# Tutorial #4: Source Control

CS374: Introduction to HCI

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#### **Before start**

- This tutorial will not cover how to create repo, make branch, merge, push…
  - You can learn it by yourself with the materials in the last slide
- Instead, I'll try to focus on basic concepts.

# Outline

- Why do we need Version Control System
- Git
- Repository / Commit / Branch
- Merge / Rebase / Conflict
- Remote repository
- Working with others
- Recommended Materials

# Why do we need Version Control System

- Version Control System
  - Store versions of file and retrieve them
- Why we need it?
  - Roll back a change that caused a bug
  - Separate deployed version from development version
  - Document history of who did what when



- Built by Linus Torvalds at 2005
- De facto standard in open source software
- But Git is not the only Version Control System.

## Repository

- **Repository** stores history of development
  - "Directed Acyclic Graph with Root"
- Node ("Commit"): A snapshot of codes from some point
- Edge: Point to the parent node



#### Branch



Pointer for A commit (Not a series of commits)





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- Creating a branch = Making a new pointer



#### Commit

Add a "fresh" commit with some change



#### Merge

Add a commit by merging two branches (3-way-merge)

#### (staging) git merge master



#### Rebase

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# Merge and Rebase



- "Staging" branch after rebase(c7) and merge(c8) has same content.
- But generally rebase is more recommended, since it's history is much neater.

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### Conflict

- Don't get scared
- Conflict happens when Git failed to merge
- Usually when two commits changed same part of a file
- Developer should choose which one to follow



### **Remote Repository**

- Git is a distributed version control system
  - Repository can be at server or developer's system
  - But they are equal repositories







#### We can have multiple remote repositories. `origin` is just one of them.



# Fetch, Pull

- Fetch: Just download all the content from remote repository
- Pull: Fetch and apply commits from remote repository to local repository



## Push

• Apply local commits to remote repo







#### **Pull Request**

- What if a developer doesn't have permission to push?
  (Or we cannot give permission to anyone?)
- Asking to apply changes to a branch.







Has a new local branch A, but cannot push it to master



#### Upload new branch A, and make **PULL REQUEST**





After PR is accepted, new branch is merged to master



# Working with others

- There are many workflows on the web.
- But in every workflow, "master" branch is production-ready.



http://blog.endpoint.com/2014/05/git-workflows-that-work.html

# Since you are a student



#### Free unlimited private repositories + alpha

## **Recommended Materials**

- Pro Git online book (<u>https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2</u>)
- <u>https://try.github.io</u>
  (Easy interactive tutorial)
- <u>http://learngitbranching.js.org/</u>
  (Difficult interactive tutorial)
- <u>(Korean) Effective Git</u>
  (from NDC 2016. Includes so many useful tips)