



Git remote

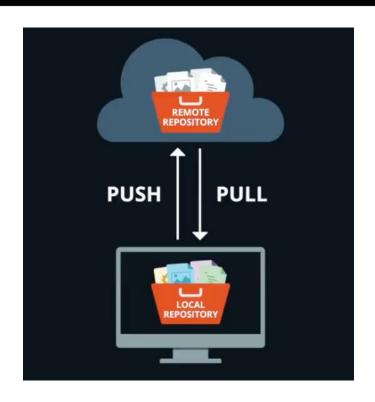


Introduction to Remote



Remote repo: Copy of your local repo hosted somewhere else

Normally hosted on Internet

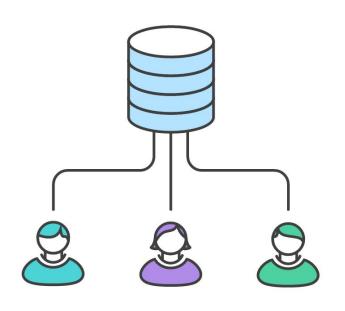






Works as a backup for your local project

Allows you to collaborate with others in your project

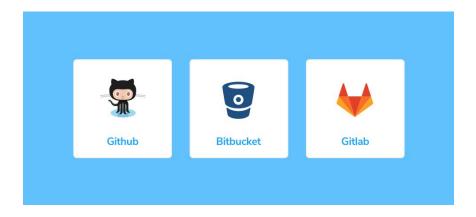




Which one should I use?



- GitHub, BitBucket, SourceForge, Launchpad, and so on and so on
- Let's console Bill Gates and use GitHub

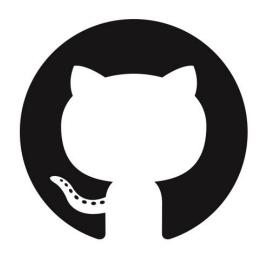






A code hosting platform for version control

- Features
 - Pull Requests
 - Issues
 - Code Review
 - Automation
 - GitHub Pages
 - And so on and so on





Cloning



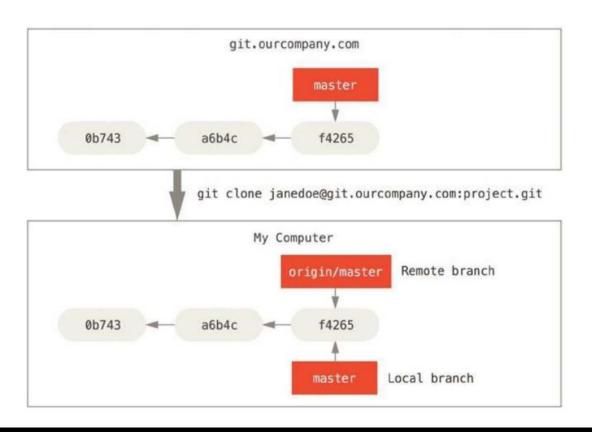
Making a copy of remote repository





Cloning







Important Commands



git clone <repository> : Clone a repository

git clone <repository> <directory> : Clone a repository with specified name

git clone --depth=<depth> <repository> : create a shallow clone with history truncated to the specified number of commits



Inspecting Remote



git remote: Show all the remotes

git remote -v : Show the remotes in verbose

manner

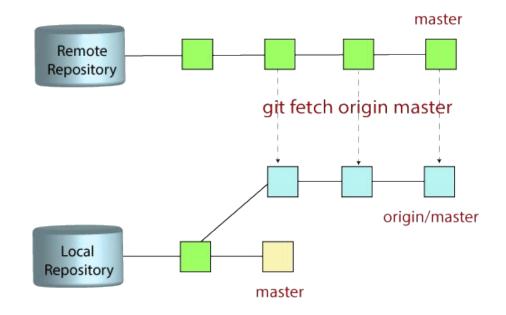
- Remote is tracked using branches.
- <remote>/<branch> is a local branch that tracks remote branch







git fetch <remote> : Fetches branches and refs from remote





Fetch



Pulls the data to your local repo - doesn't merge them

Use git merge <remote>/<branch> to merge

Fetching and merging can be combined with git pull <remote>

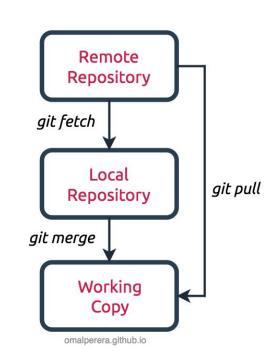




Fetches the remote branches and refs;
and merges them to your local repo

Can result in merge conflict

Helps you synchronize with remote



Pushing



Pushes the changes to the remote repository

- Always pull before push
- Other people have been pushing to remote
- Good practice: sync often

• **git push <remote> <local branch>** to push changes





A few more commands



git remote add <name> <repo> : Add specified remote repository as given name

git remote rename <from> <to> : Renames remote

git remote rm <name> : Removes the remote

git push <name> --delete <branch> : Delete remote branch

git config --global credential.helper store : Stores credentials to your disk



Setting Upstream



Adding origin only makes your local repo aware of existence of remote

Pulling at this stage without specifying explicitly will result in failure

- To set up corresponding remote branch for your current local branch, use
 - o git branch --set-upstream-to=<remote>/<branch>





...because everybody wants to fork

Creates a copy of the repository in GitHub server

Any changes you make on your fork will not affect the main repository



Pull Request



Beginning of your open source journey

To propose your changes to others' project

After you fork the repository, make changes and make a pull request

Project owner must accept your PR for your changes to be incorporated



Pull Request Workflow



- Make a fork of the project you want to contribute to
- Clone your fork locally
- Create a descriptive topic branch
- Make changes to the code
- Test it out
- Commit
- Push the topic branch to your GitHub fork
- Compare and create a pull request



Pull Request



Enough talk! Let's get our hands dirty