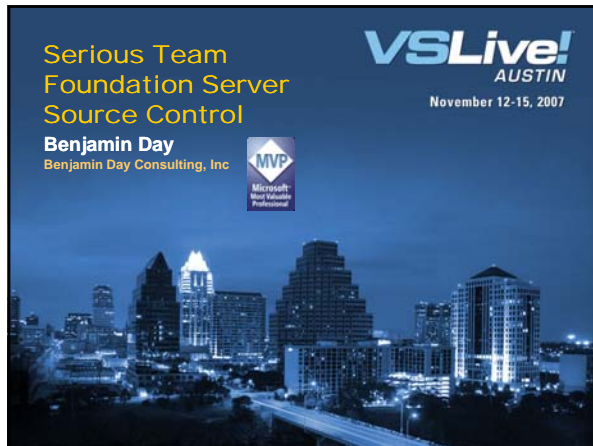


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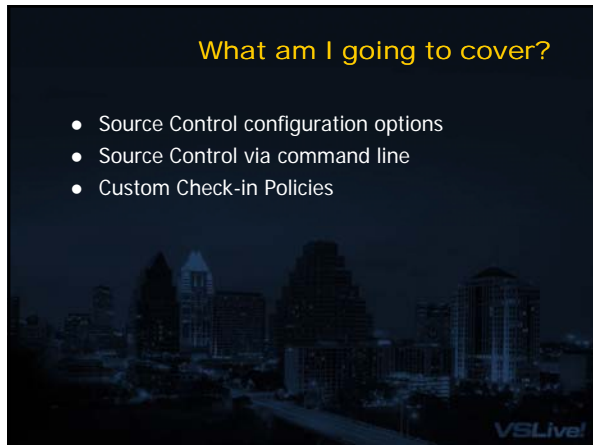
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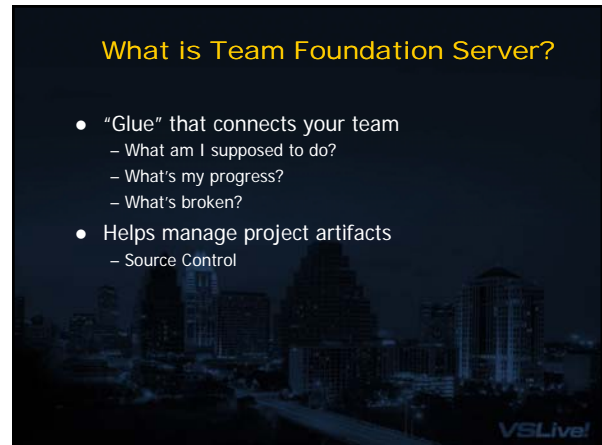
What am I going to cover?

- Source Control configuration options
- Source Control via command line
- Custom Check-in Policies



What is Team Foundation Server?

- “Glue” that connects your team
 - What am I supposed to do?
 - What’s my progress?
 - What’s broken?
- Helps manage project artifacts
 - Source Control



Why is it good?

- Helps your team communicate
- Centralized place to manage your project
- Data is captured automatically
- Everyone looks at the same data
- Customizable
- Real version/source control



TFS Source Control

- Real, enterprise-quality source control
- Uses SQL Server 2005 as the repository
- Transactional, atomic



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Why use source control?

- Minimize / eliminate lost work
- Reproducible builds & product state

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TFS Source Control: Features

- Workspaces
 - Area on local disk where you edit files
- Check in / check out
 - Check out marks the beginning of your edits
 - Check in commits your changes to the repository
 - TFS allows shared check out
- Changesets
 - Group of changes that happen when you check in
- Shelving
 - Similar to check in
 - Changes get stored on the server
 - Not visible as part of the main project source tree
- Branching
 - Used to manage multiple versions of a product

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Modifications & Check in's

- All these operations are batched
 - Add, Delete
 - Moves, Renames
 - Modifications
 - Branches / Merges
- Batch is "sent" at check in
- Check in is atomic → Changeset

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TFS Source Control: Support beyond VS2005

- Team Foundation Server MSSCCI Provider
 - Available for download from microsoft.com
- Source control only
- Supports:
 - Visual Studio .NET 2003
 - Visual C++ 6 SP6
 - Visual Visual Basic 6 SP6
 - Visual FoxPro 9 SP1
 - Microsoft Access 2003 SP2
 - SQL Server Management Studio
 - Sparx Systems Enterprise Architect 6.0
 - Sybase PowerBuilder 10.5

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Overview of Source Control Settings

- Demo
- Check out settings
- Check in policy settings
- Check in note settings

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What should go into source control?

- Solution files -- *.sln
- Project files -- *.csproj, *.vbproj
- Source Control Project Metadata (*.vpscc)
 - Project bindings
 - Source control configuration
- Application config files (*.config)
- Source files
- Binary dependency references

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What should not go in source control?

- Solution user option files (*.suo)
 - Local user customizations
- Project user option files (*.user)
 - Local user customizations
- WebInfo files (*.webinfo)
- Build outputs
 - /bin/debug
 - /bin/release
 - /obj

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Best Practices

- <http://www.codeplex.com/TFSGuide>
- Lots of great info
- Beta 1



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Best Practice: Client-side vs Server-side Structure, Part 1

- Directory structure should be the same
 - Client-side structure should match server
- Simplifies “Get Latest”
- Everyone has the same directory layout
- This doesn't mean that everyone has to have their source in the same place on disk
 - The relative paths should match
 - Root path of source tree can be different

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Best Practice: Client-side vs Server-side Structure, Part 2

C:\Dev\Projects	→ Root container folder for all team projects
\MyTeamProject1	→ Container folder for TeamProject1
\MyTeamProject2	→ Container folder for TeamProject2

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TFS does more than just check-in and check-out

- Branching and merging
 - Facilitates simultaneous development of multiple versions of an app

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Best Practice: Repository Setup For Branching & Merging

- Do not add sources directly to the root of your Team Project source control tree
 - \$/My Team Project/Main
 - \$/My Team Project/Branch
 - \$/My Team Project/MyApp1/Main
 - \$/My Team Project/MyApp1/Branch
- Branch cannot be located under the branch origin
 - Error
 - Recursive
- Do this even if you don't currently need branching!

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Best Practice: Don't Branch

- Don't branch without a good reason
- Life only gets more complex with branching
- Favor Labels over Branches
- You can always branch from a Label later

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Signs you might need to branch

- Regular broken builds
- Features in parallel development that need to edit one another
 - Branch so that each feature can develop in isolation
 - Merge changes later
- Ask yourself if the productivity gained by the branch is balanced against the pain (anti-productivity) of merging changes back

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Branching Scenarios

- No Branching
 - Everyone works from the same code
- Branch for Release
 - Stabilization in order to prepare for a release
- Branch for Maintenance
 - Maintenance of a previous build/release
 - Service pack development
- Branch for Feature
 - Branch from the Trunk to develop a new feature
 - Merge back into the Trunk when feature is done
- Branch for Team
 - Branches for a team working on a set of features

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Branching For Isolation: The Process

Figure 5.3 shows a typical timeline when branching for development isolation.

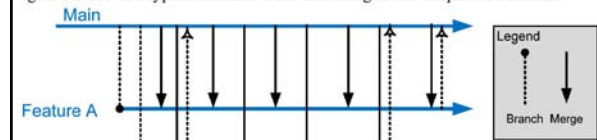


Figure 5.3 Branching for Development Isolation TimeLine

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Branching & Merging

- You can specify 3rd-party merge tools
 - Tools → Options → Source Control → Visual Studio Team Foundation → File Extensions... → Add... → Configure Tool

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Demo

- Set up the repository
- Add some code
- Create/resolve a check-in conflict
- Create a branch
- Merge changes

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Source Control

- Bad news
 - Some features are command-line only
- Good news
 - There's a lot you can do from the command-line
 - Scriptable

TF.exe

- Command-line interface to TFS source control
- 30+ sub commands
 - Kind of like "net" command in Windows
- Why would you want to use the command line version?
 1. It's cool
 2. Some things aren't available through the UI
 3. Good for automated operations (builds, etc)

The Commands

- Add
- Branch / Branches
- Changeset
- Checkin / Checkout
- Configure
- Delete / Undelete
- Dir
- Get
- History
- Label / Labels / Unlabel
- Lock
- Merge / Merges
- Move
- Permission
- Properties
- Rename
- Resolve
- Shelve / Unshelve
- Status
- Undo
- View
- Workfold
- Workspace / Workspaces

Things you (probably) can't do through the GUI

- Find files in TFS by name/wildcard
 - tf dir
- Get particular version of a file(s) by wildcard
 - tf get
- Find checked out / pending change files
 - tf status
- What will be changed by a "get latest"?
 - tf get /preview
- Baseless merges
 - tf merge /baseless
- Eliminating a changeset from a merge
 - tf merge /discard

tf get

- Gets file(s) from server to workspace
- Args
 - /version
 - /all – forces get all files
 - /overwrite – replace read-only files that aren't checked out
 - /force – equivalent of /all + /overwrite
 - /preview – show what would happen but don't do it
 - /recursive
 - /noprompt – no visual dialog boxes
- **Example:** get everything for this workspace for changeset #29
 - tf get * /all /version:c29 /recursive /force

The /version option

- Date
 - /version:D 10/11/2001
- Changeset #
 - /version:C 1234
- Label
 - /version:L labeltext
- Latest version
 - /version:T
- Workspace Name
 - /version:W workspaceName

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Team Foundation Server Power Tool

- Free download from Microsoft
- tfpt.exe
- Add "C:\Program Files\Microsoft Team Foundation Server Power Tools" to your PATH environment variable

TFPT Commands

- Annotate
- GetCS
- History
- Online
- Query
- Review
- Rollback
- Treeclean
- Treediff
- Unshelve
- UU
- Workitem
- Workspace

Source Control Security

- Team Explorer → Source Control Explorer → Folder → Properties...
- Permissions:
 - Read
 - Check Out
 - Check In
 - Label
 - Lock
 - Revise other users' changes
 - Undo other users' changes
 - Administer labels
 - Manipulate security settings
 - Check in other users' changes

Customizing Version Control

- Create a custom check-in policy
- Extend PolicyBase
 - Microsoft.TeamFoundation.VersionControl.Client.dll
- Mark class as [Serializable]
- PolicyBase.Evaluate() lets you examine
 - What's being checked in
 - Associated work items
 - Check-in comments
 - Other check-in policies

Installing the Check-in Policy

- Compile
- Copy to the server
- Go to HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\VisualStudio\8.0\TeamFoundation\SourceControl\CheckinPolicies
- Add new "string value"
 - Value name must be the same as the DLL name (minus ".dll")
 - Data is the full path to the DLL

Policy Gotcha!

- Policies are evaluated on the client
- Policy DLL must be installed on every developer's computer
- Server-side policy configs are stored using binary serialization
 - Everyone must have the same version of the policy DLL

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Code Demo

Extra Demo: Enforce Coding Standards using Custom SCA Rule

- Create rule
- Register rule by copying it to
C:\Program Files\
Microsoft Visual Studio 8\Team Tools\
Static Analysis Tools\FxCop\Rules

Questions?

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