git Tutorial

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Motivation to use Version Control

single+local

Problem 1

"Help! my code worked yesterday, but I can't recall what I changed."

- track modifications
- access old version

Problem 2

"We would like to work together, but we don't know how!"

- concurrent editing
- merging
- development versions



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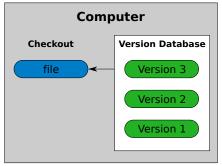
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Uses for git

- "Version control is a system that records changes to a file or set of files over time so that you can recall specific versions later."
- https://git-scm.com/book
 - checkpoints/backups/releases
 - document developer effort
 - collaboration across the globe
 - for anything that's text
 - code
 - thesis/papers
 - system config files (vcsh)
 - ... and everything else ("gitify your life", git-annex)

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Version Control: Local

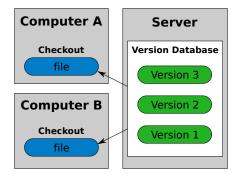


checkout working directory version database repository

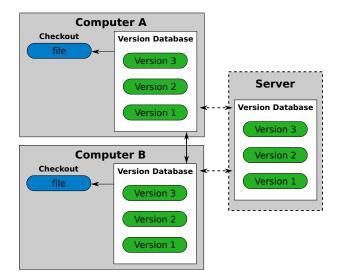
There is always only one version of a file present in the working directory. Version Control allows you to change that file to different versions stored in the repository.



Version Control: Central



Version Control: Distributed



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git: Help

```
usage: git [...]
           <command> [<args>]
```

These are common Git commands used in various situations:

```
[...]
```

'git help -a' and 'git help -g' list available subcommands and some concept guides. See 'git help <command>' or 'git help <concept>' to read about a specific subcommand or concept.

The Glossary

git help glossary explains many words that might be puzzling to new users..

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git: Introduce yourself

git config --global user.name "Nicola Chiapolini"

git config --global user.email "nchiapol@physik.uzh.ch"

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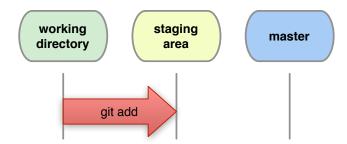
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single+local: Add

git add file1 [file2 ...]

- Adds new files to be tracked by git
- Adds changes from working dir for next commit (Confusion!)
- ▶ DOES NOT add info on file permissions other than exec/noexec
- ▶ DOES NOT add directories *per se*.

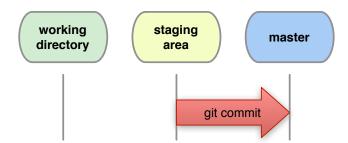


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single+local: Commit

git commit [-m "Commit message."]

Records changes from the staging area to master.



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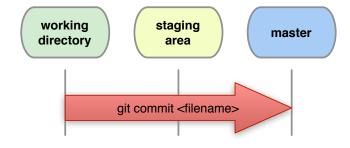
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single+local: Direct Commit

git commit file1 file2 [-m "Commit message."]

Records all changes of file1, file2 from working dir and staging area to master.

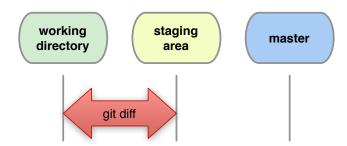


git commit -a[m "Commit message."]

Records all changes in working dir and staging area, Be Careful!

single+local: Diff

Shows changes between working directory and staging area

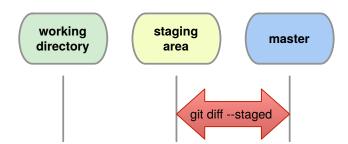


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single+local: Diff Staged

How do I see what is staged?

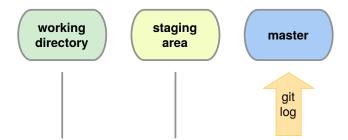
git diff --staged shows differences between staging area and last commit.



single+local: Commit History

git log [--oneline] [--patch] [--graph] [file|branch]

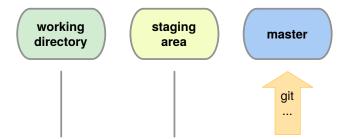
Shows the history of a file or branch.



single+local: Old Changes

```
git diff <commit A> <commit B>
    git show <commit>
```

Shows the changes stored in commits.



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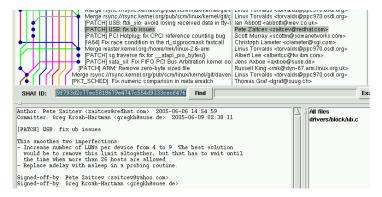
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single+local: Graphic Logs

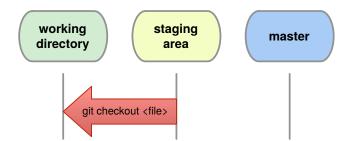
qgit (or gitg or ...)

GUI to browse the git repository.



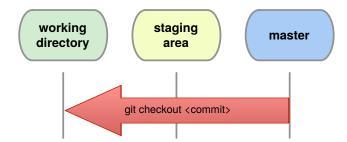
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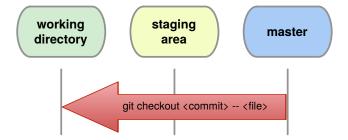
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single+local: Changing Version

git checkout <commit> -- <file>



Warning: The old file is immediately staged for the next commit.



single+local: (Re)move.

Warning: whenever you want to remove, move or rename a tracked file use git:

```
git rm <filename>
```

git mv <oldname> <newname>

Remember to commit these changes!

```
git commit -m "File (re)moved."
```

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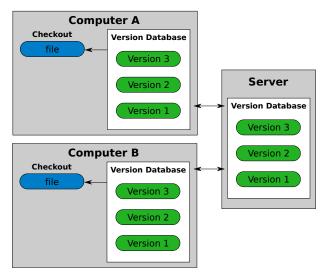
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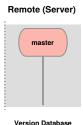
multi+remote/central: Setup



multi+remote/central: Clone

git clone <URL>

Creates two local copies of the whole remote repository.



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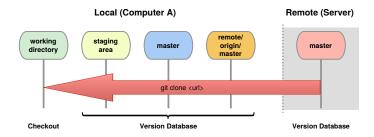
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multi+remote/central: Clone

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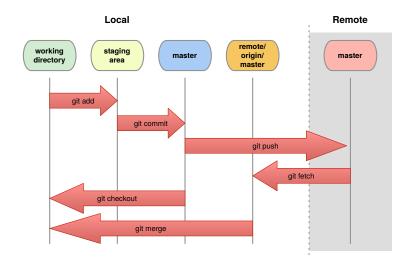
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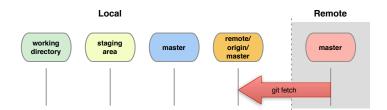
multi+remote/central: Commands



multi+remote/central: Fetch

git fetch

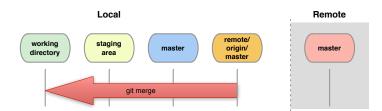
- Updates origin master from remote master
- local master, staging area and working dir not changed



multi+remote/central: Merge

git merge

- combines changes from both sources
- Warning: can generate conflicts!



git fetch + git merge = git pull

multi+remote/central: Conflicts

Conflict!

```
<<<<<< yours:sample.txt
Conflict resolution is hard;
let's go shopping.
======
Git makes conflict resolution easy.
>>>>> theirs:sample.txt
...
```

multi+remote/central: Resolving Conflicts

1. See where conflicts are:

- Edit conflicting lines.
- 3. Add changes to the staging area:

```
git add file1 [...]
```

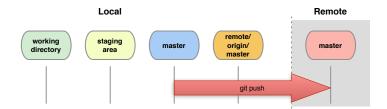
Commit changes:

```
git commit -m "Conflicts solved."
```

multi+remote/central: Push

git push

- Updates remote master.
- Requires fetch+merge first.



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Lessons Learned

- pushing to a central server can be promlematic
 - ightarrow a setup where everybody pulls can help here
- be careful, what you commit (no git add *)

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Reference: Setting up a central remote repository.

access to repository via ssh

On remote server create bare+shared repository:

- mkdir newproject
- set up proper group permissions: chmod g+rws newproject
- cd newproject
- git --bare init --shared=group

Everybody clones:

git clone ssh://remote.example.com/path/newproject

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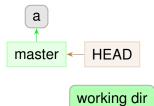
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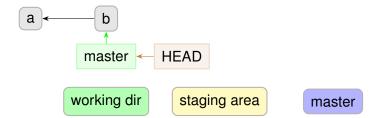


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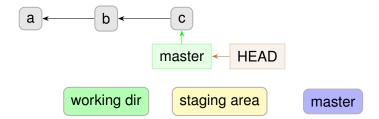
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git commit -am "B"



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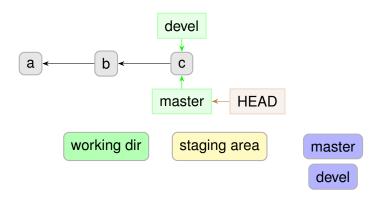
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git branch devel



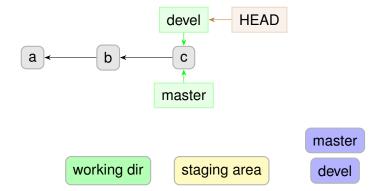
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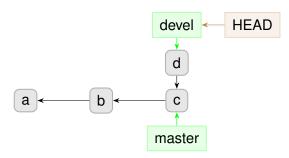
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git commit -am "D"



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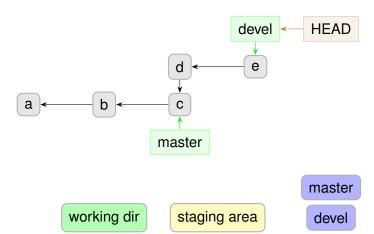
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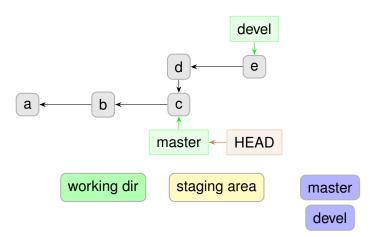
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git commit -am "E"



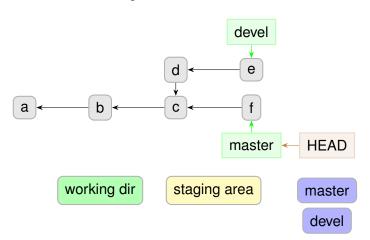
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git checkout master



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git commit -am "F"



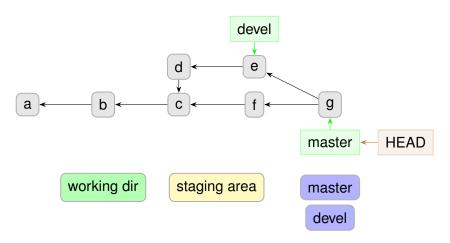
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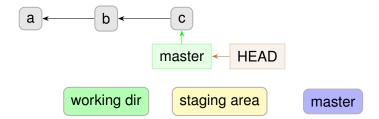
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git merge devel



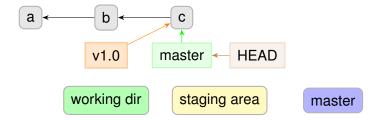
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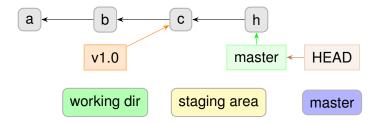
git tag [-m "my message"] v1.0



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git commit -am "H"

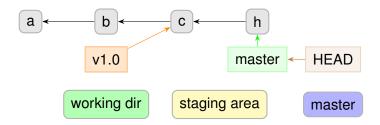


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to share tags: git push origin <tag> or git push --tags



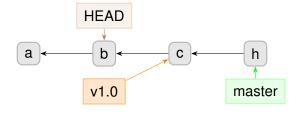
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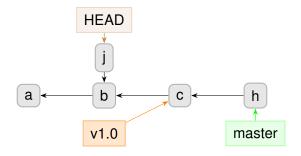
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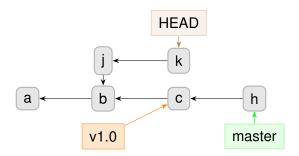
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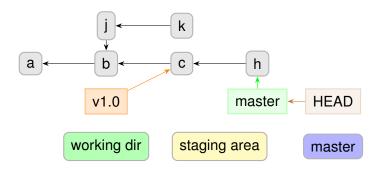
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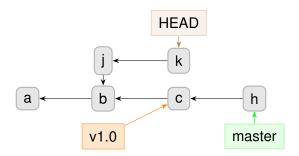
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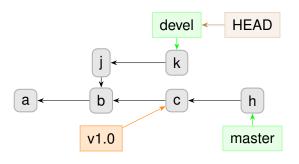
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git checkout -b devel



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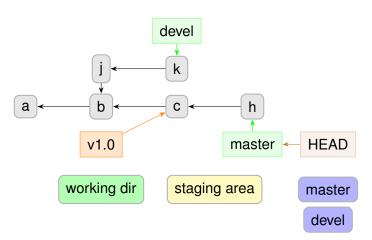
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Questions?

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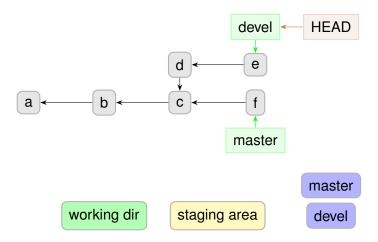
- git foundations, by Matthew Brett: http://matthew-brett.github.io/pydagogue/foundation.html
- ► The git parable, by Tom Preston-Werner: http: //tom.preston-werner.com/2009/05/19/the-git-parable.html

Excellent guides:

- "Pro Git" book: https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2 (FREE)
- ▶ git magic: http://www-cs-students.stanford.edu/~blynn/gitmagic/

Behind the Scenes: Rebase

git checkout devel



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git rebase master

