Git What it is, how it works, and how to use it

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Overview

Git is a very useful tool, but it has a bit of learning curve

This brief workshop should give you the groundwork to get started

When all else fails, consult these valuable resources





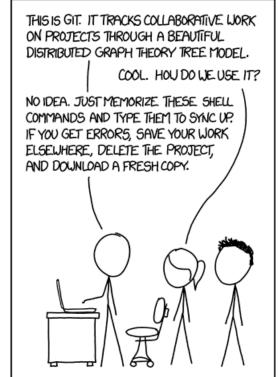
What is it?

"Git is software for tracking changes in any set of files, usually used for coordinating work among programmers collaboratively developing source code during software development. Its goals include speed, data integrity, and support for distributed, non-linear workflows."

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Git

Git is a version control system which allows for:

- Tracking changes
- Collaborating with others
- Parallel development





How it works

The gory details are beyond the scope of this talk (see e.g. StackOverflow)

The basics of git are:

- Create/clone a repo
- Add/modify code
- Commit changes







Git vs GitHub vs GitLab etc

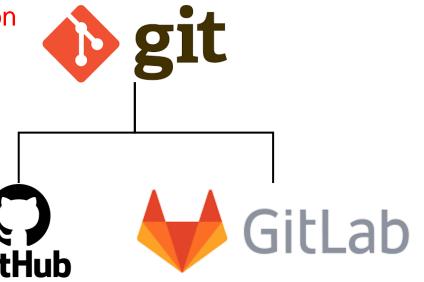
Git is the base protocol for storing information

Sites like GitHub and GitLab are git based tools for collaboration

For example, on GitHub one can push/pull commits, open a pull request (PR), view changes, enable continuous integration (CI), add contributors, and more

GitHub and GitLab are very similar

• It just depends on who started the repo and where





How to use it

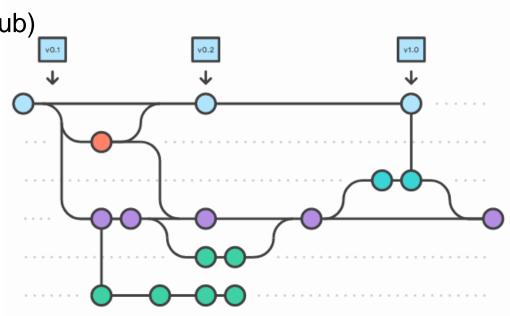
This section will be broken up into different parts:

Part I – How to set up a git repo (manually and with GitHub)

Part II – How to add files and make simple commits

Part III – Pushing to a remote repo

Part IV – Collaborating with others (via GitHub)



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HOW TO SET UP A GIT REPO

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Terminology

Repo – Repository in git

Remote – Link to the internet version (on GitHub, GitLab, etc.)

Origin – Shorthand for the remote repo where the project was originally cloned from

Upstream – Default remote branch where all pushes go



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How to set up a git repo

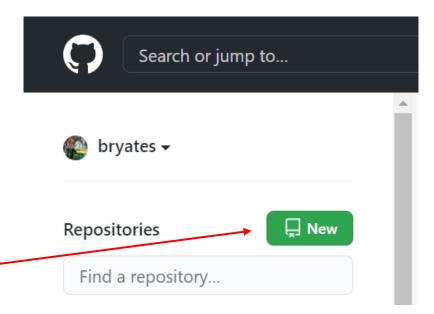
This can be done two different ways:

For local repos only, you can simply run git init in a new folder

- This can only be done once
- Git will create .git and other files/folders
- Trying another init will just throw an error

For collaborating, I prefer to create the repo online

- Go to <u>github.com</u> and <u>create</u> a new repo
- Clone the repo on any machine(s) used for development





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Creating a GitHub repo

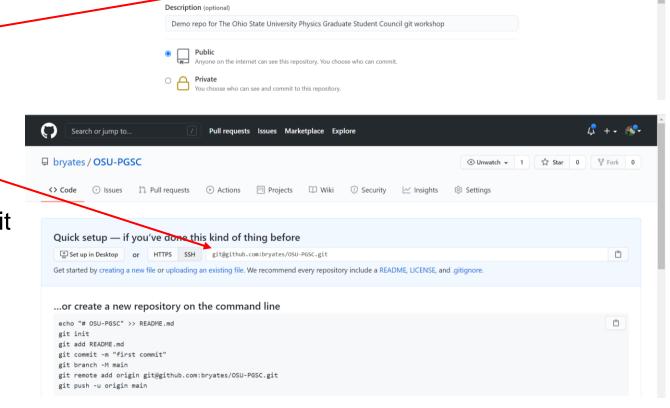
Clicking the **new** link opens this page

Here I've picked the name OSU-PGSC

The next page is unique to a fresh repo, and will change once anything is uploaded

To begin, clone the repo by copying the address

- I prefer the SSH version for security, but it takes additional steps to <u>add your own</u> <u>SSH key</u>
- Today we'll just use HTTPS
- I clicked on the README part to have GitHub generate a README



A repository contains all project files, including the revision history. Already have a project repository elsewhere?

are short and memorable. Need inspiration? How about sturdy-octo-enigma?

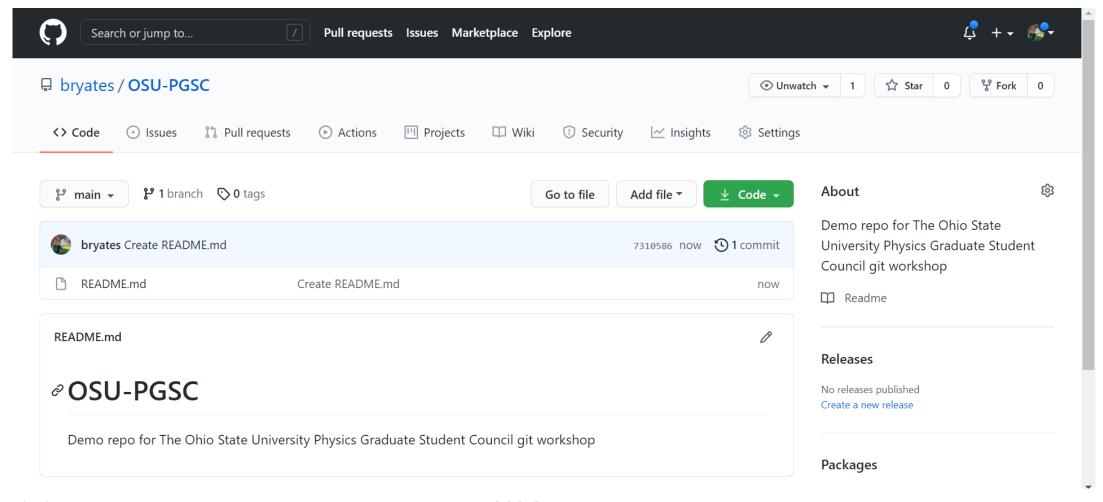
Create a new repository

OSU-PGSC

Owner



Our new repo on GitHub





Clone the repo

In a terminal (or the GitHub app if you prefer an interactive screen) clone the repo at https://github.com/bryates/OSU-PGSC.git

E.g. git clone https://github.com/bryates/OSU-PGSC.git

```
byates@PHY-NC224493: ~/OSU-PGSC

byates@PHY-NC224493: ~/ git clone https://github.com/bryates/OSU-PGSC.git
Cloning into 'OSU-PGSC'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 3, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (3/3), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (2/2), done.
remote: Total 3 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
Unpacking objects: 100% (3/3), done.
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/oSU-PGSC/leminal(or the GitHub app if you prefer
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:main)$ ls ub.com/bryates/OSU-PGREADME.md
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:main)$
```

I wrote a custom shell script in my .bashrc to display the remote repo name and branch name in the command line.

You won't normally see this.



A quick word on branch names

GitHub allows for any branch name you want, and any branch can be the primary branch

By default, GitHub now uses main as the primary branch

- If you've used GitHub before, you might be used to the master branch
- GitHub is encouraging groups to voluntarily avoid this wording https://github.com/github/renaming



HOW TO ADD FILES AND MAKE SIMPLE COMMITS

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Our first commit

As a simple example, let's edit the README file

I've opened the file in vim, my preferred editor and added my name to the bottom

```
byates@PHY-NC224493: ~/OSU-PGSC

# OSU-PGSC
Demo repo for The Ohio State University Physics Graduate Student Council git workshop
Created by Brent Yates
~
```

After saving the file, it is now different from the repo's version

```
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:main)$ git diff
diff --git a/README.md b/README.md
index 37124f2..d768a6e 100644
---- a/README.md
---- a/README.md
@@ -1,2 +1,3 @@
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byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:main)$ _e file in vim, my preferred editor and added my response to the property of th
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Our first commit (continued)

We must tell git that we want to save these changes

This is known as a commit

New files must be added first git add file1 file2 ...

If you want to commit all changes, use:
git commit -a

To commit a subset of the files, use: git commit file1 file2 ...

```
Our first commit
# Please enter the commit message for your changes. Lines starting
# with '#' will be ignored, and an empty message aborts the commit.
#
# On branch main
# Your branch is up to date with 'origin/main'.
#
# Changes to be committed:
# modified: README.md
#
This is known as a commit
```

This will open your default editor (vim in my case) where you can add a short message about the commit

After saving and closing this, the file(s) will be committed

```
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:main)$ git commit -a
[main a82b309] Our first commit
  1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:main)$
```



PUSHING TO A REMOTE REPO

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What next?

Now that we've committed our files locally, we must tell GitHub about the changes

This is done by using: git push Counting objects: 3, done.

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Counting objects: 3, done.

Delta compression using up to 8 threads.

Compressing objects: 100% (2/2), done.

Writing objects: 100% (3/3), 288 bytes | 288.00 KiB/s, done.

Total 3 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0)

remote: Resolving deltas: 100% (1/1), completed with 1 local object.

To https://github.com/bryates/OSU-PGSC.git

7310586..a82b309 main -> main

byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:main)$
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This is why I prefer using SSH keys

You can store your username and password in git, but it is not as secure

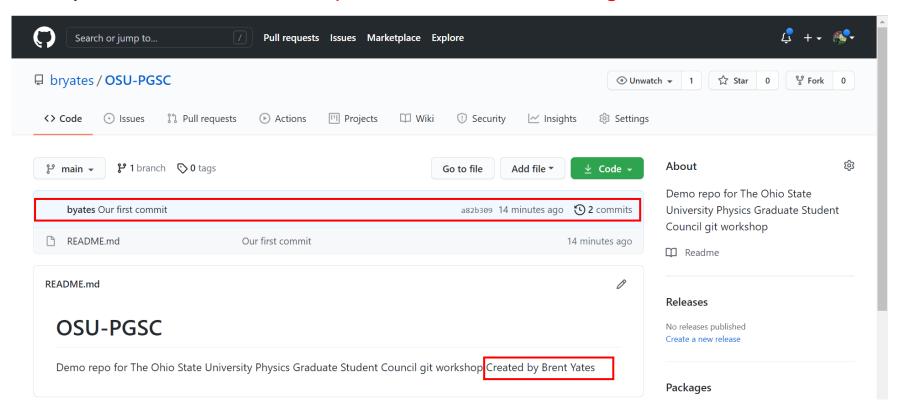
This is a simple example, but in general if you are collaborating with others, you should avoid pushing to the main branch

Instead, push to a new development branch (or one you're in the processes of updating), and open a pull request (more on this later)



After pushing

The repo on GitHub is now up to date with our changes





Git branches

Branches can be thought of as proposed updates to a git repo

Branches are intended to be short lived, and for one feature

- E.g. fix a bug, confirm it works, merge into the main branch, and delete the development branch
- Quite often people will not follow this rule, resulting in more complicated (but sometimes necessary) merging

```
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:main)$ git checkout -b update-readme
Switched to a new branch 'update-readme'
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(update-readme)$ git checkout main
Switched to branch 'main'
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/main'.
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:main)$ git checkout update-readme
Switched to branch 'update-readme'
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- A branch is created with: git branch -b name
- To switch between branches, use: git checkout name



Pushing branches

The first time a branch is pushed, it must be assigned to an upstream branch

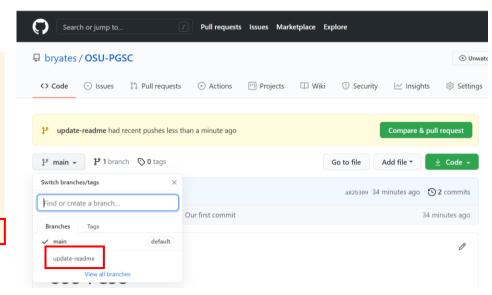
git push --set-upstream origin name or git push -u origin name

This tells GitHub the new branch exists

```
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(update-readme)$ vi README.md
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(update-readme)$ git commit -a
[update-readme b12d423] Added new line
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
gbyates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(update-readme)$ git push
fatal: The current branch update-readme has no upstream branch.
To push the current branch and set the remote as upstream, use
    git push --set-upstream origin update-readme

byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(update-readme)$ git push -u origin update-readme
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Subsequent pushes are done with git push

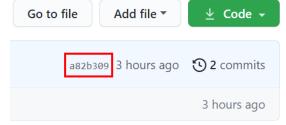




Commit hash

You might have noticed these hash codes in the terminal and on the GitHub website

When a commit is made, git computes the SHA hash of all the files in the commit



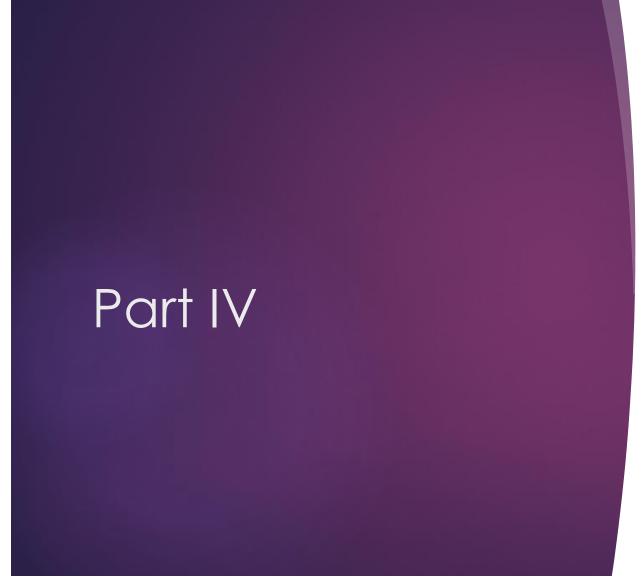
The full hash for this example is a82b309f8b72932e3c93024bc149f3151cad8bdd However, since these are so unique, you typically only need the first few characters a82b309

This is how git internally tracks the history

You can view the entire history with git log

If you need to temporarily look at an older version of the code, use git checkout sha, or git checkout sha -b name if you want to make a new branch with this version

```
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git log
commit 48c04620da0a6ae076d1a861db3bc9877603d15f (HEAD -> update-readme, origin/update-readme
Author: byates <bre> <bre>drent.yates@cern.ch>
       Thu Jul 22 11:05:03 2021 -0400
commit b12d42392a287a5c7a787ee6c2291ddeca29223b
Author: byates <br/> <br/>brent.yates@cern.ch>
        Thu Jul 22 10:45:04 2021 -0400
    Added new line
commit a82b309f8b72932e3c93024bc149f3151cad8bdd (origin/main, origin/HEAD, main)
Author: byates <bre> <bre>brent.yates@cern.ch>
        Thu Jul 22 10:15:17 2021 -0400
    Our first commit
Author: Brent R. Yates <bre> <bre> <bre>brentRyates@gmail.com>
Date: Thu Jul 22 10:02:37 2021 -0400
    Create README.md
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)
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COLLABORATING WITH OTHERS

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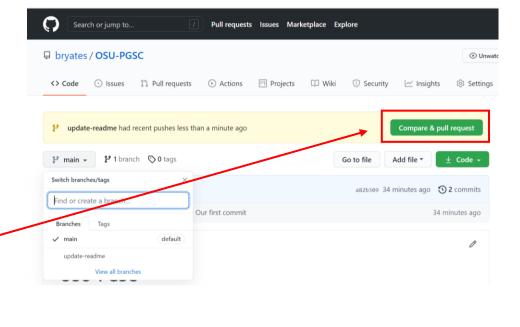


Pull request

A pull request (PR) is a way of letting others know your branch is ready for review and merging into the main branch

This is done on the GitHub webpage, not on the command line

- Click Compare & pull request
- Fill in any information you desire
- Click Create pull request
- PRs can be updated and/or merged



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No description provided.

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1) Open bryates wants to merge 1 commit into main from update-readne

Conversation 0 -- Commits 1 The Checks 0 The Files changed 1

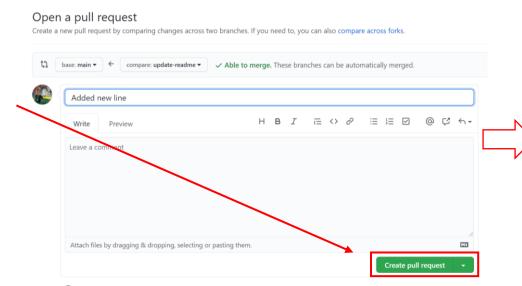
Add more commits by pushing to the update-readne branch on bryates/OSU-PGSC.

GitHub Actions and several other apps can be used to automatically catch bugs and enforce style

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Continuous integration has not been set up

This branch has no conflicts with the base branch





Contributing to a pull request

Anyone can update a the PR by pulling, making changes, and pushing to the same branch

To checkout a new branch from GitHub (e.g. one someone else created) use:

git checkout origin/name -b name

Where origin/name refers to the upstream branch, and -b name creates a local copy of the branch with the corresponding name

```
byates@PHY-NC224493: ~/OSU-PGSC(origin:main)$ git checkout origin/update-readme -b update-readme

Branch 'update-readme' set up to track remote branch 'update-readme' from 'origin'.

Switched to a new branch 'update-readme'

byates@PHY-NC224493: ~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$

In this example, I deleted the local copy first:

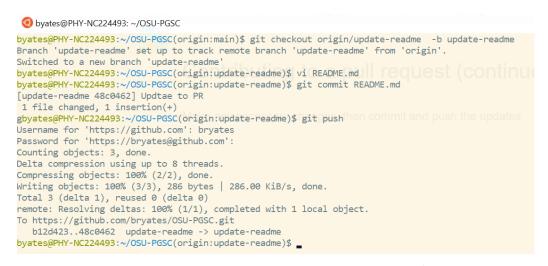
git checkout master

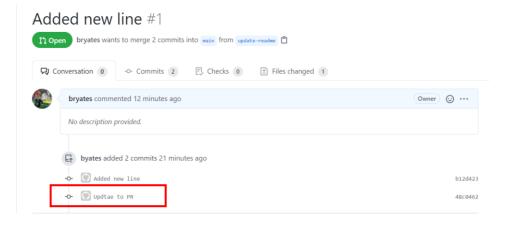
git branch -d update-readme
```



Contributing to a pull request (continued)

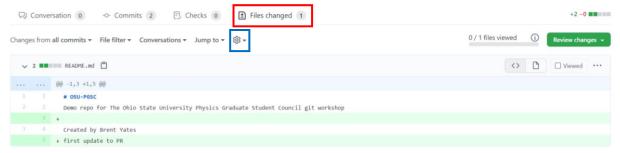
Make any necessary changes, then commit and push the updates





Changes can be viewed online

By default white spaces count as changes; click the gear box to see more options



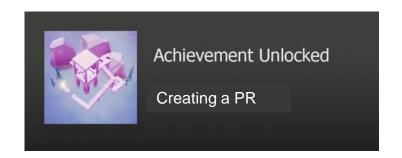
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Interactive exercise I – Your first PR

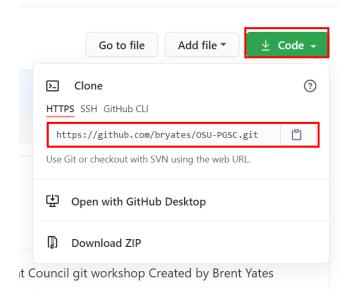
Everyone clone the repo: https://github.com/bryates/OSU-PGSC



Create a new branch (with a unique name)

Add your name to the README

Push to the repo and open a PR





Interactive exercise II – Working with others

Pushing to the same branch at the same time causes issues

Git will prevent this by refusing to push

To avoid this for now, split into groups of two

Steps to participate:

- Checkout your partner's branch
- Pull the latest changes with git pull
- Add your namb below theirs
- Commit and push your changes to their PR



Advanced topics

MERGING AND REBASING

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Merging and rebasing

What happens if two branches need to be synced?

- E.g. you forgot to pull before committing
- If you do git pull, it will initiate a merge

Git will try its best to reconcile the differences

If not, you'll have to manually fix any merge issues

Alternative is to rebase one branch to the other with git rebase name

Rebasing will allow git to:

- Rewind the commit history of both branches to a common ancestor
- Apply the commits one-by-one
- Rewriting the history along the way



Merging and rebasing

I created a new branch called test based on the update-readme branch

I made a new file called test.txt, added and committed it to the branch

The two branches now differ, and must be handled

```
Obvates@PHY-NC224493: ~/OSU-PGSC
gbyates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git checkout -b test
Switched to a new branch 'test'
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(test)$ vi test.txt
gbyates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(test)$ git add test.txt
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(test)$ git commit -a
[test 7ab8793] This is a new commit that must be merged or rebased
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
create mode 100644 test.txt
gibyates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(test)$ git log
commit 7ab8793170681f956a25364a00c5e9ab5c1e2518 (HEAD -> test)
Author: byates <br/> <br/>brent.yates@cern.ch>
Date: Thu Jul 22 13:17:41 2021 -0400
    This is a new commit that must be merged or rebased
commit 48c04620da0a6ae076d1a861db3bc9877603d15f (origin/update-readme, update-readme)
Author: byates <br/> <br/>brent.yates@cern.ch>
Date: Thu Jul 22 11:05:03 2021 -0400
    Updtae to PR
commit b12d42392a287a5c7a787ee6c2291ddeca29223b
Author: byates <br/> <br/>brent.yates@cern.ch>
Date: Thu Jul 22 10:45:04 2021 -0400
    Added new line
commit a82b309f8b72932e3c93024bc149f3151cad8bdd (origin/main, origin/HEAD, main)
```



Merging

Also added test.txt to the update-readme branch

Try to merge the test branch into the update-readme branch

A merge conflict occurred

Resolve by hand or using git mergetool

A merge tool must be set, in my case git config --global merge.tool vimdiff

```
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ vi test.txt
gbyates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git add test.txt
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git commit -a
[update-readme aad4327] Forcing a clash
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
create mode 100644 test.txt
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git merge test
Auto-merging test.txt
CONFLICT (add/add): Merge conflict in test.txt test.txt to the update-
Automatic merge failed; fix conflicts and then commit the result.
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$

For the first example, I'll simply merge the test branch into the update-readme
branch
```



Merge conflict

Simple enough to do in vim

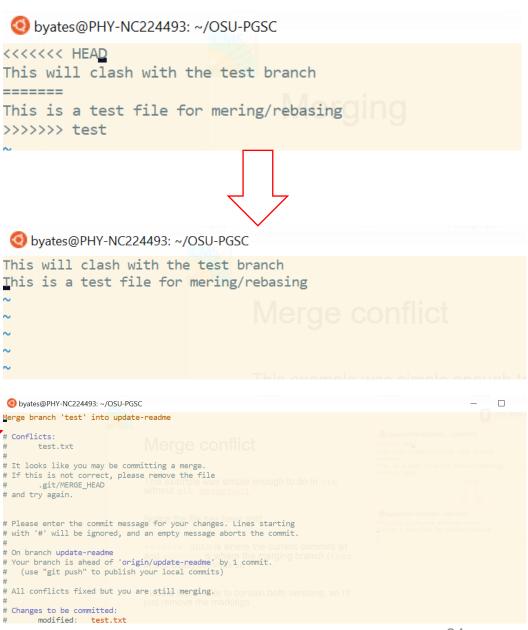
Notice the file has been split

<<<<< HEAD is where the current branch sit and ===== is where the merging branch (test in this case) commits sit

I would like the file to contain both versions, so I'll just remove the markings

Finally, we must commit this new change with git commit -a

Result new commit stating we merged the two branches





Rebasing

Using git rebase from the test branch instead

Still have a merge conflict, resolve with git mergetool this time

Might look different

Fix file, save, and close the tool

Resume rebase with git rebase -continue

O byates@PHY-NC224493: ~/OSU-PGSC g<mark>byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PG</mark>SC(origin:update-readme)\$ git checkout test byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(test)\$ git rebase update-readme First, rewinding head to replay your work on top of it... Applying: This is a new commit that must be merged or rebased Using index info to reconstruct a base tree... Falling back to patching base and 3-way merge... Auto-merging test.txt CONFLICT (add/add): Merge conflict in test.txt error: Failed to merge in the changes. Patch failed at 0001 This is a new commit that must be merged or rebased Use 'git am --show-current-patch' to see the failed patch Resolve all conflicts manually, mark them as resolved with "git add/rm <conflicted files>", then run "git rebase --continue". You can instead skip this commit: run "git rebase --skip". To abort and get back to the state before "git rebase", run "git rebase --abort". byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC((no branch, rebasing test))\$ git mergetool test.txt Normal merge conflict for 'test.txt': {local}: created file {remote}: created file 3 files to edit byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC((no branch, rebasing test))\$ byates@PHY-NC224493: ~/OSU-PGSC

The middle pane is the one to fix Usually, <code>vimdiff</code> will open a fourth, larger window at the bottom, with the one to fix

Switch back to update-readme, merge test with no issues



Merge vs rebase

So, what was the point?

If you compare the git log for each case, it becomes apparent

```
git merge ⇒ new commit for the merge git rebase stitched the histories together
```

The benefit of one over the other is mostly a matter of taste I personally don't like seeing Merge in the log

However, keep in mind that if you pull someone else's branch, do a rebase, and force push, they must pull these changes before any other updates, or they'll have to do their own merge/rebase again later

This is why some people prefer not to rebase once a branch is shared

```
O byates@PHY-NC224493: ~/OSU-PGSC
Merge: aad4327 7ab8793
Author: byates <brent.yates@cern.ch>
Date: Thu Jul 22 13:48:45 2021 -0400
     Merge branch 'test' into update-readme
commit aad4327304517abf023e2b74d7d0592bbba649e0
Author: byates <bre> <bre>drent.yates@cern.ch>
Date: Thu Jul 22 13:37:52 2021 -0400
    Forcing a clash
commit 7ab8793170681f956a25364a00c5e9ab5c1e2518
Author: byates <bre> <bre>drent.yates@cern.ch>
Date: Thu Jul 22 13:17:41 2021 -0400
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Author: byates <bre> <bre>drent.yates@cern.ch>
Date: Thu Jul 22 10:45:04 2021 -0400
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    Our first commit
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STASHING CHANGES

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Stashing unsaved changes

Try to pull before you making local changes

Hide local uncommitted changes with: git stash

- To retrieve stashed code, simply use git stash pop
- To see what is stashed use git stash list
- Have multiple stashes and need an older one?
 Use git stash pop stash@{n} where n is the version you want from the list
- To see what's in the stash use git stash show or git stash show -p to see the details
- Delete all stashes with git stash clear

```
gbyates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git diff
diff --git a/test.txt b/test.txt
index 685b58b..7387c3a 100644
@ -1,2 +1,3 @@
This will clash with the test branch
This is a test file for mering/rebasing
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git stash
Saved working directory and index state WIP on update-readme: 0e9941a Merge branch 'test' into update-readme
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git diff
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git stash list
stash@{0}: WIP on update-readme: 0e9941a Merge branch 'test' into update-readme
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git stash show
test.txt 1 +
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git stash show -p
diff --git a/test.txt b/test.txt
index 685b58b..7387c3a 100644
--- a/test.txt
+++ b/test.txt
@ -1,2 +1,3 @@
This will clash with the test branch
This is a test file for mering/rebasing
+another change
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$ git stash pop
On branch update-readme
Your branch is ahead of 'origin/update-readme' by 3 commits.
 (use "git push" to publish your local commits)
Changes not staged for commit:
 (use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)
 (use "git checkout -- <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit -a")
Dropped refs/stash@{0} (b93cd42dedac38812ce723dd8993995746aa0a5d)
byates@PHY-NC224493:~/OSU-PGSC(origin:update-readme)$
```



REFLOG

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Reflog

How did I reset my repo when preparing slide 35?

lused git reflog

This shows the full history of your local copy

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Ø byates@PHY-NC224493: ~/OSU-PGSC
7ab8793 HEAD@{14}: checkout: moving from update-readme to test
aad4327 HEAD@{15}: reset: moving to HEAD@{8}
7ab8793 HEAD@{16}: merge test: Fast-forward
48c0462 (origin/update-readme) HEAD@{17}: checkout: moving from test to update-readme
7ab8793 HEAD@{18}: checkout: moving from update-readme to test
48c0462 (origin/update-readme) HEAD@{19}: reset: moving to HEAD@{3}
0e9941a (HEAD -> <mark>update-readme</mark>) HEAD@{20}: commit (merge): Merge branch 'test' into update-readme
aad4327 HEAD@{21}: reset: moving to HEAD@{2}
7ab8793 HEAD@{22}: merge test: Fast-forward
48c0462 (origin/update-readme) HEAD@{23}: reset: moving to HEAD@{1}
aad4327 HEAD@{24}: commit: Forcing a clash
48c0462 (origin/update-readme) HEAD@{25}: reset: moving to HEAD@{2}
48c0462 (origin/update-readme) HEAD@{28}: checkout: moving from test to update-readme
7ab8793 HEAD@{29}: commit: This is a new commit that must be merged or rebased
48c0462 (origin/update-readme) HEAD@{30}: checkout: moving from update-readme to test
48c0462 (origin/update-readme) HEAD@{31}: commit: Updtae to PR
b12d423 HEAD@{32}: checkout: moving from main to update-readme
a82b309 (origin/main, origin/HEAD, main) HEAD@{33}: checkout: moving from update-readme to main
```

Revert back to the commit with the message "Forcing clash", which is at HEAD@ { 24 }

To do this, I used git reset --hard HEAD@{24}

Be careful using git reset, as the --hard flag will throw away all changes Use --soft to treat all changes as new, to be committed again

Treat reflog and reset as a last resort



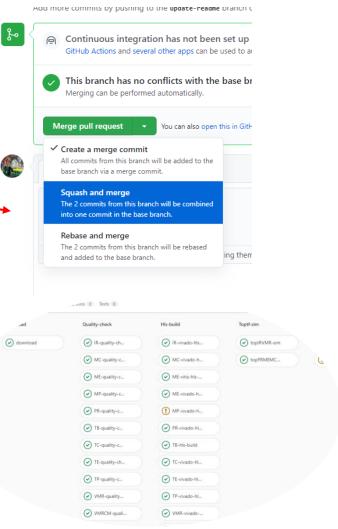
Bonus topics

Squashing

- Remove/merge multiple commits
- git rebse -i or use the interactive panel on a PR

Continuous integration (CI)

- Trigger specific actions on GitHub, GitLab, etc.
- E.g. run unit tests whenever someone pushes to the repo
 Compile code every night, so users can download
 - Compile code every night, so users can download patches in the morning







Conclusion

Git is an excellent tool for version control and collaboration including:

- Push/pull changes to a code base
- Open pull requests for review and to update the main branch
- View a complete history of commits

Many more advanced topics not covered in this talk

Remember, if it breaks, all is not lost!

- Check the logs, checkout past commits, reset changes
- Check StackOverflow; we all make the same mistakes!