# **RCS**

#### C.L.U.E PRESENTATION

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# REVISION CONTROL

- Track changes
- Restore prior versions
- Merge changes
- Maintain branches
- Keep logs

# **STRUCTURE**

#### **WORKING DIRECTORY**

|       | RCS<br>archive/reposi |
|-------|-----------------------|
| file1 | file1,v               |
| file2 | file2,v               |

**WORK FILES** 

### CONCEPTS

- Working directory holds program(s) being edited
- Repository holds 'official' copies, changes, logs, etc. In libraries
- Check in puts program into library in repository
- Check out puts program into working directory from repository

### CONCEPTS

- Log description of changes
- Version combination of release and revision number (and branch and revision numbers if any)
  - release.revision 1.1
  - release.revision.branch.revision 1.2.1.4
- Branch version that is an off shoot from main line

## CONCEPTS

• lock – only one person can edit [unlocked - can not be edited]

### **COMMANDS**

- rcs administration commands
  - -i initialize library
  - kb set up for binary files
  - -b sets default branch
  - -l lock or -u unlock
  - -on.n delete revision
- ci check in
  - -rn.n specify revsion
  - -rn.n.n.n specify branch

## **COMMANDS**

- -l leaves an editable copy in working directory
- u leaves an uneditable copy in working directory

#### **COMMANDS**

- co check out
  - -rn.n specify revision
  - -l with lock
  - -jn.n:n.n join (i.e. merge changes)
  - -p print to screen
- rlog lists log
- rcsdiff lists differences
- rcsmerge combins changes

# COMMANDS - MISC.

- ci -sstring set status
- ci -nstring set release.version name
- co -sstring retrieve by status
- co -rstring retreive by name

## **CREATE**

- \$ rcs -i hw.pl OR
- hw.pl
- print "hello world \n";
- \$ ci hw.pl

- create library file RCS/hw.pl,y
- perl program
- program code
- create &/or update library file
- version 1.1

# Created file and archive

```
Session Edit View Bookmarks Settings Help
[kad@kosta helloworld]$ echo 'print "hello world \n":' >hw.pl
[kad@kosta helloworld]$ ci hw.pl
RCS/hw.pl,v <-- hw.pl
enter description, terminated with single '.' or end of file:
NOTE: This is NOT the log message!
>> start of hello world project
initial revision: 1.1
done
[kad@kosta helloworld]$ 1s RCS
hw.pl,v
[kad@kosta helloworld]$ ls
RCS
[kad@kosta helloworld]$
```

#### FIRST REVISION

- \$ co -l hw.pl
- #!/usr/bin/perl
- print "hello ...
- \$ ci -l hw.pl

- check out hw.pl
   with lock
- new code
- code
- check in hw.pl;
   update library file
   RCS/hw.pl,y
- version 1.2

# log

```
RCS file: RCS/hw.pl.v
Working file: hw.pl
head: 1.2
branch:
locks: strict
       kad: 1.2
access list:
symbolic names:
keyword substitution: kv
                    selected revisions: 2
total revisions: 2;
description:
start of hello world project
revision 1.2 locked by: kad;
date: 2005/09/14 18:14:06; author: kad; state: Exp; lines: (1 0
added shebang
revision 1.1
date: 2005/09/14 18:08:41; author: kad; state: Exp;
Initial revision
```

### CREATE BRANCH

- #! /usr/bin/perl
   print "hello
   print "who are ...
   \$name = <>;
   print "hi \$name
- updated code

• \$ ci -r1.2.1.1

- create branch & update library file
- version 1.2.1.1
- remove lock

# Revise Main program

- \$ co -l hw.pl
- #!/usr/bin/perl
   print "hello ...
   print " I am bob
- \$ ci -l hw.pl

- check out rev 1.2
- revised main program
- update library file (check in)
- keep lock &hw.pl
- Version 1.3

## show differences

```
$ rcsdiff -r1.3 -r1.2.1.1 hw.pl
2,3c2,5
< print "hello world \n";
< print "I am bob \n";
---
> print "Who are you? \n";
> $name=<>;
> print "hello $name \n";
```

# Merge Differences

```
$ co -l -r1.3 hw.pl

$ rcsmerge -r1.2 -r1.2.1.1 hw.pl

OR

$ co -l -r1.3 -j1.2:1.2.1.1 hw.pl

OR

$ co -l -j1.2:1.2.1.1 hw.pl
```

# Merged File

# After Merge

- edit out conflicts
- \$ ci -r2.1 hw.pl

- remove conflicts
- check in revised program as version 2.1

# log

```
RCS file: RCS/hw.pl,v
Working file: hw.pl
head: 2.1
branch:
locks: strict
... deleted text ...
total revisions: 5; selected revisions: 5
description:
start of hello world project
revision 2.1
date: 2005/09/15 22:07:36; author: kad; state: Exp; lines:
+4 - 0
production version
```

```
revision 1.3
date: 2005/09/14 19:02:49; author: kad; state: Exp;
lines: +1-0
added my name
revision 1.2
date: 2005/09/14 18:14:06; author: kad; state: Exp;
lines: +1-0
branches: 1.2.1;
added shebang
revision 1.1
date: 2005/09/14 18:08:41; author: kad; state: Exp;
Initial revision
revision 1.2.1.1
date: 2005/09/14 18:53:49; author: kad; state: Exp;
lines: +3-0
started branch to get user input
```

### RESOURCES

- www.gnu.org/software/rcs/rcs.html
- www.cs.purdue.edu/homes/trinkle/RCS
- www.uvm.edu/~ashawley/rcs/rcs\_hand book.html
- http://freshmeat.net/projects/rcs/

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