Problem Set 2

This problem set will provide an opportunity for you to practice accessing computing resources on the OSCER server here at OU.

As with the previous problem set, you will submit this problem set by pushing the document to *your* (private) fork of the class repository. You will put this and all other problem sets in the path /DScourseS24/ProblemSets/PS2/ and name the file PS2_LastName.pdf.

- 1. Make sure you are able to access OSCER.
- 2. Setting up SSH with GitHub on OSCER.

Please follow these steps closely to allow SSH authentication on OSCER:

- 1. ssh into OSCER from your RStudio terminal
- 2. at the bash prompt, type cd .ssh
 - If you get an error that that directory doesn't exist, then type mkdir .ssh, followed by cd .ssh
- 3. type ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096 -C "your.email@address.com" where you fill in with the email address you use for GitHub
 - when it asks you for the file in which to save the key, label it "ghDS24"
 - you may enter a passphrase to protect the ssh key but it is not required; you can simply hit enter twice
- 4. it should tell you "Your identification has been saved in ghDS24" and "Your public key has been saved in ghDS24.pub" and then print out some other stuff about a fingerprint and randomart image.
- 5. type cd ~
- 6. type eval "\$(ssh-agent -s)"
- 7. type ssh-add $\tilde{/}.\, {\rm ssh/ghDS24}$
- 8. in a web browser, visit https://github.com/settings/keys and click "new SSH key". Name it "OSCER"
- 9. Copy the contents of your ghDS24.pub file and paste it into the key box. You can do this in a couple of ways:
 - type cat *l*.ssh/ghDS24.pub and then select all of the text with your mouse cursor. In some terminals, this also copies the text. Otherwise you can try and right-click and then copy it. Then paste it into the box on the GitHub SSH key webpage.

• email the key to yourself by typing

mail -s "public key" email@address.com < /.ssh/ghDS24.pub Then copy/paste it into the box on the GitHub SSH key webpage

If all of that was too much for you, you can also check out this YouTube video for a walkthrough: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s6KTbytdNgs

- 3. If you have already cloned your forked GitHub repository to your home directory on OSCER, you will need to adjust the URL for the remote by following these steps:
 - 1. Make sure you are in your local repository directory by typing cd /DScourseS24.
 - 2. Type

git remote set-url origin git@github.com: [your-github-username]/DScourseS24.git Note that you can also git this url from the same place that you get the clone on your github fork. Just go to the "SSH" instead of "HHTPS" section.

- 3. Do a git pull and then a git push to make sure things work well with the new SSH tokens.
- 4. If you have not already, clone your forked GitHub repository to your home directory on OSCER by following these steps:
 - 1. Make sure you are in your home directory by typing cd ~.
 - 2. Type git clone git@github.com:[your-github-username]/DScourseS24.git
 - 3. Check that everything works by typing 1s and hitting enter. You should see a directory called "DScourseS24" and if you change to that directory, you should see an identical directory and file structure to what is on your GitHub private fork of the course repo.
- 5. Go to www.overleaf.com and create another .tex document, this time naming it PS2_LastName.tex. In it, write down a list (in a LaTeX itemize envrionment) that outlines the main tools of a data scientist (as discussed in class). Compile the PDF.
- 6. Compile your .tex file, download the PDF and .tex file, and transfer it to your cloned repository on OSCER. There are many ways to do this; you may ask an AI chatbot or simply drag-and-drop using VS Code. Do **not** put these files in your fork on your personal laptop; otherwise git will detect a merge conflict and that will be a painful process to resolve.
- 7. Make sure that your .tex and .pdf files have the correct naming convention (see top of this problem set for directions) and are located in the correct directory. If the directory does not exist, create it using the mkdir command.

- 8. Update your OSCER git repository (in your OSCER home directory) by using the following commands:
 - cd ~
 - cd DScourseS24/ProblemSets/PS2 (note: you may need to create the PS2 directory if it doesn't exist)
 - git add PS2_LastName.*
 - git commit -m 'Completed PS2'
 - git push origin master

Once you have done this, issue a git pull from the location of your other local git repository (e.g. on RStudio on your personal computer). Verify that the PS2 directory appears in the appropriate place in your other local repository.

- 9. Make sure that you have R version 4.0.2 (or higher) installed on OSCER. To do this, take the following steps:
 - 1. At the command prompt, type nano ~/.bash_profile and press enter.
 - 2. Type module load R/4.0.2-foss-2020a somewhere in the middle of that file.
 - 3. At the bottom of the file, type the following:
 - type eval "\$(ssh-agent -s)"
 - type ssh-add *\tilde{\lambda}*.ssh/ghDS24
 - 4. Then push Control+X and then type "yes" (or "y") when it asks if you want to modify the file.
- 10. Now open R (on OSCER), verify that it is running the version mentioned above, and install the xml2 package by typing install.packages('xml2') at the command prompt. (NOTE: The package is "X-M-L 2," NOT "X-M 12") Answer 'yes' to install it in your home directory. Enter the number of any of the server mirrors that come up (I usually choose Texas). Building the package may take a couple of minutes. Once that has finished, repeat the process, but substitute tidyverse for xml2. Building tidyverse may take as much as 10-15 minutes. You don't need to watch it build, but be sure not to close your SSH terminal window or otherwise disconnect your session. When you are done with the build, exit R and log off of OSCER. You can always exit a program (or logout) on OSCER by typing Control+D.
- 11. Update your fork of the class repository on both your personal laptop as well as on OSCER, since I'm been continuously updating things (and as part of PS1, everyone

in the class submitted pull requests). The command to do this is git pull upstream master. A step-by-step help for how to do this is located here. More simply, you may also just go to your fork on GitHub and click the button that says "Sync fork" or "Fetch upstream" or similar.