

# *Introduction to Git*

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## *Prerequisites*

- Nearly none
- Command line (powershell, bash or whatever)
- An editor

## *Goals*

- Understand the concepts and terminology. So you can look for help your self
- Get comfortable with everyday git tasks
- Get into advanced stuff if time permits.

## Exercise

## *Install Git*

- Get on wifi
- Install git from <https://git-scm.com/downloads/>
- Start a terminal/command line write git.

## *About git clients*

There are different git clients we will use the commandline one:

- It is you get help
- It is the only feature complete one
- It gives the best understanding
- It is where you can do the most advanced tricks
- It convenient for this audience

Often you use different clients for different tasks.

Knowledge

## *What is version control systems (VCS)*

- Who made a change when.
- Collaboration tool (possibly reviewing)
- Rollback,
- When was a bug introduced
- Try out stuff without making backup 1 backup 2 etc.
- Best line based (**demo**)
- Not tied to any particular language
- Ownership

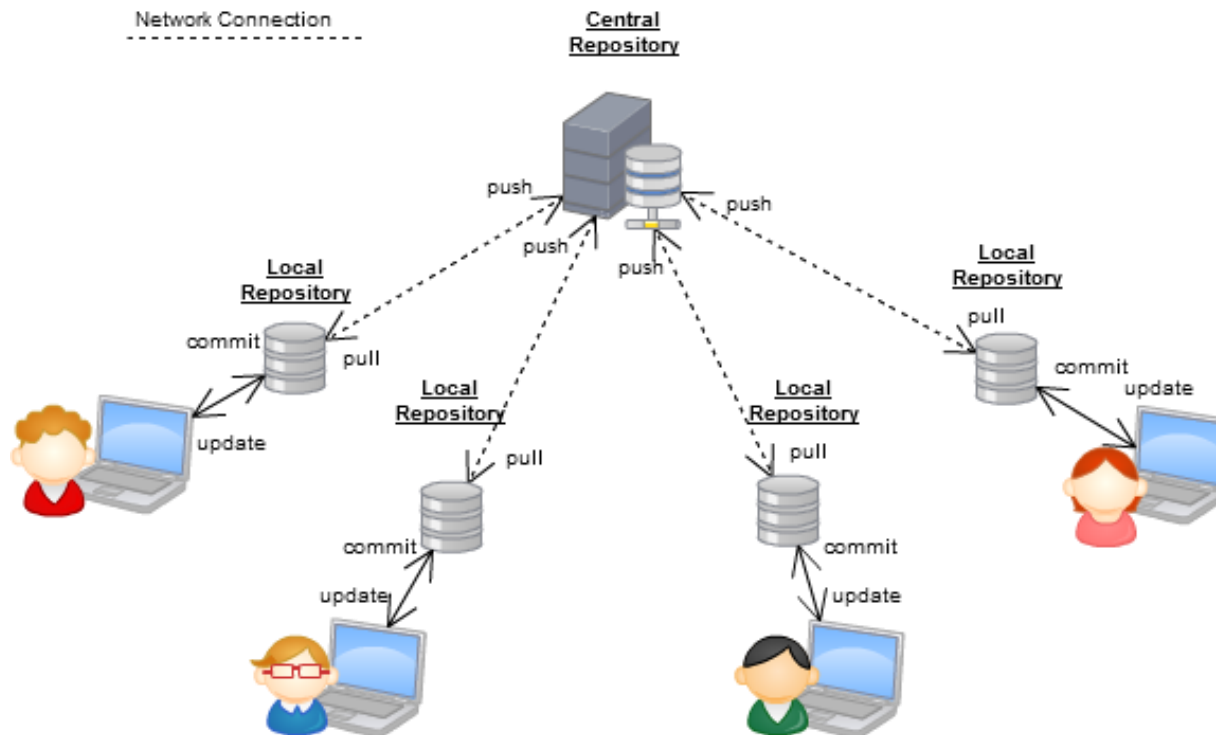
In the world of VCS git is predominant

- Many things have simplified over the years
- It's powerful for collaboration
- Be sure that others have solved problems you are facing
- It's made and used by massive distributed projects.
- It's simple enough for you to use
- It will make you happy

## Knowledge

## *Git is decentralised (simplified)*

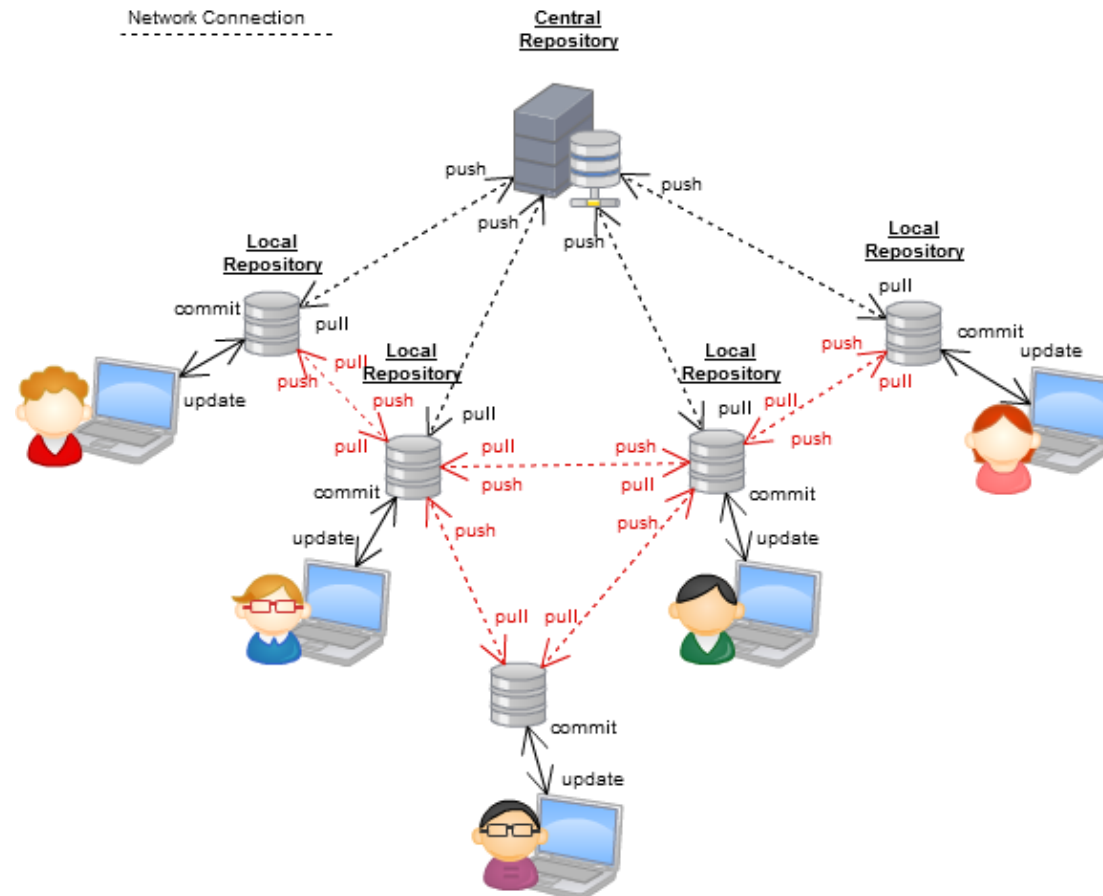
- Git is fully distributed
- You operate on your local .git database until you push to server
- No central version numbers. Instead SHA-1 hashes  
(7a3b32f6a5b592b01542d9b36e14e4157d34b3d6)
- We have selected a central repository (TFS-server).
- Git repositories can be hosted "anywhere".
- Control is on repositories + whatever the hosting offers.



## Knowledge

## *Git is decentralised*

- Slide before was simplified
- Each copy is equally valid
- This is the concepts of remotes. Named servers
- Many hosting services (github, TFS, Stash, Git Lab, command line).



## Exercise

*Make your own local repos*

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➤ cd ~ #The home folder is a convenient location  
➤ mkdir gorillashop  
➤ cd gorillashop  
➤ git init
```

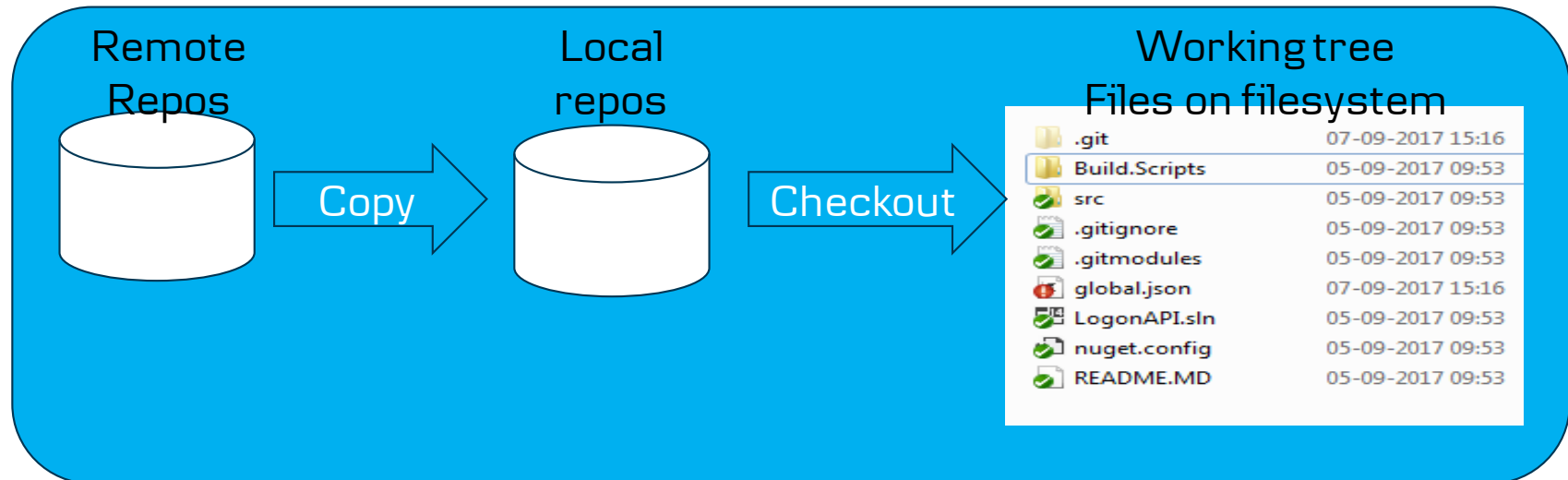
- This is handy when it's just you who want to commit. It's a full git repos
- We need some history so we will work on a repos that I have already made
- Will not use this repos in the coming slides

## Exercise

## Get a copy – git clone

- Some shared code
- Random hosting solution that every one can get.

*git clone = initial copy to local repos AND checkout of files to filesystem*



```
> cd ~ #The home folder is a convenient location
> git clone https://github.com/dstiel/marts2018.git
> cd marts2018
```



## Exercise

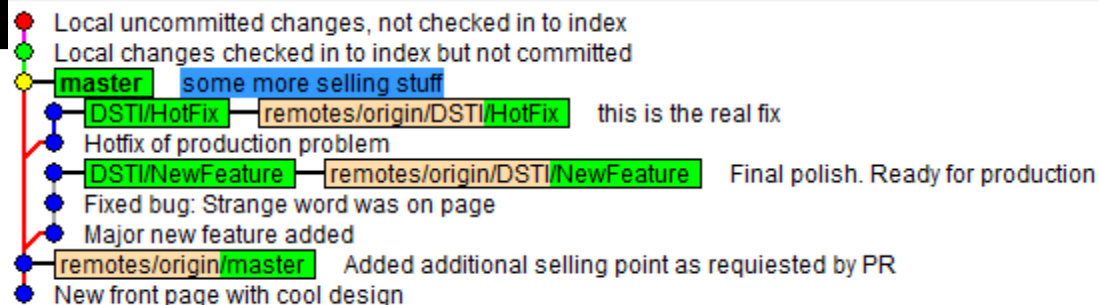
## Looking at the repos

We will return to this when we have explained the concepts

- We see the remotes (what is **origin**)
- We see branches we see objects
- We see hooks
- We see a HEAD file

## Lets try some git commands

```
➤ git log
➤ git log --name-only
➤ git log --pretty=oneline --graph --all
➤ git remote
➤ git remote get-url origin
[git instaweb] on some machines
```



## Knowledge

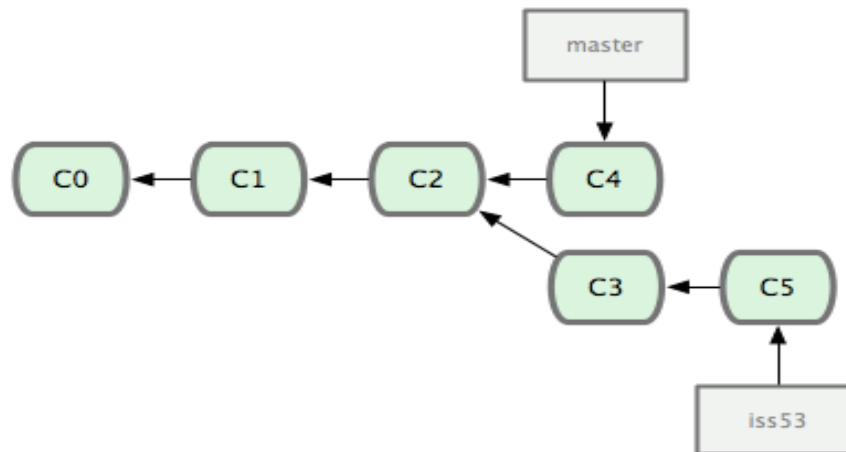
## Commit objects

- Git stores a directed graph of **commit objects** (that points to their ancestor).

Each commit object has:

- SHA-1 code (a3b32f6a5b592b01542d9b36e14e4157d34b3d6)
- Contains pointer to ancestor
- Who made it
- A pointer to the tree (all the files in the commit)
- Commit message

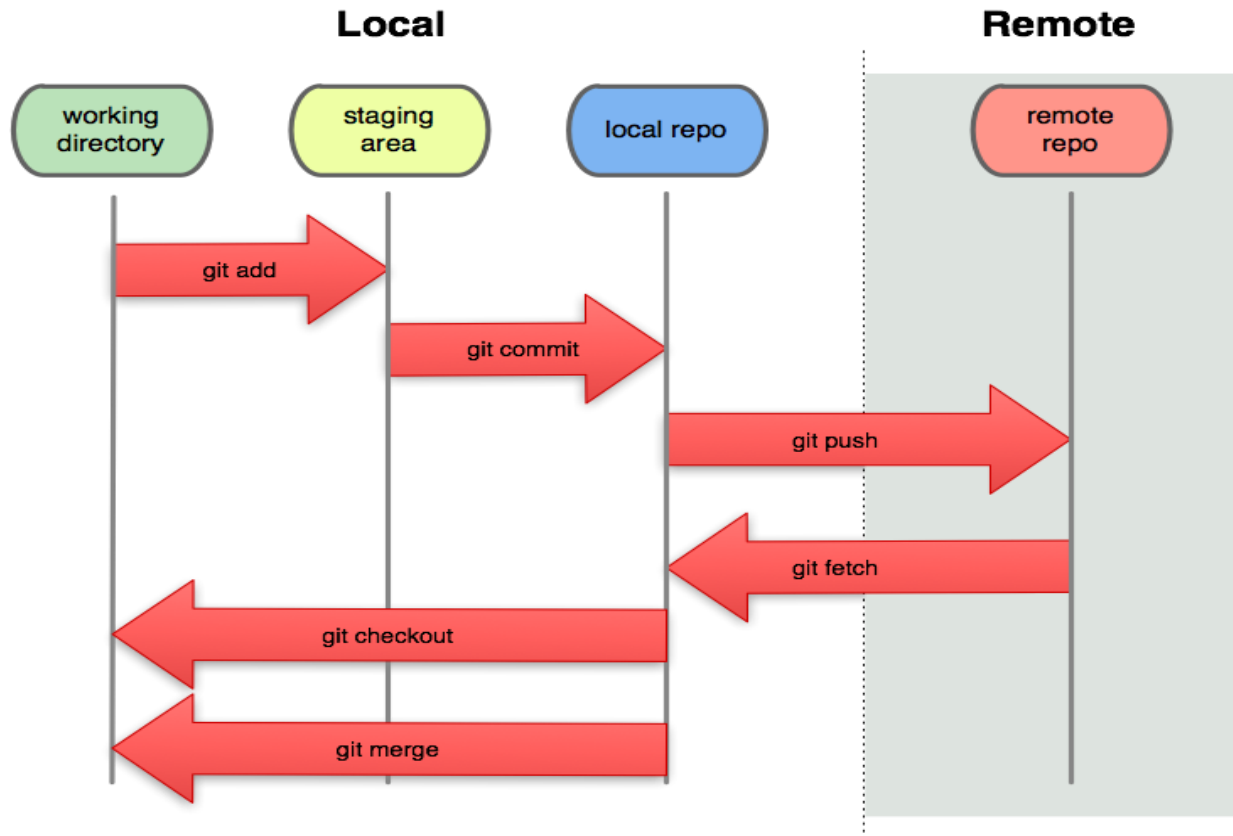
```
➤ git log --pretty=oneline  
➤ git cat-file -p fc4846e81
```



Knowledge

## Making a commit

- Remember: You only commit locally
- Staging is a copy of the file

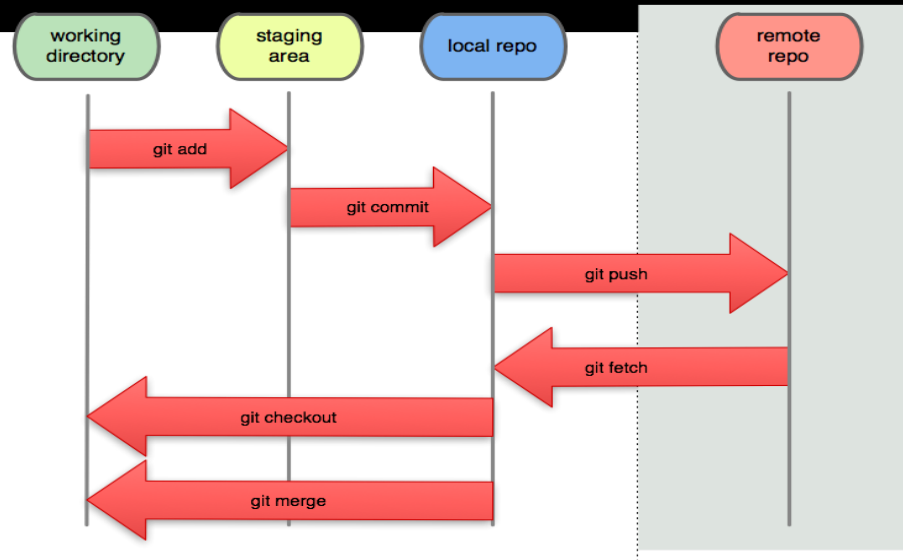


## Exercise

## Make a commit

- Change p1.html to contain a new `<li></li>`
- We will get back to the push and the fetch/pull

- `git status`
- `git diff`
- `git add p1.html`
- `git status`
- `git commit -m "Adding a line of code"`
- Later `git push..`
- `git log --pretty=oneline`



## Exercise

*Undo changes in file*

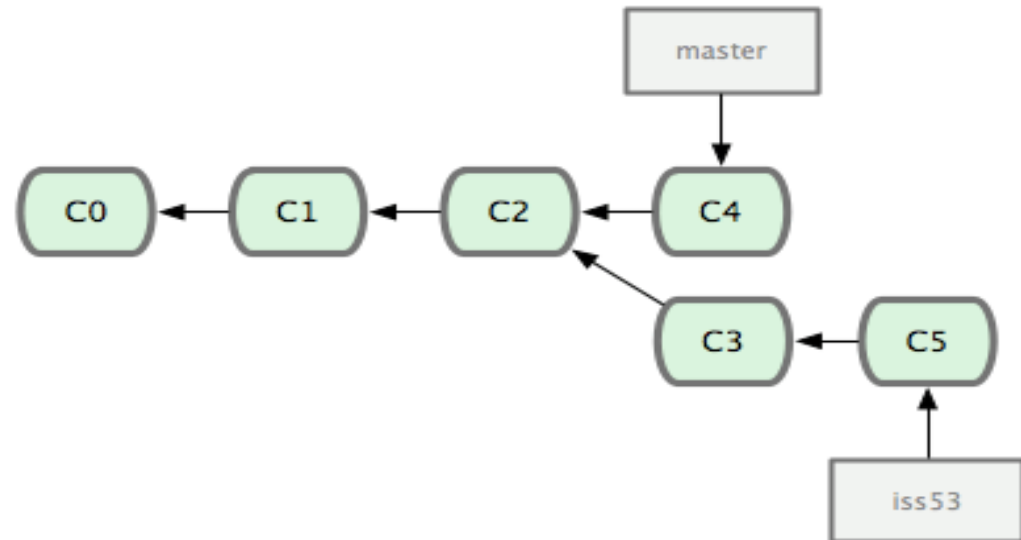
- Change p1.html to contain a new `<li></li>`

```
➤ git status  
➤ git checkout - p1.html #p1.html is now like it was
```

## *Branches –the MOST important slide*

- Git stores a directed graph of commit objects (that points to their ancestor).
- Each commit object has a SHA-1 code (a3b32f6a5b592b01542d9b36e14e4157d34b3d6)
- A branch is a pointer that points to a commit in the tree.
- A branch pointer is moved when you make a new commit
- A branch is NOT a copy
- When checking out Branch the content in the working tree
- A branch is cheap (it's a pointer)
- Always draw this tree
- You can only commit to “local” branches, but they can be tied to a remote (upstreaming)
- You a “always” on a branch

A branch points to a commit  
In the graph



## Exercise

*Looking at the branches -again*

```
➤ git branch  
➤ git branch -a
```

- Some branches are local, some are remote.

## Exercise

## *Change branch*

- There are several branches in what you cloned
- Difference between local and remote branches

```
➤ git branch -a  
➤ git checkout origin/DSTI/HotFix #not good  
➤ git checkout -b DSTI/HotFix origin/DSTI/HotFix #read what it says  
➤ git branch -vv #see tracking/upstream branches
```

- Tracking branch / upstream got to do with push and pull. I.e. Getting and uploading changes to the remote

Now make a change and commit it on that branch

See what HEAD is pointing at now in the .git folder



## Exercise

## *Make your own branch*

- Change back to master branch and make a new branch from there
- Short cuts for many common tasks

```
➤ git checkout master  
➤ git branch You/Feature  
➤ git checkout You/Feature  
➤ git branch
```

- Often you combine the branch and the checkout. Lets try that

```
➤ git checkout master  
➤ git branch -d You/Feature #remove the branch again  
➤ git checkout -b You/Feature #Create and checkout in one line  
➤ git branch
```

- Now make a commit on the new branch
- Let's take a look at HEAD

## Exercise

## Changing branch –problems you will see

- Git won't let you loose changes unless you explicitly ask for it.

```
➤ git checkout master
```

```
Make a change in p1.html and commit it
```

```
➤ git checkout [branch from before]
```

```
Make a change in p1.html DONT commit it
```

What to do:

- Undo the changes in the files (read git status)
- Stash all changes

```
➤ git status
```

```
➤ git stash push
```

```
➤ git status
```

```
➤ git checkout master # now it worked
```

```
#to get your changes back -including conflicts
```

```
➤ git stash pop #we will get a conflict.
```

```
Remove the diff markes in p1.html
```

```
➤ git add p1.html
```

```
➤ git commit -m "stuff"
```

```
➤ git status
```

- Takes all changes in working tree and staging and put it in a stash
- It is a stack

## *Checkout can do two different things*

- Can work on a file(s). This does not change HEAD, but only the content of a file (in working tree)
- Can work on a branch. This changes HEAD

➤ `git checkout DSTI/HotFix#HEAD` changed

➤ `git log`

➤ `git checkout HEAD~1 -- p1.html` #changes the content of the file in the working tree and stage it. This was also "undo" if you write HEAD or nothing

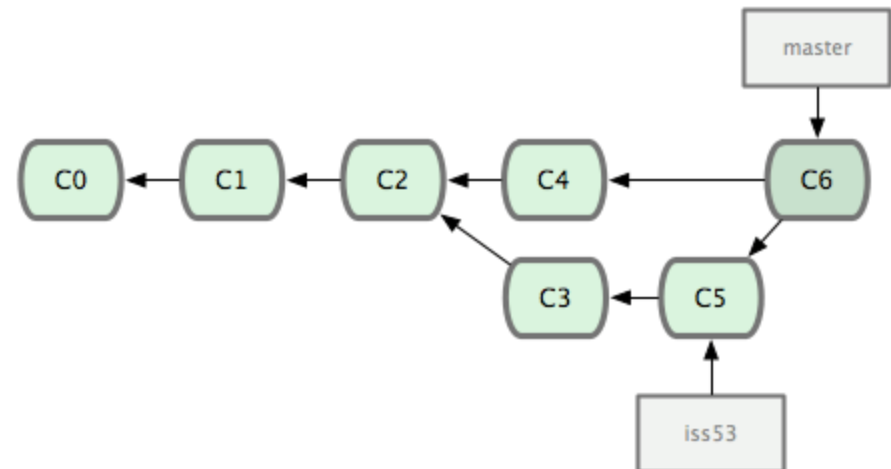
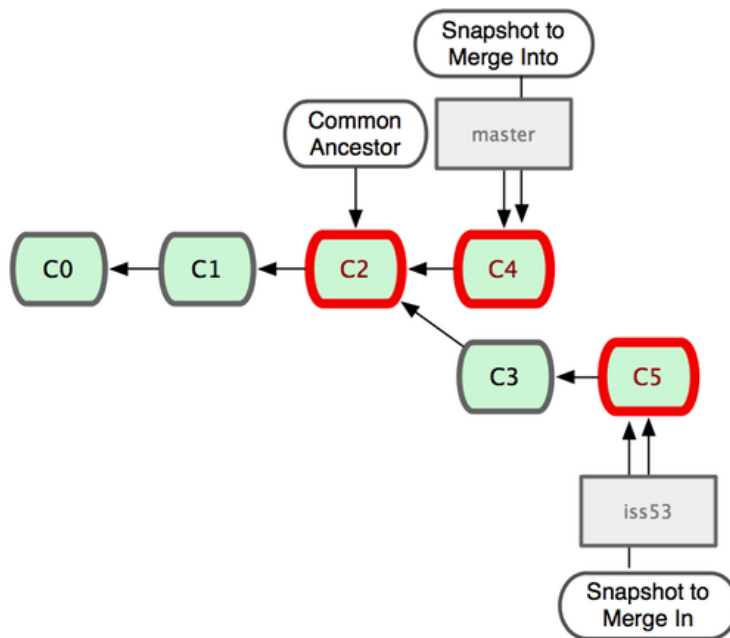
➤ `git checkout SHA1 -- p1.html` #changes the content of the file in the working tree

Knowledge

# Merging

Now we can create and change branches. Now we need to combine the work again. Merging:

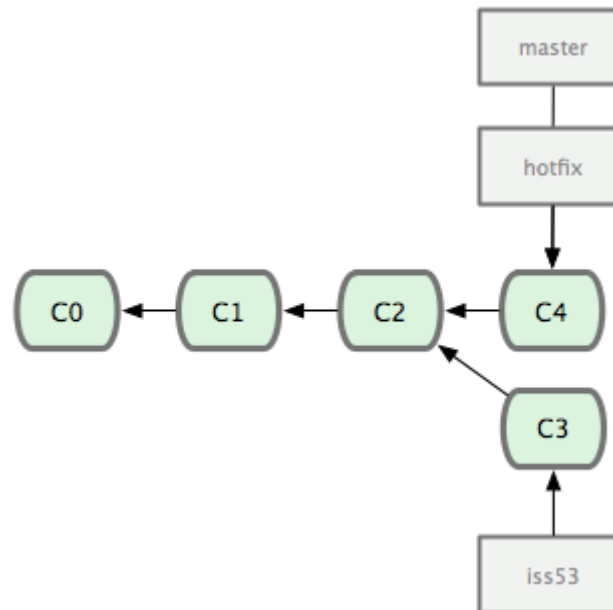
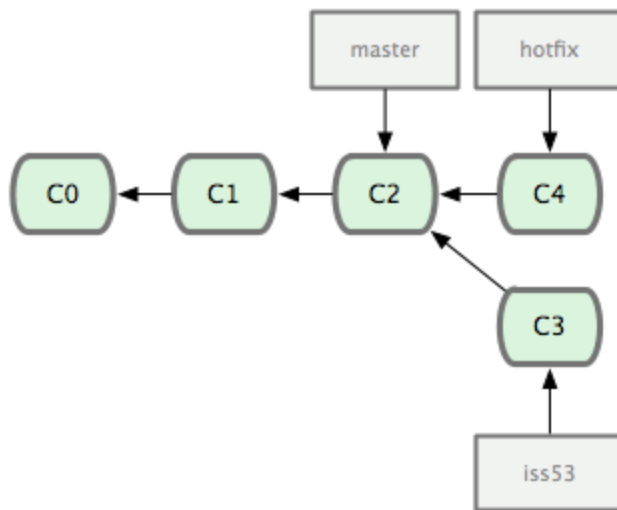
- Crawl back in the directed graph
- Commit object is created with two parents



Knowledge

## Merging -fast forward

- Sometimes you don't need to make a commit object to merge.
- Merge hotfix into master
- Nice linear history



## Exercise

## *Merging branches -locally*

- Remember we always do everything locally. Then push the changes.
- Remember others might have committed if you are sharing code (we will get back to that)
- You always merge into your current branch (HEAD)

➤ `git checkout -b F2`

Make a change to p1.html and commit it

Now merge it into master

➤ `git checkout master` #always merge into your current branch

See what is in p1.html

➤ `git merge F2` #all is smooth

➤ `git log --pretty=oneline --graph --all`

## Exercise

*Merging branches – You can't harm your files*

- Make a branch, C1, and make a change to p1.html in it.
- Change back to master branch.
- Make an almost identical change in p1.html but don't commit.
- Git merge C1
- Now commit p1.html to master

If we merge C1 into master we will get a conflict, because both have changed in

## Exercise

## *Merging branches –resolving conflicts*

- Conflicts happens when there are changes in the “same” locations
- Conflicts are natural and will occur.
- Conflicts are sometimes hard, sometimes simple.
- Different views/tools for resolving conflicts.

- Continues from last slide
- Now merge C1 into master. It will say conflict.
  - git status
  - Open p1.html. Fix diff markers
  - git add p1.html
  - git commit -m “merged in C1”

Caution. Complete a merge before implementing new stuff.

You can abandon a merge operation (with conflicts) before the commit

- git merge --abort

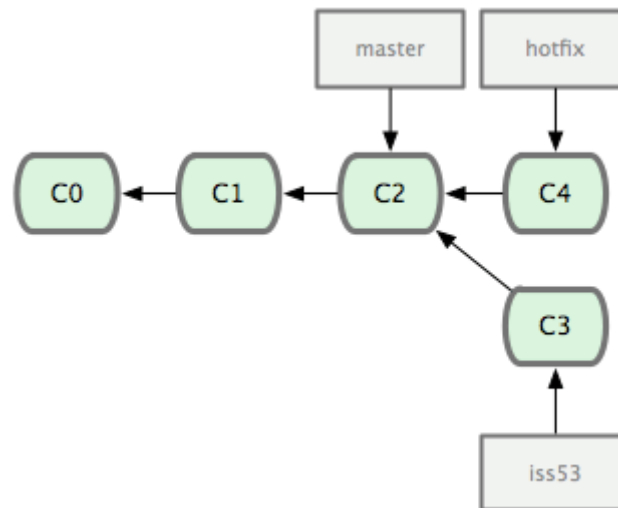


## Exercise

## Merging branches -what is already merged

- It's easy to see which branches have or have not been merged into the current branch (HEAD)

```
➤ git branch -a --merge  
➤ git branch -a --no-merged
```



Knowledge

## *Pull requests*

Now we know how to create and merge branches. What about pull requests

- Request someone else to merge in your branch (in some repository) into a branch (on their repository). That's what a pull request is for.
- A “raw” pull request
- Hosting services offer additional features, like commenting on the code, access control on branches etc. Making pull requests a popular way to collaborate and govern projects

```
➤ git request-pull DSTI/HotFix origin master  
#origin is a public url where DSTI/HotFix can be retrieved
```

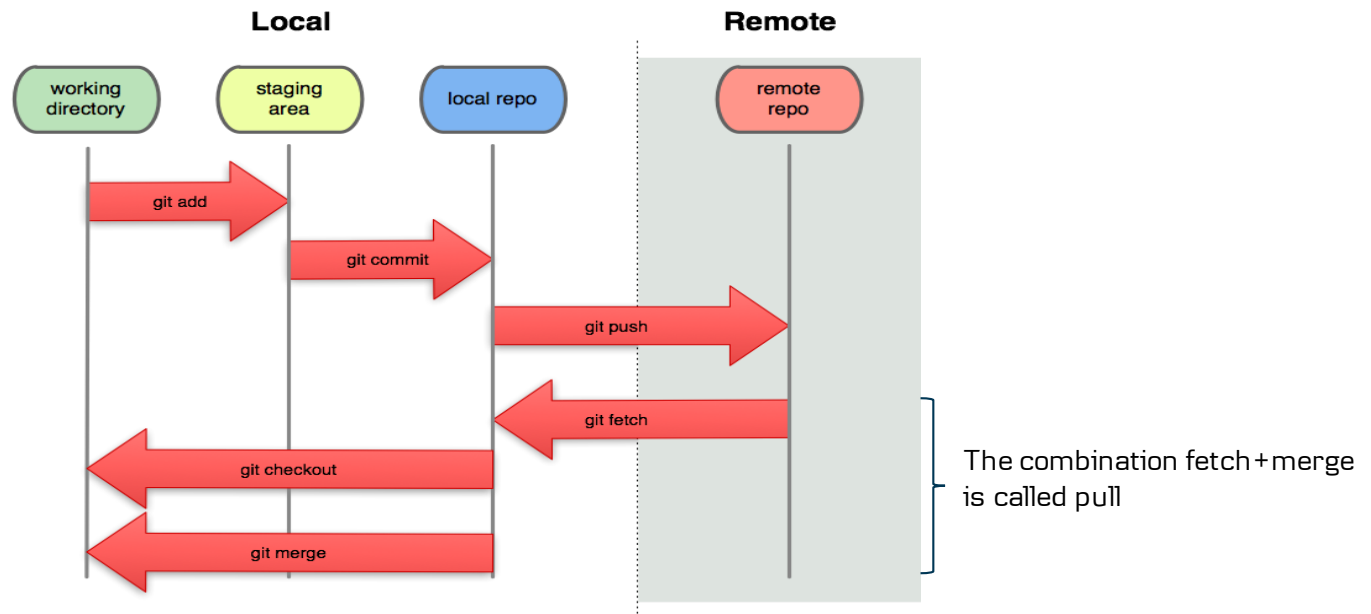
Show TFS PR

Easy way to let people contribute, without giving away control

## Knowledge

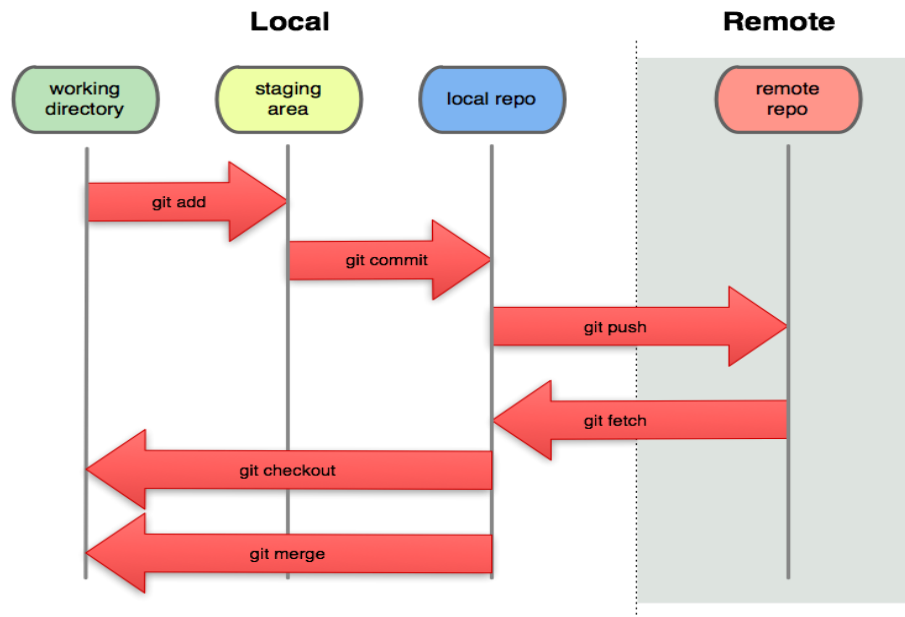
## Working with remote servers

- Everything we have done has been done locally.
- If you want to share your work with others the git repository must be accessible to them
- Working with remotes is all about pushing your database into theirs. And merging theirs into your.
- This is called *push* and *fetch*
- Things can have changed in the remote repo since your last fetch



## Working with remote servers

- Tracking branches are convenient because you can push and pull.
- If you work with branches origin/master to your branch often.
- Remember others can't see your work until it's on a remote server



## Exercise

*Git pull -warm up for the next*

Demonstrate tracking branches

- `cd ~` #The home folder is a convenient location
- `git clone https://github.com/dstiel/marts2018.git marts2018-2`
- `cd marts2018-2`

Modify the first `<li>` in `p1.html` to contain a new text

Commit the change (`git add` followed by `git commit`)

Now I will make a change on the server to `p1.html`

- `git fetch`
- `git merge origin/master`

The two can be combined into a pull.

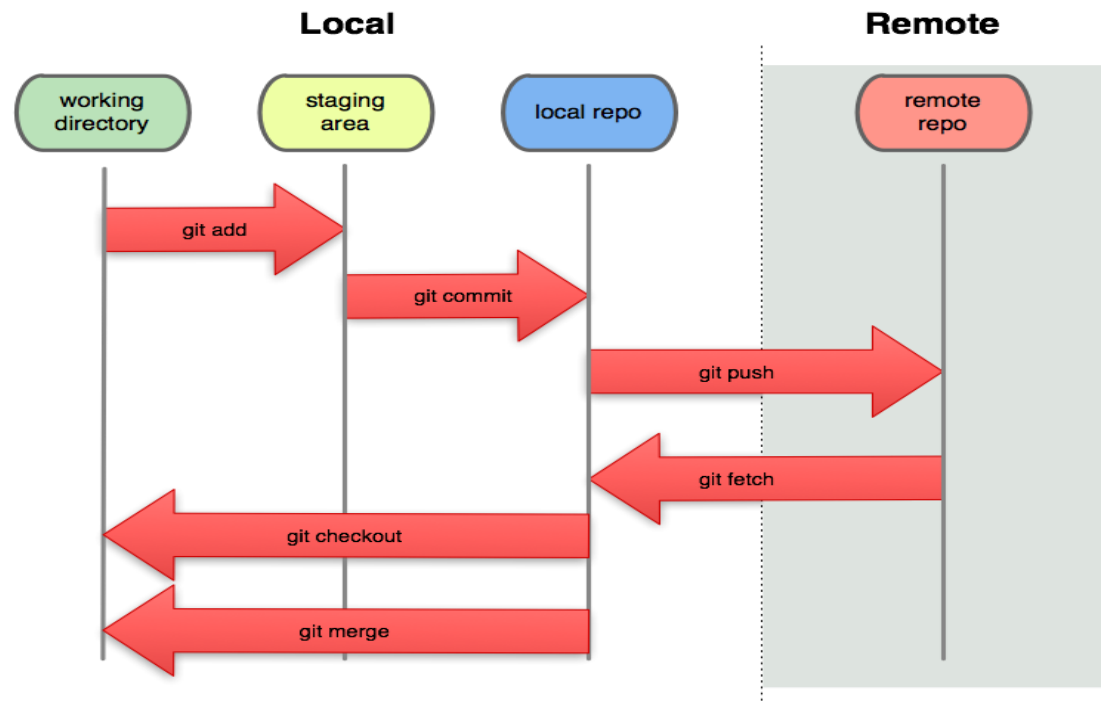
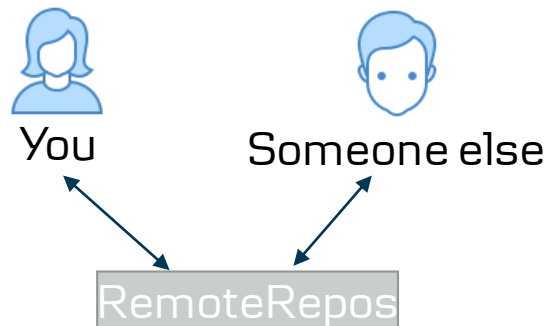
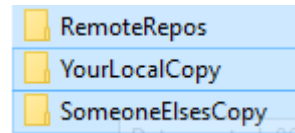
You will get a conflict.

Resolve the conflict

## Exercise

*The “final” Exercise.*

- Start all over
- Make following folder structure
- Hosting it your self, or hosting services.
- Sharing a folder is also enough.
- We will use a local folder as the “remote server”.
- All commands are identical. Only the URL is different.



## Exercise

*The “final” Exercise.*

Setup a repos in RemoteRepos

- Make a subfolder Project2
- In Project2 initiate a new git repos

In YourLocalCopy

- Clone the git repository Project2 from RemoteRepos (`git clone ~/RemoteRepos/Project2`)
- Make a file `p2.html` and that looks like `p1.html`
- Commit the file
- See what origin is
- Write “*git push*” to *push it to the RemoteRepos*

In RemoteRepos

- Clone the git repository Project2 from RemoteRepos
- See what you get
- Add file. Push.

## Exercise

## Creating new remote branches

### In YourLocalCopy

- Make a new branch C2
- `git push #` doesn't create the branch remotely
- `git push HEAD origin -u` #creates the branch and tracks/upstreams it
- Make a change in a file
- Commit the change
- Push the change

### In SomeoneElse's check when you can see the branch

- `git fetch`
- `git branch -a`
- When you can see C2 you should create a local branch from C2(change branch slide)

Tracking/upstreaming branches is the feature where push and pull works easily. If you forget to configure the upstream branch you can always do.

*`Git branch -u origin/branchToTrack`*



*Complete change of scene. Random Git stuff*

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## Exercise

*“Undo” commits – git reset*

What do you do when you forgot a file or wrote a really bad commit message...? Rewrite history. Move your pointers

- Make a change in p1.html
- Commit the change
  - git status
  - git reset HEAD~1
  - git status

What does it do:

- Move the branch pointer (in HEAD) back one (or more) commit.
- Doesn't change the files. So you can make a new corrected commit
- Doesn't work if you have shared your commits.

## Exercise

*Reset your repository to a previous state*

You have developed something but regret and want to clear your working tree.

- Make a change and commit it
- Add a file and commit it

```
➤ git reset HEAD~2  
➤ git clear
```

```
➤ git checkout origin/master  
➤ git clear
```

Knowledge

## *Submodules*

- Your program depends on other independent libraries. How do you “embed” their source code in a versioned and easy to modify way.
- You and your team should be confident in git. But then it works
- Maybe start with some simple scripts
- It embeds a fully valid git repository within your git repository. And makes a checkout at a particular version (detached head).

Exercise

## *References*

- <https://git-scm.com/>
- Pro Git book (available from git-scm or printed)