Version Control with Git

Pete Alonzi Research Data Services UVa Library March 24, 2016

Check us out data.library.virginia.edu

University of Virginia Library

Research Data Services

Research Data Services offers consultation and training in acquiring, collecting, analyzing, visualizing, sharing, and preserving research data. Email us at researchdataservices@virginia.edu.



Spring Workshops

StatLab Articles

StatLab: Data Analysis & Statistics

- Consultation and training on data analysis, statistical methods, visualization, data wrangling, and the use of statistical software
- Contact: statlab@virginia.edu

Geospatial Analysis & Visualization

- Consultation, training and software support in spatial data and analysis, cartography and Esri products
- Contact: <u>uvagis@virginia.edu</u>

Research Software Support

Installation Instructions

Windows: http://msysgit.github.io/

- Mac: type git at terminal and click install
 - If that fails goto: http://alonzi.github.io/2015-04-16-uvalib/

What we're gonna do today

- Version Control Software
 - principles
 - workflow
- Git repositories
 - Implementation of VCS principles
 - commands
- Collaboration (remote repositories)
 - Github
 - conflicts

What version control does

- Record all versions of code
- Permit switching of versions
- Allow collaboration
- (Easy to use) ... if you build the habit

Good for text based files. Not so much for things like pdfs.

"FINAL"doc



- FINAL . doc!



FINAL_rev.2.doc









FINAL_rev.8.comments5. CORRECTIONS.doc

FINAL_rev.6.COMMENTS.doc





ICOMETOGRADSCHOOL????.doc corrections.10.#@#%WHYDI FINAL_rev.22.comments49 corrections9.MORE.30.doc FINAL_rev.18.comments7.



Solutions to this problem











Taxonomy

- Local data model (SCCS)
 - shared file system
- Client-server model (CVS)
 - singular reference file system
- Distributed model (Git)
 - All work is on local file system (not shared)

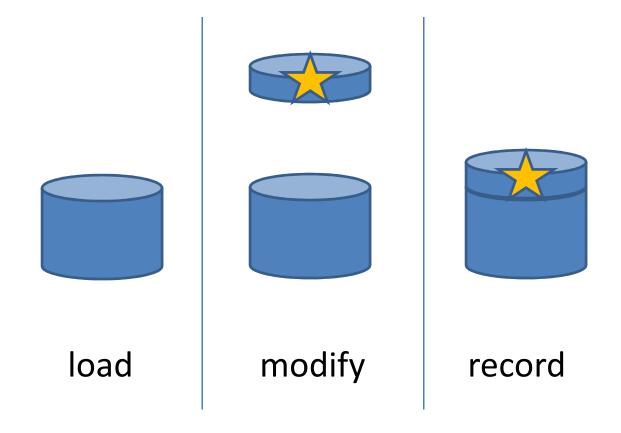
Terminology

"Repository: A directory where Git has been initialized to start version controlling your files." - https://try.github.io/levels/1/challenges/1

• **Revision**: An entry in the repository.



Version Control Workflow

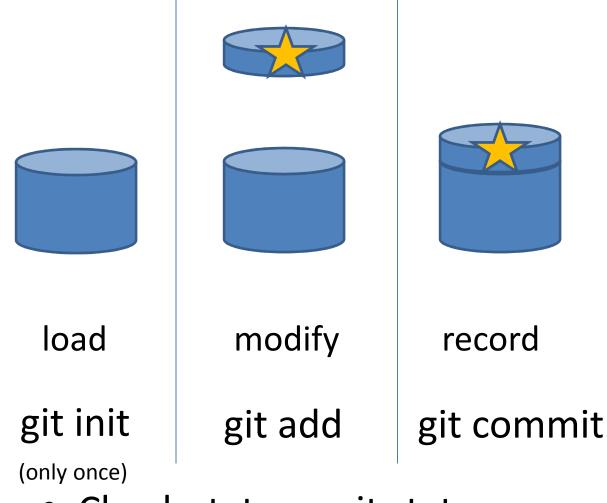


Git 101

- The way git works is by issuing commands at the command line.
- The look like this "git verb"

```
eg
git commit
git add
git rm
git revert
```

Git workflow



Check status – git status

Jedi Code

- There is no emotion, there is peace.
- There is no ignorance, there is knowledge.
- There is no passion, there is serenity.
- There is no chaos, there is harmony.
- There is no death, there is the Force.

Exercise 1
Create a repository
Add a text file

Make five commits

More commands

- git log
- git diff [revision]

Dangerous commands

- git mv
- git rm

- git checkout [revision]
- git checkout master (to get back)

Sith Code

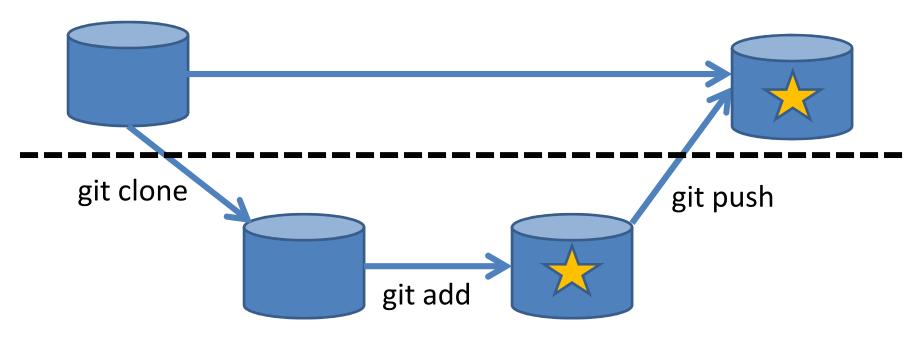
- Peace is a lie, there is only passion.
- Through passion, I gain strength.
- Through strength, I gain power.
- Through power, I gain victory.
- Through victory, my chains are broken.
- The Force shall free me.

Exercise 2
Add Sith Code to repository

Remote repositories

Remote repository

Computer A



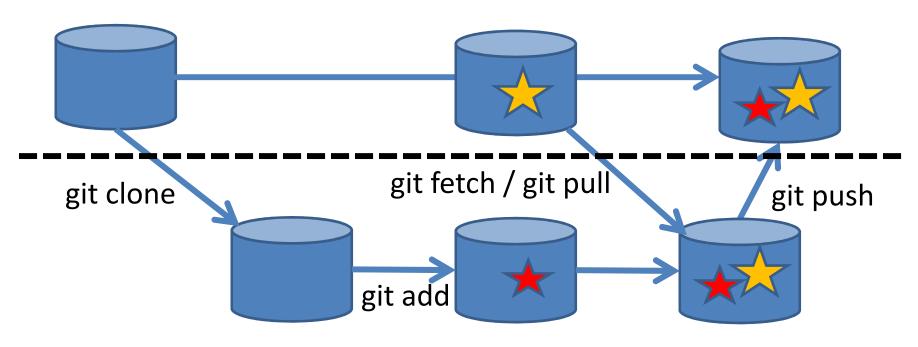
Computer B

Remote repository clone

- mkdir code
- cd code
- git clone https://github.com/alonzi/gitdemo.git

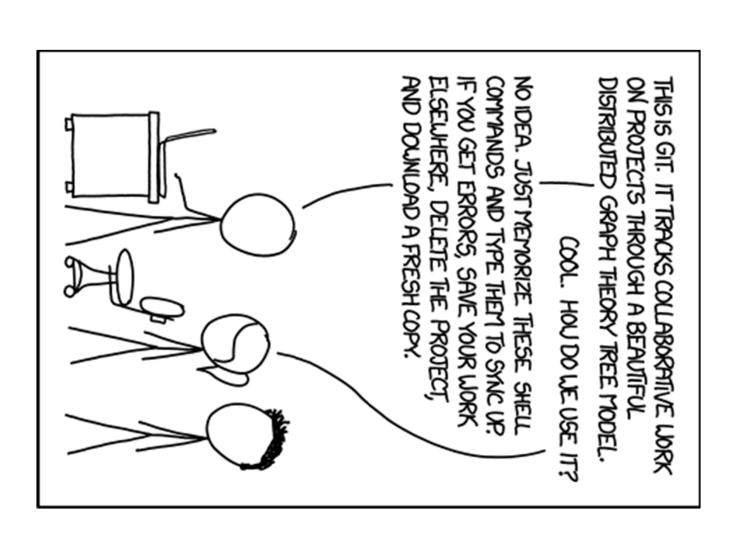
Remote repository II

Computer A



Computer B

CONCLUSIONS



xkcd.com

extras

git persona

- git config --global user.name "Vlad Dracula"
- \$ git config --global user.email
 "vlad@tran.sylvan.ia"
- \$ git config --global color.ui "auto"
- \$ git config --global core.editor " editor"

From:

http://swcarpentry.github.io/git-novice/01-setup.html

Ignoring file

- Create a file .gitignore
- Put command line style statements in it
- Eg: *.txt or directory/

Git will now ignore the following files

• ned