

Git Repo System Admin Guide

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Overview

The intended audience for this Administrative Guide is the Event Management & Mediation (EM&M), (formerly Converged Event Management Platform (CEMP)), Configuration Management (CM) group. The associated user guide for this admin guide is the [EM&M Git Users Guide](#). The Git repo CFX-EMM-GITSystem is maintained with all files used to setup and maintain the EMM GIT Repository System.

The (EM&M) CM Repository System is where version management of EM&M source code and other elements occurs. The DNS names of the servers involved are:

- emm-git1.sys.comcast.net emmputl-po-7p.sys.comcast.net with an IP of 172.28.98.231.
- emm-git2.sys.comcast.net cmpu1l-ch2-4p.sys.comcast.net with an IP of 172.28.179.157.

This system is based on the [Git](#) tool. Administration of the Git repositories is being done with [Gitolite](#). The emm-git1 server is primary server and the emm-git2 server is the fail-over that is fully restored on a daily basis.

Notes:

1. The logon banners for the servers in this system has been adjusted since the git user access will be limited to gitolite controlled ssh sessions. Both emm-git:/etc/issue and emm-git:/etc/issue.net have been adjusted accordingly.
2. The files emm-git1,2:/root/README.txt file is maintained to communicate with any analyst that logs onto this system as "root" the intent and purpose of this system. This wiki document location is also mention in this README.txt file via the main primary index.html server files.
3. Followed instructions for [Atlas Client](#). Also did the following:
 - a. `cd /etc/yum.repos.d/ && mkdir OLD_REPOS/ && mv atlas* OLD_REPOS/`
 - b. Add a new the RHEL 6.x x86_64 repo:
 - c. `atlas-client repo-join --repo-id 92`
 - d. Clean up Yum:
 - i. `yum clean all`
 - ii. `yum list #` This will download all package definitions

Prerequisites

VM servers where setup using the [Service Catalog](#) and entering "vm setup" in the search window, then click on **Go**.



Select "Add New VM" and a window will be opened for setting up a request for a new VM system.



You need to be aware of how the new VM will be added to the [iTRC System](#).

Verify the VM server(s) have been setup in CADA Host Table [SEO_Unix_Cemp_CM](#). If not, open JIRA issue with [NSO Access Control](#): (This is what should be opened by the [Service Catalog](#) via Infrastructure Services -> Access Request -> Host Access Requests -> Linux/Unix CADA Kerberos Hosts)

1. Open JIRA AC project Issue, Type is Task
2. In summary, "Add new Host(s) to CADA Host Group"
3. Select "GUI Access - RSA or CADA" in Component/s field pulldown
4. Add text in Description of JIRA issue like this example:
"Please add host emmputl-po-7p.sys.comcast.net to EMM CADA Host Group [SEO_Unix_Cemp_CM](#)."
5. CC EM&M CM Team, and any other appropriate manager(s) on this ticket.
Note: - Reference example ticket [AC-26941](#).

Verify CM team logon. May need to open Service Catalog ticket for the SAs to install the CADA RPMs on the server.

The access protocols supported for Git on this system are:

- http - read only via **snapshot** of given project branch/release.
- ssh - read write

Access

Access to this system is controlled by [CADA](#), host group [SEO_Unix_Cemp_CM](#) via [iTRC](#) application [EM&M Versioning System](#). Once conversion from the [CEMP CVS repository](#) to [EMM-GIT](#) is complete, the CADA host group [SEO_Unix_Cemp_CM](#) can have most all user groups removed from it's association other than CADA User group [SEO_Unix_Cemp_CM_Admins](#).

Git user read/write access is via ssh keys. Git user read only access using [Gitweb](#) via emm-git1.sys.comcast.net primary server and emm-git2.sys.comcast.net fail-over server.

Operating Systems

The EM&M Git repository system is based two servers with the CentOS GNU/Linux operating system.

1. emm-git1.sys.comcast.net at the Potomac datacenter in Denver.
2. emm-git2.sys.comcast.net at the Chicago datacenter.

```
[root@emmutl-po-7p ~]# cat /etc/*release*
CentOS release 6.4 (Final)
LSB_VERSION=base-4.0-amd64:base-4.0-noarch:core-4.0-amd64:core-4.0-noarch:graphics-4.0-amd64:graphics-4.0-noarch:printing-4.0-amd64:
cat: /etc/lsb-release.d: Is a directory
CentOS release 6.4 (Final)
CentOS release 6.4 (Final)
cpe:/o:centos:linux:6:GA
[root@emmutl-po-7p ~]# uname -a
Linux emmutl-po-7p.sys.comcast.net 2.6.32-358.23.2.el6.x86_64 #1 SMP Wed Oct 16 18:37:12 UTC 2013 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
[root@emmutl-po-7p ~]#

[root@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]# cat /etc/*release*
CentOS release 6.3 (Final)
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]# uname -a
Linux cmputl-ch2-4p.sys.comcast.net 2.6.32-279.22.1.el6.x86_64 #1 SMP Wed Feb 6 03:10:46 UTC 2013 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]# date
Fri Nov 8 01:29:26 UTC 2013
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]#
```

Application Users

In Comcast, users are considered application users when:

- Access is granted only through ssh keys or sudo'ing from a valid Comcast userid.
- Passwords are not used and password aging is disabled.

The following application users have been setup on cmputl-ch2-4p.sys.comcast.net:

- git
- jenkins
- cmadmin
- apache

The following application users has been setup on emmutl-po-7p.sys.comcast.net:

- git
- cmadmin
- apache

```
cp /etc/passwd /etc/passwd-orig
cp /etc/group /etc/group-orig
cp /etc/shadow /etc/shadow-orig
cp /etc/gshadow /etc/gshadow-orig
useradd [userid]
example useradd -g git cmadmin
cp /etc/group /etc/group-
cp /etc/passwd /etc/passwd-
cp /etc/shadow /etc/shadow-
cp /etc/gshadow /etc/gshadow-
```

Fix password aging for usernames git, jenkins, and cmadmin:
chage -M 99999 <username>

Network DNS Names

DNS names where setup with the [IPAM DNS System](#). Following is an example of an email you get from IPAM DNS after entering a request. You can use the links to see how to enter a request in this system. This example sets up emm-git2 on the Chicago VM system cmputl-ch2-4p.sys.comcast.net. For any new DNS names you setup, add them to the appropriate device records in iTRC as aliases.

From: [CHQ -- IPAM-Requests]
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2014 11:18 AM
To: Wallace, Andrew
Subject: Your request has been submitted: 172912

emailDnsRequest

Type: dns_request
ID: 172912
Request Status: Submitted
Requester: Wallace, Andrew
Requester(Email): andrew_wallace@cable.comcast.com
Requester(Phone): (720) 267-2677/null
CR#:
Assigned To:
Queue: DNS_TEAM_QUEUE CHQ--IPAM-Requests@cable.comcast.com
Notes:

**Please note there is a 24 hour SLA. Once the ticket is processed, please allow 2-4 hours for propagation. [Click here to edit request](#)
[Click here to view \(Read Only\) request](#)

You can use the [iTRC System](#) for cutting and pasting FQDN names.

Applications

The following applications are listed in the order they were installed on this server. If you are setting up a new server for this Git Repo System, it is recommended you review this document in it's entirety before starting this task.

Administrator Communication

For all administrators that may access the servers as "root" for this system, a README.txt file has been placed in the "root" userid home directory of each system server. This file is also maintained in the git repo CFX_EMM-GIT-System for each system server.

Git

The [Git Fast Version Control](#) system is being setup on this system to replace The [CEMP CVS repository system](#). It has been installed as follows:

To install Git for the EM&M repository system, the following libraries that Git depends on need to be installed: curl, zlib, openssl, expat, and libiconv.

```
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]# yum install curl-devel expat-devel gettext-devel \
> openssl-devel zlib-devel
...
Complete!
```

Compile and Install

Notes:

- EPEL Does not work in this environment
- Do Compile and Install as root

download the latest git tar.gz from <https://code.google.com/p/git-core/downloads/list> to /root/downloads

Note: git-1.9.0.tar.gz was downloaded and added to the CFX_EMM-GIT-System git repo.

Verify SHA1 checksum with all git downloads, here an example:

```
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p tmp]# sha1sum git-1.9.0.tar.gz
e60667fc16e5a5f1cde46616b0458cc802707743 git-1.9.0.tar.gz
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p tmp]#
```

```
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p downloads]# tar -zxf git-1.9.0.tar.gz
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p downloads]# cd git-1.9.0
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p downloads]# make prefix=/usr/local all
{Compile output ....}
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p git-1.9.0]# make prefix=/usr/local install
{Install output ....}
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p git-1.9.0]#
```

Install Man Pages

download the latest git-manpages tar.gz from <https://code.google.com/p/git-core/downloads/list> to /root/downloads

Note: git-manpages-1.9.0.tar.gz was downloaded and added to the CFX_EMM-GIT-System git repo.

```
[root@emmutl-po-7p downloads]# sha1sum git-manpages-1.9.0.tar.gz
cff590c92b4d1c8a143c078473140b653cc5d56a git-manpages-1.9.0.tar.gz
[root@emmutl-po-7p downloads]#
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p git-1.9.0]# cd /usr/local/share/man
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p man]# tar -zxvf /root/downloads/git-manpages-1.9.0.tar.gz
```

Verify

```
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]# git --version
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]# man git
```

- **NOTE:** Also verified that "yum update" did not change the git install from git version 1.9.0.

Git Upgrade Procedure

As root, follow instructions for Compile and Install, and Install Man Pages.
Update repo CFX-EMM-GITSystem with new downloads, removing old ones after testing.

```
yum update curl-devel expat-devel gettext-devel openssl-devel zlib-devel
(or more generally "yum update")
download git-[release number].tar.gz from https://code.google.com/p/git-core/downloads/list to git repo CFX_EMM-GIT-System.
```

Verify SHA1 checksum with all git downloads, here an example:
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p tmp]# sha1sum git-[release number].tar.gz
e60667fc16e5a5f1cde46616b0458cc802707743 git-1.9.0.tar.gz
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p tmp]#

Upload git-[release number].tar.gz from git repo CFX_EMM-GIT-System to upgrade server. (/root/upload maybe)
tar -zxvf git-[release number].tar.gz
cd git-[release number]
make prefix=/usr/local all
make prefix=/usr/local install
cd /usr/local/share/man
tar -zxvf /root/downloads/git-manpages-[release number].tar.gz

Apache

Used to support read access to git repositories via the httpd daemon on this server. Also support git documentation.

Install httpd

```
[awalla5075k@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]$ sudo yum install httpd
```

Configure Apache

- Set the apache service to start on boot:

```
[awalla5075k@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]$ sudo chkconfig --levels 235 httpd on
```

- Enable name-based virtual hosting on port 80:

```
[awalla5075k@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]$ cd /etc/httpd/conf
[awalla5075k@cmputl-ch2-4p conf]$ sudo cp httpd.conf httpd.conf.orig
```

- Set permissions so git user can configure apache
(Enables git user to configure apache for git usage. Removes need to logon as root for future maintenance.)

As root on both primary and fail-over systems:

```
cd /var/www
chmod -R g+w *
chgrp -R git *
cd /etc/httpd
chmod -R g+w conf conf.d
chgrp -R git conf conf.d
```

- As git, open the httpd configuration file located at /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf
- Un-comment the line containing the text NameVirtualHost *:80
- Save the file

Configure Virtual Hosts

Reference Virtualhost instructions at <http://dev.antoinesolutions.com/apache-server/>.

- Prepare CFX_EMM-GIT-System/git1,2-server/repository.conf for new server

```
[git@server] cd /etc/httpd/conf.d
[git@server] cp CFX_EMM-GIT-System/git1,2-server/repository.conf .
```

- Setup the Virtual host directory:
[root@server]# cd /app
[root@server]# mkdir git-repos
[root@server]# chown git:git git-repos
Note: cmpul1-ch2-4p was setup with /db/mysql rather the /app. Using /app on new VMs moving forward.

Configure and Install Index Pages

- Prepare CFX_EMM-GIT-System/git1,2-server/noindex.html file
 - Diff with /var/www/error/noindex.html on new server, account for diffs.

```
[git@server]# cd /var/www/error
[git@server]# cp noindex.html noindex.html-orig
[git@server]# cp CFX_EMM-GIT-System/git1,2-server/noindex.html .
```

- Prepare CFX_EMM-GIT-System/git1,2-server/index.html file

```
[git@server]# cd /var/www/index
[git@server]# cp CFX_EMM-GIT-System/git1,2-server/index.html .
```

- Copy Git logo files to each EMM git1,2 server

```
[git@server]# cd /var/www/icons
[git@server]# cp CFX_EMM-GIT-System/git-logo.png .
[git@server]# cp CFX_EMM-GIT-System/gitweb-logo.png .
```

Restart Apache and Test

```
[awalla5075k@server]$ sudo service httpd restart
```

1. Verify "http://emm-git1.sys.comcast.net" or "http://emm-git2.sys.comcast.net" in browser accordingly.
2. rename /var/www/html/index.html hold.html
3. Verify noindex.html error condition
4. rename /var/www/html/hold.html index.html
5. Verify "http://emm-git1.sys.comcast.net" or "http://emm-git2.sys.comcast.net" in browser accordingly.

Gitolite

Application for managing ssh keys and general repository access. Reference [section 4.8](#) of the [Git Documentation](#).

Pre-Install

1. Read through all steps in this section before actually doing the install.
2. Instructions referenced for this initial install at <http://gitolite.com/gitolite/qi.html>.
3. Adhere to <http://gitolite.com/gitolite/WARNINGS.html>.
4. Since this system has both "Primary" and "Fail-Over" servers, be familiar with [Moving Servers](#) content (including links).
5. Download gitolite-master.zip from <https://github.com/sitaramc/gitolite> to Git repo CFX_EMM-Git-System.
6. Upload gitolite-master.zip to server:/tmp. Git user will copy from there.
 - a. NOTE: Since we can't execute "git clone git://github.com/sitaramc/gitolite" as indicated in ~/gitolite/README.txt file, The previous steps were done.
7. Logon to server and sudo to git.
8. Follow instructions for "Installation and Setup" in ~/gitolite/README.txt.
 - a. Note: While executing, gitolite/install -ln, got message "git describe failed; cannot deduce version number". To correct, see "Fix Gitolite version indicator" section below.
9. Go back to [Moving Servers](#) and make sure the "Primary" and "Fail-Over" servers are setup correctly.

Install

- On windows workstation:

1. Download zip from <https://github.com/sitaramc/gitolite> after setting site for desired release. (started with master)

- a. This was done by selecting branch under blue bar and identifying Master branch
2. Copy gitolite-master.zip to git repo CFX_EMM-GIT-System
 - a. Keeps actual files used available for future reference.
3. cp gitolite-master.zip to [server:/tmp]
4. cp awalla5075.pub to [server:/tmp]

- **On server logged on as git:**

```
[git@server]$ pwd
/home/git
[git@server]$ mkdir bin
[git@server]$ cp /tmp/awalla5075k.pub .
[git@server]$ cp /tmp/gitolite-master.zip .
[git@server]$ unzip gitolite-master.zip
[git@server]$ rm gitolite-master.zip
[git@server]$ cd gitolite-master
[git@server]$ ./install -to $HOME/bin
[git@server]$ gitolite setup -pk awalla5075k.pub
Initialized empty Git repository in /home/git/repositories/gitolite-admin.git/
Initialized empty Git repository in /home/git/repositories/testing.git/
WARNING: /home/git/.ssh missing; creating a new one
(this is normal on a brand new install)
WARNING: /home/git/.ssh/authorized_keys missing; creating a new one
(this is normal on a brand new install)
```

- **In /home/git, mv contents of repositories to /app/git-repos. Create softlink repositories -> /app/git-repos**

- **Need to sudo chown git:git /app/git-repos**

```
[git@server]$ cd repositories
[git@server]$ mv * /app/git-repos
[git@server]$ ln -s /app/git-repos repositories
```

- Update .gitolite.rc as follows:

- Add Following line to ROLES definition under READERS and WRITERS:


```
OWNERS => 1,
```
- Follow instructions in .gitolite.rc for adding more roles.

- **Setup servers for backup/restore**

Logged on fail-over (or primary as required) server as git:

```
$ cd ~/.ssh
```

```
$ ssh-keygen -t rsa -f git (create on one server, move to the other)
```

- Copy git and git.pub to git repo CFX-EMM-GitSystem
- Copy git and git.pub to primary server /home/git/.ssh directory
- Copy following files from CFX-EMM-GitSystem repo to primary and fail-over servers:
 - CFX-EMM-GITSystem/[primary-server/failover-server]/ssh_config-cmadmin to [primary/failover]:/home/git/.ssh/config
- On both primary and failover servers:
 - set permissions of following files:


```
-rw-r----- 1 git git 1820 Jul 30 21:57 config
-rw-r----- 1 git git 1675 Jul 30 22:03 git
-rw-r----- 1 git git 415 Jul 30 22:04 git.pub
```
 - Update git.pub key as follows: (git ssh key should be after "# gitolite end" line)


```
$ cat git.pub >> authorized_keys
```

- **On your workstation:**

```
# clone the admin repo so you can start adding stuff
git clone emm-git:gitolite-admin.git
# Note 1: clone path must not include "repositories/"
# Note 2: it may include the ".git" at the end but it is optional
```

- While testing:

Found that the wrong information is in ~/.ssh/known_hosts file. Reference [Appendix 4: ssh host aliases](#):

Adjust the system logon banner

Since gitolite controlled ssh sessions are the only access allowed, the following was done:

```
[root@server]# pwd
/etc
[root@server]# cp issue issue-orig
[root@server]# cp issue.net issue.net-orig
```

- copy issue and issue.net from appropriate server directory in git repo CFX-EMM-GIT-System to server:/etc

Gitolite New System and Restore Notes

- Upgrades, system changes, and fixes are tested on the fail-over system first (emm-git2); then scheduled for the primary system

(emm-git1).

System Restore

After a new system has been setup, following all install related instructions in this guide to this point, using following steps as required:

On the new server logged on as git:

1. Copy all repositories from active EM&M Git System server to this new server's repository directory (should be /app/git-repos).
 - a. Note: Left the new repos gitolite-admin.git and testing.git alone. Copied all others over:
 - i. cfx-branch.git
 - ii. cfx-emm-cm.git
 - iii. CFX-MANILLA.git
 - iv. DATA-XfinityWifi.git
 - v. foo.git
2. Shut off "git push" on "fail-over" server. Run gitolite writable -h for more info.
[git@server]\$ gitolite writable @all off Git push disabled, fail-over server.
3. Copy the \$HOME/.gitolite.rc file from the old server, overwriting the one on the new primary server.
4. Run gitolite setup.
5. Initialize backup functionality on this new server and restore functionality on current fail-over server. **Not yet done until testing of new system occurs.**

On your workstation, in the git rep gitolite-admin:

1. Initialize the gitolite.conf file with the currently active EMM Git System. This will ensure the new primary server is in sync with the access policies established and documented in the EMM Git User Guide:
 - a. copy gitolite.conf to gitolite.conf-orig
 - b. overwrite gitolite.conf with currently active gitolite.conf
2. Initialize the gitolite-admin repo's key directory with the currently active EMM Git System. This will ensure the correct set of user keys for the currently active EMM Git System. **Be Careful with the initial admin key for the new gitolite-admin repo.**
 - a. copy ??/gitolite-admin/keydir/*.pub .
3. Check in changes to new gitolite-admin repo and push to new server.
4. Verify new Gitolite setup is functioning correctly by running the following:
 - a. ssh git@emm-git info lc

This section will take more passes before complete.

Upgrading Gitolite

This section based on [Gitolite Upgrading](#) documentation. Update version number in this section when it is exercised. This indicates the current version installed in the EMM Git System.

This needs to be done on both EMM Git System servers starting with fail-over server for testing purposes.

Review Gitolite documentation that may be specific to the Gitolite release you are upgrading from to the release you are upgrading to. Be sure to review the "CHANGELOG" file at [github sitaramc/gitolite](#).

1. Download zip from <https://github.com/sitaramc/gitolite> after setting site for desired release. (v3.6.1 currently)
 - a. This was done by selecting tag under blue bar and identifying v3.6.1 tag
2. Copy gitolite-3.6.1.zip to git repo CFX-EMM-GITSystem
 - a. Keeps actual files used available for future reference.
 - b. After successful install and test, remove current gitolite-[release].zip from CFX-EMM-GITSystem
3. cp gitolite-3.6.1.zip to [server:/tmp]
4. cp awalla5075.pub to [server:/tmp]

- Update your clone of the gitolite source.

On server logged on as git:

```
[git@server]$ pwd
```

```
/home/git
```

```
[git@server]$ cp /tmp/awalla5075k.pub . (This should be the original admin key.)
```

```
[git@server]$ cp /tmp/gitolite-3.6.1.zip .
```

```
[git@server]$ unzip gitolite-3.6.1.zip
```

```
[git@server]$ rm gitolite-3.6.1.zip
```

```
[git@server]$ rm -fr gitolite-master
```

```
[git@server]$ cd gitolite-3.6.1
```

- Repeat the install command you used earlier (make sure you use the same arguments as before).

```
[git@server]$ ./install -to $HOME/bin
```

```
git describe failed; cannot deduce version number
```

```
[git@server]$
```

(Due to previous "git describe failed" note, updated ~HOME/bin/VERSION with (v3.6.1))

- Run gitolite setup.

```
[git@server]$ gitolite setup
```


Gitolite Admininstration

Link used for administrating Gitolite reference.

GitWeb

As root:

```
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p git]# pwd
/opt/git
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p git]# yum install gitweb
...
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p git]#
```

Update /etc/gitweb.conf as follows:

```
[root@server]$ cp gitweb.conf gitweb.conf-orig
```

- For emm-git1 set "our \$projectroot =/app/git-repos";
- For emm-git2 set "our \$projectroot = "/db/mysql/git-repo";

```
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p git]# service httpd restart
```

GitWeb Maintenance

GitWeb is configured from /etc/gitweb.conf. By default, the GitWeb view is controlled by file /home/git/projects.list. by adjusting /etc/gitweb.conf, (comment out \$projects_list variable), the \$projectroot variable setting (and file permissions) will dictate what is view-able by gitweb.

By default, the temporary repos created by analysts are not view-able from gitweb. Since each individual analyst can use "ssh git@emm-git info" to see what repos they have access to, it was determined the temporary repos do not need to be view-able from gitweb.

Initial DevLead repos are treated like temporary repos until they are moved to the permanent repository location and updated for GitWeb usage.

Currently documented this procedure in a gitolite.conf preamble while it is being tested. Once testing completed, both this doc and user guide will need to be updated accordingly.

Note that further documentation on gitweb is available at directory /usr/share/doc/gitweb-1.7.1 of the cmputl-ch2-4p.sys.comcast.net server.

Gitolite Admin Updates Performed

To setup project or repo-name for http read access:

```
$ cd project.git
$ mv hooks/post-update.sample hooks/post-update
$ chmod a+x hooks/post-update
$ ./post-update
```

Fix Gitolite version indicator

- Logon to server as git

```
[git@server]$ cd bin
[git@server]$ ls -l
total 40
drwxrwxr-x 2 git git 4096 Jan 14 15:16 commands
-rwxr-xr-x 1 git git 3083 Jan 14 15:16 gitolite
-rwxr-xr-x 1 git git 8363 Jan 14 15:16 gitolite-shell
drwxrwxr-x 3 git git 4096 Jan 14 15:16 lib
drwxrwxr-x 2 git git 4096 Jan 14 15:16 syntactic-sugar
drwxrwxr-x 3 git git 4096 Jan 14 15:16 triggers
rw-rw-r- 1 git git 9 Jan 20 19:45 VERSION
drwxrwxr-x 2 git git 4096 Jan 14 15:16 VREF
[git@cmputl-ch2-4p src]$ vi VERSION
(v3.x)
`
,
"VERSION" 1L, 7C written
[git@server]$
```

Add Description for gitolite-admin repo:

```
awalla5075k@CO183LCETENG08 ~/git-server-admin/gitolite-admin (master)
$ ssh git@emm-git info -lc -ld
hello awalla5075k, this is git@cmputl-ch2-4p running gitolite3 (v3.x) on git 1.8.4.4

R W cfx_emm_cm Cross Functional EMM Configuration Management
R W foo
R W gitolite-admin Unnamed repository; edit this file 'description' to name the repository
R W testing

awalla5075k@CO183LCETENG08 ~/git-server-admin/gitolite-admin (master)
$ ssh git@emm-git desc gitolite-admin "Git repo used to administer the repos on the emm-git server."

awalla5075k@CO183LCETENG08 ~/git-server-admin/gitolite-admin (master)
$ ssh git@emm-git info -lc -ld
hello awalla5075k, this is git@cmputl-ch2-4p running gitolite3 (v3.x) on git 1.8.4.4

R W cfx_emm_cm Cross Functional EMM Configuration Management
R W foo
R W gitolite-admin Git repo used to administer the repos on the emm-git server.
R W testing

awalla5075k@CO183LCETENG08 ~/git-server-admin/gitolite-admin (master)
$
```

Admin Tasks

Setup New Users

New users will send their public ssh key per section [SSH Public Key](#) of the [EM&M Git User Guide](#).

When setting up new ssh keys, updates will be required in the gitolite-admin repo in the keydir directory and the conf/gitolite.conf file.

1. Be aware of the current crontab schedule for cmputl-ch2-4p:/git/bin/gitsys-failover-mirror.bsh. Time the following "git push" runs accordingly.
2. Update both the primary and fail-over servers for this repo per the following [Updates for gitolite-admin repo](#) section.
3. Verify the public keys have been added to the following directories on the EM&M Git System servers. You will need to check the fail-over server after a cmputl-ch2-4p:/git/bin/gitsys-failover-mirror.bsh script run. If the gitolite.conf/keys have not been added/updated in these directories, the user ssh keys will not function correctly:
 - emmutl-po-7p:/git/.gitolite/keydir
 - emmutl-po-7p:/git/.gitolite/conf/gitolite.conf
 - cmputl-ch2-4p:/git/.gitolite/keydir
 - cmputl-ch2-4p:/git/.gitolite/conf/gitolite.conf
4. Send an email back to the User and their manager based on the following example:

User Name,

Your EM&M Git System ssh public key has been setup successfully.
You have been setup as a [General analyst|Developer|Developer Lead].

You can now continue in the [EM&M Git System User Guide](#) with section [Add SSH Aliases](#).

Regards,

Fail-over System

The EM&M Git System consists of a "primary" and "fail-over" system. The fail-over system is designed to be updated automatically as changes occur on the primary system using Git clone and fetch commands.

The script gitsys-failover-mirror.bsh is run from the git userid crontab on the failover system. This keeps the load off of the primary system. This script is maintained in the git repo CFX-EMM-GITSystem. The git crontab entry on the fail-over server is also maintained in the CFX-EMM-GITSystem repo at app/fail-over-server/crontab-file.txt.

Please review the preamble in the gitsys-failover-mirror.bsh script, installed at fail-over:/home/git/bin, for daily Usage and Monitoring tasks.

A dependency of the gitsys-failover-mirror.bsh script is the ssh config file for each git .ssh directory on both the failover and primary servers. Copies of this config file for both servers are maintained in the CFX-EMM-GITSystem repo. They are named ssh_config-git in the repo and installed as ~/.ssh/config on both the primary and fail-over servers under the git userid. These values vary for each server so two copies are maintained.

The git user is setup as a gitolite controlled userid in the gitolite-admin repo so Git functionality can be used in the gitsys-backuprestore.bsh

Updates for gitolite-admin repo

You **MUST** update both the primary and fail-over servers with separate git push commands for any changes made to this repo. This is the EM&M Git System management repo. It is duplicated on both the primary and fail-over servers for fail-over functionality. Be sure to setup two remote settings for your local copy of this repo. **Verify your changes you are about to push with all who push for this repo.**

Git push capability is off by default on the fail-over server via the gitolite writable utility (ssh git@fail-over writable -h). You must turn this on and then when updating the fail-over server with gitolite-admin repo pushes. The default text-string for turning off writable for the fail-over server is in the following "writable @all off" command. The following commands are executed from your gitolite-admin repo for any updates to this repo when pushing them to the EM&M Git System servers:

```
$ git push                                ---
Updates the primary server (default remote)
(output from git push ... )
$
$ ssh git@fail-over writable @all on      ---
Makes all repos writable on the fail-over
server
WARNING: This system is solely for the use
of authorized Comcast employees and
contractors.
$
$ git push failover                       ---
Git push to failover remote defined earlier
(output from git push ... )
$
$ ssh git@fail-over writable @all off "This
is the fail-over server. The git push option
is disabled".
WARNING: This system is solely for the use
of authorized Comcast employees and
contractors.
$
```

NOTE: When managing the gitolite-admin repo, you **MUST** push to both the primary and fail-over servers for any updates. Set up two remote entries in your gitolite-admin repo to do this.

Still working on full backup for daily, weekly, and monthly requirements. Following is an example script that may be useful.

- `git-archive-all.sh`

Access Check Email Example

From: Wallace, Andrew
Sent: Wednesday, September 24, 2014 8:07 AM
To: Kora, Varalakshmi
Cc: Galambos, Robert; Woodcock, Bruce (Contractor); Sell, Robert; Nair, Abhilash; Smith, Dan E; Schulz, Mike; Hoopes, Eric; Gray, Eric (Contractor); Frazier, Chris
Subject: RE: GIT - ssh key

Lakshmi,

You access looks correct and is functioning as follows:

As a devlead, you have:

- Creator access to devlead and developer tmp wild repos.
- Read access to the gitolite-admin repo
- Read/Write access to the testing repo

You have been setup by repo owners for the following repos:

- Read/Write CFX-OBIEE
- Read/Write rgalam200/CFX-Git-Training

NOTE: Repos in tmp and/or userid directories have not been finalized for EM&M production deployments.

Let me know if you have further questions.

Regards,

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From: Kora, Varalakshmi
Sent: Tuesday, September 23, 2014 3:49 PM
To: Wallace, Andrew
Cc: Galambos, Robert
Subject: GIT - ssh key

\$ ssh git@emm-git info

WARNING: This system is solely for the use of authorized Comcast employees and contractors.
hello vkora200, this is git@emmutl-po-7p running gitolite3 (v3.6.1) on git 1.9.0

```
C CREATOR/\b(CFX|VIDEO|VOICE|DATA)\b\-[A-Za-z0-9]+\-\?[A-Za-z0-9]+
C tmp/CREATOR/\b(CFX|VIDEO|VOICE|DATA)\b\-[A-Za-z0-9]+\-\?[A-Za-z0-9]+\_[0-9]+\_[0-9]+
R W CFX-OBIEE
R gitolite-admin
R W rgalam200/CFX-Git-Training
R W rgalam200/VOICE-TaxRevenue
R W testing
```

Finalize DevLead Repo

Verify the Development lead has created a "develop" branch. This can be done by reviewing GitWeb.

You will need to initiate (prime the pump) for the "develop" and "master" branches "[git branch](#)". The "master" branch will be empty on a new repo and the "develop" branch may or may not be empty. Use "git clone" to bring the repo to your workstation so you can run the appropriate "git branch" commands.

If there is no "develop" branch the following commands should help.

- \$ git push --set-upstream origin develop
All initial files for this repo should be on this branch.

There's no code to do this in [gitolite](#). What you do is:

1. Log on to the EM&M Git primary server directly as git, cd \$REPO_BASE (default: cd ~/repositories) **Need to verify backup/restore for this.**
2. Move repo from CREATOR directory to main repository directory
3. Verify the [repo].git/gl-creator file is intact with the CREATOR userid.
 - a. Notes:
 - Needed for OWNERS, WRITERS, READERS, MSLEADS, and MSDEVS role perms
 - Reference [the "rc" file \(\\$HOME/.gitolite.rc\)](#) for details

4. Verify the [repo].git/gl-perms file exists and contains the following:

```
OWNERS [creator's userid]
```

- **NOTE:** If creator is added as owner to gl-perms, the gl-creator can be a reference to the original repo creator.

5. Verify the [repo].git/config file exists containing the following:

```
[core]
    repositoryformatversion = 0
    filemode = true
    bare = true
[gitweb]
    owner = [repo creator's First/last Name]
    category = [Appropriate Category value]
```

6. Back on your gitolite-admin clone:

- a. Edit conf/gitolite.conf
- b. Remove all occurrences of old-name. (If matched wild-repo (tmp or CREATOR dir, this step not needed)
- c. Create new entry for repo definition. Use existing repo definition if gl-creator has other repos.
- d. Then add, commit, and push as usual. **Be sure to merge and push for both origin (primary) and failover remote master branches.**
 - i. **NOTE:** The fail-over server has "git push" disabled for all (@all) repos. Reference "ssh git@fail-over writable -h" for details. Procedure documented at [Updates for gitolite admin repo](#).

7. On your client system, checkout the new finalized repo and create a master branch:

- a. \$ git clone emm-git:[repo]
- b. \$ git push --set-upstream origin master (Note, there will be no release tag on this branch initially.)
- c. \$ git remote -v show origin (Are both master and develop pushes are up to date?)
At this point, may need to re-clone to continue.
 - i. \$ git clone -b develop emm-git:[repo]
- d. \$ cd [repo]
- e. \$ git remote -v show origin (Verify devlead branch "develop" merges and pushes with remote develop branch and that it's up to date.)
- f. \$ git checkout -b master

1. Verify you can see the new repo via "ssh git@emm-git info".
2. Add a repo description (ssh git@emm-git desc -h)
3. Verify the following files on primary server for repo (Needed for gitweb and gitolite):
 - a. config
 - b. description
 - c. gl-conf
 - d. gl-creator
 - e. gl-perms

The order of these steps is important; do not change order 😊

NOTE: Review related preamble in gitolite.conf and adjust this section for any variance before starting this procedure.

Sub-Modules in Git

The biggest contribution Git brings to the table is the ability to make branching and merging a part of the natural flow of development. When it comes to modules and sub-modules, the concept or goal of development code "Tightly bound and loosely coupled" should be considered and explored before implementing a solution for modules and sub-modules with Git.

There are two primary components that contribute to "Tightly bound and loosely coupled" they are:

- Divide and Conquer - Break a problem down to smaller components (or modules) that can be implemented more easily.
- Morph and Separate - when a solution grows too large, remove stable unchanging elements into utilities (other modules or libraries) that can be referenced by the original solution and other solutions.

When a module or group of modules grows too large for a given Git repo, it is expected that new Git repos will be created. This may simply be a new Git repo, or the build system will need to be deployed to from stable unchanging Git repos that deploys libraries for build systems.

The EMM Git Repository System has been setup with the above thoughts in mind. It is best to allow developers to develop. Two primary concepts used by developers are "Divide and Conquer" and "Morph and Separate". Multiple modules can eventually become part of any solution. Their definitions and relationships are managed by development managers and teams. Just as there are limits to how many modules can be loaded into memory, the size of the Git repo is limited (approximately 1 gigabyte). For the EMM Git Repository System, developers can manage a single module, or module sets within a Git repo given the limitation for size. Git repos can be related to each other by naming conventions and release documentation within the Git repo.

Other thoughts on using Git to manage module and their sub-modules exist. here is a good reference for consideration pointed out to me by Jim Haun:

[Git Submodules: Core Concept, Workflows And Tips](#)

Here's another older reference to sub-modules and Git - [Git Submodules, adding, using, removing, and updating](#)

Test with sample index.html file in /opt/git.

```
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p git]# pwd
/opt/git
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p git]# cat index.html
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<h1>My First Heading</h1>

<p>My first paragraph.</p>

</body>
</html>
```

```
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p git]#
```

User and Admin Guide Maintenance

These guides are maintained in the Confluence CEMPCM Space. The [Git Repo System Admin Guide](#) is located under the **Administration** tab and the [EMM Git User Guide](#) is located under the **Auto Deploy** tab.

This is done to maintain backups and quick links for both guides from the primary and fail-overs server web pages.

In order to make them available for the EMM Git Repo System server web pages, the following is done:

1. **Export to PDF** from the Confluence page tools pulldown.
2. Save the PDF file in the Git repo CFX-EMM-GITSystem.
3. Copy to the primary and fail-over server directory /var/www/html.
4. On both the primary and fail-over servers update link in /var/www/index.html.
5. Copy updated /var/www/index.html to the Git repo CFX-EMM-GITSystem.
6. Remove previous copies of files (*.pdf, and index.html) from server and Git repo as required.

Verify Apache syntax:

```
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p conf.d]# /usr/sbin/httpd -S
VirtualHost configuration:
wildcard NameVirtualHosts and default servers:
*:80 is a NameVirtualHost
default server www.repository (/etc/httpd/conf.d/repository.conf:2)
port 80 namevhost www.repository (/etc/httpd/conf.d/repository.conf:2)
alias repository
Syntax OK
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p conf.d]#
```

Verify Gitolite.conf User Access

When you are logged on the server as git, you have the following gitolite access command to verify user access. This lets you know how Gitolite configuration is working for a given user after successful ssh authorization. Helps trouble-shoot access issues determining and ssh key issue or Gitolite configuration issue. For details enter the following:

```
[git@emmutl-po-7p ~]$ gitolite access -h
```

- Example:
[git@emmutl-po-7p ~]\$ gitolite access -s foo jdimme0431c W any
legend:
d => skipped deny rule due to ref unknown or 'any',
r => skipped due to regex not matching,
p => skipped due to perm (W, +, etc) not matching,
D => explicitly denied,
A => explicitly allowed,
F => denied due to falthru (no rules matched)

```
d gitolite.conf:156 - master = @developers @leaddevs @devleads # @genuser
```

```
d gitolite.conf:157 - develop = @developers # @genuser
```

```
A gitolite.conf:159 RW = @developers # @genuser
```

```
refs/.*
```

```
[git@emmutl-po-7p ~]$
```

welcome.conf adjustment in /etc/httpd/conf.d

```
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p conf.d]# pwd
/etc/httpd/conf.d
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p conf.d]# diff welcome.conf-orig welcome.conf
7,10c7,10
< <LocationMatch "^/+$">
< Options -Indexes
< ErrorDocument 403 /error/noindex.html
< </LocationMatch>
—
> #<LocationMatch "^/+$">
> # Options -Indexes
> # ErrorDocument 403 /error/noindex.html
> #</LocationMatch>
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p conf.d]#

[root@cmputl-ch2-4p conf.d]# service httpd restart
Stopping httpd: [ OK ]
Starting httpd: [ OK ]
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p conf.d]#
```

Errors Encountered

Errors that have been encountered during setup/testing activities are documented here for future support issues.

For new wild-repos, if you find the CREATOR value (/tmp/CREATOR/new repo and /CREATOR/new repo), check the gl-creator value and let the user know how to use the command correctly.

The ssh key is working but unable to clone repo

If the following error is encountered:

fatal: Could not read from remote repository.

Please make sure you have the correct access rights
and the repository exists.

Check to see if the analyst's workstation has a variable GIT_SSH that is set to plink.exe. If it is reset it to null.

After setting to null open another git console and enter: echo \$GIT_SSH.

If the GIT_SSH variable issue re-appears the GIT_SSH variable is probably a windows registry variable must be removed or you will not be able to checkout/clone.

To remove it permanently open a windows console and enter the following:

REG delete HKCU\Environment /F /V GIT_SSH

Now reboot and the variable should disappear.

"Denied by FallThru"

What the following directory and file when adding and removing ssh keys, they may not be updating correctly:

- git@server:/home/git.ssh/authorized_keys
- git@server:/home/git/.gitolite/keydir (List of *.pub ssh public key files)

You may need to add and remove things. This occurred when updating a ssh key for a given user from mixed case to all lower case in the name.

Also note the [Emergencies](#) section of the gitolite documentation. Need to use the "Lost Admin/key Access" section.

Related "Admin Task" section of this document -> [Verify gitolite.conf User Access](#).

GitWeb projects.list Not Working Correctly

If the following errors are encountered: (Font color of error lines changed to red.)

awalla5075k@CO183LCETENG08 ~/git-server-admin/gitolite-admin/conf (master)

\$ git push

Counting objects: 7, done.

Delta compression using up to 4 threads.

Compressing objects: 100% (3/3), done.

Writing objects: 100% (4/4), 501 bytes | 0 bytes/s, done.

Total 4 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0)

remote: FATAL: git config 'gitweb.owner' not allowed

```
remote: check GIT_CONFIG_KEYS in the rc file
To git@cemp-git:gitolite-admin
d44ba8d..cf6c002 master -> master

awalla5075k@CO183LCETENG08 ~/git-server-admin/gitolite-admin/conf (master)
$
```

Make sure your .gitolite.rc contains: (logon to emm-git and sudo to git)

```
GIT_CONFIG_KEYS => '.*',
GITWEB_PROJECTS_LIST => '/home/git/projects.list',
```

Install python Setup Tools

This was done is support of installing Gitis testing on cmpu^{tl}-ch2-4p. Decided to go with Gitolite to better support GitFlow. Left the Python tools on chputl-ch2-4p. Currently not install on emmutl-po-7p.

```
$ install python-setuptools

[root@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]# yum install python-setuptools

...

[root@cmputl-ch2-4p ~]#
```

Apache service:

```
[root@cmputl-ch2-4p git]# service httpd [restart|stop|start]
```

Branching Model

The branch module followed for successful branching and merging tasks is based on [A Successful Git Branching Model](#) by Vincent Driessen. The complete approach followed is drafted in the [EM&M Git Users Guide](#).

Useful Links

- [Admin's Choice](#)
- [Gitolite Troubleshooting Checklist](#)
- [Gitolite Emergencies](#)
- [Hosting Git Repositories](#)
- [Git Software](#)
- [Git Operations](#)
- [Git Cheat Sheet](#) by Jan Krueger.
- [Git Cheat Sheet](#) by Zack Rusin.
- [Regular Expressions](#)
- [Linux Command Line](#)
- [Linux Standards Base](#)
- [Wikipedia](#)
- [HTML Character Entities](#)
- [Commit Often, Perfect Later, Publish Once: Git Best Practices](#)

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