Introducing



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Outline

- What (is git)?
- Why (do we need git)?
- Who uses git?
- Concepts and hands on

What (is git)?

• (Distributed) version control system;

• Free and open source;







• What was changed?

• When?

• By whom?



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Who uses git?

facebook. Google Microsoft





Concepts – Repository

• Where all our work is stored;

• Contains every version of our work;





Hands On – Repository

• Okay, so let's create our repository;

- Create/change to some directory:
 - e.g., gitworkshop;
- **\$** git init
 - Command to create a repository!



Concepts – Working Copy

• A snapshot of the repository;

• Where we work, i.e., change things;



• Private.

- **\$** git status
 - Check the state of our working copy.



nothing to commit, working directory clean

• Let's create our first file;

• Create the file main.c:

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(int argc, char** argv)
{
    printf("Hello world\n");
    return 0;
}
```



- **\$** git status
 - We created a new file.



```
# Untracked files:
# (use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be
committed)
#
# main.c
nothing added to commit but untracked files present
(use "git add" to track)
```

- **\$** git add main.c
 - We want git to maintain main.c.

```
# Changes to be committed:
# (use "git rm --cached <file>..." to unstage)
#
# new file: main.c
```

Working

copy

Concepts – Commit

• Operation that modifies the repository;

- Typically accompanied by a comment that:
 - explains the changes made;
 - becomes part of the repository's history.



Hands On – Commit

• **\$** git commit --message "My first commit!"

• --message/-m flag specifies the commit comment.



Concepts – Log

• History of the repository's evolution.

• Description of the modifications made, who made them, and when.



Hands On – Log

- **\$** git log
 - Summary containing the author, date and comment;
- **\$** git show
 - More detailed description, includes actual changes.

commit 9c5c46b64c9470bf0e87cc63421cff23a226023b
Author: Tiago Vale <tiagomarquesvale@gmail.com>
Date: Wed Feb 20 21:22:57 2013 +0000

My first commit

• Let's modify main.c.



• And now, we want to commit.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(int argc, char** argv)
{
    printf("Hello world, how are you?\n");
    return 0;
}
```

• **\$** git commit -m "Modified string"

• What happened? :-(



```
# Changes not staged for commit:
# (use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)
# (use "git checkout -- <file>..." to discard changes in working
directory)
#
# modified: main.c
#
no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit -a")
```

Sort of a loading dock;

• When we commit, we only apply the changes to files which are staged.



• When we modify a file in the working copy, it is marked as "modified."



- Before committing, the modified file needs to be "staged"
 - i.e., add a snapshot of it to the staging area;
- Modified data is marked in its current version to go in the next commit.



• Staged changes can be committed!



Hands On – Let's Try Again

• **\$** git add main.c



• \$ git commit -m "Modified string"

[master cd9b797] Modified string 1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)

Hands On – Let's Try Again

- The staging area can be bypassed with the --all/-a commit flag;
 - Commits all changed files in the working copy.
- **\$** git commit --all --message "..."



- What if I modify something, and change my mind? How do I discard the changes?
 - i.e., revert to the current repository version.
- **\$** git checkout -- <file>
 - e.g., \$ git checkout -- main.c



Commands, Revisited

- **\$** git init
- **\$** git status
- **\$** git add <file>
- \$ git diff <file>
- **\$** git commit [-a] -m <message>
- \$ git checkout -- <file>
- **\$** git reset HEAD <file>
- **\$** git log/show

Concepts – Remote

Other instance of this repository...

- ...on other computer!
 - e.g., on GitHub.





Hands On – Remote

- Create a repository on GitHub;
- Now, we clone GitHub's repository to our machine
 - \$ git clone https://github.com/<user>/<repo>.git



GitHub

Hands On – Remote

- We now have our local instance of GitHub's repository;
- We always work on *our local instance*;
- The repository on GitHub is called origin.
- **\$** git remote



origin 32

Hands On – Remote

• Let's put our main.c file in this repository;

Check GitHub.

• Not there! :-(



Concepts – Push

 Copy changes from the local repository instance to a remote one;

 Synchronization between two repository instances.



Hands On – Push

- We want to push our work to keep GitHub's repository up to date.
- \$ git push origin

To https://github.com/tvale/git-workshop.git 1c95c92..6284ab4 master -> master



Concepts – Pull

• Copy changes from a remote repository instance to the local one;

• The other way around!



Hands On – Pull

- Update your local repository instance.
- **\$** git pull origin

main.c | 2 +1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)

- Now one of you changes the string in main.c, then commits and pushes.
- Meanwhile, I also modified my copy of main.c and will push now.

• What happened?

- Git is not allowing me to push my changes because someone has already pushed theirs first;
- I must pull the changes before pushing my own modifications;
- Two possible scenarios:
 - Everything goes okay; or
 - My modifications conflict with the pulled changes!

• If everything goes okay:

```
Auto-merging main.c
Merge made by the 'recursive' strategy.
main.c | 2 +-
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)
```

• \$ git push origin

• If there are conflicts:

```
Auto-merging main.c
CONFLICT (content): Merge conflict in main.c
Automatic merge failed; fix conflicts and then
commit the result.
```



- When we resolve the conflicts in a file, we mark as solved:
 - \$ git add <file>
- After fixing all conflicts, we commit...
 - \$ git commit
- ...and can push now.
 - \$ git push origin

Commands, Revisited

• **\$** git clone

• **\$** git push

• **\$** git pull



Conclusion

• Learned how to use git to manage the evolution of your projects, on your own;

• Learned how to use git and GitHub to work as a team on the same project.

References

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https://github.com/

http://git-scm.com/book

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Thank you.