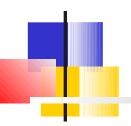
### <u>Information Systems Concepts</u>



### **Version Control**

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# Version Control

- A Version Control System (VCS) lets you track your files over time
- Also known as
  - Revision Control
  - Source Control
  - (Source) Code Management

# Why do you care?

- Have you ever saved a file, and then wanted to revert the changes you made? Have you ever wished you could see what a file looked like some time ago?
- Do you work in a team? Has it ever happened that you were working on a file, and someone else was working on the same file at the same time? Did you lose your changes to that file because of that?
- Have you ever found a bug in your project and wanted to know when (and how) that bug got into your files?



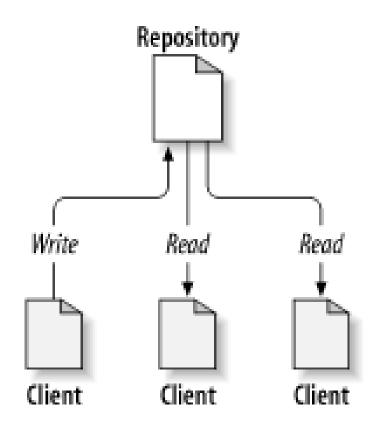
- A Poor Man's VCS
  - Make a single backup copy (Document.bak).
  - If we're clever, we add a version number or date: Document\_V1.txt, DocumentMarch2007.txt
  - We may even use a **shared folder** so other people can see and edit files without sending them over email. Hopefully they re-label the file after they save it.
- Does this work for a large-scale development project?

# Version Control

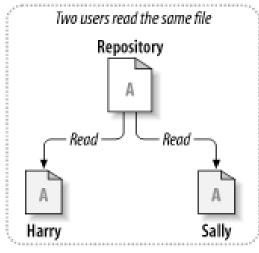
- Central (Client/Server) Model
  - Concurrent Versions System (CVS)
  - Apache Subversion (SVN)
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- Distributed Model
  - Mercurial
  - Git
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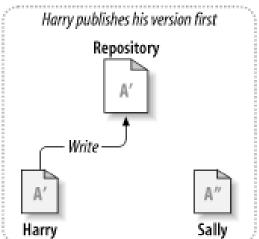


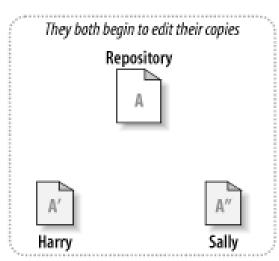
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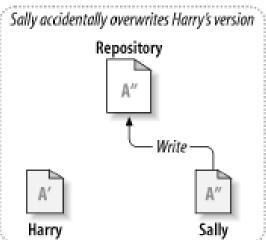


### VCS: The Problem to Avoid

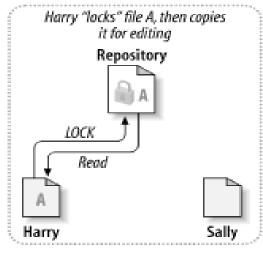


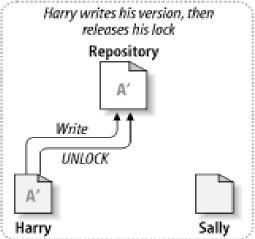


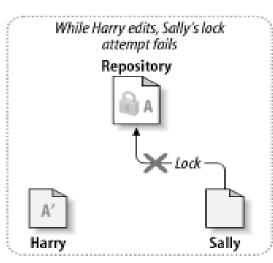


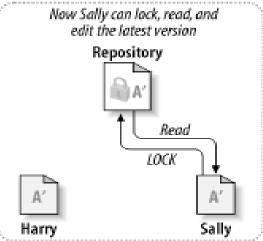


# VCS: Lock-Modify-Unlock Solution



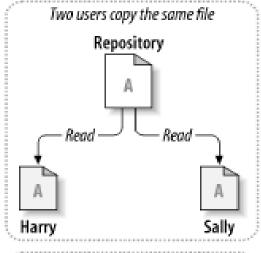


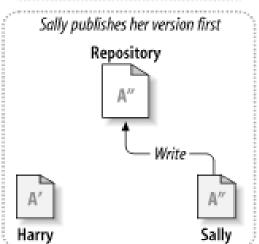


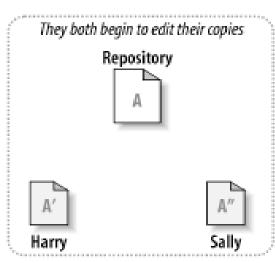


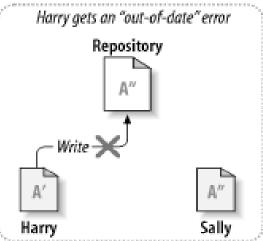


# VCS: Copy-Modify-Merge Solution (1)

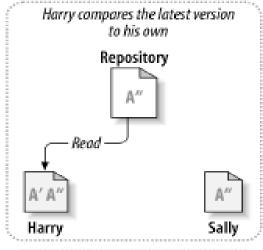


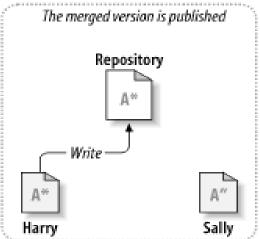


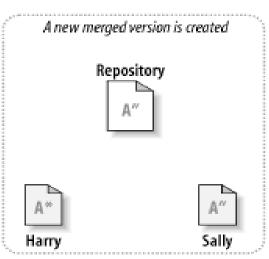


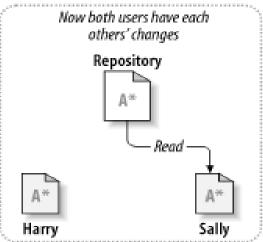


# VCS: Copy-Modify-Merge Solution (2)

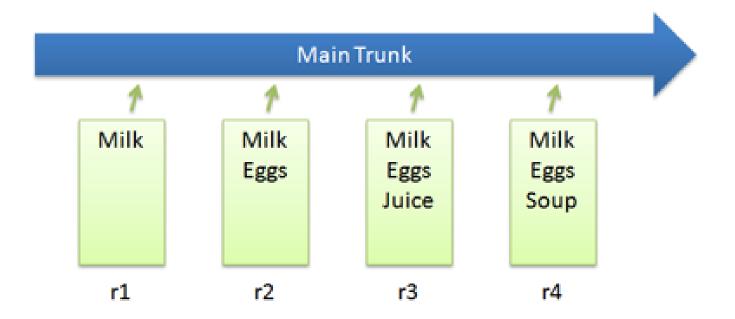




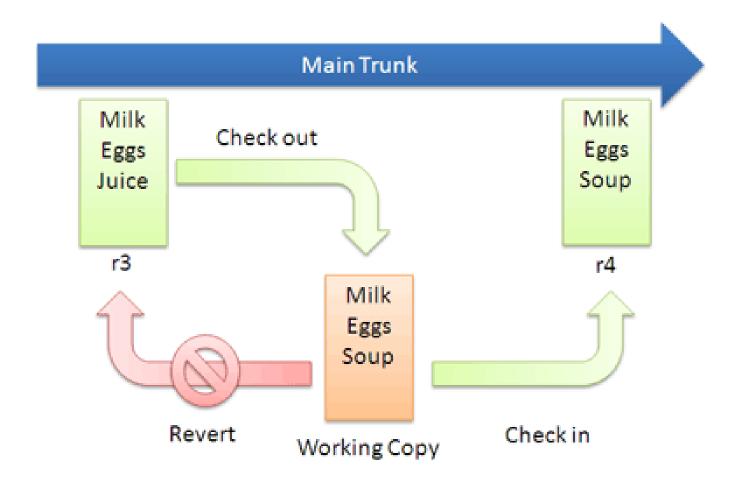




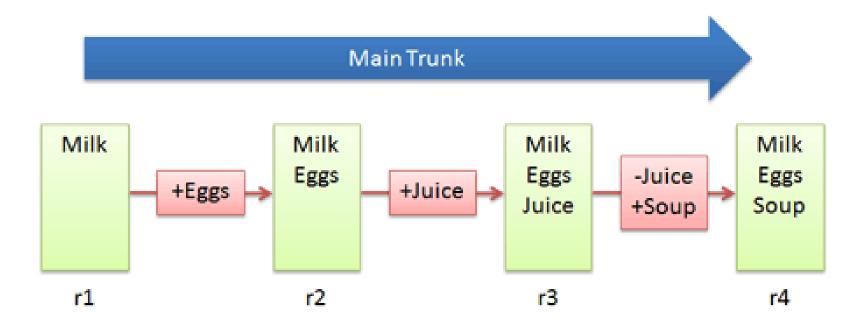
## **Basic Checkins**



### Checkout and Edit



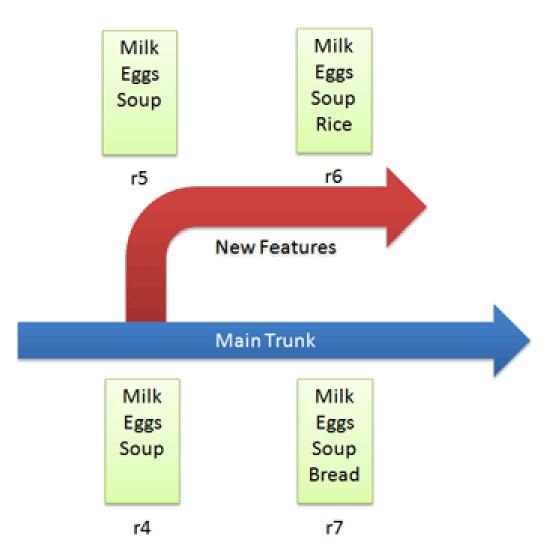
## **Basic Diffs**



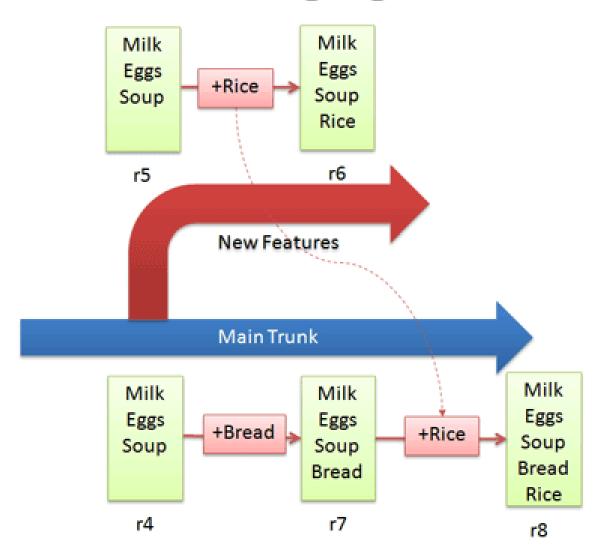
Most VCS store diffs rather than full copies of the file.

What's the diff from r1 to r4?

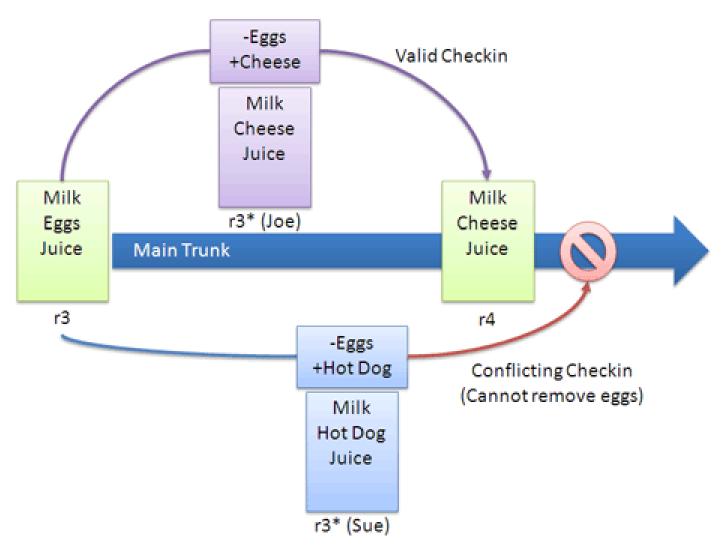
## Branching

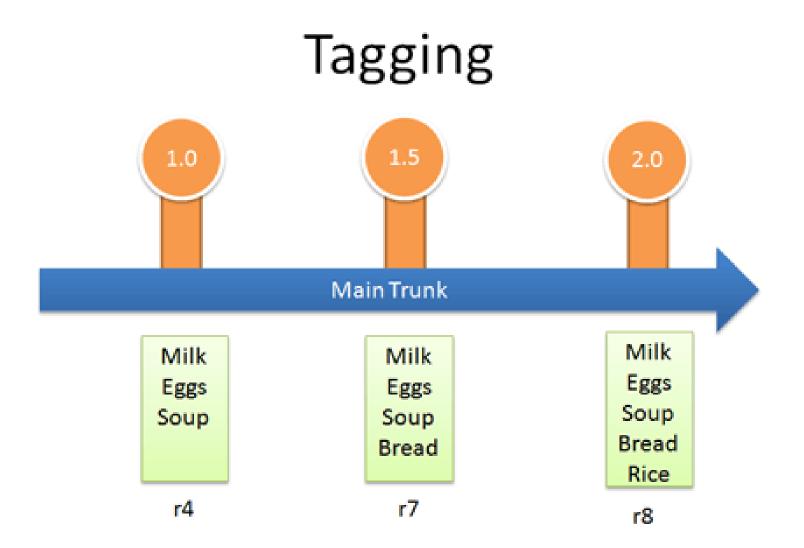


## Merging

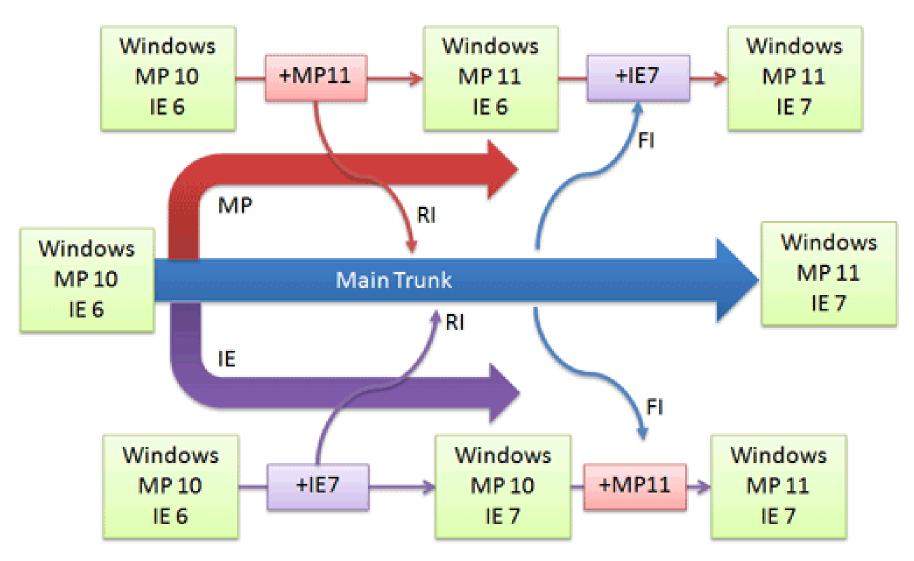


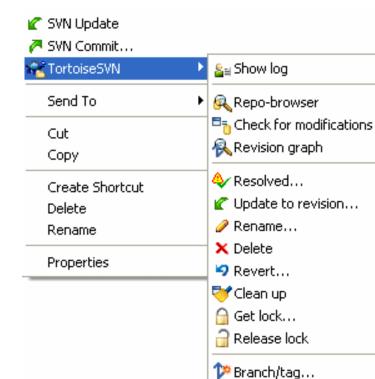
### Conflicts





# Managing Windows





Switch...

Merge...

➡ Export... ➡ Relocate...

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Create patch...
Apply patch...
Properties



# TortoiseSVN



### Tortoise Merge

