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Version Control Systems II.

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How to organize your repository?

Key guidelines

- ◎ Today, all major projects are version-controlled
 - This requires proper repository organization
- ◎ Why?
 - We need to know who did what and when
 - Code security is important
 - We need to manage:
 - Releases - with name / number
 - Versions - requires proper numbering
 - Development and other branches
 - Other parts / components
 - Link commits with Issue Tracking systems

An average developer group

◎ A typical development process

- The development team uses an Issue Tracking system
- The team organizes problems at least once a week
 - bugs, issues, tasks
 - adds new development tasks/stories
 - The team prioritizes tasks
 - Starts a new development cycle depending on the applied development model
 - e.g.: Sprint
- Bugs, issues in Issue Tracking are identified by number and name
 - e.g. ISSUE 1357 - Google registration is not working

Bitbucket example

Bitbucket Teams Projects Repositories Snippets Find a repository... ?

voxel / gameengine

Issues + Create issue

FILTERS: All **Open** My issues Watching Advanced search

Issues (1–20 of 20)

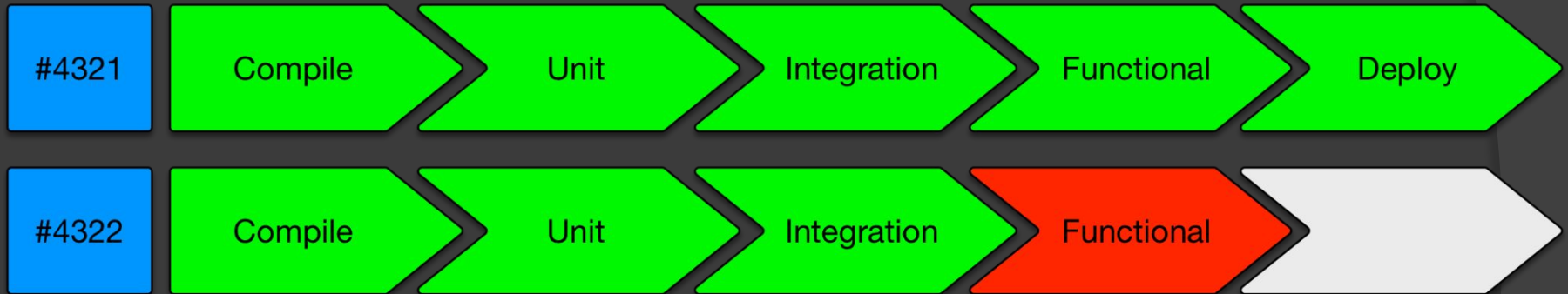
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#28: Add shadow receive/cast flags	↑	↑	NEW		voxel	2016-07-05	2016-07-05
#27: Add global shadow on/off flag	↑	↑	NEW		voxel	2016-07-05	2016-07-05
#26: Light frustum calculation	↑	↓	NEW		voxel	2016-07-05	2016-07-05
#25: Mouse cursor missplace at windows	↓	↑	NEW		voxel	2016-06-20	2016-06-20
#24: Bounding shape based 2D collision	↑	↓	NEW		voxel	2016-06-16	2016-06-16
#23: Collision Shape	↑	↓	NEW		voxel	2016-06-13	2016-06-13
#20: 2D Dynamic lighting	↑	↑	NEW		voxel	2016-05-28	2016-05-28
#19: Animate GUI Windows	↑	↑	NEW		voxel	2016-05-28	2016-06-03
#15: Update font to modern GL	↑	↓	NEW		voxel	2016-04-12	2016-04-12
#14: Particle system 3D remake	↑	↓	NEW		voxel	2016-04-12	2016-04-12
#13: CCrosshair class	↑	↓	NEW		voxel	2016-04-12	2016-04-12
#12: Create a parralax map demo	↑	↓	NEW		voxel	2016-04-11	2016-04-11
#10: Window movement problem	↓	↑	NEW		voxel	2016-04-11	2016-04-11
#9: Update SW rendering to support scale	↑	↑	NEW		voxel	2016-04-11	2016-04-11
#7: Make documentation about the engine	✓	↑	NEW		voxel	2016-04-11	2016-04-11
#6: Make engine startup customizable	↑	↑	NEW		voxel	2016-04-11	2016-04-11
#4: Make XML format for GUI	✓	↓	NEW		voxel	2016-04-11	2016-04-11
#3: Finish demos relocating	↑	↓	NEW		voxel	2016-04-11	2016-04-11

Version Control Strategies and Continuous Delivery...

Continuous Delivery

- ◎ It is a software development practice in which a team or a company strives to keep their software in a deliverable state at all times.
 - release software to production as often as possible
- ◎ Continuous delivery is a prerequisite to continuous deployment
- ◎ From a business point of view
 - allows a company to quickly adapt to changing market developments
 - respond to user feedback, etc
- ◎ It enforces a large number of software development practices
 - how version control is handled,
 - test and release automation

Continuous Delivery



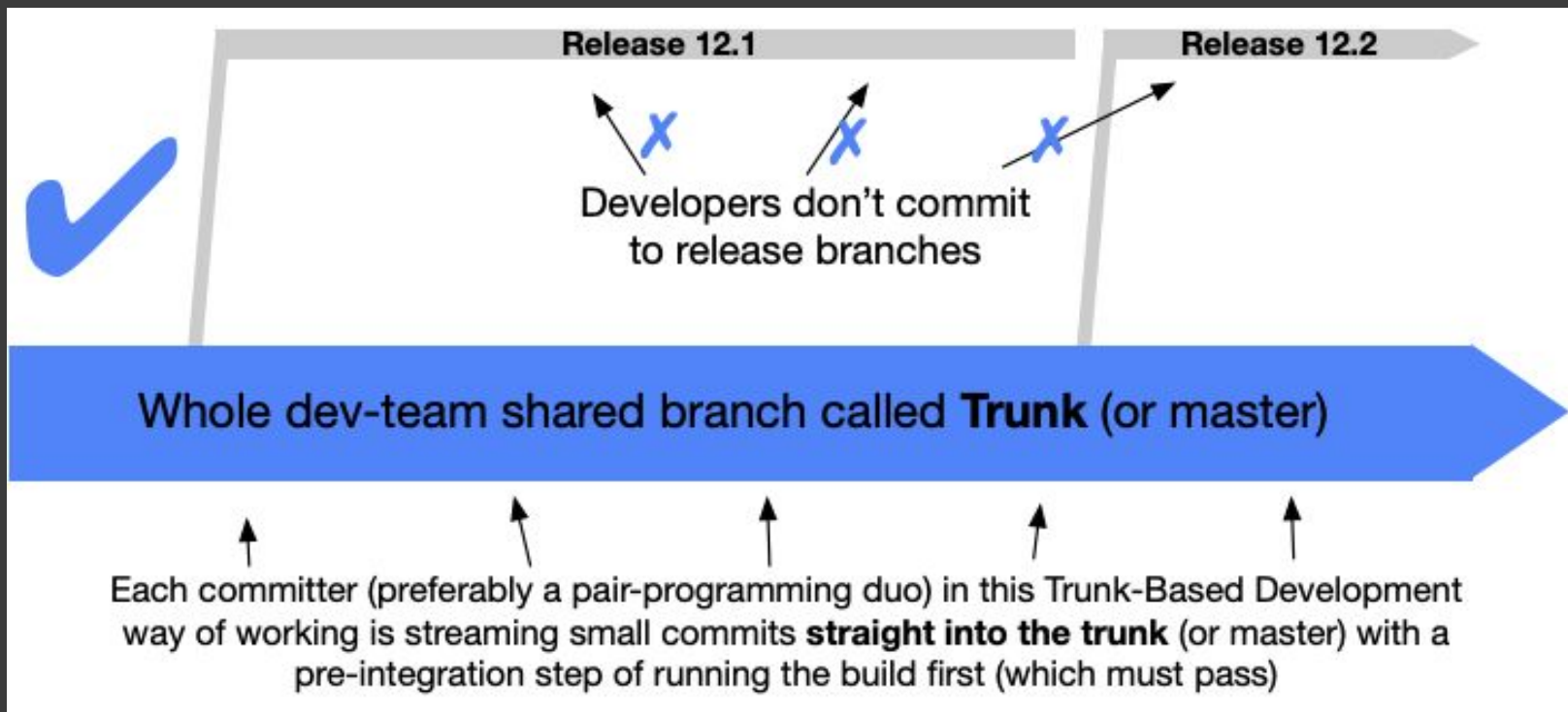
Automatically re-deploy a proven build to a QA or UAT environment

Trunk-based development

- ◎ A source-control branching model
- ◎ The simplest way to collaborate with multiple developers on a single codebase
- ◎ All developer work on a single branch
 - usually the **master branch**
- ◎ Heavily implies Continuous Integration:
 - changes are continuously integrated multiple times per day
 - this keeps everyone up to date on the latest developments
 - new and updated features are quickly known throughout the entire team
 - It intends to prevent people from working on islands, isolated from the rest of the team for more than a day
- ◎ Do not create long-lived development branches
 - therefore avoid merge hell

<https://trunkbaseddevelopment.com/>

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◎ Disadvantages

- every push from any developer comes with a risk that they break the build
- Breaking the build causes the master to be in an unreleasable state
- It interrupts the continuous deployment flow,
 - and will impede everyone working on the codebase until it has been resolved.

Trunk-based development

What are the other branches for?

- ◎ 1. Program Releases (e.g. Play Store): the software may have multiple releases during its lifecycle.
 - E.g. 1.0, 1.2, 2.0, etc
 - Releases must also be managed by the version control system!
 - How?
 - In case of release, we create a branch from the current trunk
 - each release will be a named branch
 - E.g. RELEASE_1, RELEASE_1_1

Trunk-based development

- ⦿ Why is a separate branch good for a release?
 - errors discovered in it can also be corrected
 - since the trunk may already contain other functions, so it cannot be used for this
- ⦿ An error is always fixed in the branch:
 - a) Switch to the current release branch
 - b) Make bugfix
 - c) Commit the fix into the branch
 - d) possibly make a new release
 - If the version in the bug trunk is also affected, it needs to be fixed there as well
 - or merge the change in the release branch back into the trunk

Trunk-based development

What are the other branches for?

② 2. New, big changes:

- Some new developments require a separate branch
- Why?
 - Don't disturb the development of the trunk because it's a big change
 - most parts of the software will not work
 - inhibits the activities of other developers
 - Often just experimental development
 - Possibly testing new APIs
 - Replacing certain parts, etc.
- After successful development, the changes are merged back to the trunk

Feature-based development

What is a feature branch?

- ◎ A feature branch is a copy of the main codebase where an individual or team of software developers can work on a new feature until it is complete
- ◎ Important to have a strategy for how individuals work together:
 - To avoid overriding each other's changes,
 - engineers create their own copy of the codebase, called **branches**
 - **They do not merge their branch until a feature is complete,**
 - sometimes working for weeks or months at a time on a separate copy
 - When the feature is ready, the code will be merged into the main branch

Feature-based development

- ◎ Before that merge is made
 - a number of verifications is first performed;
 - the full suite of automated tests is run
 - a code review is performed by peers

Disadvantage:

- ◎ The long working time can make the process of merging difficult
- ◎ because the trunk or master has likely changed due to other engineers merging their branches
- ◎ Merging can be problematic
 - there can be a lot of merge conflict

The seven rules of a great (Git) commit message

1. Separate subject from body with a blank line
2. Limit the subject line to 50 characters
3. Capitalize the subject line
4. Do not end the subject line with a period
5. Use the imperative mood in the subject line
6. Wrap the body at 72 characters
7. Use the body to explain what and why vs. how

The seven rules of a great Git commit message

1. Separate subject from body with a blank line
not every commit requires both a subject and a body.
 - ⦿ Sometimes a single line is fine, especially when the change is so simple

E.g.

Sample subject text

Commit body. The explanation of the implemented feature or task.

The separation of subject from body pays off when browsing the log

The seven rules of a great Git commit message

4. Do not end the subject line with a period
 - ⦿ Trailing punctuation is unnecessary in subject lines.

Example: Open the pod bay doors

Instead of: Open the pod bay doors.

5. Use the imperative mood in the subject line

Imperative mood just means “spoken or written as if giving a command or instruction”. Example:

Commit: Add google login button

A bad repository history

	COMMENT	DATE
○	CREATED MAIN LOOP & TIMING CONTROL	14 HOURS AGO
○	ENABLED CONFIG FILE PARSING	9 HOURS AGO
○	MISC BUGFIXES	5 HOURS AGO
○	CODE ADDITIONS/EDITS	4 HOURS AGO
○	MORE CODE	4 HOURS AGO
○	HERE HAVE CODE	4 HOURS AGO
○	AAAAAAAAA	3 HOURS AGO
○	ADKFJSLKDFJSDKLFJ	3 HOURS AGO
○	MY HANDS ARE TYPING WORDS	2 HOURS AGO
○	HAAAAAAAAAANDS	2 HOURS AGO

AS A PROJECT DRAGS ON, MY GIT COMMIT MESSAGES GET LESS AND LESS INFORMATIVE.

Software version numbering...

Version numbering

- ⦿ The software have many changes during its lifecycle
 - several versions and releases
 - these should be managed
- ⦿ Proper version numbering and interpretation is important!
 - We need because of the development history
 - To be able to go back to a given version
 - To have an exact state
- ⦿ Primitive versioning and release:
 - the software release is made from the head of the trunk
 - numbering is incremental but there is no deep logic in it

Version numbering

- ⦿ There are several versioning schemes
 - There is no “best”,
 - Any of them can be customized to meet the additional needs
- ⦿ We need to decide the scheme at the beginning of the software development
 - makes development and release logical
 - it does not confuse users either

Semantic versioning

<http://semver.org/>

- ◎ A widely accepted set of rules
 - Defines the logic of the software versioning
 - detailed, precise
 - Especially for systems:
 - where there are many iterations,
 - releases are frequent,
 - a lot of dependency
 - Typical examples are individual libraries
 - e.g. LibreOffice_5.2.0_Linux_x86-64_rpm.tar.gz

Semantic versioning

- ◎ Why we need?
 - To handle package dependency easier
 - To avoid “dependency hell”
- ◎ What is dependency?
 - It is a third-party bit of software
 - was probably written by someone else and ideally solves a single problem for us
- ◎ Dependencies are handled usually by a **package manager**
 - based on semantic versioning
- ◎ A software may have several dependency
- ◎ **Dependency hell**: several packages have dependencies on the same shared packages or libraries, but they depend on different and incompatible versions of the shared packages

Semantic versioning

- ◎ A version of a software:

Major.minor.patch

M.m.p

Major: Indicates a version change, an API change, that is incompatible with each other

- ◎ So, a new code cannot replace the existing without any modification
- ◎ E.g. SDL_1.2 < - > SDL_2.0

Minor: means there are new features in API that are backward compatible

- ◎ E.g. SDL_1.1 és SDL_1.2

Patch: Patch versions are used for bugfixes. There are no functionality changes. Backward compatible.

- ◎ E.g. Facebook Android API: 4.14.0, 4.14.1

Semantic versioning

- ⦿ Version numbers are always increased:
 - if M is increased, then m.p will be 0.0 ,
 - if m is increased, then p will be 0, M stays as it is

- ⦿ The order of the versions is from left to right
 - Examples:

1.2.3 is earlier than 2.1.1, which is also earlier than 2.2.0,
which is older than 2.1.6789

Semantic versioning

- ◎ The amount of increment is usually 1
 - If a release goes wrong somehow, we can increase the version number more than 1
 - E.g. release 1.5.3 is built and ready
 - it is broken or have problems
 - A new release can be built, which will be the 1.5.4
 - It should be documented that 1.5.4 will come after 1.5.2

Semantic versioning

- ◎ Semantic versioning also allows for unique names:
 - For example, after the “-” sign, enter pre-release version markings such as alpha1, alpha2, beta9
 - There may be dots in the section after “-”
 - In terms of order, the comparison is still made from left to right in ASCII order
 - So 1.1.0-1 is earlier, than 1.1.0-alpha
 - We can also add build information after the “+” at the end of the version number,
 - but the two versions must not differ only in this

Mercurial in short...

Mercurial (HG) usage

- ◎ Create a mercurial repository:

- 1) mkdir project
- 2) cd project
- 3) **hg init**

- ◎ Add files to repository:

- 1) create hello.txt
- 2) **hg add hello.txt**

- ◎ Commit:

hg commit -m "Add initial version of hello.txt"

- ◎ Send changes to the server

hg push

Mercurial (HG) usage

- ◎ Clone an existing repository

`hg clone http://example.com/repo/hello my-hello`

- ◎ Get the changes from the repo

`hg pull`

- ◎ Apply the changes on the local repository:

`hg update`

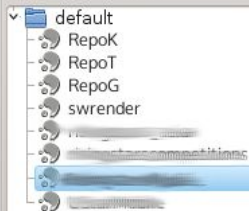
- ◎ Merge:

`hg merge`

- ◎ Repo status information:

`hg summary`

`hg log`



Graph	Rev	Branch	Description	Author	Age	Tags	Phase
	1387+	default	★ Working Directory ★	voxel	now		
	1387	default	default tip Recorder A...	pmileff	4 months	tip	public
	1386	default	Youtube player class - n...	pmileff	5 months		public
	1385	default	Login implemented at M...	pmileff	8 months		public
	1384	default	Fix left panel icons	pmileff	8 months		public
	1383	default	Opening Player from My...	pmileff	8 months		public
	1382	default	MyProfile update	pmileff	8 months		public
	1381	default	API 470 - MyProfile 0.1	pmileff	8 months		public
	1380	release_1000460	release_1000460 Vers...	pmileff	8 months		public
	1379	release_WW_1000440	release_WW_1000440	pmileff	8 months		public
	1378	release_WW_1000440	Fix facebook login uploa...	pmileff	8 months		public
	1377	release_1000460	Change to live mode	pmileff	8 months		public
	1376	release_1000460	Starting 'release_10004...	pmileff	8 months		public
	1375	default	revert side menu change...	pmileff	8 months		public
	1374	default	Profile fragment update	pmileff	8 months		public
	1373	default	MyProfile 0.1	pmileff	8 months		public
	1372	release_WW_1000440	Version update	pmileff	8 months		public

filter text

RRecorder/AndroidManifest.xml

Változás: 1379 (cc14bace0bc3) Version change
 Ág: release_WW_1000440
 Felhasználó: pmileff
 Dátum: 2016-01-05 15:32:16 +0100 (8 months)
 Szülő: 1378 (300b87565a50) Fix facebook login upload issue

Version change

RRecorder/AndroidManifest.xml

```

@@ -1,8 +1,8 @@
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/and
package="com.example.myapplication"
-   android:versionCode="1000450"
-   android:versionName="450" >
+   android:versionCode="1000460"
+   android:versionName="460" >

<uses-sdk
    android:minSdkVersion="14"

```

GAME OVER