



# Source Control Systems Git & Svn

DevOps Training

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# BASIC INTRO TO GIT

- Discuss how Git differs from Subversion
- Discuss the basic Git model
- Pull/clone files from a repository on github
- Edit files in your own local Git repo
- Push files to a repo on github

# VERSION CONTROL SYSTEMS

- **Version control** (or **revision control**, or **source control**) is all about managing multiple versions of documents, programs, web sites, etc.
  - ❖ Almost all “real” projects use some kind of version control
  - ❖ Essential for team projects, but also very useful for individual projects
- Some well-known version control systems are CVS, Subversion, Mercurial, and Git
  - ❖ CVS and Subversion use a “central” repository; users “check out” files, work on them, and “check them in”
  - ❖ Mercurial and Git treat all repositories as equal
- Distributed systems like Mercurial and Git are gradually replacing centralized systems like CVS and Subversion

# WHY VERSION CONTROL?

- For working by yourself:

Gives you a “time machine” for going back to earlier versions

Gives you great support for different versions (standalone, web app, etc.) of the same basic project

- For working with others:

Greatly simplifies concurrent work, merging changes

# FEATURES OF VERSION CONTROL

Manages file sharing for  
**Concurrent Development**

Keeps track of changes and Copies with  
**Version Control**

# CONCURRENT DEVELOPMENT

- Server holds all original files of a project
- Gives out copies to participants (clients)
- Participants modify their copies & Submit their changes to server
- Automatically merges changes into original files. Huge!
- Conflicts only occur when modifications are done
  - by more than one participant
  - at the same location in their respective copies.
  - Then participants have to manually resolve such conflicts. Rare!
- Powerful edit and merge tools help make this task easy

# SVN V/S GIT

## SVN:

- central repository approach – the main repository is the only “true” source, only the main repository has the complete file history
- Users check out local copies of the current version

## Git:

- Distributed repository approach – every checkout of the repository is a full fledged repository, complete with history
- Greater redundancy and speed
- Branching and merging repositories is more heavily used as a result

# GIT HISTORY

Came out of Linux development community

Linus Torvalds, 2005

Initial goals:

- Speed
- Support for non-linear development (thousands of parallel branches)
- Fully distributed
- Able to handle large projects like Linux efficiently



# GIT RESOURCES

At the command line: (where verb = config, add, commit, etc.)

```
$ git help <verb>
```

```
$ git <verb> --help
```

```
$ man git-<verb>
```

Free on-line book: <http://git-scm.com/book>

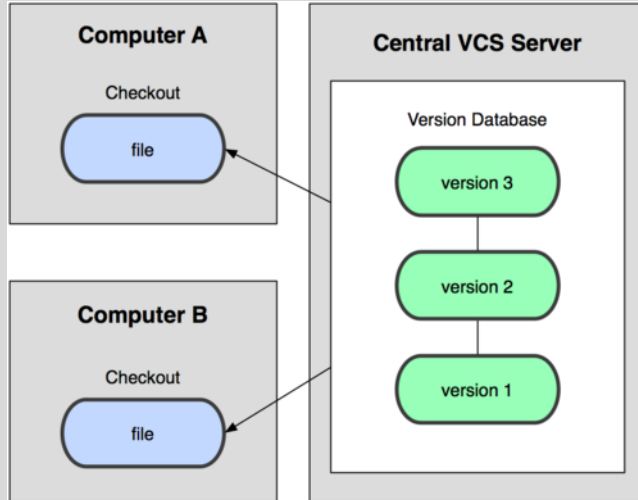
Git tutorial: <http://schacon.github.com/git/gittutorial.html>

Reference page for Git: <http://gitref.org/index.html>

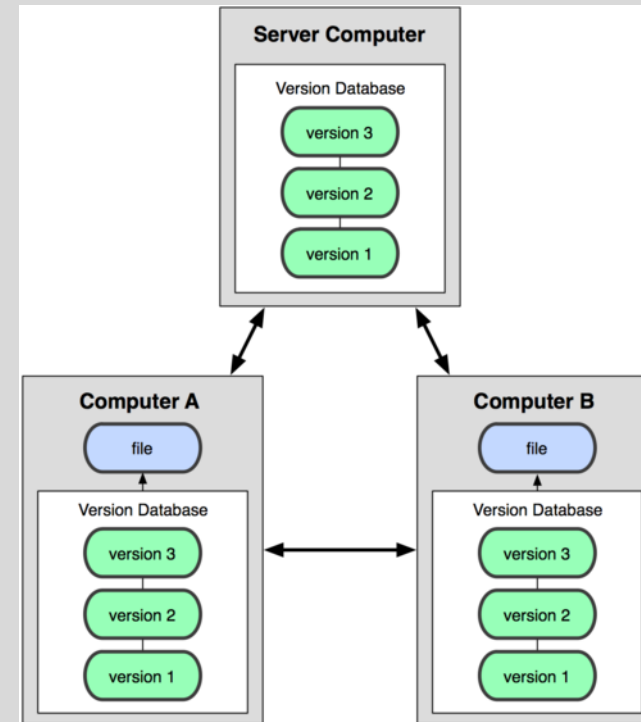
Git website: <http://git-scm.com/>

# GIT USES A DISTRIBUTED MODEL

Centralized Model

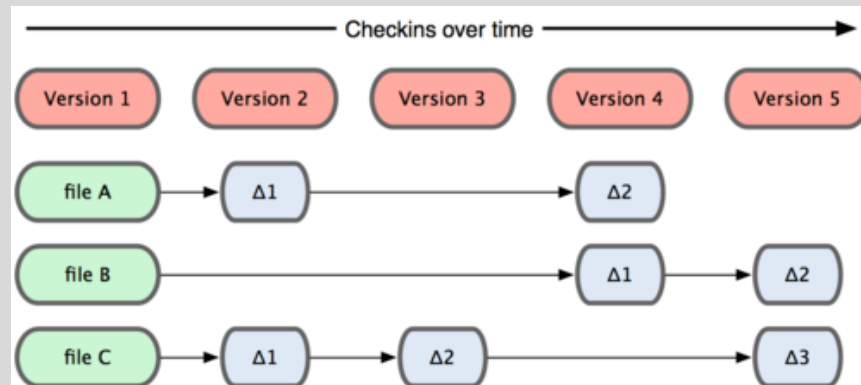


Distributed Model

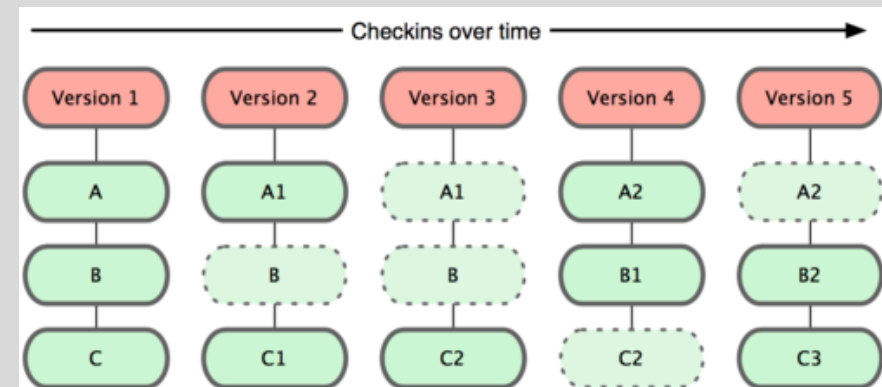


# GIT TAKES SNAPSHOTS

## Subversion



## Git



# GIT USES CHECKSUMS

In Subversion each modification to the central repo incremented the version # of the overall repo.

How will this numbering scheme work **when each user has their own copy of the repo**, and commits changes to their local copy of the repo before pushing to the central server????

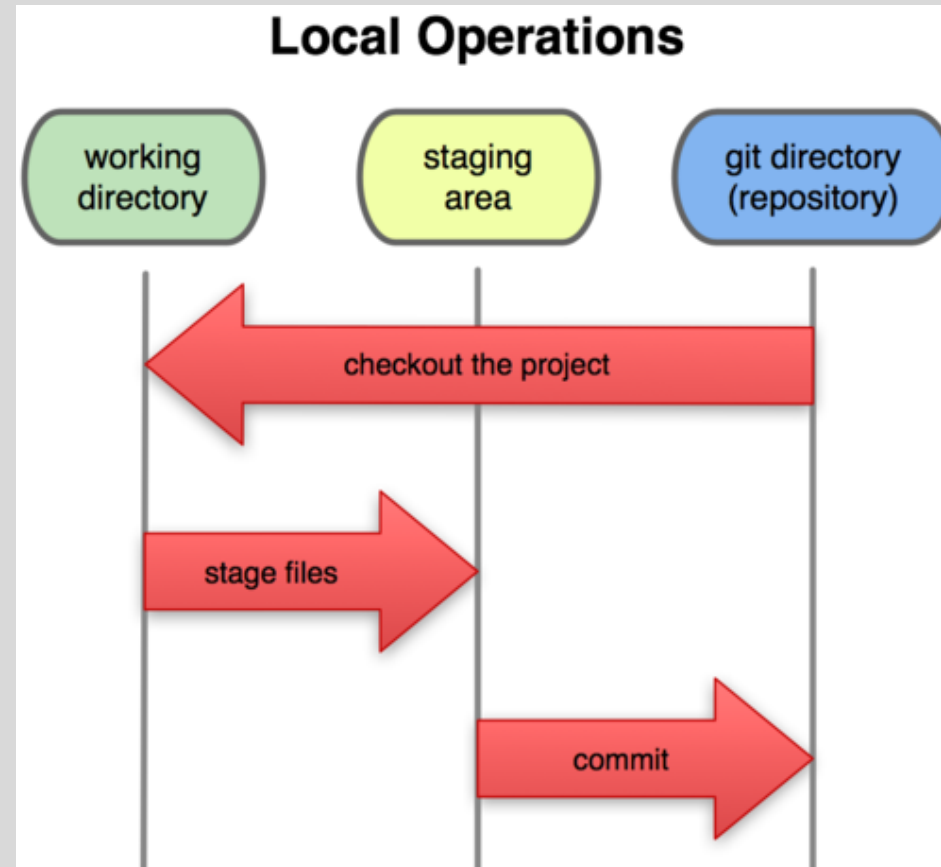
Instead, Git generates a unique SHA-1 hash – 40 character string of hex digits, for every commit. Refer to commits by this ID rather than a version number. Often we only see the first 7 characters:

1677b2d Edited first line of readme

258efa7 Added line to readme

0e52da7 Initial commit

# A LOCAL GIT PROJECT HAS THREE AREAS



# BASIC WORKFLOW

Basic Git workflow:

1. **Modify** files in your working directory.
2. **Stage** files, adding snapshots of them to your staging area.
3. Do a **commit**, which takes the files as they are in the staging area and stores that snapshot permanently to your Git directory.

# WHAT IS GITHUB?

[GitHub.com](https://github.com) is a site for online storage of Git repositories.

Many open source projects use it, such as the [Linux kernel](https://www.kernel.org/).

You can get free space for open source projects or you can pay for private projects.

**Question:** Do I have to use github to use Git?

**Answer:** No!

you can use Git completely locally for your own purposes, or  
you or someone else could set up a server to share files, or  
you could share a repo with users on the same file system

# GET READY TO USE GIT!

- I. Set the name and email for Git to use when you commit:

```
$ git config --global user.name "firstname lastname"
```

```
$ git config --global user.email @gmail.com
```

You can call `git config -list` to verify these are set.

These will be set globally for all Git projects you work with.

You can also set variables on a project-only basis by not using the `--global` flag.

You can also set the editor that is used for writing commit messages:  
`$ git config --global core.editor emacs` (it is vim by default)



# GIT COMMANDS

command	description
<code>git clone <i>url</i> [<i>dir</i>]</code>	copy a git repository so you can add to it
<code>git add <i>files</i></code>	adds file contents to the staging area
<code>git commit</code>	records a snapshot of the staging area
<code>git status</code>	view the status of your files in the working directory and staging area
<code>git diff</code>	shows diff of what is staged and what is modified but unstaged
<code>git help [<i>command</i>]</code>	get help info about a particular command
<code>git pull</code>	fetch from a remote repo and try to merge into the current branch
<code>git push</code>	push your new branches and data to a remote repository
others: <code>init</code> , <code>reset</code> , <code>branch</code> , <code>checkout</code> , <code>merge</code> , <code>log</code> , <code>tag</code>	

# COMMITTING FILES

The first time we ask a file to be tracked, *and every time before we commit a file* we must add it to the staging area:

```
$ git add README.txt hello.java
```

This takes a snapshot of these files at this point in time and adds it to the staging area.

To move staged changes into the repo we commit:

```
$ git commit -m "Fixing bug #22"
```

Note: To unstage a change on a file before you have committed it:

```
$ git reset HEAD -- filename
```

Note: To unmodify a modified file:

```
$ git checkout -- filename
```

**Note:** These commands are just acting on your local version of repo.

# STATUS AND DIFF

To view the **status** of your files in the working directory and staging area:

```
$ git status
```

or

```
$ git status -s
```

(-s shows a short one line version similar to svn)

To see what is modified but unstaged:

```
$ git diff
```

To see staged changes:

```
$ git diff --cached
```

# VIEWING LOGS

To see a log of all changes in your local repo:

```
$ git log OR
```

```
$ git log --oneline (to show a shorter version)
```

1677b2d Edited first line of readme

258efa7 Added line to readme

0e52da7 Initial commit

```
git log -5 (to show only the 5 most recent updates, etc.)
```

Note: changes will be listed by commitID #, (SHA-1 hash)

Note: changes made to the remote repo before the last time you cloned/pulled from it will also be included here

# PULLING AND PUSHING

Good practice:

1. **Add** and **Commit** your changes to your local repo
2. **Pull** from remote repo to get most recent changes (fix conflicts if necessary, add and commit them to your local repo)
3. **Push** your changes to the remote repo

To fetch the most recent updates from the remote repo into your local repo, and put them into your working directory:

```
$ git pull origin master
```

To push your changes from your local repo to the remote repo:

# PULLING AND PUSHING [CONTINUE]

```
git push origin master
```

Notes: **origin** = an alias for the URL you cloned from

**master** = the remote branch you are pulling from/pushing to,  
(the local branch you are pulling to/pushing from is your current  
branch)

Note: On attu you will get a Gtk-warning, you can ignore this

# BRANCHING

To create a branch called experimental:

```
$ git branch experimental
```

To list all branches: (\* shows which one you are currently on)

```
$ git branch
```

To switch to the experimental branch:

```
$ git checkout experimental
```

Later on, changes between the two branches differ, to merge changes from experimental into the master:

```
$ git checkout master
```

```
$ git merge experimental
```

Note: `git log --graph` can be useful for showing branches.

Note: These branches are in your local repo!

# HANDS ON I

1. `$ git config --global user.name "Your Name"`
2. `$ git config --global user.email youremail@whatever.com`
3. `$ git clone https://github.com/PROJ/REPO.git`

Then try:

1. `$ git log, $ git log --oneline`
2. Create a file named `userID.txt` (e.g. `rea.txt`)
3. `$ git status, $ git status -s`
4. Add the file: `$ git add userID.txt`



# HANDS ON 2

```
$ git status, $ git status -s
```

1. Commit the file to your local repo:  
\$ git commit -m "added rea.txt file"

2. \$ git status, \$ git status -s, \$ git log --oneline

**\*WAIT, DO NOT GO ON TO THE NEXT STEPS UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO!!**

1. Pull from remote repo: \$git pull <GITHUB> master

2. Push to remote repo: \$git push <GITHUB> master

it's  
Q & A  
TIME!



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