## CINECA

# Git version control

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Distributed version control system created by Linus Torvalds.

Slides: <a href="https://github.com/mattiamencagli/git\_introduction">https://github.com/mattiamencagli/git\_introduction</a>

## Version control vs. GitHub or GitLab



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.



**GitHub** or **GitLab** are developer platform that allows developers to create, store, manage and share their code through **git** software.

## git git clone

You want to get a copy of an existing remote git repository?

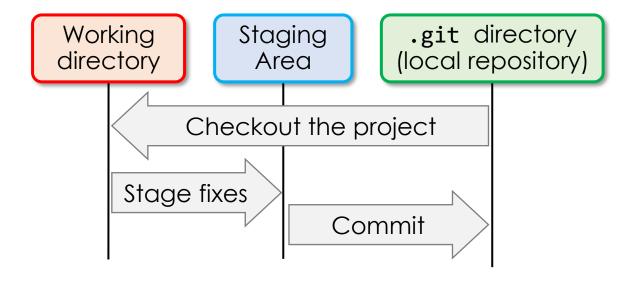
```
> git clone <remote_url> <local_dir>
```

DO NOT TOUCH the .git directory.

That creates a directory named <local\_dir>, / initializes a .git/ directory inside it (that is your local repository), and pulls down all the data for that repository.

## git git states

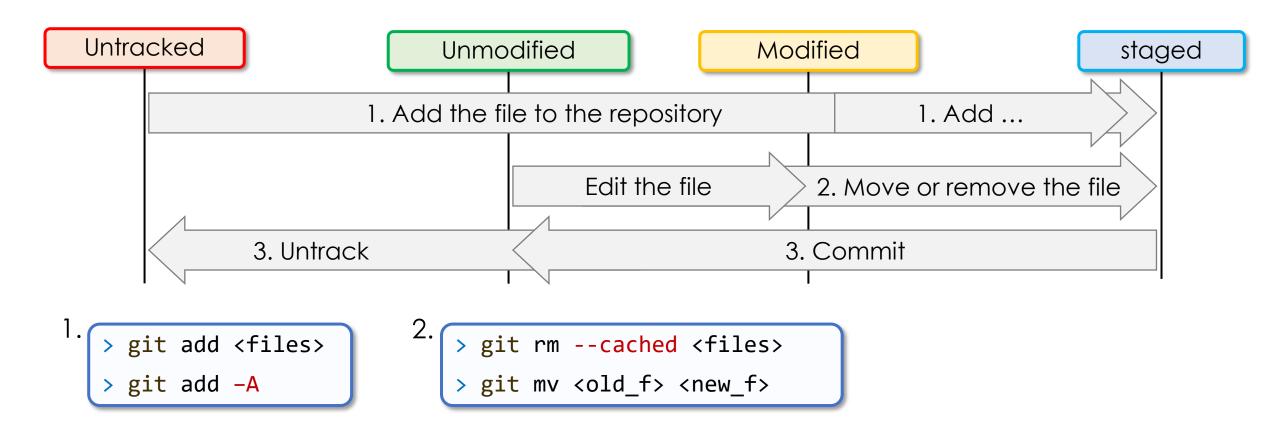
- Modified means that you have changed the file but have not committed yet it to your local repository yet.
- Staged means that you have marked a modified file in its current version to go into your next commit snapshot.
- Committed means that the data is safely stored in your local repository.



git thinks about its data like a stream of snapshots, each commit point to a snapshot.

#### Files life-cycle

> git commit -m "your commit text"



#### file status & ignored files

Viewing your staged and unstaged changes:

```
> git status
```

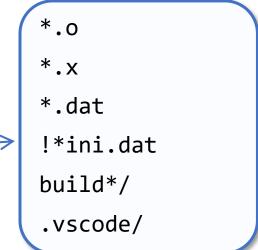
To see what you've changed but not yet staged:

```
> git diff <file>
```

A file listing patterns to match the names of files that will be ignored by git actions.

```
> vim .gitignore
```

.gitignore example:



#### **Undoing thing**

Improve the previous commit:

> git commit --amend

Unstage a staged file:

> git checkout --staged <file>

> git reset HEAD <file>

Unmodify a modified file:

> git restore <file>

> git checkout <file>

Check the history of your commits:

```
> git log
```

> git log --all --oneline --decorate --graph

#### **Branches**

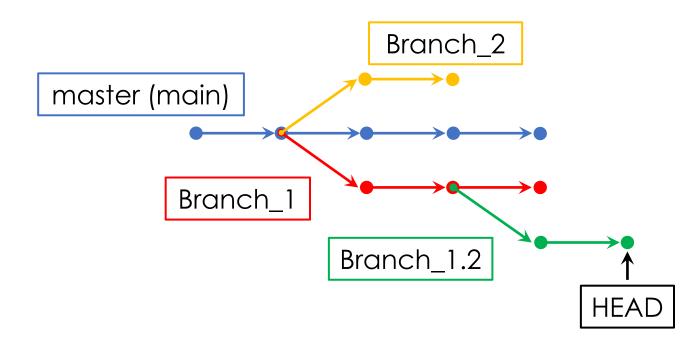
A branch in git is a movable pointer to one of the commits.

Create a new branch:

> git branch <branch\_name>

Switch to an existing branch:

> git checkout <branch\_name>



HEAD is a particular pointer. It always points to the local branch you're currently on.

#### Merge branches

#### Merge two branches:

> git merge <branch>

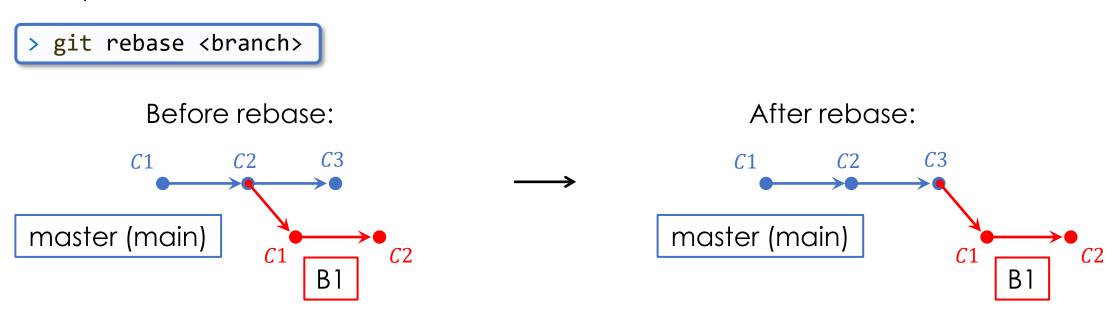
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- Merge commit (B1): git creates a new commit (snapshot) that results from this three-way merge.
   [C4 is a new commit]
- Fast-forward merge (B2): is a special case of merge that happens if there is not a divergent history: git just moves the pointer forward.

  [the master points to the commits of the branch B2]

#### **Rebase branches**

Take all the changes committed in the current branch and reapply them on top of <br/>branch>:



Useful to create fast-forward merges instead of merge commits.

#### Remote repository

Remote repositories are versions of your project that are hosted on the Internet or network (e.g., GitHub or GitLab). Very useful to collaborate with others or share your work.

If you have **cloned** the remote repository, you can check it:

```
> git remote -v
```

Otherwise, you can **initialize** your new local repository from scratch, and then **connect** it to a new remote repository:

```
> git init
> git remote add <repo_name> <repo_url>
```

# git git config

Configure your most used account to use your git repositories with SSH-key protocol:

```
> git config --global user.email youremail@domain.com
> git config --global user.name "yourname"
```

Configure a local account for a specific repository:

```
> git config --local user.email youremail@domain.com
> git config --local user.name "yourname"
```

Check your configuration:

```
> git config --list
```

Useful option:

```
> git config --global core.editor "vim"
```

#### git fetch and git pull

> git fetch <remote>

Pulls down all the data from the remote project. You will have references to all the remote branches, which you can merge with your local branch in or inspect at any time.

> git merge <branch>

> git pull <remote> <branch>

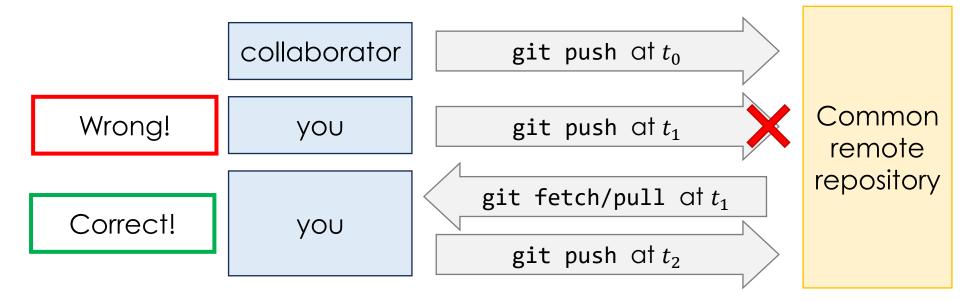
Automatically **fetch and then merge** the remote branch into your current local branch.

## git git push

Sends missing objects to the remote repository and updates the remote branch.

```
> git push <remote> <branch>
```

This command works only if you clone from a server to which you have write access and if nobody has pushed in the meantime.



#### git init

Create a local repository by initializing a .git/ directory inside <local\_dir> (that is your local repository):

```
> git init <local_dir>
```

```
> git add -A
> git commit -m "my first commit"
```

Create the **remote** repository on your favorite platform (e.g. GitHub, GitLab), **connect** it to your local repository, and push it:

```
> git remote add origin <repo_url>
> git push -u origin master
> git push -u origin --all
```

```
Local branches → master, hpc
Remote branches → origin/master, origin/hpc
```

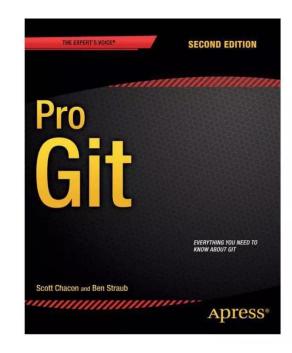
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git Book: <a href="https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2">https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2</a>

GitHub documentation: <a href="https://docs.github.com/">https://docs.github.com/</a>





# End

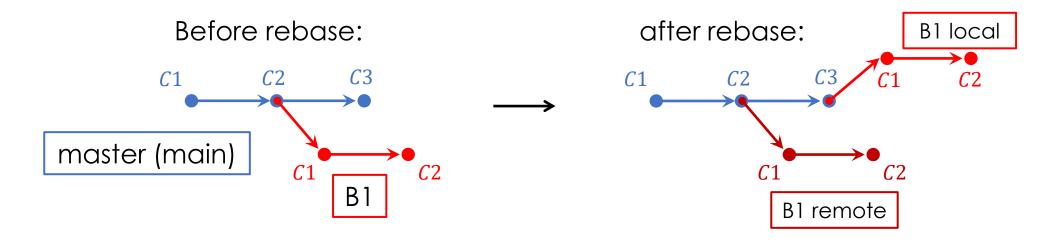
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Now the live session

## git: EXTRA 1

#### Push rebase example

- > git checkout B1
- > git rebase master



After the rebase B1 has become a divergent branch! So, git push will not work anymore, you will need a push force.

> git push origin B1 --force-with-lease

## git: EXTRA 2

#### **SSH-key protocol**

If you don't have one, create a ssh key:

> ssh-keygen

If you don't choose a custom name, directory or password, your private and public keys will be in the directory \${HOME}/.ssh/ as: id\_rsa and id\_rsa.pub

Add the content of your PUBLIC key in GitHub (<a href="https://github.com/settings/keys">https://gitlab.com/settings/keys</a>), or your favorite platform.

Remember: NEVER share your PRIVATE key outside of your local machine.

## git: EXTRA 3

#### **Custom line prompt**

Inside \${HOME}/.bashrc, following the example below, export the git variables and add in the PS1 variable a string as "git string":

```
export GIT_PS1_SHOWCOLORHINTS=1
export GIT_PS1_SHOWDIRTYSTATE=1
export GIT_PS1_SHOWUNTRACKEDFILES=1
export GIT_PS1_SHOWUPSTREAM=1

user='\[\e[1;31m\]\u'
host='\[\e[0;35m\]@\h'
work_dir='\[\e[1;36m\]\w'
dollar='\[\e[1;32m\]\$'
input='\[\e[0;37m\]'

git_string='\[\e[1;93m\]$(__git_ps1 "(%s)")'

PS1=${user}${host}${work_dir}${git_string}${dollar}${input}
```

You can choose different colors changing the piece of string in the front: "\[\e[1;93m\]".

More informations about PS1 and its colors here: link1, link2.

mmencagl@NMMENCAGL206897~/programming/gpluto\_cpp(ot11 \*%=)\$ echo "hello world" hello world

current branch modified files

untracked files

upstream state