

Conclusion: Git Branching

Quickly go over some important points from the previous lessons.

We'll cover the following



- A branch is just a pointer
- Is the master branch special?

A branch is just a pointer

Remember these points:

- A *branch* is a pointer to the *end* of a line of changes.
- A *tag* is a pointer to a single change.
- HEAD is where your Git repository is *right now*.
- Detached HEAD means you are at a commit that has no reference (branch or tag) associated with it.

Is the master branch special?

It's worth pointing out that apart from its default status, there is nothing special about the `master` branch. It's just a name. Your principal branch might be called `live`, `alice`, `pristine`, `main`, or whatever you like.

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