

Git

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What is version control?

- **Version control systems** are a category of software tools that help a software team manage changes to source code over time.
- **Version control** software keeps track of every modification to the code in a special kind of database.
- It not only keeps the content of your modifications, but also keeps metadata about your changes (author, timestamps, etc.).
- Obsolete systems like Subversion, and Mercurial.

Why we need version control?

- **History**
 - A complete long-term change history of every file in your codebase.
 - Includes roll-back for when mistakes happen!
- **Branching and Merging**
 - Teams can benefit from the ability to work on independent streams of changes.
- **Traceability**
 - Being able to trace each change made to the software and connect it to project management and bug tracking software.
- **Collaboration**
- **Reproducibility**

What is Git?

- Git is a version control system.
 - Can record snapshots and track the content of a folder as it changes over time.
- Every time we **commit** a snapshot, Git records a snapshot of the **entire project**, saves it, and assigns it a version.
- These snapshots are kept inside a sub-folder called **.git**.

What is Git?

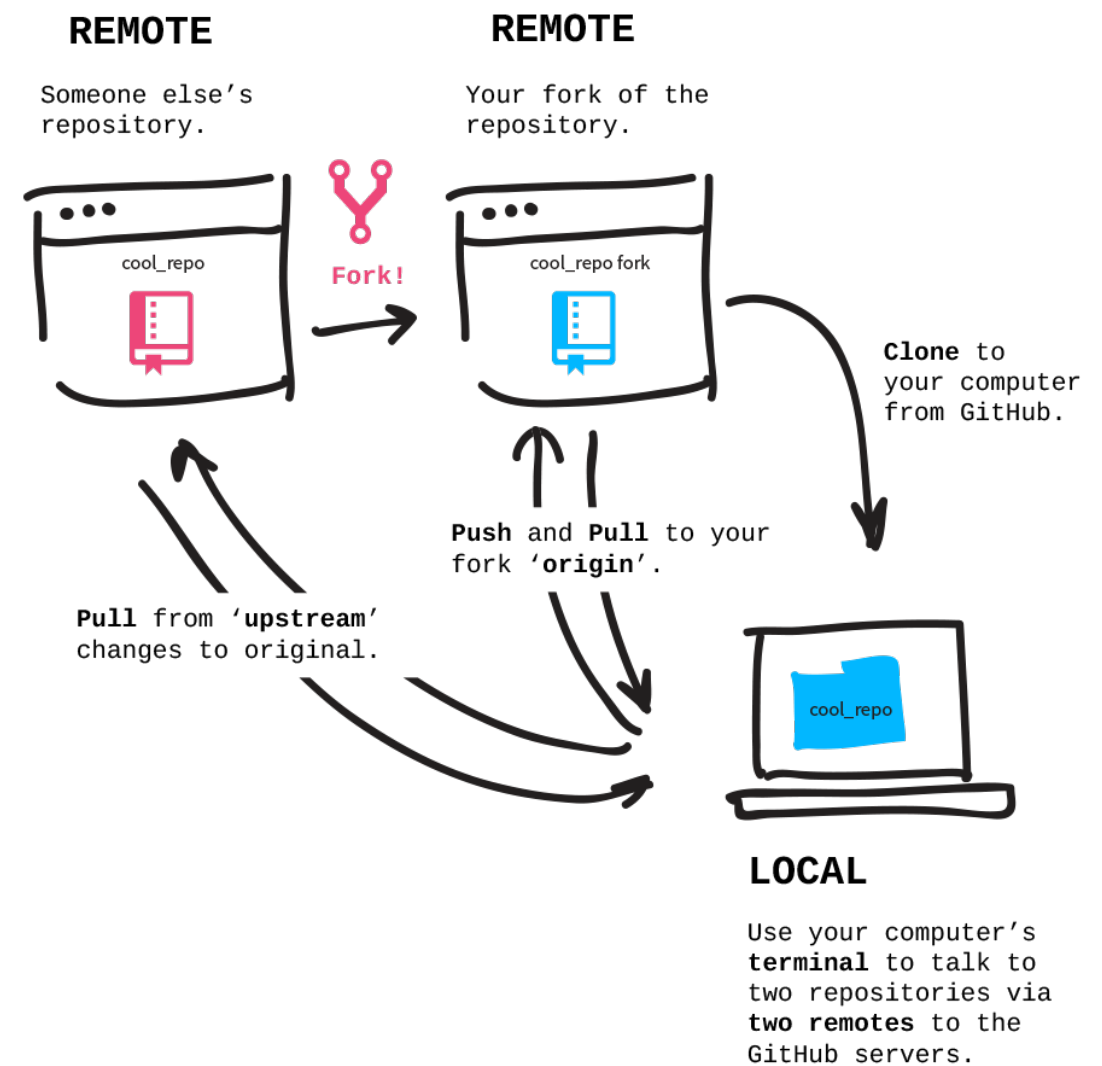
- Removing **.git** will remove the repository and history.
 - Your working directory and any remote copies remain unaffected.
- **.git** uses relative paths
 - You can move the repository to any other machine and it would still work!
- **Git** has multiple interfaces (CLI, GUI, web), and is shipped out of the box with many Linux-based systems.

What is Git?

- To check if git is installed, open up a terminal window and type the following
 - `git --version`
- This will display the version number if **git** is installed.

Getting Started with Git

- We can **clone** an existing remote repository.
 - `git clone REMOTE_URL`
- We can **initialize** a new local repository.
 - `git init`



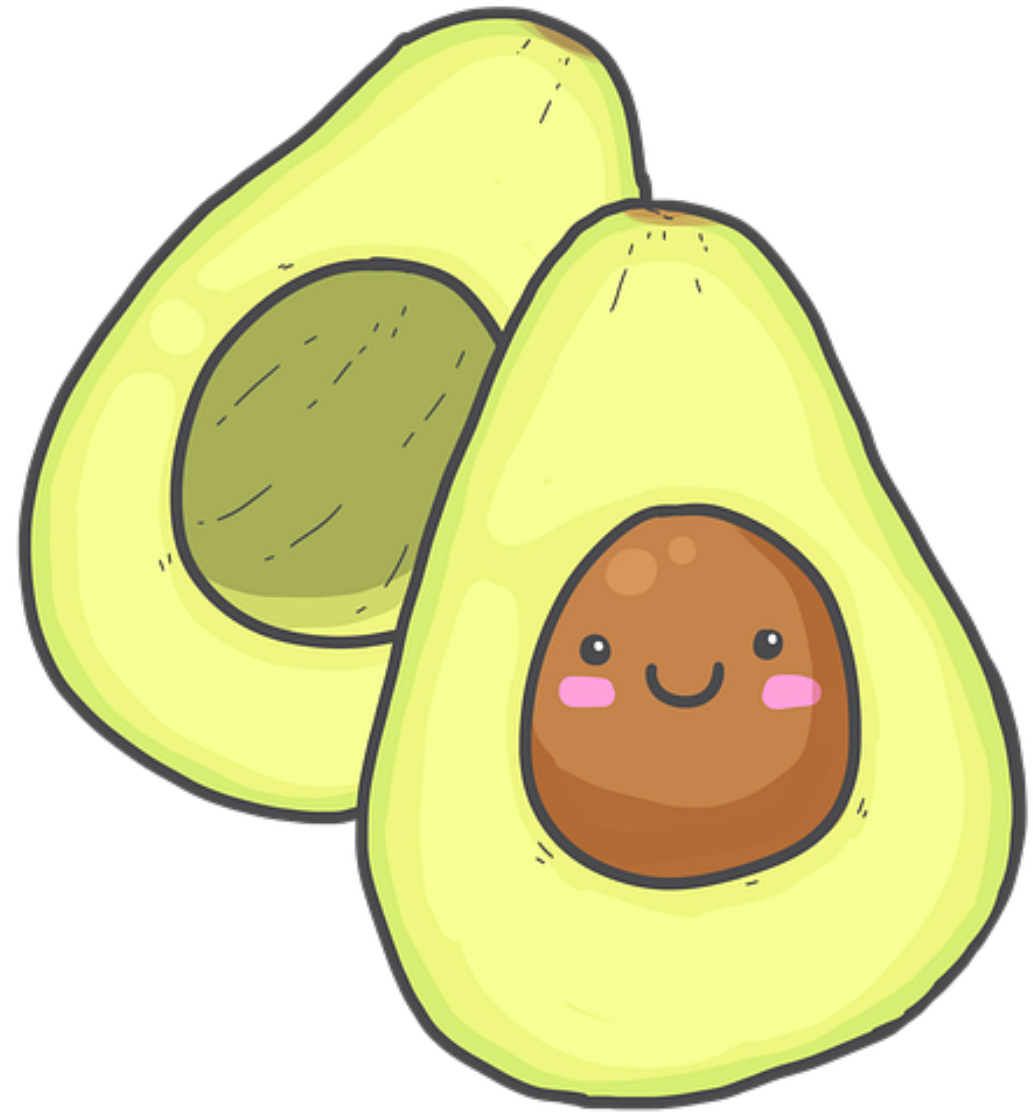
But before getting Started with Git...

- We need to configure Git.

```
$ git config --global user.name "Your Name"  
$ git config --global user.email yourname@example.com
```

To-Do Task

Tracking a guacamole
recipe with Git



Git Log

- We can use `git log` to display the history of the repository.
- Each **commit** is given a unique long hash as an identifier.
- Output is in *reverse chronological order*, i.e. newest commits on top.
- We will use the hashes when:
 - comparing versions
 - reverting changes

	COMMENT	DATE
○	CREATED MAIN LOOP & TIMING CONTROL	14 HOURS AGO
○	ENABLED CONFIG FILE PARSING	9 HOURS AGO
○	MISC BUGFIXES	5 HOURS AGO
○	CODE ADDITIONS/EDITS	4 HOURS AGO
○	MORE CODE	4 HOURS AGO
○	HERE HAVE CODE	4 HOURS AGO
○	AAAAAAAAA	3 HOURS AGO
○	ADKFJSLKDFJSDKLFJ	3 HOURS AGO
○	MY HANDS ARE TYPING WORDS	2 HOURS AGO
○	HAAAAAAAAAANDS	2 HOURS AGO

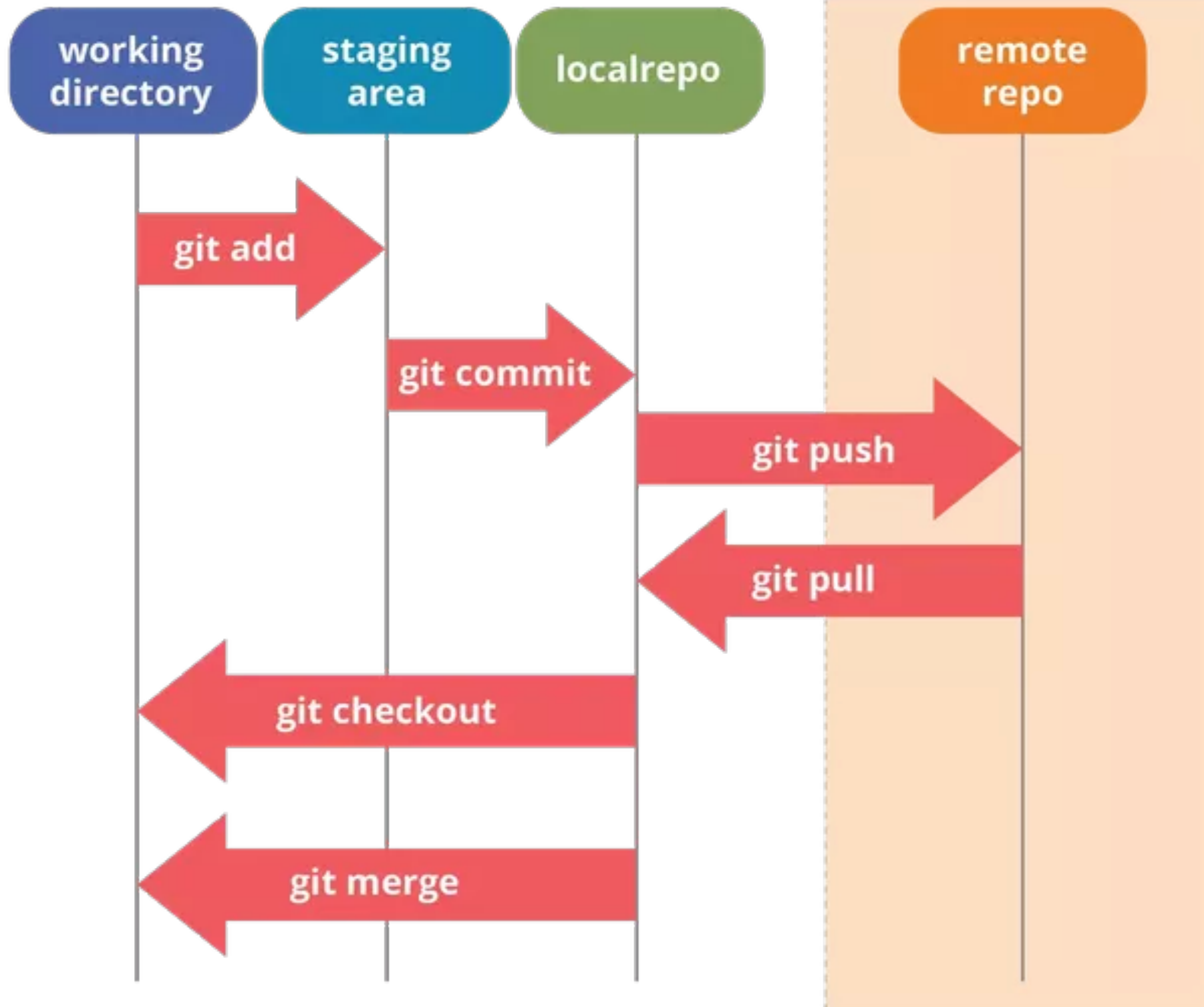
AS A PROJECT DRAGS ON, MY GIT COMMIT MESSAGES GET LESS AND LESS INFORMATIVE.

Basic Git Workflow

How do we use it?

Local

Remote



Getting Help

- If you need help, you can use `git help [command]`.
 - `git help commit`
 - `git help config`
 - `git help remote`
- Use online resources.
 - <https://guides.github.com/>



In case of fire



1. git commit



2. git push



3. leave building