CS601: Principles of Software Development

Git/Github Basics. File Processing.

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What is Version Control?

- Management of multiple revisions of the same information
 - Code, documents, ...

Have You Ever:

- Made a change to the code, and then wanted to go back to the previous working version?
- Lost code
- Had to maintain multiple versions of the project
- Wanted to experiment with the new feature without breaking the old code?
- Worked in a team on the same code?

Reference:

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1408450/whyshould-i-useversion-control

Version Control System

- Keeps a record of every change ever committed
- Allows you to look at previous versions of the code

Solo Programmer - One Machine

- Do I need git?
- Yes: can keep track of changes, compare different versions, etc..

Sharing Across Machines

- Work at the lab, then work at home
- 1)"commit&push" your code when you are done at the lab,
- 2) "pull"/ update the code when you move to your home computer

Working in a Team

- Multiple people working on the same code need revision control
 - All IT companies use revision control

Version Control Systems

- CVS (older technology)
- SVN
- Git
- Mercurial

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Centralized vs Distributed Version Control Systems

- CVS, SVN: Central Repository
 - All changes stored in a database
 - If server dies, you loose all history
- Git, Mercurial:
 - Copy the whole repo & database when clone
 - Sync working copies by exchanging "patches"
 - If we use github, it seems like "central control"

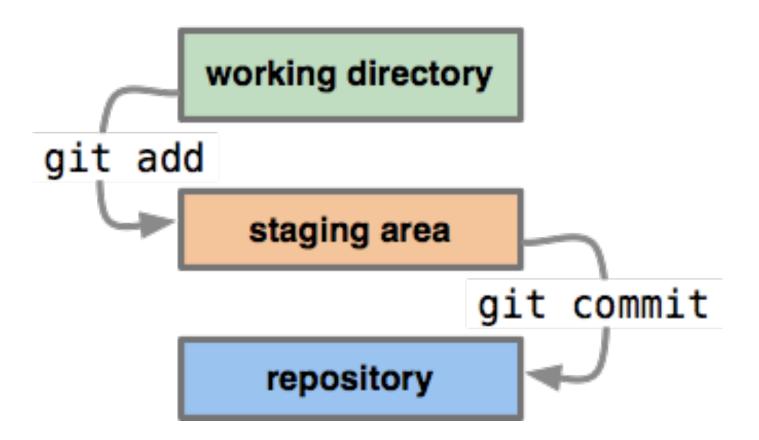
Git

- An open-source version control system
- Started by Linus Trovalds

How to use git

- A git repository is a directory on your disk
 - Has .git directory that stores all info about what happened to this repo
- Create repository with git init
- Create files in it, then git add to add them
- Added and previously added & modified files are in staging area
- Commit them: git commit -a -m "message"

Staging Area (Index)



Reading

- Prof. Parr's lecture notes on git:
 - https://github.com/parrt/cs601/blob/ master/lectures/git-basics.md#why-userevision-control

- More Git Commands
 - https://services.github.com/kit/downloads/ github-git-cheat-sheet.pdf

Github

- A web-based Git repository hosting service
 - A place where one can store projects / documents
- Social Network for developers?

Working with Github via Command Line

- Cloning a github repo: git clone https://github.com/USF-CS601-Fall2016/lab1
- Set the new remote:
 git remote add origin githubURL
- Check what remote is set to:
 git remote -v
- Push changes in your local repo to github:
 git push -u origin master
- Get the changes *from* github git pull origin master

File Processing in Java

Relevant Classes from Java 8 API

From java.io.*

- File
- Scanner
- BufferedReader
- PrintWriter

From java.nio

- Path
- Paths
- Files
- FileSystem

Path

- In java.nio package
- Represents a "path" in the file system
 - getRoot()
 - getParent()
 - getFileName()
 - isAbsolute()
 - toAbsolute()
 - normalize()

Paths

Has static methods to create Path objects

```
Path p = Paths.get("myfile.txt");
Path p = Paths.get("/Users/okarpenko/Documents/", "hotelsSanDiego");
```

Files

- In java.nio.file
- Includes helper methods
 - To get attributes of Path objects
 - To list the files within a directory
 - To read lines from the file

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Example

See PathExample.java

DirectoryStream

- An Interface
- If Implemented, enables iteration through the contents of a directory

DirectoryStream: Example

```
Path p = Paths.get("MyFolder");
DirectoryStream<Path> filesList = Files.newDirectoryStream(p);
for (Path file: filesList) {
    // process the file
}
```

See DirectoryListingExample.java

References

 http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/ essential/io/index.html