# **GIT** VERSION CONTROL AND WHY WE NEED IT

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# THE PLAN

Things we will be covering:

- What is version control?
- What is Git?
- Distributed & Non-centric
- Making a commit
- Pushing & Pulling
- Branching
- Merging
- Workshop Component
- Github
- Why use Github?
- Pull Requests
- Workshop Component
- End

## WHAT IS VERSION CONTROL?

- Used to manage different versions of files
- Allows you to share versions between different computers
- <u>All</u> modern software companies use version control
- Version control is hard, but worth it once you know it

# WHAT IS GIT?

- Version control at its best
- Created by the inventor of Linux
- Quickly replaced outdated systems like SVN
- Likely the most common version control system today

#### MAKING A COMMIT

- A repository is a set of files that Git is managing
- A commit creates a snapshot of the current state
- Git records your snapshot as a list of changes

#### **DISTRIBUTED & NON-CENTRIC**

- Each person has their own copy of the respository
- Each person has everyone elses commits
- Everyone shares their commits between each other



#### **PUSHING & PULLING**

- Pushing is giving someone your commits
- Pulling is getting someone elses commits
- A person will push and pull to remotes

# BRANCHING

- A branch is a split in the line of commits
- Branches behave like branches on a tree
- Everyones branches are uniquely identified by the remote



## MERGING

- Branches can *merge* back into each other
- Git will look at the changes, and correctly put it all together



#### **STANDARD WORKFLOW**

- 1. Pull new commits on your main branch
- 2. Make a branch off of the main branch
- 3. Add some commits to your new branch
- 4. Merge your branch into the main branch
- 5. Push the commits in the main branch

#### WORKSHOPPIN'

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#### GITHUB

- Github is a web interface for Git
- Github is just like any person's computer



#### WHY USE GITHUB?

- By centralizing, we simplify
- Github has a pretty web interface
- Github builds additional features on top of Git

# FORKING

- You can completely copy an entire repository
- Having your own repository allows you to have a 'playground'
- Github will allow you to merge across repositories

#### **PULL REQUESTS**

- A pull request is a "request to merge" two branches
- Pull requests can be commented on, denied/accepted, etc..
- Github will preform the merge for you

# STANDARD GITHUB WORKFLOW

- 1. Fork a repository
- 2. Checkout your forked repository
- 3. Create a new branch in the repository
- 4. Add some commits
- 5. Push your branch to your forked repository
- 6. Create a pull request to the main repository
- 7. Someone reviews your pull request
- 8. Pull request gets approved

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#### END

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