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# Integrated Systems and Testing

**Version Control Systems,  
Source Control**

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# What will it be about?

- Clarification of the concept of version control
- Why is it needed? Who uses it? Where and How?
- Version control models
- Basic concepts in version control
- Operations
- Major version control systems
- Presentation of software tools
- Practical demonstration

# **ABOUT VERSION CONTROLLING IN GENERAL....**

# What is version control?

## Concept:

- ⦿ a set of procedures that allow variants (versions) of a data set to be managed together
- ⦿ In case of softwares:
  - Store changes to source code during the software lifecycle
    - Most often, version support for source code files Management. E.g. logging, history, change version, rollback, who / when did what, etc
- ⦿ Designations:
  - ⦿ Revision Control, Version Control, Source Control, Source Code Management (SCM)

# Why is it needed?

- ◎ **Historical data is always needed during development!**
  - The source code goes through many iterations
    - Good to know when critical things happened
  - If there is a problem, we can revert to previous versions
  - It is independent of the number of developers
- ◎ **One-person development:**
  - No parallel development (within a project)
    - it is advisable to manage each version ourselves

# Why is it needed?

- ◎ **Today, developing more serious software requires more people**
  - Tasks are typically done in **teams**
    - Continuous communication is required
    - The processing of tasks is parallel
      - Each member of the team works on a task
- ◎ **This complex relationship needs to be managed**
  - You need to see who developed what and when
  - You need to manage code merge when working on the same files
  - **Other**: marking special versions, merging versions, etc.

# Why is it needed?

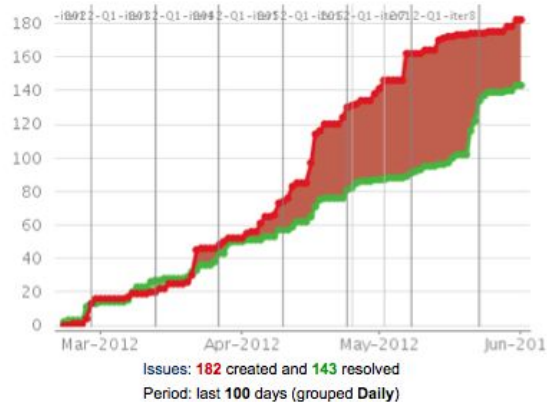
- ① Feedback can be provided to management
  - The process of development is clear
    - Who is working on what? Who implemented the gives feature.
- ① Version control systems can often be connected:
  - With task scheduler, project manager tools (eg JIRA, TRAC)
  - With Wiki systems
  - Other systems (like Bugzilla)
- ① They provide a visual interface on the development process
  - Statistical data
  - Diagrams

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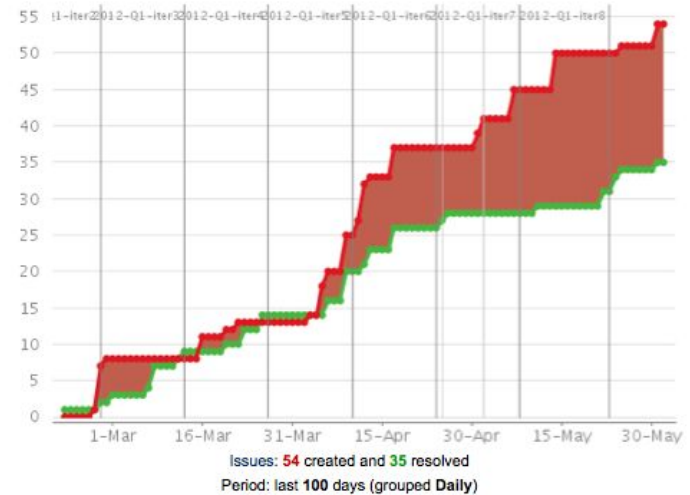
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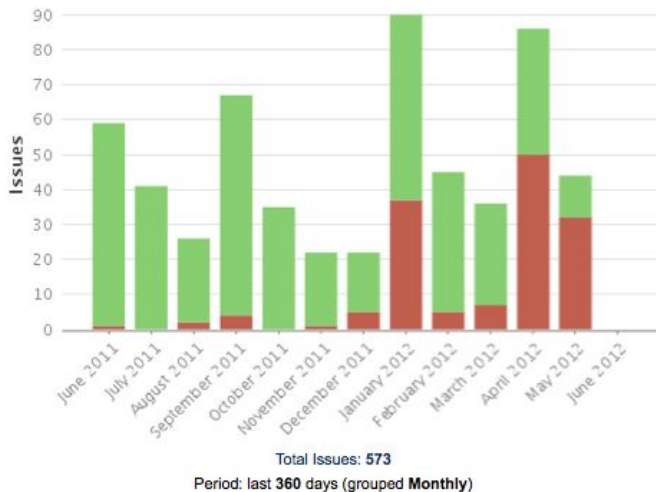
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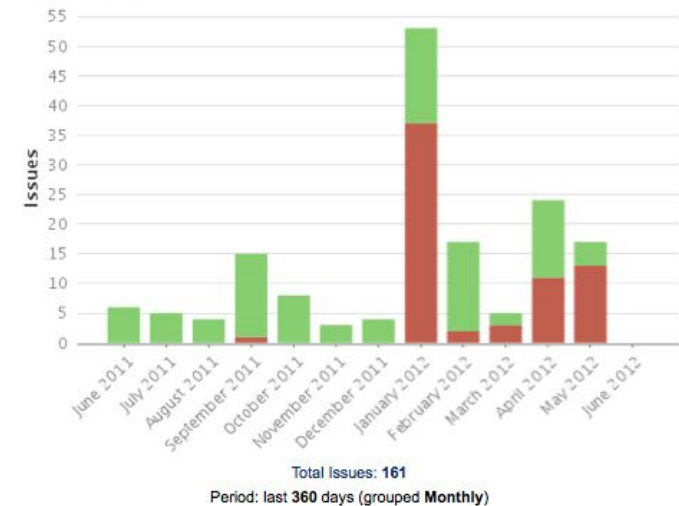
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- .js (33,691 - 6%)
- .css (23,476 - 4%)
- .xml (22,485 - 4%)
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- Other (93,388 - 16%)

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# Primitive Version Control

- ◎ The code is saved in a separate folder before each major change
  - we try to distinguish them properly
    - E.g.: give date or version number to directories
- ◎ **It works!**
  - But the least efficient version control technique
  - For one-person development only
- ◎ **Problem:**
  - over time, it becomes difficult to remember the differences in content between versions,
  - can take up a lot of storage
  - There is no software tool that provides extra features or help
    - E.g. Diff comparison

# MODELS OF VERSION TRACKING SYSTEMS...

# Main types of Version Control Systems

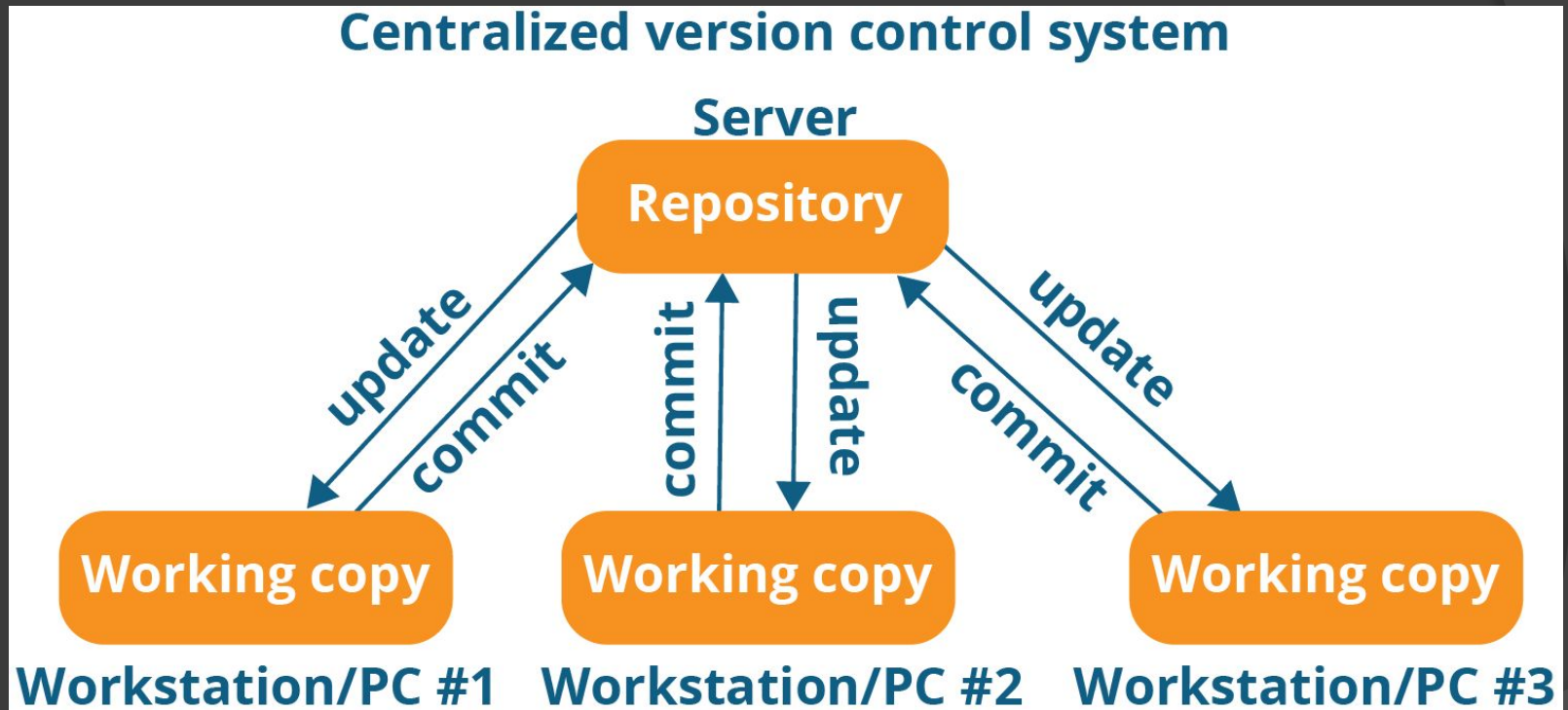
There are two general varieties of version control:

- ⦿ **Centralized model (traditional)**
- ⦿ **Distributed version control systems**

# Centralized Version Control System

- ⦿ Server acts as the **main repository** which stores every version of code
- ⦿ Every developer use this repository
  - Every operation is performed on the server
- ⦿ **The workflow:**
  - it is practically a **commit** and **update** process
  - After each commit, it is recommended to update the working directory to get code changes created by others

# Centralized Systems



- update: getting the latest code from the server
- commit: put the local changes to the server

# Centralized Version Control System

## ◎ Benefits:

- Centralized systems are typically easier to understand and use
  - developers of any skill level can push changes and start contributing to the code quickly
  - Setting up the system and the workflow is also simple
- You can grant access level control on directory level
- Performs better with binary files
- Offers full visibility:
  - every team member has full visibility into what code is currently worked on and what changes are made
  - This knowledge helps software development teams understand the state of a project and provides a foundation for collaboration
  - centralized version control system only has two data repositories that users have to monitor: the local copy and the central server.



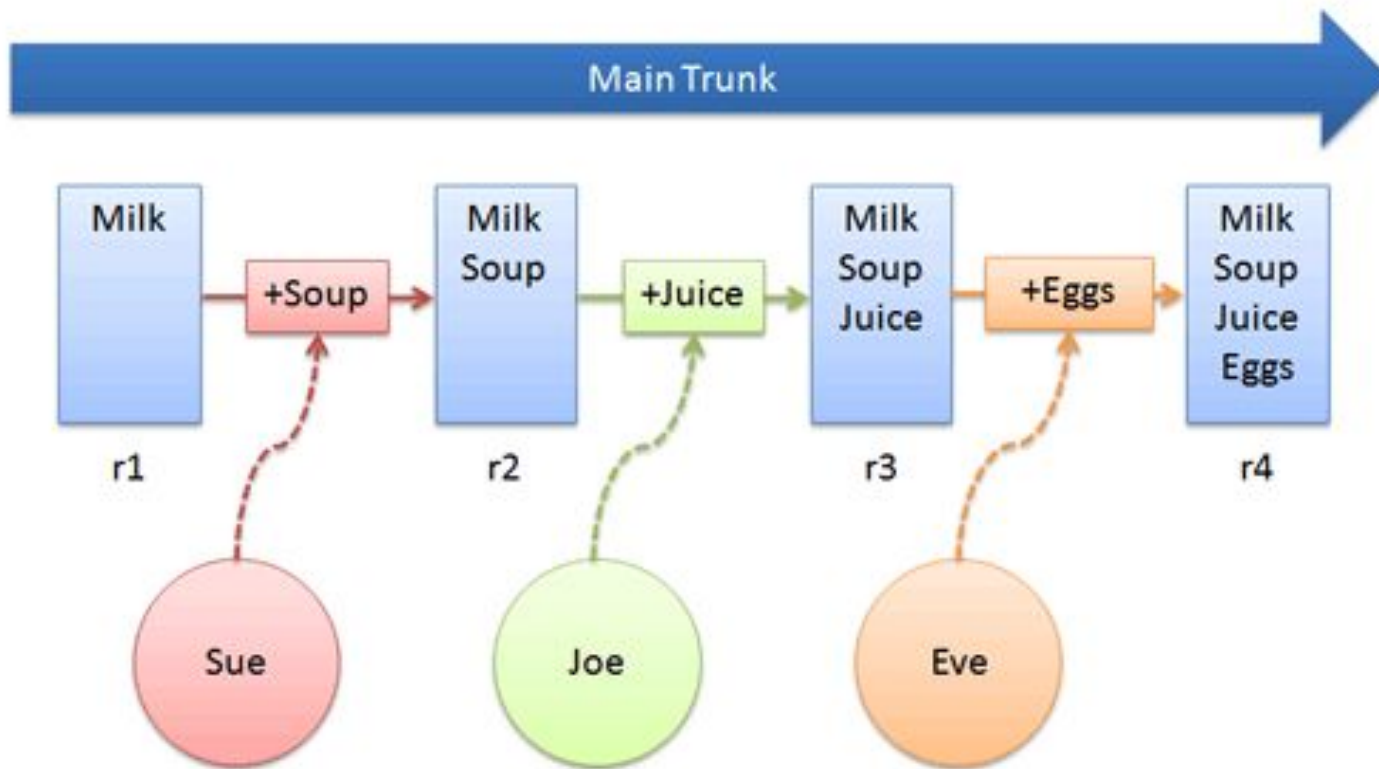
# Centralized Version Control System

## ⦿ Disadvantages:

- A single point of failure risks data:
  - If the remote server goes down, then no one can work on the code or push change
  - The lack of offline access means that any disruption can significantly impact code development and even result in code loss
  - The entire project and team comes to a standstill during an outage
- Slow speed delays development:
  - Branching becomes a time-consuming:
    - users must communicate with the remote server for every command, which slows down code development
    - task and allows merge conflicts to appear, because developers can't push their changes to the repository fast enough for others to view
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# Centralized Version Control System

## Centralized VCS



Every developer synchronize and commit their changes

# Distributed Version Control Systems...

# Distributed Version Control Systems

- ◎ **A type of version control where the complete codebase is mirrored on every developer's computer,**
  - including its full version history
- ◎ Synchronization is accomplished by **patches** sent between each machine
- ◎ **Sounds wasteful, but in practice, it's not a problem:**
  - Most programming projects consist mostly of plain text files
    - maybe a few images
  - Disk space is cheap
    - storing many copies of a file doesn't create a noticeable dent in a hard drive's free space.
  - Modern systems also compress the files to use even less space.

# Distributed Version Control Systems

## ◎ Advantages:

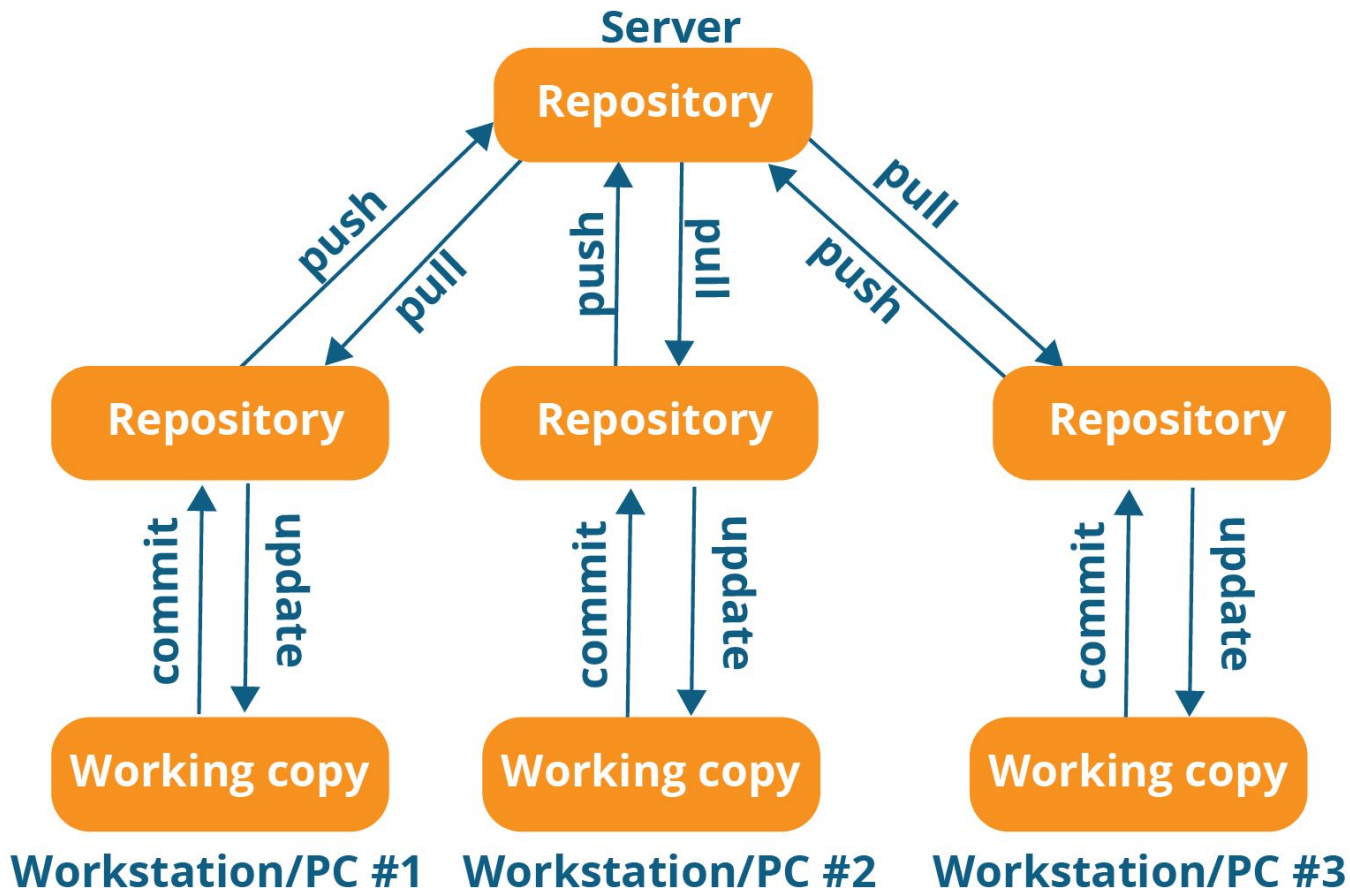
- Branching and merging is much easier
  - Branching and merging can happen automatically and quickly
- With a distributed system, we don't need to be connected to the network all the time
  - Developers have the ability to work offline
  - complete code repository is stored locally
- Multiple copies of the software eliminate reliance on a single backup
- Performance of distributed systems is better

# Distributed Version Control Systems

## ◎ Disadvantages:

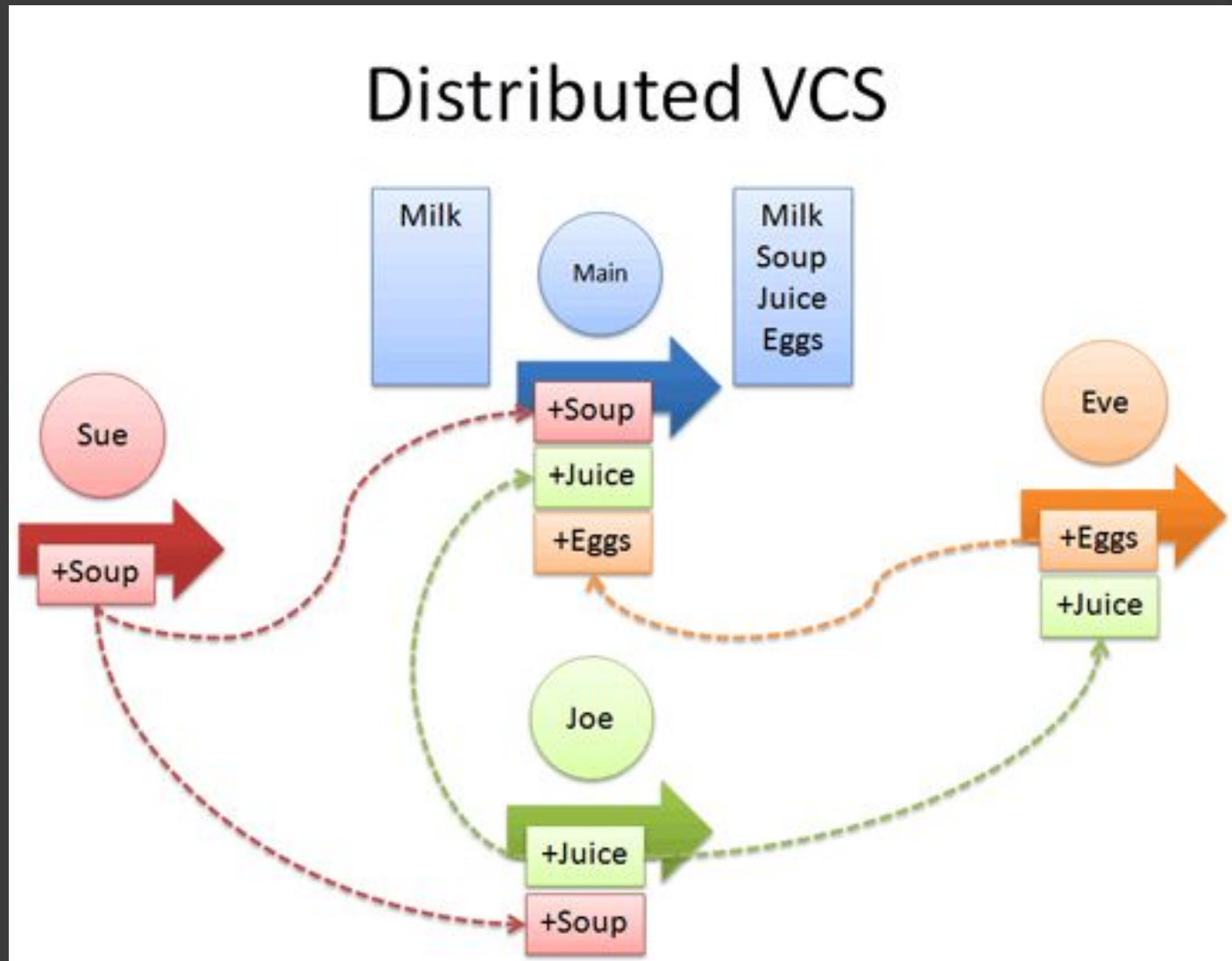
- It may not always be obvious who did the most recent change
- File locking doesn't allow different developers to work on the same piece of code simultaneously.
- It helps to avoid merge conflicts, but slows down development  
DVCS enables you to clone the repository – this could mean a security issue
- Working with a lot of binary files requires a huge amount of space, and developers can't do diffs

## Distributed version control system



- **pull:** getting the latest code from the server
- **update:** update local repository with the code getting with pull
- **commit:** put the local changes to the local repository
- **push:** send local commits to server

# Distributed Version Control Systems





**ALAPFOGALMAK...**

# Basic definitions

- ◎ The logical operation of the version control softwares may differ
  - But the applied definitions are the same!
- ◎ Repository: **repo** in short. A data structure that stores metadata for a set of files or directory structure
  - stores all project files and their versions
  - usually a special directory structure with special files
  - so each project must be stored in a separate repo!
- ◎ Working copy:
  - A copy of some of the code that a developer is currently working on on their own machine.
  - Upon completion of the work, its status/change will be stored in the repository in the form of commits

# Basic definitions

## ⦿ Commit:

- The “commit” command is used to save changes to the repository
- Every set of changes implicitly creates a new, different version of the project
  - Therefore, every commit also marks a specific version.
- It’s a snapshot of your complete project at that certain point in time.
- **It can be used to restore the project to that certain state**

## ⦿ Every commit item consists the following metadata:

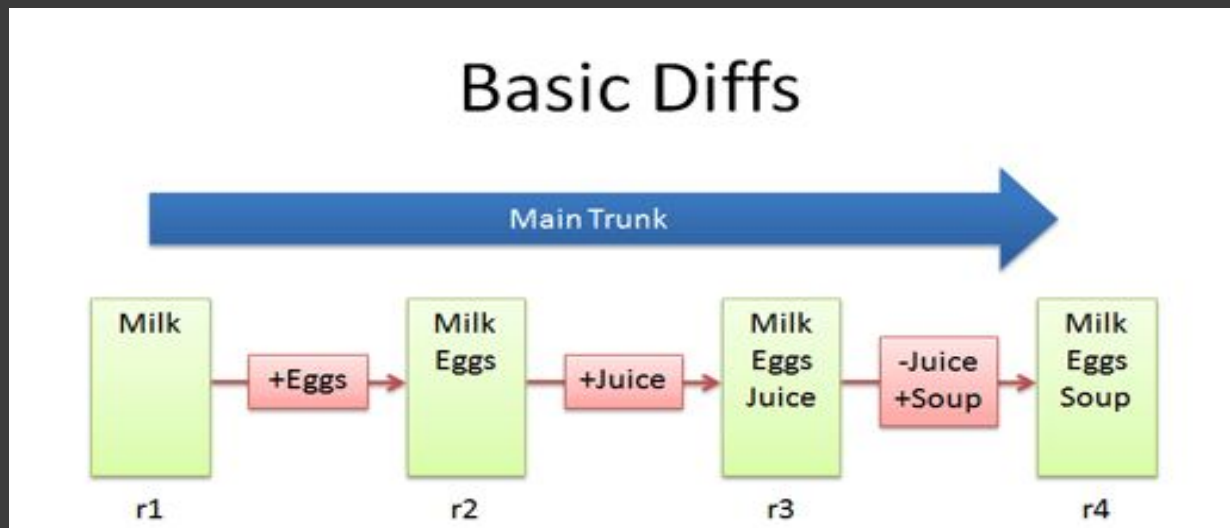
- unique id/hash — every commit has a unique identifier.
- date — information when commit happened. It helps later on to lists the commits in chronological order
- author — information who performed changes
- message — the author of a commit has to comment what he did in a short “commit message”.

# Basic definitions

- ◎ **Revision:** a version
  - After each commit, the value of the revision in the repo increases,
    - so this is the version number. E.g: r3522
- ◎ **Checkout:**
  - Make a local copy of a versioned file.
  - By default, the user will receive the latest version,
    - but it is also possible to request a specific version based on version number
- ◎ **Head:** indicates the most recent commit (version) at the top of the current branch
- ◎ **Push(ing):** upload data to the main repository
  - only at distributed version control systems (e.g. git, mercurial)

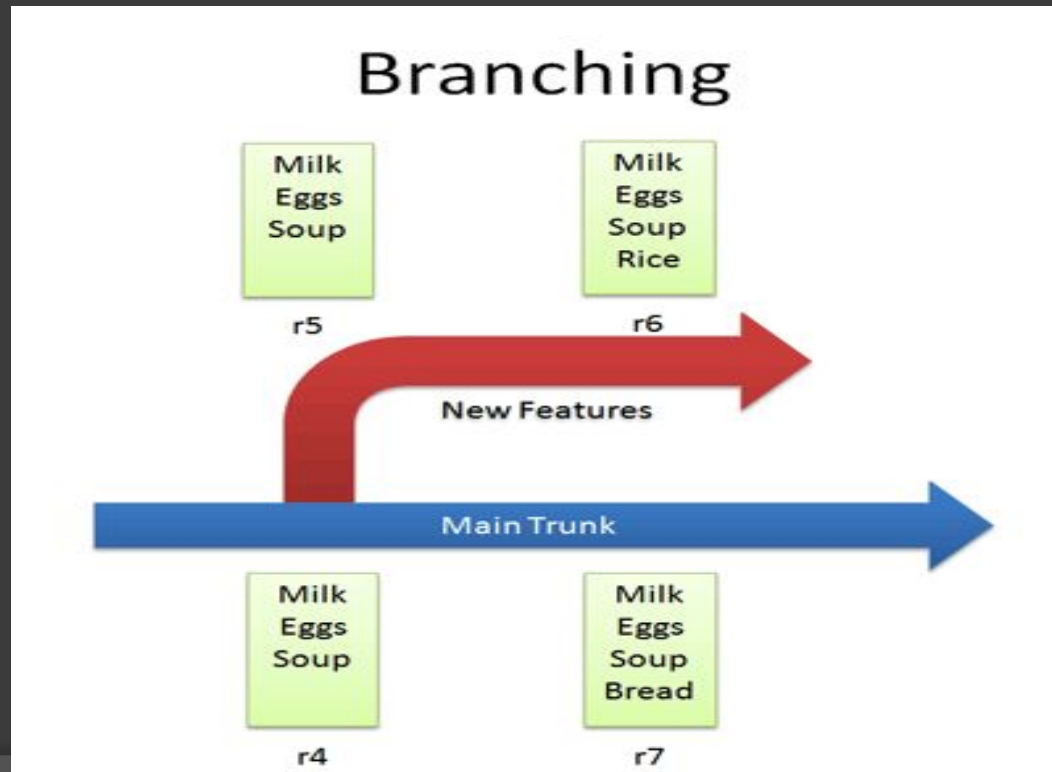
# Basic definitions

- **Trunk:** It represents the main branch of development. Essentially it is also a branch with a special name
- **Update:** it incorporates the changes in the repo into the user's working copy, i.e. the local version.
- **Diff/Change/Delta:** find / show change between two files.



# Basic definitions

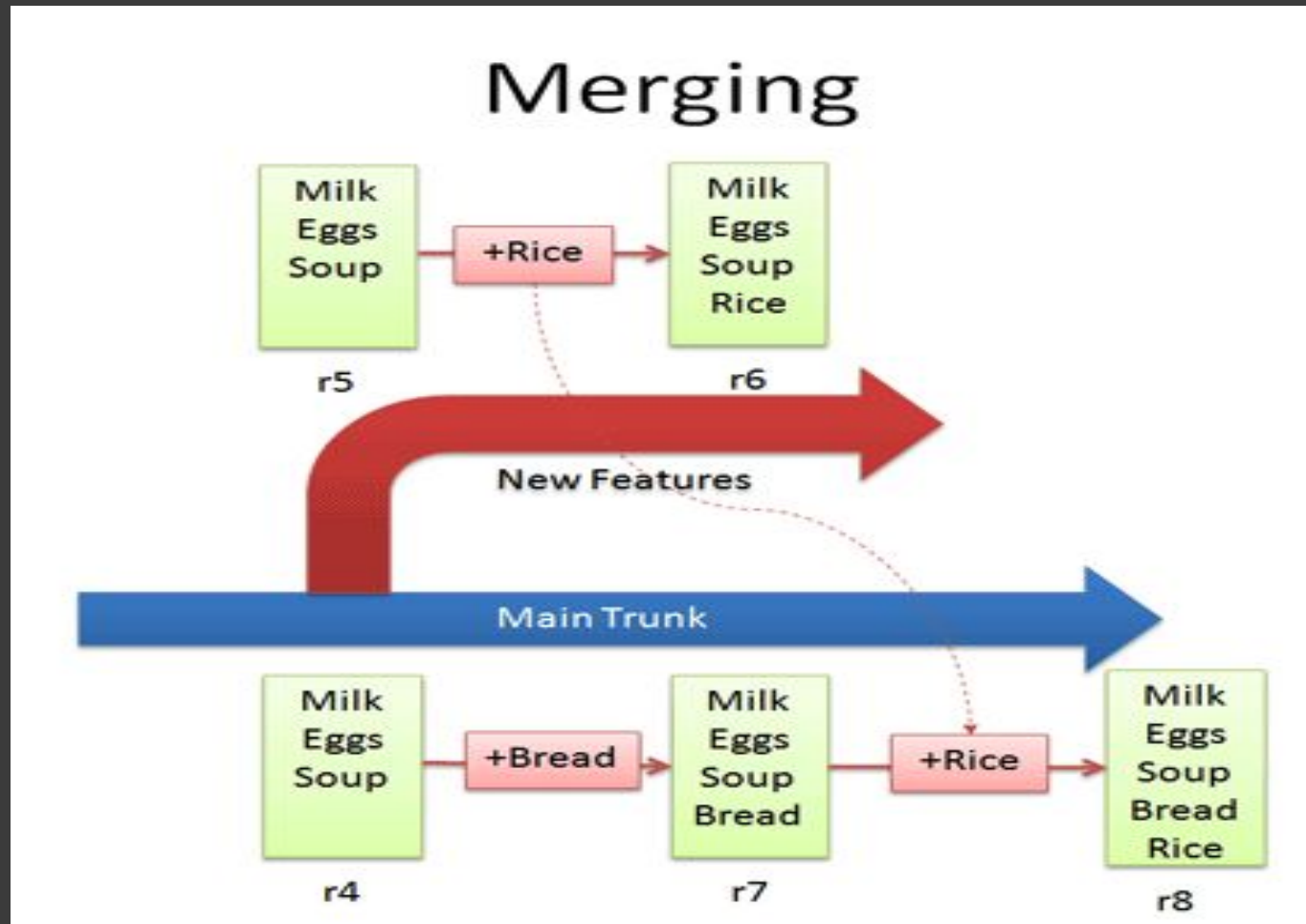
- ◎ **Branch:** is a copy of a codeline, managed by a version control system (VCS).
  - Branching helps software development teams work in parallel. It separates out “in-progress work” from tested and stable code.
  - It is an alternative development “line”



# Basic definitions

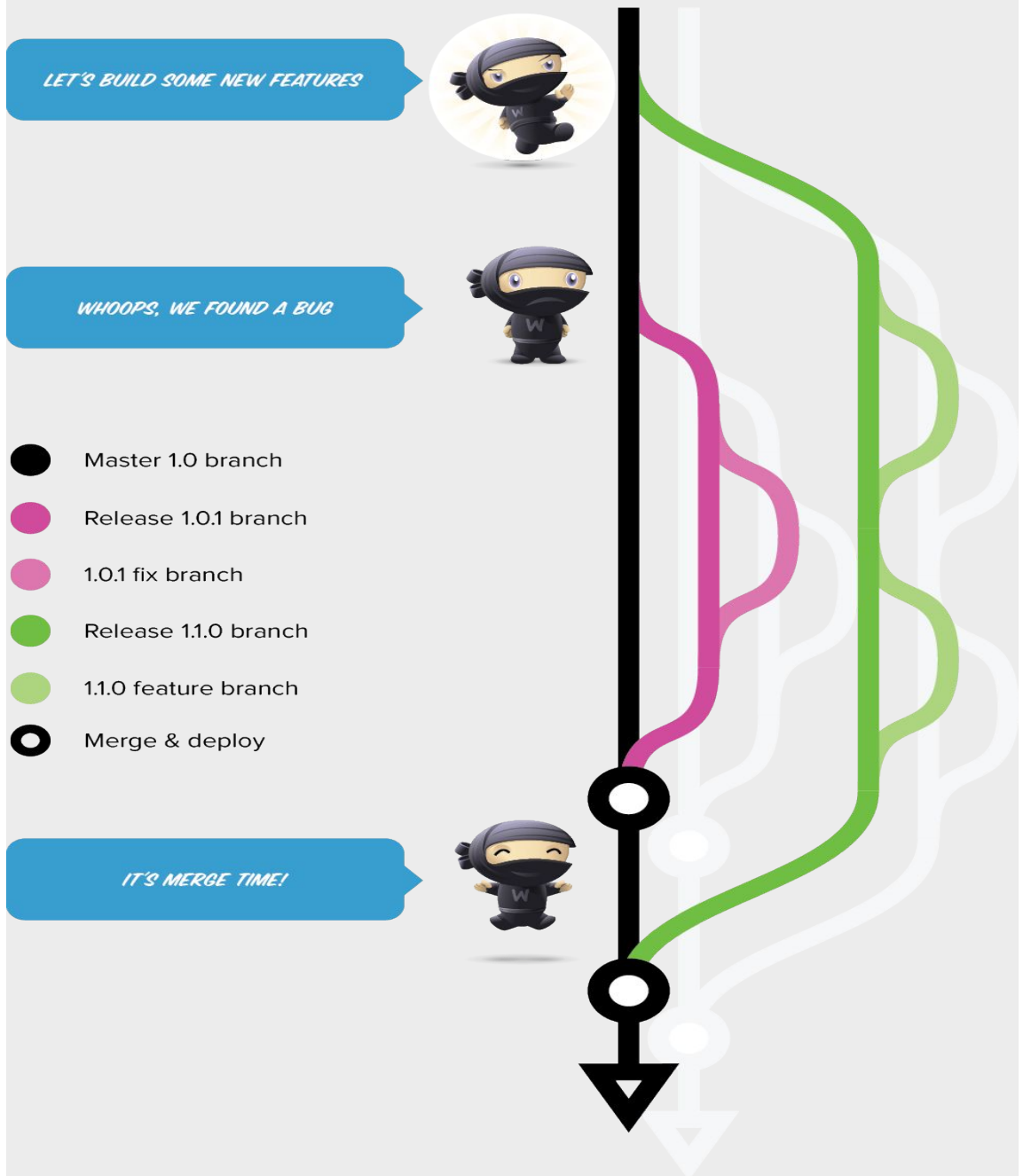
- ◎ Merge: there will come a time when we want to integrate changes from one branch into another
  - for example: we finished developing a feature and want to integrate it into the “production” branch
- Or the opposite:
  - we are not yet finished working on the feature,
  - but so many things have happened in the rest of the project in the meantime
  - we want to integrate these back into the feature branch.
  - Such an integration is called “merging”

# Basic definitions





# Merge



LET'S BUILD SOME NEW FEATURES



WHOOOPS, WE FOUND A BUG



- Master 1.0 branch
- Release 1.0.1 branch
- 1.0.1 fix branch
- Release 1.1.0 branch
- 1.1.0 feature branch
- Merge & deploy

IT'S MERGE TIME!



# Basic definitions

## ◎ Conflict:

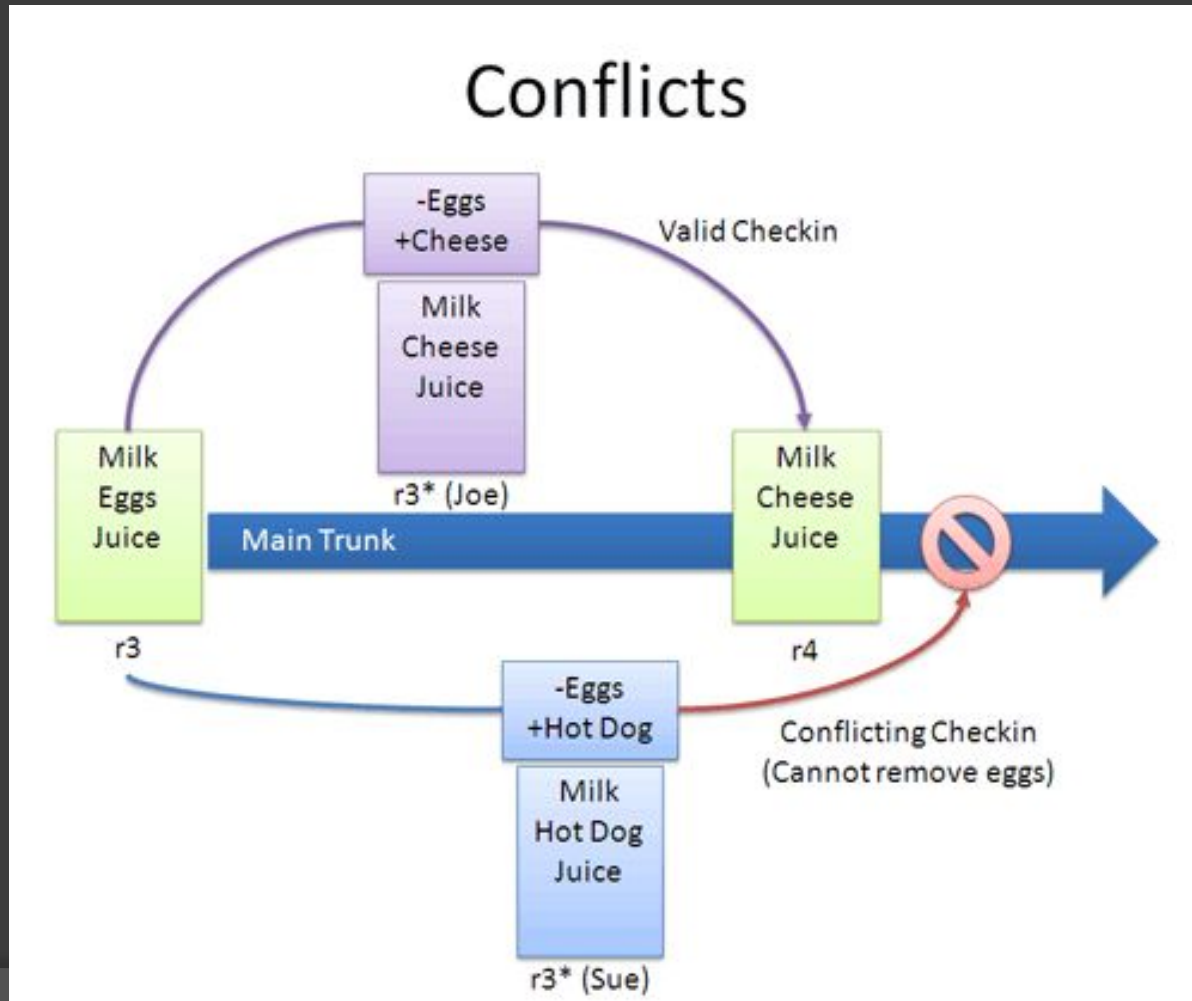
- Phenomenon arising from the merging of branches
- The version of the two branches contains code that cannot be merged automatically
- The merging process must be performed manually
- Modern IDEs provide a graphical interface for this

## ◎ Example (SVN):

```
<<<<<<< .mine  
This is fun stuff!  
=====  
This is a documentation file  
>>>>>>> .r6
```

# Basic definitions

- Conflict:



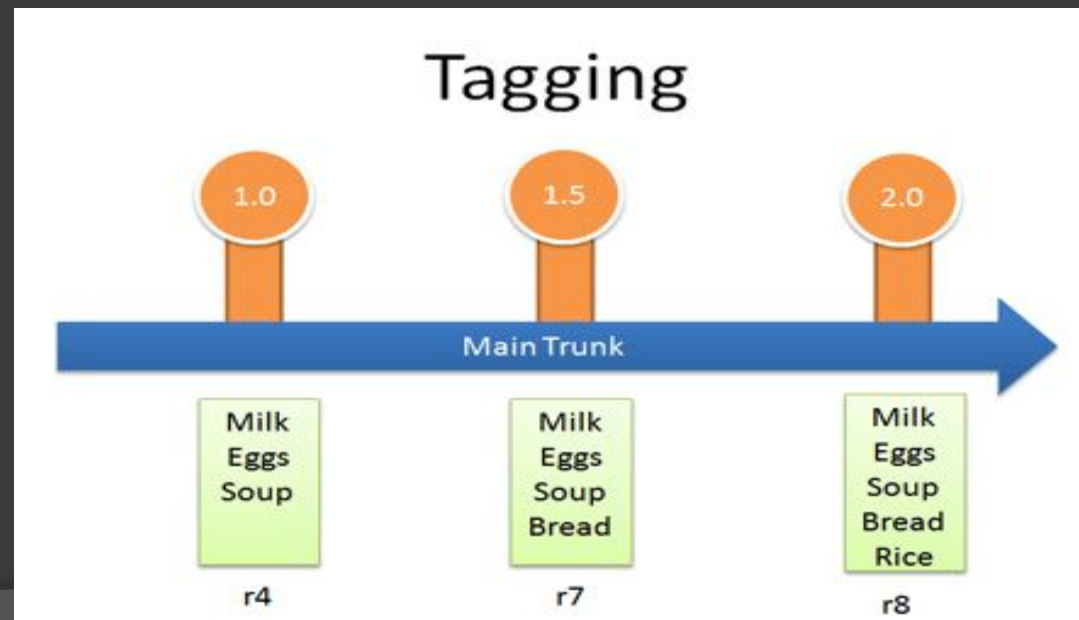
# Basic definitions

- ◎ Another way to avoid conflict:
  - **Lock:** tilos a konkurens hozzáférés
    - if someone starts modifying a file, it cannot be opened for writing by another user
    - In case of complex source code changes, merge conflicts can be avoided
    - Locking a file for too long can cause problems for other users

# Basic definitions

## ◎ Version tagging:

- A tag represents a version of a particular branch at a moment in time (tag mark a specific commit in your repository history).
- Tags are commonly used to mark release versions, with the release name as the tag name (i.e. v1.0.1).
- A tag is like a branch that doesn't change.
  - Unlike branches, tags, after being created, have no further history of commits.



# Version Control Systems in practice...

# Grouping aspects of version control systems

- ◉ Repository model (central or distributed)
- ◉ Supported platforms (Linux, Windows,..)
- ◉ Price (free, paid licence)
- ◉ How the history is handled (model)
  - changeset, patch, snapshot
- ◉ Version identifier method (Revision ID: namespace, sequence, pseudorandom)
- ◉ Supported network protocol (http, https, ftp,sftp,ssh)
- ◉ Open vs. Closed source code

# Most well known VCSs

- ⦿ **GIT:** free, distributed. one of the best vcs tool in the present market
  - The Linux source code is stored in git
- ⦿ **Mercurial:** free, distributed, open source, one of the best
- ⦿ **Concurrent Versions System(CVS):**
  - free, centralized, open source, one of the oldest
- ⦿ **Subversion(SVN):** free, open source, centralized. before git, it was the most used VCS
- ⦿ **Bazaar:** free, distributed, open source
- ⦿ **Team Foundation Server (TFS - Microsoft):** based on client-server, distributed repository model and has a proprietary license



# Portals for developers

## GitHub

- ⦿ GitHub helps software teams to collaborate and maintain the entire history of code changes.
- ⦿ We can track changes in code, undo errors and share our efforts with other team members.
- ⦿ It is a repository to host Git projects.

## GitLab

- ⦿ It comes with a lot of handy features like an integrated project, a project website
- ⦿ Using the continuous integration (CI) capabilities, we can automatically test and deliver the code.
- ⦿ We can access all the aspects of a project, view code, pull requests, and combine the conflict resolution.

# Portals for developers

## Bitbucket

- ⦿ Bitbucket is a part of the Atlassian software suite,
- ⦿ it can be integrated with other Atlassian services including HipChat, Jira, and Bamboo.
- ⦿ The main features of Bitbucket are code branches, in-line commenting and discussions, and pull requests.

## AWS CodeCommit

- ⦿ It is a managed version control system that hosts secure and scalable private Git repositories.
- ⦿ It seamlessly connects with other products from Amazon Web Services (AWS) and hosts the code in secured AWS environments.
- ⦿ It is a good fit for the existing users of AWS.

# SVN overview

- ⦿ Open source version control system
  - Unix, Linux, Windows, OSX, BSD, Solaris, BeOS, Haiku, etc
- ⦿ Use it to manage changes to files and directories over time.
- ⦿ The storage logic is similar to an average file server,
  - except that it records all changes to files and directories.
- ⦿ **What it offers:**
  - full version control management from command line

<http://subversion.apache.org/>



# SVN overview

- ◎ Create an SVN server:

  - [svnserve - Linux](#)

  - [svnserve.exe - Windows](#)

- ◎ Built-in lightweight server:

  - It is installed with an installation package
  - Communicates via TCP / IP protocol
  - HAs an own protocol - svn: //
  - Able to communicate with ssh tunnel

**Run SVN server as a daemon:**

**`svnserve.exe -d -r c:/MySVNRepo`**

# SVN protocols

Protocol	Description
file://	direct access repository (on local disk)
http://	We can integrate SVN into main webservers. Like: apache, nginx, lighttpd
https://	Same as http://, but with SSL secure
svn://	Communicate with svnserve server through its own protocol
svn+ssh://	Same as svn://, but over SSH tunnel

# SVN usage

- Repo creation (server): the basic file structure is created

```
svnadmin create MyRepo
```

- Creating working copy (svn checkout):

- create a working copy on the client side

```
svn checkout place_of_repo where_to_save_it
```

E.g.:

```
svn checkout http://example.org/svn/MyRepo C:/LocalRepo
```

SSH tunnel sample:

```
svn co svn+ssh://example.org/svn/MyRepo C:/LocalRepo
```

# SVN usage

- Add new file to our working copy:

```
svn add sample.txt
```

- Remove file from repository:

```
svn del sample.txt
```

- Comitting changes into repository:

- All changes will be sent into the repository

```
svn commit -m `Commit text`
```

- Get latest code from the repository:

```
svn update
```

# SVN usage

- Revert changes of a file:

```
svn revert test.c
```

- Creating a branch:

```
svn copy svn+ssh://example.com/svn/MyRepo/trunk  
svn+ssh://example.com/svn/MyRepo /NAME_OF_BRANCH  
-m "Creating a branch of project"
```

- Merging:

- Merge branch into revision 250 of the main branch

```
svn merge -r 250:HEAD  
http://example.com/svn/MyRepo/branches/my-branch
```



# SVN usage

Make a tag:

```
svn copy http://path/to/revision http://path/to/tag
```

# Well know SVN clients

- ◎ Tortoise SVN, RapidSVN
- ◎ More advanced version controls allow integration with other devices
- ◎ Version control add-ons for different IDEs are often available for download
  - Graphical based diff, merge, commit, revert
  - Sync view, history, and more
- ◎ **Eclipse/Netbeans based clients:**
  - Subversive
  - Subclipse

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