



PROGRAMMING PROJECT: **Software Development Tools**

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SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT TOOLS

- ▶ Software developers working in teams are continuously writing new source code and changing existing source code
 - ▶ Multiple developers work simultaneously with the same files (with some cautions)
 - ▶ All changes in the code must be traceable
 - ▶ To do so, programmers use **version control systems**
- ▶ Software development includes a sequence of actions that are performed repetitively: compile, test, deploy...
 - ▶ Doing these activities manually are a waste of time
 - ▶ The automation of these activities is crucial
 - ▶ To do so, programmers use **build tools**



Version Control Systems



VERSION CONTROL SYSTEMS

- ▶ **Version Control Systems (VCS)** are tools that records changes to a file, or set of files, over time so that you can recall specific versions later
 - ▶ Note that VCS are not only used for programming
- ▶ The use of version control systems has many advantages in software development
 - ▶ Allows multiple people working simultaneously in the same files
 - ▶ Is a repository that backups the history of the project, tracing who, when, why has done a change
 - ▶ Helps to solve possible *conflicts* in the content of the files/directories
 - ▶ Are useful to work in different projects with the same base code



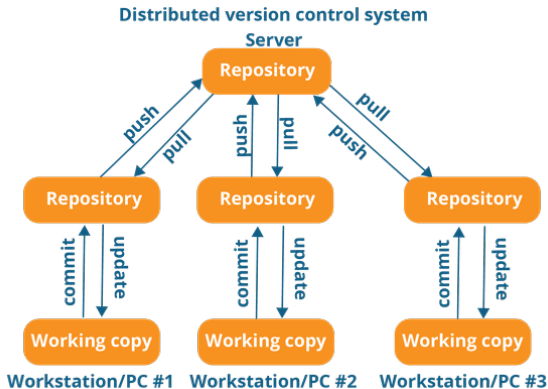
VERSION CONTROL SYSTEMS: TYPES

- ▶ We can find two different kinds of VCS
 - ▶ **Centralized:** CVS, Subversion, ...
 - ▶ Each repository has one centralized server which stores the history of the files/directories of the project
 - ▶ Users has its own local copy of the project
 - ▶ Users can commit changes to the server
 - ▶ Users can update their copy with the changes done by others
 - ▶ Most operations require connect with the server
 - ▶ **Distributed:** GIT, Mercurial, ...
 - ▶ Every user has their own repository that has the entire commit history of the project
 - ▶ Changes are recorded on your local repository
 - ▶ Changes can be pushed to a centralized repository
 - ▶ Many operations can be done without communicating with a central server



VERSION CONTROL SYSTEMS: GIT

- ▶ In this course we will use **GIT**¹
- ▶ In GIT, every user has a *clone* of the whole repository
 - ▶ With full information of the history of the project



¹<https://git-scm.com/>



GIT COMMANDS

<code>git clone [url]</code>	Clones a repository from <code>url</code> into a local directory
<code>git status</code>	Lists all new or modified files to be committed or staged
<code>git diff</code>	Shows file differences not staged yet
<code>git add [file]</code>	Snapshots the file in preparation for versioning and stages the file for commit
<code>git checkout [file]</code>	Update modified files to a version found in the repository
<code>git reset [file]</code>	Unstages the file, but preserve its contents
<code>git commit -m 'message'</code>	Records file permanently in local version history. Committed changes are <i>staged</i>



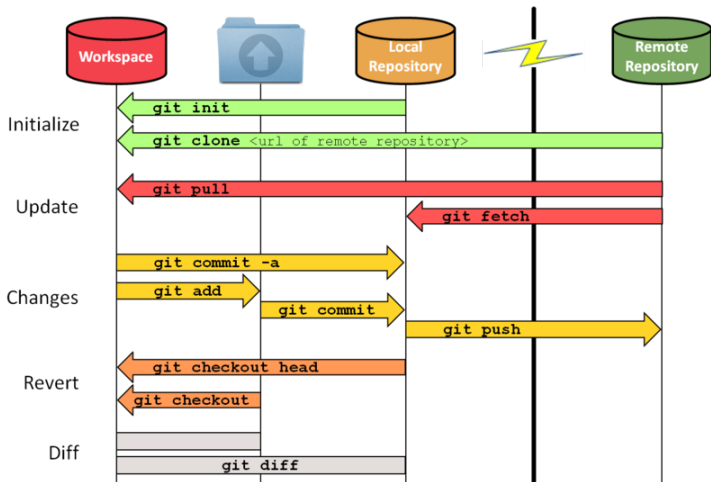
GIT COMMANDS

<code>git show [rev:file]</code>	Show a committed revisions of file
<code>git rm [file]</code>	Deletes the file from the working directory and stages the deletion
<code>git mv [from] [to]</code>	Changes the file name and prepares it for commit
<code>git push</code>	Uploads all local branch commits (staged) to the remote server
<code>git pull</code>	Downloads and incorporates the changes to the local copy of the repo

Note: Documentation and other GIT commands can be found at <https://git-scm.com/docs>



GIT COMMANDS GRAPHICALLY²



²Picture taken from:

<https://sselab.de/lab2/public/wiki/sselab/index.php?title=Git>



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- ▶ Never push a version of the source code that do not compile
- ▶ Avoid pushing a version of the source code that do not pass the tests



- ▶ There are different possibilities for hosting GIT repositories
 - ▶ Have your own server and access it via ssh or https
 - ▶ Use web applications like GitHub³ or GitLab⁴
- ▶ GitLab has a powerful web interface including a lot features useful for software development
 - ▶ Users management
 - ▶ Consult the repository files and history
 - ▶ Show the documentation of the project
 - ▶ Send notifications by email with the changes in the repository
 - ▶ Issues and milestones managing
 - ▶ Continuous Integration
- ▶ In the course, we work with our **own installation of GitLab**

`http://costa.ls.fi.upm.es/gitlab`

³<https://www.github.com>

⁴<https://www.gitlab.com>



Build Tools



BUILD TOOLS: WHY USE THEM

- ▶ Programming time is full of highly **repetitive** actions
 - ▶ Compile the code, run the tests, deploy the applications, generate the documentation, ...
 - ▶ This activities takes a significant percentage of the programming time
 - ▶ Build tools are used for **automate** these activities for optimizing the programming time
- ▶ Repetitive **tasks** follow a **concrete order**
 - ▶ We cannot run the application without compiling it
 - ▶ We should not prepare the distribution of the application without compiling and testing it
 - ▶ Build tools forces us to follow this order in a strict way



BUILD TOOLS: WHY USE THEM

- ▶ Most projects use **external libraries**
 - ▶ These libraries are not always easy to include in the project (it depends on the IDE, command line, ...)
 - ▶ Programmers could be using different non-compatible versions of the libraries
 - ▶ The use of a *dependency system* significantly reduces the number of conflicts produced by the libraries used
- ▶ **Prepare the code** for compiling and testing takes time and it is an error-prone task
 - ▶ The package and deployment of the application is done in multiple environments (development, pre-production, production, QA, ...)
 - ▶ Package and deploy the application should not be done manually to avoid inconsistencies in the process
 - ▶ Build tools can do these activities in an automatic way
- ▶ Build tools are also used by **Continuous Integration tools** to automate the integration



BUILD TOOLS: SOME TOOLS

- ▶ **Make** is the most popular in UNIX environments
 - ▶ Perfectly fits with C and C++ programs
 - ▶ Is used in Linux packages for compiling and installing them using the source code
- ▶ **Ant** was very popular some years ago for Java programs
 - ▶ The configuration file is in XML format
 - ▶ It does not have a dependency system and requires manually define the dependencies between tasks
- ▶ **Maven** is currently the most used for Java projects
 - ▶ The configuration file is also in XML format
 - ▶ Includes a very powerful dependencies systems
- ▶ **Gradle** is winning popularity
 - ▶ The configuration file is in a specific format (Groovy based)
 - ▶ Builds the project in an incremental way



- ▶ **Apache Maven**⁵ is a tool for building and managing Java-based projects
- ▶ Allows a project to build using its **project object model (POM)** in XML format which includes:
 - ▶ How to package the project (.jar, .war, ...)
 - ▶ Version information
 - ▶ The dependencies (libraries) used in the project
- ▶ Includes a dependency manager that includes automatic updating and dependency closures (also known as transitive dependencies)
 - ▶ Automatically downloads the files and used them for compiling, testing, ...
- ▶ Is supported by the most popular Java IDE's (Eclipse, IntelliJ IDEA, ...)

⁵<https://maven.apache.org/>



MAVEN: CREATING A PROJECT

- ▶ To create a project some values need to be set
- ▶ `groupId`: It helps to identify your project uniquely across all projects
 - ▶ It follows the package name conventions

`es.upm.pproject`

- ▶ `artifactId`: Is the *identifier* of the project
 - ▶ It will be the name of the distribution file
 - ▶ The `artifactId` is added to the base package name

`myproject`

- ▶ `version`: To identify the different versions of the project
 - ▶ This value will change along the project evolution
- ▶ The base package name for your application will be:

`es.upm.pproject.myproject`



MAVEN: CREATING A PROJECT

- ▶ A project can be created by using the command line

```
mvn -B archetype:generate  
    -DarchetypeGroupId=org.apache.maven.archetypes  
    -DgroupId=MYGROUPID  
    -DartifactId=ARTIFACTID
```

- ▶ Or we can use Eclipse
 - ▶ File / New / Maven (Maven Project)



MAVEN: DIRECTORIES LAYOUT

- ▶ A Maven (Java) project has the following layout

```
src/  
  main/  
    java/PACKAGE/      - Source code folder  
      App.java  
    resources/         - Application resources  
  test/  
    java/PACKAGE/      - Test files (JUnit)  
      AppTest.java  
    resources/         - Testing resources  
target/                - Output of the build  
pom.xml
```

- ▶ All application files are in main/java/PACKAGE
- ▶ The test files are in test/java/PACKAGE
- ▶ The target directory is used to house all output of the build



MAVEN: POM STRUCTURE

```
<project ... >
  <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>
  <url>http://maven.apache.org</url>
  <groupId>MYGROUPID</groupId>
  <artifactId>ARTIFACTID</artifactId>
  <packaging>jar</packaging>
  <version>1.0-SNAPSHOT</version>
  <name>My pretty app</name>
  <dependencies>
    <dependency>
      <groupId>junit</groupId>
      <artifactId>junit</artifactId>
      <version>5.20</version>
      <scope>test</scope>
    </dependency>
    <!-- More dependencies... -->
  </dependencies>
</project>
```

- POM version
- Package
- App Identifier
- Dist file format
- Version
- Readable App Name
- Libraries used
- For testing
- Library Version
- When it is used



MAVEN: BASIC MAVEN COMMANDS

`mvn` COMMAND

where COMMAND can be:

validate - validate the project is correct and all necessary information is available

compile - compile the source code of the project

test - test the compiled source code using a suitable unit testing framework (e.g. JUnit)

package - take the compiled code and package it in its distributable format (e.g. JAR file)

clean - Removes the target directory



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6. Create a .gitignore file with content target to ignore automatically generated files



- ▶ Tools will help during the software development process and its use is widely extended in software companies
- ▶ In the subject the use of these tools is compulsory. Your projects must use:
 - ▶ **GIT** as version control system
 - ▶ **Maven** as build tool
- ▶ These tools can be used in *Eclipse*⁶
 - ▶ Recent versions of Eclipse include a plugin to work with GIT
 - ▶ A Maven Project can be *imported* in Eclipse (File, Import, Existing Maven Project)

⁶<http://www.eclipse.org>



FURTHER READING

- ▶ Documentation about GIT can be found at:

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

- ▶ The official book of GIT can be downloaded here:

<https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2>

- ▶ Documentation about Maven can be found at:

<https://maven.apache.org/>