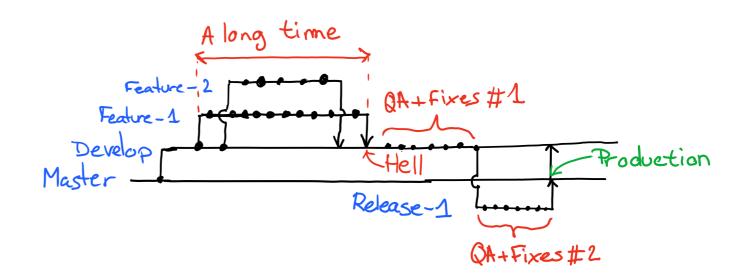
# Web Application Development using Python

**Introduction to Git - Part 2** 



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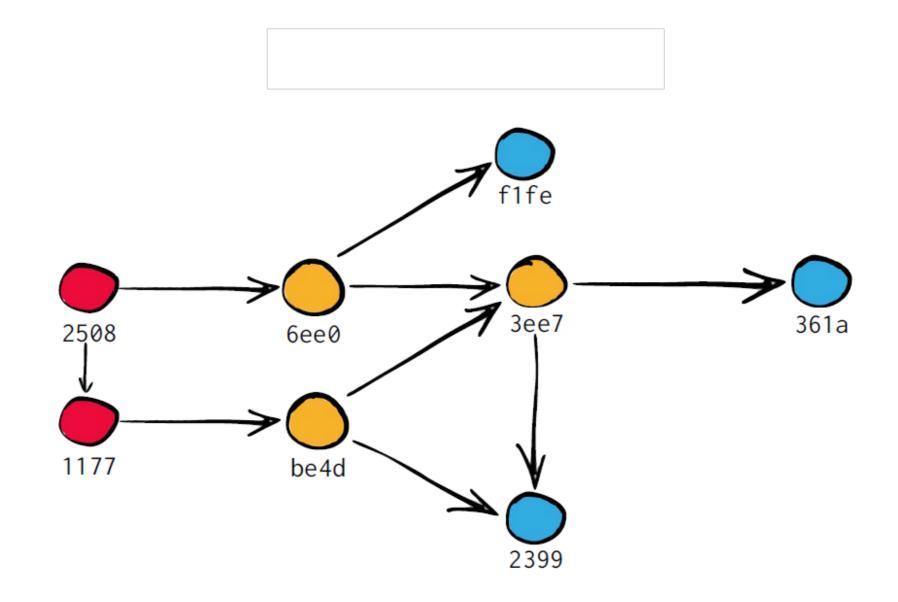
## Outline

- Reverting Changes
- Branching and Merging
- Conflict Resolution
- Inspecting History

### But first...

A quick note





# Reverting Changes

### What can be reverted?

- Commits that are on any branch will not get lost.
- Files which were added and later removed can always be recovered.
- In Git we can modify, reorder, squash, and remove commits and also these actions can be undone.
- Some commands can permanently delete uncommitted changes. When in, doubt always commit first.

## git revert

```
$ git log --oneline

f960dd3 (HEAD -> master) not sure this is a good idea
dd4472c we should not forget to enjoy
2bb9bb4 add half an onion
2d79e7e adding ingredients and instructions
```

- We examine our git history.
- We realize with commit f960dd3 we made a mistake and want to revert the changes.
- A safe way to revert this commit is by running
  - git revert f960dd3
- This creates a new commit that does the opposite of the reverted commit.
   The old commit remains in the history.

- Git init / clone
- Git add
- Git commit
- Git status
- Git log
- Git pull / push
- Git revert
- Git help {any other git subcommand}

#### Make a Commit

```
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#### **Revert your Commit**

```
$ git revert f960dd3
```

#### **Check the History**

```
$ git log --oneline

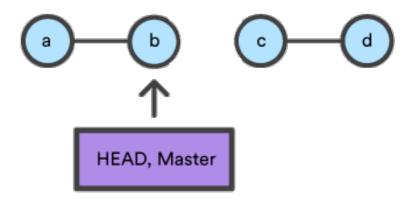
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# Adding to the previous commit

- Sometimes we commit but realize we forgot something.
- We can amend to the last commit:
  - git commit --amend
  - git commit -am "My amended message."
- This can also be used to modify the last commit message only.
- This will change the commit hash.

# Clean the history

- We can also completely remove commits from the working tree by rewriting the history.
  - git reset --hard dd4472c
- Use this command with caution!
   This may result in data loss.
- Example from before, continued.



#### **Reset History**

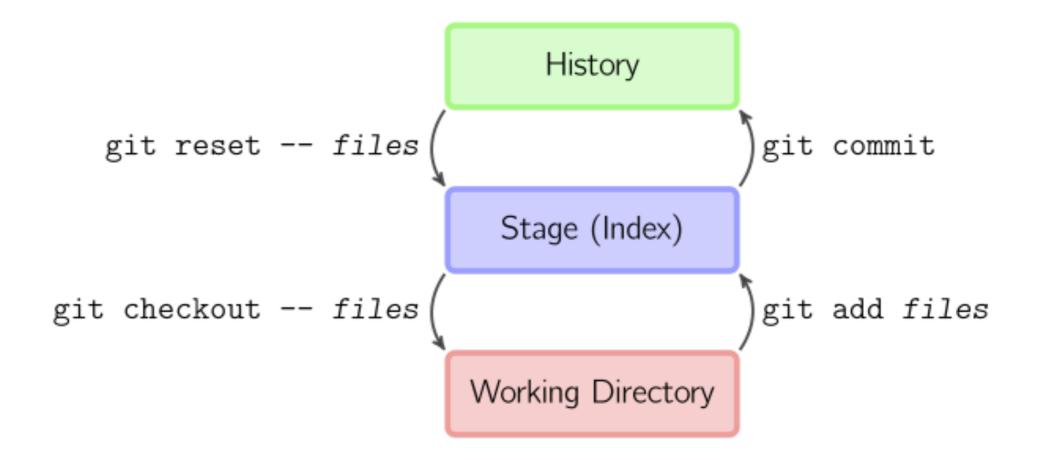
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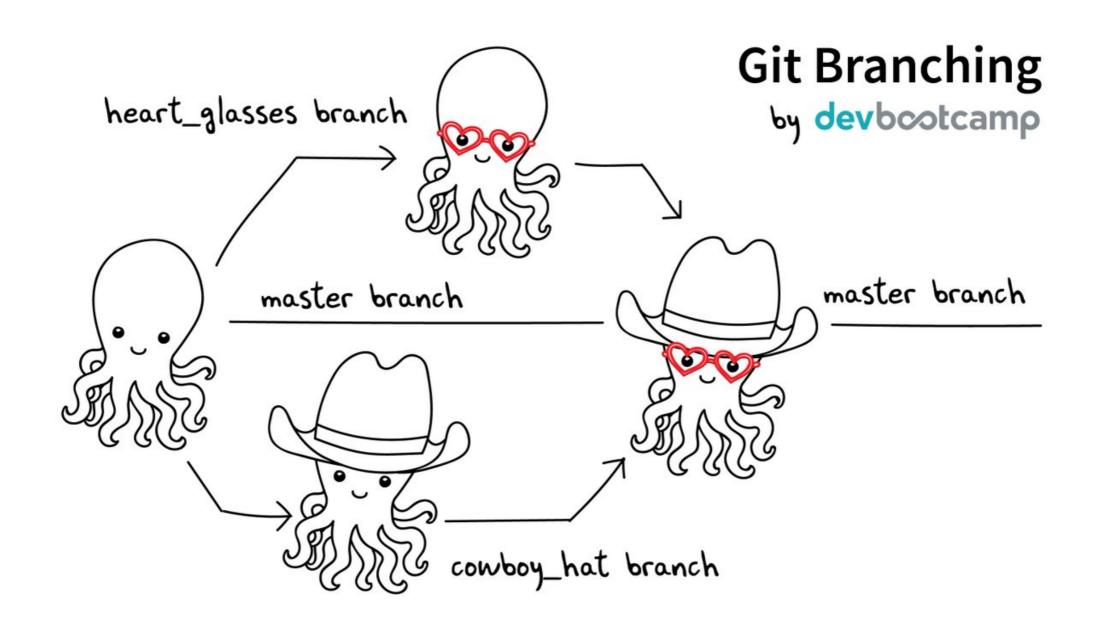
$ git reset --hard dd4472c

HEAD is now at dd4472c we should not forget to enjoy
$ git log --oneline

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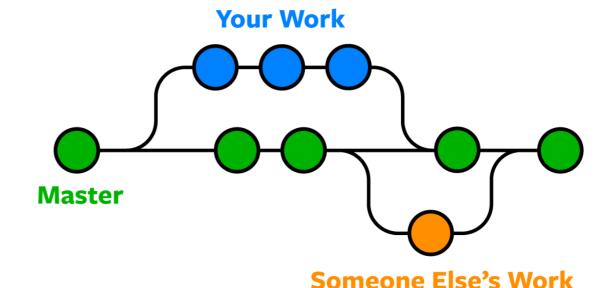
# States Summary



# Branching and Merging

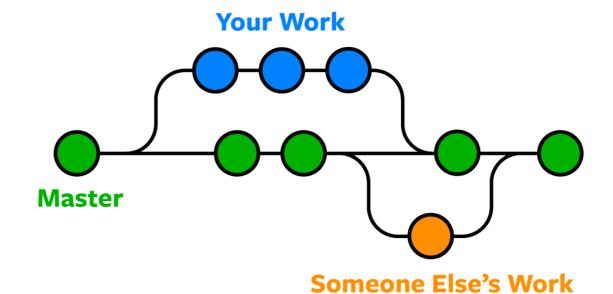
### What is a branch?

- Branches are just like labels that point to a commit.
  - Commits are depicted here as little circles.
  - **Branches** have different colours.
- When we talk about branches we often mean all parent commits, not only the commit pointed to.



### Motivation for Branches

- Software development is often not linear.
- We need separate different lines of work.
- We typically need at least one stable version of the code.
- Other than this convention there is nothing special about master, it is just a branch.



## Where is git HEAD?

```
$ git branch
```

\* master

- To see where we are (where HEAD points to), we use
  - git branch
- This command shows where we are, it does not create a branch.
- There is only master and we are on master (star represents the HEAD).

# Creating a Branch

```
$ git branch experiment # create branch called "experiment" pointing to the present c
ommit
$ git checkout experiment # switch to branch "experiment"
$ git branch # list all local branches and show on which branch we are
```

- We can verify that a new branch **experiment** was created using:
  - git branch experiment
- We can verify that HEAD was switched to experiment using:
  - git checkout experiment

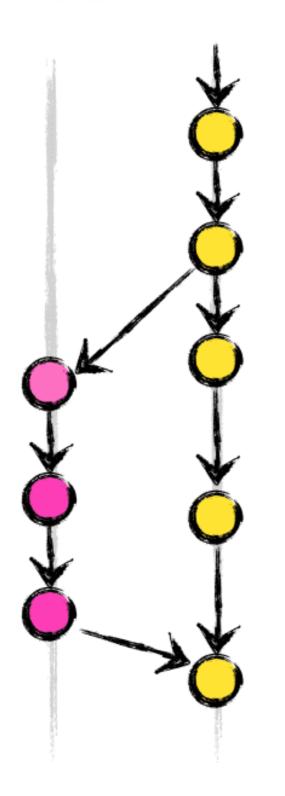
```
$ git branch

* experiment
master
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# Or the faster way...

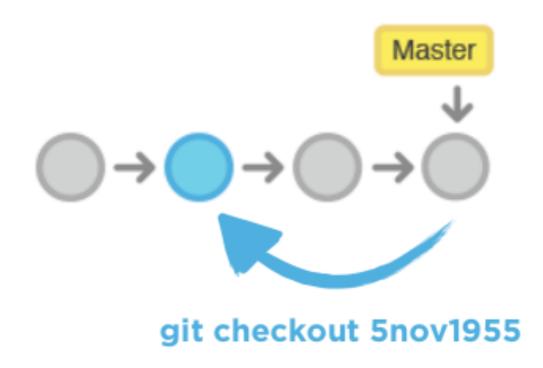
git checkout -b
 new\_branch

feature branches **develop** 



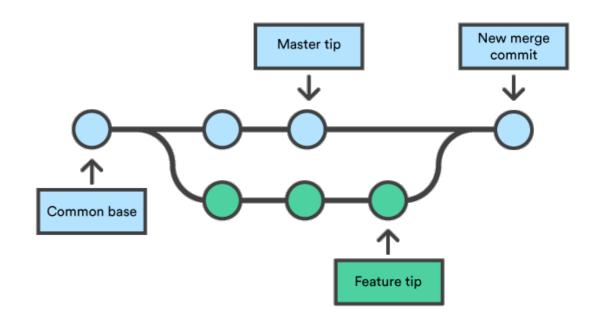
## What is git checkout?

- git checkout <branchname>
  - Switch to a branch.
- git checkout <hash>
  - Switch to a specific commit.
- git checkout <path/file>
  - Set a file/path to a specific state.
  - Throws away all unstaged/ uncommitted changes.



# Merging

- Now that we are happy with our changes, we can merge our changes back into the branch we diverged from.
- We can use
  - git merge <branch>



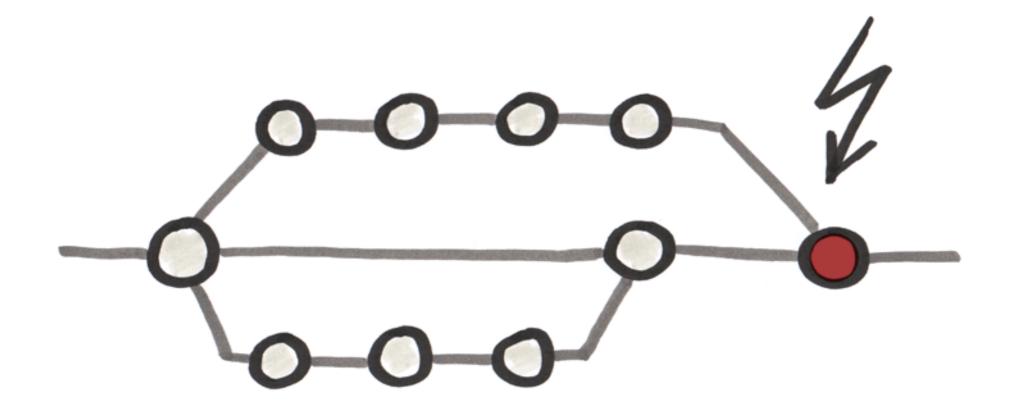
#### Checkout the branch you want to merge into

\$ git branch

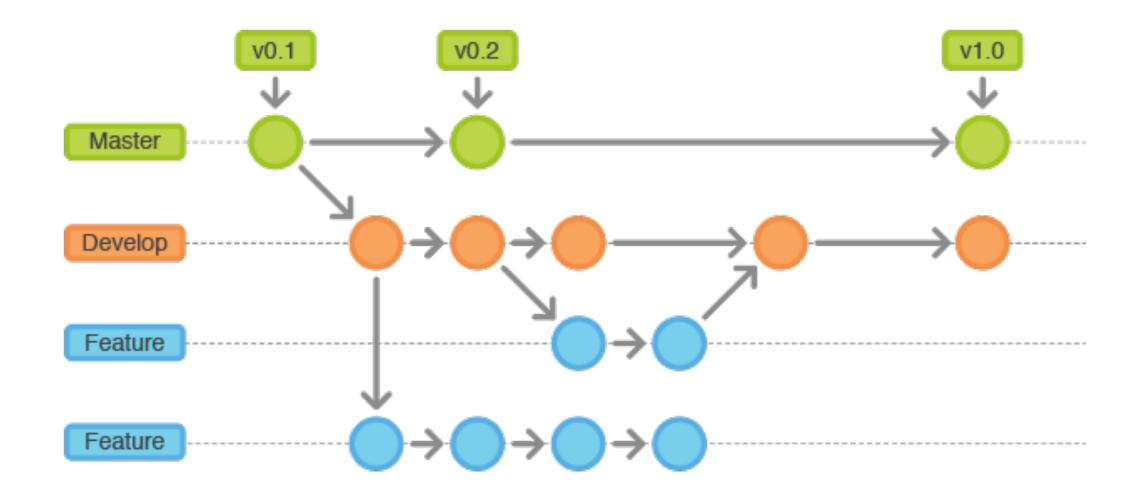
experiment
less-salt
\* master

#### Then we merge experiment into master:

\$ git merge experiment



## Conflict Resolution

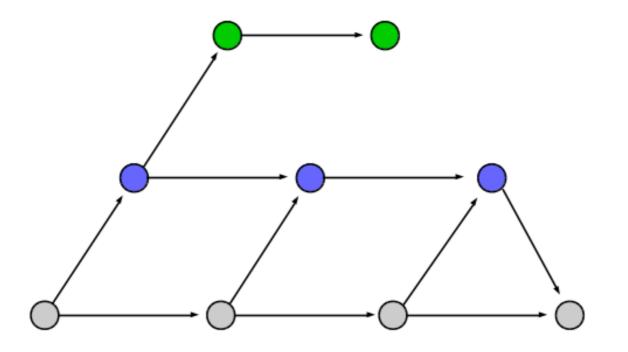


# Inspecting History

# Getting Help

- If you need help, you can use git help [command].
  - git help checkout
  - git help branch
  - git help reset
- Use online resources.
  - https://guides.github.com/





#### To-Do Task

Complete all lessons on <a href="https://learngitbranching.js.org/">https://learngitbranching.js.org/</a>

# How to NOT use Git?

