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### Linux course

Version control systems

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#### Version control systems

- Sooner or later, during the development process, it is necessary to check, what was before, how it became broken
- Maybe it is easier to use Ctrl+z, but it's impossible to check what was in the code three weeks ago with any keybinding
- In 1972 people started to think about version control systems
- Firstly, it had been just a tool for saving a history of binary files, but in 1977 the first source code control system was introduced
- The main idea behind to save the program source code on some checkpoints (commits), add features, develop them leaving trunk untouchable (branches), merge new features with a trunk, and release some tags
- Since then, the concept itself was developed, and many version control systems have appeared



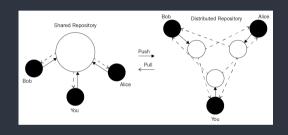
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#### Linus again...

- Linux kernel is a huge project, and it is important to have some source-control management system (SCMs) to maintain it
- From 2002 to 2005 BitKeeper, a proprietary SCMs was used to maintain the project
- At some point (3 April 2005), Linus Torvalds realized that existing tools are not suitable for Linux development, so in three days, he announced a project and became a self-hosting of Git on the next day
- It was different SCMs. Linus maintained it for half a year, and Junio Hamano has been the core maintainer since then
- It was open-source, free software, with robust safeguards against corruption, either accidental or malicious
- Torvalds sarcastically quipped about the name Git, means unpleasant person in British English
- He said: "I am an egotistical bastard, and I name all my projects after myself.
   First 'Linux', now 'git'." =)

#### What makes Git so good

- Strong support for non-linear development
- Distributed development
- Efficient handling of large projects
- Toolkit-based design
- Pluggable merge strategies
- And more other features
- It's hard to find any statistics, but that is clear - Git is the most popular SCMs of our days

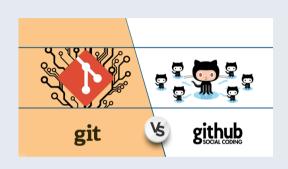




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#### Git is not GitHub

- GitHub, Inc provifer of internet hosting for software development and version control using git
- It offers all the functionality of Git + it's own features
- Since 2018 subsidiary of Microsoft
- Not an Open Source project, but there is a forum for feature requests...
- As of January 2020, GitHub reports having over 40 million users
- More about it's features after Git usage part





\$ git push

#### Git is not GitHub

- First difference GitLab was created by Ukrainian people, in Ukraine =)
- It has more features, than GitHub, but there is no critical difference
- It is Open Source, unlike Github
- It is possible to have the same repository on both servers, and I do it sometimes
- So as for 2021, it is just a question of taste







## IN CASE OF FIRE



Git Commit



Git Push



Git Out

### Creating a repo

- A repository contains all of your project's files and each file's revision history.
   You can discuss and manage your project's work within the repository.
- Repository is NOT a project folder. Repository is s a data structure that stores metadata for a set of files or directory structure
- Command to inicialize a repo in your current folder

```
git init
```

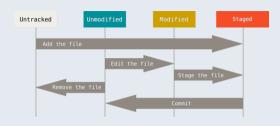
use git add command to cpecify files you want to track, followed by git commit - add a cpecifick message to your commit

```
git add *.sh
git add .gitignore
git commit -m "add gitignore file; add scripts for some task"
```

- How to write correct commit messages is another art, but remember to write meaningdull messages
- So at this point, we have a Git repository in our project directory with tracked files and an initial commit

#### Changes to the repo

- At this point you have a git repo with scripts and some files
- Each file in your working directory can be in one of two states: tracked or untracked
- Tracked files are files that were in the last snapshot, as well as any newly staged files; they can be unmodified, modified, or staged
- , In short, tracked files are files that Git knows about
- Untracked files are everything else
- Use git status to check the status of each file in the current directory
- Files in a .gitignore are ignored by git repo



#### Manipulations with repo

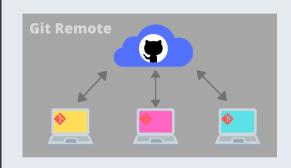
- As far as git is a decenralized system, you already have your repo with all version control features
- But now about the most powerful git feature and why we use it remote repo
- You can either clone existing repo, or add a remote to local one
- To remove a file from both repo and directory, use git rm
- To rename a file, use git mv
- To add a remote to your repo, use git remote add <name> <url>
- To push your updates to remote, use git push <remote> <branch>

#### Manipulations with repo (examples)

```
mkdir test directory
cd test directory
echo "empty readme" >> README.md # initialize new readme
git init
git add README.md
git commit -m "initialized new repo with readme"
git remote add origin git@github.com:username/reponame.git
git commit -m "add gitignore file; add scripts for some task"
git push origin master
```

#### Remotes

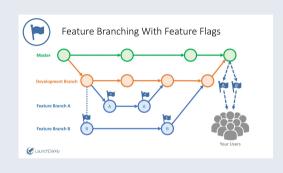
- Remote link to remote "versions" of your repository. They are stored on some kind of service (GitHub, GitLab, BitBucket etc.) or on private server
- You can think of them as global versions of your repos (your repo can be stored on few of them simultaneously)
- To see your remotes use git remote show, by default there is only origin
- For more info on a specific remote, use git remote show remotename
- Use git pull to make a code from local up to date with origin





#### **Branches**

- Branch is a divergence from the one development line to fulfil some specific purpose
- For example stable branch (usually master), development (dev), features, bug fixing
- Used for concurrent work of different developers on the same project
- Helps to avoid often conflicts while working on fairly independent parts
- Easier to access code for a specific feature and explore its history



#### Branches (examples)

```
cd test_directory
1 s
> README.md
git checkout -b dev # same as git branch dev; git checkout dev
echo 'print("Hello world")' >> new.py
git add new.pv
git commit -m "add new.py file"
git push origin dev
git checkout master # checkout back to master
ls
> README. md
```

You are back at master branch where there is no new.py file, it is on the dev branch Now it is possible to merge with

git merge dev # about merge hell read yourself



#### GitHub

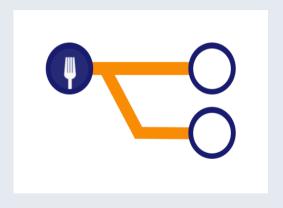
- GitHub repository remote "versions" of your repository, it's origin, but also much more...
- GitHub provide users with such a nice tools as Issues, Pull requests, Forks, Actions, also followers and followings, their activity, stars for projects, Projects tool for managing project development workflow, Marketplace, Insights(some statistics), Wiki, even Discussions
- So developers do a GitHub as a big
- Starting with 2021, there is such thing as GitHub CLI!

#### Issues

- If you use some app stored on GitHub and it works with bugs you have two
  options: report the bug or fix it and send a bugfix to maintainers
- For the first thing Issues could be helpful (For the second Pull requests )
- All GitHub users can create an issue on some projects pages, comment it, react on it with some emoji etc
- Issue itself a conversation-starting with user's message, that (for example) he found a bug, and some information about how you got this bug
- Also there can be feature request bugs or even improvements or other. There
  are dozens of such labels
- Often Issues either has a solution written as the last message or a pull request that solves the problem
- After that issue can be marked as solved
- Issues are part of the development workflow, so it is important to keep them as much as keep source code of the program itself and its commits history

#### **Fork**

- A GitHub fork is a copy of a repo that sits in your account rather than the account from which you forked
- Once you have forked a repo, you own your forked copy
- This means that you can edit the contents of your forked repository without impacting the parent repo
- Forked repo can be detuched (in theory, but it is not possible for now.
   By hands, the support team can do that) to become an independent project



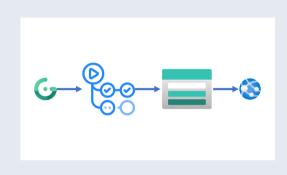
#### Pull request

- In most cases, nobody wants all their code to be broken by strangers, so only a few people ( contributors) have the right for changing the repo
- Instead, they should fork, implement some feature and make a pull request to merge their contribution to your project
- Almost the same (merge request) can be done between branches inside one fork
- Sometimes there is a CONTRIBUTION.md describing how to make correct changes with clear commits and acceptable PR message for changes to be merged



#### GitHub Actions. CI from GitHub

- More advanced usage of GitHub use it with GitHub Actions
- Continuous integration (CI) the practice of automating the integration of code changes
- Using this tool, it is easy to test any project for compilation on different compilers, distros, with different configurations, and all of that automatically
- There are hundreds of existing actions, but it is possible (and quite easy) to make your own
- I recommend to use it for lab works and small projects - then it will be easier to use it everywhere



```
$ gh pr checks
All checks were successful
1 failing, 3 successful, and 1 pending checks
- CodeOL
                           3m43s
                                    https://github.com/cli/cli/runs/123
✓ build (macos-latest)
                            4m18s
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# THE ESSENTIAL GIIHU COMMANDS

#### GitHub cli commands

- Starting from 2021 GitHub released it's API and made an amazing tool called GitHub CLI!
- They made possible to automate a lot of staff as creating a repo or read issues, make pr etc.
- Some important commands:
- gh auth login authentification
- gh config set editor <editor>
- gh repo create create a repo (allow to scip "going to a browser and do some stuff there...")
- gh pr create create a pr from current branch to master
- gh workflow run



GETTING STARTED WITH GIT

#### How to get stated?

- First of all you should create an account on GitHub
- Than you can create repositories, clone any open repo, add friends, put starts etc
- GitHub try to improve it's security more and more
- In case if you want to push something, firstly you need to authosize yourself (abd create new ssh-key)

```
git config --global user.name "username" git config --global user.email "email@example.com"
```

- Then make an ssh key and add it to your gh accoung. More info here
- Keep using it. Using Git is cool!

**Sources** 

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- Why Git is Better than X
- Git Wiki
- GitHub Wiki
- GitLab history
- GitHub documentation
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- GitHub CI
- GitHub CLI