# Git & GitHub pt2

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# Branching Workflow

# Branching workflows: basics

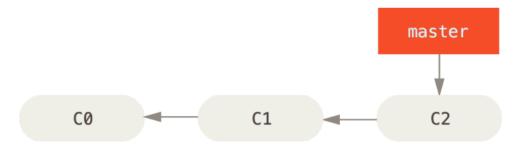
#### Long-Running Branch

- always open (never deleted)
- used for different stages of development cycle with various levels of stability
- when a more stable level is reached they're merged into the branch above them
  - master: only stable code
  - develop: code under development

#### Topic Branch

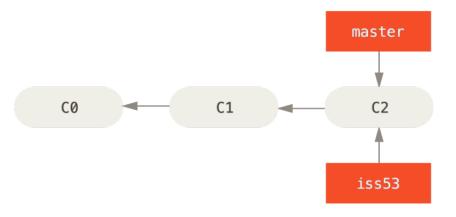
- short-lived branch (deleted after merge)
- created and used for a single particular feature or work
  - New feature
  - Issue fix
  - Hot fix
- generally too expensive in older VCS
  - create and merge branches was costly

You're working on your project and have a couple of commits already

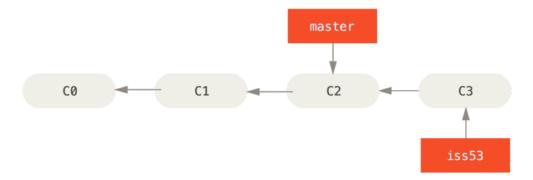


Work on issue #53: create a branch and switch to it at the same time:

\$ git checkout -b iss53
Switched to a new branch "iss53"



```
$ vim index.html
$ git commit -a -m 'added a new footer [issue 53]'
```



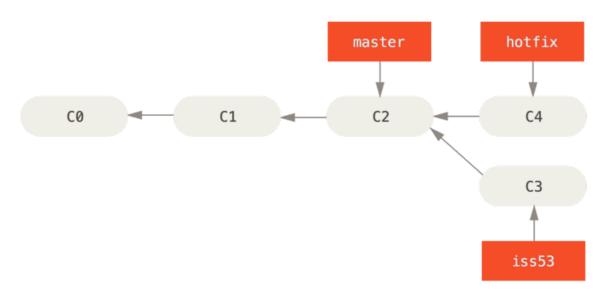
OOOPS!! A critical bug need to be fixed in production code!!! We need to switch to master. We will not lose any commits of current feature branch

```
$ git checkout master
Switched to branch 'master'
```

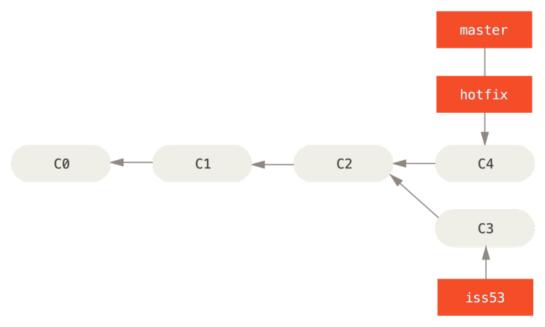
Git resets your working directory to look like it did the last time you committed on that branch

Let's create a **hotfix branch** on which to work until it's completed:

```
$ git checkout -b hotfix
Switched to a new branch 'hotfix'
$ vim index.html
$ git commit -a -m 'fixed the broken email address'
[hotfix 1fb7853] fixed the broken email address
1 file changed, 2 insertions(+)
```



Merge it back into your master branch to get it into production



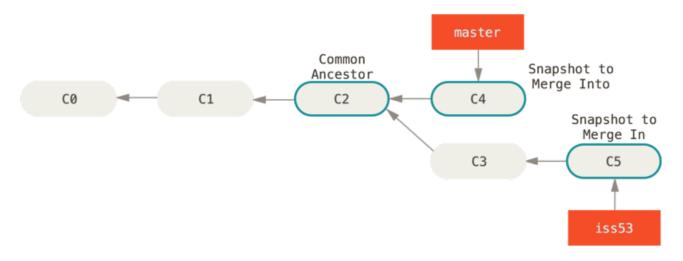
Delete the hotfix branch, because the master branch points at the same place

```
$ git branch -d hotfix
Deleted branch hotfix (3a0874c).
```

After your super-important fix is deployed, you're ready to switch back to the work you were doing before you were interrupted

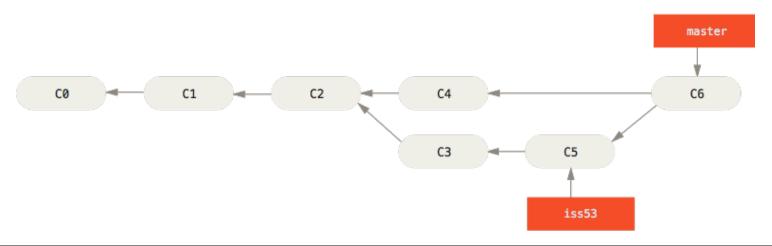
```
$ git checkout iss53
Switched to branch "iss53"
$ vim index.html
$ git commit -a -m 'finished the new footer [issue 53]'
[iss53 ad82d7a] finished the new footer [issue 53]
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
```

We are ready to merge issue #53 work into master branch



- In this case, your development history has diverged from some older point
- Git cannot just move branch pointer forward
- Git creates a new snapshot that results from this three-way merge
- Automatically creates a new commit that points to it
  - referred as merge commit (C6, see next slide)
  - it's special: has more than one parent

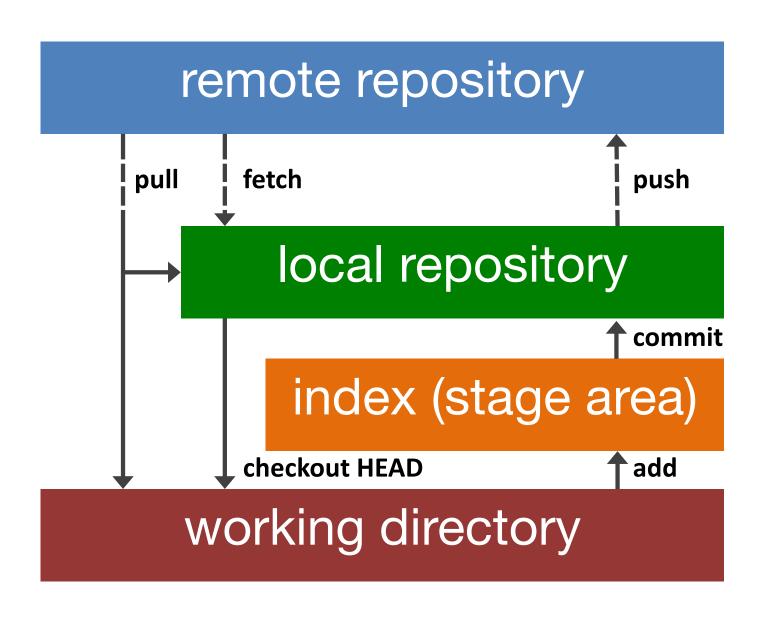
```
$ git checkout master
Switched to branch 'master'
$ git merge iss53
Merge made by the 'recursive' strategy.
index.html | 1 +
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
```



\$ git branch -d iss53

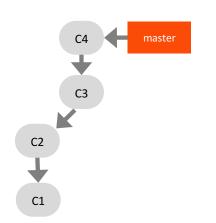
# Go Remote

#### Working with Remotes

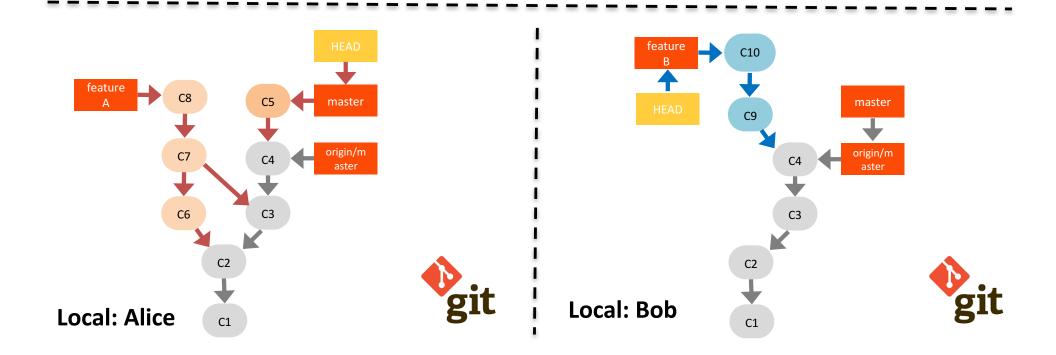


#### **Local And Remote**

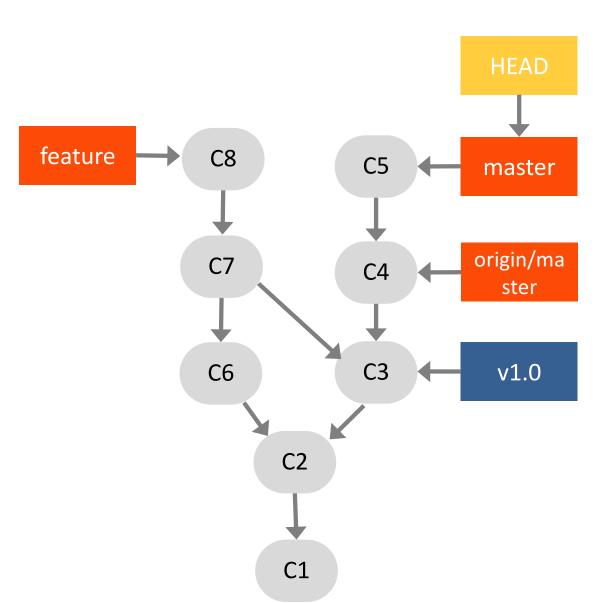
REMOTE (origin)







## A complete Commit Graph



Labels are just pointers to commits

There are three types of **pointers** to access commits:

- Branch (local and remote)
- Tag (a branch that can't be moved)
- Special (HEAD: "current branch")

A **remote branch** tell us the position of a branch in a remote repository (we need to periodically fetch this information to keep it in sync)

**Note:** we may have multiple remote! E.g.:

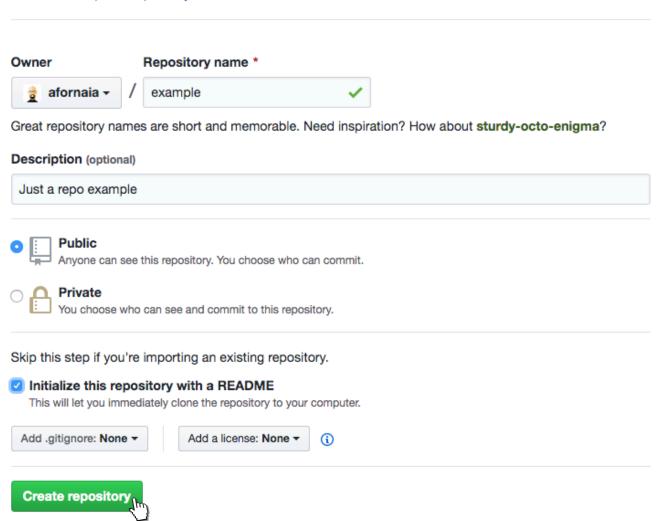
- origin: our remote repository on GitHub
- upstream: the repository we forked

# Create a private repository on GitHub

#### Create a new repository

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

- Register
- Click on "+"
- > New Repository



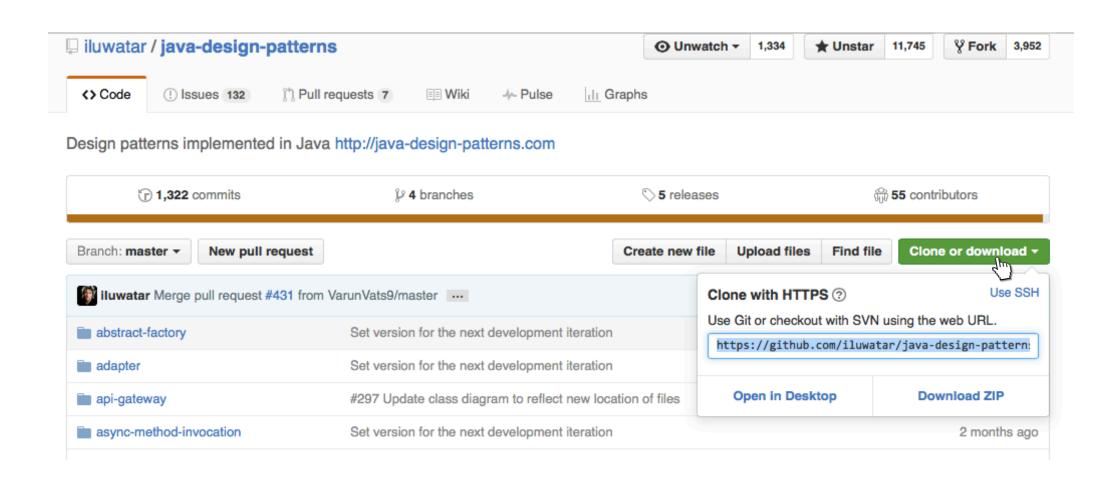
# Cloning an **Existing** Repository

• If you want to get a copy of an existing Git repository, for example, a project you'd like to contribute to, type:

#### \$ git clone https://github.com/project\_name

- What does it do?
  - Creates a directory named "project\_name"
  - Initializes a **.git** directory inside it
  - Pulls down all the data for that repository
  - Checks out a working copy of the latest version (HEAD)
- Default branch is master
- Supports different transfer protocols
  - https://github.com/project\_name (https)
  - user@server:path/to/repo.git (ssh)

# Cloning Existing Project



#### Remotes

- Collaborating with others involves managing remote repositories
- origin is the server you cloned from
- You can have different remotes

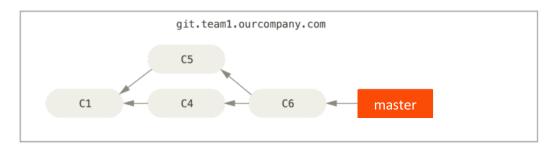
```
# list remotes (-v for verbose output, include urls)
$ git remote -v
origin https://github.com/afornaia/example.git
```

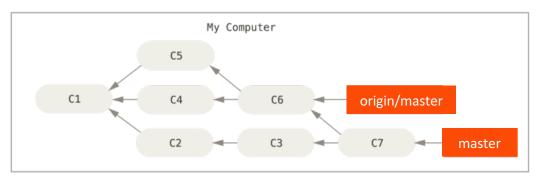
Connect a local initialised repository to remote server

```
$ git init
$ git remote add origin https://github.com/afornaia/example.git
```

 Remote repository must be empty! Two repositories must have at least the same root commit!

## branch-to-upstream mapping





#### branch-to-upstream mapping



master <u>tracks</u>
the remote branch
origin/master

```
$ git branch -v # list local branches

* master a366c90 C7

$ git branch -v --all # list all branches

* master a366c90 C7
   remotes/origin/master b786a41 C6

$ git branch --v # branch-to-upstream mapping

* master a366c90 [origin/master] C7 # (remote-tracked branch)
```

#### Commands

- Fetch: download <u>all</u> remote branches without updating (merging into) local ones
- Pull: update local branch with remote changes
  - Merge local changes with remote ones
- Push: update remote branch with local changes
  - Local branch must be up to date with remote one (need to pull before push)

#### Git fetch

- Downloads commits, files, and refs (branches) from a remote repository into your local repo
- See everybody else (pushed) work
- Doesn't force you to merge the changes into your local branches
- Remember: git stores all commits, local and remote

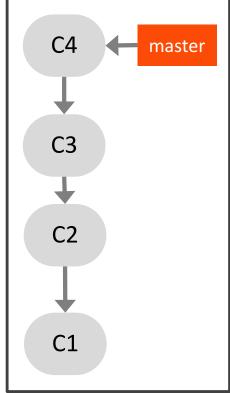
\$ git fetch <remote>

#### Git fetch

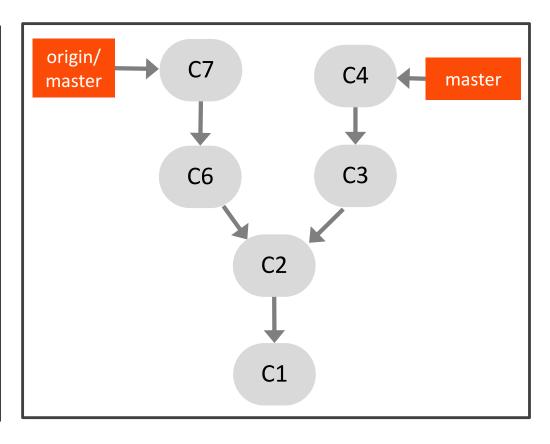
#### Remote

# C7 C6 C2 C1 C1

#### Local



#### Local after fetch



# Git pull

- Update a local branch with remote changes
- Fetch content from a remote repository and automatically merge changes only into working branch:
- Merges a remote branch into a local branch

```
$ git pull <remote> <branch>
```

Same as a (clearer and safer) <u>fetch & merge</u>

```
$ git fetch <remote>
$ git merge <remote>/<branch>
```

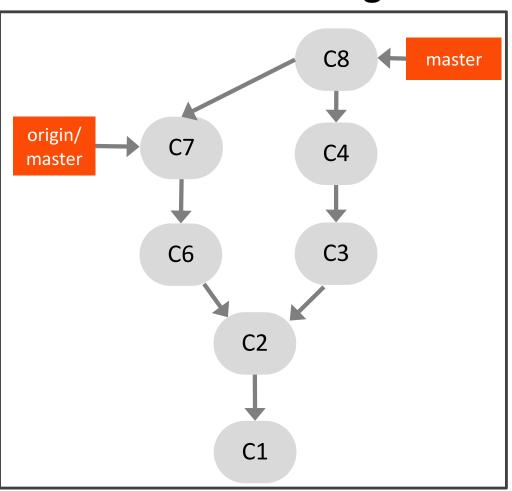
- Try to use fetch & merge instead of pull
- In case of problem it's often difficult to work out the reason

# Git pull = fetch + merge

Local after fetch

origin/ **C7** C4 master master **C6** C3 C2 C1

Local after merge



## Git push

Update remote branch with local changes

\$ git push <remote> <branch>

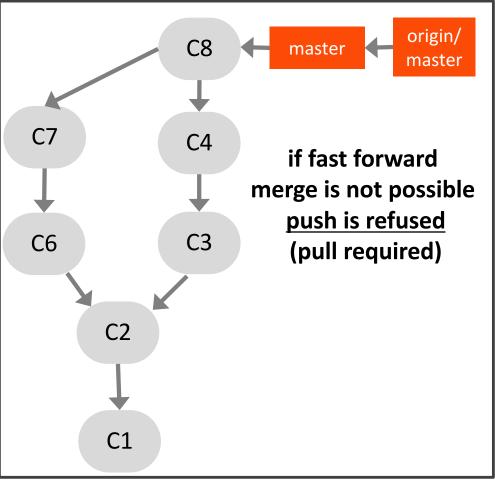
- This creates or update the branch in the remote repository
- Merge a local branch into a remote branch
- Git won't let you push when it results in a nonfast-forward merge in the destination repository
  - The local branch is not up to date
  - Prevents you from overwriting commits
  - To solve the problem, update the branch content with either pull or fetch & merge

# Git push = remote ff merge

#### Local after pull

#### **C8** master origin/ **C7 C4** master **C3 C6** C2 C1

#### **Local and Remote after push**



# GitHub



- A home for free public git repositories
- Interface for exploring git repositories
- Real open source
  - immediate, easy access to the code
- Fork it, try it, learn it
- Social Coding

## Why use GitHub

- It takes care of the server aspects of git
- And much more:
  - Exploring code and its history
  - Tracking issues
  - Pull Requests
  - Much more...
- Facilitates:
  - Learning from others
  - Seeing what people are up to
  - Contributing to others' code
- Lowers the barrier to collaboration
  - "There's a typo in your documentation" vs.
  - "Here's a correction for your documentation"
- Improve your CV contributing to open-source projects

# Forking Projects

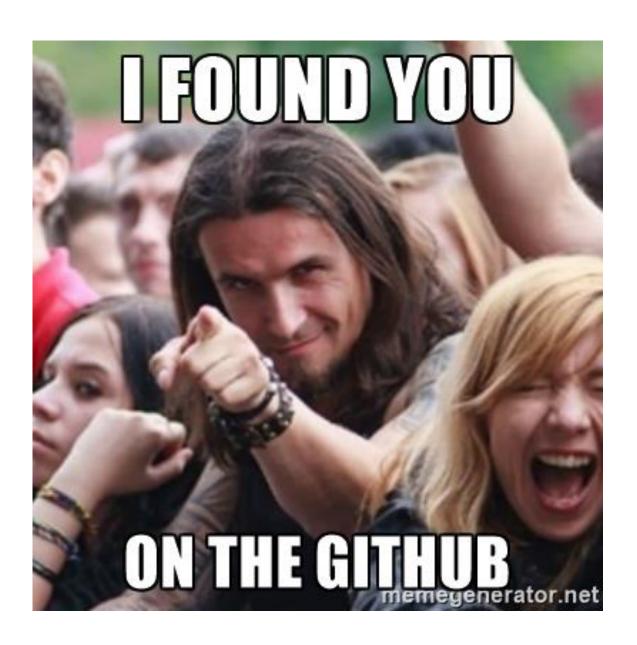


- Contribute to an existing project to which you don't have push access
- GitHub will make a copy of the project that is entirely yours
- No need to add users to projects as collaborators to give them push access
- People can push their changes back to the original repository by Pull Requests (PR)

#### Issues



- Requests for contribution:
  - Bugfix
  - Enhancement
  - New Feature
- It opens an issue discussion
- A good way to start with GitHub open-source projects:
  - fork the project
  - work on one of the issues
  - propose your solution with a Pull Request



#### Due modi per contribuire su GitHub

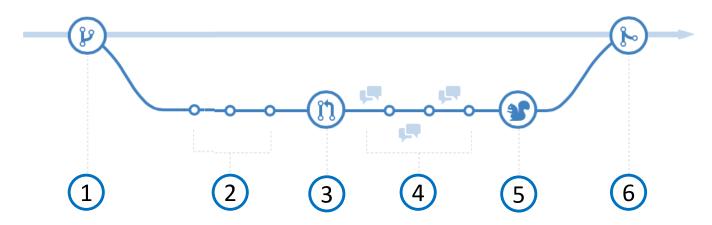
#### Merge request (push abilitato):

- Lo sviluppatore deve avere accesso in scrittura (push abilitato), facendo parte dei contributors del progetto (origin)
- Consiste nell richiedere il merge di due branch nello stesso repository
- Tipicamente tra un topic branch e il master in origin
- Tipicamente il master è protetto, e solo il maintainer può approvarne i commit

#### Pull request (push disabilitato):

- Lo sviluppatore ha accesso solo in lettura, ma ha fatto un fork del progetto nel suo namespace
- Upstream è il riferimento (remote) al repository da cui è stato fatto il fork
- Le modifiche vengono aggiunte ad un topic branch sul respository privato (origin)
- Viene avviata una pull request per fare il merge di due branch in repository diversi
- Tipicamente tra un topic branch in origin e il master in upstream

#### GitHub Flow



- 1. Creare un topic branch dal master
- 2. Fare dei commit per migliorare il progetto
- 3. Aprire una Pull Request
- 4. Gli sviluppatori discutono le modifiche, e potenzialmente aggiungono altri commit
- 5. Si fa il **pull** e il test delle modifiche
- 6. Si fa il merge del topic branch nel master

# Tutorial

#### LibroGame



Tratto da: "I signori delle tenebre" di Dever – Chalk Traduzione Moss – Lughi. Edizioni E. Elle (1985)

Devi far presto, perché qualcosa ti dice che non è prudente indugiare presso le rovine fumanti del monastero. I Kraan, i mostri dalle nere ali, potrebbero tornare da un momento all'altro. Devi raggiungere Holmgard, la capitale di Sommerlund, e portare al Re la terribile notizia: tutti i cavalieri Ramas, salvo te, sono stati massacrati. Senza i Ramas alla testa del suo esercito, Sommerlund sarà alla merce del suo antico nemico, i Signori delle Tenebre.

Trattenendo le lacrime, dai un ultimo saluto ai tuoi compagni uccisi. Dentro di te giuri che la loro morte sara vendicata. Volti le spalle alle rovine e scendi con circospezione il ripido sentiero.

Ai piedi della collina il sentiero si biforca, ma entrambe le piste portano nel folto della foresta.

Se scegli il sentiero di destra, vai all'85.

Se scegli quello di sinistra, vai al 275.

Se vuoi utilizzare l'Arte del Sesto Senso, vai al 141.

2.

Mentre corri nel bosco sempre più fitto le grida dei Giak si sentono sempre meno. Ormai li hai quasi seminati, ma improvvisamente inciampi in un ramo basso e finisci dentro un cespuglio.

Scegli un numero della Tabella del Destino.

Se esce un numero fra 0 e 4, vai al 343.

Se esce un numero da 5 a 9, vai al 276.

## RepoGame Tutorial



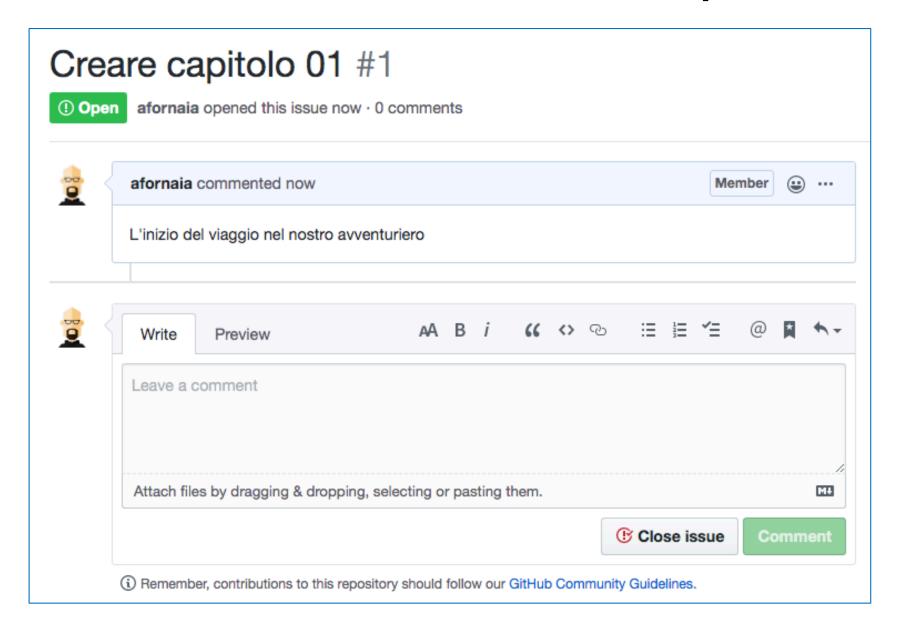
#### Obiettivo

- Sfruttare la scrittura collaborativa di un libro, inevce che di un programma, per imparare i meccanismi fondamentali dello sviluppo con GitHub, ovvero:
  - gestire le issue per individuare i task da svolgere
  - crere un feature branch per soddisfare una issue
  - creare una pull request per far revisionare il codice/testo scritto
  - fare il merge di una pull request, unendo le modifiche al master
  - chiudere il feature branch
  - creare nuove issue
- Vedremo il caso di una merge request (due branch nello stesso repsitory) ma in maniera analga si può procedere con una pull request da un fork.

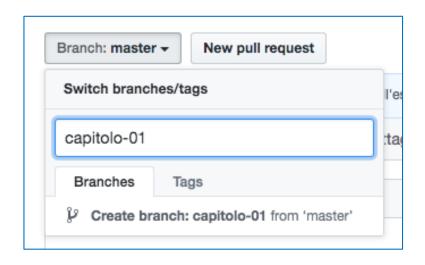
### Passi da svolgere

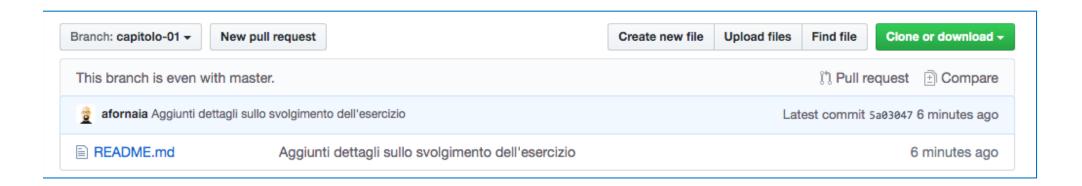
- 1. Controllare le issue aperte con le richieste dei capitoli da scrivere, scegliendone uno. Supponiamo il capitolo 99;
- 2. Creare un nuovo branch per la scrittura del capitolo, es. *capitolo-99*;
- 3. Creare una cartella nominata con il numero del capitolo e contenente solo un README.md: es. /99/README.md;
- 4. Scrivere il contenuto del capitolo nel README.md prendendo spunto dai capitoli precedenti;
- 5. A meno che la storia non sia conclusa, aggiungere dei link a dei capitoli successivi (possibilmente non ancora esistenti);
- 6. Creare uno (o più) commit sul branch creato, completando il capitolo;
- 7. creare una *merge request*, ovvero una pull request per richiedere il merge del branch nel master;
- 8. Attendere una review da parte di un revisore;
- 9. Se richiesto, aggiungere eventuali altri *follow-up commit* sul branch per soddisfare le richieste del revisore;
- 10. Soddisfatte le richieste del revisore, la pull request verrà chiusa con un merge. Il nuovo capitolo è ora visibile sul master;
- 11. Chiudere la issue per il capitolo appena scritto (issue risolta);
- 12. Creare una issue per ognuno dei capitoli non ancora scritti ma indicati come successivi, chiedendo così ad altri di continuare la storia.
- Nota tutti questi passi possono essere eseguiti anche usando esclusivamente gli strumenti di GitHub, senza fare il clone. Ad ogni modo, è ovviamente possibile eseguire le operazioni di branch, commit e push partendo da un repositori locale.

## Controllare una issue aperta

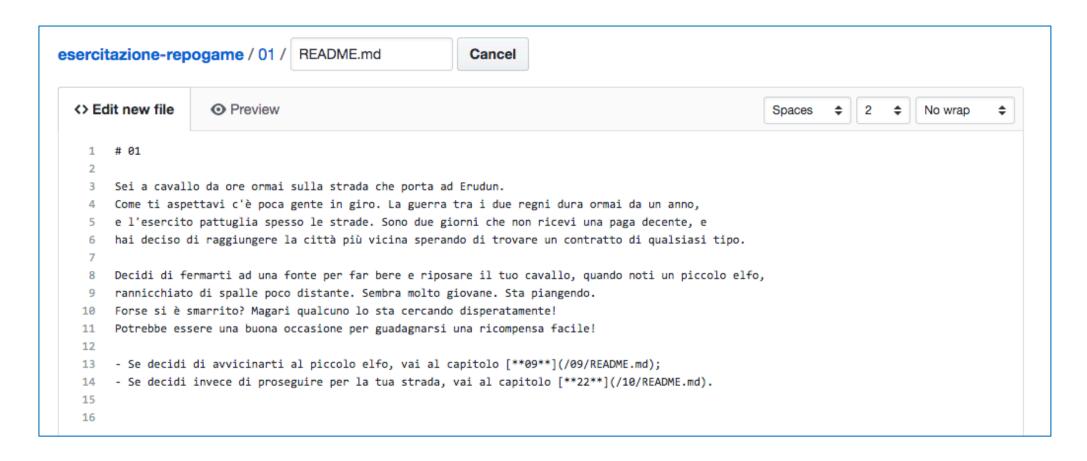


## Creare un topic branch

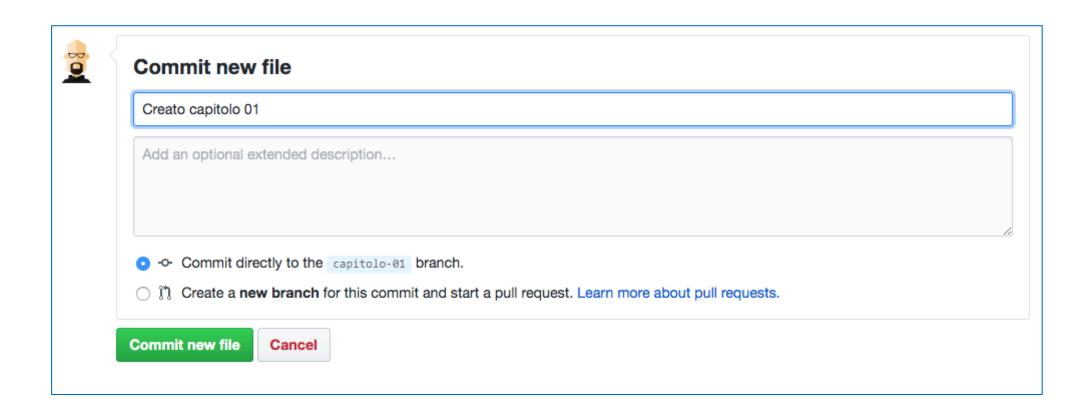




## Aggiungere il file del capitolo

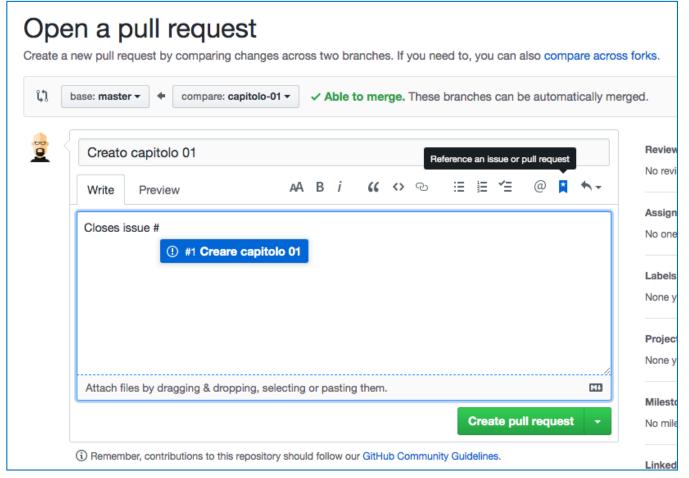


### Fare un commit sul topic branch



## Avviare una pull request (merge)

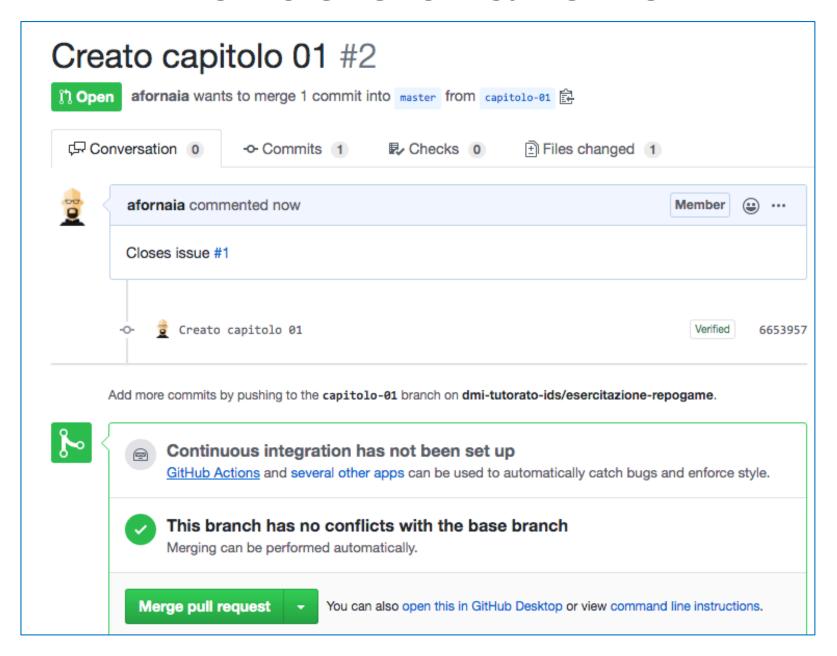
This branch is 1 commit ahead of master.



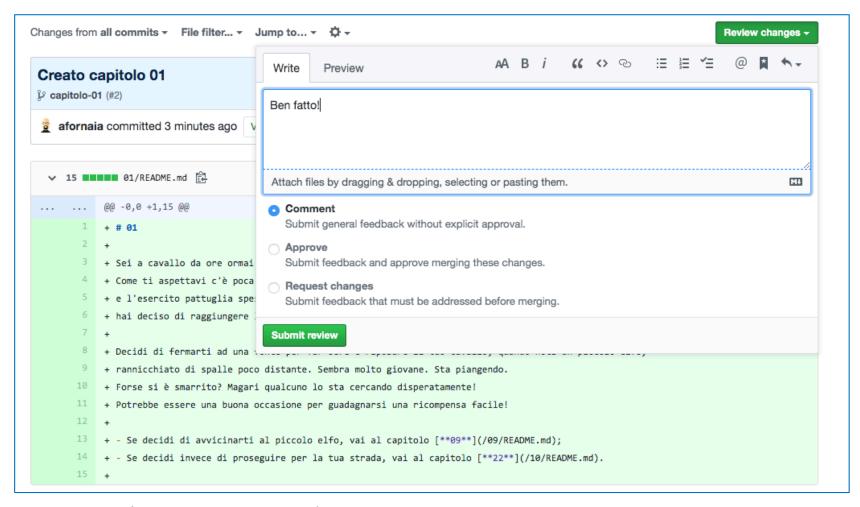
Consigliabile aggiungere un riferimento alla issue che il topic branch risolve (es. #1).

Apparirà nella chat della issue come riferimento

#### Attendere una review



#### Fare una review

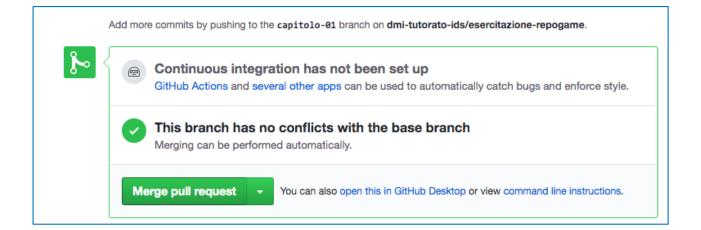


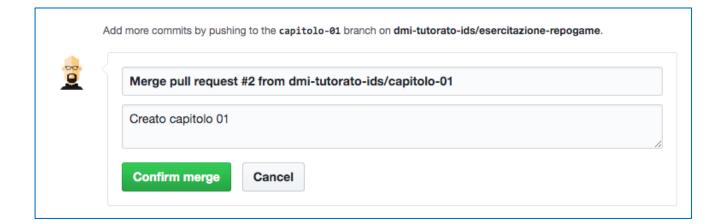
Comment: solo un commento di revisione

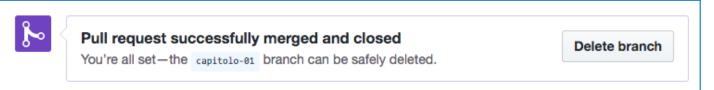
Approve: approva il merge dellemodifiche apportate (tipicamente solo il maintainer)

Request chages: richiedi modifiche (follow-up commit) prima di fare il merge

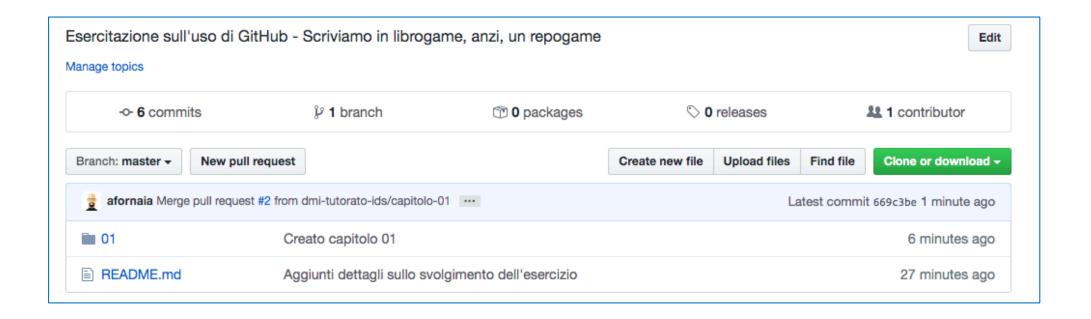
# Merge della pull request



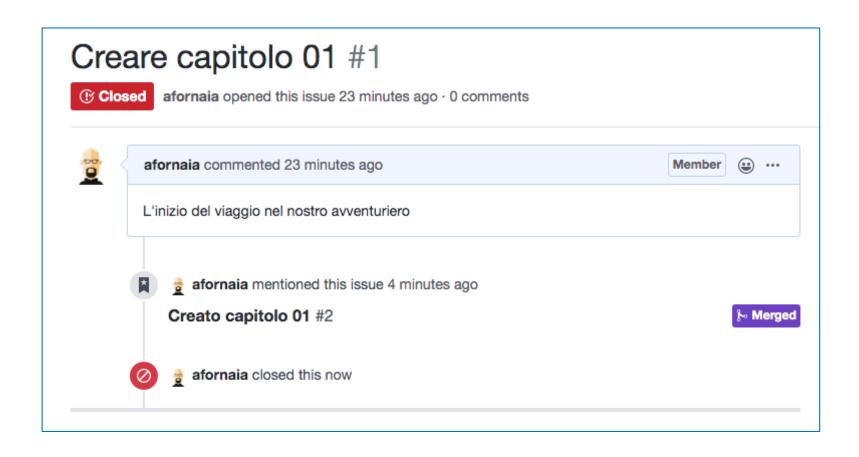




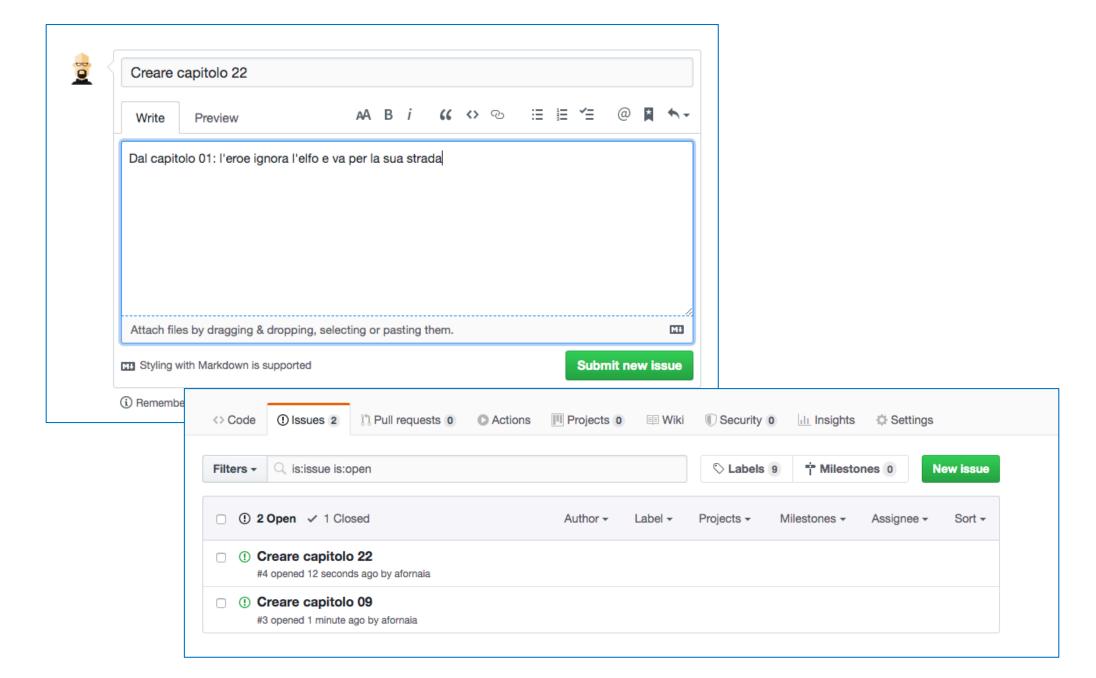
#### Le modifiche sono ora sul master



#### Chiudere la issue risolta



## Aprire nuove issue



## That's all! (for now)

