

Git

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About Git

- Created by Linus Torvalds
 - Creator of Linux, in 2005
 - Came out of Linux development community
 - Designed to do version control on Linux kernel
- Goals of Git
 - Speed
 - Support for non-linear development(parallel branches)
 - Fully distributed
 - Able to handle large projects efficiently

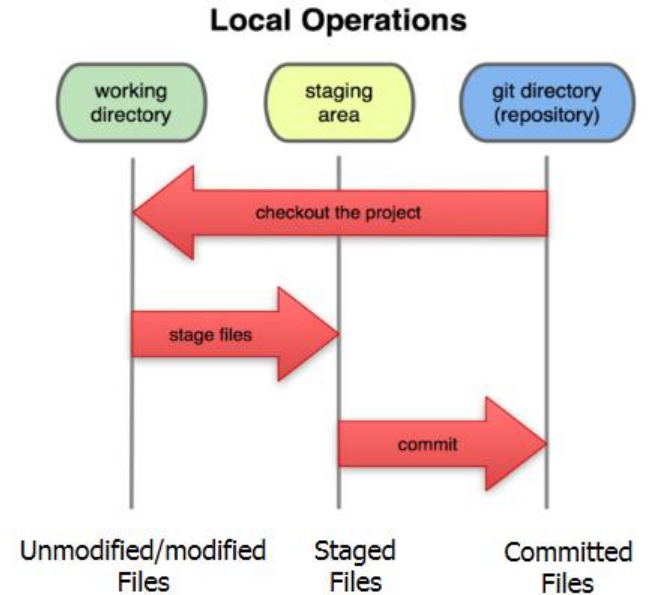


How to install

- If you are using Linux:
 - RPM-based distributions(RHEL, CentOS)
 - `$ sudo dnf install git-all`
 - Debian-based distributions(Ubuntu)
 - `$ sudo apt install git-all`
- If you are using MacOS:
 - There are several ways to install Git on a Mac. The easiest is probably to install the Xcode Command Line Tools. On Mavericks (10.9) or above you can do this simply by trying to run git from the Terminal the very first time.
 - Or download installer from <https://git-scm.com/download/mac>
- On windows
 - Download installer from <https://git-scm.com/download/win>

Local git areas

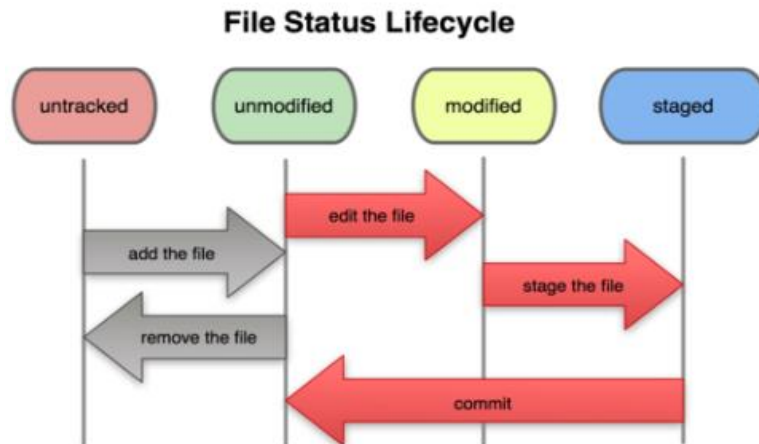
- In your copy on git, files can be:
 - In your local repo
 - (committed)
 - Checked out and modified, but not yet committed
 - (working copy)
 - Or, in-between, in a `staging` area
 - Staged files are ready to be committed
 - A commit saves snapshot of all staged state





Basic Got workflow

- Modify files in your working directory
- Stage files, adding snapshots of them to your staging area
- Commit, which takes the files in the staging area and stores that snapshot permanently to your Git directory





Git commit checksums

- In Subversion each modification to the central repo increments the version # of the overall repo
 - In Git, each user has their own copy of the repo, and commits changes to their local copy of the repo before pushing to the central server
 - So Git generates a unique SHA-1 hash (40 character string of hex digits) for every commit
 - Refers to commit by this ID rather than a version number
 - Often we only see the first seven chars
 - `1677b2d` Edited first line of readme
 - `258efa7` Added line to readme
 - `0e52da7` Initial commit



Initial Git configuration

- Set name and email for Git to use when you commit :
 - `$ git config --global user.name "My Name"`
 - `$git config --global user.email myemail`
 - You can call **`$ git config -list`** to verify these are set
- Set the editor that is used for writing commit messages:
 - `$ git config --global core.editor nano`
 - It is VIM by default



Creating and cloning repo

- To create a new local Git repo:
 - `$ git init`
 - This will create a `.git` directory in your current directory
 - Then you can commit files in that directory into the repo
 - `$ git add filenames`
 - `$ git commit -m "commit message"`
- To clone a remote repo to your directory
 - `$ git clone url [localDirectoryName]`



Git commands

| command | description |
|---|---|
| <code>git clone url [dir]</code> | copy a Git repository so you can add to it |
| <code>git add file</code> | adds file contents to the staging area |
| <code>git commit</code> | records a snapshot of the staging area |
| <code>git status</code> | view the status of your files in the working directory and staging area |
| <code>git diff</code> | shows diff of what is staged and what is modified but unstaged |
| <code>git help [command]</code> | get help info about a particular command |
| <code>git pull</code> | fetch from a remote repo and try to merge into the current branch |
| <code>git push</code> | push your new branches and data to a remote repository |
| others: <code>init</code> , <code>reset</code> , <code>branch</code> , <code>checkout</code> , <code>merge</code> , <code>log</code> , <code>tag</code> | |



Branching and merging

- Git uses branching heavily to switch between multiple tasks
- To create a new local branch
 - `$ git branch name`
- To list all local branches
 - `$ git branch`
- To switch to a given local branch:
 - `Git checkout branch name`
- To merge changes from a branch into the local master
 - `$ git checkout master`
 - `$ git merge branchname`



Conflicts

```
<<<<<< HEAD:index.html
<div id="footer">todo: message here</div>
=====
<div id="footer">
  thanks for visiting our site
</div>
>>>>>> SpecialBranch:index.html
```

} branch 1's version

} branch 2's version



Interaction with remote repo

- Push your local changes to the remote repo
- Pull from remote repo to get most recent changes
- To fetch the most recent updates from remote repo into your local repo, and put them into your working directory
 - `$ git pull origin master`
- To put your changes from your local repo in the remote repo:
 - `$ git push origin master`