Git Demo Notes

Requirements

- Unix like environment
- · Have git installed
- Have man installed
- Have gcc installed
- Unix, Linux BSD, etc
 - Use your package manager to install
 - Ex. Debian/Ubuntu derivatives: sudo apt install <x>
- MacOSX terminal
 - homebrew: https://brew.sh
 - Ex. brew install <x>
- Windows
 - Windows Subsystem for Linux (WSL) Preferred
 - * Activate Windows features:
 - · Windows Subsystem for Linux
 - · Virtual Machine Platform
 - * Distributions available in the Windows Store
 - * Ubuntu (easiest, regs pre-installed)
 - Cygwin
 - SCM-Git

Environment Sidebar

• ~ is shorthand for your home folder.

Start A Project

Create a demo structure

- mkdir remote-host
- mkdir workstation1
- mkdir workstation2

Create a Hello World project in Workstation1

- cd workstation1
- mkdir hello
- cd hello
- vim hello.c
 - Add version 1 (or your something of your own choosing)

• touch branch1

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vim Sidebar
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}

}

• git commit -a -m

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• Movement: h - Left, j - Down, k - Up, l - Right
  \bullet i - insert mode
  • ESC - go back to movement mode
  • To save and quit: Press ESC and then Shift-Colon and type wq (write and
       - :wq
Version 1
#include "stdio.h"
int main(int argc, char** argv){
   printf("hello world\n");
Version 2
#include "stdio.h"
int main(int argc, char** argv){
   if(argc > 1){
      printf("%s\n", argv[1]);
   } else {
      printf("No input\n");
   }
Setup Project with git
git init .
Add .gitignore for *.out
git status
git add/remove
  • Concept of staging
  • git add -A
git commit
```

• git commit -m

Create a Remote Repository

git init --bare ../remote-host/hello.git
git remote add <remote name> <url>

• git remote add origin ../remote-host/hello.git

git push --set-upstream <remote name> <branch>

- First push: git push --set-upstream origin master
- Subsequent pushes: git push

git clone

- cd ..
- mkdir workstation2
- cd workstation2
- git clone ../remote-host/hello.git
- ls
 - You should see a a copy of your project in a new folder named: hello

git pull

- Make changes in workstation1/hello and then follow the add-commitpush flow.
- Come back to workstation2/hello and run
 - git pull
- You should see the changes applied to your *local* copy!
- If you had made local changes, you may have to tell git how to handle merge conflicts:
 - git --config pull.rebase true

So, now we have 3 copies of the project:

Remote: remote-host/hello.git



workstation1/hello workstation2/hello

Either one can push changes to the up-stream remote, if they have it set up.

SSH Integration

Git understands the SSH protocol. If you have your remote on a remote machine, you can set it up to use an off-site repository, just as easily.

.git/config

When you ran git init ., git added a hidden folder to your project: .git. This is where it stores the project configuration, and the compressed archive of previous versions. You can edit the configuration manually, which may actually be easier for some than using the "porcelain" commands.

If we did everything correctly, then our <code>.git/config</code> should look something like this:

```
[core]
    repositoryformatversion = 0
    filemode = true
    bare = false
    logallrefupdates = true
[remote "origin"]
    url = ../remote-host/hello.git
    fetch = +refs/heads/*:refs/remotes/origin/*
[branch "master"]
    remote = origin
    merge = refs/heads/master
```

To setup a remote host, the easy way, is to add your username and access token to the url like so:

```
[remote "origin"]
  url = https://<username>:<access token>@<host domain>/PATH/TO/hello.git
  fetch = +refs/heads/*:refs/remotes/origin/*
```

If you do not include an access token, it should prompt for a password, in the same manner as ssh.

Branching

One of the purposes of branching, is to provide a mechanism where active development will not interfere with a known stable release. Another, could be to work on an experimental feature that may not make it's way into the final product, or for individual work before merging into the larger project.

Creating a branch is easy:

```
git branch <name>
git switch <branch name>
```

When you push from a branch it is mirrored in that branch on the remote host. It's just that easy. And once you are ready to integrate your changes, to the main branch, you can just:

```
git switch master
git merge <branch>
git push
```

In many projects, especially open-source, there is an extra step. You would be doing all this with a "fork", which is essentially a clone of the project repository on the remote host for your personal use. Once you have a change that you think the project should incorporate, you can open a "Pull Request". If the Project Owner likes your change, they will run a pull against your fork to bring the changes into the official repository.

Conclusion

So, that is git in a nutshell. You should know how to create a create a repository, initiate a local project, commit, push and pull. Branching is a very nice feature, too, and hopefully you can make use of it.

I hope this has been helpful and that you will be able to use it to be more productive. Thank you for joining me in this exploration.