

# Ask Git

Version control system with GIT

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# Version control the 'usual way'

- There are many ways to track history of files
- The most basic is to add systematic suffixes to file names:
  - main\_original.do
  - main\_revised\_1.do
  - main\_revised\_2.do
  - and so on...

# Version control the 'git way'

1. Make changes
  2. Take a snapshot of changes
  3. GOTO line 1
- Adds ability to :
    - move to any snapshot in the history of changes
    - back-up history of changes
    - collaborate or work remotely

# Let's create a story

#create folder to store the story file

#use notebook++ to write a story

- Once upon a time \_\_\_\_\_, and every day \_\_\_\_\_, until one day \_\_\_\_\_, and because of that \_\_\_\_\_ and because of that \_\_\_\_\_ until finally \_\_\_\_\_ and ever since then \_\_\_\_\_.
- This is a story about <character>
- Once upon a time there lived .....
- Everyday,<character did this and that>
- One day, <event happened>
- And then....
- And then....
- Finally.....
- Ever since

Working alone

# Download and configure git application

#download and install git:

- <https://git-scm.com/downloads>

#download and install git GUI client

- <https://desktop.github.com>
- <https://tortoisegit.org/>
- or, interact with git through command line

#configure git

- `git config --global user.name "My Name"`
- `git config --global user.email myEmail@example.com`

You might want or be required to use an SSH key:

tutorial by DigitalOcean: <https://docs.gitlab.com/ce/ssh/README.html>

# Create local repository

# open the workspace/directory/folder you want to keep track of

**pwd** #print/display the current working directory

**cd path/to/workspace**

# ask git to initialize/create a repository in the current workspace/working directory

**git init**

#git maintains three local “trees” and synchronizes with remote “tree”



# Save most up-to-date version of project

# ask git to mark files you would like to register, i.e. add them to the “index/list of staged files”

**git add <filename>**

# ask git to record/register/save/commit/log the marked/index files into the repository

**git commit – m “<message describing the initial snapshot>**

#ask git to display/show details of a specific commit/snapshot

**git show**

**\*commit refers to both the verb/action of making a snapshot/revising and the noun/snapshot/revision**



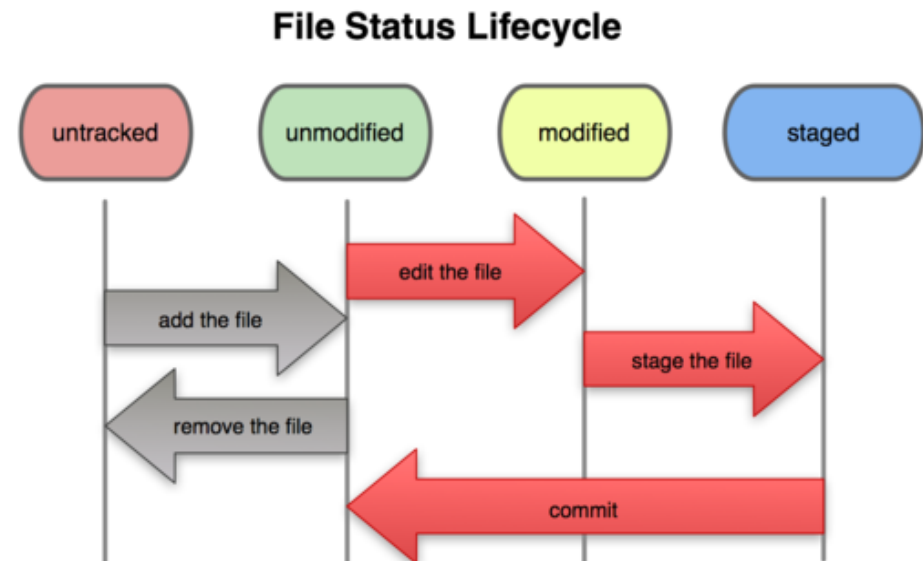
# Make changes to the workspace

#change code in working directory:

- Create new file
- Modify existing file
  - change contents
  - change name/ rename
  - change location/move
- Delete existing file

#ask git to display status of files and folders in workspace

**git status**



# Save new changes made to the workspace

# ask git to mark files you would like to add to stage or list of changes to register later

**git add**

# ask git to register/commit marked files

**git commit**

#ask git to display status of all files in the working directory

**git status**

#ask git to display/show details of the specific commit

**git show <commit>**

#ask git to display the differences between commits

**git diff <commit-from>..<commit-to>**

# Make and record more changes to the workspace

#change code in working directory:

- Create new file
- Modify existing file
  - change contents
  - change name/ rename
  - change location/move
- Delete existing file

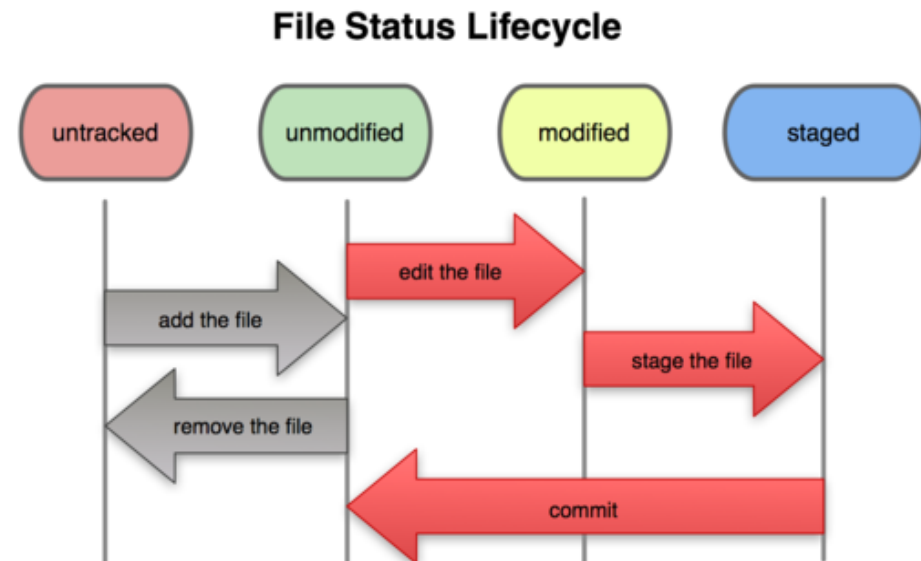
#ask git to record the changes

**git add**

**git commit**

#ask git to display status of files and folders in workspace

**git status**



# Check history of changes made to the workspace

#ask git to display the history/log of registered changes

**git log**

**git log --pretty=oneline** *//see a very compressed log with one line for every commit*

**git log --graph --oneline --decorate --all** *//see ASCII art tree of all branches*

**git log --name-status** *//see only files which have changed*

# Inspecting a repository

#to view status of files in working directory and staging area:

**git status** or **git status -s** (short version)

#to see what is modified but unstaged:

**git diff**

#to see a list of staged changes:

**git diff --cached**

#to see a log of all changes in your local repo:

**git log** or **git log --oneline** (shorter version)

**git log -2** (to show only the 2 most recent updates)

# Create a branch to track “experimental” changes to the workspace

# ask git to create a new feature branch out of the master branch

**git branch <feature\_x>**

#ask git to display the list of branches and indicate current/active branch

**git branch**

# ask git to switch/checkout to the new branch

**git checkout**

# Make and record more changes in the experimental/feature branch

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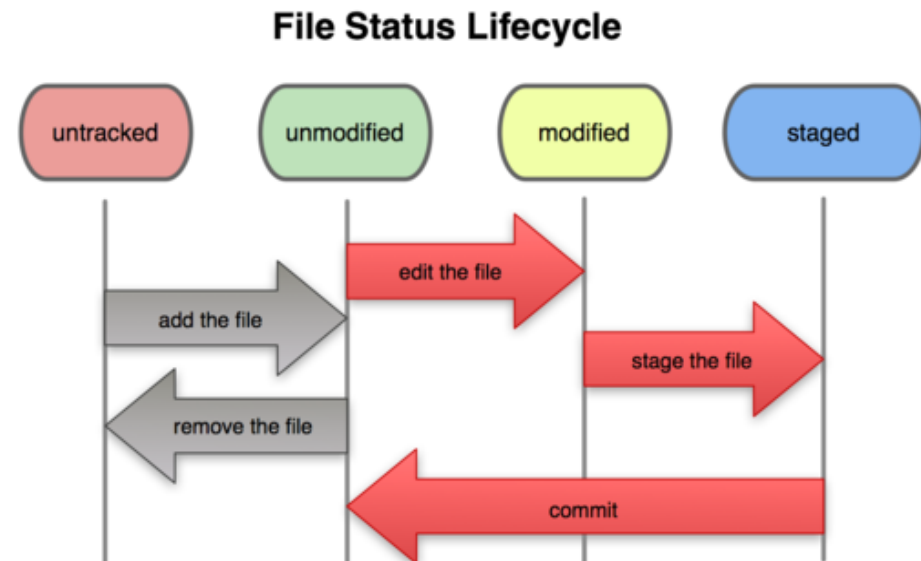
#compare the two branches

`#checkout main`

`#list files in working directory`

`#checkout <feature_x>`

`#list files in working directory`



# Undo changes on a file

#ask git to display commit history  
git log --oneline in your terminal window.

#Copy the commit hash for the second commit in the log: 52f823c then press q to exit the log.

#ask git to reset the specific commit  
git revert 52f823c

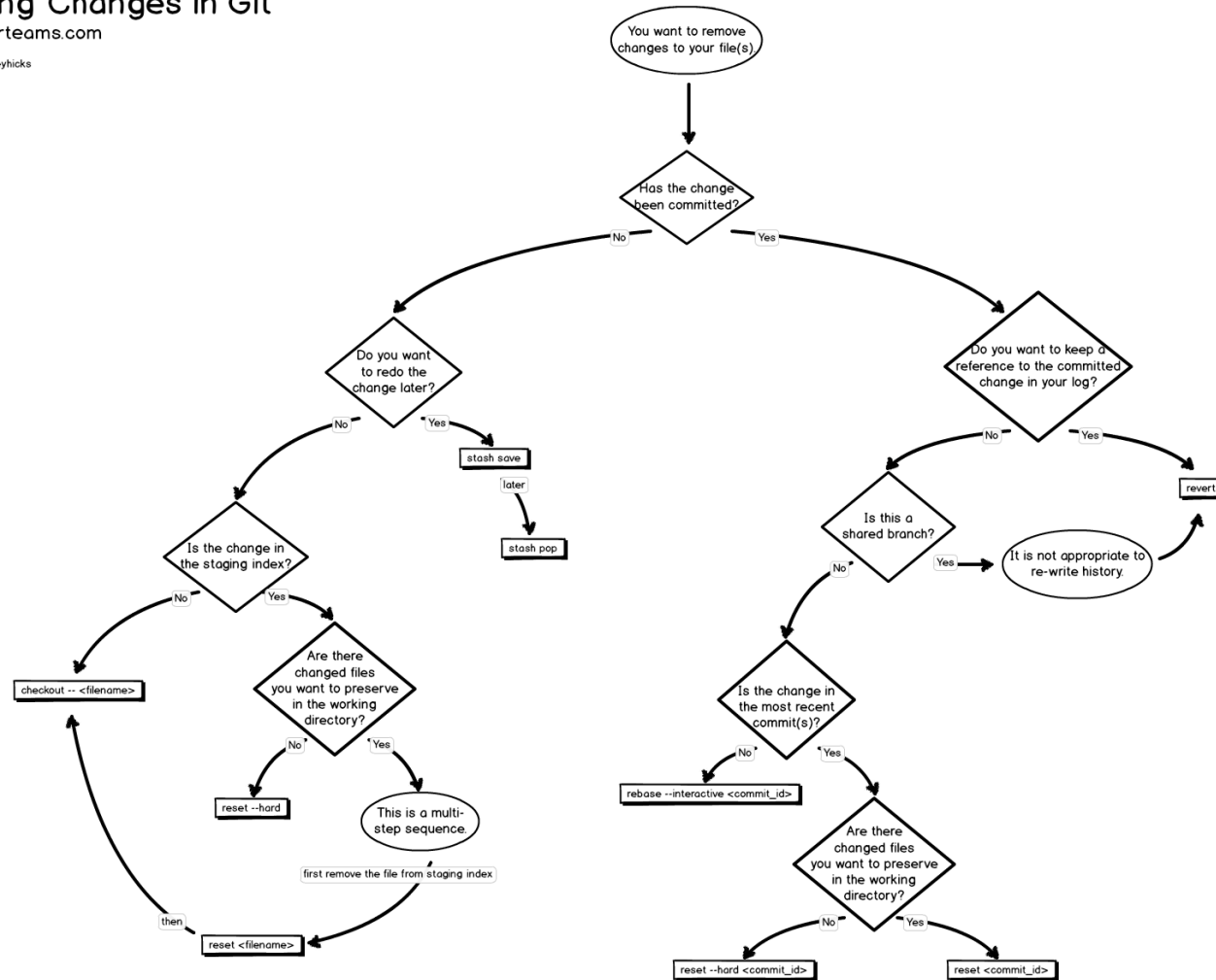
#ask git to display status of your files  
git log //a new commit was created that undoes the changes  
git status //the commit was undone and is now an uncommitted change



# Undoing Changes in Git

[www.gitforteams.com](http://www.gitforteams.com)

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# Merge feature branch to the master branch

#ask git to switch/checkout to master branch: `git checkout master`

#ask git to check whether current/active branch is master: `git branch`

#check current list of files in master: `ls`

#preview updates before merging: **`git diff <source_branch> <target_branch>`**

#merge feature branch **into** master branch: `git merge <feature_x>`

#check current list of files in master branch: `ls`

#display branching structure

~delete experiemental branch if stale then display branching structure

**\*never commit to master because master will be the branch that you pull upstream changes from**

\*Use `git pull --rebase` to move all of your commits to the tip of the history.

# Create remote repo for back up

- Introduce yourself to GitHub

#Register on GitHub:

<https://github.com/>

#Authenticating to GitHub Desktop

<https://help.github.com/desktop/guides/gettingstarted/authenticating-to-github/>

#Configuring Git for GitHub Desktop

<https://help.github.com/desktop/guides/gettingstarted/configuring-git-for-github-desktop/>

# create online repository to back up your history and work remotely

## **#configure the remote repo**

**git remote add origin <link of your central repository>**

**#Push** your local changes to the remote repo.

**#Pull** from remote repo to get most recent changes.

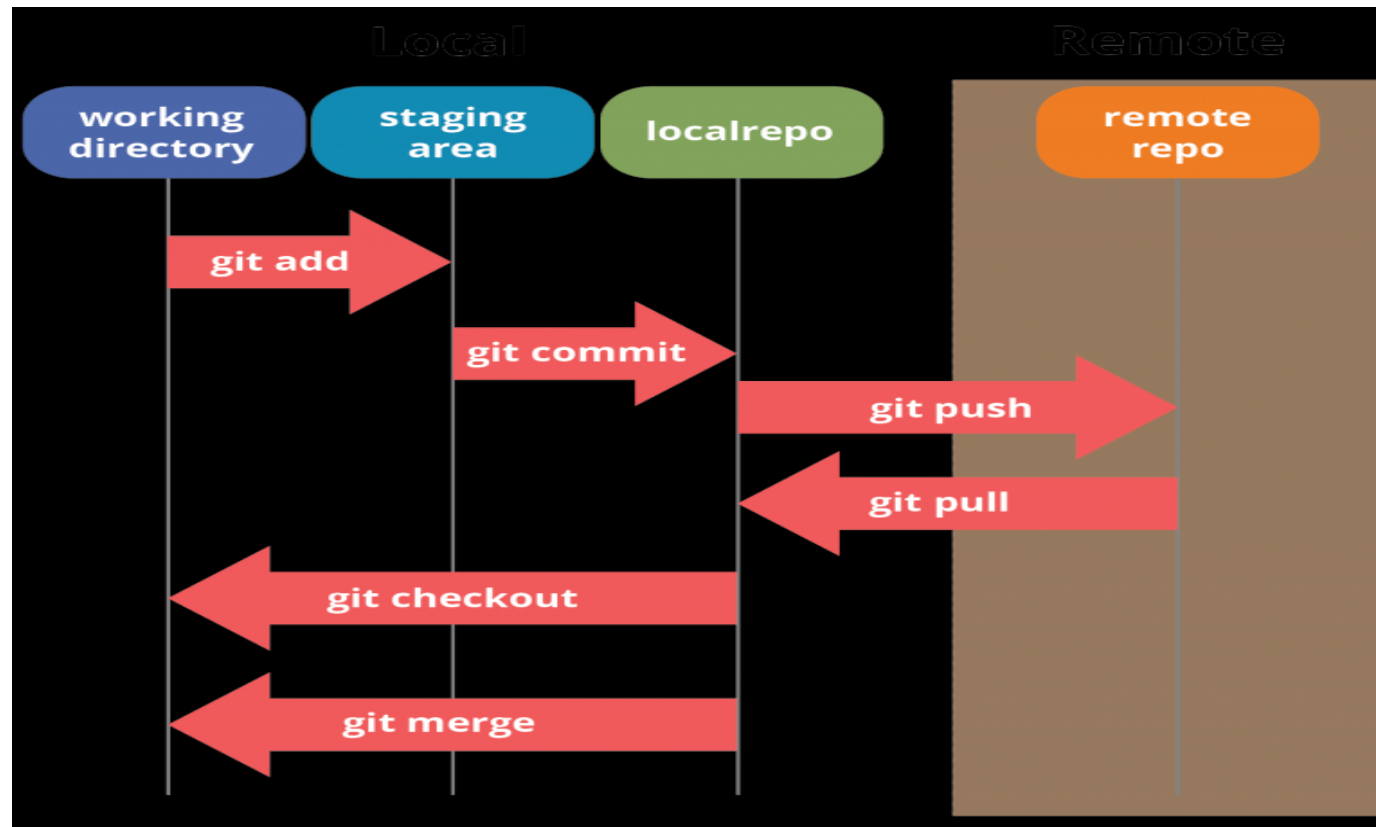
– (fix conflicts if necessary, add/commit them to your local repo)

**#To** fetch the most recent updates from the 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



source: <https://www.edureka.co/blog/git-tutorial/>

# Summary of individual work –initialize. ((code-stage-&-commit)+. pull rebase.push)+

- Create/initialize local repo to trace history of your work (i.e. git init)
- Start from master branch
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- Make, stage, and commit changes in feature branch (i.e. [git add](#), [git commit](#)).
- Merge feature branch into the master branch (i.e. git merge)
- Delete stale feature branch
- Sync with online repo (i.e. git pull, git push)
  - Git pull: fetch from a remote repo and try to merge into the current branch
  - Git push : push your new branches and data to a remote repository
- Pick a local repo→take snapshot of current work →make changes → record changes→ synchronize with remote repository

Working in a team

# Create online copy of main repository then download

#fork existing central online repository

Forked is nothing more than a server side git clone

#download forked repository to local machine

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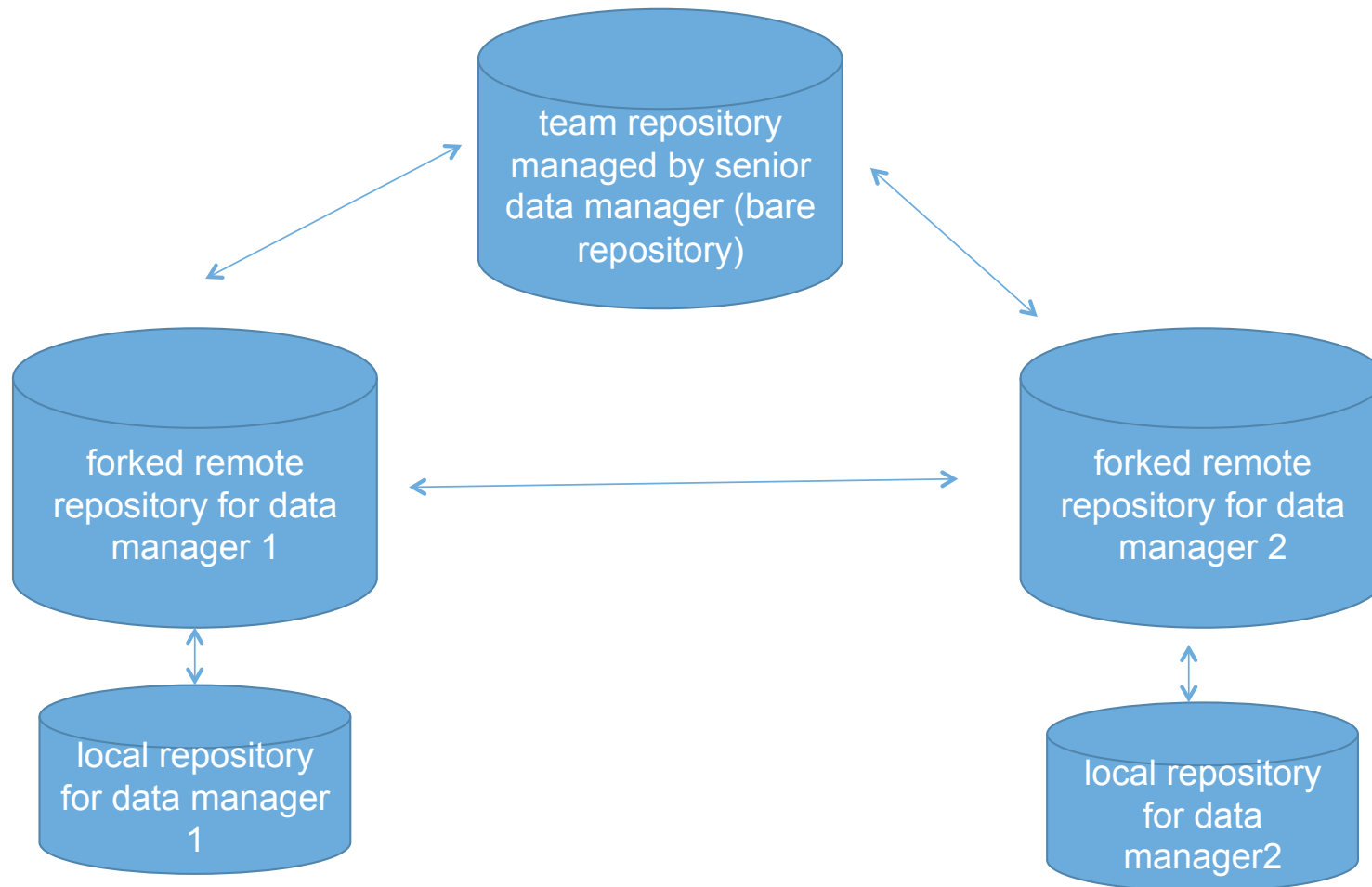
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**git clone /path/to/forked-repository**

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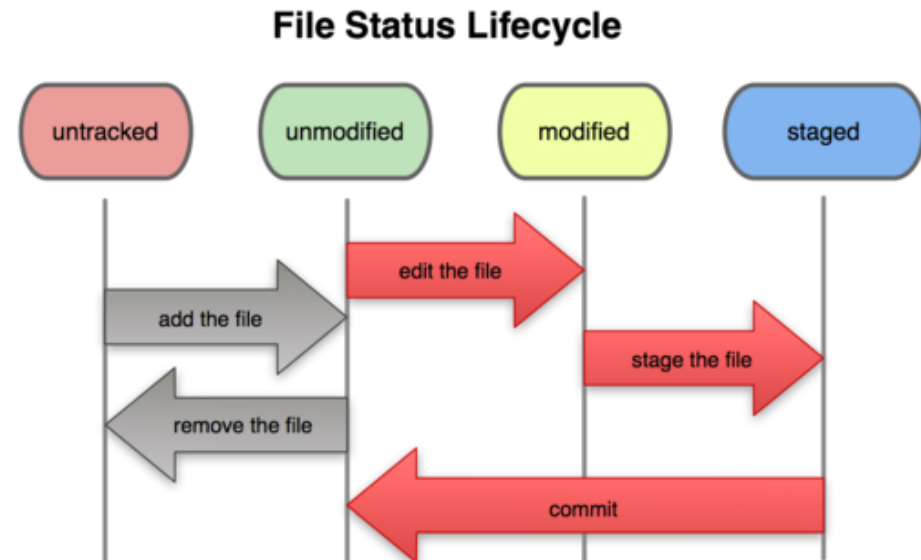
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# Synchronize remote and local repository

**#Push** your local changes to the remote repo.

**#Pull** from remote repo to get most recent changes.

– (fix conflicts if necessary, add/commit them to your local repo)

**#To** fetch the most recent updates from the 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

# Handle conflicts during merging

- The conflicting file will contain <<< and >>> sections to indicate where git was unable to resolve a conflict:

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

Branch 1 version

Branch 2 version

- Find all such sections, and edit them to the proper state (whichever of the two versions is newer / better / more correct)
- When done, stage then commit before merging then uploading

# Handle conflicts during merging

#ask git to fetch updates from remote repository and display downloaded branches

git fetch origin

#ask git to display log of commits in remote master branch

git log --oneline master..origin/master

#ask git to switch to master branch

git checkout master

#ask git to merge changes from remote master

git merge origin/master

#git fetch then git rebase is better than git fetch then git merge



# Request senior data manager to review and accept your work

Pull Requests initiate discussion about your commits. Pull Requests also provide a way to notify project maintainers about the changes you'd like them to consider

1. On GitHub, go to the repository from which you would like to propose changes...team repository
2. In the “Branch” menu, choose the branch that contains your commits
3. To the left of the “Branch” menu, click the green Compare and Review button
4. The Compare page will automatically select the base and compare branches; to change these, click edit
5. Click Create pull request. Title and describe your pull request. Create pull request
6. Proposed changes will be merged from the head branch to the base branch that was specified in the pull request
  - <https://help.github.com/en/articles/creating-a-pull-request-from-a-fork>
  - <https://help.github.com/en/articles/merging-a-pull-request>

# Summary of teamwork

request)<sup>+</sup>

–fork. clone. ((code-stage-&-commit)<sup>+</sup>. rebase. push.pull

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- Merge feature branch into the master branch (i.e. git merge)
- Delete stale feature branch
- Sync with online repo (i.e. git pull – rebase origin master, git push origin master)
- forking gives a "clean" environment
- pull requests give a nice way to discuss code

# Asking git for help

#get help info about a particular command git help ***[command]***  
git help **stash**

# Questions

**Thank You!**