



# Introduction to version control with SVN and GIT (on UNIX) rev.1

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# Why version control ?

## File names and contents evolve over time

```
1 thesis.tex
2 thesis_prof.tex
3 thesis_prof_rev1.tex
4 thesis_prof_rev1_commented.tex
5 thesis_prof_rev1_commented2.tex
6 thesis_prof_rev1_commented3.tex
7 thesis_prof_rev1_corrected.tex
8 thesis_newchap.tex
9 thesis_final.tex
10 thesis_final_1_june.tex
11 thesis_final_3_june.tex
12 thesis_FINAL_PRE.tex
13 thesis_FINAL.tex
14 thesis_FINAL_.tex
15 thesis_FINAL___.tex
```

# Why version control ?

## Still asking why ?

- ▶ keep track of file changes over time
- ▶ work from many systems
- ▶ collaborate
- ▶ distribute to a wider audience (publish)
- ▶ understand whom to **blame** for a bug !
- ▶ ...

# Evolution

1972–

<code>sccs</code>	<i>deltas</i>
<code>rcs</code>	<i>speed, robustness</i>
<code>cvs</code>	<i>remote operation</i>
<code>svn</code>	<i>atomic transactions, any file, attributes</i>
<code>hg, bzr, darcs</code>	<i>distributed, user friendly</i>
<code>git</code>	<i>distributed, flexible</i>

# This presentation is...

- ▶ limited to the basics of `svn` and `git`
- ▶ skipping much of the theory
- ▶ rich in ready examples (from page 64)

# During this presentation...

## Ask! Especially if...

- ▶ I give too much for granted
- ▶ a concept is not clear

## After this session you...

- ▶ should have a **basic** command of `svn` and `git`
- ▶ can deepen theory: see references at page 94
- ▶ are invited to take slides home and use extra examples (page 80)

# Notation and all those coloured boxes

## green box

example or description

```
1 echo 'shell commands and output' # comment
```

```
1 shell commands and output
```

## blue box

example or description

- ▶ `svn #svn-centric shell commands coloring`

- ▶ `git #git-centric shell commands coloring`

- ▶ *generic command output (stdout) coloring*

## red box

Caution required!



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# Not all bytes are ASCII

## First bit of ASCII byte is unset

*00000000 00000001 ... 01111111*: ASCII

*10000000 10000001 ... 11111111*: ISO 8859-1 or other

## Example<sup>1</sup>

“o” (*01101111*) is ASCII<sup>2</sup>

“ö” (*11000011 10110110*) is not<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>See also extra example at page 78.

<sup>2</sup>Extra: see `man ascii`.

<sup>3</sup>Extra: see `man charsets`.

# Major public milestones

I develop software: `foo`.

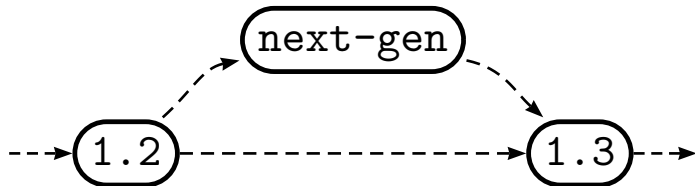
On a periodic basis, I publish new versions (**releases**): `foo-1.0`,  
`foo-1.1`, ...



## Toward a milestone

I have a disrupting idea how to improve foo.  
But I need to work a bit on it.

I start developing a separate **version**.  
E.g.: foo-next-gen.  
When ready, I release it (mailing lists, etc., ...).

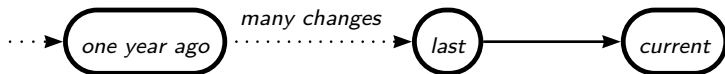


# Evolving over time

I develop intensely a large program over a long time.  
Once stable, I just add feature every while.  
After a year, I discover a bug on some rarely occurring input.

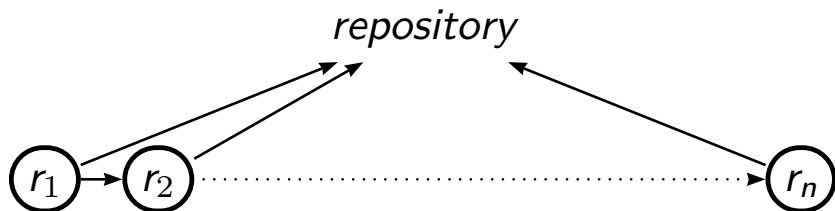
Did I break it on the way ?

Do I have the **revisions** history to check ?



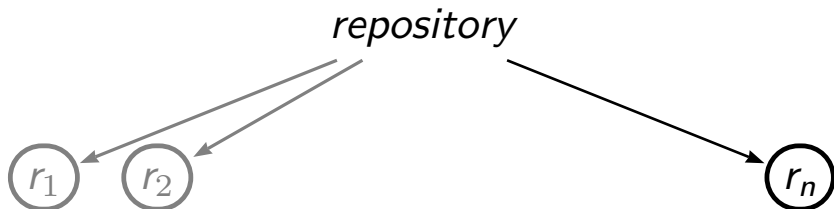
# Keeping revisions snapshots

I saved my past revisions in a **repository**.  
A revision can be referred by a code.  
In the simplest case, sequential (e.g. an integer).



## Get snapshots to work with

I request and get a particular revision of my files.  
This is my **working copy**.

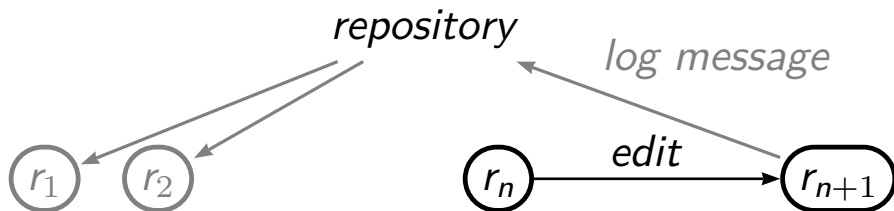


# My modified snapshot

I change the code.

Ready to **commit** my changes to new revision, and give a comment.

This comment is called **log message**.



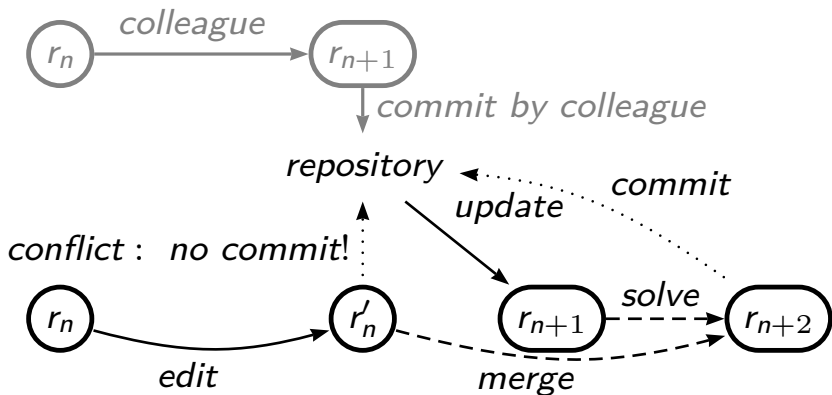


# Concurrent changes, conflicts, solve, merge

I wrote a nice fix, I'm ready to commit.

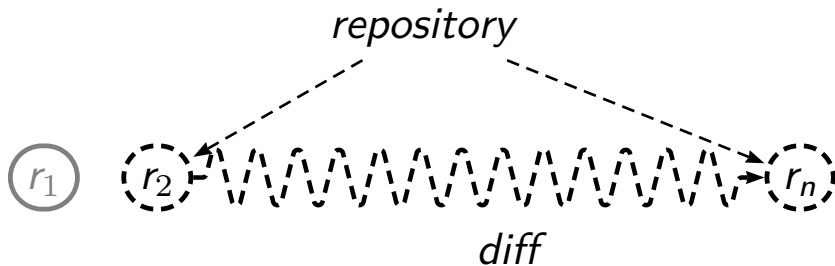
Just before committing I **update** my working copy and notice a colleague solved the bug and committed.

My fix is a bit better — I have to solve (e.g. by **merging**) this **conflict**; then commit mine.



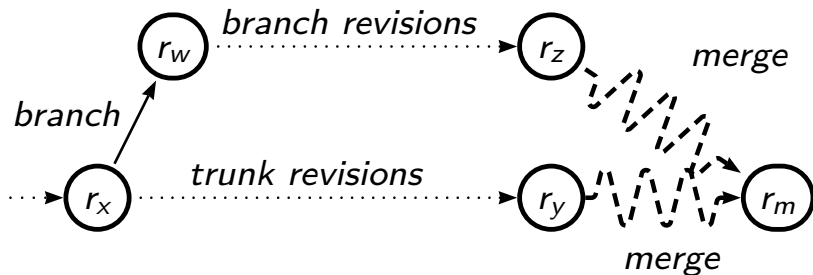
# Diff'ing

How do our versions diverge ?  
And wrt buggy version ?  
Let me check the **diff**.



# Branching and merging

A **branch** begins as a copy of the tracked contents.  
It evolves separately.  
We may **merge** it.  
Or we may discard it.



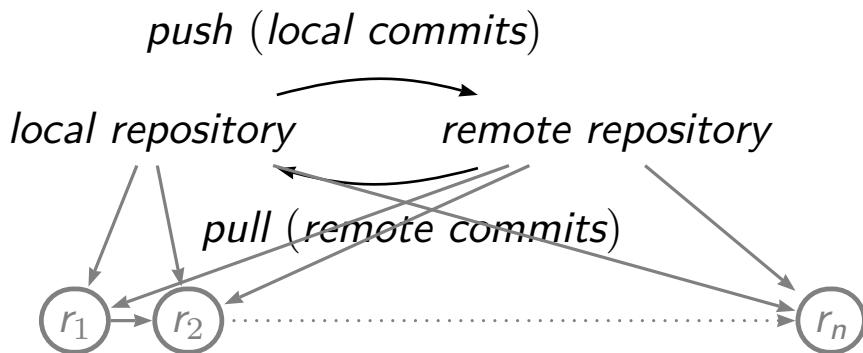
# What if using a distributed version control system ?

## Need to:

**pull** latest changes from remote repository to local one.

**push** my changes if no conflict detected.

Synchronization of revisions histories.



# Do and don't do

## Recommended:

- ▶ tracking changes of small text files
- ▶ cycle: edit  $\Rightarrow$  diff  $\Rightarrow$  commit  $\Rightarrow$  edit ...

## Not recommended:

- ▶ mixing large and small files (e.g. sources and logs)
  - ▶ tracking changes is harder
  - ▶ better use separate repositories
- ▶ overly long/verbose log messages
- ▶ in writing software, too large *changesets*

## Glossary, for our purposes

- ▶ **version control**: Tracking changes of a collection of files over time.
- ▶ **revision control**: aka **version control**.
- ▶ **repository**: Location containing the complete source code history of the project.
- ▶ **revision**: Current state (“snapshot”) of a file or group of files in the repository.
- ▶ **checkout**: Request a working copy of a project from the repository.
- ▶ **commit**: (check in) Introduce changes on files in a sandbox back into the repository (repository is changed).
- ▶ **update**: Synchronize a developer’s working copy to reflect the repository.
- ▶ **log message**: Developer’s comment of a commit.
- ▶ **conflict**: Two developers make changes at the same point in the same file. Must be resolved manually.
- ▶ **push/pull**: Transmit commits to/from another repository.

# Local usage

## When ?

- ▶ learning
- ▶ testing
- ▶ beginning a project
- ▶ private stuff

## Limitations ?

Not really: you can go *collaborative* afterwards, using e.g.:

- ▶ `svnadmin dump` / `svn import` / ...
- ▶ `git push` / `git clone` / ...

# Local repository

## Create a local repository

```
1 rm -fR          git_lc
2 git init       git_lc
```

```
1 Initialized empty Git repository in /local/user/
   git_lc/.git/
```

```
1 rm -fR          svn_repo
2 svnadmin create svn_repo
3 # No stdout output follows.
```

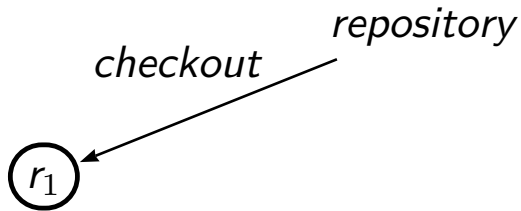


# SVN: Check out a local copy

## A working copy

```
1 rm -fR                                svn_lc
2 svn co file:///`pwd`/svn_repo svn_lc
3 cd                                     svn_lc
4 svn status # no output
5 #svn info
```

```
1 Checked out revision 0.
```

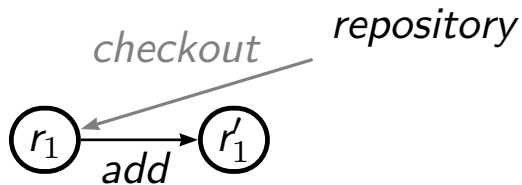


# SVN: add

## Add for addition

```
1 cd                               svn_lc
2 touch        empty.txt
3 svn add     empty.txt
4 #svn status
5 #svn diff
```

```
1 A          empty.txt
```

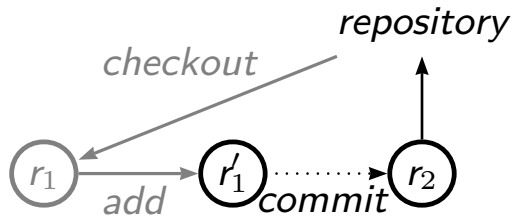


# SVN: commit

Send revision to repository.

```
1 cd                               svn_lc
2 svn commit empty.txt -m 'added empty file'
3 svn status
```

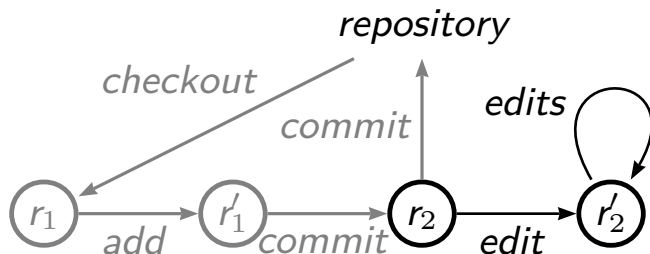
```
1 Adding          empty.txt
2 Transmitting file data .done
3 Committing transaction...
4 Committed revision 1.
```



# SVN: edit

```
1 cd                               svn_lc
2 echo 'content' > empty.txt
3 svn status      empty.txt
```

```
1 M      empty.txt
```

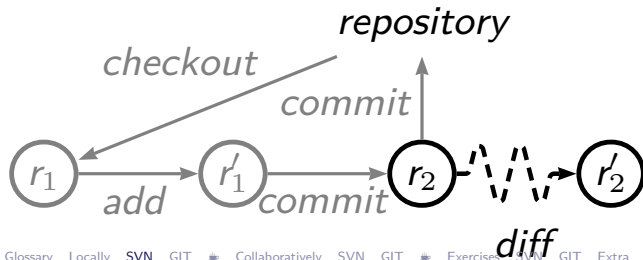


# SVN: working copy diff

```
1 cd svn_lc
2 svn diff empty.txt
```

```
1 Index: empty.txt
```

```
2 -----
3 --- empty.txt      (revision 1)
4 +++ empty.txt      (working copy)
5 @@ -0,0 +1 @@
6 +content
```

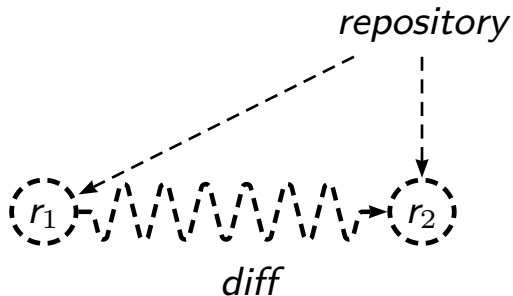


# SVN: repo diff

```
1 cd svn_lc
2 svn diff -r0:1 empty.txt
```

```
1 Index: empty.txt
```

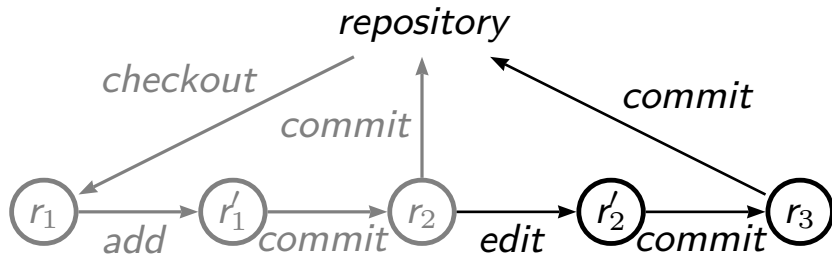
```
2
```



# SVN: local work cycle

```
1 cd                               svn_lc
2 svn commit empty.txt -m 'added contents to file'
```

```
1 Sending      empty.txt
2 Transmitting file data .done
3 Committing transaction...
4 Committed revision 2.
```



# Conventional tree organization

## Trunk, Branches, Tags

```
1 svn ls https://svn.apache.org/repos/asf/subversion
```

```
1 ...  
2 trunk/      # everyday development tree  
3 branches/  # several 'non-current' but maintained trees  
4 tags/      # trees updated at a specific time  
5 ...
```



# Conventional tree organization

## Branches

```
1 svn ls https://svn.apache.org/repos/asf/subversion/  
   branches
```

```
1 ...  
2 1.4.x/           # versions  
3 1.5.x/           # ...  
4 1.6.x/  
5 1.6.x-CVE-2017-9800/ # developed to fix a bug  
6 ...
```

# Typical SVN tree organization

## Tags

```
1 svn ls https://svn.apache.org/repos/asf/subversion/tags
```

```
1 ...  
2 1.9.0/           # copies at specific points in time  
3 1.9.0-alpha1/  
4 1.9.0-alpha2/  
5 1.9.0-beta1/  
6 1.9.0-rc1/  
7 1.9.0-rc2/  
8 1.9.0-rc3/  
9 ...
```

# What about GIT ?

Repository and working copy are both here.

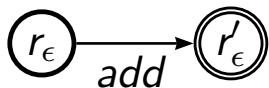
```
1 cd git_lc
2 ls -ld -gG .git # repository here
3 git status # no output
4 #git log --oneline --decorate
5 #git info
```

```
1 drwxr-xr-x 7 119 Feb 28 21:29 .git
2 On branch master
3
4 Initial commit
5
6 nothing to commit (create/copy files and use "git add"
  to track)
```

SVN: repository is not in `.svn` (see `svn info`).

# GIT: add

```
1 cd git_lc
2 touch empty.txt
3 git add empty.txt # put file in the index
```



## The **index**

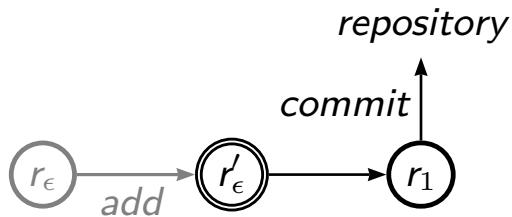
`git add` stages changes for next commit in the **index**.

`svn add` starts tracking files.

# GIT: commit

```
1 cd git_lc
2 git commit empty.txt -m 'added empty file'
```

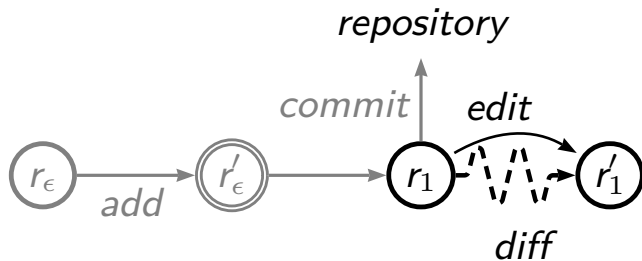
```
1 [master (root-commit) 78f77f9] added empty file
2 1 file changed, 0 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)
3 create mode 100644 empty.txt
```



# GIT: edit and diff

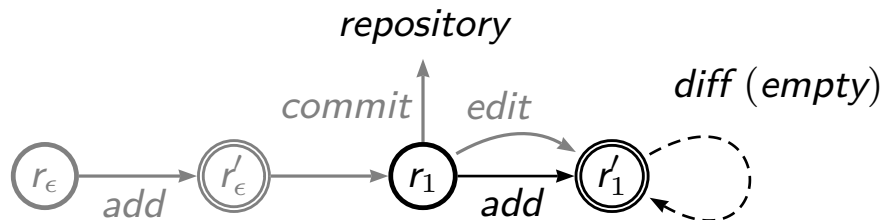
```
1 cd git_lc
2 echo 'content' > empty.txt
3 git diff # 'content'
```

```
1 diff --git a/empty.txt b/empty.txt
2 index e69de29..d95f3ad 100644
3 --- a/empty.txt
4 +++ b/empty.txt
5 @@ -0,0 +1 @@
6 +content
```



# GIT: add and diff

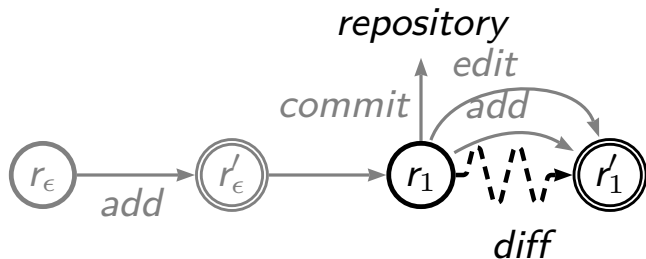
```
1 cd          git_lc
2 git add    empty.txt
3 git diff   # empty: file contents are in the
             index
```



# GIT: cached diff

```
1 cd git_lc
2 git diff --cached empty.txt
```

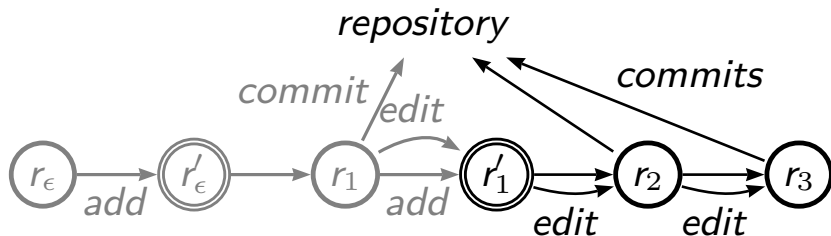
```
1 diff --git a/empty.txt b/empty.txt
2 index e69de29..d95f3ad 100644
3 --- a/empty.txt
4 +++ b/empty.txt
5 @@ -0,0 +1 @@
6 +content
```





# GIT: more commits

```
1 cd          git_lc
2 echo 'more content' >> empty.txt
3 git commit empty.txt -m 'added more content' -q
4 echo 'even more content' >> empty.txt
5 git commit empty.txt -m 'added even more content' -q
```



# GIT: what about *actions* history ?

```
1 cd git_lc
2 git reflog
```

```
1 9c95374 HEAD@{0}: commit: added even more content
2 82702b0 HEAD@{1}: commit: added more content
3 78f77f9 HEAD@{2}: commit (initial): added empty file
```

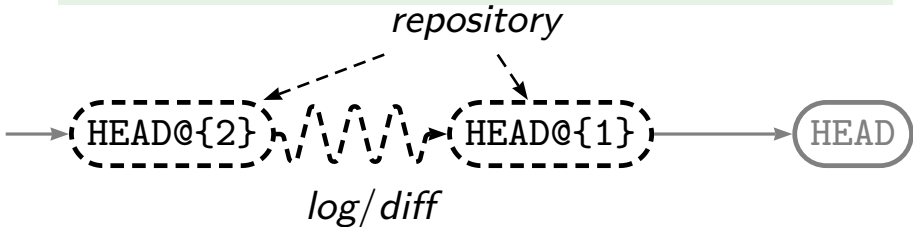
# GIT: rev-parse'ing and HEAD

## Well

There are **many** ways to refer to commits

```
1 cd                                git_lc
2 git log 'HEAD@{2}..HEAD@{1}' # log message from second ancestor
  to last one
3 # git help rev-parse # see SPECIFYING REVISIONS section
```

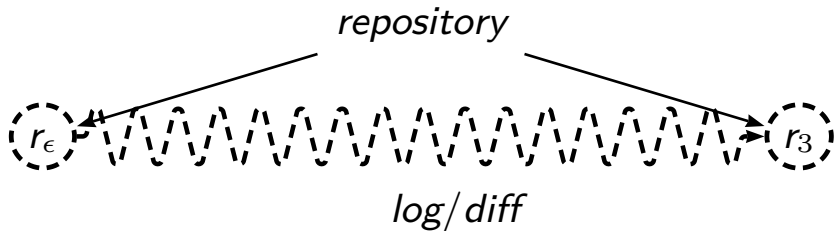
```
1 commit 82702b09b6d705405abe0d2d6bcf9ed02c2df680
2 Author: John Doe <john@doe.tld>
3 Date: Thu Feb 28 21:30:17 2019 +0100
4
5 added more content
```



# GIT: short log lines

```
1 cd git_lc
2 git log --oneline --decorate
```

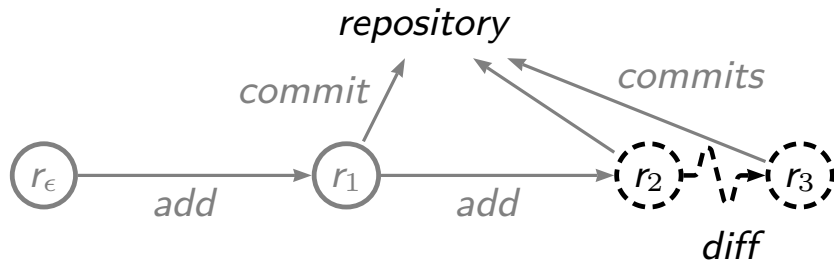
```
1 9c95374 (HEAD -> master) added even more content
2 82702b0 added more content
3 78f77f9 added empty file
```



# GIT: last commit log

```
1 cd git_lc
2 git log master~..master
```

```
1 commit 9c95374f0d66dc8b5ed434d28ad84ba5dcdf9f6d
2 Author: John Doe <john@doe.tld>
3 Date: Thu Feb 28 21:30:17 2019 +0100
4
5 added even more content
```

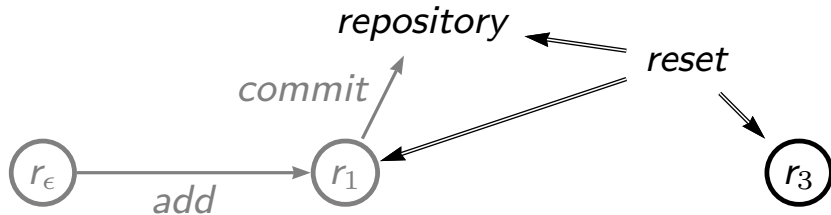


# GIT: reset HEAD

A powerful and dangerous tool.

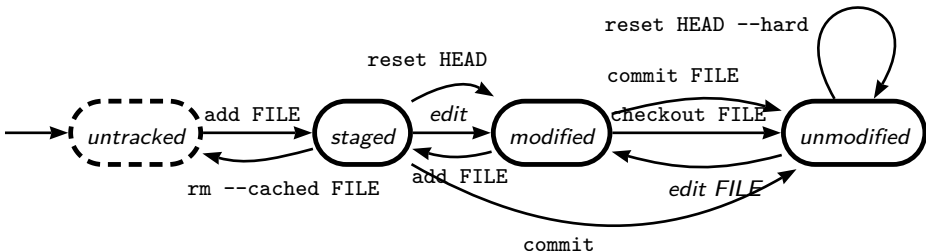
```
1 cd git_lc
2 git log --oneline --decorate
3 git reset HEAD~2 # "undo" two commits
```

```
1 9c95374 (HEAD -> master) added even more content
2 82702b0 added more content
3 78f77f9 added empty file
4 Unstaged changes after reset:
5 M empty.txt
```



# GIT: states of a file

Given a FILE in the working directory and executing `git ...` or *action...*



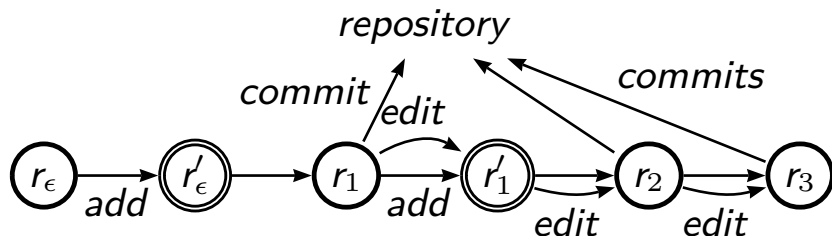
There are more transitions than these.

# Local GIT usage recap

Basic use not so different from `svn`

Main source of confusion: GIT's index

`svn add` vs `git add`





# Break!



# Local copy of remote repository

## Clone and checkout examples

```
1 rm -fR git_sc
2 git clone https://github.com/schacon/example git_sc
```

```
1 Cloning into 'git_sc'...
```

```
1 rm -fR svn_lc
2 svn checkout https://github.com/schacon/example svn_lc
```

```
1 A   svn_lc/branches
2 A   svn_lc/trunk
3 A   svn_lc/trunk/README.md
4 A   svn_lc/trunk/classycat.png
5 Checked out revision 1.
```

however: `svn checkout` differs from `git checkout`

# Routine work

Mostly the same:

similar syntax for add, commit, etc.

For big files, better remote operations!

`svn` and e.g. its `svn mv REMOTE-SRC REMOTE-DST` can be very useful

Pitfalls...

`git commit` is local!

`svn commit` is remote!

# SVN up

Remote repository is ahead

*working copy*

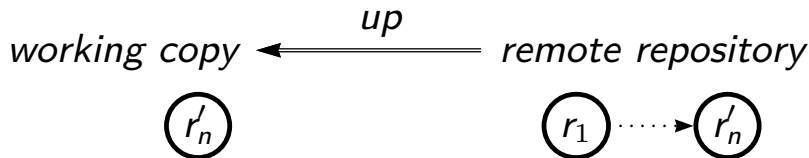


*remote repository*



Synchronize local working copy

`svn up` fetches changes



# SVN commit

We have modified working copy

And we want to commit to a new revision.

*working copy*



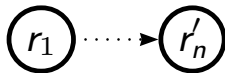
*remote repository*



Synchronize remote repository

If `svn commit` detects no conflict.

*working copy*  $\xrightarrow{\text{commit}}$  *remote repository*



# GIT: Local side initiates clone

There is no local repository yet

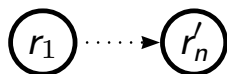
*local repository*

*remote repository*



Create synchronized local repository (and log messages, etc)

*local repository* ← *clone* *remote repository*



# GIT: clone

## Create two working copies and repositories

```
1 rm -fR                git_wc git_ac
2 git clone  repo.git git_wc # working copy
3 git clone  repo.git git_ac # another working copy
```

```
1 Cloning into 'git_wc'...
2 done.
3 Cloning into 'git_ac'...
4 done.
```

# GIT: set committer

## For a clean log

```
1 cd                               git_wc
2 git config --local --replace-all user.name 'John Doe'
3 git config --local --replace-all user.email 'john@doe.tld'
4 echo 'J. Doe' > jd.txt
5 git add jd.txt ; git commit -q -m 'my name' .
6 git config --local --replace-all user.name 'John DOE'
7 echo 'J. DOE' >> jd.txt ; git commit -q -m 'now uppercase' .
8 git log master~2..master
```

```
1 commit 3b73de8d8851d3d7c7fd249e892cccd65cb1637d
2 Author: John DOE <john@doe.tld>
3 Date: Thu Feb 28 21:30:52 2019 +0100
4
5     now uppercase
6
7 commit 598eee79fa55156b89114fb0b442aa2f3091bb22
8 Author: John Doe <john@doe.tld>
9 Date: Thu Feb 28 21:30:52 2019 +0100
10
11     my name
```



# GIT (and SVN): blame

## Who modified when which line of a file ?

```
1 cd                               git_wc
2 nl                               jd.txt
3 git blame master~2..master jd.txt
```

```
1      1 J. Doe
2      2 J. DOE
3 598eee79 (John Doe 2019-02-28 21:30:52 +0100 1) J. Doe
4 3b73de8d (John DOE 2019-02-28 21:30:52 +0100 2) J. DOE
```

# GIT: remote

## Tracked repositories

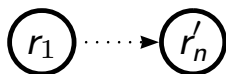
```
1 cd                               git_wc
2 git remote -v
3 git log --graph --decorate --oneline
```

```
1 origin /user/repo.git (fetch)
2 origin /user/repo.git (push)
3 * 3b73de8 (HEAD -> master) now uppercase
4 * 598eee7 my name
5 * 95ce054 (origin/master, origin/HEAD) old stuff
6 * 78f77f9 added empty file
```

# GIT: Local side initiates push

Remote repository is behind

*local repository*

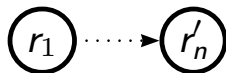
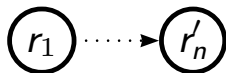


*remote repository*



Synchronize remote repository (and log messages, etc)

*local repository*  $\xrightarrow{\text{push}}$  *remote repository*



# GIT: push

## Sync remote: HEAD is not updated

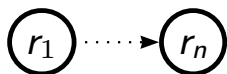
```
1 cd git_wc
2 git log --graph --decorate --oneline
3 git push ../repo.git
4 git log --graph --decorate --oneline
```

```
1 * 3b73de8 (HEAD -> master) now uppercase
2 * 598eee7 my name
3 * 95ce054 (origin/master, origin/HEAD) old stuff
4 * 78f77f9 added empty file
5 To ../repo.git
6   95ce054..3b73de8 master -> master
7 * 3b73de8 (HEAD -> master) now uppercase
8 * 598eee7 my name
9 * 95ce054 (origin/master, origin/HEAD) old stuff
10 * 78f77f9 added empty file
```

# GIT: Local side initiates pull

Remote repository is ahead

*local repository*

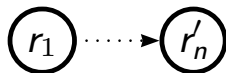
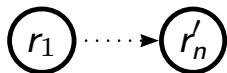


*remote repository*



Synchronize local repository (and log messages, etc)

*local repository* ← *pull* — *remote repository*



# GIT: pull

## Sync from remote: HEAD is updated

```
1 cd git_ac # remember ? outdated clone of repo.git
2 git log --graph --decorate --oneline master^1..master # HEAD
3 git pull
4 git log --graph --decorate --oneline
```

```
1 * 95ce054 (HEAD -> master, origin/master, origin/HEAD) old stuff
2 From /user/repo
3    95ce054..3b73de8  master    -> origin/master
4 Updating 95ce054..3b73de8
5 Fast-forward
6  jd.txt | 2 ++
7  1 file changed, 2 insertions(+)
8  create mode 100644 jd.txt
9 * 3b73de8 (HEAD -> master, origin/master, origin/HEAD) now
   uppercase
10 * 598eee7 my name
11 * 95ce054 old stuff
12 * 78f77f9 added empty file
```

# Break!



# Hands-on sessions

Examples from page 64 onwards are meant for copy-paste.

Those on pages 80 to 94 are more advanced (take home).

## Notice

Meant to work in sequence.

Tested on e.g. *svn 1.9.7* and *git 2.13.7*



# SVN: Exercises

- ▶ Copy and paste freely from the following slides.
- ▶ Experiment
- ▶ Consult `svn help <subcommand>`

## SVN: set up repository

```
1 rm -fR svn_repo
2 svnadmin create svn_repo
3 svn co file:///`pwd`/svn_repo
4 cd svn_repo
```

```
1 Checked out revision 0.
```

Try:

```
svn ls
```

 and its options

## SVN: add ASCII file

```
1 cd                svn_repo
2 echo 'aeiou' > ascii.txt
3 svn add           ascii.txt
4 svn diff          ascii.txt # inspect difference
5 #date             > date.txt
6 #svn add          date.txt
```

```
1 A          ascii.txt
2 Index: ascii.txt
3
4 --- ascii.txt      (nonexistent)
5 +++ ascii.txt      (working copy)
6 @@ -0,0 +1 @@
7 +aeiou
```

Try:

Add a few files on your own, check `svn diff`.

## SVN: commit ASCII file

```
1 cd          svn_repo
2 svn commit -m 'ascii file in.'
```

```
1 Adding      ascii.txt
2 Transmitting file data .done
3 Committing transaction...
4 Committed revision 1.
```

Try:

```
svn log
```

# SVN: edit a file and commit

```
1 cd          svn_repo
2 rev ascii.txt >> ascii.txt # reverses lines
3 svn diff
```

```
1 Index: ascii.txt
2
3 --- ascii.txt      (revision 1)
4 +++ ascii.txt      (working copy)
5 @@ -1 +1,2 @@
6   aeiou
7 +uoiea
```

Try:

Edit file on your own and commit.

# SVN: revert changes

```
1 cd                svn_repo
2 echo 'O MAMMAMIA!' > ascii.txt # Ochje
3 svn diff          ascii.txt
4 svn revert        ascii.txt
5 svn diff          ascii.txt # no output: fine
```

```
1 Index: ascii.txt
2
3 --- ascii.txt      (revision 1)
4 +++ ascii.txt      (working copy)
5 @@ -1 +1 @@
6 -aeiou
7 +O MAMMAMIA!
8 Reverted 'ascii.txt'
```

Try:

Edit and revert before committing.

# SVN: add binary file

```
1 cd          svn_repo
2 echo 'äëïöü' > binary.txt # UTF-8 encoding
3 svn add    binary.txt
4 svn diff   binary.txt
```

```
1 A (bin) binary.txt
2 Index: binary.txt
3 =====
4 Cannot display: file marked as a binary type.
5 svn:mime-type = application/octet-stream
6 Index: binary.txt
7 =====
8 --- binary.txt (nonexistent)
9 +++ binary.txt (working copy)
10
11 Property changes on: binary.txt
12 -----
13 Added: svn:mime-type
14 ## -0,0 +1 ##
15 +application/octet-stream
16 \ No newline at end of property
```

## Try:

Discover how to make `svn diff` work again with `svn help ps`

See notes on page 78. Extra: see `man ascii`. Extra: see `man utf8`.

# GIT: Exercises

- ▶ Copy and paste freely from the following slides.
- ▶ Experiment
- ▶ Consult `git help <subcommand>`



# GIT: Repo init

```
1 rm -fR      git_repo
2 git init    git_repo
3 cd          git_repo
4 git        status
```

```
1 Initialized empty Git repository in /local/user/git_repo/.git/
2 On branch master
3
4 Initial commit
5
6 nothing to commit (create/copy files and use "git add" to track)
```

## Notice

Differently than in SVN, this directory hosts a repository, too.

# GIT: Add file

```
1 cd      git_repo
2 date    > date.txt
3 git add  date.txt
4 git diff
```

## Try

`git diff` : any difference with SVN ?

# GIT: Log

```
1 cd      git_repo
2 # git    log # try this
```

Try

`git log`: any difference with SVN ?

# GIT: Graph view log

```
1 cd      git_repo
2 # TODO: branch and a few commits ...
3 git commit date.txt -m 'date file in'
4 git log --graph --oneline -- | tail -n 16
```

```
1 [master (root-commit) ba907c1] date file in
2 1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
3 create mode 100644 date.txt
4 * ba907c1 date file in
```

# GIT: amend a commit

```
1 cd      git_repo
2 echo 'Introduction.' > intro.txt
3 git add      intro.txt
4 git commit -q intro.txt -m 'Began writing intro.'
5 echo '...' >> intro.txt
6 git commit -q intro.txt -m 'Edited iintro.'
7 git log --graph --decorate --oneline HEAD...HEAD~2
8 echo
9 git commit -q intro.txt -m 'Wrote introduction.' --amend
10 git log --graph --decorate --oneline HEAD...HEAD~2
11 #git push # send history to remote repository
```

```
1 * e956394 (HEAD -> master) Edited iintro.
2 * aef0728 Began writing intro.
3
4 * 587e283 (HEAD -> master) Wrote introduction.
5 * aef0728 Began writing intro.
```

Try:

```
git help, ... --amend --author <>, ... --amend --date <>
```

# Not all bytes are ASCII

## ASCII vs “binary” data

ASCII<sup>4</sup> (American Standard Code for Information Interchange) is a 7-bit encoding of the Latin alphabet and punctuation symbols.

```
1 # 7-bit encoded character, ASCII:
2 echo -n 'o' | xxd -c 2 -b # display as binary
3
4 # 8-bit encoded character, UTF-8:
5 echo -n 'ö' | xxd -c 2 -b
```

```
1 0000000: 01101111          o
2 0000000: 11000011 10110110  ..
```

## First bit of ASCII byte is unset

00000000 00000001 ... 01111111: ASCII  
10000000 10000001 ... 11111111: ISO 8859-1 or other

A non-ASCII file may seem *binary* (see page 71).

<sup>4</sup>Extra: see `man ascii`. Extra: see `man charsets`.

# Not all text files are ASCII

**file**: named sequence of bytes residing on a **file system**.<sup>5</sup>

```
1 echo 'echo is a shell command'
2 echo 'TEXT' > file.txt # write to file.txt
3 ls -l -gG      file.txt #           file.txt is a file
4 file          file.txt #           a text file
5 cat           file.txt # let's read it
6 xxd -c 5 -b   file.txt # let's check its bytes
```

```
1 echo is a shell command
2 -rw-r--r-- 1 5 Feb 28 21:31 file.txt
3 file.txt: ASCII text
4 TEXT
5 0000000: 01010100 01000101 01011000 01010100 00001010 TEXT.
```

Revision control with non-ASCII might bring surprises.

Will see this in action at page 71.

## More advanced useful exercises

- ▶ We recommend to experiment !
- ▶ For references, see page 94.



# GIT bundle: offline backups

```
1 set -e
2 rm -fR git_offline; git init -q git_offline; cd git_offline
3 touch file.txt; git add file.txt; git commit -q -m "file in";
4 for i in `seq 1 10` ; do echo $i >> file.txt; git commit -q file.txt -m $i..; done
5 git bundle create bundled.bundle HEAD
6 cd -
7 rm -fR git_bundled
8 git bundle verify git_offline/bundled.bundle
9 git clone -q git_offline/bundled.bundle git_bundled 2>&1 > /dev/null
10 cd git_bundled
11 #git log --oneline --decorate
12 git remote -v
```

```
1 /user
2 git_offline/bundled.bundle is okay
3 The bundle contains this ref:
4 82573f4b1fcf16fcc8a7648576f8c79a5424e0d2 HEAD
5 The bundle records a complete history.
6 Note: checking out '82573f4b1fcf16fcc8a7648576f8c79a5424e0d2 '.
7
8 You are in 'detached HEAD' state. You can look around, make experimental
9 changes and commit them, and you can discard any commits you make in this
10 state without impacting any branches by performing another checkout.
11
12 If you want to create a new branch to retain commits you create, you may
13 do so (now or later) by using -b with the checkout command again. Example:
14
15     git checkout -b <new-branch-name>
16
17 origin /user/git_offline/bundled.bundle (fetch)
18 origin /user/git_offline/bundled.bundle (push)
```

You can use bundle for backups or offline transfers.

# GIT: branch and merge

```
1 set -e
2 cd git_offline
3 #
4 git checkout -b new_branch
5 echo 'branch material' >> file.txt
6 git commit file.txt -m 'branch committed'
7 #
8 git checkout master
9 echo 'master material' >> file.txt
10 git commit file.txt -m 'master committed'
11 #
12 git merge new_branch || true           # a merge strategy
13 sed -i 's/===/EEEEEE/g' file.txt      # a merge strategy
14 sed -i 's/*.HEAD$/LLLLLL/g' file.txt  # a merge strategy
15 sed -i 's/*.new_branch$/RRRRRR/g' file.txt # a merge strategy
16 git add file.txt
17 git commit -m conflict\ solved
18 git log --graph --oneline --decorate --all HEAD | head -n 6
```

```
1 Switched to a new branch 'new_branch'
2 [new_branch dc0c039] branch committed
3 1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
4 Switched to branch 'master'
5 [master 9e48a67] master committed
6 1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
7 Auto-merging file.txt
8 CONFLICT (content): Merge conflict in file.txt
9 Automatic merge failed; fix conflicts and then commit the result.
10 [master df0001f] conflict solved
11 * df0001f (HEAD -> master) conflict solved
12 /\
13 | * dc0c039 (new_branch) branch committed
14 * | 9e48a67 master committed
15 //
16 * 82573f4 10..
```

# SVN and GIT from same dir

```
1 rm -fR hybd          svn_rep
2 svnadmin create     svn_rep # svn_rep:local SVN repository
3 svn co file://`pwd`/svn_rep hybd
4 cd                  hybd # hybrid dir: local svn_rep copy...
5 git init            # ...and GIT repo
6 date > date.txt
7 svn add date.txt
8 svn commit date.txt -m 'svn commit of date file'
9 svn up
10 git add date.txt
11 git commit date.txt -m 'git commit of date file' -q
12 svn log | perl -l40pe 's/^-\+/\n/' # one line log
13 git log --graph --oneline -- | tail -n 16
```

```
1 Checked out revision 0.
2 Initialized empty Git repository in /local/user/hybd/.git/
3 A      date.txt
4 Adding      date.txt
5 Transmitting file data .done
6 Committing transaction...
7 Committed revision 1.
8 Updating '.':
9 At revision 1.
10
11 r1 | di36pef | 2019-02-28 21:31:12 +0100 (Thu, 28 Feb 2019) | 1 line  svn commit of date file
12 * af11799 git commit of date file
```

An SVN local copy with a GIT repository.

# SVN and GIT from same dir

```
1 cd                               hybd # hybrid dir: local svn_rep copy...
2 date +%s > date.txt
3 svn diff
4 echo
5 git diff
```

```
1 Index: date.txt
2
3 — date.txt      (revision 1)
4 +++ date.txt    (working copy)
5 @@ -1 +1 @@
6 -Thu Feb 28 21:31:12 CET 2019
7 +1551385873
8
9 diff —git a/date.txt b/date.txt
10 index ecd9a80..62462cf 100644
11 — a/date.txt
12 +++ b/date.txt
13 @@ -1 +1 @@
14 -Thu Feb 28 21:31:12 CET 2019
15 +1551385873
```

# SVN and GIT from same dir

```
1 cd hybd
2 ls -ld -gG .git
3 ls -ld -gG .svn
```

```
1 drwxr-xr-x 8 166 Feb 28 21:31 .git
2 drwxr-xr-x 4 96 Feb 28 21:31 .svn
```

This usage style is good for practice with SVN and GIT.

## Careful

Need to keep coherence of `git` and `svn` metadata manually.



By the way, you might also be interested into `git svn`.

# Why not Mercurial, too ?

```
1 cd hybd
2 hg init
3 hg add    date.txt
4 echo -e "[ui]\n""username=<user@local.tld>" >> .hg/hgrc # hg config -e -l
5 hg commit date.txt -m 'hg commit of date file' -q
6 hg log
```

```
1 changeset: 0:8570a7590a4f
2 tag:      tip
3 user:     <user@local.tld>
4 date:     Thu Feb 28 21:31:13 2019 +0100
5 summary:  hg commit of date file
```

This usage style enables practice with Mercurial, too.

Careful



# Redundant contents

```
1 cd hybd; # our hybrid SVN local copy and GIT repo
2 for i in `seq 1 3`; do # for i one to three
3     bs=1K; # block size: 1 kibibytes
4     #bs=100M; # block size: 100 mibibytes
5     src=/dev/zero; # zero bytes source, e.g. 0000...
6     #src=/dev/urandom; # random bytes source, e.g. 0110...
7     of=zeros.$bs.$i.bin;
8     dd if=$src of=$of bs=$bs count=1 status=noxfer; # add 3 1K-sized files
9     du -h $of
10    git add $of ; git commit -q $of -m Added\ $of; du -sh .git;
11    svn add -q $of ; svn commit -q $of -m Added\ $of; du -sh ../svn_rep;
12 done
```

```
1 4.0K zeros.1K.1.bin
2 104K .git
3 136K ../svn_rep
4 4.0K zeros.1K.2.bin
5 112K .git
6 144K ../svn_rep
7 4.0K zeros.1K.3.bin
8 120K .git
9 152K ../svn_rep
```

Try substituting 1K with 100M.<sup>6</sup> Any difference ?  
And 3 vs 300 ?

What about /dev/urandom instead of /dev/zero ?

<sup>6</sup>Extra: see man units.

# GIT bisect

```
1 cd hybd; # our hybrid SVN local copy and GIT repo
2 cat > test.sh << EOF
3 #!/bin/bash
4 if test -f zeros.1K.1.bin ; then exit 1 ; else exit 0; fi
5 EOF
6 chmod +x test.sh
7 git log --oneline;
8 git tag -f Orig ; git tag -f BadRef HEAD; git tag -f GoodRef BadRef---;
9 git bisect reset ;
10 git bisect start ;
11 git bisect bad BadRef;
12 git bisect good GoodRef;
13 git bisect run ./test.sh;
14 git co Orig;
```

```
1 6d934c9 Added zeros.1K.3.bin
2 4e10015 Added zeros.1K.2.bin
3 ec31b07 Added zeros.1K.1.bin
4 af11799 git commit of date file
5 We are not bisecting.
6 Bisecting: 0 revisions left to test after this (roughly 1 step)
7 [4e100150e16495f810bd5aa0c83778caff11b63f] Added zeros.1K.2.bin
8 running ./test.sh
9 Bisecting: 0 revisions left to test after this (roughly 0 steps)
10 [ec31b075a4db913276c90e0035bdf92fb6263647] Added zeros.1K.1.bin
11 running ./test.sh
12 ec31b075a4db913276c90e0035bdf92fb6263647 is the first bad commit
13 commit ec31b075a4db913276c90e0035bdf92fb6263647
14 Author: Michele Martone <michele.martone@lrz.de>
15 Date: Thu Feb 28 21:31:13 2019 +0100
16
17 Added zeros.1K.1.bin
18
19 :000000 100644 0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000 06d7405020018ddf3cacee90fd4af10487da3d20 A
20 zeros.1K.1.bin
21 bisect run success
M date.txt
```



# SVN: Tracking diff after rename

```
1 #set -e;
2 rm -fR svn_mv_repo svn_mv && svnadmin create svn_mv_repo;
3 svn checkout -q file://`pwd`/svn_mv_repo svn_mv && cd svn_mv
4 mkdir old-dir new-dir
5 svn add old-dir new-dir -q
6 svn commit -m 'added dirs' -q
7 touch old-dir/old.txt; svn add -q old-dir/old.txt; svn commit -q old-dir/old.txt -m "add old
8   "
9 for i in `seq 1 10`; do
10   echo 'old' >> old-dir/old.txt;                svn commit -q old-dir/old.txt -m "${i}th edit
11     old".
12   svn mv -q old-dir/old.txt new-dir/new.txt;
13   svn commit -q -m 'old out, new in.' new-dir/new.txt old-dir/old.txt;
14   #svn commit -q -m 'new in.' new-dir/new.txt
15   #svn commit -q -m 'old out.' old-dir/old.txt;
16   echo 'new' >> new-dir/new.txt;                svn commit -q new-dir/new.txt -m "${i}th edit
17     new".
18   svn mv -q new-dir/new.txt old-dir/old.txt;
19   svn commit -q -m 'new out, old in.' old-dir/old.txt new-dir/new.txt;
20   #svn commit -q -m 'old in.' old-dir/old.txt;
21   #svn commit -q -m 'new out.' new-dir/new.txt
22 done
23 svn up
24 svn log |grep edit|wc -l
25 svn log old-dir/old.txt |grep edit|wc -l # same count
```

```
1 Updating '.':
2 At revision 42.
3 20
4 20
```

Commit order matter.

# GIT: Careful with renaming

```
1 #set -e;
2 rm -fR git_rename && git init -q git_rename && cd git_rename
3 mkdir old-dir new-dir
4 touch old-dir/old.txt; git add old-dir/old.txt; git commit -q old-dir/old.txt -m add\ old.
5 for i in `seq 1 10`; do
6   echo 'old' >> old-dir/old.txt; git commit -q old-dir/old.txt -m ${i}th\ edit\
   old.
7   git mv old-dir/old.txt new-dir/new.txt;
8   git commit -q -m 'old out, new in.' old-dir/old.txt new-dir/new.txt;
9   #git commit -q -m 'old out' old-dir/old.txt;
10  #git commit -q -m 'new in' new-dir/new.txt;
11
12  echo 'new' >> new-dir/new.txt; git commit -q new-dir/new.txt -m ${i}th\ edit\
   new.
13  git mv new-dir/new.txt old-dir/old.txt;
14  git commit -q -m 'new out, old in.' old-dir/old.txt new-dir/new.txt;
15  #git commit -q -m 'new out' new-dir/new.txt;
16  #git commit -q -m 'old in' old-dir/old.txt;
17 done
18 git log --graph --oneline |grep edit |wc -l
19 git log --graph --oneline old-dir/old.txt |grep edit |wc -l # anything missing?
20 git log --graph --oneline --follow old-dir/old.txt |grep edit |wc -l # ok
21 git config --local --replace-all log.follow 1 # always follow
22 git log --graph --oneline old-dir/old.txt |grep edit |wc -l # ok
```

```
1 20
2 10
3 20
4 20
```

# SVN: Tracking diff after rename

```
1 #set -e;
2 rm -fR svn_mv_repo svn_mv && svnadmin create svn_mv_repo;
3 svn checkout -q file://`pwd`/svn_mv_repo svn_mv && cd svn_mv
4 touch old.txt; svn add -q old.txt; svn commit -q old.txt -m "add old".
5 for i in `seq 1 10`; do
6 echo 'old' >> old.txt;                svn commit -q old.txt -m "${i}th edit old".
7 svn mv -q old.txt new.txt;
8 svn commit -q -m 'old out, new in.' new.txt old.txt;
9 #svn commit -q -m 'new in.' new.txt
10 #svn commit -q -m 'old out.' old.txt;
11 echo 'new' >> new.txt;                svn commit -q new.txt -m "${i}th edit new".
12 svn mv -q new.txt old.txt;
13 svn commit -q -m 'new out, old in.' old.txt new.txt;
14 #svn commit -q -m 'old in.' old.txt;
15 #svn commit -q -m 'new out.' new.txt
16 done
17 svn up
18 svn log |grep edit|wc -l
19 svn log old.txt |grep edit|wc -l # same count
```

```
1 Updating '.':
2 At revision 41.
3 20
4 20
```

Commit order matter.

# GIT: Careful with renaming

```
1 #set -e;
2 rm -fR git_rename && git init -q git_rename && cd git_rename
3 touch old.txt; git add old.txt; git commit -q old.txt -m add\ old.
4 for i in `seq 1 10`; do
5 echo 'old' >> old.txt; git commit -q old.txt -m ${i}th\ edit\ old.
6 git mv old.txt new.txt;
7 git commit -q -m 'old out, new in.' old.txt new.txt;
8 #git commit -q -m 'old out' old.txt;
9 #git commit -q -m 'new in' new.txt;
10
11 echo 'new' >> new.txt; git commit -q new.txt -m ${i}th\ edit\ new.
12 git mv new.txt old.txt;
13 git commit -q -m 'new out, old in.' old.txt new.txt;
14 #git commit -q -m 'new out' new.txt;
15 #git commit -q -m 'old in' old.txt;
16 done
17 git log --graph --oneline |grep edit |wc -l
18 git log --graph --oneline old.txt |grep edit |wc -l # anything missing?
19 git log --graph --oneline --follow old.txt |grep edit |wc -l # ok
20 git config --local --replace-all log.follow 1 # always follow
21 git log --graph --oneline old.txt |grep edit |wc -l # ok
```

```
1 20
2 10
3 20
4 20
```

# Caveat Emptor

Ok, but which is better ?

It depends

Requirement	svn	git	comment
documentation	+	-	transparency and clarity
UI design/tools clarity	+	-	coherence of naming
offline/distributed work	-	+	can do offline commits
flexibility	-	+	GIT's <i>porcelain</i> vs <i>plumbing</i> tools
migrating from	+	-	conceptual + practical (converters)
when repository is huge	+	-	remote central vs replicated
ease of use	+	-	intuitiveness
branching	-	+	<i>proper branching</i>
editable history	-	+	rebase, amend
<b>feature mattering you</b>	<b>?</b>	<b>?</b>	<b>learn basics, test, simulate, choose</b>

Check for yourself based on your requirements.

You might check e.g. **hg** (Mercurial), too. See page 83.

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- ▶ `svn co https://svn.apache.org/repos/asf/subversion/trunk subversion`  
(a hundred MB...)
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(a hundred MB...)
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(a few GB...)
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