

git

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Different Version Control Systems

- ► Local Version Control Systems
 - ► Keep local database with changes
 - ► Not usable for multiple developers
- Centralized Version Control Systems
 - Keep database with revisions on a central server
 - Developers check-out the revision they need
 - Easy to administer access
- Distributed Version Control Systems
 - Every client mirrors the complete repository
 - ► Thus every node is a backup!
 - Complex operations become much faster



Centralized vs Distributed

Centralized

History kept remote
Only working copy available offline
Speed depends on server and connection

Stores data as changes to base files Possible to lock (binary) files Easy to learn

Distributed

History local and (optional) remote Entire repository available Incredibly fast *always*

Stores a snapshot of data everytime No support for locking Somewhat more difficult...



Speed of Git vs SubVersion

Operation		Git	SVN		
Commit files	Add, commit and push 113 modified files (2164+, 2259-)	0.64	2.60	4×	
Commit Images Add, commit and push 1000 1k images		1.53	24.70	16×	
Diff Current	Diff 187 changed files (1664+, 4859-) against last commit	0.25	1.09	4×	
Diff Recent	Diff against 4 commits back (269 changed/3609+,6898-)	0.25	3.99	16×	
Diff Tags	Diff two tags against each other (v1.9.1.0/v1.9.3.0)	1.17	83.57	71×	
Log (50)	Log of the last 50 commits (19k of output)	0.01	0.38	31x	
Log (All)	Log of all commits (26,056 commits - 9.4M of output)	0.52	169.20	325x	
Log (File)	Log of the history of a single file (array.c - 483 revs)	0.60	82.84	138x	
Update	Pull of Commit A scenario (113 files changed, 2164+, 2259-)	0.90	2.82	3x	
Blame	Line annotation of a single file (array.c)	1.91	3.04	1×	
Clone	Clone in Git vs checkout in SVN	107.5	14.0	8x	
Size (M)	Size of total client side data and files (in M)	181.0	132.0		
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All times are in seconds, SVN was used in ideal conditions (server under no load and 80MB/s line)



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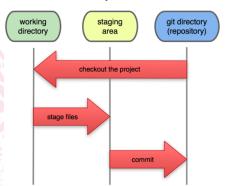


Background Information

Git has 3 main states files can be in:

- **committed**: Safely stored in local database
- modified: File is changed and not committed
- ▶ staged: Changed file marked to go in next committed snapshot

Local Operations

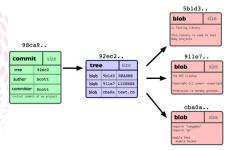




Background Information

Git and the SHA1

- ► Git addresses all content using a SHA1 hash
- ► All Git objects have a SHA1:
 - ▶ When staging a file, Git stores the SHA1 in the staging area
 - ► When committing, Git stores a SHA1 of a commit object pointing to the directory tree
- In theory two commits can generate the same hash, but a higher probability exists that every member of your team will be attacked and killed by wolves in unrelated incidents on the same night.



Installation



- From source
- Linux binary:
 - ▶ pacman -S git
 - ► apt-get install git
 - ▶ yum install git-core
- OS X binary:
 - Download installer from http://code.google.com/p/git-osx-installer
 - ► Use MacPorts:
 sudo port install git-core +svn +doc +bash_completion
 +gitweb
- ► Windows binary:
 - Download installer from http://msysgit.github.com/



Installation

Initial Configuration

- ▶ git config --global user.name "John Doe"
- ▶ git config --global user.email johndoe@example.com
- ▶ git config --global core.editor vim
- ► Check your configuration with: git config --list
- ➤ Or edit your config-file directly: Global: ~/.gitconfig Local per repo: repo/.git/.gitconfig



Installation

Initial Configuration

Aliases are useful to make a shorthand for often used commands:

- Add them to your .gitconfig file or use: git config alias.newalias command
- ▶ Shorthand: st = status allows you to type git st to see status
- ► Add a pretty log function under git lg:

```
lg = log --graph --pretty=format:'%Cred%h%Creset
-%C(yellow)%d%Creset %s %Cgreen(%cr) %C(bold
blue)<%an>%Creset' --abbrev-commit --date=relative
```

Not mine, I also stole it from the wiki ;)

Overwriting existing git commands is not possible



Installation Set up GitHub

- ► Create an account on github.com

 Use the same e-mail address as you used for configuring Git
- ► Generate ssh-keys on your machine: ssh-keygen -t rsa -C "johndoe@example.com"

Not required if you already have ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub

- ► Add the content of the ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub file to your SSH Keys on GitHub https://github.com/settings/ssh
- ► Test it! ssh -T git@github.com





Getting a repository

- ► git init reponame

 To create a new repository
- git -bare init reponame
 If you don't want a working tree (used for server)
- ▶ git clone url [dir]
 Clone an existing repository





.gitignore

- ► Each line represents a pattern to ignore
- *.o tells git to ignore object-files
- Files already tracked are not affected
- !important.o negates the ignoring of important.o
- ► Comments begin with a #
- ► Find many example .gitignore files on github.com/github/gitignore





Recording Changes

- git status Check the status of your files
- git add filenameAdd a new file or stage a modified file
- git diff Check what you have changed but not staged
- ▶ git diff --stagedSee what changes are staged
- git commit
 Commit your staged changes
- ▶ git commit -a Automagically adds tracked files to commit





Viewing History

- git log List commits in reverse chronological order
- ▶ git log -p
 Shows diff introduced in each commit
- gitk Graphical tool to visualize history







Undo

- ▶ git commit --amend Changes the last commit
- git reset HEAD file Unstage a changed file (does not undo modifications)
- ▶ git checkout -- file Undo local modifications to a file
- Careful, anything committed in git can be recovered, everything else is likely never to be seen again!





Remotes

- git remote -v
 List your remotes (with url), ex. output:
 \$ git remote -v
 dan git://danielinux/dan/picotcp.git
 origin git@github.com:tass-belgium/picotcp.git
- ▶ git remote add remotename url
 Add remote with name
- git fetch remotename
 Fetch all data from remote, not often used
- ► git pull
 Fetch data from remote (you cloned from)
 and merge it into the current branch
- pgit push [remotename]
 Push local commits to a remote





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Git workflow (commit-level)

- *hack*hack*hack*
- ▶ Put files into staging area
- ► Commit

Example

- \$ # edit parameters in 2 config files
- \$ git add foo.cfg bar.cfg
- \$ git commit -m "Adjusted velocity parameters in foo.cfg
 bar.cfg linked to issue #365"



Branches

- ► Branching is diverging from the main line and working without messing up that main line
- git branch branchname
 Create a new branch
- ▶ git checkout -b branchname Create a new branch and switch to it
 - Because usually you want to work in the branch you just created...
- git branch -d branchname Deletes a branch, does not work if you have unmerged commits, use: -D





Merging

- git checkout master
 git merge branchname
 Merge a branch back into master
- Git determines the best common ancestor between your two branches
- ► Merge conflicts:
 - Happen when you change the same part of a file differently between branches
 - Git pauses the merge process
 - Look for conflict-resolution markers in the conflicted files
 or use git mergetool
 - run git commit after resolving the conflict



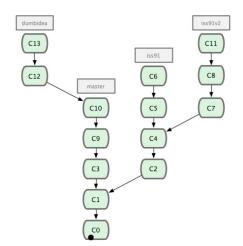


Topic Branches

Create a different branch for each feature

Example:

- ▶ Do some work on master
- ▶ Branching off for issue 91
- ► Trying a new way of working in iss91v2
- Doing some more work in master and a new branch with an idea you are not sure of dumbidea

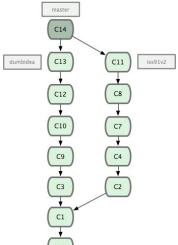




Topic Branches

Example:

- ► The (dumb) idea was genius
- New way of working is preferred on issue 91
- ▶ iss91 can be removed, merge branches dumbidea and iss91v2





Remote branches

- Very useful if you want to work together and keep a stable master
- pit push remote
 localbranch:remotebranch
 Pushes your branch to the remote so
 everyone can fetch it. (Omit :remotebranch
 to give it the same name as localbranch)
- git checkout --track remote/branchnameCreates a local editable copy of the remote branch
- ▶ git push remote : branchname

 Deletes the remote branch

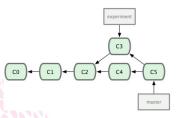




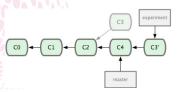
Rebasing

Basic rebase

▶ git merge experiment



▶ git rebase master experiment







Rebasing Warning

Never rebase commits that have been pushed to a remote repository!

git-scm.com/book/en/Git-Branching-Rebasing#The-Perils-of-Rebasing

And then there's git rebase
--interactive, which is a bit like git
commit --amend hopped up on acid
and holding a chainsaw - completely
insane and quite dangerous but capable
of exposing entirely new states of mind.
Here you can edit, squash, reorder, tease
apart, and annotate existing commits in
a way that's easier and more intuitive
than it ought to be.



– Ryan Tomayko



Power Tools

Storing your modifications

- ▶ git stash
- Saves the current state of your working directory
- ▶ git stash -u
 Also stores untracked files
- ▶ git stash list Show the stored "stashes"
- pgit stash apply [stash]
 Put a stash on top of your working state
- git stash pop [stash]
 apply but also delete the stash from your list





Power Tools reflog

- ► Whenever your HEAD moves, Git tracks it in the reflog
- ► This means you can access everything that was ever stored in Git
- ▶ git reflog [reference]
 Shows you the reflog, default: HEAD
- git branch lostandfound commit-sha1 Creates a new branch with the status at the commit of this SHA1
- Only shows local modifications!





Power Tools Ancestry Notation

- at the end of a reference means "parent of" that commit
- ► ^2 means second parent, only useful for a merge commit
- ~ also means "parent of" the commit
- ~2 means first parent of the first parent
- ► HEAD^^^ is thus equal to HEAD~3





Power Tools

Various

- pit cherry [upstream] [branch]
 Compare changesets between forks, shows a +
 before each commit you have that upstream
 doesn't
- git cherry-pick commit-sha1
 Creates a copy of the selected commit on top
 of your HEAD
- The mighty -p: git add -p file Choose interactively which changes to commit git checkout -p file Interactively select hunks in the difference between the index and your working structure





Questions?







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- 1. Fork github.com/jonasle/git_exercise
- 2. Clone the fork locally
- Open up git.exercises to find your assignment





Resources

► Last two slides of this presentation are a handy quick-reference for Git

Print them out and hang them above your bed

- Pro-Git, on-line documentation: git-scm.com/doc
- ► Git Reference: gitref.org
- ► Git Tutorials: atlassian.com/git/tutorial
- Git Magic: www-csstudents.stanford.edu/ blynn/gitmagic/
- ► Think like a Git: think-like-a-git.net/





Thank You

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Getting Help:

git help command

git command --help Show help for a command

Repository creation:

git init Create a repository in the current directory git clone url Clone a remote repository into a subdirectory

File operations:

git add path

git rm path

git my path dest

Branches:

git checkout branch git checkout -b branch

git branch

git merge branch

Add file or files in directory recursively

Remove file or directory from the working tree

Move file or directory to new location

git checkout [rev] file Restore file from current branch or revision

> Switch working tree to branch Create branch and switch to it List local branches

git branch -f branch rev Overwrite existing branch, start from revision

Merge changes from branch

Working tree:

git status git diff [path]

git diff HEAD path

git add path git reset HEAD path

git commit git commit -a

git commit -m message

git clean

Examining History: git log [path]

git blame [file]

Show status of the working tree Show diff of changes in the working

tree

Show diff of staged and unstaged changes

Stage file for commit Unstage file for commit

Commit staged files Stage and commit all modified files Pass commit message via command

line git reset --soft HEAD^ Undo commit, keep changes in the working tree

git reset --hard HEAD Reset the working tree to the last commit

Clean unknown files from the working tree

View commit log, optionally for specific

git log [from[..to]] View commit log for a given revision

range Show file annotated with line modifica-

tions

path



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Remote repositories - remotes:	Tags:		
git fetch [remote] Fetch changes from a remote repository	git tag name [revision] Create tag for a given revision		
git pull [remote] Fetch and merge changes from a remote	Options:		
repository	-s Sign tag with your private key		
git push [remote] Push changes to a remote repository	using GPG		
git remote List remote repositories	-1 [pattern] List tags, optionally matching		
git remote add url Add remote to list of tracked repositories	pattern		
Storing your workspace - stash:	File status flags:		
git stash [save] [message] Store modifications to tracked	d ?? untracked File is not tracked by git		
files	M modified File has been modified		
git stash -u Store tracked and untracked files	C copy-edit File has been copied and modified		
git stash list List the saved stashes	R rename-edit File has been renamed and modified		
git stash apply [stash] Restore working state	A added File has been added		
git stash pop [stash] Restore state and remove stash	D deleted File has been deleted		
Exporting and importing:	U unmerged File has conflicts after a merge		
git apply - < file Apply patch from stdin	Ancestry:		
git format-patch from[to] Format a patch with log mes-	HEAD^ First parent of HEAD		
sage and diffstat	HEAD^2 Second parent of HEAD		
git archive rev > file	HEAD~ First parent of HEAD		
file	HEAD~2 First parent of the first parent of HEAD		
git cherry-pick rev Apply the given commit on top			
of your HEAD			