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Introduction to Open & Reproducible Science (IORDS)

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Virtual machine info

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- *Remote Desktop Connection* on Windows
- *Remote Desktop App* on Mac OS
- *Remmina* on Linux distributions (e.g. Ubuntu)

PLEASE CONNECT TO THE VM

→ Login: brainhacker

→ Password: brainhack!



Connect to Slack and download the exercise slides

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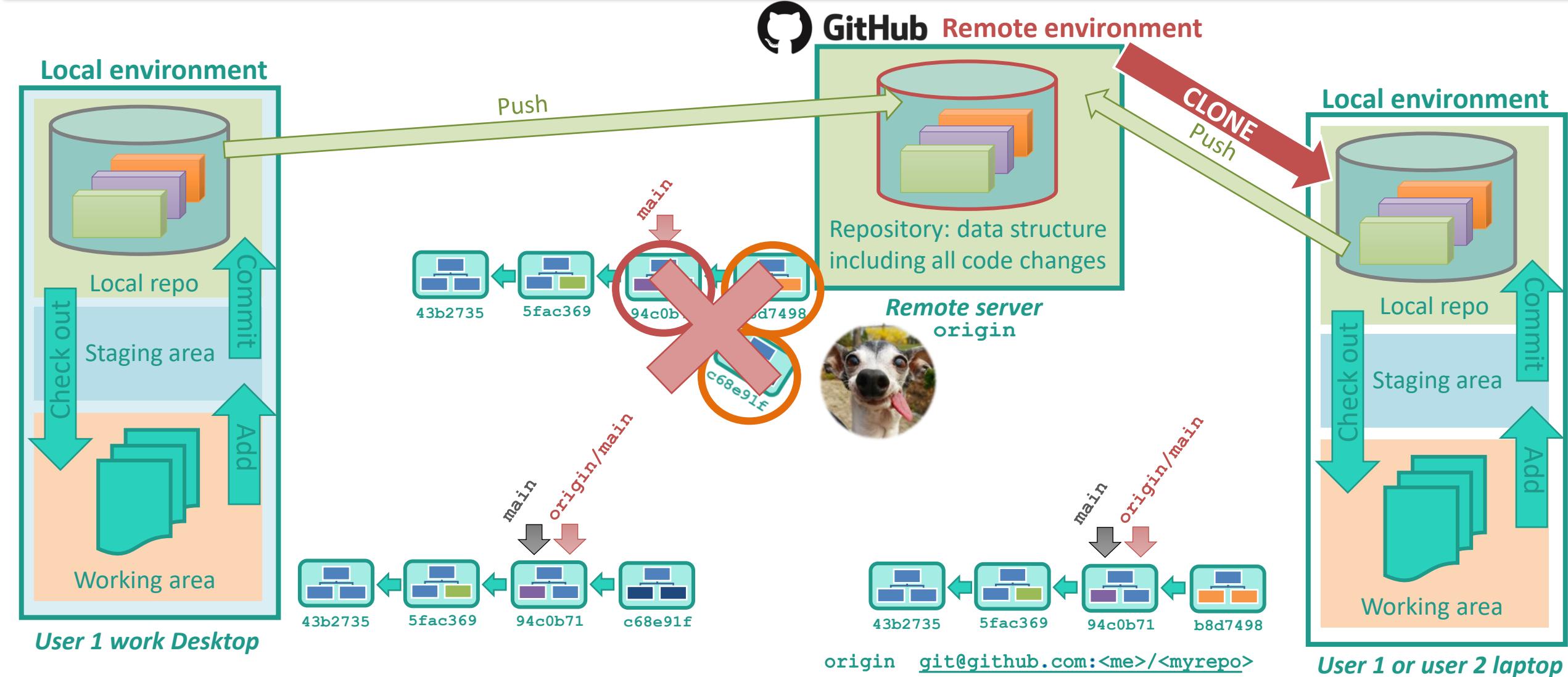
LECTURE OBJECTIVES

GIT lectures objectives (you should be able to...):

- Know what GIT is useful for and identify some famous actors in the Git ecosystem
 - Understand the “promotion model” and “commits” at the heart of GIT
 - Describe the typical workflow to record code changes
 - Examine the code history and compare different code versions
 - Understand the concepts of branches and branch merging
- GIT
Part 1
-
- Know how to collaborate with Git using Github
 - Understand the concepts of remote repository / remote branches
 - Synchronize code changes between local and remote repositories
 - Distinguish between different kinds of merge
- GIT
Part 2
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- Know advanced merging techniques and deal with conflicts
 - Collaborate on public projects with Github
- GIT Part 3

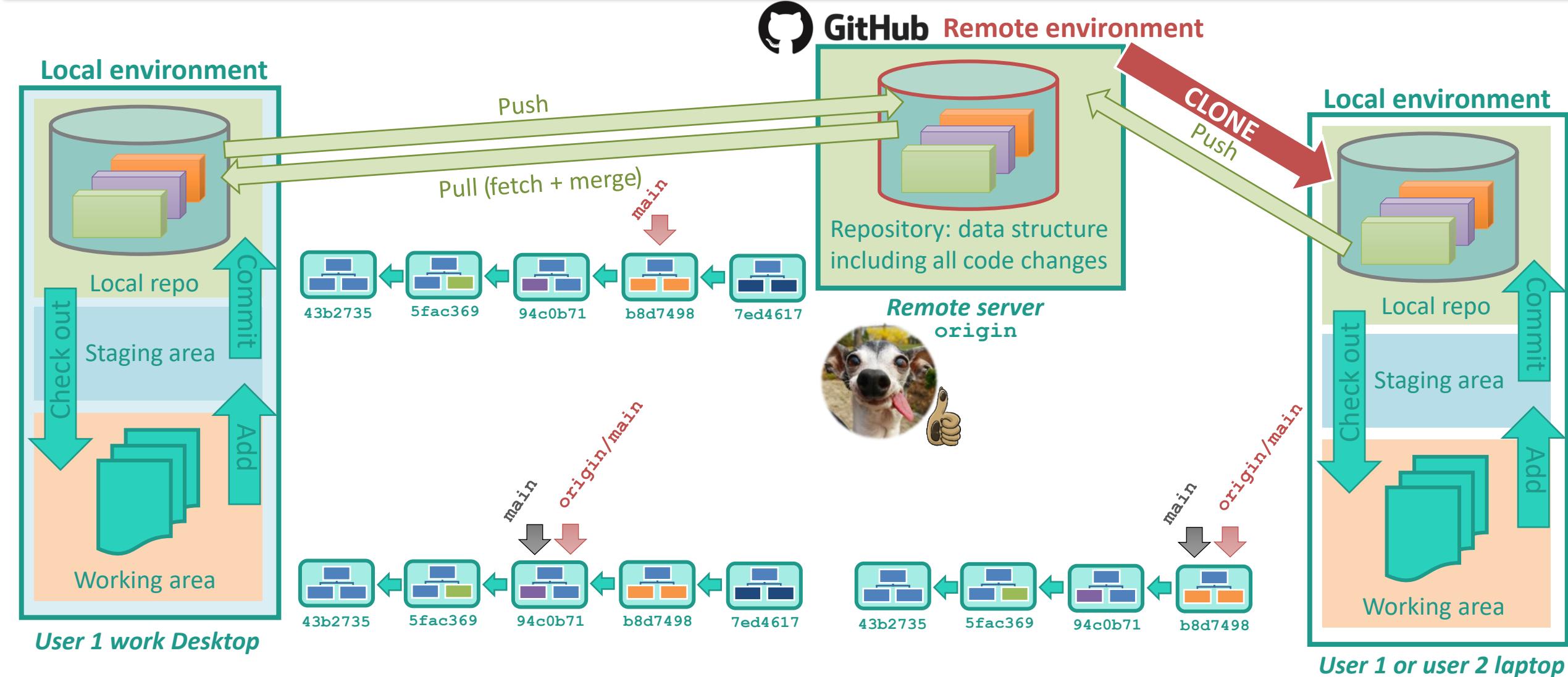
→ Track your code changes with GIT and collaborate on your own or public projects with Github

GIT AND GITHUB RECAP



```
git remote add origin git@github.com:<me>/<myrepo>.git  
git push -u origin main
```

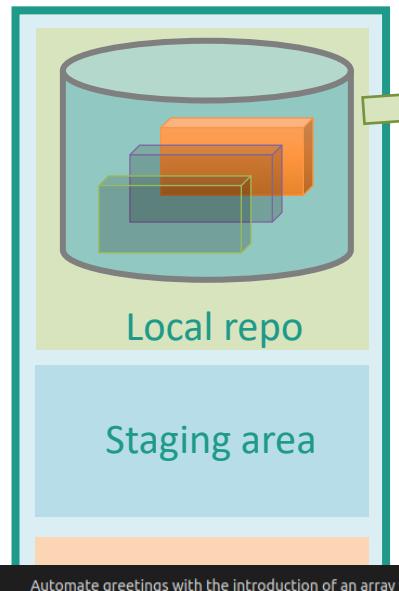
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Before starting lab: local repo (in laptop1) with 3 commits

Local environment



```
Automate greetings with the introduction of an array variable  
origin/main 2061dfe  
Add tree Star Wars crew members to greet  
origin/main b2adb21  
Initialize repository with initial README.md  
origin/main 9ec7902
```

Working area

Laptop 1

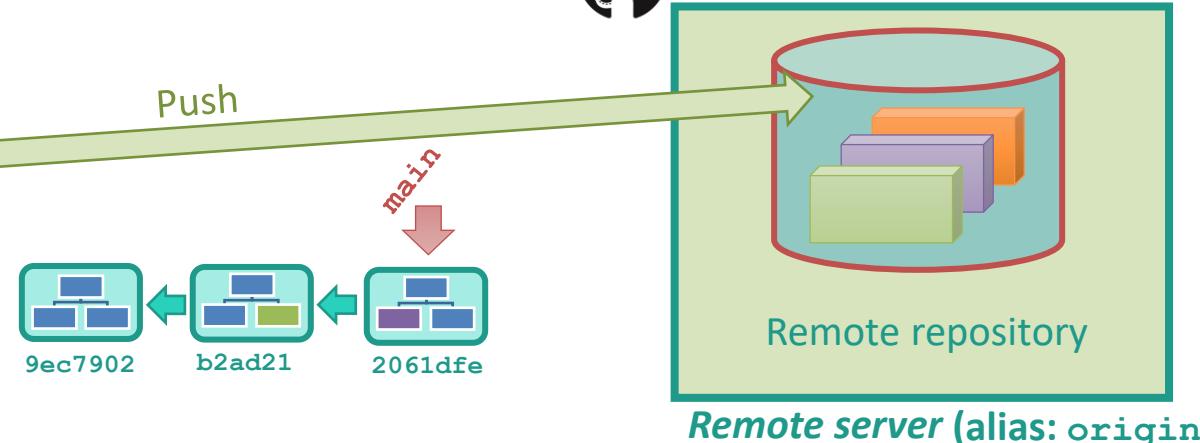


METHODS
& DATA

```
1  #!/bin/bash  
2  #  
3  # Automated greeter for Star Wars crew  
4  
5  SW_CREW=("Leila" "R3D3" "Han Duo")  
6  
7  for crew_member in "${SW_CREW[@]}"; do  
8  | echo "Hi ${crew_member}"  
9  done
```



GitHub Remote environment



main
origin/main

9ec7902 ← b2adb21 ← 2061dfe

After part 1:

- an empty GitHub repo

After part 2:

- a GitHub repo with the latest version on laptop 1
- a local tracker of the remote branch main

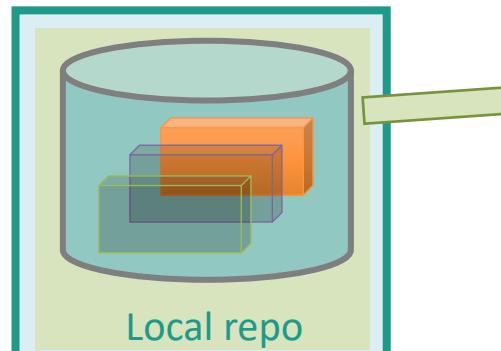


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Before starting lab: local repo (in laptop1) with 3 commits

Local environment



```
bugfix
o Correct Han Solo's name
  o NIDS on 10/18/2020, 8:01:43 PM
  o bugfix [x] c47308b
o Corrected R2D2 name
  o NIDS on 10/18/2020, 8:01:11 PM
  o main [x] 49c6cbe
o Corrected Leia's name
  o NIDS on 10/18/2020, 8:00:44 PM
  o main [x] 5f970d2

main
o Automate greetings with the introduction of an array variable
  o NIDS on 10/18/2020, 7:03:05 PM
  o origin/main [x] main [x] 2061dfe
o Add tree Star Wars crew members to greet
  o NIDS on 10/18/2020, 6:57:54 PM
  o b2adb21 [x]
o Initialize repository with initial README.md
  o NIDS on 10/18/2020, 6:55:42 PM
  o main [x] 9ec7902

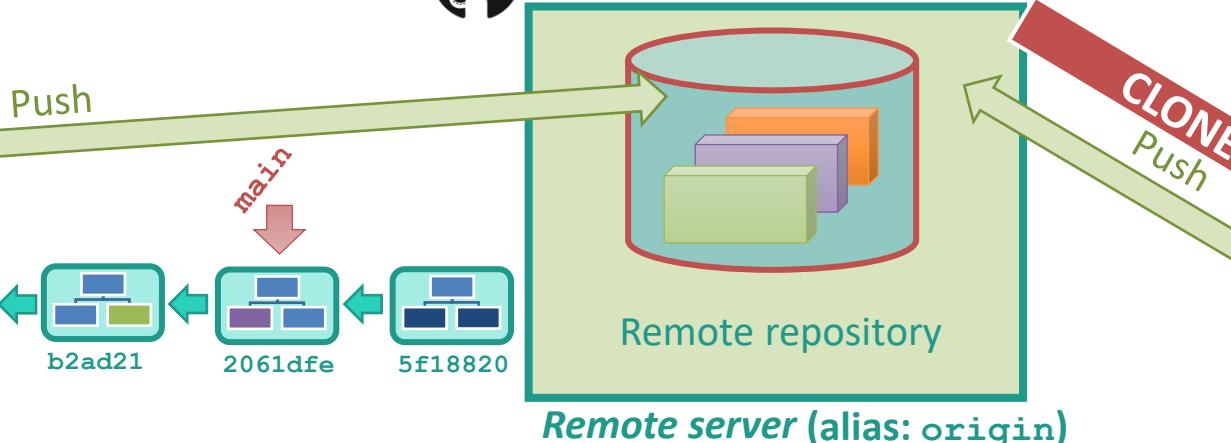
Working area
```

Laptop 1



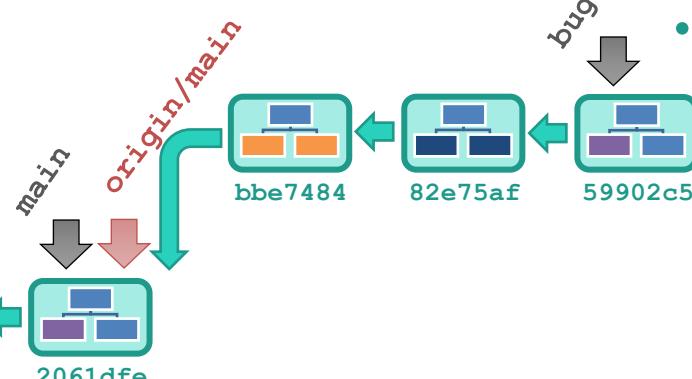
GitHub Remote environment

❖ on GitHub : an update



After part 3:

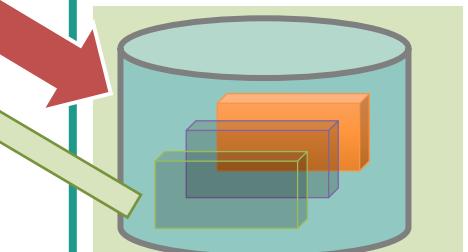
❖ on laptop 1: a new branch bugfix



```
1 #!/bin/bash
2 #
3 # Automated greeter for Star Wars crew
4
5 SW_CREW=("Leia" "R2D2" "Han Solo")
6
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8 | echo "Hi ${crew_member}"
9 done
```

```
1 #!/bin/bash
2 #
3 # Automated greeter for Star Wars crew
4
5 SW_CREW=("Leila" "R3D3" "Han Duo")
6
7 for crew_member in "${SW_CREW[@]}"; do
8 | echo "Hi ${crew_member}"
9 done
10
11 echo "Hi everyone"
```

Local environment



```
Do not forget other people
o NIDS on 10/18/2020, 8:11:12 PM
  o origin/main [x] main [x] 5f18820
```

```
Automate greetings with the introduction of an array ...
o NIDS on 10/18/2020, 5:03:05 PM
o Add tree Star Wars crew members to greet
o NIDS on 10/18/2020, 4:57:54 PM
o Initialize repository with initial README.md
o NIDS on 10/18/2020, 4:55:42 PM
o main [x] 9ec7902
```

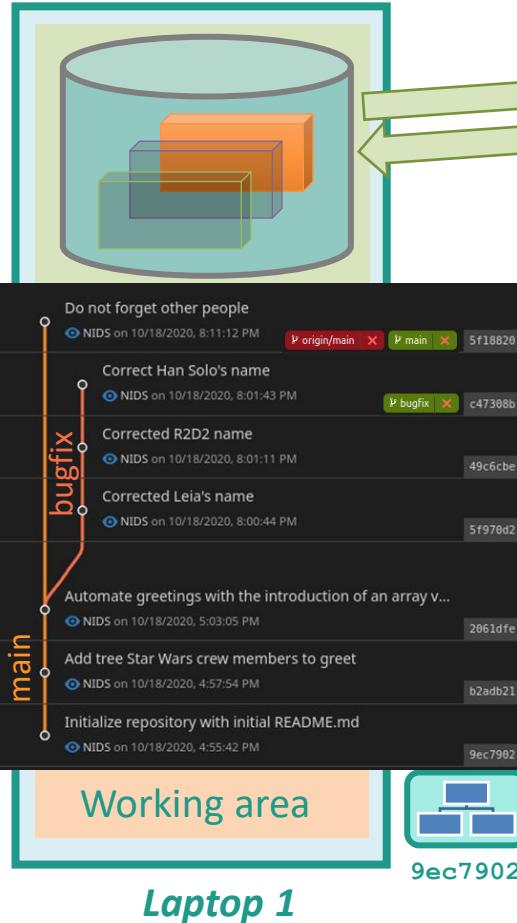
R.md hello
Working area

Laptop 2

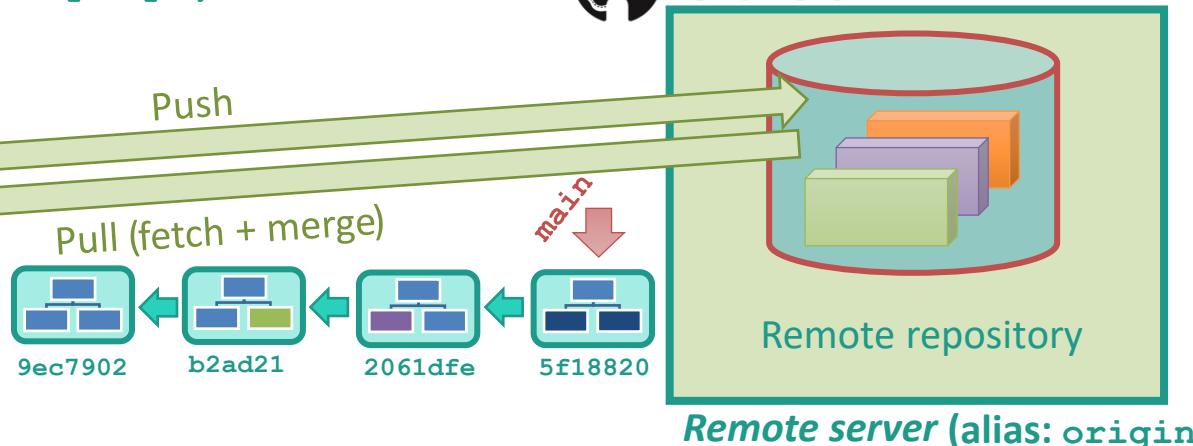
GIT AND GITHUB RECAP

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Local environment



GitHub Remote environment



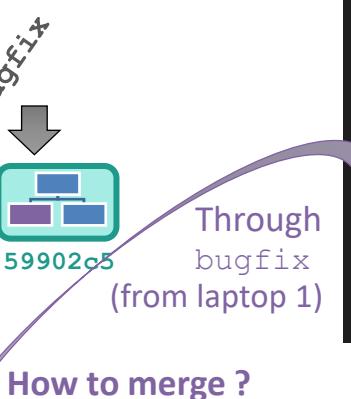
After part 4:

❖ on laptop 1:

- an update of the main remote branch tracker (origin/main)
- a merge of remote main (origin/main) with local main

Note: could have done both simultaneously with pull

```
hello ✘
home > brainhacker > laptop1 > sw_greeter > hello
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9 done
```



```
#!/bin/bash
#
# Automated greeter for Star Wars crew
#
SW_CREW=("Leila" "R3D3" "Han Duo")
for crew_member in "${SW_CREW[@]}"; do
| echo "Hi ${crew_member}"
done
echo "Hi everyone"
```

(GitHub was last updated from laptop 2 which had no idea of bugfix)

How to add your public SSH key to your GitHub account ?

The screenshot shows the GitHub user interface for managing SSH keys. On the left, there's a sidebar with navigation links like Signed in as octocat, Set status, Your profile, Your repositories, Your organizations, Your projects, Your stars, Your gists, Feature preview, Help, Settings (which is selected), and Sign out. Below the sidebar, there are sections for Scheduled reminders and Billing. The main area is titled "SSH keys" and displays a message: "There are no SSH keys with access to your account." It includes a link to a guide on generating SSH keys and troubleshooting common SSH problems. A "New SSH key" button is at the top right. The middle section shows a form for adding a new key. It has fields for "Title" (with a placeholder "My computer") and "Key" (containing the text "Begins with 'ssh-rsa', 'ecdsa-sha2-nistp256', 'ecdsa-sha2-nistp384', 'ecdsa-sha2-nistp521', 'ssh-ed25519', 'sk-ecdsa-sha2-nistp256@openssh.com', or 'sk-ssh-ed25519@openssh.com'"). A green "Add SSH key" button is at the bottom. At the very bottom, there's a "Confirm password to continue" dialog with fields for "Password" and "Confirm password".

Authorizing your computer to access GitHub

This is done by copying your local user public SSH key to the “authorized keys” on GitHub

- On your local computer, display the content of your public key on the terminal and copy it (you may need create a public/private key pair if you don't have one already)
`cat ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub`

To copy it you could select the output with your mouse, right click and select copy (or use the SHIFT + CTRL + C shortcut)

- On GitHub:
 - Click on your profile photo then on Settings
 - Click on “SSH and GPG keys” in the sidebar
 - Click on “New SSH key” or “Add SSH key”, and
 - Add a label for your computer (e.g. “Home Laptop”)
 - Paste the content of your public key in the “Key” field
 - Click on “Add SSH key”
 - Confirm your GitHub password if asked

GIT LAB 1 – setup local laptop 2 repo and GitHub repo

You are using a new VM for this lecture, so you need to:

Indicate to git your name and email (please use email you registered to the course with). Note: this is to be shown in the commit history and to compute the commit identifiers (SHA). It does not have to match anything on GitHub.

Create an SSH key pair

Display the SSH public key (~/.id_rsa.pub) on the terminal

Add this public key to your GitHub account
(cf previous slide for help)

Create a clean GitHub repo on push the content of laptop 2

Create a new repo on GitHub, call it starwars_greeter2, and make sure to note its SSH location

Navigate to the ~/laptop2/starwars_greeter directory

Create the remote (i.e the alias) origin to point to the remote repository location you just noted

Push to the GitHub remote origin the branch main so that to track the remote branch locally (tip: use the -u flag)

```
git config --global user.name NAME # use quotes ("") for NAME
git config --global user.email EMAIL
pwd # print path of current directory
cd DIR # change to directory DIR (i.e. go inside DIR)
      # note: ~ = ${HOME} = /home/brainhacker
ls # list files and directories in current dir
ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096 # create an SSH key pair (keep
                           # pressing the "Enter" key to
                           # select all default options
cat FILE # display the content of the file FILE
```

Note: the git SSH location you need to write down has format git@github.com:<user>/<repo>.git

```
git remote add ALIAS git@github.com:<user>/<repo>.git
# set alias ALIAS to a GitHub remote repository location
git remote -v # list all remotes
git push -u ALIAS BRANCH
# push to remote repo ALIAS the branch BRANCH
# and track the remote BRANCH locally (-u option)
```

Check you can see all the files in your new GitHub repo



GIT LAB 1 – setup local laptop 1 repo

Update the remote server location for laptop 1:

Navigate to the `~/laptop/sw_greeter` directory

Create the remote (i.e the alias) `origin` to point to the same remote repository location you noted previously

Visualize the repo history on laptop 1 local repo

Navigate to the `~/laptop1/sw_greeter` directory

Activate the branch `main`

At the last lecture we pushed `main` to GitHub so the local `main` was tracking the remote `origin/main` branch. Since we created a new GitHub repo we need to restore the tracking. Do this with: `git branch -u origin/main`

Pull the latest changes from the branch `main`

Activate the branch `main` and check the commits history

Open a VS Code tab on your browser and open the folder `~/laptop1/sw_greeter`

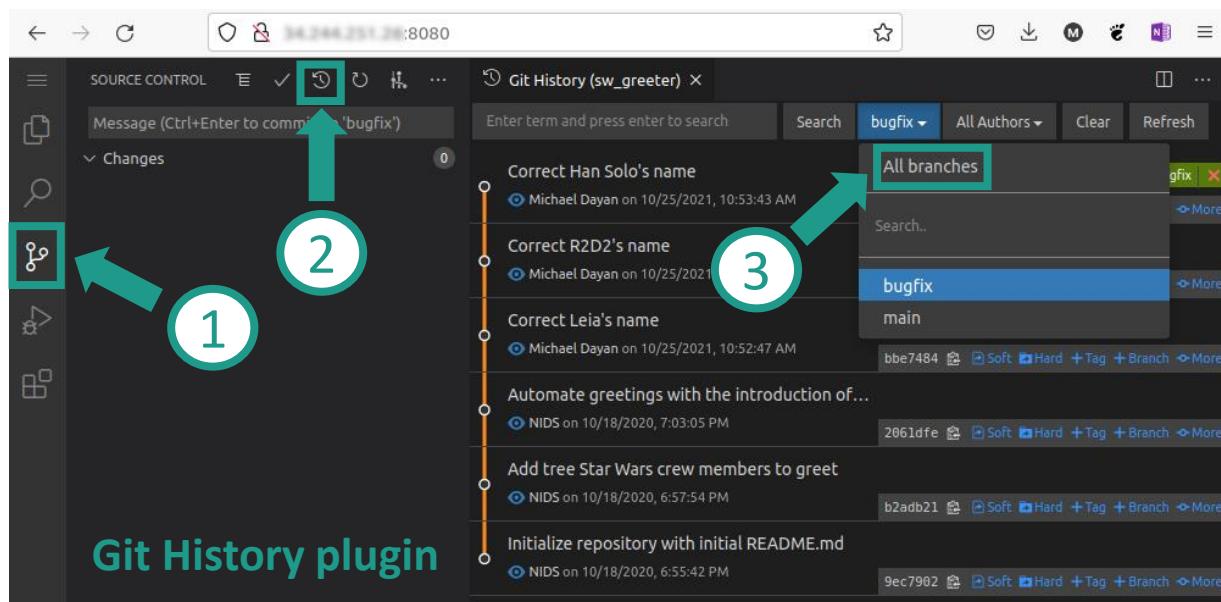
Visualize the commit graph history in VS Code (cf help in next slide)

```
pwd # print path of current directory  
cd DIR # change to directory DIR (i.e. go inside DIR)  
      # note: ~ = ${HOME} = /home/brainhacker  
ls # list files and directories in current dir  
  
git remote add ALIAS git@github.com:<user>/<repo>.git  
# set alias ALIAS to a GitHub remote repository location  
git remote -v # list all remotes  
git checkout BRANCH # activate the branch BRANCH  
git branch -u ALIAS/BRANCH # set the current branch to track  
                           # at ALIAS the remote branch BRANCH  
git pull # pull from the GitHub repo the remote branch  
        # tracked by the current active branch  
git checkout BRANCH # activate the branch BRANCH  
git log --oneline # get concise commit history  
To open VS Code in an internet browser, type <YOUR IP>:8080 in  
the address bar (password: braincode!).  
To open a folder in VS Code: "File" → "Open Folder". Choose  
the right folder, then click "OK".
```



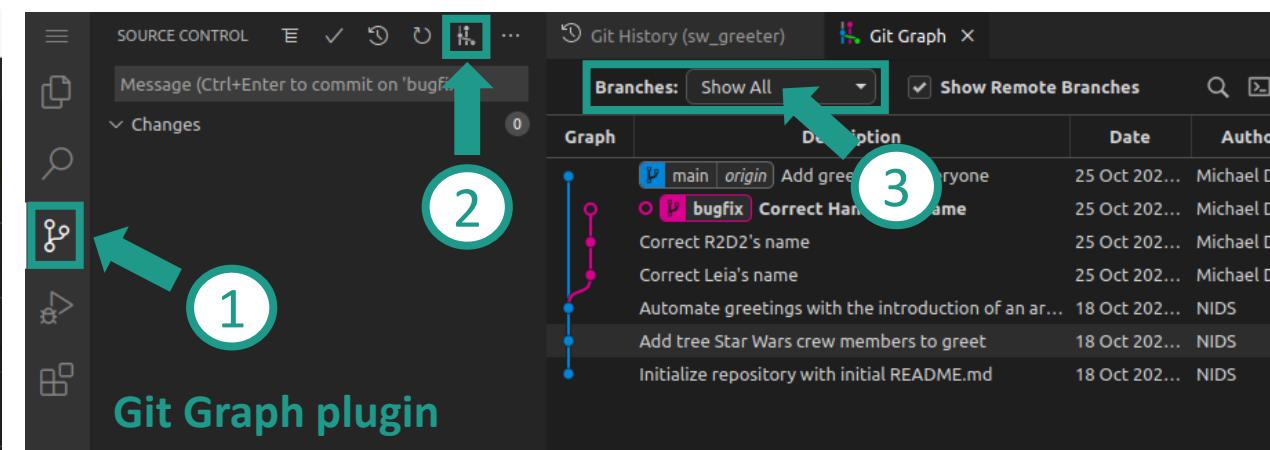
GIT LAB 1 – setup & checking commit history

To visualize the commit history in VS Code, two possible plugins:



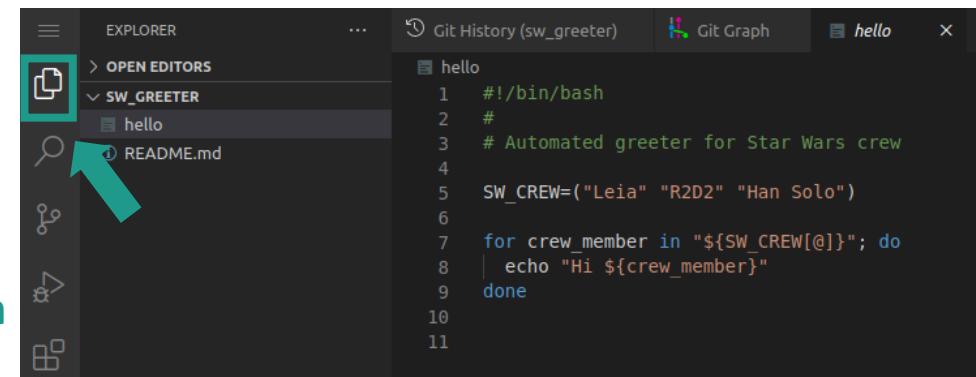
Git History plugin

1. Click on the “source control icon”
2. Click on the Git History plugin
3. (Optional) Select “All branches”



Git Graph plugin

1. Click on the “source control icon”
2. Click on the Git History plugin
3. (Optional) Select “Show All”

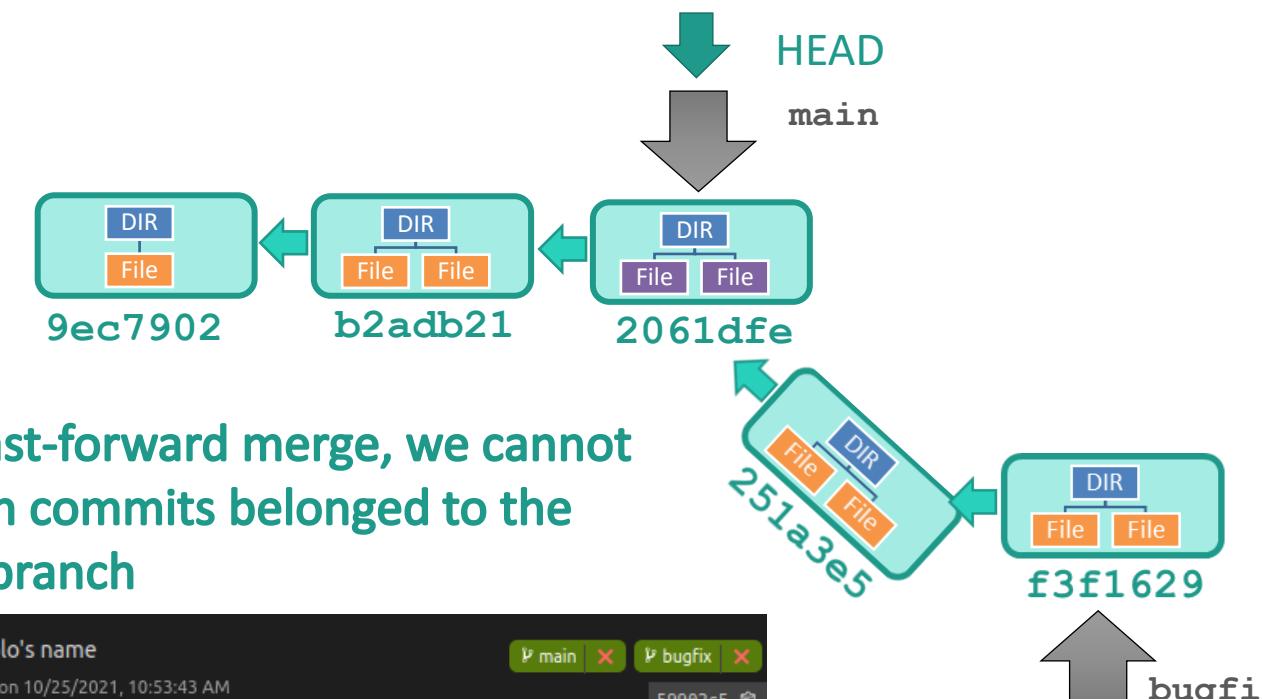
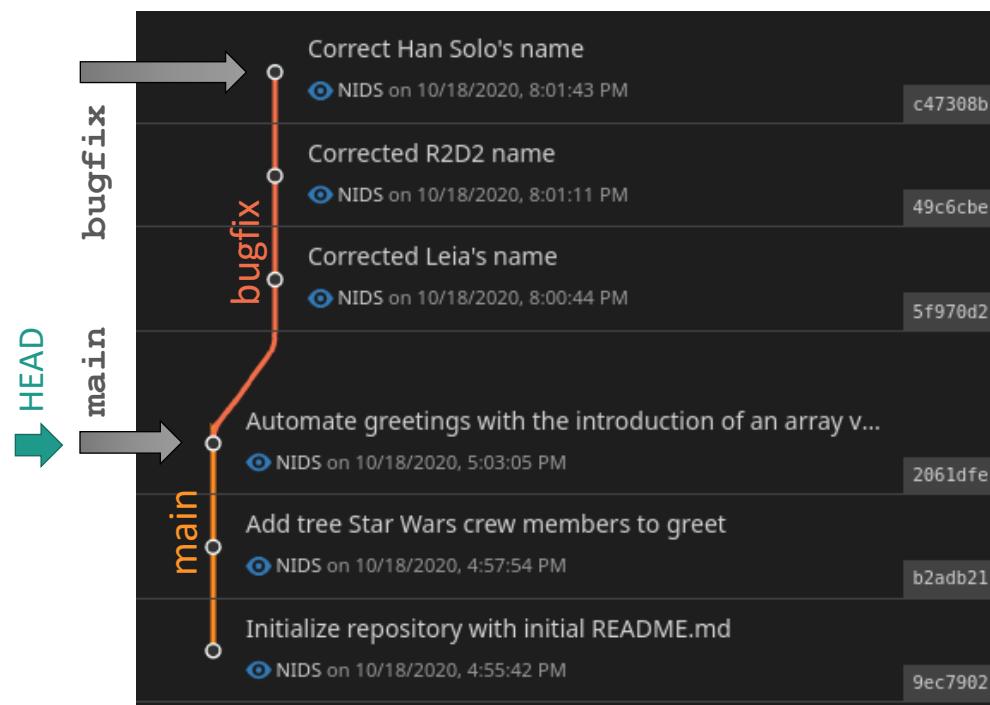


To go back to your files,
click on the “Explorer” icon

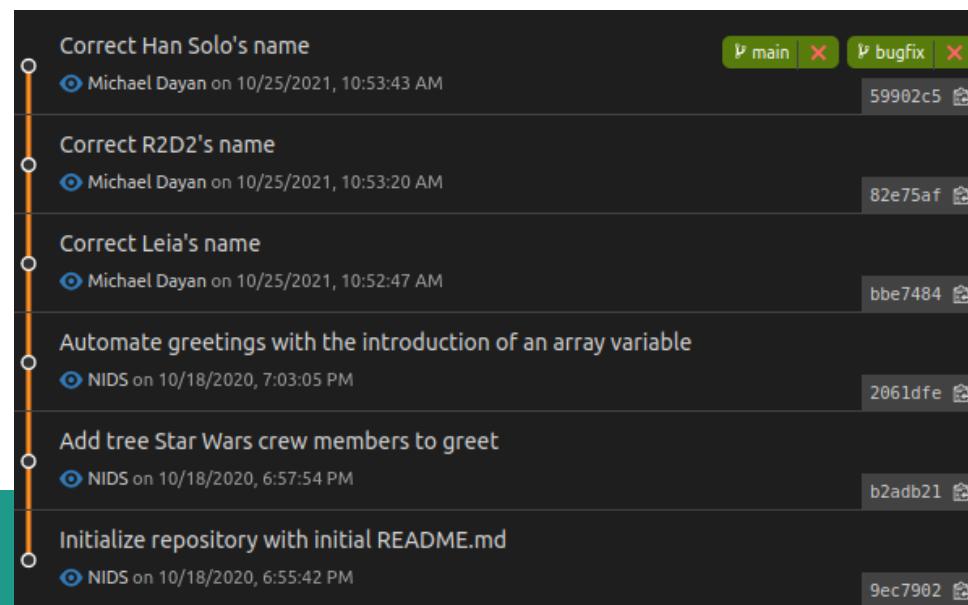
MERGING – FAST-FORWARDING

Simplest situation: the topic branch (bugfix in this case) starts from latest commit on main branch

```
git checkout main  
git merge bugfix
```



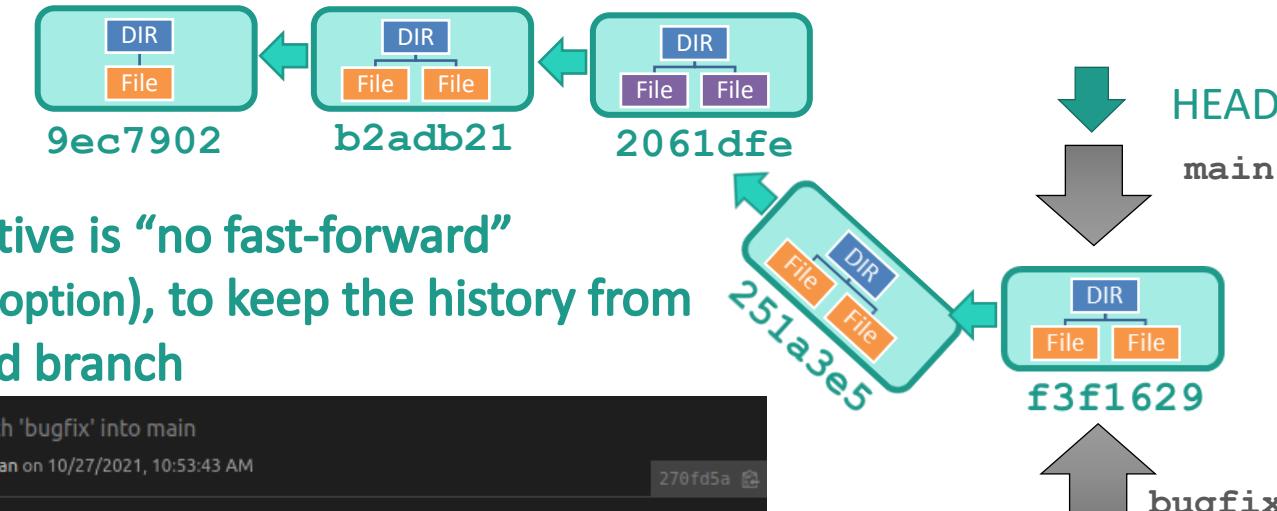
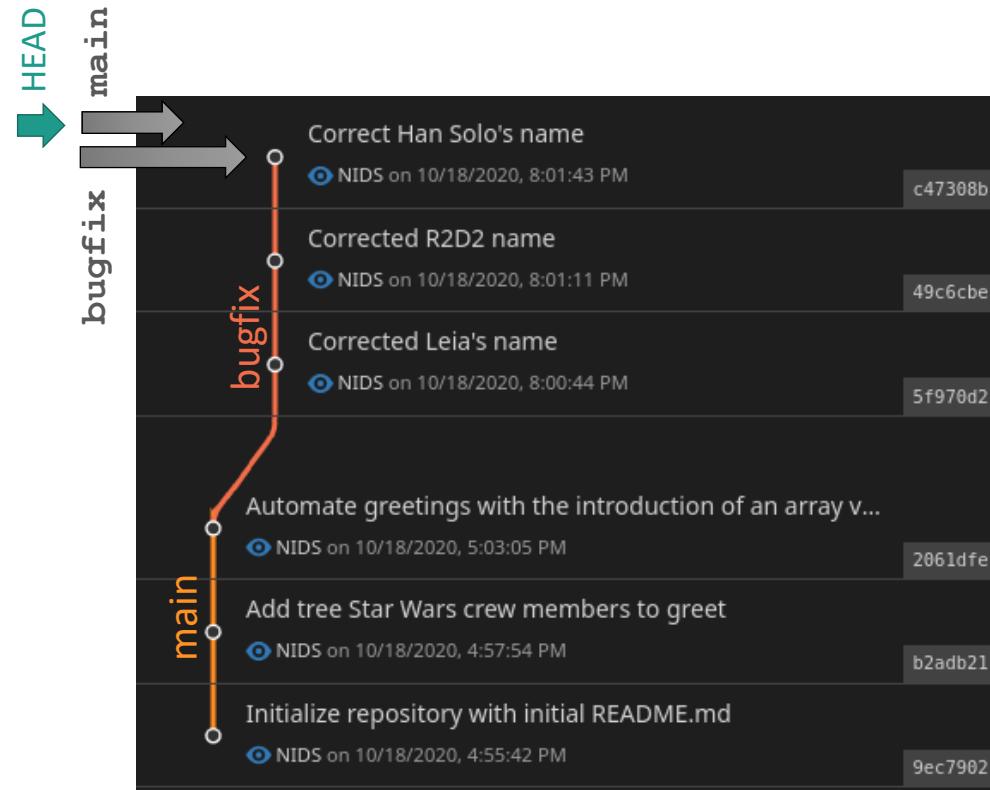
With a fast-forward merge, we cannot tell which commits belonged to the merged branch



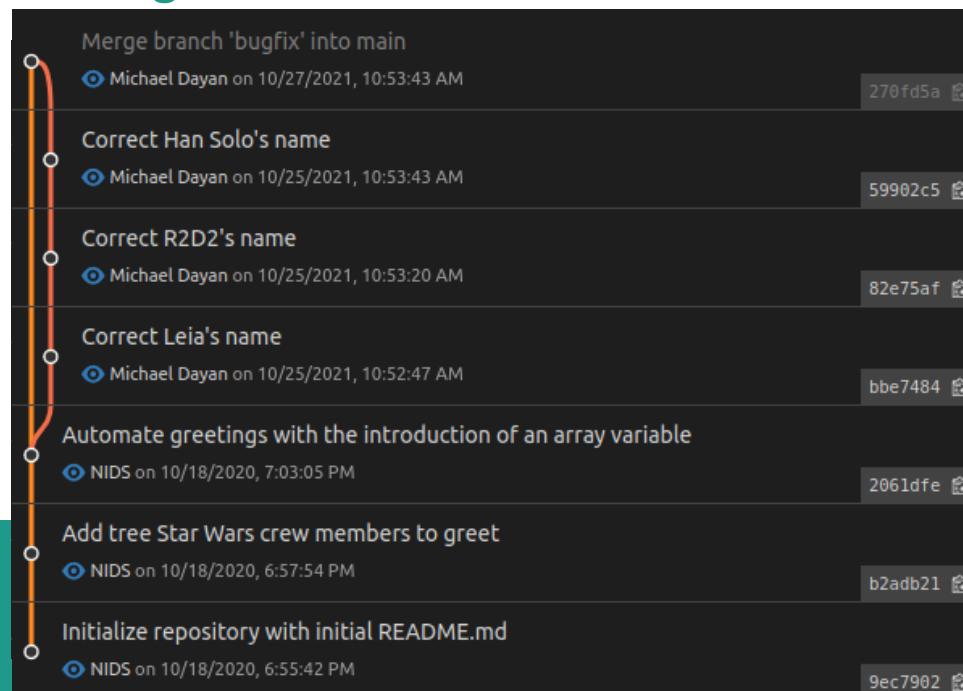
MERGING – FAST-FORWARDING

Simplest situation: the topic branch (bugfix in this case) starts from latest commit on main branch

```
git checkout main  
git merge bugfix --no-ff
```



An alternative is “no fast-forward”
(--no-ff option), to keep the history from
the merged branch



MERGING – 3-WAY MERGE

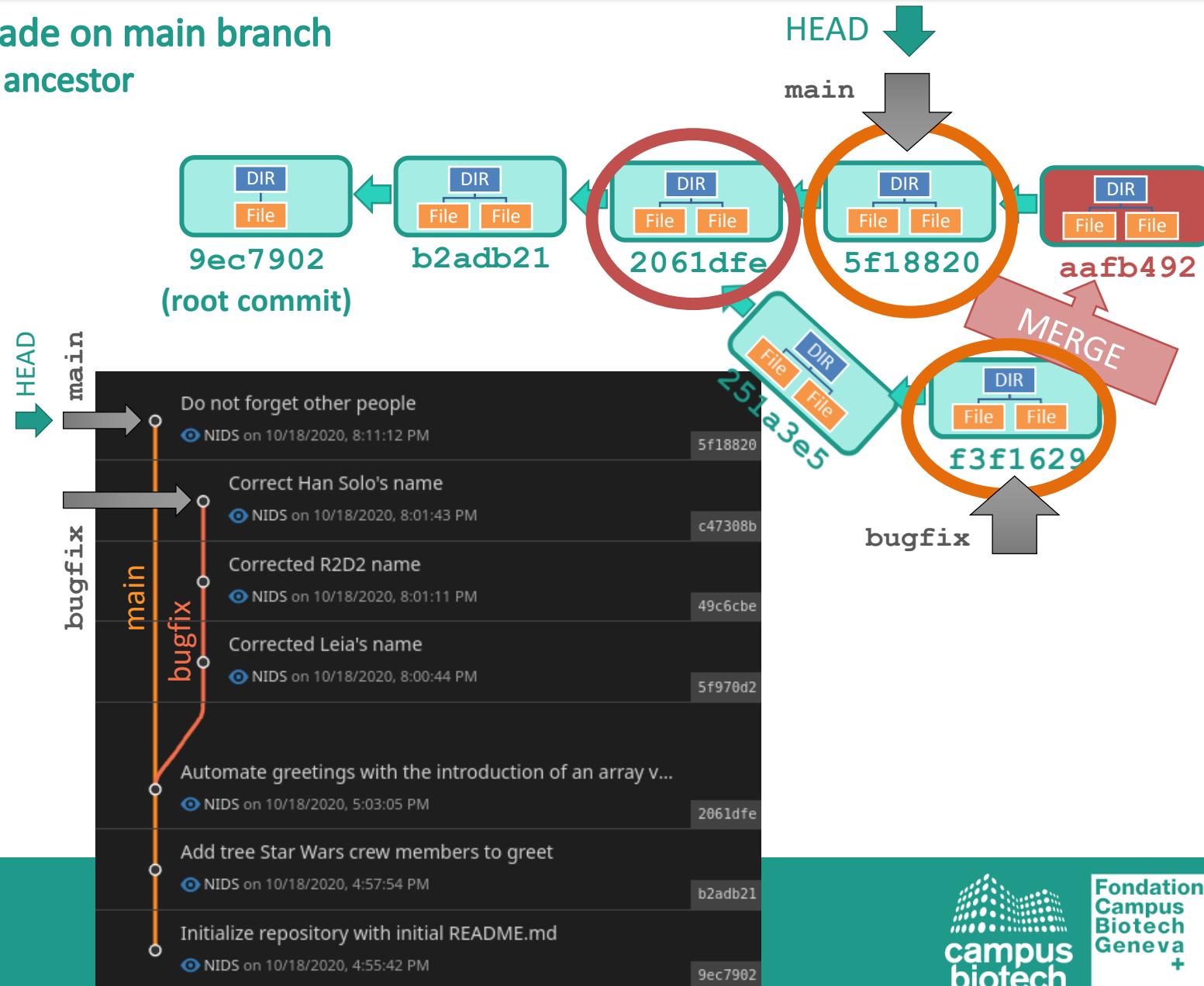
More problematic situation: changes also made on main branch

- both branches have updates from a common ancestor
- no fast-forward merge possible

This is a 3-way merge:

- git examines the tip of the two branches and their common ancestor to do a merge

```
git checkout main  
git merge bugfix
```



MERGING – 3-WAY MERGE

More problematic situation: changes also made on main branch

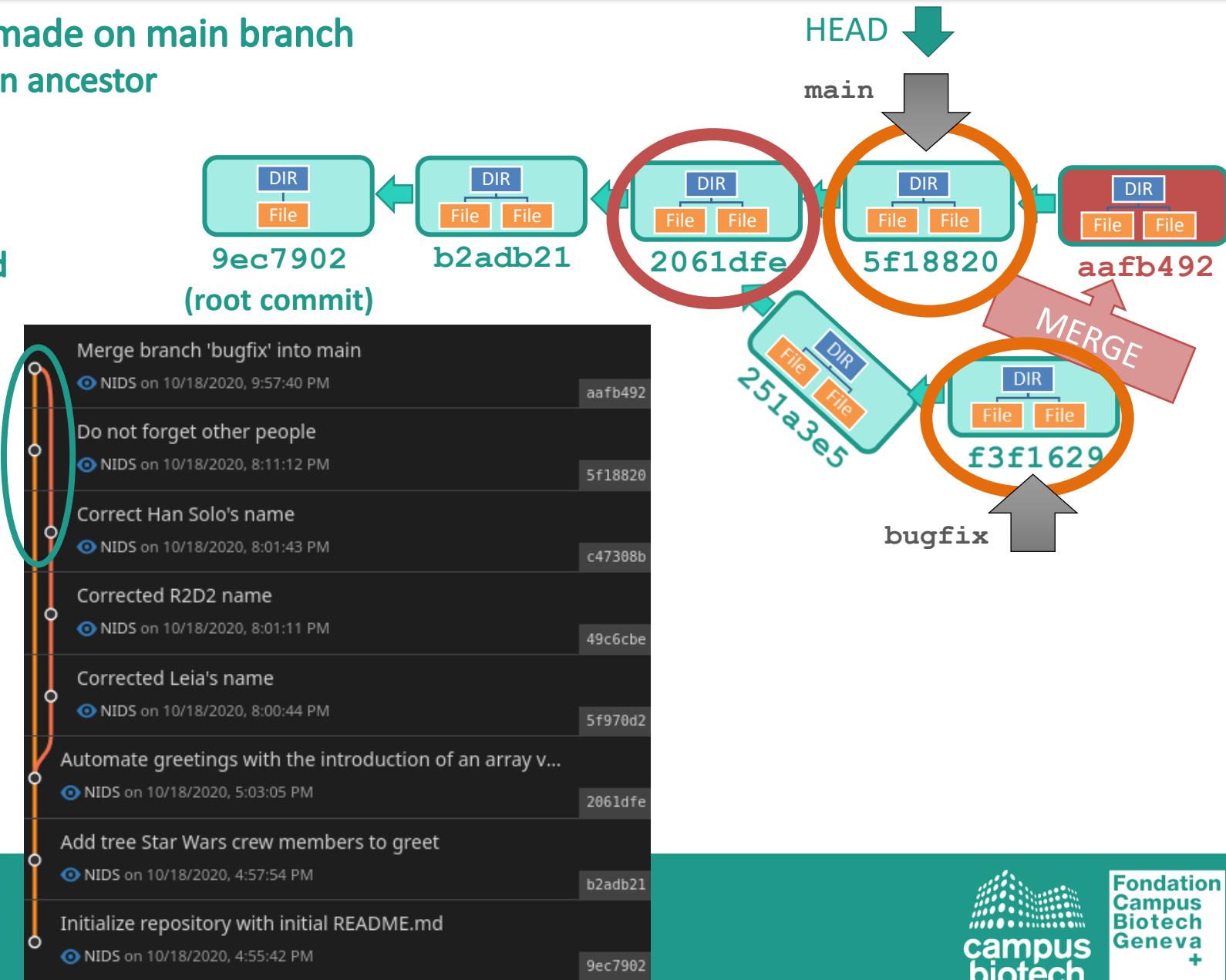
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```
git checkout main  
git merge bugfix
```

- this results in a non-linear history



MERGING – REBASE FOR LINEAR GIT HISTORY

Rebase: rewriting history of the branch to be merged

```
git checkout bugfix  
git rebase main
```

- compute deltas from bugfix branch
- try applying them in turn to main branch

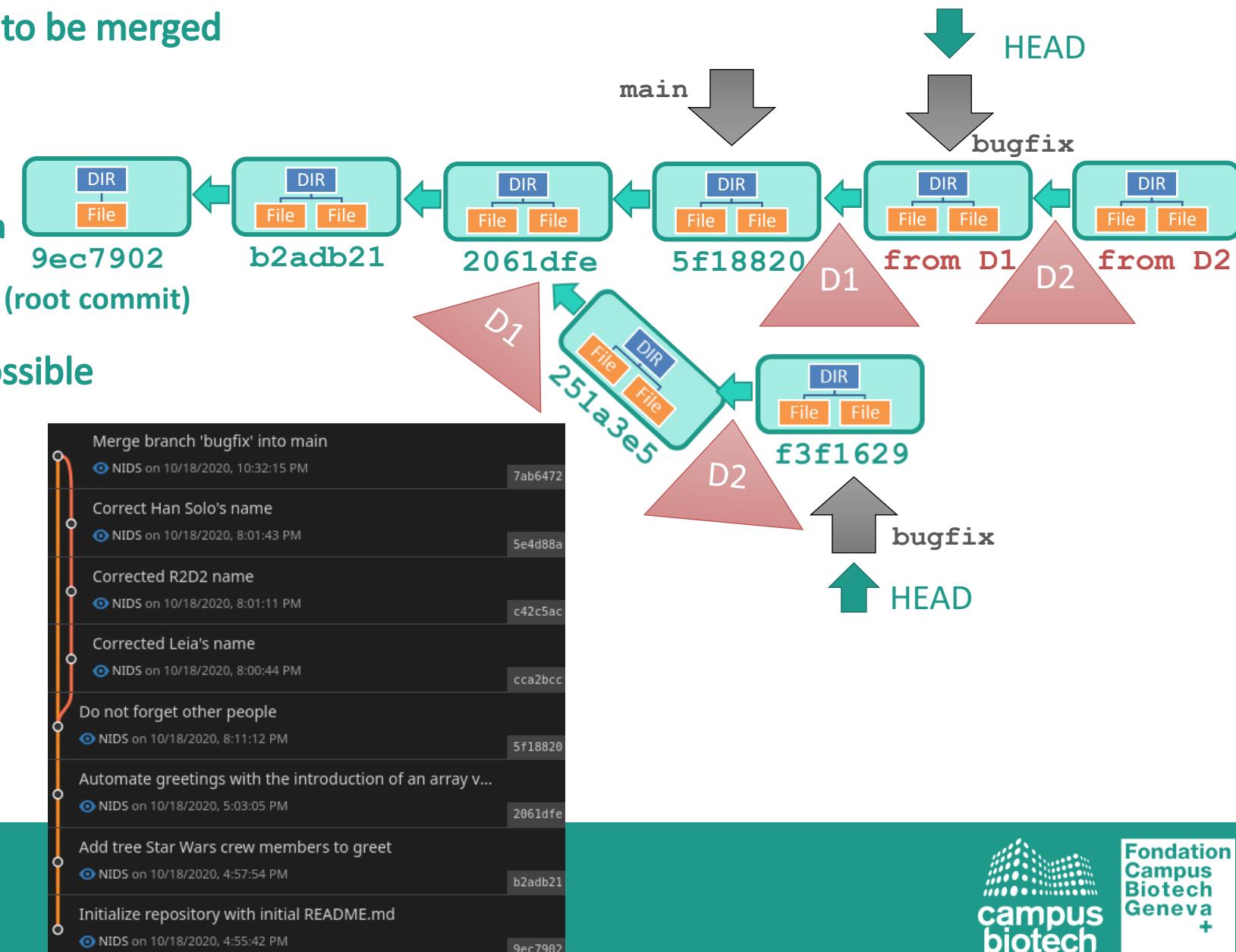
It is the bugfix branch which is rebased to the main branch, so bugfix needs to be activated

The usual fast-forward merge is now possible
(use `--no-ff` for cleaner history)

```
git checkout main  
git merge bugfix --no-ff
```

If other users work on a branch, this branch history should not be rewritten:

- You should be the only one working on a branch which history is going to be written
- Do not share / push to GitHub branches which may be rebased until you finish rebasing them



MERGING – CHERRY-PICKING

Cherry-picking: pick what you want

git checkout main

→ for a specific commit (e.g. 251a3e5)

git cherry-pick 251a3e5

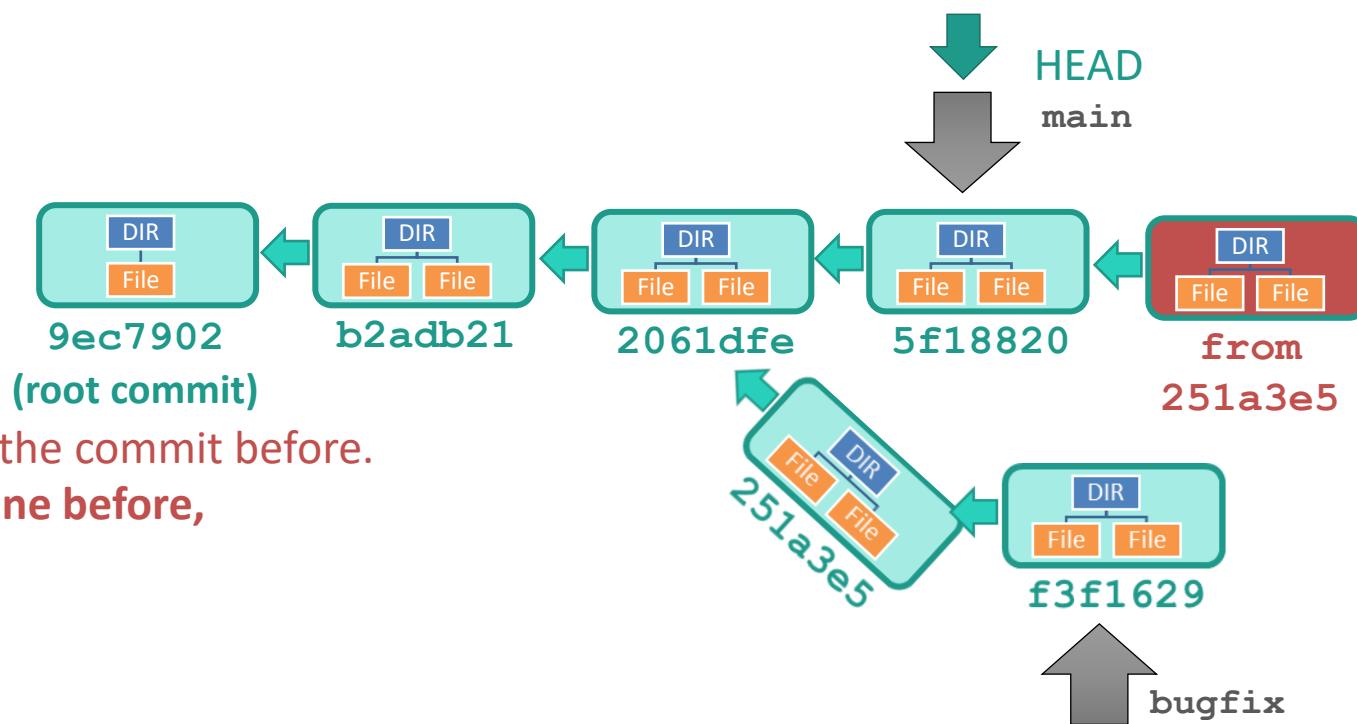
→ for a range of commit

git cherry-pick 251a3e5~..f3f1629

The first commit of the range is ignored, so one can take the commit before.

'~1' in front of the commit reference (SHA1) means one before,

'~2' means two before, etc.



GIT LAB 1 – creating a linear history

You are still on laptop 1 and decide to do a rebase of your `bugfix` branch (this is safe since you did not push it to GitHub yet)

Make sure you are still in `laptop1/sw_greeter` or change to that dir

Activate the branch `bugfix`

Visualize graph history in VS Code (click Refresh)

Rebase the `bugfix` branch onto the main branch

Visualize graph history in VS Code and check the history is now linear

Activate the branch `main`

Merge the branch `bugfix`, with no fast-forward

Visualize graph in VS Code and check the `bugfix` commits are visible

Check git status to print the current status

Push the changes made to branch `main` to your GitHub repo

Activate the branch `bugfix`

Push to your GitHub remote `origin` the branch `bugfix` and track this remote branch locally.

TIP: you need to use the `-u` flag the first time you push a branch not existing on GitHub

```
cd DIR # change to directory DIR (i.e. go inside DIR)
ls # list files and directories in current dir
git checkout BRANCH # activate the branch BRANCH
git branch # list branches (* shows the active branch)
How to rebase branch BRANCH onto the main branch:
  git checkout BRANCH
  git rebase main
git merge BRANCH --no-ff # merge BRANCH in the current
                           # branch without fast-forward
git status # give git status of local environment
git push # push the current branch to the remote
          # GitHub branch it is set to track
git branch -vv # list local branches in very verbose
mode
git checkout BRANCH # activate the branch BRANCH
git push -u ALIAS BRANCH
# push to remote repo ALIAS the branch BRANCH
# and track the remote BRANCH locally (-u option)
```



DEALING WITH GIT ISSUES & MERGE CONFLICTS

At any time you can reset a branch to a given commit with:

```
git reset --hard <commit ID>
```

This command modifies the history so it should be used only on branches not pushed to a remote repository.

Otherwise use `git revert` which applies commits turn by turn to progressively reverse the history:

```
git revert <commit ID>
```

After a merge, git still has a reference to the previous HEAD, named `ORIG_HEAD`. So a merge can be cancelled with:

```
git reset --merge ORIG_HEAD
```

The use of tags can be useful in these situations. A tag is an alias (i.e. reference) to a commit.

Two kinds of tag exist:

- simple tags (for local development)

```
git tag <TAG ALIAS> <commit ID>
```

e.g. `git tag crew3-checkpoint 251a3e5`

- annotated tag (to share on remote repositories)

```
git tag -a <TAG ALIAS> <commit ID> -m <message>
```

e.g. `git tag -a v0.1 251a3e5 -m "Star Wars greeter with 3 crew members"`

When pushing, use the option `--follow-tags` to push annotated tags in the current commits

```
git push --follow-tags
```

DEALING WITH GIT ISSUES & MERGE CONFLICTS

In case of a conflict between the files to be merged (typically lines at the same position were changed in the commits to be merged), two solutions exist:

- abort commit
- solve conflict

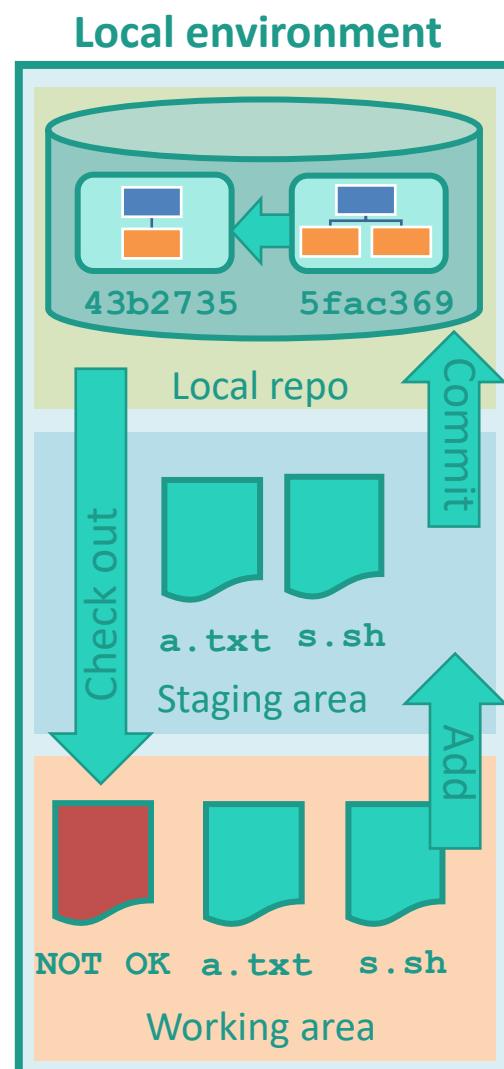
In case of merging conflicts, the abort command depends on the kind of merge:

- git merge --abort
- git rebase --abort
- git cherry-pick --abort

When git displays an error message when the merge didn't succeed:

- 1) Identify the files with conflicts (git stages the unproblematic files, and leaves the ones with conflicts in the working area)
→ git status
- 2) Modify the files with an editor
→ git mergetool
- 3) Add the corrected files to the staging area
→ git add .
- 4) Commit the staged files
→ git commit -m *MESSAGE*

```
17 public static void main(St
18 // TODO code applicati
19 // My name is Jeff
20 // Tyrannosaurus rex
21 //
22 }
23 >>>>> origin/master
24 }
```



GIT LAB 2

You switch to your second laptop and decide to add a name to the list of the crew members

Change to the directory `laptop2/starwars_greeter` in your home dir

Edit the file `hello` in that directory (double check you have the right file!) and add another name to the array `SW_CREW` (e.g. Chewbacca)

Stage, then commit this change.

This will cause a merge conflict when we next pull from the remote. This is because the remote contains the corrected list of names (thanks to bugfix merge) but laptop 2 does not, and it modified the same line of code.

In practice, you should always pull remote branches before doing any modifications. In our case we simulate the case when someone modified the remote while we were working on our files

Try pushing the changes to the remote repo

Pull from the remote repo

Check status with git, then start GUI to edit merge conflict file

Remove the `*.orig` backup files created by the GUI, then commit the corrected file.

Push to the remote repo and check git status to make sure everything is fine

```
cd DIR # change to directory DIR (i.e. go inside DIR)
ls # list files and directories in current dir
git add FILE # stage FILE
git add . # stage all eligible files
git commit # commit staged files to local repo
# message will be written via an editor
git commit -m MESSAGE # commit staged files to local
# repo with message MESSAGE
git log --oneline # get concise commit history
git push # push the current branch to Github
git pull # pull from the remote to the current branch
git status # give git status of local environment
git mergetool # start GUI to edit merge conflict files
# - press Return key if asked
# - edit the middle panel until you
# are satisfied with the file
# - click on save button & close the GUI
# files ending with .orig can be deleted
rm FILE # delete the file FILE
```

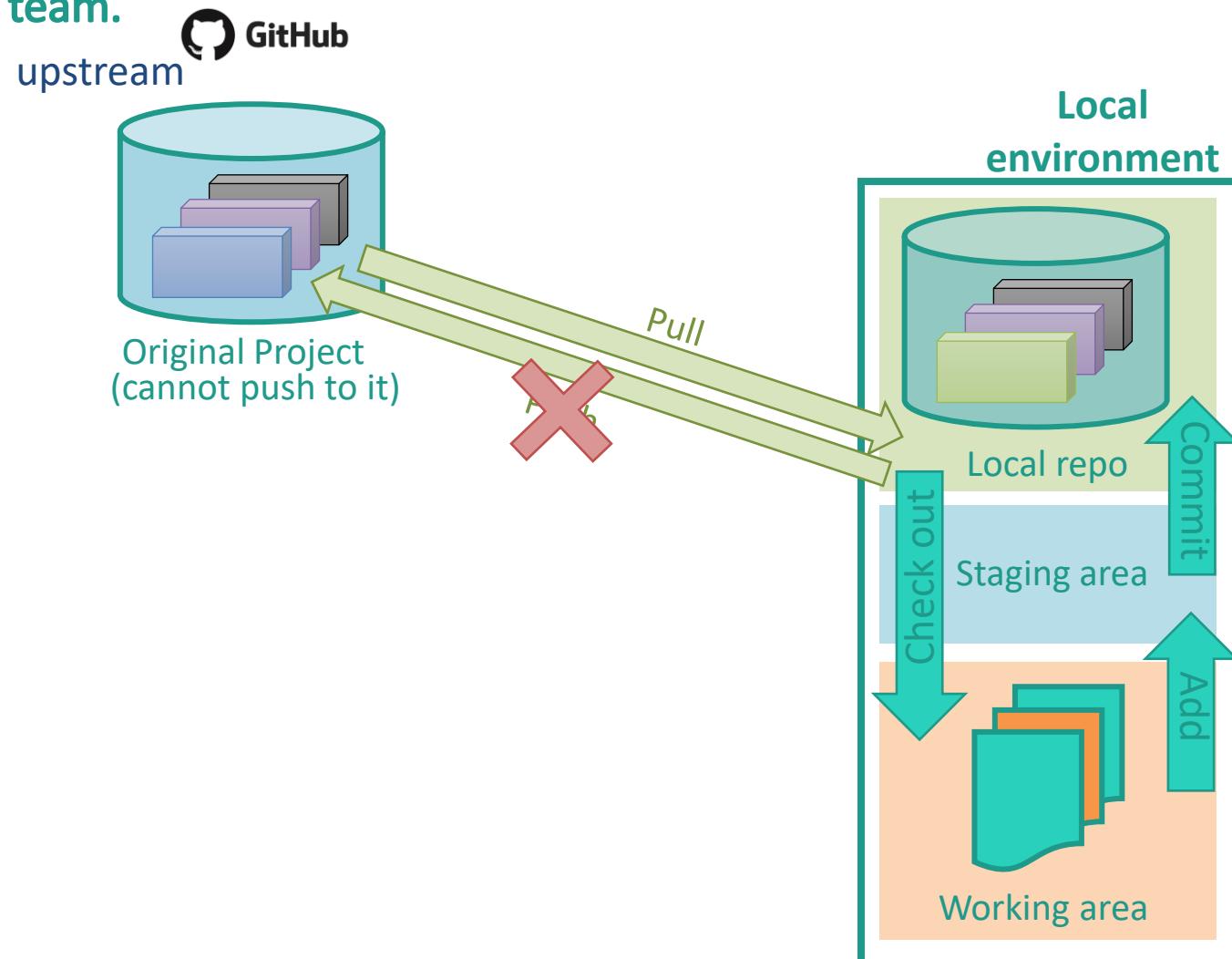


COLLABORATING WITH GIT – ON EXTERNAL PROJECTS

You can add “collaborators” on GitHub to code as a team.

But for a remote repository not shared with you
(most external projects), **PUSH not possible**

→ use fork & pull model



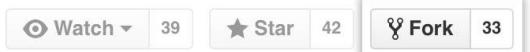
COLLABORATING WITH GIT – ON EXTERNAL PROJECTS

You can add “collaborators” on GitHub to code as a team.

But for a remote repository not shared with you (most external projects), **PUSH not possible**

→ use fork & pull model

- visit the GitHub repo page and fork the project repo



- this will create a copy in your GitHub account that you can clone to your computer and do whatever you want with it
- add a remote called `upstream` to be able to get updates from the original project

→ Update your cloned repo from the original project in one step

- get latest `upstream` content

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git pull upstream main
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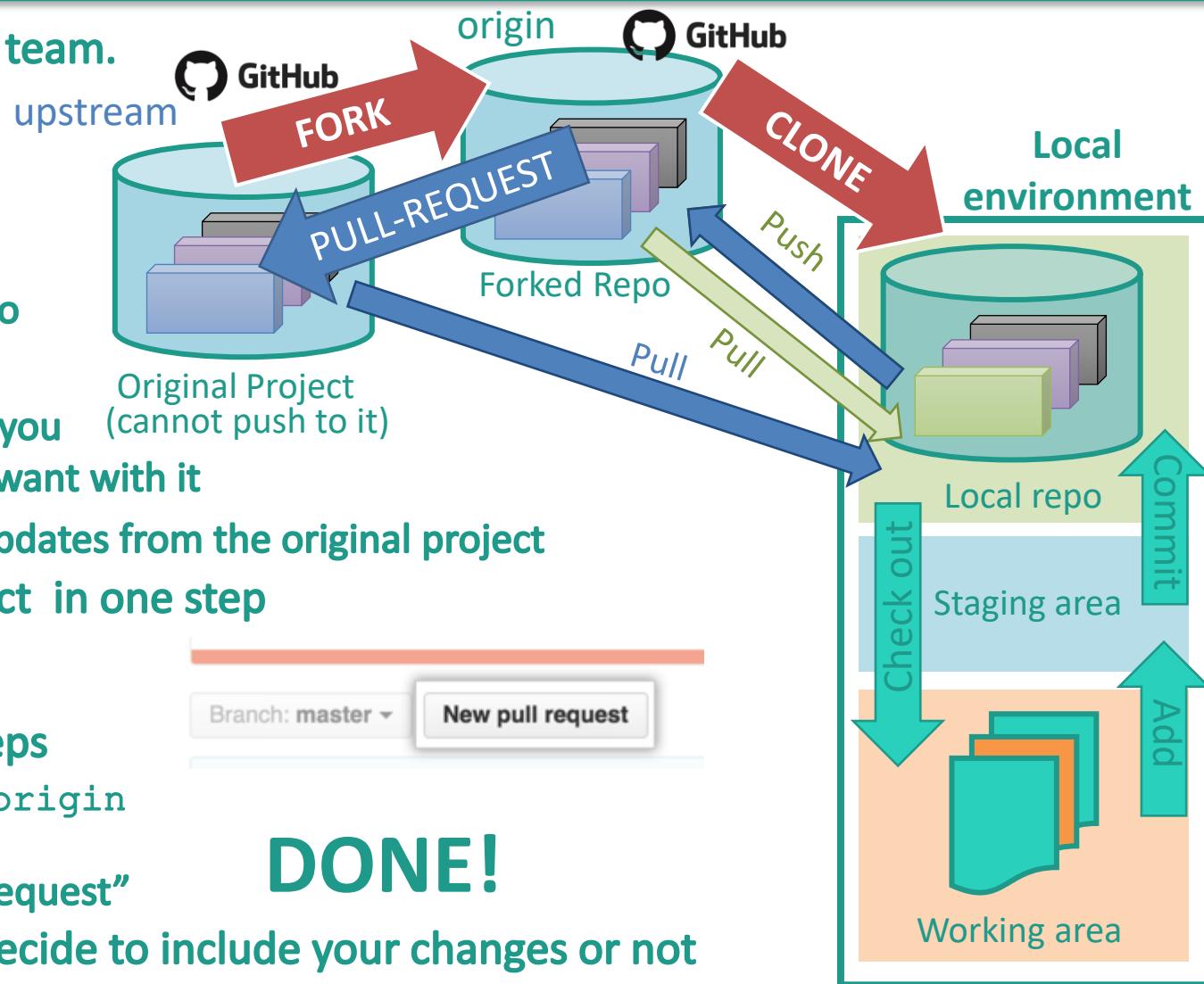
→ Propose changes to the project owner in two steps

- do modifications locally and then push results to `origin`

```
git push
```

- go to the GitHub website and click on “New Pull request”

The PR will be sent to the project owner who can decide to include your changes or not



GIT LAB 3

Go to Github and Fork: https://github.com/IORDS2021/starwars_greeter2

Create the directory `fork_test` inside your home directory, then go inside `fork_test`

Clone the forked repo to your computer. Make sure to use the SSH location of YOUR repo (i.e. make sure it includes YOUR username)

Go inside the `starwars_greeter2` dir which appeared after cloning

Create the alias `upstream` to point to the SSH location of the repo `starwars_greeter2` of IORDS2021 (look at code button on GitHub)

List the git remotes to check the alias `origin` (automatically created after cloning) and the alias `upstream` were correctly set.

Pull from `upstream` the branch `main` so that you are up to date

Create a new branch called `feature` and activate it

Add a new character name in the array of the `hello` file

Stage the change, then commit it.

Push your branch to the remote `origin` (i.e. to your forked repo) and track it locally

Go to GitHub and submit a Pull-Request from your `feature` branch to the project owner `main` branch

#To fork on GitHub, go to the project URL and click on the dedicated "Fork" button  on the top right

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mkdir DIR # create directory DIR
cd DIR # change to directory DIR (i.e. go inside DIR)
git clone git@github.com:<user>/<repo>.git # clone
git remote add ALIAS git@github.com:<user>/<repo>.git
# set alias ALIAS to a Github repository repo owned by user
git remote -v # list all remote aliases
git pull ALIAS BRANCH # pull from the remote ALIAS the
# branch BRANCH to the current branch
git branch BRANCH # create the branch BRANCH
git checkout BRANCH # activate the branch BRANCH
git add FILE # stage FILE
git add . # stage all eligible files
git commit # commit files to local repo (launch message editor)
git commit -m MESSAGE # commit staged files to local
# repo with message MESSAGE
git log --oneline # get concise commit history
git push -u ALIAS BRANCH # push to remote repo ALIAS the
branch BRANCH and track the remote BRANCH locally (-u option)
Note: Pull-Requests (PR) are done on GitHub from the page
of your forked repo. Look for a button "Pull request" next
to the button "Code". Then click on "Create Pull Request"
```



COURSE SUPPORT

SLACK (iords2021.slack.com)

- Course main channel: #general
 - Topic channels: #linux, #linux-capstone, #git, #python, #full-example, #machine-learning
- Check regularly for course info (esp. pinned items)
- Do not hesitate to ask questions
(please reply “in thread”)



Week of November 1st :

- Friday 5th, 9AM - 11AM: GIT capstone homework (using GIT for the Linux capstone homework)
 - Friday 5th, 11AM - 12PM: 1-to-1 OFFICE HOURS, 20-min slots
- Book a time slot here: <https://tinyurl.com/IORDS-office-hours>

Delete the SSH key
you added to your
GitHub repo during
the lecture !

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Thank You!

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