

10,000 feet

Git is an open source, distributed version control system designed for speed and efficiency.

Every Git clone is a full-fledged repository with complete history and full revision tracking capabilities, not dependent on network access or a central server.

Internals

SHA-1 hash

af5626b4a114abcb82d63db7c8082c3c4756e51b

a checksum of the content you're storing plus a header

blob

immutable piece of content

```
$ echo 'Hello, world!' > greeting
$ git hash-object greeting
af5626b4a114abcb82d63db7c8082c3c4756e51b
```

tree

like a directory

contains the metadata (e.g. filename)

has blobs and other trees as leaf nodes

commit

snapshot of your repository

holds a tree and metadata

has one or more parents

only deltas are stored

understand commits, you understand git

branch

a named commit

name moves with the latest commit

tag

a named commit

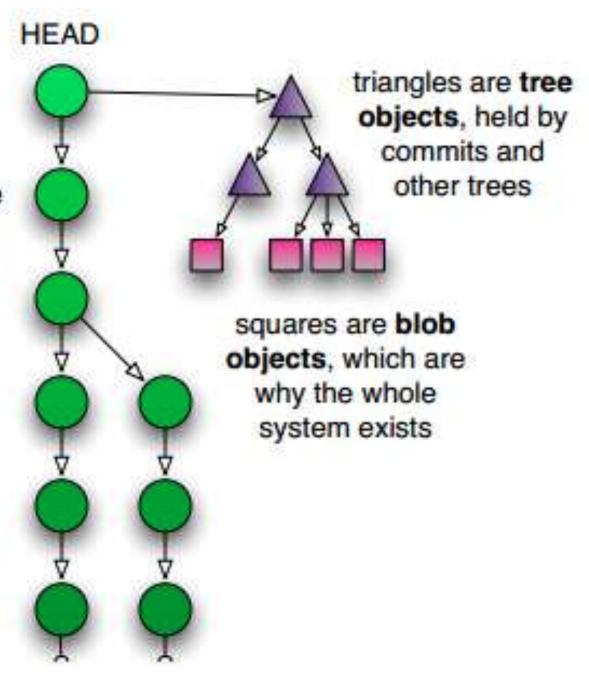
will always point at the same commit

HEAD

the latest commit in current branch

objects, which link to one or more parent commits — back to their original ancestor(s) — thus forming a "history"

> every commit holds a tree, and every tree may contain any number of other trees and blobs in its leaves



commit names

```
branchname
     tagname
      HEAD^
     HEAD^^
    tagname~5
 af562..3d29a
   af562..HEAD
af562..tagname^^^
```

basic commands

status / log

diff

remote / branch -av

.gitconfig / aliases

pull --rebase

Workflow

Changes go through several stages before ending up in their final destination

working dir current checkout - editing happens here

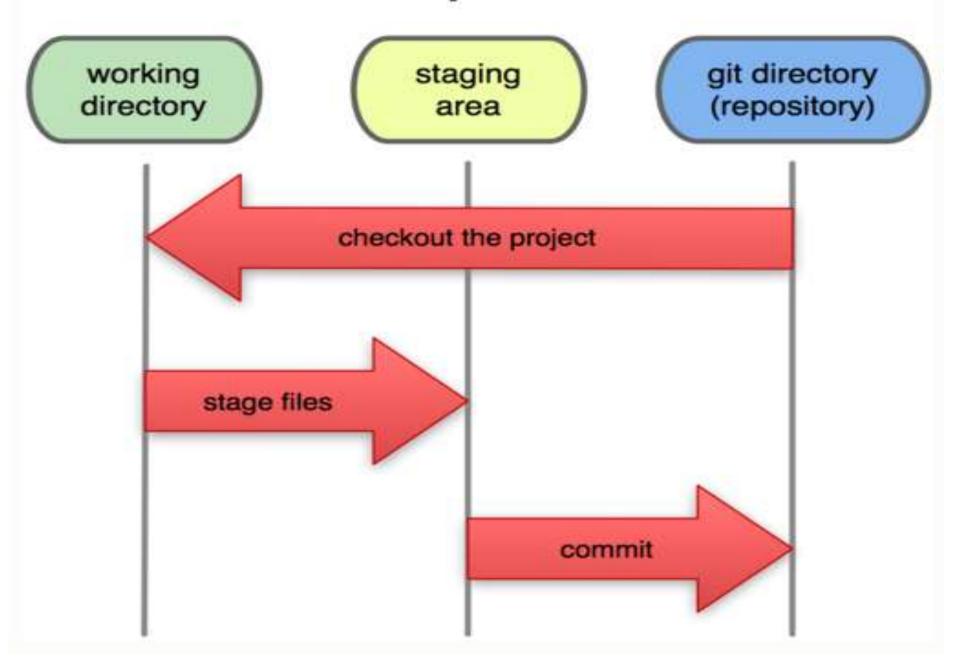
index aka "cache" aka "staging area" - changes that are selected to be committed

commit now packaged up with a commit message and part of the history

master branch move the commits over when the feature is finished

origin get the changes upstream

Local Operations



WORKSPACE

INDEX

LOCAL REPOSITORY

status

diff

add file... or dir...

add -u

add --interactive

rm file...

checkout file... or dir...

reset HEAD file1 file2

reset --soft HEAD^

diff --cached

commit -m 'msg'

commit --amend

Merge branch

Before

Command

\$ git merge topic

After

Rebase branch

Before

Command

\$ git rebase master topic

After

Alternative

\$ git rebase -i topic

pro commands

squash / rebase -i / cherry-pick

fork / pull requests (github)

merge

bisect

Q & A