

Introduction to Git

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Version Control – What & Who?



What is version control?

"Version control is a system that records changes to a file or set of files over time so that you can recall specific versions later." [Pro Git, Apress, $2^{nd} - 2014$, Scott Chacon, Ben Straub]

- Who should use, or who could benefit from version control?
 - Any software developer
 - Anyone writing a bunch of articles, like a PhD thesis ©
 - Any group of people working together with many (text) files

Version Control – Why?

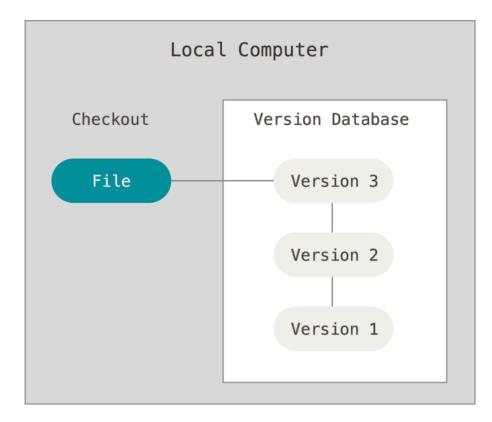


- Advantages
 - Differences over time can be reviewed easily
 - Changes can be unrolled
 - It enables concurrent working on the same files
 - Changes are linked to individuals
 - Logging is kept (metadata) for each change
 - Date
 - Time
 - Description

Local Version Control System



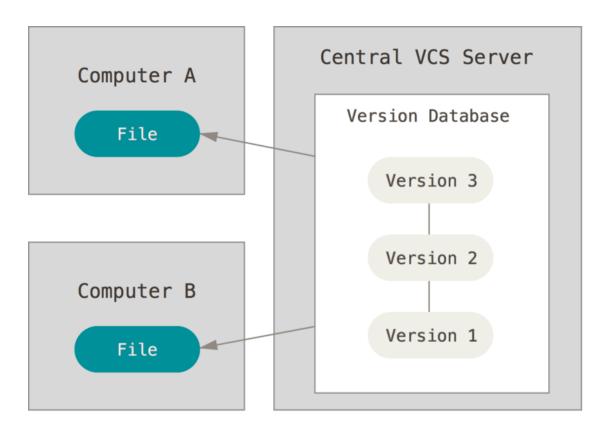
- Pro
 - Version control!
- Cons
 - Single user
 - Limited collaboration



Centralized Version Control System



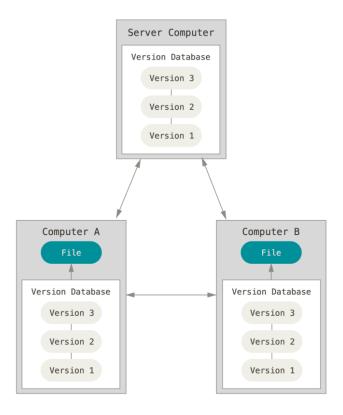
- Pros
 - Version control!
 - Multiple users
 - Collaboration
- Cons
 - Revisions not local
 - Merging can be challenging



Distributed Version Control System



- Pros
 - Version control!
 - Multiple users
 - Collaboration
 - Revisions are locally cloned
- Con
 - Merging complete branches can hard or even impossible



Online Git services

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- GitHub: http://www.github.com
- Bitbucket: http://www.bitbucket.com
- GitLab: http://www.gitlab.com
- Coding: http://coding.net (Chinese only)

NB The Erasmus University has its own Bitbucket instance:

http://stash.ict.eur.nl
(login with your ERNA-id)

Hands-On Guide



- Hands-On guide can be found here:
 - → https://jjengelberts.github.io/eur-git-101
- It covers:
 - Installation of Git 2.18.0 on @wEURk desktop/laptop
 - Cloning an existing repository (from Github)
 - Opening an existing local repository
 - Creating a new local repository
 - Using Tags and Branches

Questions and Answers





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