Module 1-1

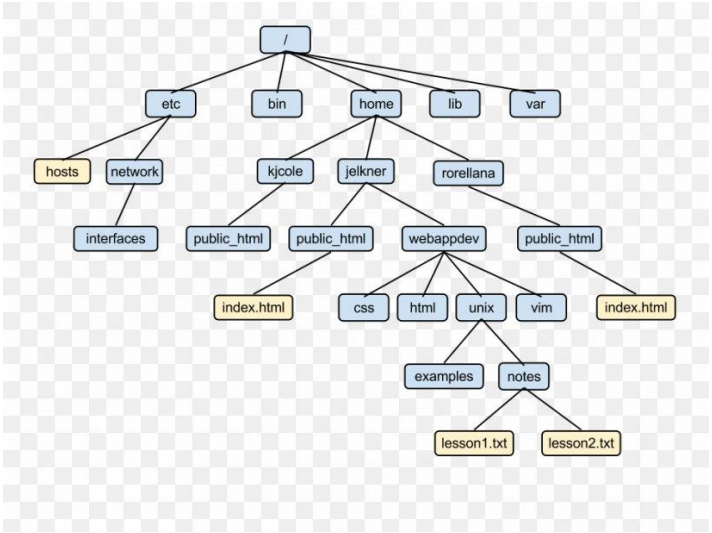
Command Line Shell & Version Control

Objectives

- Should be able to navigate files using the UI of their laptops
- Should be able to find and open a command line application
- Should have repository set up on their laptops
- Should be able to open Visual Studio Code as a text editor
- Should understand that there is a basic command line on their computers and how to use it
- Should understand pathing and hierarchical, parent-child structures
- Should remember the cd, ls, and pwd commands and how to use them
- Should understand what source control is
- Should have an understanding of what git is and what the workflow of it will be in the class

File System

- Method for organizing and storing files
  - Organized into tree structures
  - Drives contain folders and folders contain files
- Like a filing cabinet
- Files contain the data we want
  - Documents, spreadsheets, etc.
- Folders hold files and other folders
  - All files exist in some folder in the file system



What is a Command Line Shell?

- A shell is the means by which the user interacts with the computer.
  - Shells can be in the form of a graphical user interface (i.e. Windows, MacOS) – GUI or UI
  - Shells can be in the form of a command line, where users type in commands.
- Information Technology professionals should be familiar with **command line shells**.
- In this class we will be using GitBash, which allows for UNIX commands from a windows workstation.

Command Line Commands: Moving Around

- Data in your workstation are organized into files and folders.
- The main command to move around folder is *cd.* There are several variations of these:
  - **cd ~** : Returns you to your home directory.
  - **cd <directory name>** : Takes you to a specified directory i.e. cd workspace takes you to a folder called workspace
  - **cd ..** : Takes you one level up.
- You can always see what directory you're in by typing pwd.
- The **ls** command lists all the files in the current directory.
- The **ls –al** command will list all the files, including any hidden ones.

Let’s Try this!

Moving Around: Absolute Path

- When you used the pwd command, the output would have looked something like this:

```
Student@DELL-JAVA MINGW64 ~/workspace
$ pwd
/c/Users/Student/workspace
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Recall that pwd displays the current directory. Note that the response from this command is an absolute path since it starts with a slash (/).

Moving Around: Relative Path

- A relative path is differentiated from the absolute path by the absence of the initial slash:
  - **cd /c/Users/Student/workspace** uses an absolute path to get me to the workspace folder.
  - Alternatively, if I were already in my respective user folder (Student), typing **cd workspace** uses a relative path to get me to the workspace folder.

Moving Around: The Tilde (~)

- The tilde (~) is a special symbol used to denote the home directory. For all of your workstations this has been set to: /c/users/Student

    Student@DELL-JAVA MINGW64 ~/workspace
    $ **cd ~/workspace**

    Therefore, the above command will take you to: */c/Users/Student/workspace/*

Moving Around: Making Directories

- To create a directory we use the **mkdir <filename>** command.

Command Line Commands: Copying

- To copy a file from 1 directory to another: cp <source> <destination>

  Student@DELL-JAVA MINGW64 ~
  $ **cp ~/testdir/file.txt ~/othertestdir**

- To move a file from 1 directory to another: mv <source> <destination>

  Student@DELL-JAVA MINGW64 ~
  $ **mv ~/othertestdir/file.txt ~/testdir/**

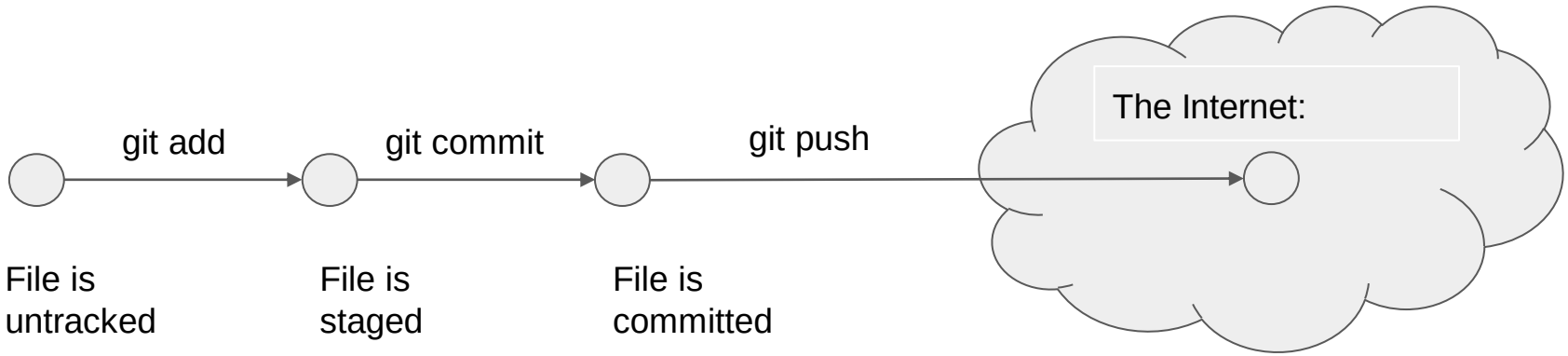
- Copy and Move differ in that the latter will remove the file from the source. With copy, the source retains a copy (pun intended) of the file.

Source Control : What it is

- Source control software allows developers to save and version their code.
- In this class, we will be using git / bitbucket.
- Git is an example of a distributed source control system, where a repository exists locally on your own workstation and on a central network location.

Source Control : Git Flow (Checking In Changes)

- **git status**: See the current status of your files.
- **git add -A:** Stage any files you have changed.
- **git commit -m “Commit message”**: Commit files to your local repository
- **git push origin master**: Push committed changes to network repository.



Source Control : Git Flow (Pulling Changes)

- **git pull upstream master:** Pulls latest from the remote repository.

- In this class we make a distinction between “upstream master” and “origin master”. Always pull from upstream master and push to origin master! There are some circumstances where this will change - the instructor will let you know.

Final Notes

- You want to pull often:
  - Pull when your instructors ask you to.
  - Pull first thing in the morning when you get to class.
  - Pull when you get back from lunch
  - Pull before you plan to push an assignment.
- Instructors will only grade what has been pushed to the BitBucket git repository. You can always check the web version of the repository to do a spot check to make sure what you pushed is actually there: **https://bitbucket.org/te-nlr-2010/yourname/src/master/**