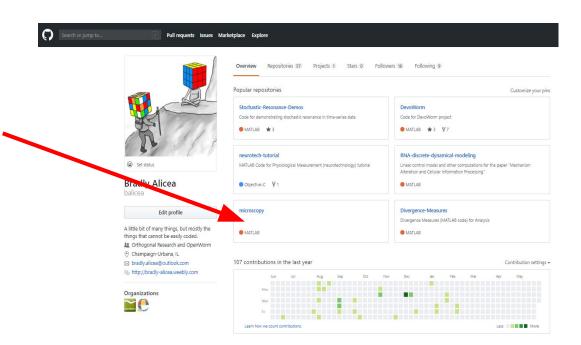
What is a Github Repository?

http://www.github.com/yourusername

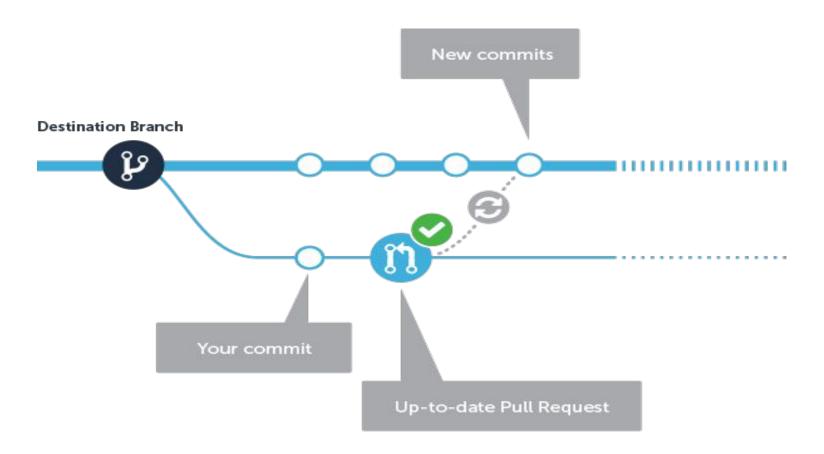


Each repository in the Overview tab contains:

- README, subdirectories, and additional tools
- functions as a project showcase and server for work in progress.

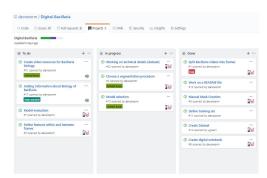


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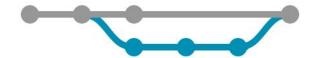
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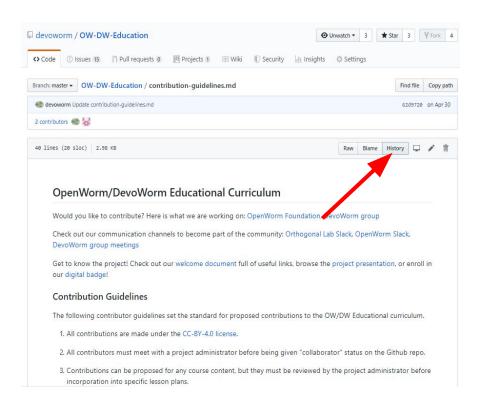


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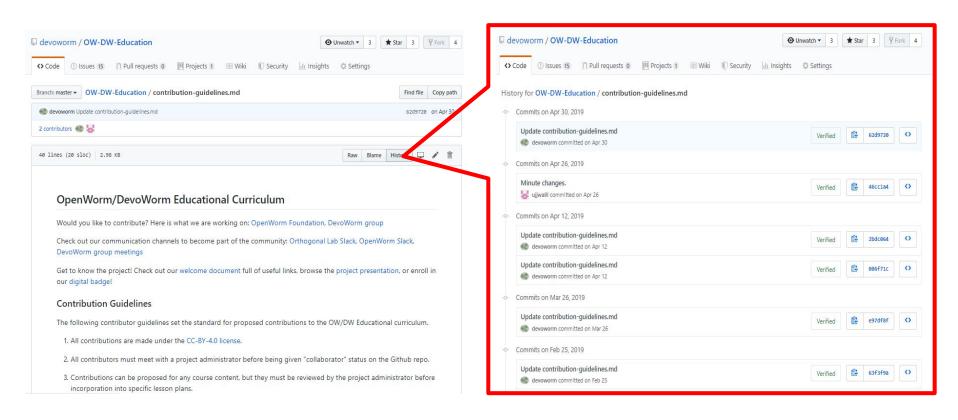
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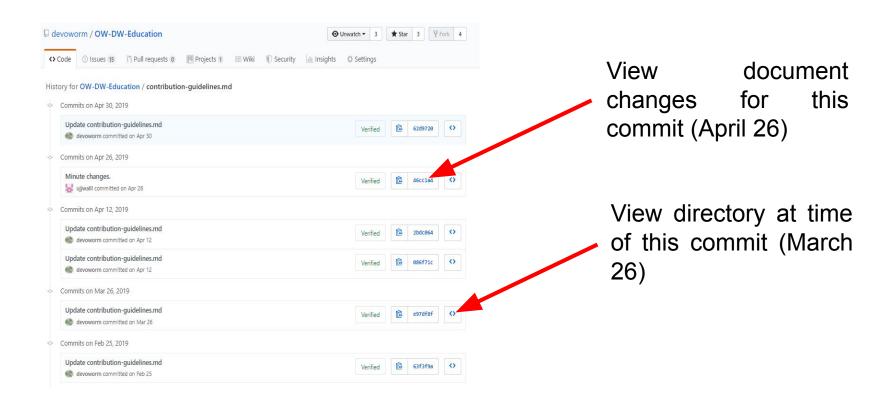
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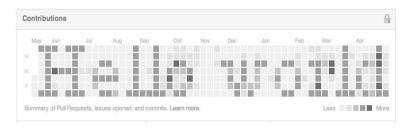
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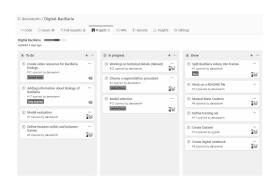
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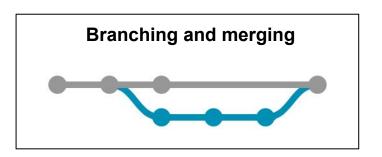
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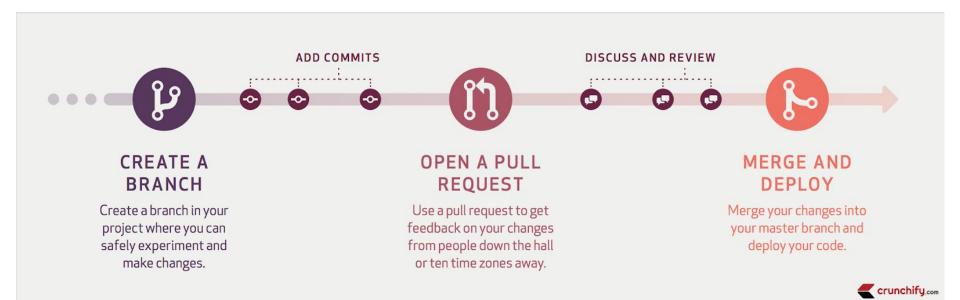


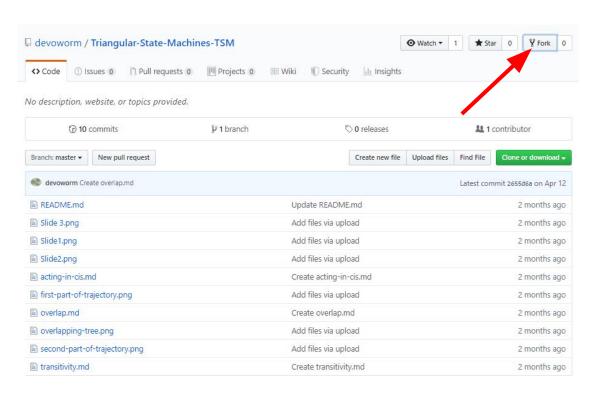
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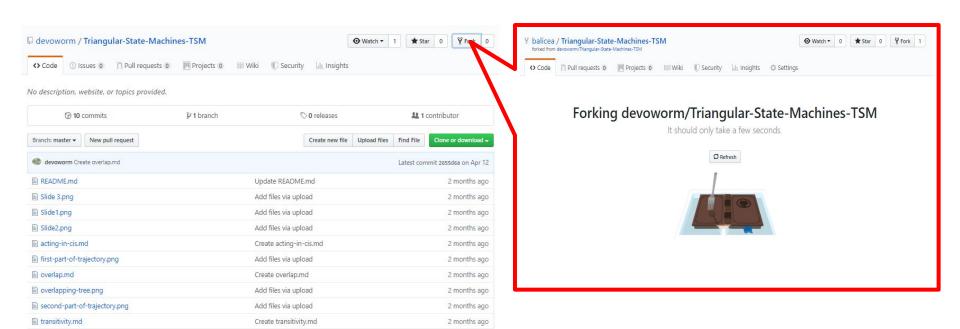


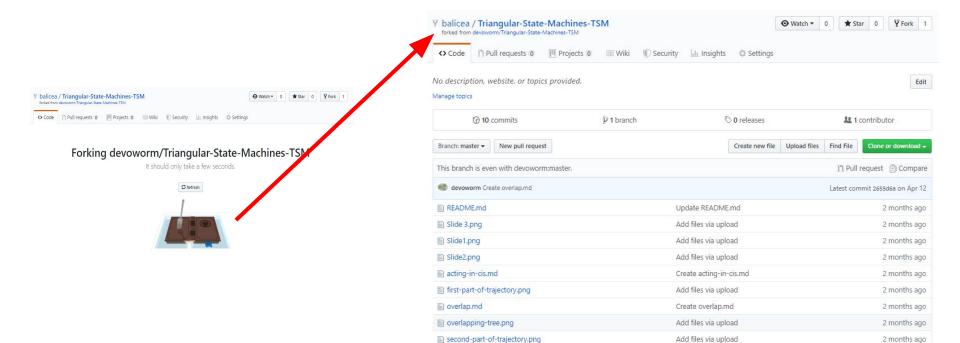
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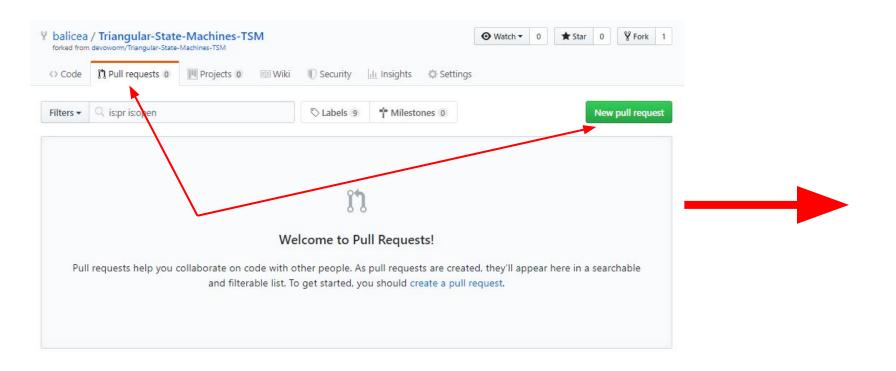


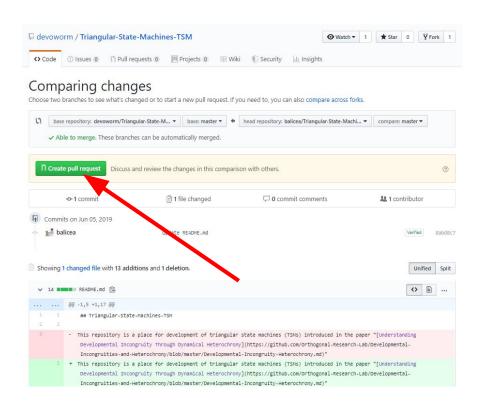


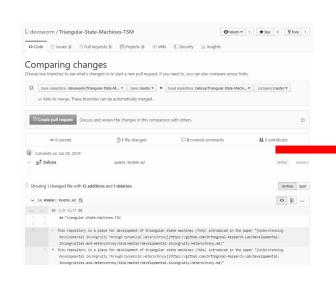
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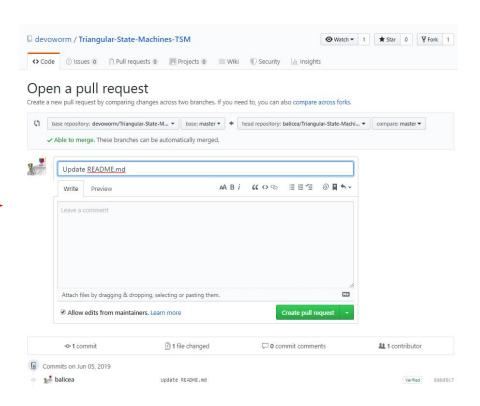
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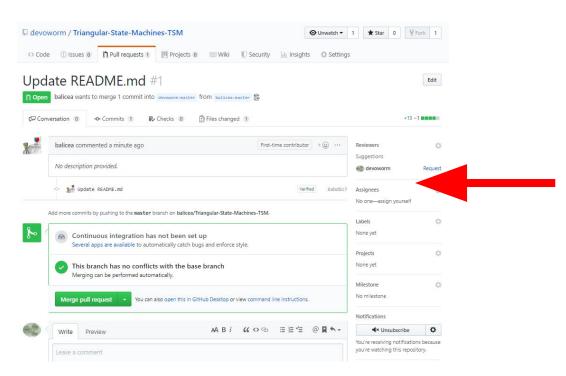
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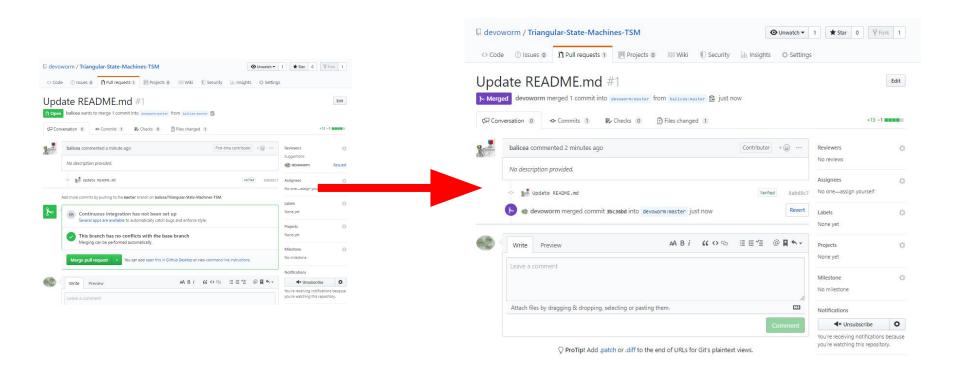




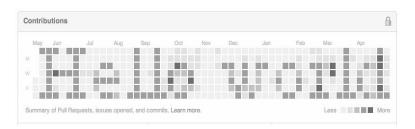




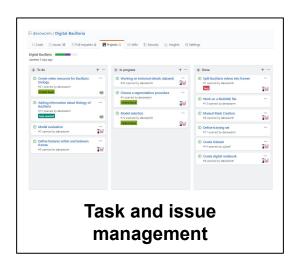
What pull request looks like to administrator of master repository.



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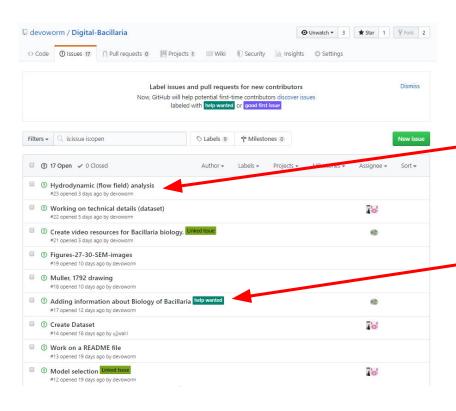


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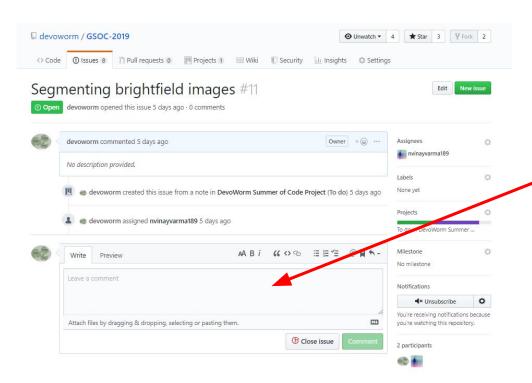
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Issues are IDed by numbers

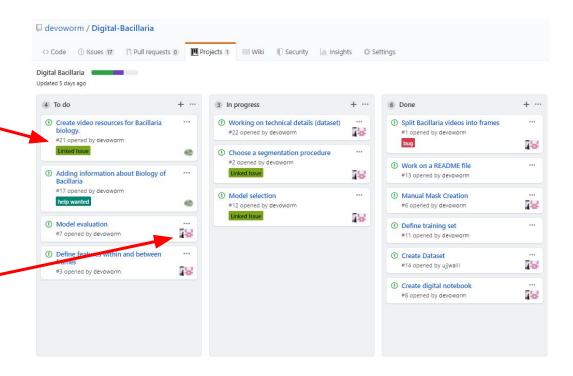
Tag each issue with a status

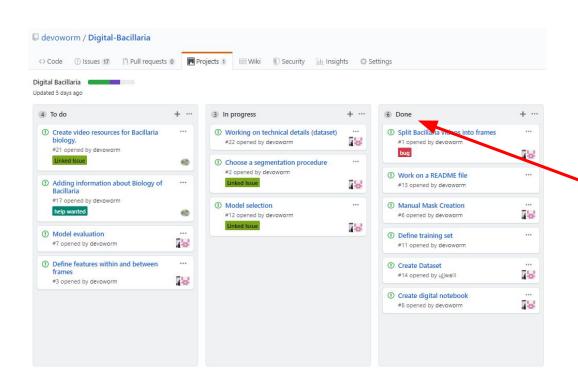


Issue can be updated with comments

Issues show up as cards on board in various — categories

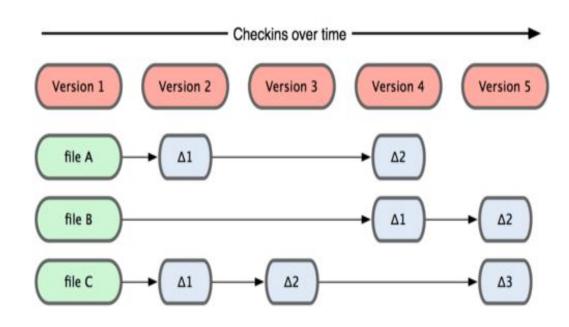
Assign issues to project members

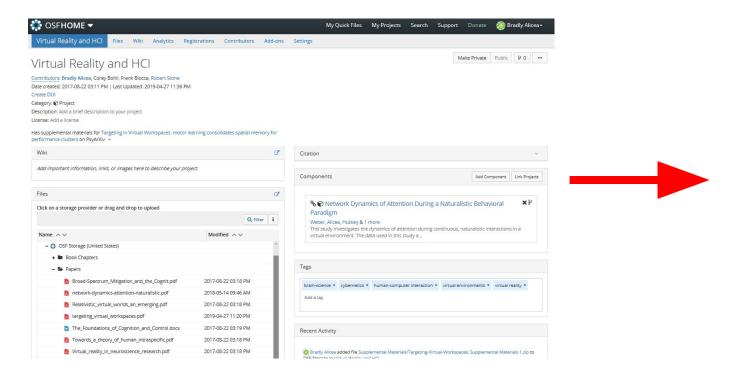


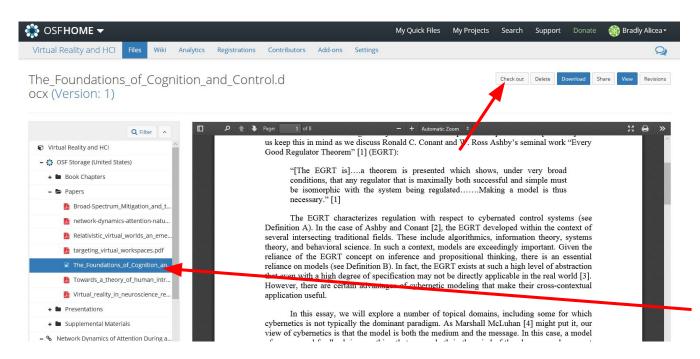


Move cards to their status (in progress, done)

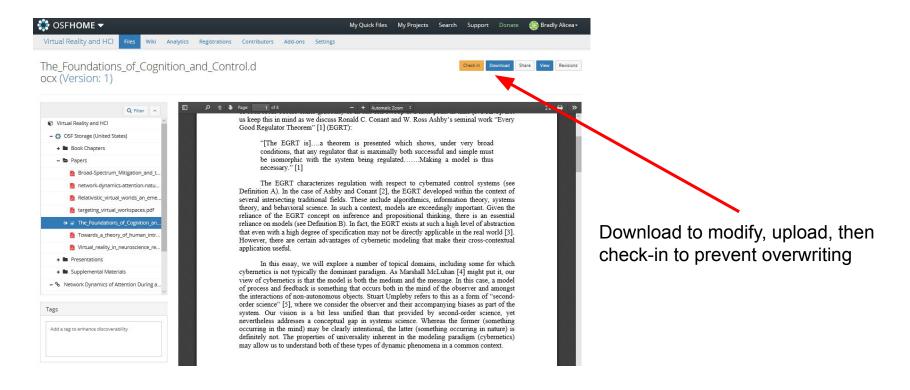
Another means of version control: checking-in and checking-out documents

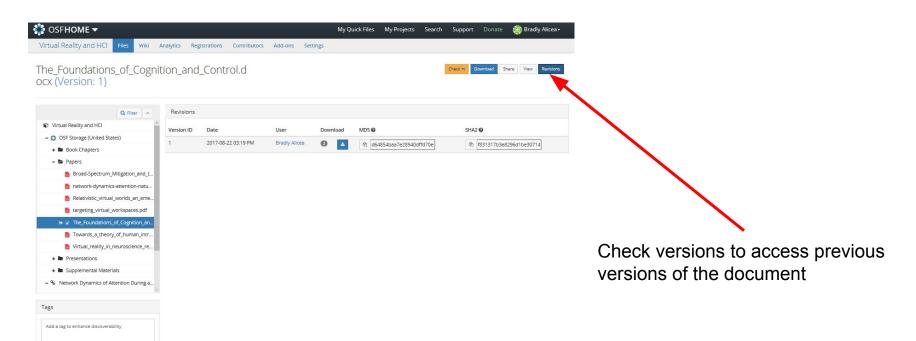






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From Version Control to Governance

(managing collaborators in a broader context)

Open-source Community Governance

How do we manage multiple collaborators and their preferences?

Technologically-mediated: version-control, authority control, argument maps.

Governance: the creation of policies that enable collective wisdom and a means to mediate interactions through laws, norms, and power relations.

Governance Technologies: Authority Control

Process to define conventions with single spellings, disambiguations and other linkages (tools, relevant contributors).

Examples:

Disambiguating diverse names for a single subject, same name for multiple subjects

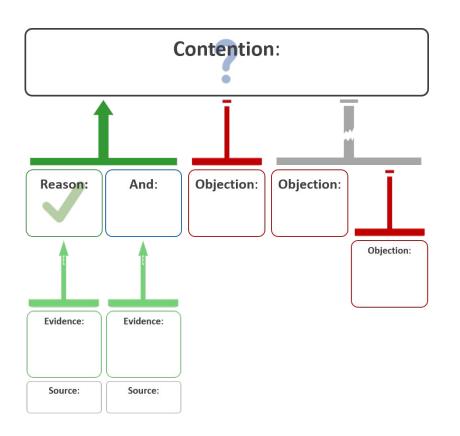
How to conduct related multi-step tasks, with links between similar parts of each process.

Z (disambiguation) Article Talk From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia Z is the 26th and last letter of the Latin alphabet Z may also refer to Film and television [edit] . Z (1969 film), a 1969 Algerian-French thriller film based on the murder of a Greek politician . Z (1999 film), a 1999 Kannada mystery-thriller film Z (2019 film), a 2019 Canadian horror film • Z movie, a description for low-budget films . The Lost City of Z (film), 2017 biopic about explorer Percy Fawcett . Project Z (film), Telugu language version of the science fiction thriller Maayavan . Z-Cars, a British police procedural TV drama series . Z: The Beginning of Everything, television series about the life of Zelda Fitzgeral · Elizabeth "Z" Delgado, a Power Rangers: S.P.D. character . Z. the production code for the 1966 Doctor Who serial The Gunflahters . Z-4195, often called "Z", a worker ant, the protagonist of Antz . I litraman 7 a 2020 tokusatsu series . World War Z (film), a 2013 zombie horror film Music [edit] • Z (Aion album) Z(EP) Z (My Morning Jacket album) • Z number, prefix for works of Henry Purcell in the Zimmerman catalog . Project Z (band), band for which Jimmy Herring played • WHTZ or Z 100, an iHeartRadio station in New York City . "Z", a song by Gayle that was released in 2020 Literature [edit] . "Z", a pseudonym of Ezra Pound . Z: A Novel of Zelda Fitzgerald, by Therese Fowler . Z, a novel by Vassilis Vassilikos . Z. a play by Anne Szumigalski

Controlled vocabulary: selected set of words or phrases that tag units of information in a systematic way.

subject headings and indices, predefined via consensus.

Governance Technologies: Argument Maps



An adversarial approach to best practices:

- presents a logical flow of reasons for doing something, evidence for position, and objections.
- coordinate different points-of-view and preserves them for later reconsideration (didn't we discuss this before?)
- reveals reasoning to entire organization, preserves potential solutions if needed in the future.

Governance Example: Wikipedia



Chief Editor Model

Jimmy Wales is final arbiter for changes in community.

Vocabulary → aim for college-level. Authority control (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Authority control).

Neutral point of view (NPOV): the glue that binds the community together, but also a means to achieving community standards.

NOT a marketplace or adversarial venue. **IS** a cooperative community.

Prefer mutually-accepted article content over edit wars.