CSE 374 - Week 6 (Fri) Git

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Source: XKCD

Plan for the Week

- Software engineering week!
- Problems we will look at

← Monday: What does it mean for our program to be correct?

- ← Wednesday: How do we test our program's correctness?
- Friday: How can we collaborate and track changes to our code?
- Solutions
 - ↔ Monday: pre- and post-conditions
 - ↔ Wednesday: testing
 - Friday: git

Version Control: Individual

- Does any of the following sound familiar?
 - Your code was working great! Then *you made a few changes* and now everything is broken and you **saved over the previous version**?
 - You **accidently delete** a critical file and can't get it back.
 - Your computer was broken or stole and now **all of your files are gone**!
 - While writing a paper for one of your classes you save each version as final_paper.doc, final_paper2.doc, final_paper_actually_this_time.doc, UGH.doc
- There has to be a better way to manage versions...

Version Control: Teams

- Does any of the following sound familiar?
 - My partner and I are paired up for a project for one of our CSE classes. We usually pair program together in the labs but sometimes we have to work remotely. Who keeps the most up-to-date version of the project? How do we share changes with each other? What if I want to compare the changes my partner made?
 - How do we keep backups of important files? Who stores them on their computer?

Version Control

- Version Control: Software that keeps track of changes to a set of files.
- You likely use version control all the time:
 - In Microsoft Word, you might use Ctrl+Z to undo changes and go back to an earlier version of the document
 - In Google Docs you can see who made what changes to a file
- Lots of people have a use-case for version control
 - We often think of version control as related to managing code bases, but it's also used by other industries such as law firms when keeping track of document changes over time

Repository

- A repository, commonly referred to as a repo is a location that stores a copy of all files
 - The working directory(or working tree) is different from the repository (see next slide)
- What should be inside of a repository?
 - Source code files (i.e. .c files, .java files, etc)
 - Build files (Makefiles, build.xml)
 - Images, general resources files
- What should not be inside of a repository (generally)
 - Object files (i.e. .class files, .o files)
 - Executables

Git

- With git, everyone working on the project has a complete copy of the repository and its history
 - Everyone has a local copy of the repository, which is what we use to make our own changes.
 - We share changes by *pushing* and *pulling*



Central git repos

- Keep an "origin" copy of the repo on a Git server
 - The remote repository is the *defacto* central repository
 - Remote repositories are hosted on services like GitHub or Gitlab
- Everyone can push their changes and pull others' changes



A repository's history is a series of "commits"

- Each commit makes changes to the files in the repo
- *Commit history* serves as a log of the changes everyone made
- Commits are easy, and free! Commit early and often.
 - Ever accidentally deleted something and forgot what it was?
 - If you make a mistake, you can look at the changes since the last commit

What is a "commit"?

- A "commit" is a single set of changes made to your repository
- Also records:
 - \circ The name of the author
 - The date and time
 - A "commit message": short sentence describing what that commit did
- Identified by an ID, or "SHA"

commit 6b2186c8105d15774591d8cc949de6ea7b1922fd
Author: Kaelin Laundry <kaelinl@cs.washington.edu>
Date: Wed Jul 29 23:43:04 2020 -0700

hw4: begin introducing optional bugs

Commit messages

- Commit messages are the way you remind yourself and tell others what you did
- Commit messages should be **descriptive**
 - E.g. "Added test for predicting null string"
 - not "changed test"
- Commit messages should be **short/medium length**
 - If you want to know *exactly* what code was changed, you can check the full changes.

The "git" command

- The "git" command is the primary way of interacting with git
- You must "cd" into the folder where your repo is stored, or any subfolder within it
- Used like any other shell command!

Git: Four Phases



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NOTE: There are way more git commands than what is listed here - this is a simplified model to get us started.

Inspecting a Git Repository

- git status
 - Lists the files which you have changed but not yet committed



- Indicates how many commits have made but not yet pushed
- git log
 - Shows the commit history
 - Press "q" to exit

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If git status shows the following, which phase is file1.txt in?

Changes not staged for commit:

(use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)

(use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
 modified: file1.txt

A. Working directory

2B. Staging area/index



Creating a Commit

- Make a change to any file
- "add" the change
 - o git add path/to/file.ext

-m

- "commit" the change
 - git commit --message "made some changes"

How do I fix git?!

- Even for experienced users, sometimes you may accidentally get your git repo into an undesirable situation
- There is always a way to fix this, although it's not always obvious how
- Online resources are helpful
 - <u>https://ohshitgit.com/</u>

Demo: Working with git Locally



Git: Four Phases with Remote



Collaboration in a git repo: simple case

- A "linear" history
 - Alice makes a commit and pushes
 - **Bob pulls**, makes a change, commits the change, and **pushes**
 - Alice pulls, makes a change, commits, and pushes
 - \circ ...etc.



CSE Gitlab

- Github and Gitlab are just websites that store git repos
- You can create a repo on the website and git clone to edit it on your computer (e.g. laptop, klaatu, etc.)
- CSE has its own version of Gitlab where you will be given a repository
 - <u>https://gitlab.cs.washington.edu/</u>

Cloning From Remote





🗢 315 Commits 🛛 🖌 4 Branches 🖉 0 Tags 🗈 8 MB Files 🗔 8 MB Storage

Staff repo



Demo: git with Gitlab



Collaboration: Reality

- We said the "commit history" is a list of commits. What happens here?
 - Charlie makes a change and creates commit C, but doesn't push
 - **Diane** also makes a change and commit D, and **pushes**
 - Charlie pulls from the remote repo
 - It's no longer a list! The history has diverged
- Does Charlie just have to delete, pull and start over?





Merging

- A merge commit is a commit which has two "parents"
 - Combines the changes in each
 - Commit "M" includes all of Diane's changes, *plus* all of Charlie's



How do we merge?

- git pull
 - Automatically fetches the changes and merges them into yours
 - Then, git push

Others can now work off of your combined changes

- Sometimes, the changes you make will "conflict" with the changes others make
 - e.g., you both edit the same line
 - Resolving merge conflicts is more complicated; come to OH or post on Ed!

Reference: Git Commands

git clone url [dir]	Downloads a copy of the git repository	
git add files	Adds file contents to staging area	
git commit	Takes a snapshot of staging area and creates a commit	
git status	View status of files in working directory and staging area	
git diff	Show difference between staging area and working directory	
git pull	Download ("fetch") history from the remote repository and merge it with local	
git push	Upload your local commits to the remote repository/server	

Git: learning more

- Lots of interesting and useful topics, including:
 - Branching, checkout
 - Resolving merge conflicts, mergetools
 - "Merge requests" (a.k.a. "Pull requests")
 - Rebase

• The web is your friend!

- Official documentation
- "Git Book": <u>https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2</u>

GitHub

Primarily public, opensource projects.

Check it out!

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P.S.: git is complex!

Three of the top four most-upvoted questions on StackOverflow.

Everyone is learning!

