Intermediate Git

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Overview

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- The git data-structure is the best conceptual model for git.
- This data-structure can be seen in local git repo using:
  - `git log --oneline --graph <ref>`
  - `gitk`
- Adopting/adapting workflows is easier once you have a basic understanding of the git data-structure and algorithms.
- Write personal cheat-sheet and memorize just the basic git commands for your adopted workflows (and Google the rest).
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Material Presented

- IDEAS Project What-is and How-To Documents ([https://ideas-productivity.org/resources/howtosa/](https://ideas-productivity.org/resources/howtosa/))
  - “What is Version Control?” (just mention)
  - “How to Do Version Control with Git in Your CSE Project” (skim)
- Git Tutorial and Reference Collection:
  - Critical Beginner Git Usage Tips (skim)
  - Visual Git Reference (in depth)
  - Visualizing Git Concepts with D3 (git revert, fetch, pull, push, tag)
  - The Git Object Model (skim)

**Goal:** Present some basics and gain some comfort & familiarity with these sites so that you can go back and complete the learning of the basic git data-structures and core algorithms.
The Distributed Git Data-Structure

Legend: xxxxx objects are not in ‘local’ repo

- Parts of git graph data-structure are replicated across many repo clones.
- New parts of graph are added in different repos independently.
- Parts of the graph only come together when explicitly communicated.
- All parts of the distributed replicated graph may never come together!
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