

Version Control System

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Repositories

Data flow and analyses

| Group | Directory | # Description |
|-------|----------------------|---|
| ktp | ETL.git | # ETL-scripts (with Pentaho Kettle) |
| ktp | refinery-scripts.git | # Data refinery and enrichments scripts (derived values) |
| ktp | analyses.git | # Matemactical and statistical analyses for automated use |
| ktp | poiminta.git | # Data subsetting and extraction scripts for R&D use |

Tools in production

| Group | Directory | # Description |
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| ktp | Common.git | # Generic scripts (including automated backups) |
| ktp | luovutusrekisteri.git | # KTP data extraction log for public www page |
| ktp | Luovutusprosessi.git | # Data extraction process (for Auria Biobank) |
| ktp | luovutusrekisteri_java.git | # KTP data extraction log |
| ktp | RtoolsKTP.git | # Generic CCI R utilities |
| auria | TextMine.git | # Auria text mine scripts |

Tools in test and prototypes

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| ktp | backend.git | # Mikko K's UI backend test |
| ktp | frontend.git | # Mikko K's UI frontend test |
| ktp | geojson_testing.git | # Mikko K's GeoJSON test |
| ktp | ktp_interface.git | # Mikko K's old UI repository |
| ktp | ktp_website.git | # Old KTP web page |
| ktp | api_dev.git | # Arho's REST-test |

Using Git

For more information on Git, consult

- Git Cheat Sheet,
- DZone Git Reference Card and
- Git Home Page

Figure 1. The basic Git workflow.

Pre-requisites for every user before using Git

These customizations are done on the clinet machine, e.g. at *ktpanalytics.vssh.net* or at the machine you happen to be using.

First, set user name and email (such that *git blame* can incriminate you for bugs):

```
git config --global author.name "Arho Virkki"
git config --global user.email "arho.virkki@vtt.fi"
git config --global push.default simple
```

Having colored output in the Terminal application is optional, but can clarify workflows

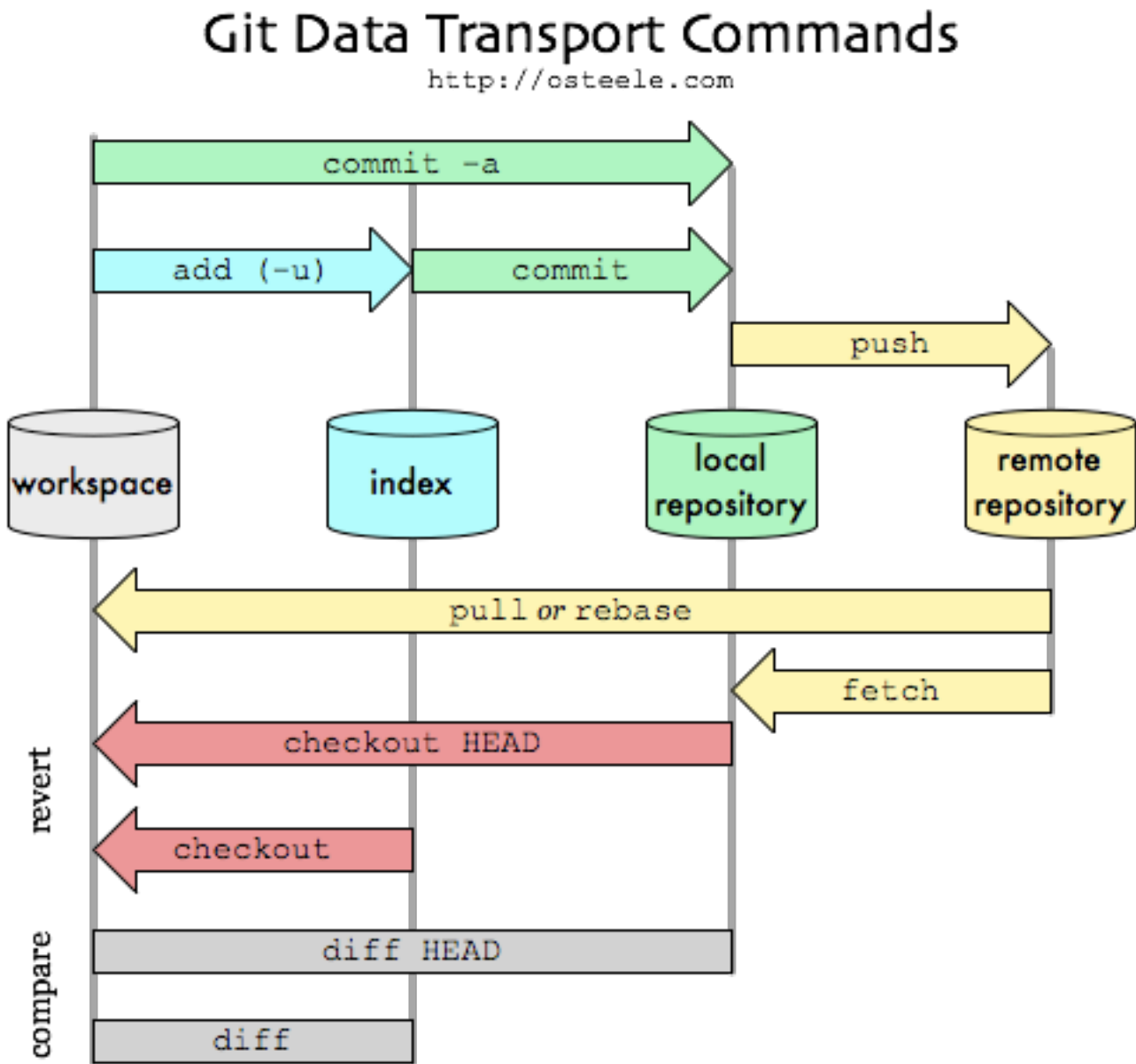


Figure 1:

```
git config --global color.diff auto
git config --global color.status auto
git config --global color.branch auto
```

For setting custom colors for the output of a specific command, add e.g. the following to the `~/.gitconfig` (this sets the colors for the status command)

```
[color "status"]
  added = green bold
  changed = magenta bold
  untracked = cyan bold
```

Git uses *vi* as the default editor. If that is not your preferred choice, choose *nano* instead: `* git config --global core.editor "nano"`

See that everything is saved in `~/.gitconfig`

```
git config --list
```

Finally, set up ssh keys to simplify usage (since the ssh password does not have to be typed every time). Generate a ssh-key-pair (do not overwrite the old key, if you have already done so)

```
ssh-keygen
```

and issue

```
ssh-copy-id -i ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub ktp@ktpgit.vssh.net
```

Creating a new Git repository

Bare Git repositories can be initiated in *shared mode* (`git init --bare --shared`), but in this example, all users access `ktpgit.vssh.net` with the single user account `ktp`.

Log in to `ktpgit.vssh.net`

```
ssh ktp@ktpgit.vssh.net
```

To create a repository called *KTPCommon*, issue

```
mkdir -p /opt/git/Common.git
cd /opt/git/Common.git
git init --bare
```

and log out. That's all.

In case that multiple users are needed at the `ktpgit.vssh.net` machine which can access the same repository, create a dedicated group (e.g. `git`) and set all members of the project as members in that group. When creating the Git repository, `git init --bare --shared` will set the SGID permissions correctly, if the directory ownership is set correctly.

Using the Newly Created Git Repository

On the local machine, issue

```
git clone ktp@ktpgit.vssh.net:/opt/git/KTPCommon.git
```

To obtain a copy of the Git repository.

In some situations, Git will not accept the local working directory path on VSSH M drive, e.g.

```
//vssh/fs/home/hammaisa/DATA/Git
```

To solve this:

```
cd M:
cd DATA
cd Git
git clone ktp@ktpgit.vssh.net:/opt/git/KTPCommon.git
```

About Repository Structure

Git repositories can be either live or bare. Bare repositories are initialized with `git init --bare`, with the optional `--shared` argument, they typically reside on the server, and only store the version history. Live repositories are used for the actual work. Bare repositories look like `/opt/git/MyRepo.git`, and the corresponding user repository look like `/home/user/workspace/MyRepo/`.

Git history

```
git log --oneline
git log --pretty=raw
git log --grep=<pattern from messages>
git log --author=<pattern from author>
git show -s --pretty=raw b8add21
```

Garbage collection

In Git term, garbage collection equals repository cleanup which may save space and speed up processing.

```
git gc
```

Excluding files in Git repositories

To exclude files in git, put them into `.git/info/exclude` where also wildcards and simple regular expressions are allowed. The other option is to create a file `.gitignore` and list the files there. Wildcards are allowed.

To use `.gitignore`, in terminal, navigate to the location of your Git repository and create a `.gitignore` file.

Example-1 if you would like to all *.xlsx files to be ignored from Git add following line in to `.gitignore`

```
*.xlsx
```

Example-2, if you like only .ipynb files to be covered by Git, add following two lines in to `.gitignore`

```
*.*
!*.ipynb*
```

Branching

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