**What is Source Control?**

Source control (or version control) is the practice of tracking and managing changes to code. Source control management (SCM) systems provide a running history of code development and help to resolve conflicts when merging contributions from multiple sources.

**Why Source Control?**

* Backup/Archive
* Versioning/History
* Undo Changes
* Comparing
* Collaboration / Teamwork
* Isolation Of Changes

**Types: -**

**Centralized Decentralized/Distributed**

Free: Subversions, CVS Git & Mecurial

Commercial: Clear Case, Perforce

Central Server Required Most of the operations are local/

Central server not Required

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