Git Workshop

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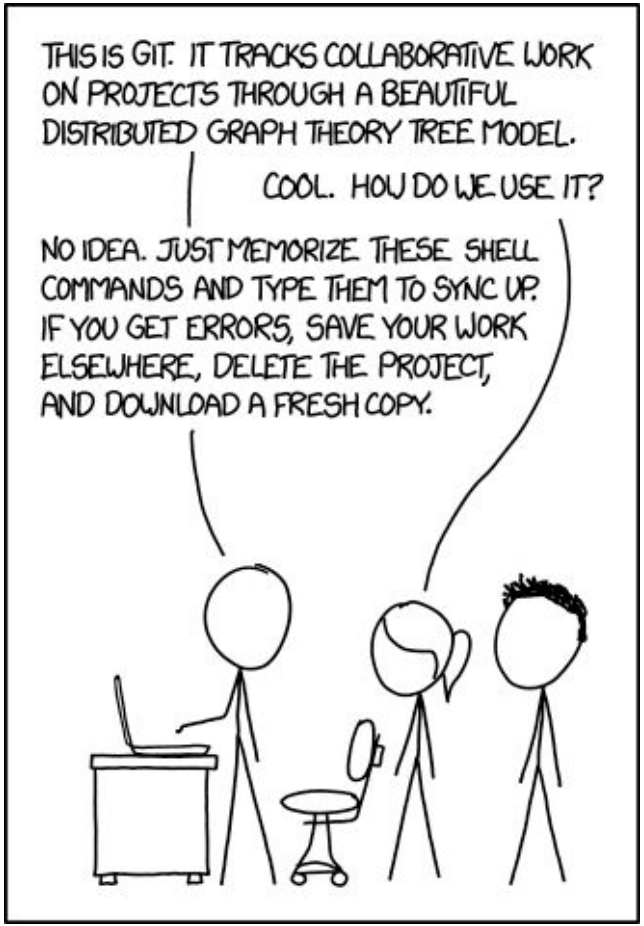
Agenda

- Intro to Git + How to Use Git
- Repo tour
- Hands-on Git Experience

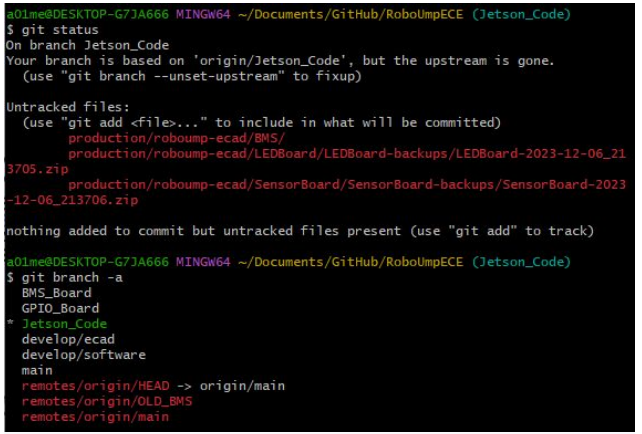


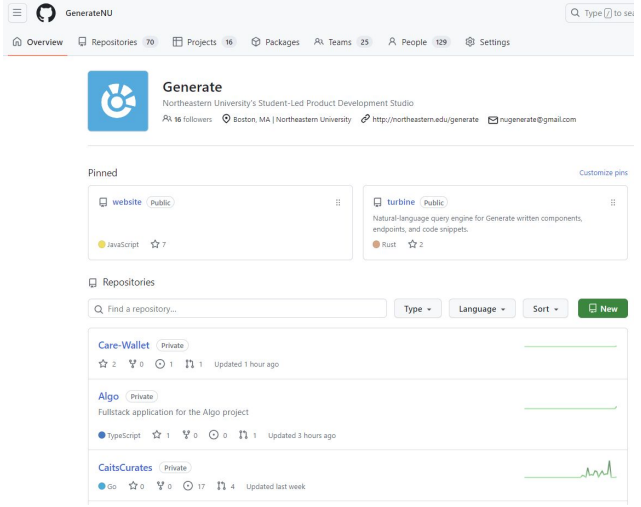
Introducing Git

Version Control Software for tracking files

Git vs. GitHub

- Git: Local software on your machine
- GitHub: Remote container (repo/repository) for code
  - https://github.com





Repositories

A repository (repo) is the place where project files are stored

Remote vs. Local Repo

- Remote Repo: Centralized container for code
- Local Repo: Cloned copy of the remote repo that lives on your machine as files

As changes are made, the remote repo and your local repo will become out of sync

- How do we fix this?

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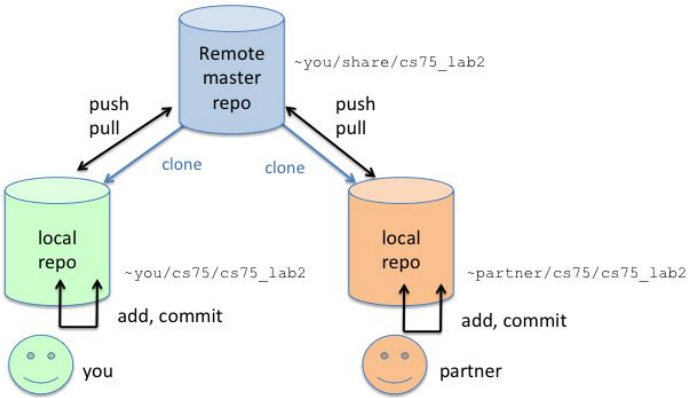
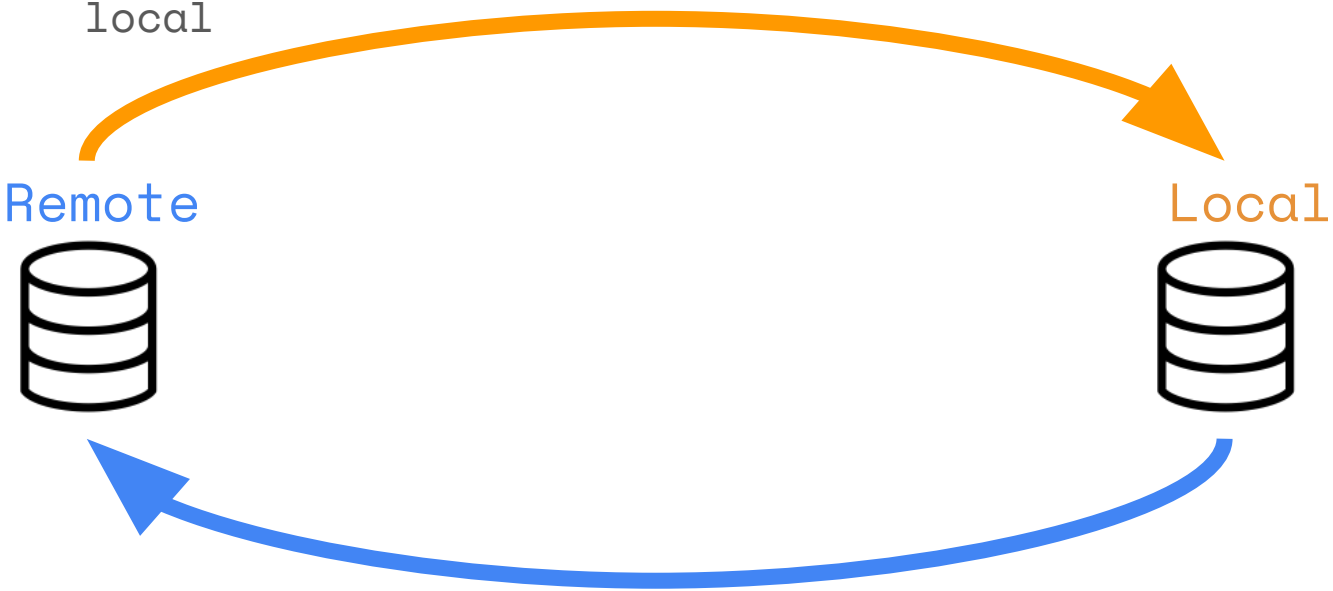


Pulling vs. Pushing

Pulling Changes: Downloading remote info to local



Pushing Changes: Uploading local info to remote

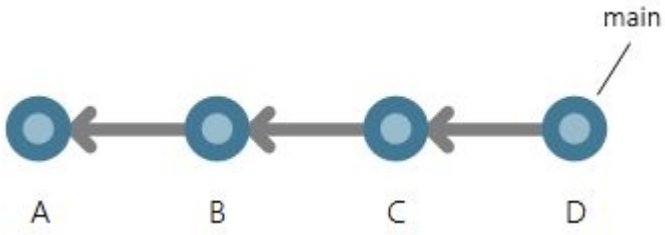
Committing

Commits act as a “virtual breadcrumb trail”

Commits show:

- Who made the commit
- What files were changed
- Message written by committer

“Pull the trigger” and save changes

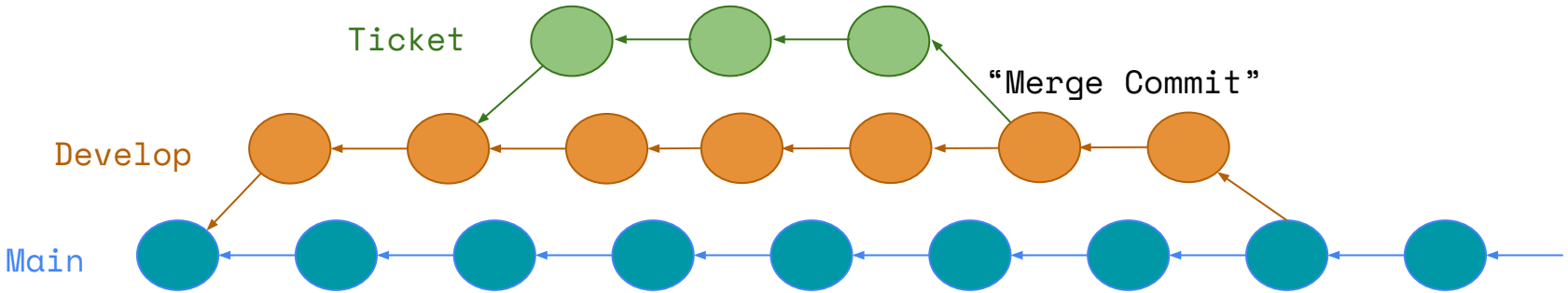


Branches

Branches allow for the development and testing of new features without risking breaking the production-level project

- “Branch off of” other branches
- Branches don’t update along with other branches

How to combine branches back together?

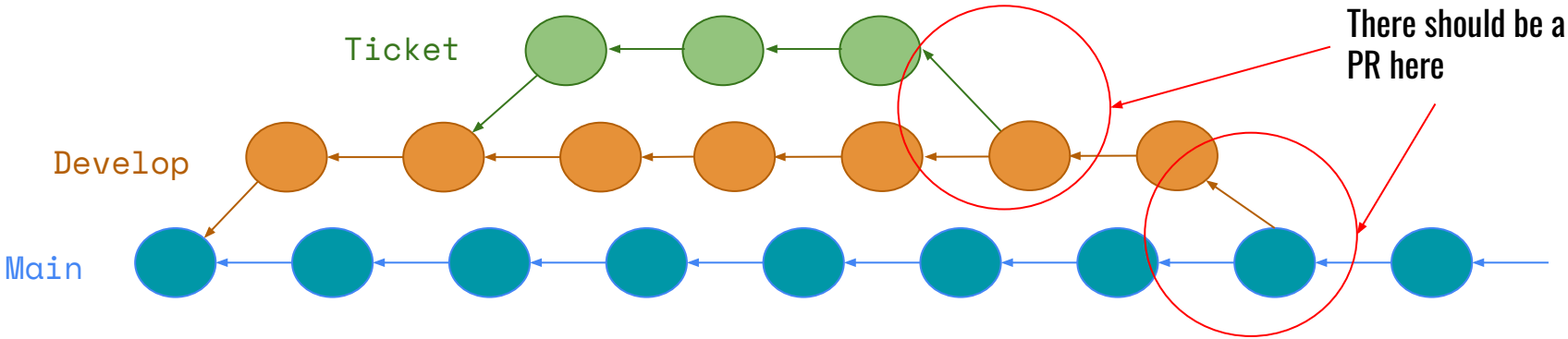


Merging/Pull Requests

Check for conflicts → if none found, merge

Pull Requests (PRs) allow for code/file review before a merge

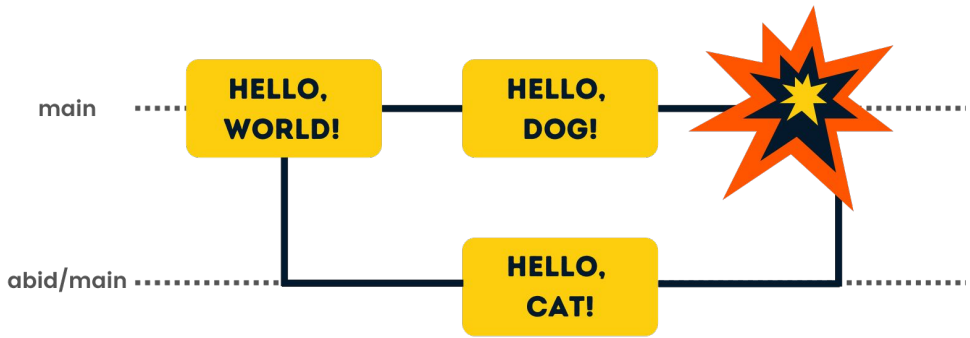
- PRs can be updated before merging



Conflicts

Two main types of merge conflicts:

- Branch merge conflicts
- Commit conflicts



Basic Git Commands

`git pull`	Update local repo with changes in remote
`git status`	See state of all files in local repo
`git add`	Add changed files to the staging area
`git commit`	Locally record changes to repo
`git push`	Update remote repo with local changes
`git branch`	List/modify/create branches
`git switch`	Switches your “active branch”

Good Git Hygiene

Before doing work:

- Check branch and “git pull”

Commit:

- Whenever a change is made (1 commit, 1 purpose)
- Only necessary files that have been tested

Commit messages should be:

- Clear and concise, and describe what was changed + why
- “Motor ramp function” vs. “Added motor ramp up function to prevent overcurrent shutdown”

Git Demo