COMP 2710 Software Construction

Chapter 6 Version Control--Git



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Big Team Big code

- Activities in a big team:
 - ✓ Modifying existing code frequently
 - ✓ Backing up working code
 - ✓ Checking if an idea works
 - ✓ Sharing code in group projects



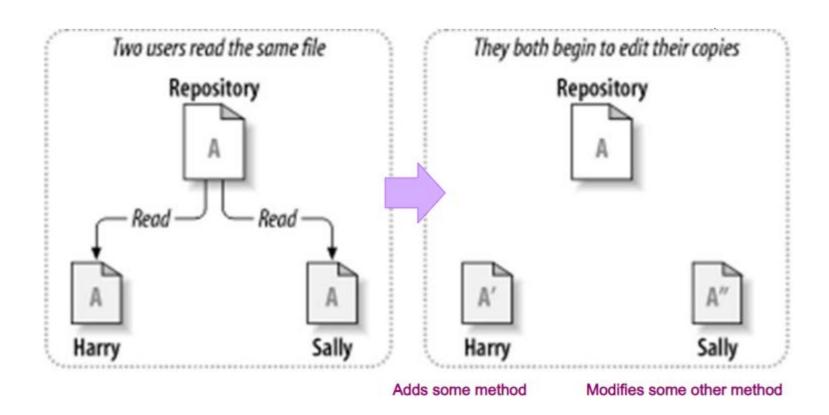
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Issues for sharing code





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A real world is.....

- Operating systems code
 - Win 95 approx 5 million lines of code (1995)
 - Linux kernel 2.6.37 14 million lines of code (2011)
- Modern PC game
 - Unreal 3 approx 500,000 lines of code
- Developers spread over the globe across multiple time zones



Solution 2: Version Control

- What is Version Control?
 - □Records changes to file(s) over time
- Features:
 - ➤ All changes are tracked: who, what, when
 - ➤ Changes can be reverted and easy to identify

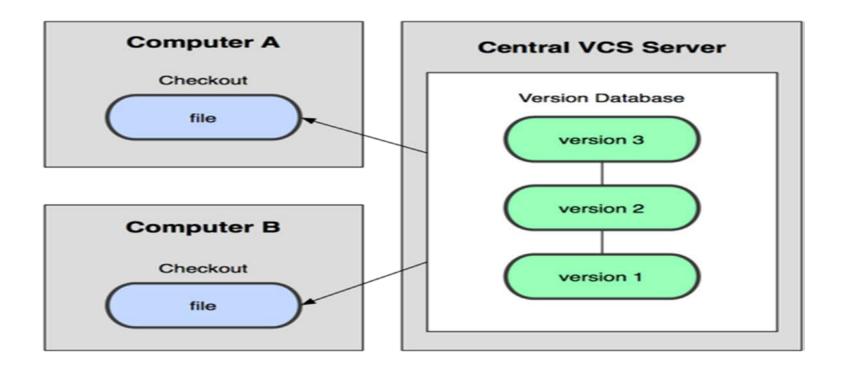


Centralized Version Control

- A single server holds the code base
- Clients access the server by means of checkin/check-outs
 - such as CVS, Subversion, Visual Source Safe.



Centralized Version Control



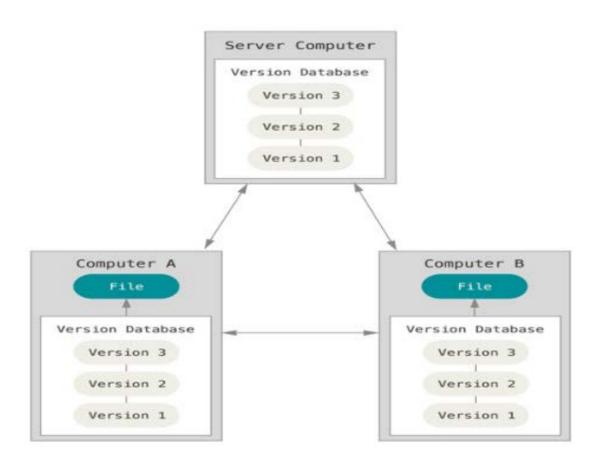


Distributed Version Control

- Each client (essentially) holds a complete copy of the code base.
- Code is shared between clients by push/pulls



Distributed Version Control



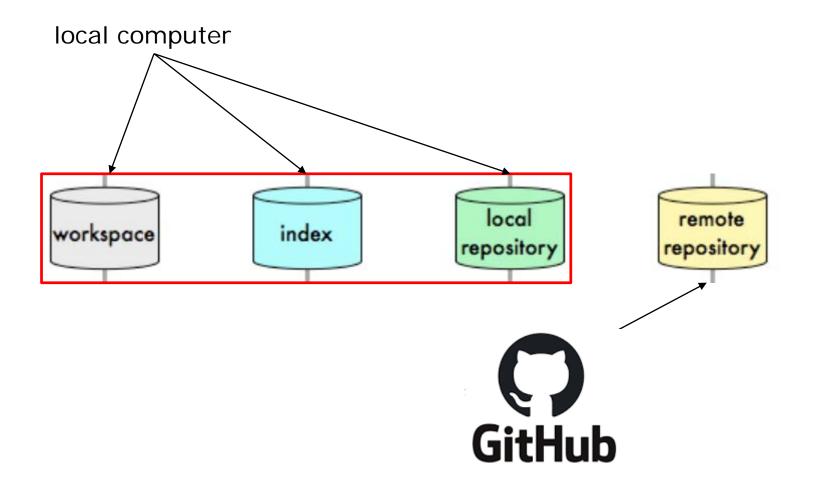




- Designed for code
 - What git does for you
 - Version control and source control
 - tracks all changes submitted to the codebase
 - revert changes
 - Create working braches without affecting stable releases
 - Tells you when there are merge conflicts

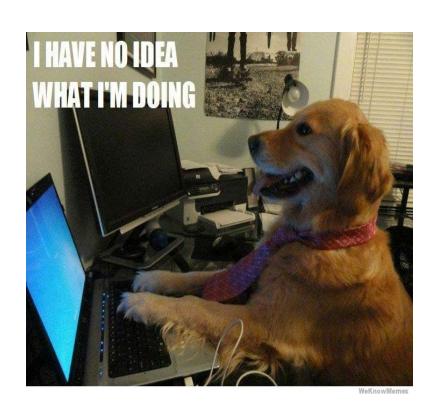


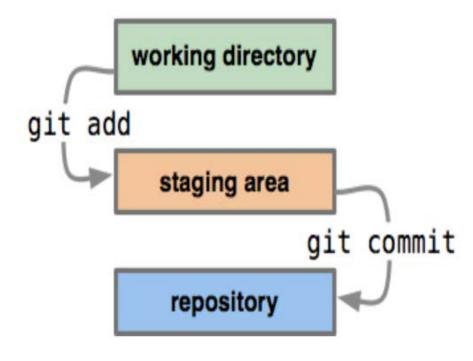
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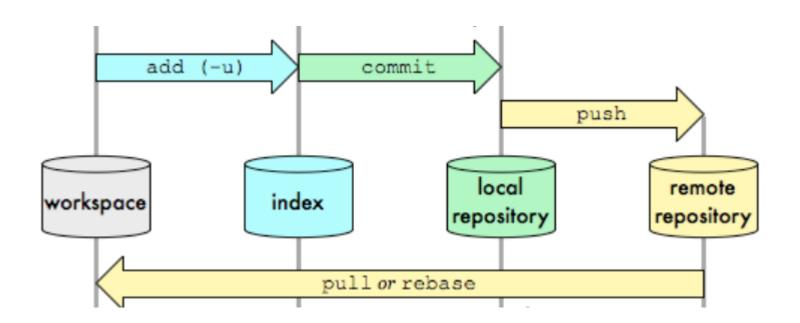
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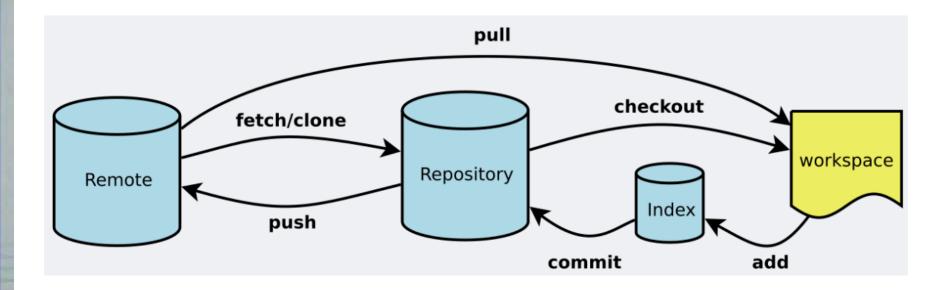


Commands





Workflow





Work flow

