

Git Basics Course

Introduction

- Welcome to the Git Basics Course
 - What is git?
 - Day to day usage
 - Managing development
 - Collaboration
 - Putting it all together
- No prior knowledge of Git is required



Course Modules



git







Module 1 – Introduction

The need for version control

The Need For Version Control?



- What do you do, when you want to keep a backup of a file
 - You may want to avoid overwriting it (just in case)?

 my_cv_backup.docx
 my_cv_v2.docx
 mycv_200214.docx
 mycv_clearvision.docx
 mycv_latest.docx
 mycv_microsoft.docx

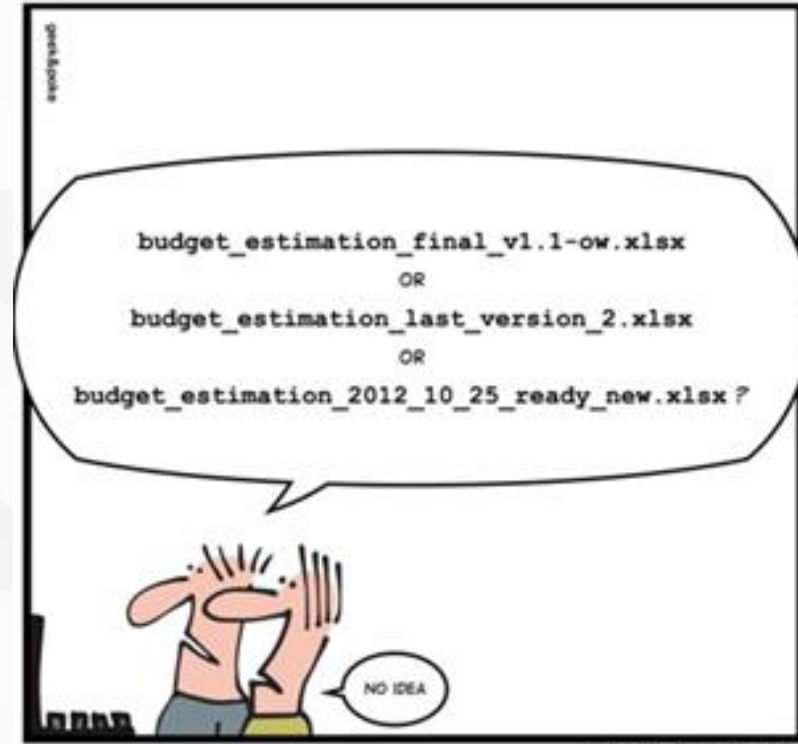
- Which of these cvs is the latest version?



The Need For Version Control?



- Imagine many collaborators, all treating files this way.
- How do others know which one to use?
- What if you are working on code? Will older versions compile / build?

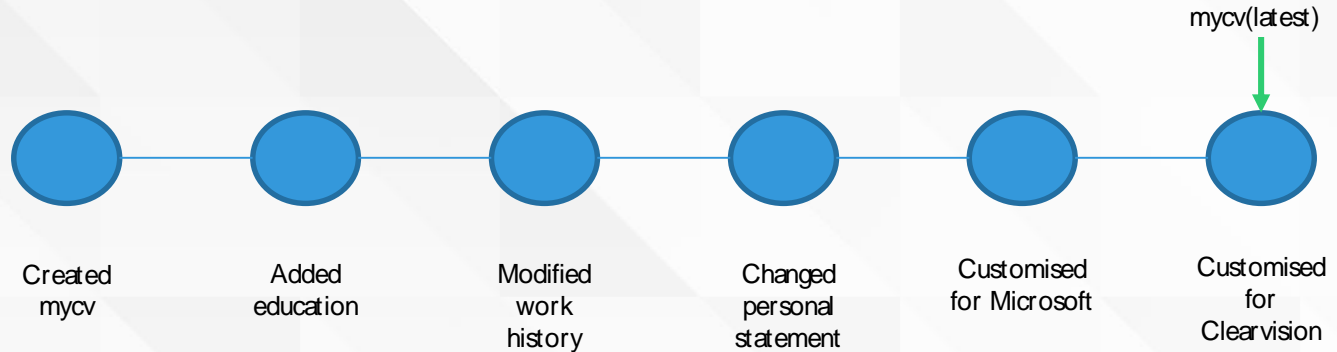


VERSION CONTROL

The Need For Version Control?

- Wouldn't it be better if we could identify the order these versions were created? And why?
- An entirely different view is possible...

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The history of Git and what it's all about

Activity – Hit or Myth

What is Git? – History

- Developed by Linus Torvalds (the founder of Linux)
- Began life as a selection of Perl scripts
- Created for use on the Linux kernel project



Linus Torvalds 2002

What is Git? – History

- Development started April 2005
- First official release later the same month
- Followed less than a month later by the first Linux kernel release utilising Git for version control
- The Linux project had a number of requirements

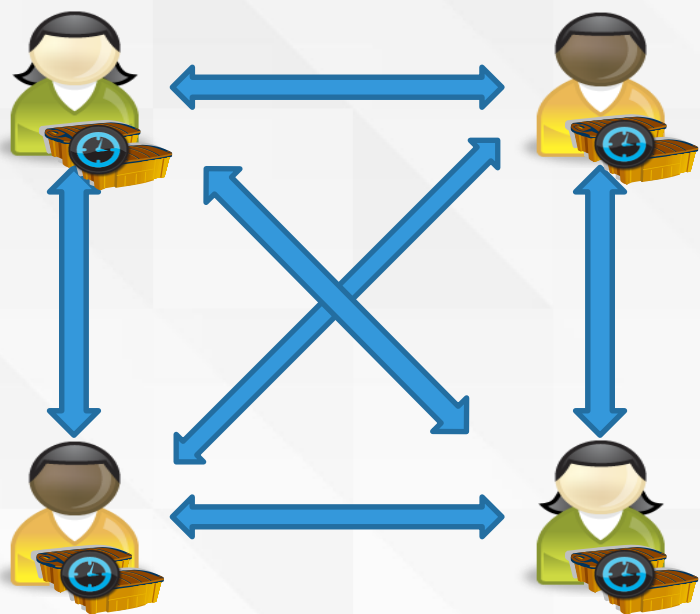


What is Git? – DVCS

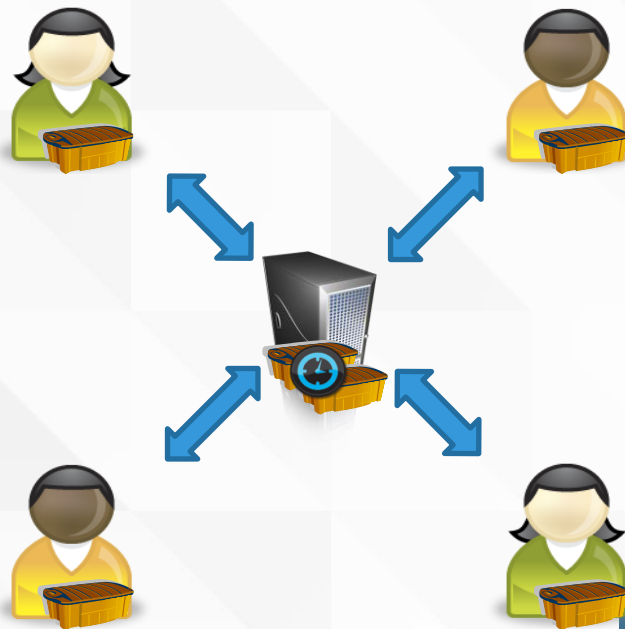
- Distributed Version Control System (DVCS)
 - Complete copy of all project artefacts locally
 - A locally available server and client
 - Ability to collaborate through any network connection
- Centralised Version Control System (CVCS)
 - Local Copy of project artefacts of a specific version
 - Local client, remote server
 - Collaboration must go through central storage.

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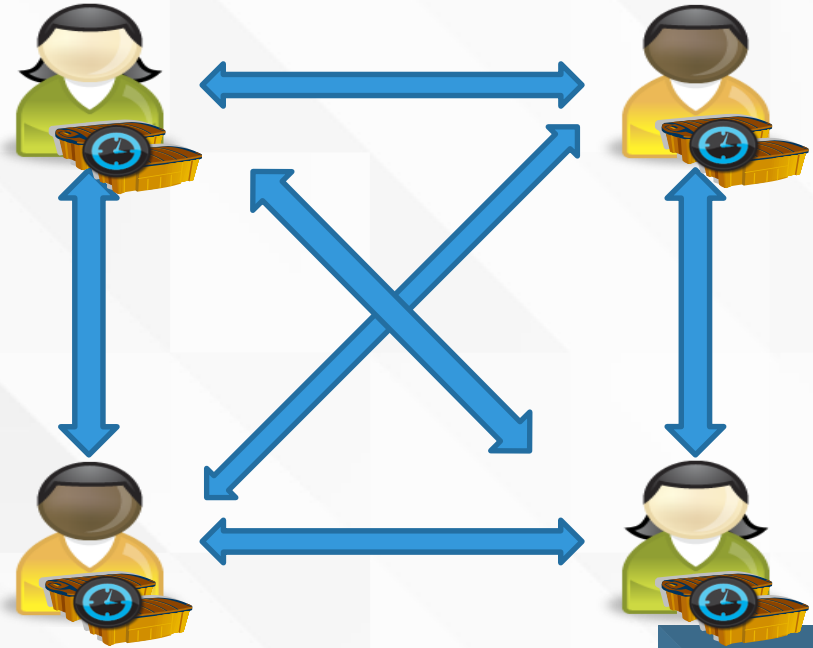


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What is Git? – DVCS Advantages

- Developers can work independently
 - And more productively
- Allows for easy 'draft' coding
- Distributed nature avoids single points of failure
 - Implicit 'backup'



What is Git? – Disadvantages

- Lack of controls
- Due to the entire history being included, the size of data to be copied to initialise can be large
- Both can be mitigated
 - Various security options
 - Compression (packing)
- And do not pose a significant barrier to DVCS

Git Design

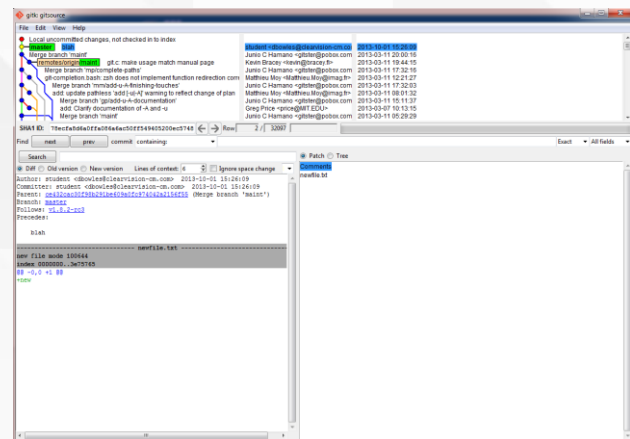
A brief summary of its make up and Gits terminology

Git Design – Some basics



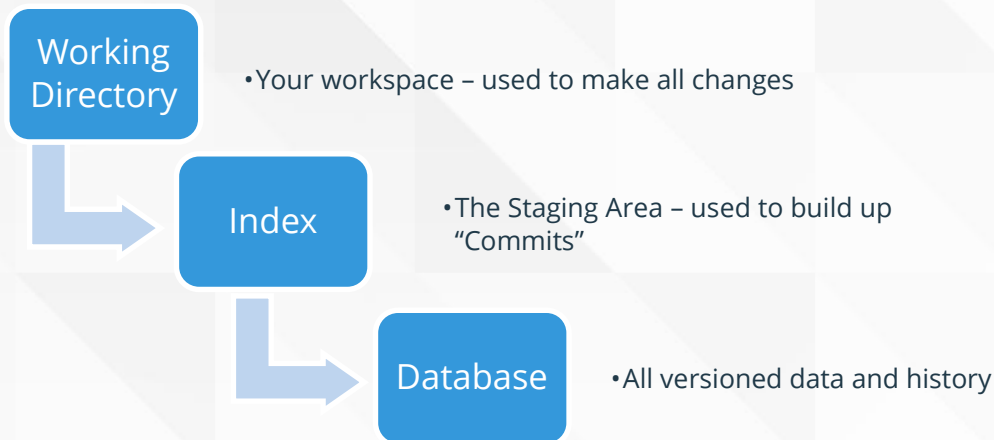
- A command line tool (Plumbing)
- Easy for developers to use
- Graphical options exist (Porcelain)
- Usually preferred by Windows users

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Git Bash
Darren@DARREN_CV /c
$ cd git_repos/
Darren@DARREN_CV /c/git_repos
$ mkdir training
Darren@DARREN_CV /c/git_repos
$ git init training/
Initialized empty Git repository in c:/git_repos/training/.git/
Darren@DARREN_CV /c/git_repos
$
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Git Design – Repositories

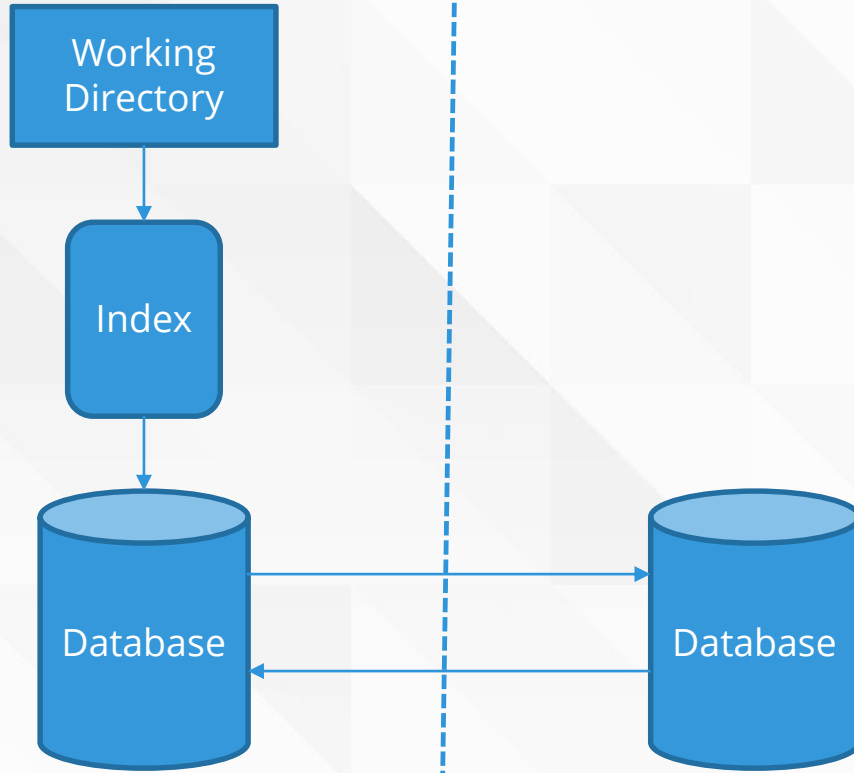
- Often abbreviated to “repo”
- A container for a versioned project including all of its resources and associated historical changes
- Consists of :



Git Design – Repositories

Local

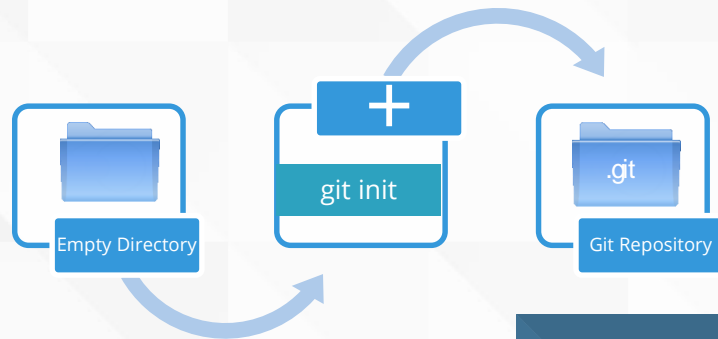
Remote



Git Design – Getting Started



- To start using Git you have two options
 - Create an empty local repository
 - “Clone” an existing remote repository.
 - The result will take an empty directory and turn it into a Git repository
- This is denoted by the presence of a “.git” directory



Lab Exercise

- 'Version Control Comparison'
- Complete the 'setup git' lab instructions

End of Module