

Git Training

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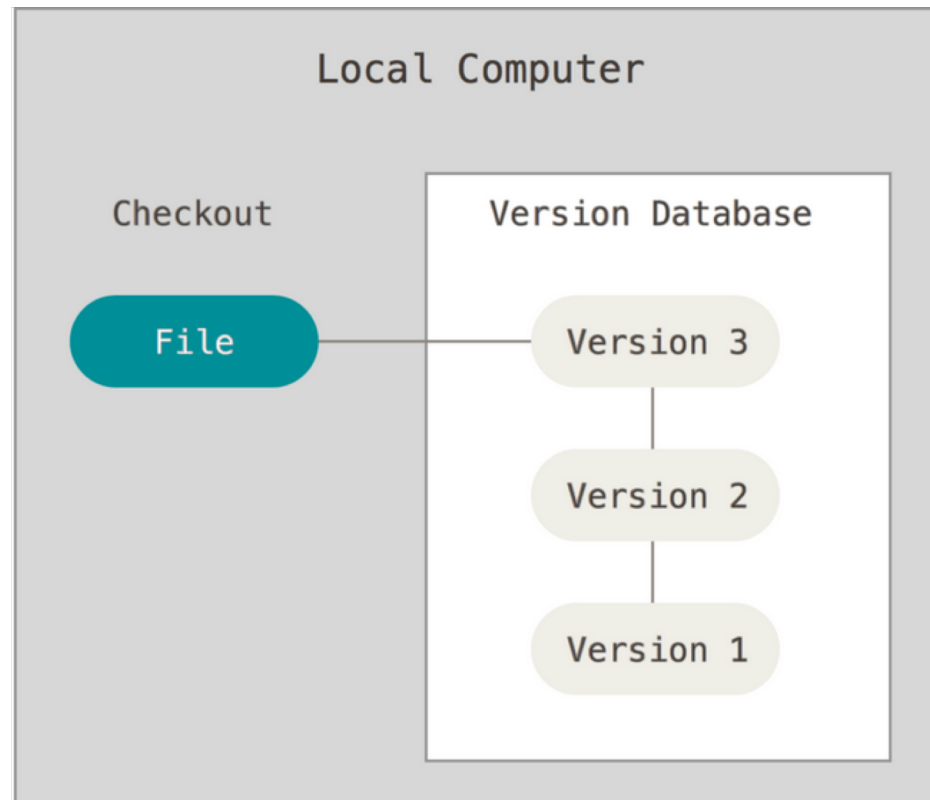
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Motivation

- Imagine a bunch of cryptographers want to write a paper together
 - They are sitting in different offices (all over the world)
 - They want to work together on one/more documents
 - They want to edit the documents at the same time
 - Under pressure, mistakes happen
 - Also when not under pressure
- Solution: Exchange files per email?
 - S*** loads of emails
 - Who has the latest version?
 - Everyone has to wait until the other people finish

About Version Control (1)

- Store “several copies” of a file
- History of the changes to a file



About Version Control (2)

Free backups for everyone!

Disclaimer

This workshop does not tell you:

- Good coding collaborative practice
- How to be a “git master”

But does tell you:

- How to use git well when collaborating on a paper
- How to use it **practically**

Installing git

- **Linux:**

```
$ sudo apt-get install git-all
```

- **Mac OS:**

Download from: <https://git-scm.com/download/mac>

Or use brew: `brew install git`

- **General link (including Windows):**

```
https://git-scm.com/downloads
```

First-Time Git Setup

- Configure name

```
$ git config -- global user.name "John Doe"
```

- Configure email address

```
$ git config -- global user.email "johndoe@example.com"
```

- Configure editor for commit messages

```
$ git config -- global core.editor nano
```

- Check settings

```
$ git config -- list  
user.name=John Doe  
user.email=johndoe@example.com
```

```
...
```

Basic Commands

git clone

- Get a copy of an existing remote repository on your local machine
- The typical way to start any project

git status

- Lists the files which have been modified since the last commit
- Lists the untracked files in your local directory

git add

- Puts a file in the 'staging area' ready for a commit
- You can add several files ready for one commit

```
$ git add test.txt
```

Adds a new file called test.txt to the staging area (which can then be uploaded to the server)

git commit

- Commits the files in the staging area (that have been added with the previous command)
- Add a meaningful commit message so you/other people understand the change
- Commits are labelled by a hash value (SHA-1)

```
$ git commit -m "refer to [XYZ17] in introduction"
```

This means 'Commit the file[s] that have been added to the local repository, with the message given after the symbol -m'.

git push

- Upload the committed local changes to the remote repository

```
$ git push origin master
```

git pull

- Download the latest remote change to the local repository

```
$ git pull origin master
```

git log

- Shows the history of commits (author/date/commit message)

```
$ git log --graph
```

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Exercises

- **Setup**

- Create Github account (FYI: you already should've done this)
- Tell us your username (FYI: you already should've done this)
- Start Exercises (FYI: This is not something you should've done already)

Exercise 1

- Create a new repository on Github
- Create a file named “test.txt”
- Write your name in the text document
- Upload the textfile to the repository

Exercise 2

- Checkout the following repository:
 - <https://github.com/rachelplayer/isg-playground.git>
- Create a file “<your_firstname>.txt”
- Upload your file to the repository
- Download the files of the other people

Exercise 3

- Use the repository from previous exercise
- Write your name in the text document “names.txt”
- Upload the changes in names.txt
- Overall goal: Everyone’s name should be in the file names.txt

(slightly)

Advanced Commands

Git IDs

- Every git commit has a unique ID
- If you want to go back to a commit, use the ID!
- To find the ID, use the website or

```
$ git log
```

- Git log example:

```
commit 0cb46a492bd91e0b4389dfeacd83ed2701701222
```

```
Author: Rachel Player <rachelplayer@gmail.com>
```

```
Date: Fri Jan 18 15:06:41 2019 +0000
```

```
added the file rachel.txt
```

git checkout

- Revert a file to a version of the file from a previous commit

```
$ git checkout test.txt
```

This restores the file test.txt to the last uploaded version

```
$ git checkout 397344c2 test.txt
```

This restores the file test.txt to the version with commit id 397344c2

git diff

- Shows the differences between your version and the latest commit

```
$ git diff
```


.gitignore

- One can create a file and list all files that should be ignored by git
- For example all intermediate files from LaTeX:
 - *.bbl
 - *.blg
 - *.aux
 - *.out
 - *.log

git mv

- Move/Rename a file

```
$ git mv test.txt introduction.txt
```

This renames the file test.txt to introduction.txt

git rm

- **Deletes a file from the git repository**
 - If you delete the local file, but don't commit the deletion, it can be recovered

```
$ git rm test.txt
```

git stash trick

- How do we go back to the latest commit?
 - We changed a lot of files, but it was a bad decision.
 - git checkout a; git checkout b; git checkout c; ... ?
- OR:

```
$ git stash; git stash drop
```

Exercise 😊

Exercise 4

- Go back to your own repo
- Add 2 files: “test2.txt, oops.txt”.
- Commit
- Revert the changes using *only git*
- Commit
- Recover these files using *only git*
- Remove oops.txt again

Demo 😊

Exercise 😊

Exercise 5

- In pairs, invite someone to join your repo
- Add a file “review.txt” and push
- Both collaboratively write a review about this workshop. Push regularly, and resolve conflicts.

Hint:

- Git diff
- Git log (also verify their useful commit messages!)

Exercise 6

- Copy the review into the shared repo
 - isg-playground
- add it, commit and push!
 - Hint: `git mv`

Useful Stuff for Paper Writing

Github

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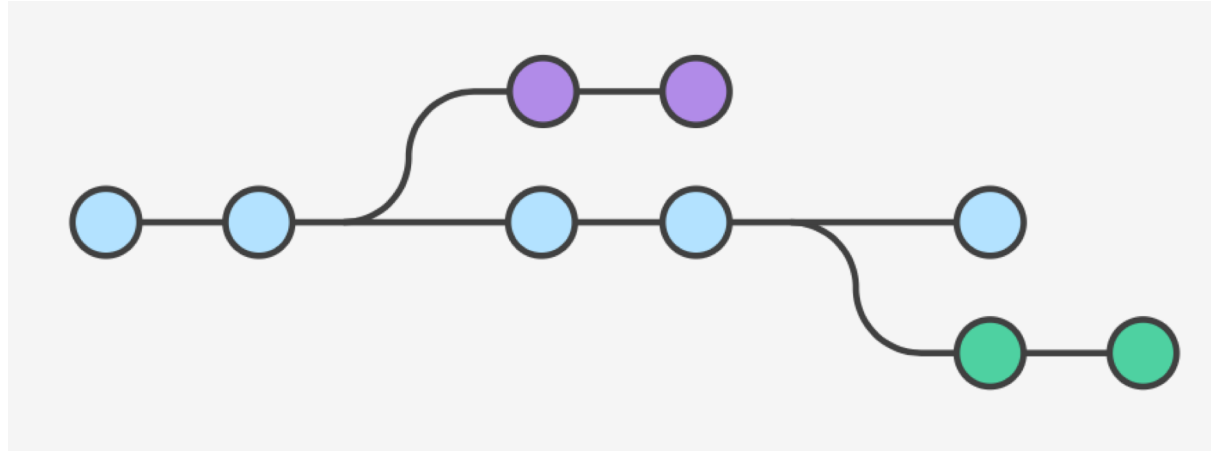
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Advanced Commands

Git Branches



- A branch represents a independent line of development
- There are local and remote branches

Git Branches

- List all branches in your repository:

```
$ git branch
```

- Create a new branch:

```
$ git branch <branch>
```

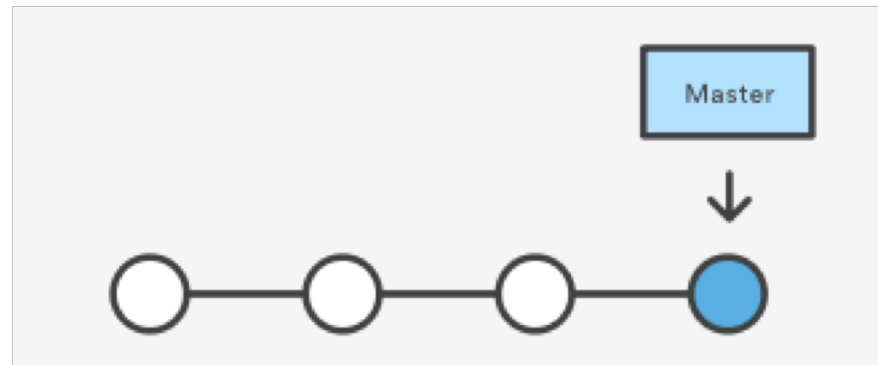
- Delete a branch:

```
$ git branch -d <branch>
```

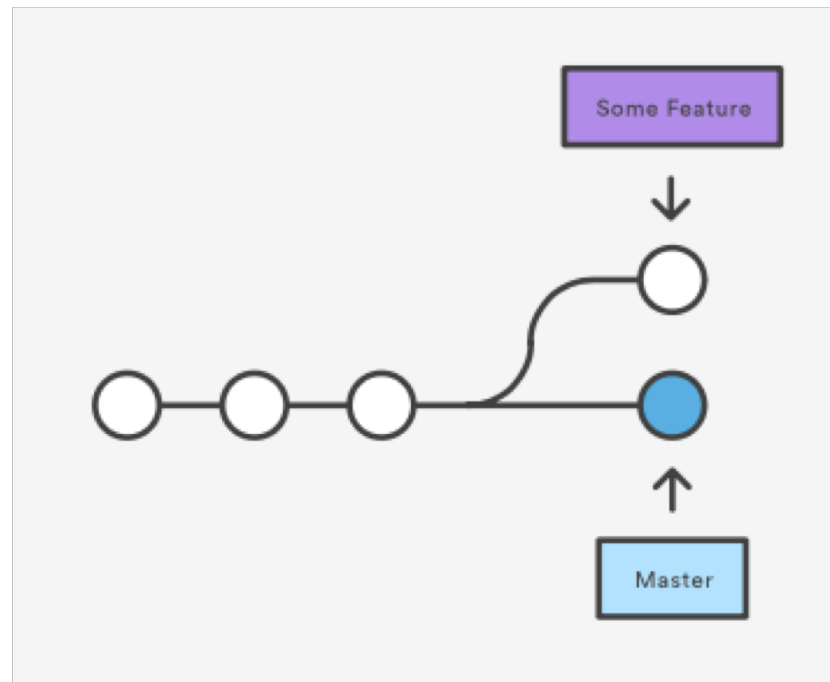
- Switch to /checkout a branch:

```
$ git checkout <branch>
```


Git Branches - Example

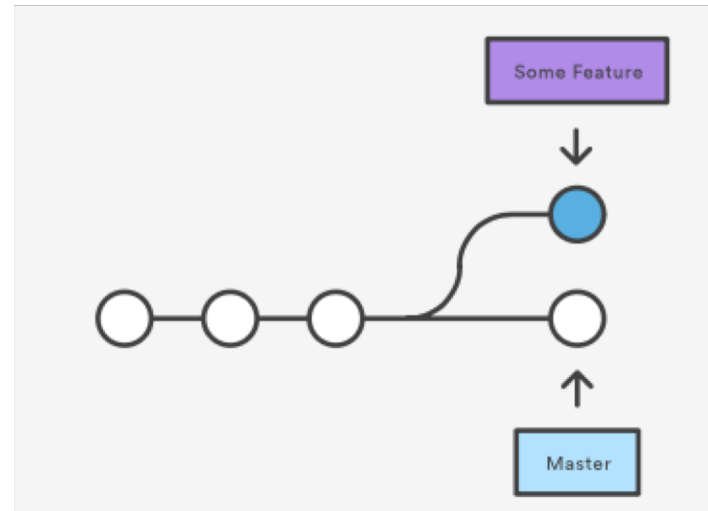


```
$ git branch <some feature>
```

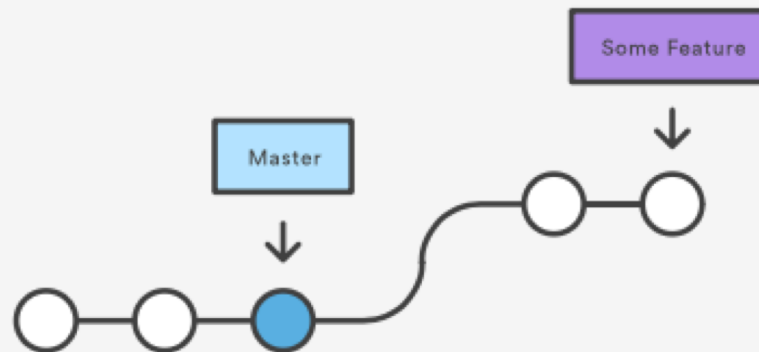


Git Branches - Example

```
$ git checkout <some feature>
```



```
$ touch test.txt  
$ git add test.txt  
$ git commit test.txt -m "add test.txt"
```



Git Branches - Merge

- Merge branch back to current branch:

```
$ git merge <branch>
```

- Merge branch (but always create a merge commit):

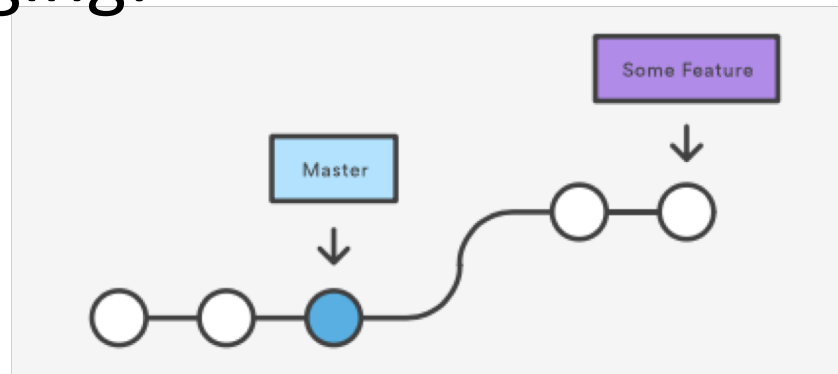
```
$ git merge --no-ff <branch>
```

- Several types of possible merges
 - Fast-forward merge
 - 3-way merge

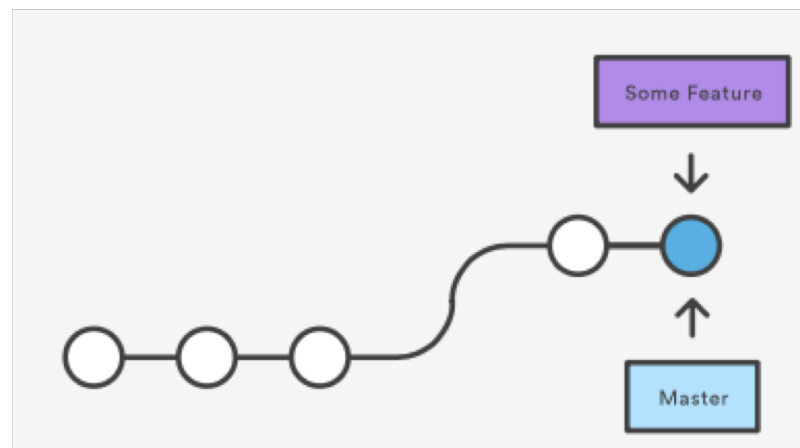
Git Branches – Fast-Forward Merge

```
$ git checkout master  
$ git merge <some feature>
```

- Before merging:



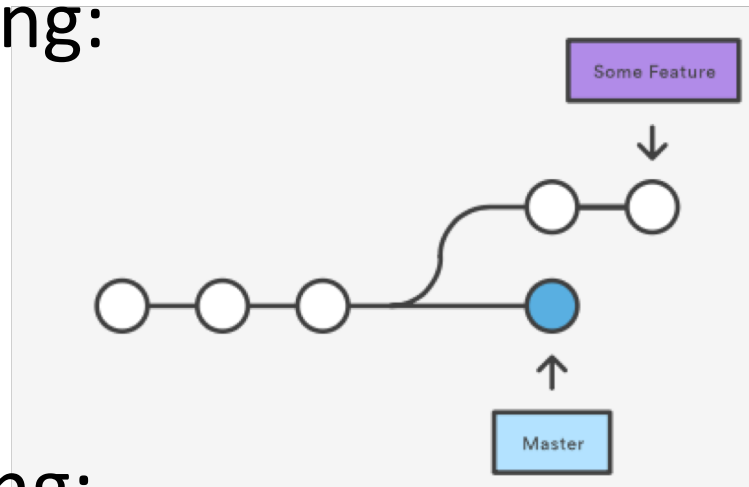
- After merging:



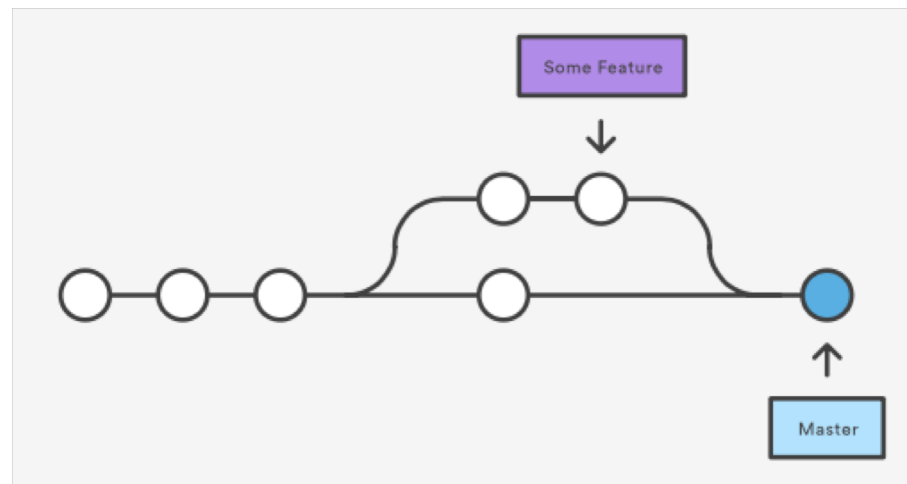
Git Branches – 3-way Merge

```
$ git checkout master  
$ git merge <some feature>
```

- Before merging:



- After merging:



Git Branches – Merge conflicts

- If two branches change the same part of the same file, git can't handle the conflict

```
# On branch master
# Unmerged paths:
# (use "git add/rm ..." as appropriate to mark resolution)
#
# both modified: hello.py
#
```

- Resolve conflict manually
- Commit resolved conflict

Git Branches – Remote branches

- Publish/Push a local branch:

```
$ git push origin <branch>
```

- Pull a remote branch:

```
$ git checkout -b <localbranch> origin/<remotebranch>
```

- List all branches (local and remote):

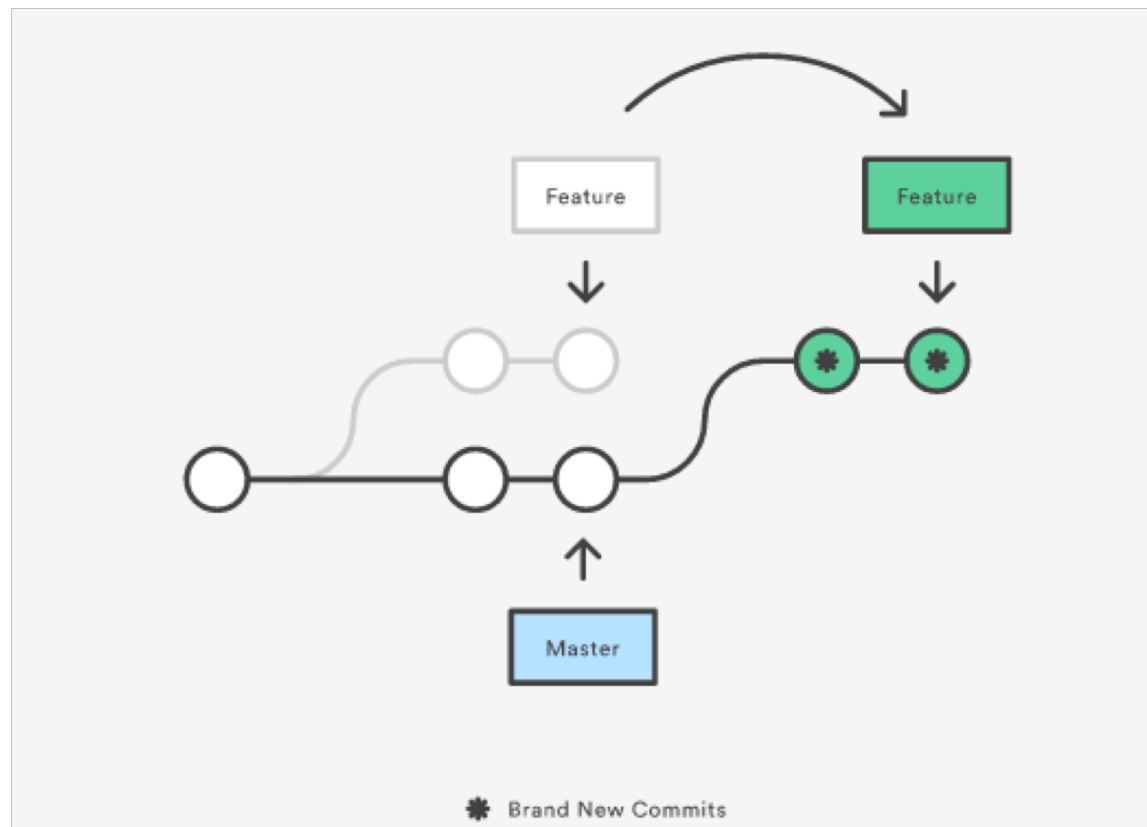
```
$ git branch -a
```

- Delete remote branch

```
$ git push origin --delete <remotebranch>
```

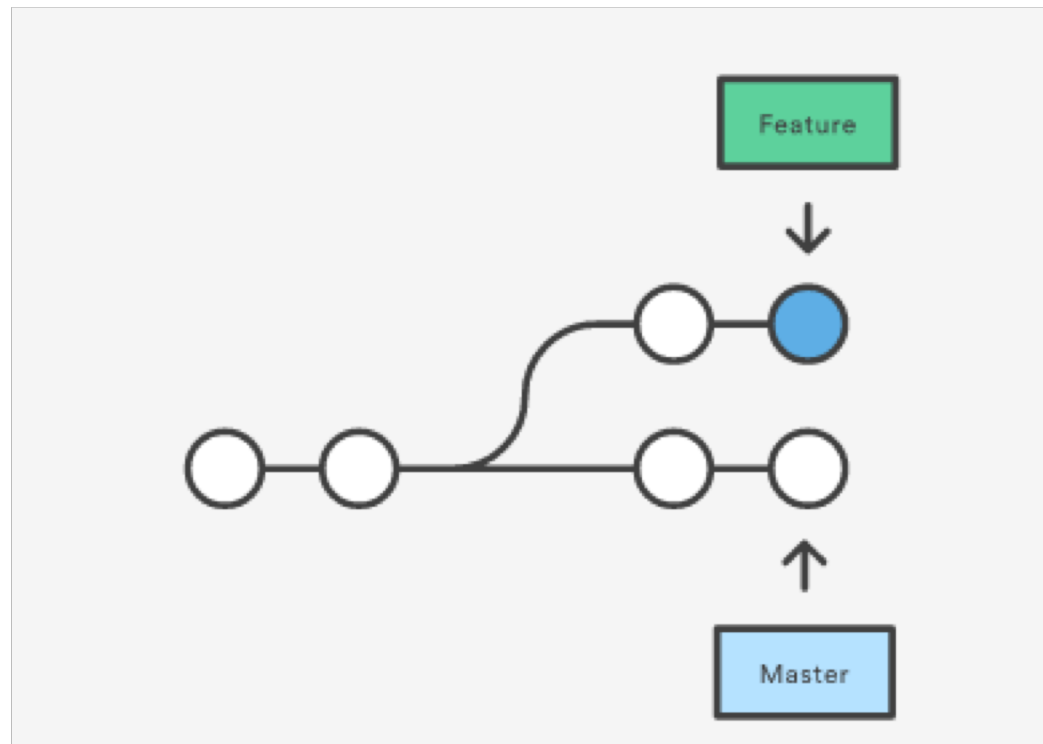
Git Branches – Rebasing

- Move a branch to a new base commit
- Maintain linear project history
- Don't lose history from a branch



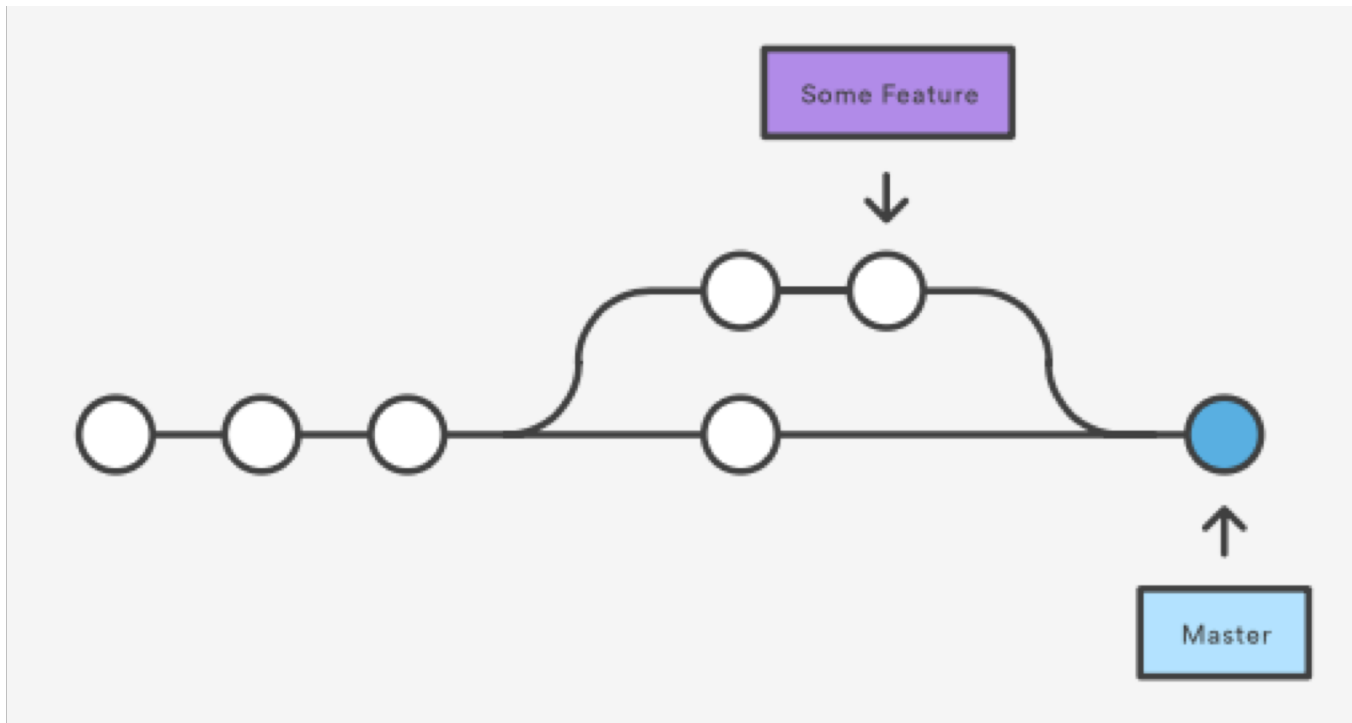
Git Branches – Rebasing

- Master branch has progressed since the start of a feature
- The feature depends on some commits of the master branch



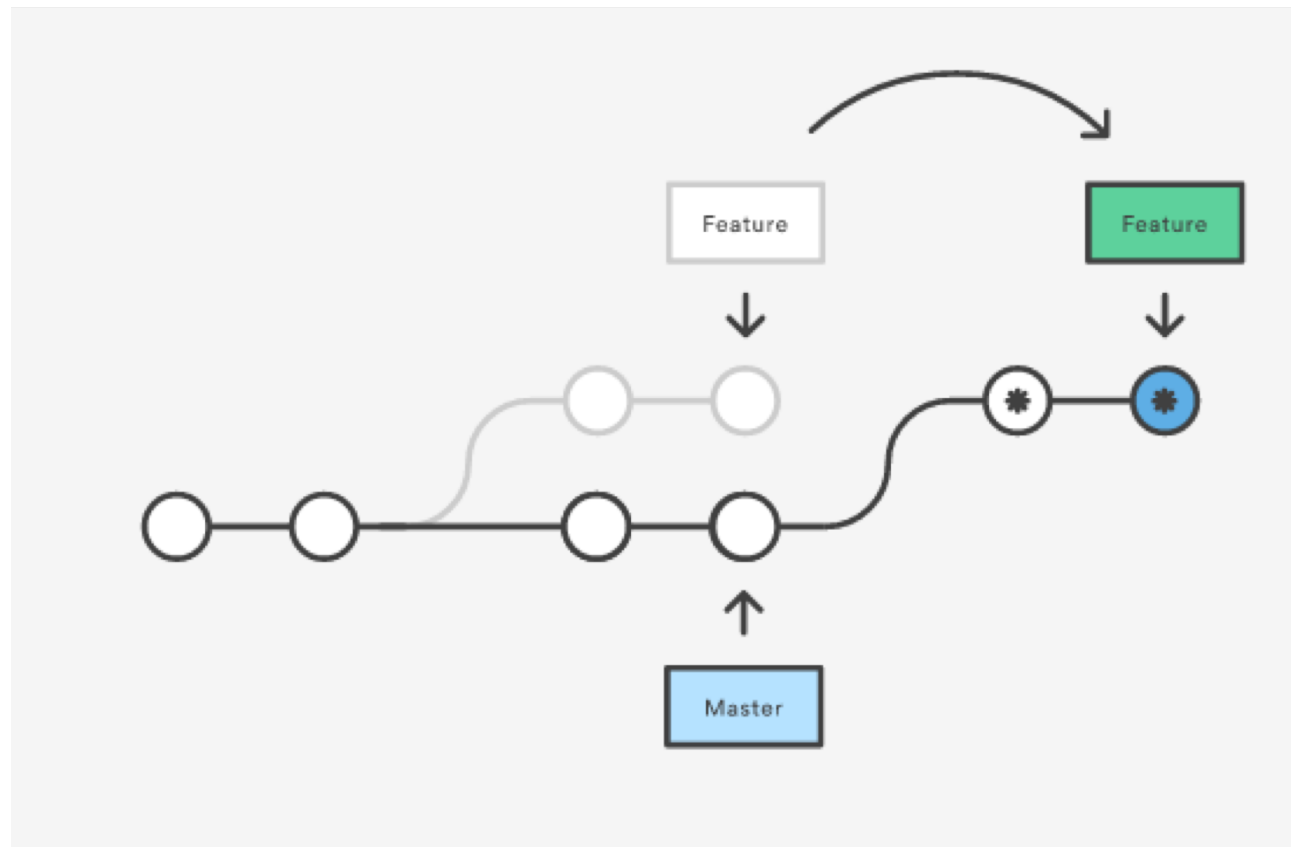
Git Branches – Rebasing

- Solution 1: Merge directly with a 3-way merge and a merge commit



Git Branches – Rebasing

- Solution 2: Rebase



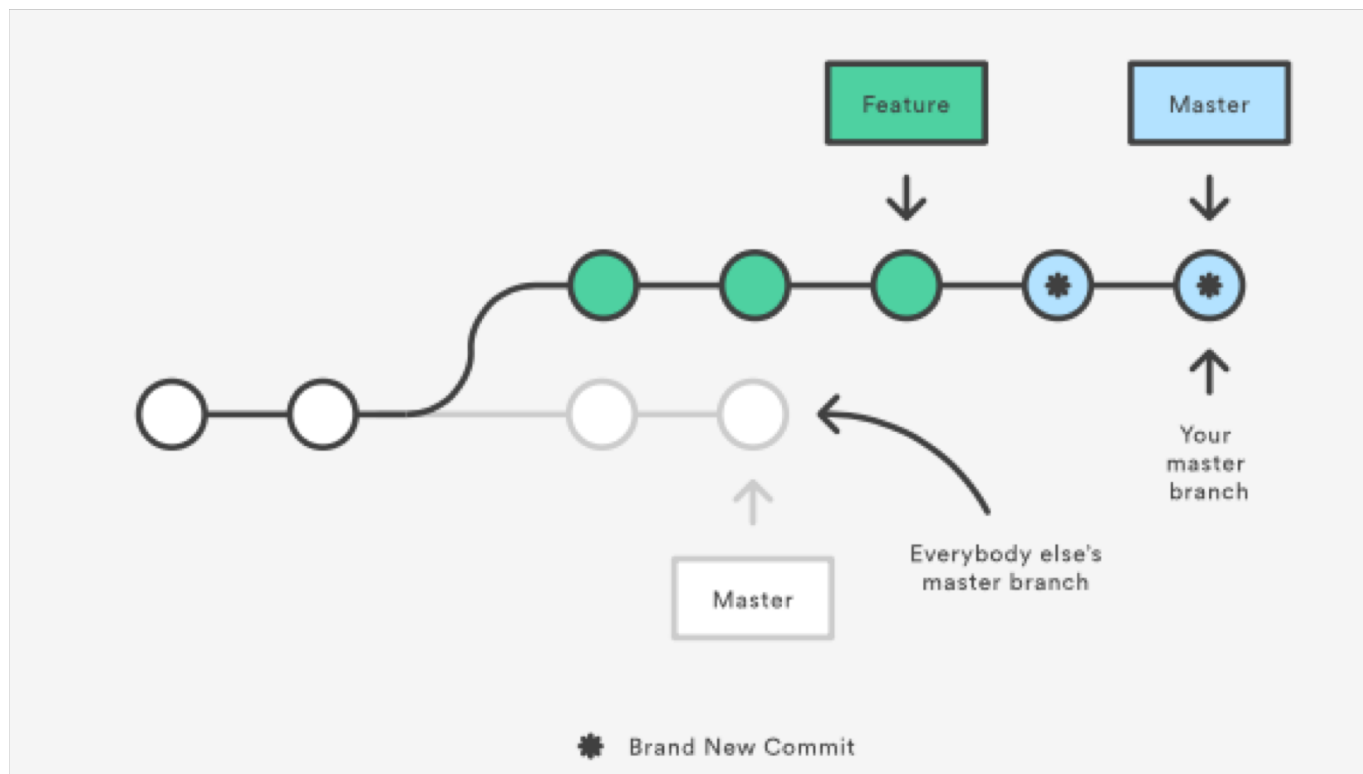
Git Branches – Rebasing

- Solution 2: fast-forward merge

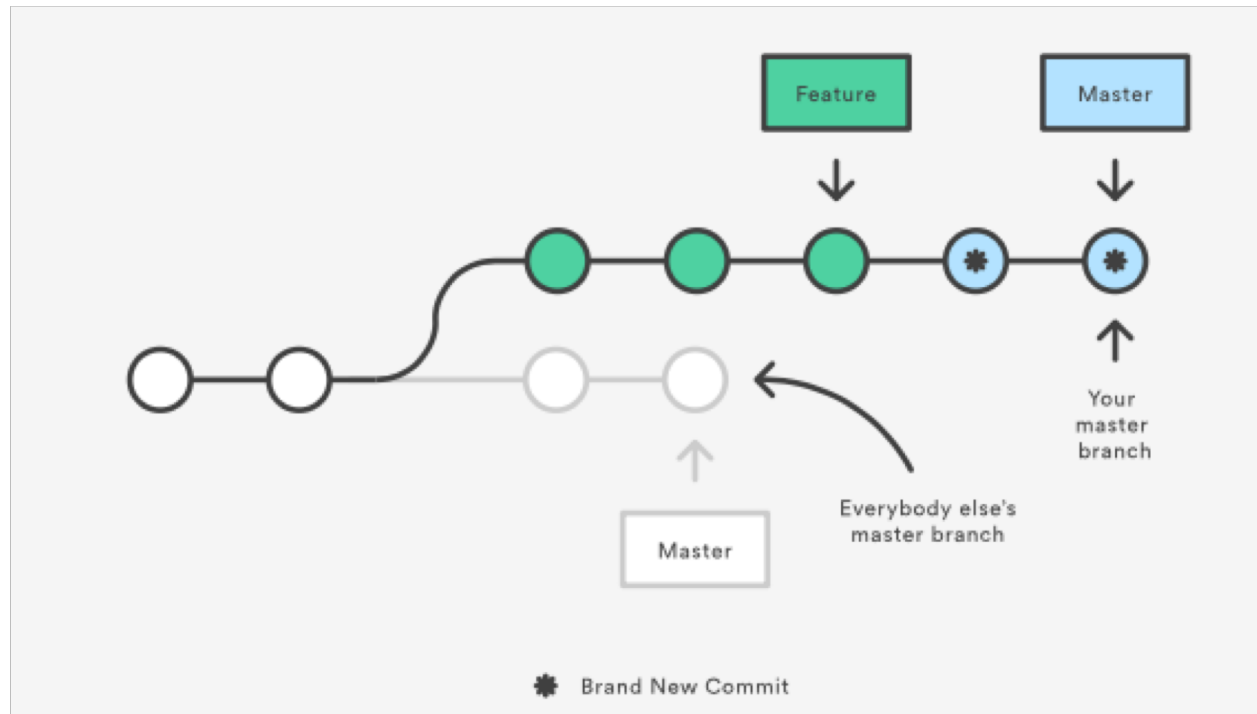


Git Branches – Rebasing

- Golden Rule of Rebasing: Don't rebase public branches
- Example: Rebase the master branch onto your feature branch



Git Branches – Rebasing



- This **only** happens in **your** repository
- Everyone else will work on the old master
- Rebase creates new commits – git thinks that your master branches diverge from the other master
- Merging them together will result in a merge commit with two different histories

Git Submodules

- Use other git repository in your git repository
- Use external libraries managed in a git repository
- Create a new submodule:

```
$ git submodule add <link to repository> <directory>
```

- Clone a git repository with submodules:

```
$ git clone -- recursive <link to repository>
```

- Update a submodule:

```
$ git submodule update --init
```

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Exercise 😊

Exercise 4

Clone the following repository:

- <https://github.com/TheBananaMan/exercise4.git>

Create a branch with your name

Edit the file "test.txt" in your branch and write your name in it

Upload your branch to the repository

Exercise 5

Merge your branch back to the master branch

Overall goal: All your names should be in test.txt

Exercise 6

Create a repository with CryptoBib as a submodule

Exercise 7

Checkout the following repository (which contains CryptoBib as a submodule)

<https://github.com/TheBananaMan/testwithcryptobib.git>

Further Tutorials

- <https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2>
- <https://www.atlassian.com/git/tutorials>
- <https://www.git-tower.com/blog/git-cheat-sheet/>