

Introduction to Version Control

- Conflict resolution



What about "conflicts"?

- Suppose you've fetched changes and merged them into your main branch
- Normally we see a clean report of git's work
 - Downloading objects from remote
 - Merging changes into our working copy (i.e., new files, removed files, edits to existing files)

```
$ git pull
<password>
remote: Counting objects: 19, done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (14/14), done.
remote: Total 18 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0)
Unpacking objects: 100% (18/18), done.
From ssh://git.example.com/repo/calc
  b5b22e2..4955e13 main    -> origin/main
Updating b5b22e2..4955e13
Fast-forward
  calc/README.md      | 4 +++
  calc/main_init.py   | 3 +++
  calc/guiframe.py    | 1 +
  3 files changed, 8 insertions(+)
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 - Afterwards Stewie tries to commit and then push

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```
meg$ git add button.c
meg$ git commit -m 'That will be a swell looking button!'
[main bda4b22] That will be a swell looking button!
  1 file changed, 4 insertions(+)
meg$ git push
<password>
<... snip ...>
Total 4 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0)
To ssh://stewie@git.example.com/repo/calc
  15c486a..bda4b22 main -> main
```

```
stewie$ $ git commit -a -m "A sterling job, I say, with _init_button."
[main 6708583] A sterling job, I say, with _init_button.
  1 file changed, 4 insertions(+)
stewie$ git push
<password>
<... snip ...>
error: failed to push some refs to 'ssh://stewie@git.example.com/repo/calc'
hint: Updates were rejected because the remote contains work that you do
hint: not have locally. This is usually caused by another repository pushing
hint: to the same ref. You may want to first integrate the remote changes
hint: (e.g., 'git pull ...') before pushing again.
hint: See the 'Note about fast-forwards' in 'git push --help' for details.
stewie$ curses!
-bash: curses!: command not found
```

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```
stewie$ $ git pull
<password>
remote: Counting objects: 7, done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (4/4), done.
remote: Total 4 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0)
Unpacking objects: 100% (4/4), done.
From ssh://git.example.com/repo/calc
  15c486a..bda4b22 main    -> origin/main
Auto-merging calc/button.c
CONFLICT (content): Merge conflict in calc/button.c
Automatic merge failed; fix conflicts and then commit the result.
```

```
stewie$ git status
-On branch main
Your branch and 'origin/main' have diverged,
and have 1 and 1 different commit each, respectively.
(use "git pull" to merge the remote branch into yours)
```

You have unmerged paths.
(fix conflicts and run "git commit")

Unmerged paths:
(use "git add <file>..." to mark resolution)

both modified: button.c

no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit -a")

Resolving a merge conflict (what Stewie sees)

```
/* button.c */  
  
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```

- git indicates the conflict with a bit of markup
 - "<<<<<< HEAD" to "=====": Stevie's original code
 - "===== to ">>>>> bda4b22...": What Meg pushed



Resolving a merge conflict

- Before Stewie can successfully commit and push his work to the remote, he must resolve the conflict
- There are two parts to this:
 - The **human part** (harder)
 - The **technical part** (easy)
- The human part is to decide what code in button.c should be kept
- The technical part is editing the file in a way reflecting that decision, then committing (and possibly pushing)



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before

```
/* button.c */  
  
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    char *title) { /* This stub is to be completed */ }
```

after



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```
stewie$ $ vim calc/button.c
```

<actions to edit the file>

```
stewie$ git commit -a -m "button.c now back on track"
```

[main 8d0c566] button.c now back on track

```
stewie$ git push
```

<password>

<... snip ...>

Counting objects: 14, done.

Delta compression using up to 8 threads.

Compressing objects: 100% (8/8), done.

Writing objects: 100% (8/8), 1.04 KiB | 0 bytes/s, done.

Total 8 (delta 2), reused 0 (delta 0)

To ssh://stewie@git.example.com/repo/calc

 bda4b22..8d0c566 main -> main

```
meg$ git pull
```

<password>

<... snip ...>

Unpacking objects: 100% (8/8), done.

From ssh://git.example.com/repo/calc

 bda4b22..8d0c566 main -> origin/main

Updating bda4b22..8d0c566

Fast-forward

 calc/button.c | 5 +---

1 file changed, 2 insertions(+), 3 deletions(-)

git commands

- Note:
 - We've already referred to git "commands"
 - Yet git itself **is a UNIX command**
- A git command is how we specify an action from the git client
- Syntax
 - git command [option] [arguments]
- The number of git commands and options is very large
 - We'll be focusing on a much smaller subset of these.
 - (Beware of Google and StackOverflow as answers there can lead you astray...)



Previously seen

```
$ git clone ssh://stewie@git.example.com/repo/calc
```

```
$ git add button.c
```

```
$ git fetch
```

Git command

argument



A few more examples

```
$ git remote add origin https://git.420.com/fubar
```

```
$ git commit -a -m "Fixed typo in label"
```

```
$ git diff --name-status HEAD
```

Git command

options & arguments



Some useful commands

- **clone** make a local copy of a remote repo
- **add** stage files/directories so they'll be ready to be committed
- **commit** store into local repo a snapshot of working-copy changes
- **status** list working copy files dirs differing from local repo
- **log** output commit messages with their snapshot SHA-1 hashes
- **diff** show differences of working-dir contents with local repo
- **pull** fetch and merge into local repo any remote repo changes
- **push** transfer local repo snapshots to remote repo
- **fetch** download data for remote changes to local repo (but no more!)
- **merge** combine new remote changes with files in local repo
- **rm** remove file from working copy / working tree
- **init** convert working directory into git local repo (caution!)



If you need help...

- For a specific command:
 - `git <command> --help`
 - Provides list of arguments and options
- For info on repository access
 - speak to the provider, or
 - read the provided documentation
 - follow the instructions given in the lab and on the assignments!

