Software Engineering at MPRI - Tutorial on the version control system git, and its extensions

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 \rightarrow A free and open source distributed version control system (DVCS) \rightarrow Designed to handle everything from small to very large projects with speed and efficiency





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- **Remote/upstream repository** (dépôt distant): Versions of your project that are hosted on the Internet or network, ensuring all your changes are available for other developers.

The default name is origin.

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\$ git clone <url>

Retrieve an entire repository from hosted location via URL.

\$ git fetch <alias>

Fetch down all the branches from that Git remote.

\$ git merge <alias/<branch>

Merge a remote branch into your current branch to bring it up to date.

\$ git pull

Fetch and merge any commits from the tracking remote branch.



Make modifications

\$ git add <file(s)>

Add a file (or several) as it looks now to your next commit (stage).

\$ git rm <file(s)>

Delete the file (or several) from the project and stage the removal for commit.

- \$ git mv <old-name-file> <new-name-file>
 Rename the file and stage the renaming.
- \$ git mv <existing-path> <new-path>
 Change an existing file path and stage the move.
- \$ git reset <file(s)>

Unstage a file (or several) while retaining the changes in working directory.

- \$ git commit [-m "<descriptive message>]"
 Commit your staged content as a new commit snapshot.
- \$ git push <alias> <branch>

Transmit local branch commits to the remote repository branch.

- Clone the repository from https://github.com/amelieled/SE_GIT_MPRI.git
- 2. Add at least 5 new items in the grocery list.
- 3. Fix the 5 errors.
- 4. Add a new section.

Informative commands

• Setup:

Configuring user information used across all local repositories.

- \$ git config --global user.name "[firstname lastname]"
 Set a name that is identifiable for credit when review version history.
- \$ git config --global user.email "[valid-email]"

Set a email address that will be associated with each history marker.

Note : export EDITOR=emacs (or vim, etc.)

To configure correctly your editor with Git.

• To collect information:

\$ git status

Show modified files in working directory, staged for your next commit.

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$ git diff
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Diff of what is changed but not staged.

\$ git diff --staged

Diff of what is staged but not yet committed.

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Branch

\$ git branch

List your branches.

A star (*) will appear next to the currently active branch.

\$ git branch <branch-name>

Create a new branch at the current commit.

- \$ git branch -d <branch-name>
 Delete the specified branch.
- \$ git checkout <branch-name>
 Switch to another branch and check it out into your working directory.
- \$ git merge <branch-name>

Merge the specified branch's history into the current one.

\$ git log

Show all commits in the current branch's history.

Gitk - Graphical interface

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Or if you prefer: git log --graph.

- \$ git log branchB..branchA Show the commits on branchA that are not on branchB.
- \$ git log --follow <file> Show the commits that changed file, even across renames.
- \$ git diff branchB...branchA Show the diff of what is in branchA that is not in branchB.
- \$ git log --stat -M
 Show all commit logs with indication of any paths that moved.
- \$ git show <SHA>

Show any object in Git in human-readable format.

 \rightarrow Easier on Github (See later)

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SHA1 is a hashing algorithm taking an input up to 2^{64} bits, and returns a unique sequence of 40 hexadecimal characters.



By hashing the contents of a file, Git obtains a series of unique digits symbolizing the file. Then, Git backs up only the files which are different hash (Git does not care about the names of the files, it only considers the content.).

There are four Git objects:

- The **Blob** (*Binary Large Object*): It more commonly represents a **file**.
- The Tree: It more commonly represents a directory or folder of your application.
 Its content is the list of SHA1s of Blobs or other Trees that it can contain. What gives a tree structure of files.
- The Commit: This is the complete state of your project at a given moment, i.e. a snapshot.
 Its content is the SHA1 of the source Tree, and various information such as the name of the commit, the name of the author, the date, etc.
- The **Tag**: This is an object used to qualify a **particular commit** by giving it a comment.

An example



Each element has a unique SHA1.

Only thanks to the directory .git at the root of your project.

- **config**: file relating to the configuration of the Git environment, such as information about the developer (name, email, etc.);
- description: contains information about your project;
- **objects**/: it is in this directory that all Git objects are stored (commits, tags, trees, blobs);
- refs/*: contains information on local branches of the repository;
- logs/*: contains log messages;
- **index**: file containing information about the status of the next commit.
- HEAD: pointer to current branch;
- **hooks/**: folder containing "hooks" or "triggers", i.e. actions/scripts that can be executed in pre or post condition.

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Demonstration:

- \$ sudo apt install qpdf
- $tion{flate -uncompress < FILE$









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- See current code
- See each commit
- See each issue
- Do integration continuous
- etc.

Continuous integration - Testing



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