Git and GitHub

1. Why Git?

- · Backing of our project at different states, like
 - after we solve a bug?
 - before trying out a new feature?
- · Working on a team, how
 - do we manage which copy is the *central* version if each developer works in its own?
 - can we allow for more than one developer to work in the same file?
 - can we track what changes have been done by each developer?

2. Version Control Systems (VCS)

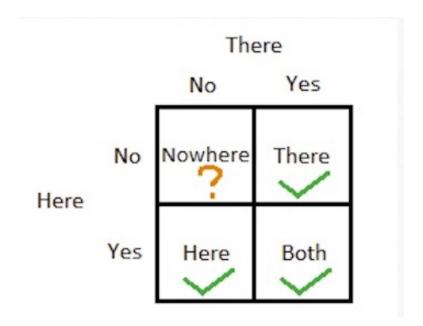
- · A complete long-term change history of every file
 - · Creation, edition and deletion of files
- · Revert files to previous states
- Revert entire projects back to previous states
- Compare changes over time
- · Branching and mergin
 - Individuals working on independent streams of changes
 - Enables to verify that the changes on each branch do not conflict
- Traceability
 - Trace each change made to the software by each contributor
 - Connect it to project management and bug tracking software such JIRA¹.

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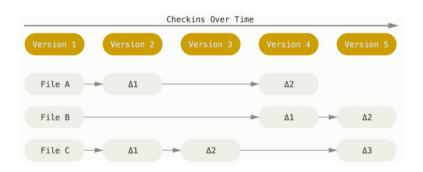
¹ https://www.web.com

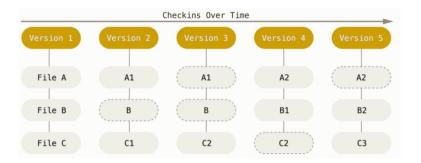
3. Different flavors:

- · Non-Existing
- Local(here)
- Centralized(there) like for example CVS or Subversion (also known as SVN)
- Distributed(both) like Git or Mercurial



4. Diffs VS Snapshots





5. What is Git?

- By far, the most widely used modern version control system in the world.
- Is a mature, actively maintained open source project originally developed in 2005 by Linus Torvalds² (Linux operating system kernel).
- An example of a DVCS:
 - Everything is local
 - Is really fast
 - Snapshots, not diffs
 - Distributed not centralized

6. Installing Git

- Windows: https://git-scm.com/download/win
- Mac: https://git-scm.com/download/mac

Then we check the installation by checking git's version:

\$ git --version

Possible outputs:

- git version 2.10.1
- bash: git: command not found

² https://www.wikipedia.com/linux

7. Configuring Git:

• Our **identity**, so every time we make a commit, it is associated to our person:

```
$ git config --global user.name "your name"
$ git config --global user.email your.email@propulsion.ch
```

· The editor to be used if git wants to show us something:

```
git config --global core.editor <vim, emacs, subl, atom...>
git config --global core.editor "subl -n -w"
git config --global core.editor "atom --wait"
```

Enable color in git, so the outputs will be easier to read:

```
git config --global color.ui auto
```

Check all the settings:

```
git config --list
```

8. Git workflow

In a Git repository a file can be in one of these three states:

- Modified: When you modify files in your working directory
- Staged: You stage the files, adding a snapshot of them to the staging area
- Committed: You do a commit that stores snapshots permanently to your Git directory



9. Git basic operations (I)

To create a new Git project:

```
° git init
```

o git clone /path/to/repo

· See state of the repository:

```
o git status
```

· Add new files to staging area:

```
° git add <filename>
```

· Commit changes:

```
o git commit -m "Commit message"
```

10. Git basic operations (II)

· To see the history of a repo:

```
git loggit log -n <number>git log --statgit log --pretty=oneline
```

· See changes in a commit:

```
o git show <commitID>
```

· or compare two commits:

```
o git diff commit1ID commit2ID
```

• Revert to previous state:

```
o git checkout <commitID>
```

· or return to current state:

```
o git checkout master
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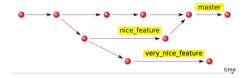
11. Exercise I: Basic commands in Git

- 1. Create a new repository
- 2. Add some files
- 3. Stage them
- 4. Modify one file
- 5. Check state of the repo
- 6. Commit changes
- 7. Repeat the process for other files
- 8. Go back to a previous state.
- 9. Inspect the directory
 - · Which files were added by git?

12. Branching

Branches are used to develop features isolated from each other:

- The master branch is the "default" branch when you create a repository.
- We use other branches for development and merge them back to the master branch upon completition.



13. Operations

- · To list all branches:
 - o git branch
- To create a new branch:
 - o git branch <new branch name>

· To switch to a different branch:

```
o git checkout <other branch name>
```

To create and swith to a new branch:

```
o git checkout -b <new_branch_name>
```

To delete a branch:

```
o git branch -d <branch name>
```

· To merge branches into the master:

```
o git checkout master
o git merge <branch a>
```

14. Problems with branches

Sometimes auto-merge is not possible and the result are conflicts.

· Master and another branch modify the same file.

So we are responsible to merge those conflicts manually by editing the files shown by git.

- · Editor of choice.
- **Tip**: Before mergin changes, preview changes.

```
o git diff
```

15. Exercise II: Branching in Git

- Create a new branch
- Create a new file in this branch
 - Add some content
 - · Commit it
- Navigate between branches and see the state of both from your text editor
- Generate a conflict by modifying the same file in both branches

Merge branch into master

16. Working with remote repositories

- A remote URL is Git's fancy way of saying "the place where your code is stored".
- That URL is going to be our repository on GitHub, but it could be another user's fork, or even on a completely different server.
- Two types of URL addresses:
 - An HTTPS URL like https://github.com/user/repo.git
 - An SSH URL, like git@github.com:user/repo.git

Git associates a remote URL with a name, and your default remote is usually called origin.

17. Origin

- By convention the name it recives the new remote repository(GitHub).
- It could be multimple remote repositories.

When cloning a repository for the first time:

• It is the default name given to the original remote repository that you clone. It is where you want to pull and push changes.

18. Operations

- · To add a remote:
 - o git remote add origin https://github.com/yhabib/gitTest.git
- To send local changes from master to the remote:
 - ° git push -u origin master
- · or from a particular branch:
 - o git push origin <branch name>
- To fetch remote changes:

- o git pull
- · For a remote branch we first need to check it:
 - o git fetch
 - o git checkout <branch name>

19. Markdown

- Adding readme.md files in a repository makes them look more profesional
- · Markup lenguage used by GitHub
- · Very easy to learn and use
- Cheatsheet³

20. Exercise III: Advance Git

- Create a new repository in GitHub
- · Push your local repo to this remote
- · Push as well branches
- · Create a readme md
 - With title and a list of elements
- Check all the information that GitHub offers about the repository

21. Exercise IV: Working on a team

- 1. Each member in the team should have a GitHub account.
- 2. A GitHub repository has to be created by a member of the group.
- 3. Inside the repository:
 - Settings
 - Collaborators
 - · Add collaborators
- 4. Share url → slack sub-group

³ https://github.com/adam-p/markdown-here/wiki/Markdown-Cheatsheet

- 5. Rest members in the team should clone the repo into their respective machines.
- 6. Play modifying files, commiting and pushing.

22. Feature Branch Workflow

- All feature development should take place in a dedicated branch instead of the master branch.
 - The master branch will never contain broken code
- Pull requests allows to initiate discussions around a branch
 - Code review by team members
 - Easy way for a developer to ask for help
 - Repository owner integrates the branch into the master by accepting the pull request.

23. Personal recommendations

- · How to organize Propulsion Academy code
 - · Projects based
 - Course based
- · GitPages, easy way to create a web page for you or your page
 - Personal Page⁴
 - Project Page ⁵
- · GitHub daily contributions
 - Important for job searching
- Visual Studio Code⁶

⁴ https://mapageka21.github.io/

⁵ https://vhabib.github.io/JavaScript30/

⁶ https://code.visualstudio.com/