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In-class work session Git and GitHub

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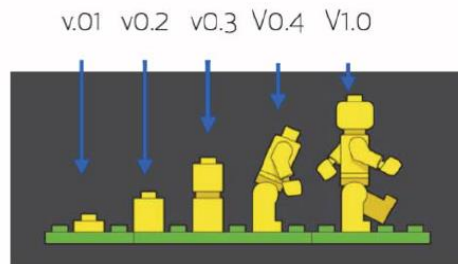


What is Git?

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Git is a *version control system*

A tool that lets you track your progress over time.



 Basics

Git takes snapshots

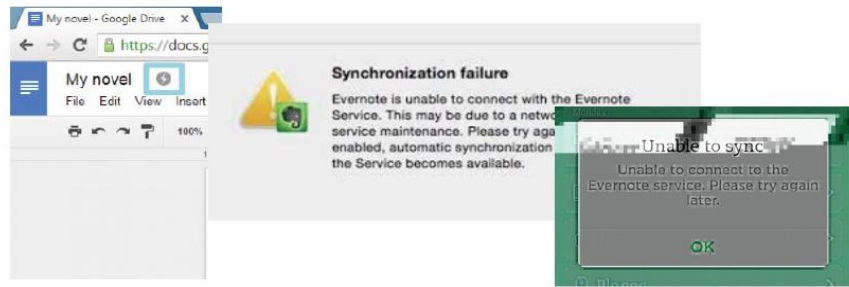
Save snapshots to your history to retrace your steps.

Also keeps others up-to-date with your latest work.



 Basics

Centralized systems require coordination...

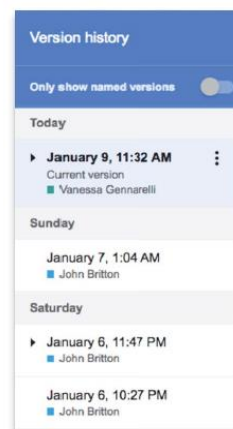


Basics

Order with coordination:

In a centralized system, you can objectively call versions a numerical progression: version 1, version 2, version 3...

Since John made a new version before Vanessa, his is $n+1$, and Vanessa is $n+2$.



Basics

Working in parallel: order without coordination

Git goes after this idea of distributed version control, so you can keep track of your versions without coordination.



Basics

Exercise 1 – Configuring Git

- ☐ Check if Git is installed on your PC
 - `git --version`
- ☐ Install Git if necessary
 - <https://git-scm.com/downloads>
- ☐ Configure Git
 - `git config --global user.name "your name"`
 - `git config --global user.email "your email address"`
 - `git config --list`
- ☐ Create a GitHub account if necessary
 - <https://github.com/>
- ☐ Get a student developer pack (unlimited free repositories, developer tools, and swag)
 - <https://education.github.com/pack>

Repositories and the 3-fold model

Video: [..\video\1.2 The three-fold model.mp4](#)

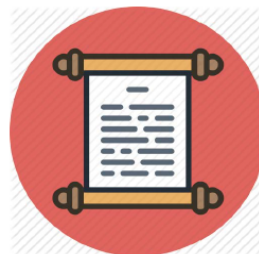
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A repository holds the entire history of your project

A repository is the unit of separation between projects in Git.

Each project, library or discrete piece of software should have its own repository.



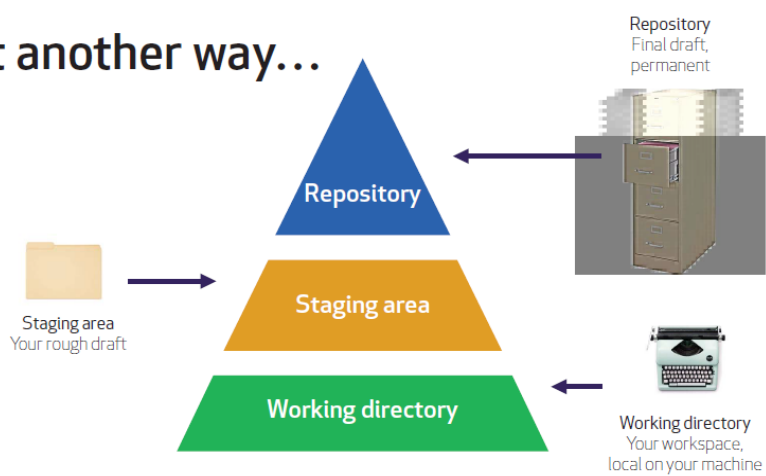
 Basics

Git is like a desk



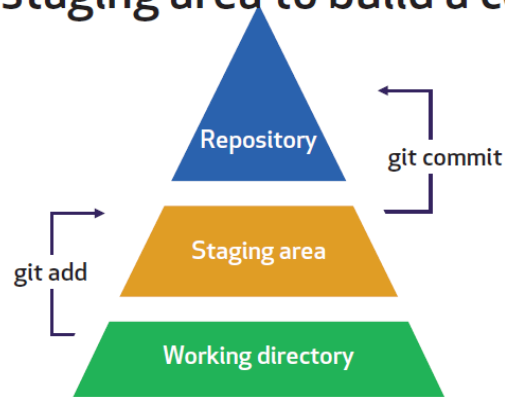
Basics


Put another way...



Basics

Use the staging area to build a commit




 Basics

Making commits

`'git commit'`

tells Git to save that portion of the project from the staging area into the repository history.



 Basics

Exercise 2 – Making your first commit

- ☐ Initialize a new repository
 - Open git bash shell
 - `cd Location-for-your-ECE361-projects`
 - `git init ic1_ex1`
 - `cd ic1_ex1`
 - `ls -al`
- ☐ Add an empty readme file to the staging area
 - `touch readme.md`
 - `git status`
 - `git add readme.md`
 - `git status`
- ☐ Commit `readme.md` to the repository
 - `git commit -m 'initial commit'`
- ☐ Add/commit a 2nd file to the repository
 - Create a text file that answers the following question:
 - ☐ Why did you choose the CompE track instead of the EE track?
- ☐ Update the text of `readme.md` in some way and commit it

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Being selective w/ Git

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Understanding the state of your repository

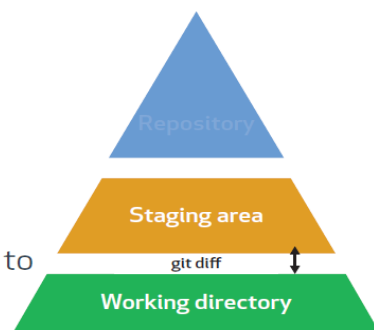
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git status  
git diff  
git diff --staged
```



What are comparing w/ `git diff`?

`git diff`

Compares staging to working directory.



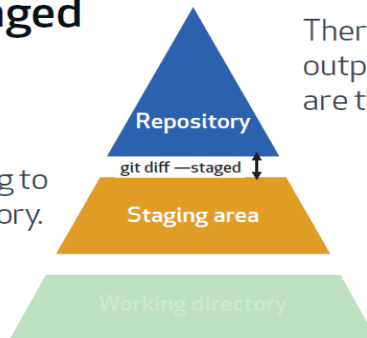
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What are comparing w/ `git diff`? (cont'd)

`git diff --staged`

Compares staging to repository directory.

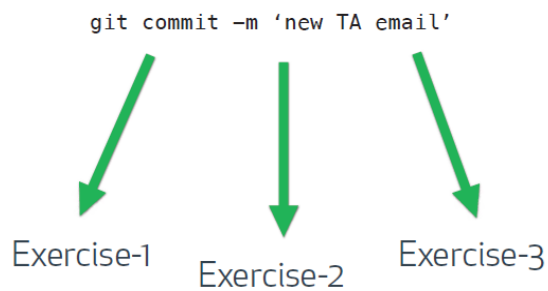


There's no output if they are the same.



Git allows you to be selective

You can fix a bug across several different files in the same commit.



But commits should be logically grouped

Don't mix typo corrections and new features.

If the feature gets rolled back, you re-introduce the typo.

```
git commit -m 'typo in readme.md'
```



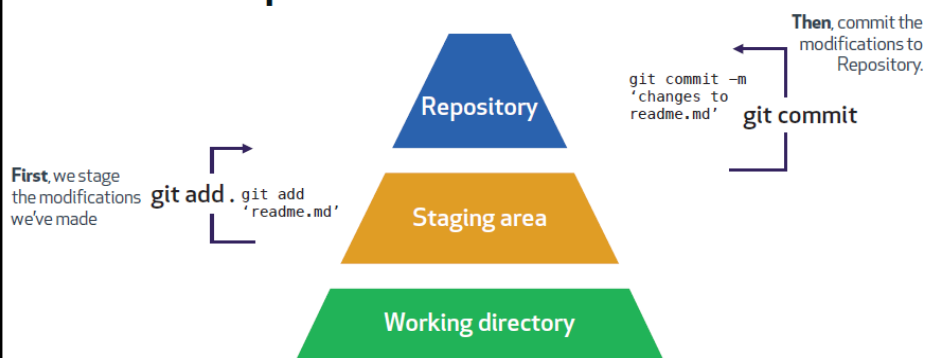
```
git commit -m 'new signup flow.'
```



```
git commit -m 'fix typo, add field to signup flow, create parallax effect'
```



Order of operations:



Using GitHub

Video: [..\video\2.1 network activity.mp4](#)

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GitHub

- Hosts your repositories
- Track student progress
- Social features to enable collaboration



 Individual assignments

Let's set up a place to host your code

- A remote repository on GitHub!
- <https://github.com/new>
- As a student you have access to free private repositories but let's choose public for now

Create a new repository

A repository contains all the files for your project, including the revision history.

Owner: /

Repository name:

Repository description:

Visibility: ☒ Public ☐ Private

Initialize this repository with a README ☒

Create repository

Individual assignments

The bookmarked location is referred to as a "remote."



Hello! I would like to send you my recent commits.

```
git remote add origin (REPO LOCATION)
```



Individual assignments

Adding a remote allows the transfer of your commits to another machine...and provides a cloud-based backup of your work

Add origin

Send my commits to a location.

And origin is at this address.

`git remote add origin (REPO LOCATION)`

This statement names the remote "origin."

 Individual assignments

How do you get
your commits up
to the remote?



`git push origin master`



 Individual assignments

Link remote with local.

-u is short for --set-upstream

```
git push -u origin master
```



Useful because you can just write "git push" when you want to push future commits.

 Individual assignments

Using GitHub

Video: [../video/2.3 Fetch.mp4](#)

Exercise 3 – Using GitHub

- ☐ Create a remote repository for your *ic1-ex2* project.
 - Open GitHub in your browser (<https://github.com/>) and sign in
 - Click on + and select New Repository
 - Name the repository *ic1-ex2* and provide a description. You may make the repository public and you do not need to create a README.md file because there is already a readme file in your local project
 - Click on the green Clone or Download button and copy the URL link to the clipboard. You will need it later
- ☐ Add a remote bookmark to the repository.
 - `git add remote URL-for-the-project`
- ☐ Push your local repository to GitHub.
 - `git push -u origin master`

Exercise 3 – Using GitHub (cont'd)

- ☐ Make changes to the repository on GitHub
 - Edit *readme.md* in some way on GitHub and commit the changes
 - Add a new file on GitHub that answers the following question:
 - ☐ Do you like the Star Wars universe or the Star Trek universe more? Explain why.
 - Commit the new file to GitHub
- ☐ Fetch the changes from GitHub to your local repository
 - `git fetch`
- ☐ Use `git log`, `git status`, `git diff`, etc. to see the effect of the Fetch. Take notes you will need them for the next exercise

Branches and Merges

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Video: [..\video\2.5 Merge.mp4](#)

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...but what is *master*?

Which branch do you want to push?

```
git push -u origin master
```

You want to push master.
To origin, the remote.

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You've been on a branch...
all along.

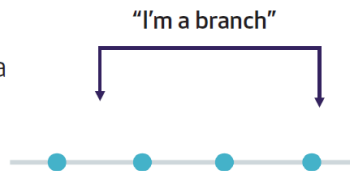
 Individual assignments

Branches are bookmarks to commits

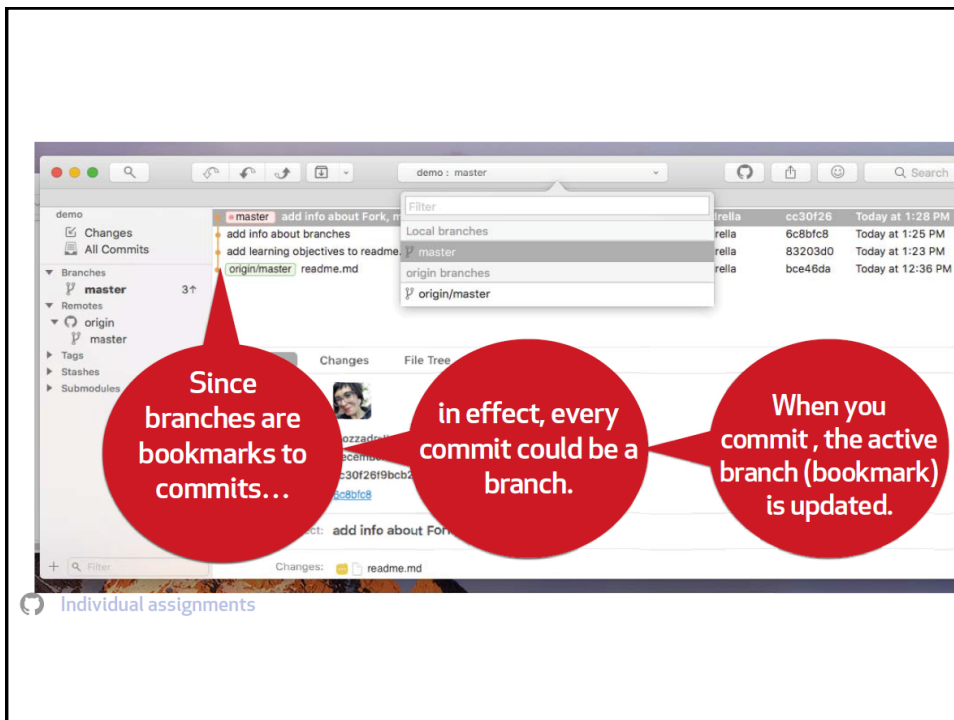
“Master” is the default, it’s a naming convention.

Can think about branches as either a bookmark or a pointer for commits.

As we add commits, the active branch updates to point to the newest commit (HEAD).



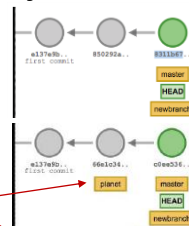
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Branch-related commands

- `git show master` – shows the commit that the *master* branch is pointing to


```
commit cc30f26f9bcb27fc45338961a3f09b269ecd0931
(HEAD -> master)
Author: Mozzadrella <mozzadrella@github.com>
Date: Sat Dec 16 13:28:05 2017 -0500
```
- `git branch` – shows you the branches in your project
 - * - the currently active branch
- `git branch <name>` – creates a new branch
 - Ex: `git branch newbranch`
- `git branch <name> REF`
 - REF is HEAD, a branch name, a commit or a commit-ish (^, master~3)
 - Ex: `git branch planet master^` (previous commit)
- `git checkout <branch>` – switch to <branch> by updating the index and the files in the working tree and by pointing HEAD at the branch
 - Local modifications to the files in the working tree are kept so that they can be committed to the <branch>



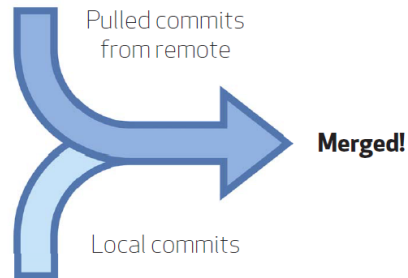
Pull = fetch + merge

Pull first fetches the commits and stores them locally.

Merge takes the two divergent commits, puts them together in the staging area and makes a new commit with two parents.

Merge updates the active branch to point to the new merge commit

You'll see the new commits reflected in your local project when you run "git log"



 Individual assignments

Watch what happens when we run "pull."

I'd like the latest commits on the branch that my active branch tracks.



```
git pull origin master
```

```
082T48Y2FVH4:individual-work mozzadrella$ git pull origin master
From https://github.com/mozzadrella/Module-i-Individual-Work
* branch      master       -> FETCH_HEAD
Updating 1fa65cf..0869a21
Fast-forward
 readme.md | 4 +++++
 1 file changed, 4 insertions(+)
082T48Y2FVH4:individual-work mozzadrella$
```

 Individual assignments

Exercise 4 – Branch and Merge

- ❑ Create a new repository on our local PC called `ic1-ex4` with a `readme.md` file. Commit.
- ❑ Go to <https://www.pottermore.com/news/discover-your-hogwarts-house-on-pottermore> and select your favorite Hogwarts house. Paste the Sorting Hat verse for that house into your `readme.md` file. add and commit.
- ❑ Create a new branch called `2ndfavorite` and switch to it
 - `git branch 2ndfavorite`
 - `git checkout 2ndfavorite`
 - *Note: you can combine the commands with `git checkout -b 2ndfavorite`*
- ❑ Edit `readme.md` by pasting the sorting hat verse of your second choice for house (after all, the Sorting Hat does take your opinion into account). Save and commit
- ❑ Use `cat` to display the contents of `readme.md`. Note which house is listed

Exercise 4 – Branch and Merge (cont'd)

- ❑ Switch to the master branch and display `readme.md`. Note which house is listed.
- ❑ Create a remote repository on GitHub and push the master branch to the remote repository.
- ❑ Edit `readme.md` in the remote repository to replace the house with your least favorite house. Save and commit the changes to the remote repository.
- ❑ Pull the master branch from your remote repository to the master branch of your local repository. Display `readme.md` and note which house is listed.
- ❑ Use `git diff` to see the differences between `readme.md` on the master and `2ndfavorite` branches
- ❑ Create a new file in your private repository for this assignment. Call the file `lessons-learned` and summarize your findings. Please comment on how useful you found this lesson and what could be done to improve it. Save and commit the changes your repository for the assignment.

Next Time

- ☐ Topics:
 - Data structures and algorithms
 - Big O Notation
- ☐ You should:
 - Read Wengrow Ch. 1 - 3
- ☐ Homework, Projects, Quizzes:
 - Homework #1 will be assigned Sun, 30-Sep Due to D2L by 10:00 PM on Sun, 06-Oct