Practical intro to git

github.com/david26694/practical-git-intro

David Masip

Pagantis

2020/04/24

Contents

- Git and Github
- Introduction to git
- Introduction to Github

Git and Github

The key difference between Git and Github is that Git is an opensource tool developers install locally to manage source code, while Github is an online service to which developers who use Git can connect and upload or download resources.

Github is a platform that has Git running on its backend.

You can use Git without using Github.

What is git?

Wikipedia:

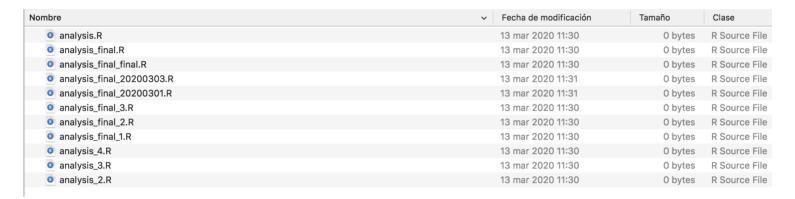
Git is a distributed version-control system for tracking changes in source code during software development. It is designed for coordinating work among programmers, but it can be used to track changes in any set of files.

My view:

Git is a system to track changes in any set of files.

Why git?

My life before git:



- Collaboration? 😡
- Git simplifies handling of different versions of a file.
- Nothing is (almost) ever lost, so you can be much more fearless.

Git magic

Track the differences!!

- Change from first to second version
- Change from second to third version

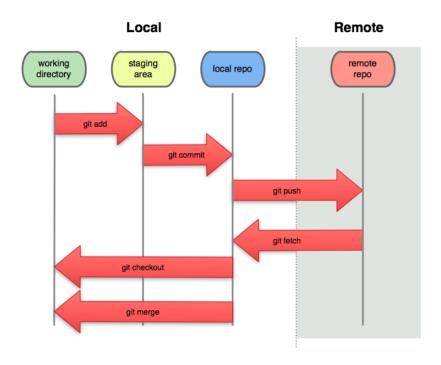
Repositories

A repository is a set of files that is versioned using git.

To create a repo, run git init. This creates file called .git.

You should also create .gitignore file, with specific files to ignore.

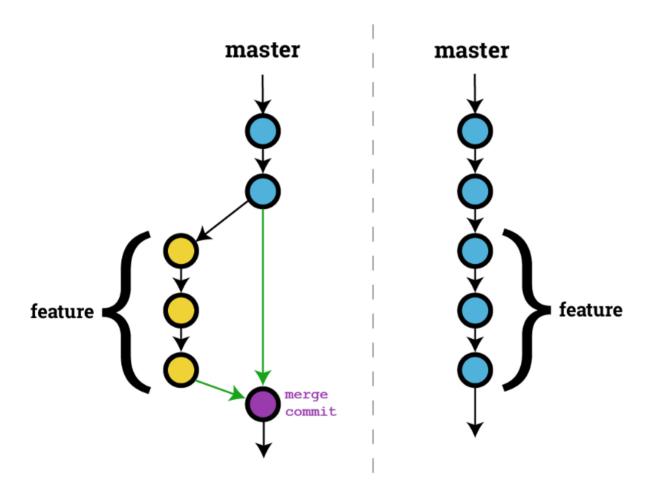
Basic git commands



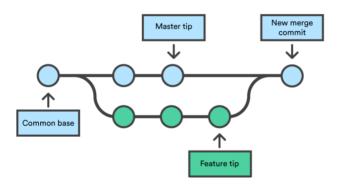
- git diff: Differences between files
- git status: Status summary
- git log: Shows history of commits

(Demo: add, commit, reset, log, go back to previous commit)

Branching



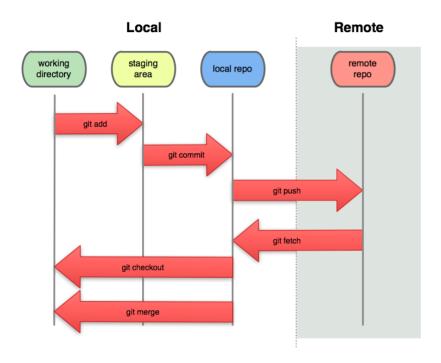
Branching



- git branch la-meva-branca: Creates branch
- git checkout la-meva-branca: Goes to branch
- (master) \$ git merge la-meva-branca: Merges branch into master

(Demo: create branch, do some changes, merge it, do more changes, resolve conflicts)

Collaborating (Github)



- git clone el-meu-link: Copy a github repository in your pc
- git pull: Get the version that is in github
- git push: Send your version to github

(Demo: push results, change something in repo, pull results, Leo)

Summary

- Basic workflow: pull add commit push
- Intermediate workflow: branch checkout change checkout merge
- Pro workflow: branch checkout change pull request merge

Conclusions

- Git has some barrier to entry
- Git will cause you issues in the beginning
- Git will simplify your life in the long run
- When collaborating, git is almost necessary
- Read about dvc (data version control)

References

Not many, there are 1000 resources to learn git

- https://try.github.io/
- https://stackoverflow.com/questions/4114095/how-do-i-revert-a-git-repository-to-a-previous-commit
- https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2/Git-Branching-Basic-Branching-and-Merging