

Version control concepts & GIT Basics

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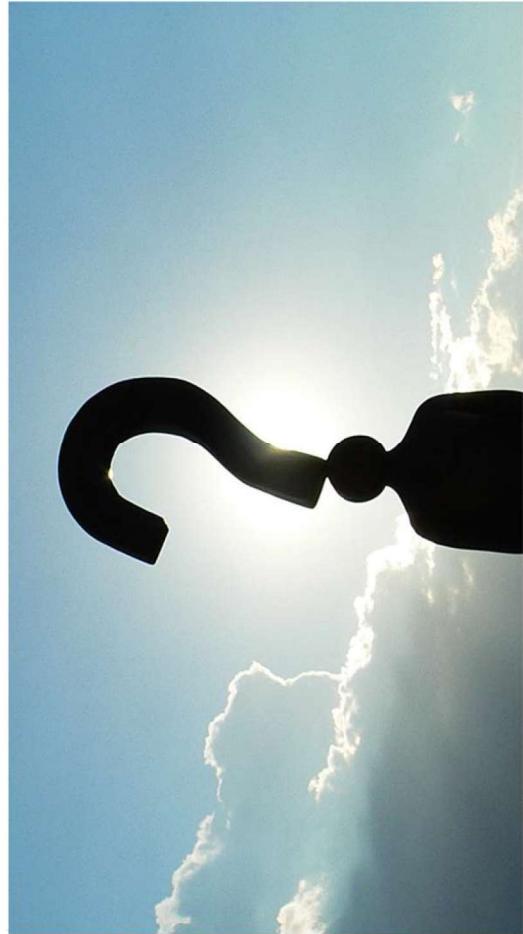
Introduction to version control

- Enables multiple people to simultaneously work on a single project.
- Enables one person to use multiple computers to work on a project.
- Integrates work done simultaneously by different team members.
- Gives access to historical versions of project so that if one makes a mistake, s/he can roll back to a previous version.



Why Do We Need A Version Control System (VCS)?

- Backup and Restore
- Synchronization
- Undo
- Track Changes
- Track Ownership
- Sandboxing
- Branching and merging



Repositories and working copies

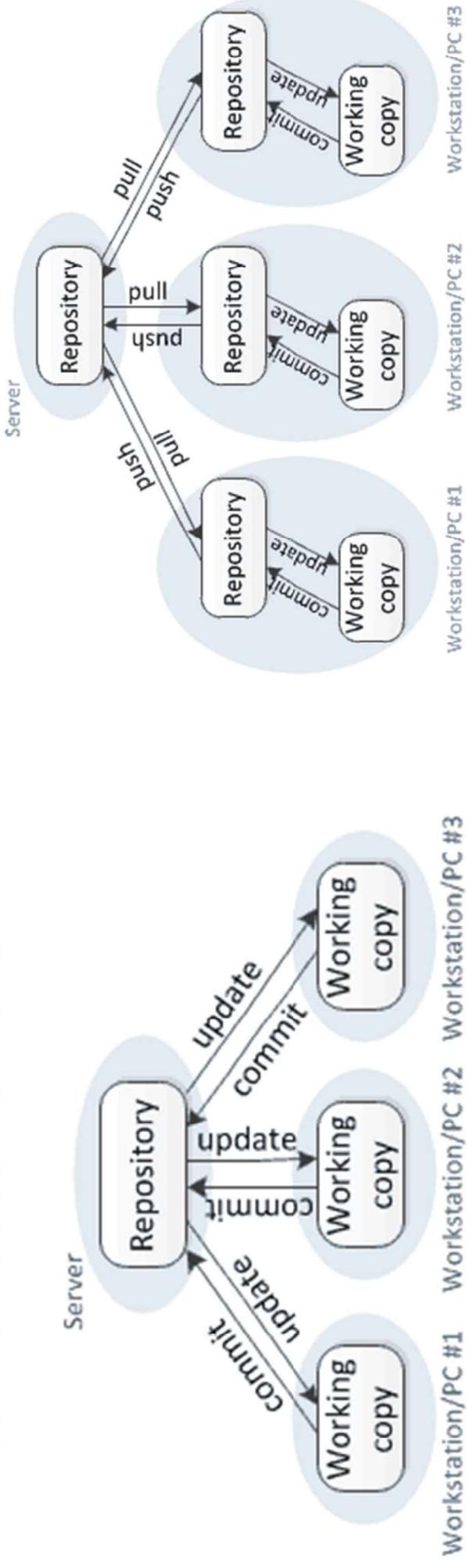
- Version control uses a repository and a working copy where we do our work.
- Working copy is personal copy of all the files.
- We changes this copy, without affecting our teammates.
- When we are happy with edits, commit changes to repo.
- A repo/repository is a database of all the edits and historical versions (snapshots) of project.



Distributed and centralized version control

Centralized version control

Distributed version control



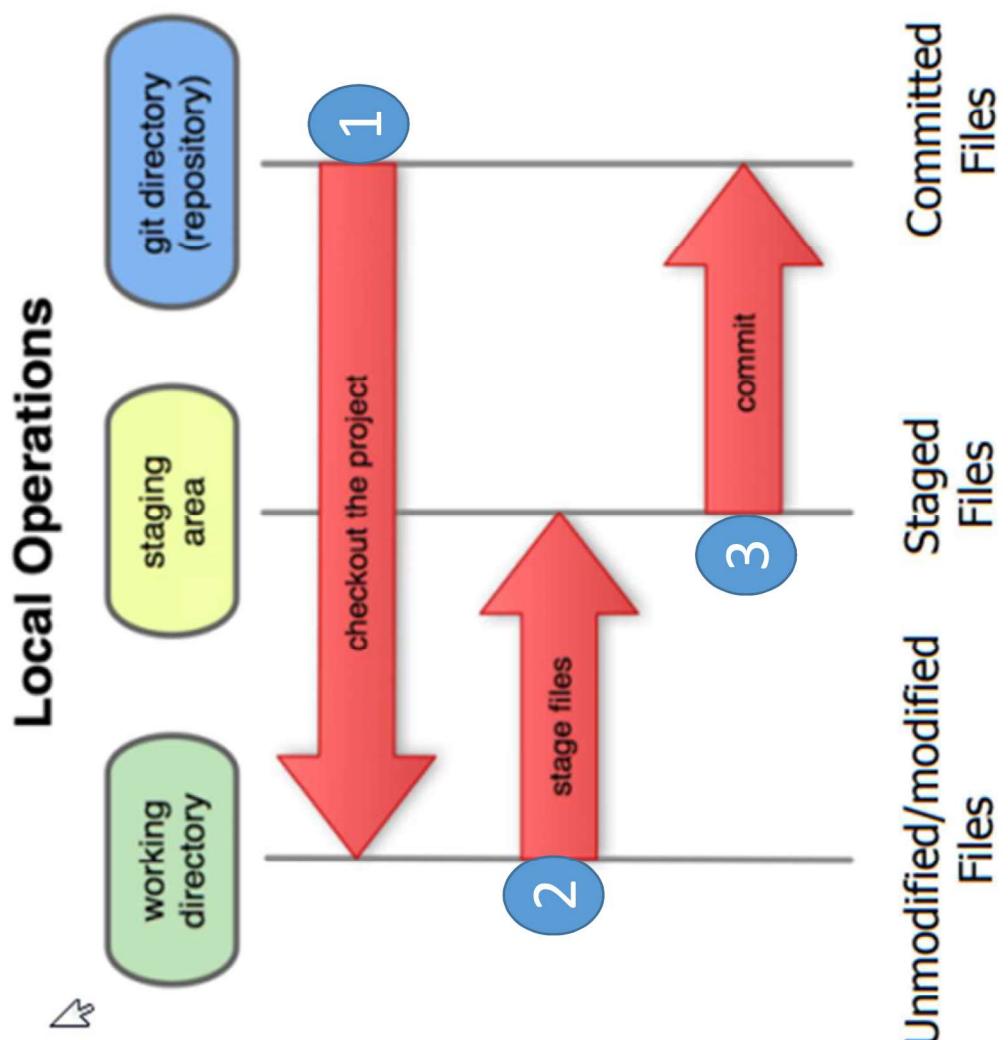
- Subversion/CVS - Just one repository
- Central server is must.
- Spoke and hub structure
- Local changes are not versioned
- Need to communicate with server at each check in/checkout.

- GIT/ Mercurial - Multiple repositories
- Can be used Offline
- Full history of repository lives on every user's machine
- Peer to Peer model
- Many operations are local

About Git

- Created by Linus Torvalds - creator of Linux, in 2005
- Goals of Git:
 - Speed
 - Support for non-linear development
 - (thousands of parallel branches)
 - Fully distributed
 - Able to handle large projects efficiently
- Git website: <http://git-scm.com/>

Local git operations



Untracked, tracked, unstaged and staged changes

- Untracked changes are not in Git.
 - This file exists locally, but isn't a part of the Git repository.
 - The file's change history will not be recorded and it will not be pushed to remote copies of repository.
- Untracked files will show up when viewing your Git status.
- A tracked file becomes untracked when running `git rm --cached [file]`. This will remove the file from Git while preserving local copy.
- Tracked files are in git
 - Git tracks the file's change history and it will be pushed to remote copies.
 - These files will show up in your Git status report.
- An untracked file becomes a tracked file when it is added using `git add [file]`

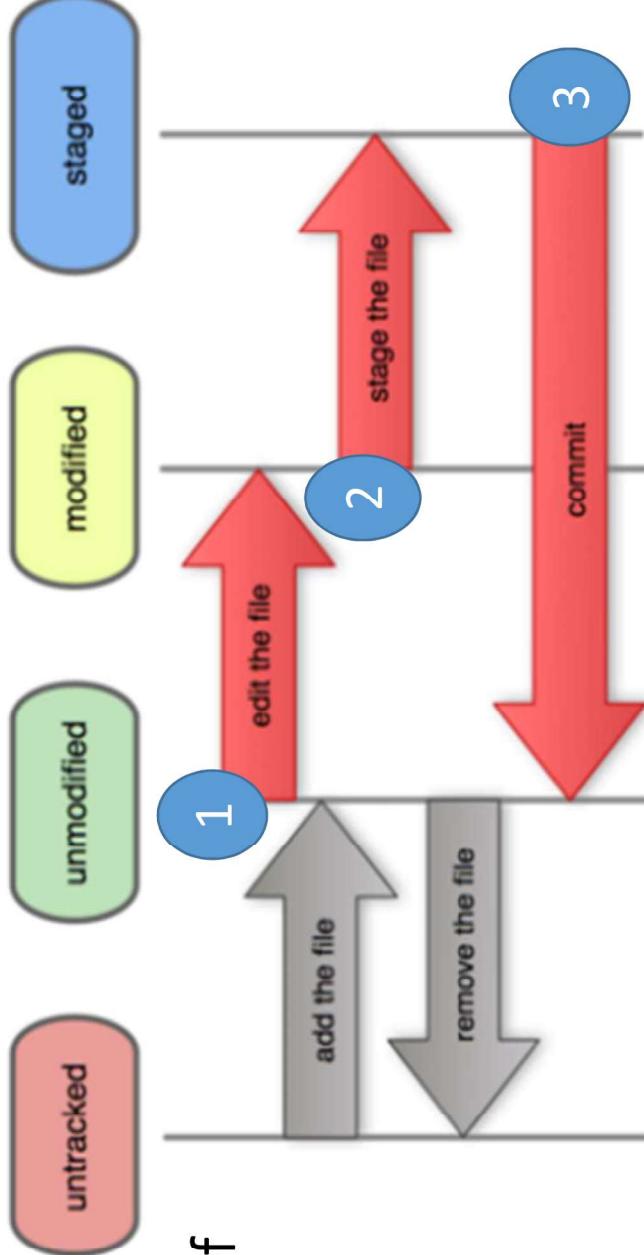
Untracked, unstaged and staged changes

- Unstaged changes are in Git but not marked for commit.
 - Unstaged changes exist in working directory, but Git hasn't recorded them into its version history yet.
 - We usually want to stage them using `git add <file>` command
- Staged changes are in Git and marked for commit.
 - Staged changes are a lot like unstaged changes, except that they've been marked to be committed.
 - Upon next commit, staged changes become part of your Git history.
 - To stage the changes: `git add <file>`
- Have a last look at all staged changes before I commit
 - `git diff --staged`

Basic Git workflow

1. Modify files in the working directory.
2. Stage files, adding snapshots of them to staging area.
3. Commit - takes the files in the staging area and stores to Git directory.

File Status Lifecycle



Terminology



- **Repository (repo):** The database storing the files.
- **Server:** The computer storing the repo.
- **Client:** The computer connecting to the repo.
- **Working Copy:** Our local directory of files, where we make changes.
- master - the repository's main branch.
- clone - copies an existing git repository, normally from some remote location to local environment.
- commit - submitting files to the repository (the local one); in other VCS it is often referred to as “checkin”

Terminology

- fetch or pull - is like “update” or “get latest” in other VCS.
- push - is used to submit the code to a remote repository
- remote - these are “remote” locations of repository, normally on some central server.
- SHA - every commit or node in the Git tree is identified by a unique SHA key.
- head - is a reference to the node to which our working space of the repository currently points.
- branch - a particular label on a given node.



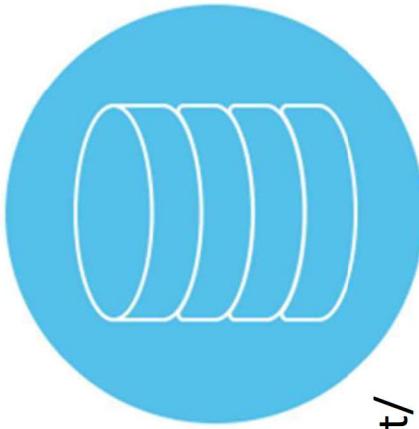
Workstation Setup



- To setup Git simply go to git-scm.com/downloads.
- More detailed information can be found here as well:
 - <http://git-scm.com/book/en/Getting-Started-Installing-Git>
- After everything is set, the first thing we have to do is to configure git with our name and email:
 - `git config --global user.name "My Name"`
 - `git config --global user.email myemail@gmail.com`

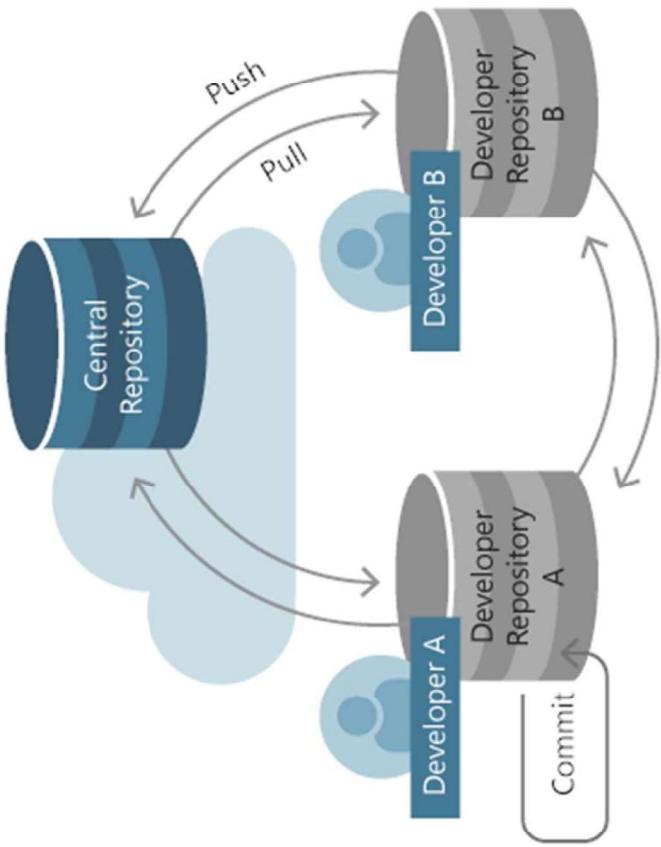
Lets get started: Create a new Git Repository

- Before starting, lets create a new directory where the git repository will live and cd into it:
 - `mkdir mygitrepo`
 - `cd mygitrepo`
- Now we're ready to initialize a brand new git repository.
 - `git init`
 - Initialized empty Git repository in c:/projects/mystuff/temprepos/mygitrepo/.git/
- We can check for the current status of the git repository by using
 - `git status`
- Create and commit a new file
 - `$ touch hello.txt`
 - `$ echo Hello, world! > hello.txt`



Lets get started: Create a new Git Repository

- To “register” the file for committing we need to add it to git using
 - **\$ git add hello.txt**
- Checking for the status now indicates that the file is ready to be committed:
 - **\$ git status**
 - # On branch master
 - # Initial commit
 - # Changes to be committed:
 - # (use "git rm --cached <file>" to unstage)
 - # new file: hallo.txt
 - #

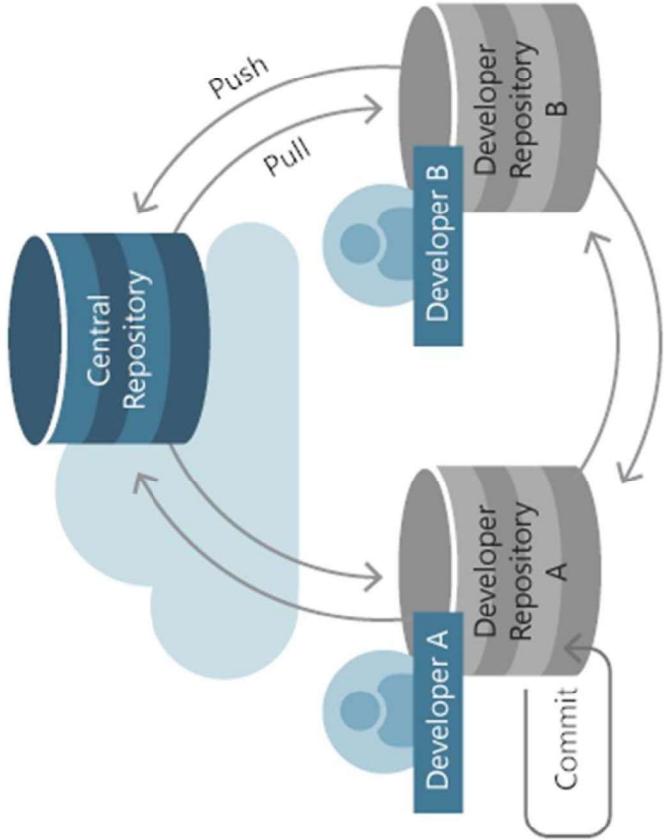


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- We can now commit it to the repository

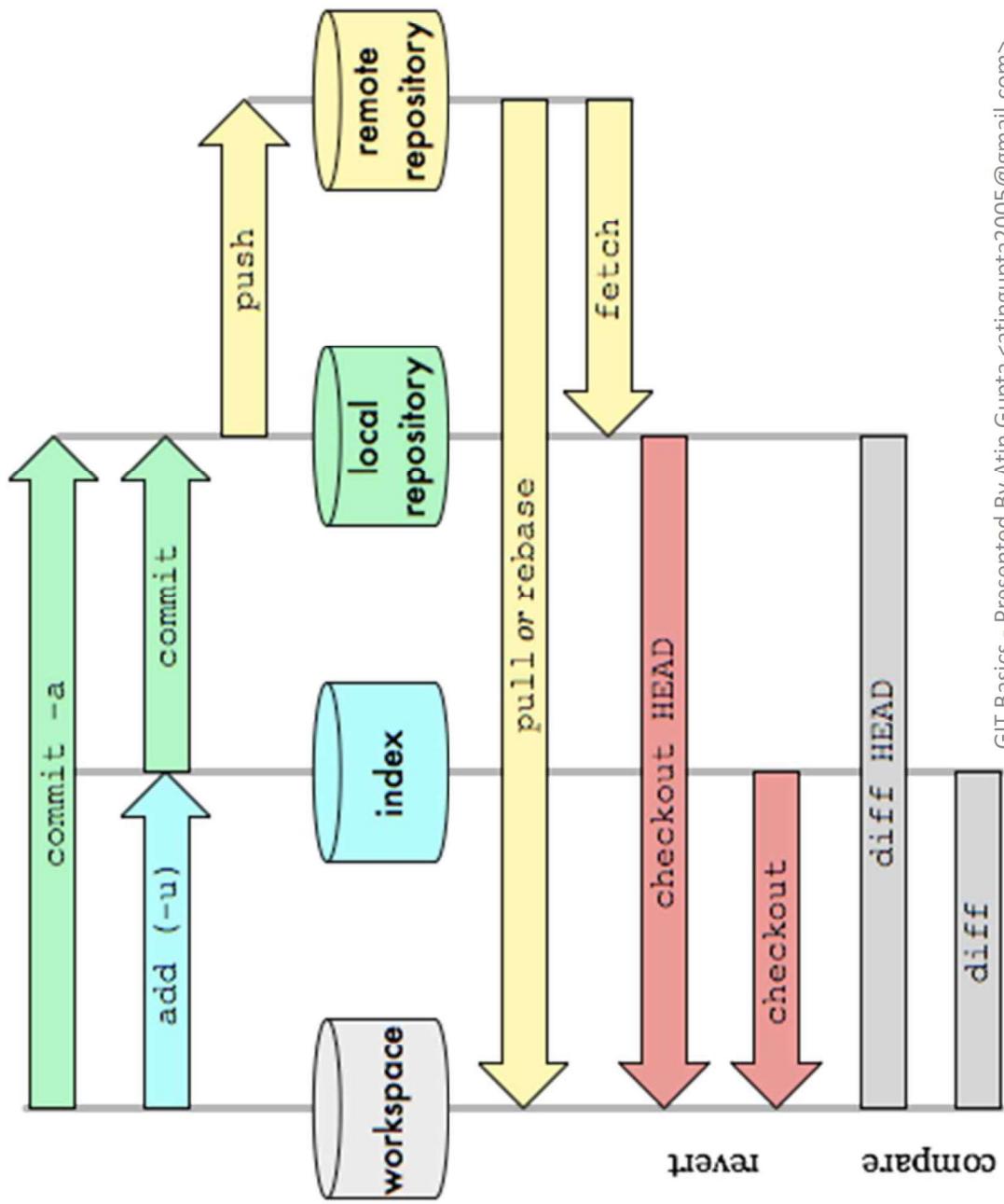
- **\$ git commit -m "Add my first file"**

- 1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
 - create mode 100644 hallo.txt



Git Data Transport Commands

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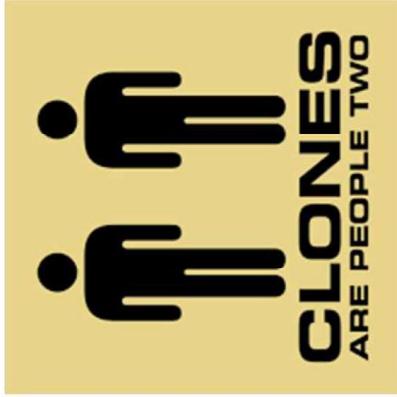


Git commands

Command	Description
<code>git clone url [dir]</code>	Copy a Git repository so we can add to it
<code>git add file</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 our 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 [command]</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 our new branches and data to a remote repository

CLONING EXISTING PROJECTS

- The syntax to pull down a local copy of an existing repo is:
 - `git clone http://github.com/matthewmcullough/hellogitworld.git`
- The `clone` command performs several subtasks:
 - Sets up a remote (a Git repository address bookmark) named `origin` that points to the location `http://github.com/matthewmcullough/hellogitworld.git`
 - Asks this location for the contents of its entire repository.
 - Git copies those objects to the requestor's local disk.
 - Switches to a branch named `master`
- The local copy of this repo is now ready to have edits made, branches created, and commits issued – all while online or offline.



DIFF

- A patch-style view of the difference between the currently edited and committed files
 - `git diff`



LOG

- The full list of changes since the beginning of time:

- `git log`
- `git log --since=yesterday`
- `git log --since=2weeks`

BLAME

- To discover why, when and by whom a certain line was added
 - `git blame <filename>`

ABORTING

- To abort current uncommitted changes and restore the working copy to the last committed state:
- Discards all of currently uncommitted (unstaged or staged) changes:
 - `git reset --hard`

ADDING (STAGING)

- When ready to put files into the next commit, they must first be staged with the add command.

- `git add .`
- `git add *.java`

COMMITTING

- Once all desired files are staged, a commit command saves the pending additions to the local repository.
 - `git commit`
- To supply the commit message directly at the command prompt:
 - `git commit -m "<commit message>"`
- To view the statistics and facts about the last commit:
 - `git show`



THE REMOTE WORKFLOW

- Working with remote repositories is one of the primary features of Git.
 - We can push or pull with colleagues.
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- REMOTES

- A remote called origin is automatically created if we cloned a remote repository. The full address of that remote can be viewed with:



- `git remote v`
- To add a new remote name:
 - `git remote add <remote name> <remote address>`

PUSH / PULL

- To put changes from local repo in the remote repo
 - `git push origin master`

- From remote repo to get most recent changes.

- `git pull`
- `git pull <remote name>`
- `git pull <remote name> <branch name>`



GitHub

- GitHub.com is a site for **online storage of Git repositories.**
 - We can create a remote repo there and push code to it.
 - We can get free space for open source projects
- Its **not mandatory to use Github to use Git.**
 - We can use Git locally for our own purposes.
 - We can also set up a server to share files.
 - We can share a repo with users.



Thank you