Github and Versioning

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Versioning Systems

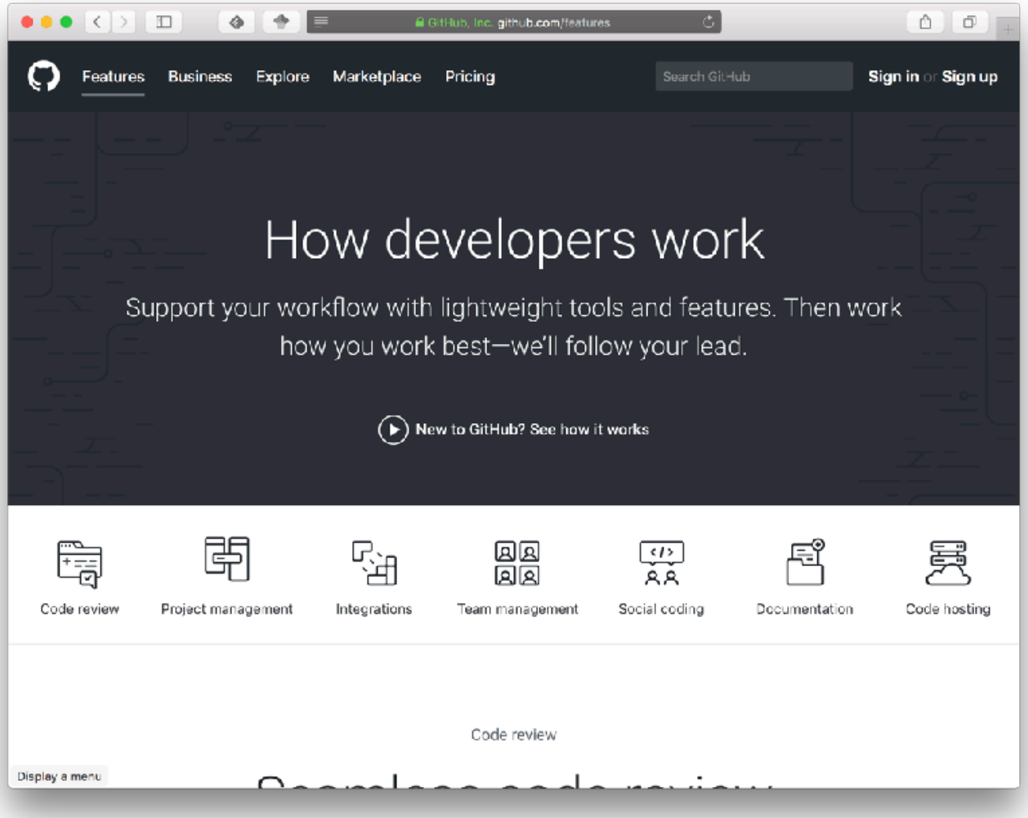
- Maintains **versions** of files through time (a.k.a. Version or Revision Control Systems)
- Repository:
  - Location in which metadata on the files and their versions
  - Subject to **check in** and **check out** operations
  - Prevents conflicting versions from being inadvertently checked in
- Allows one to reconstruct the state of an entire code base at specific points in time
  - E.g. to find out how a bug was introduced into the code

Git

- Distributed versioning system:
  - Versioning (as you now know)
  - Distributed: multiple copies of the files in various **clones** of a **repository**
- Distributed Repositories:
  - Allow versioning and development in parallel
  - Occasionally synchronised through **push** and **pull** operations
- Central (or master) repository stored in a server

Github (www.github.com)

- Online versioning system based on Git
- Interfaces for:
  - Git version control
  - Bug/feature/task tracking
  - Project Management
- Offers free academic licenses
- Various other useful features (automated websites, wikis, etc)



Creating a Repository

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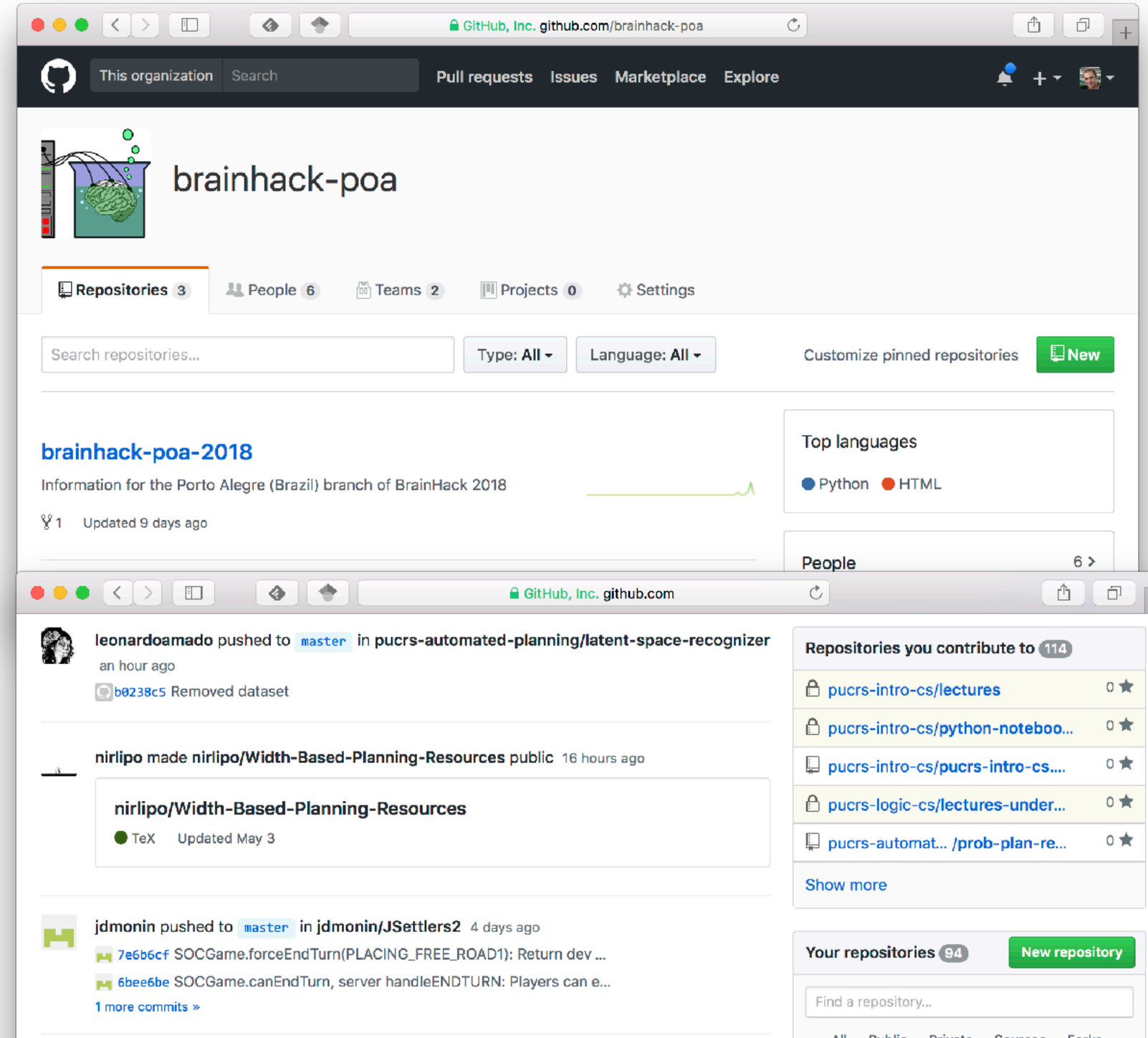
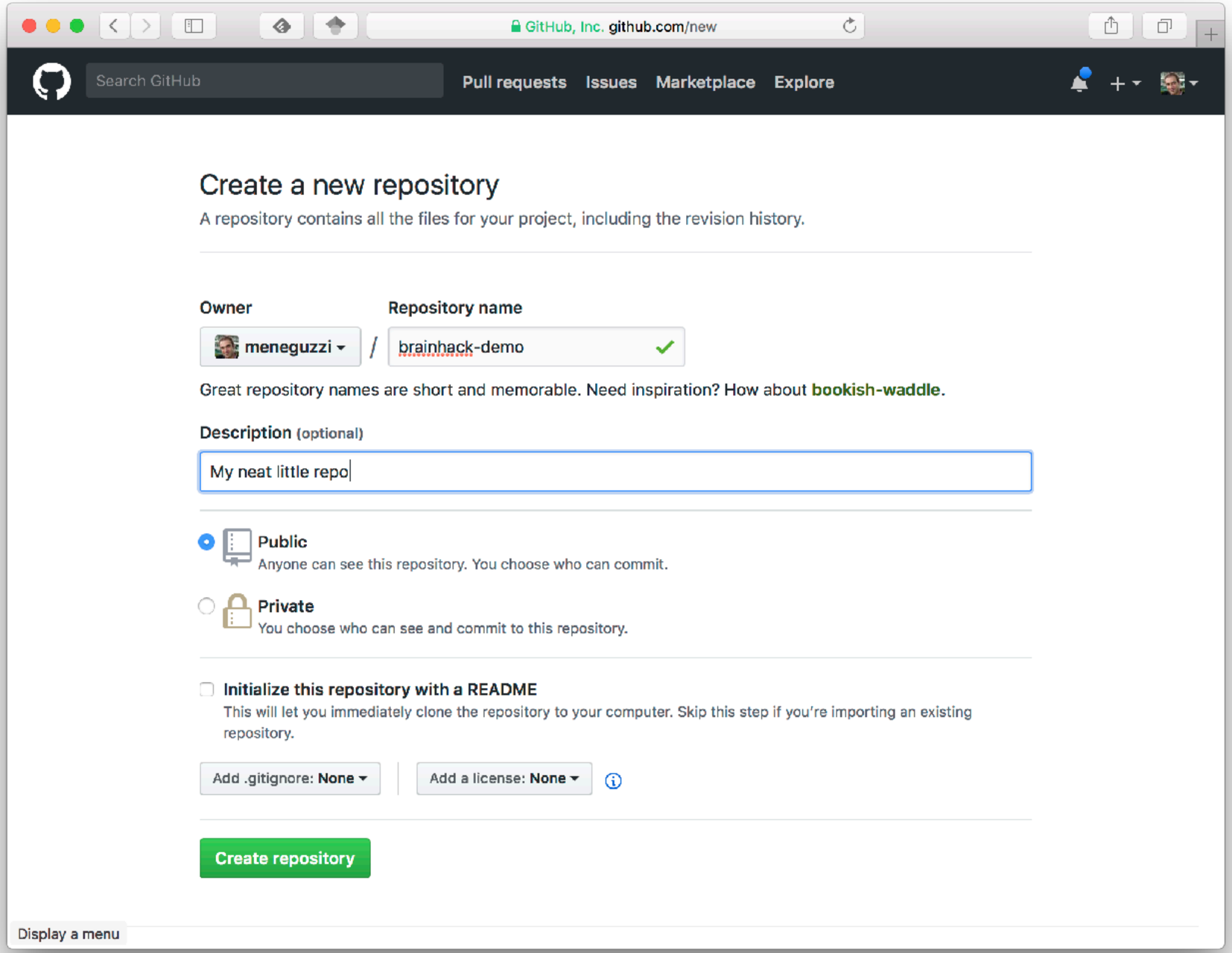


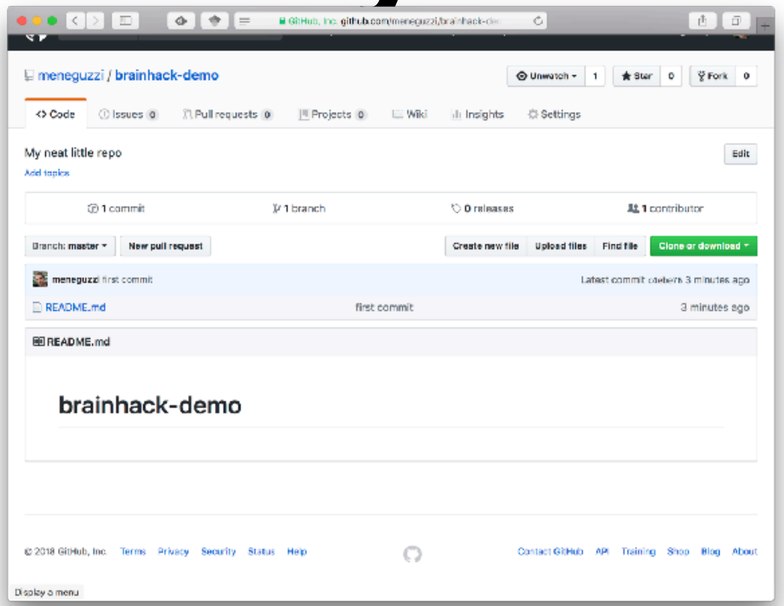
Creating a Repository

- First, create the master endpoint
- Then, fill in forms



Populating the Repository

- Creating a local repository (init)
- Adding a file to it (add, commit)
- Connecting the local repo to the server
- Synchronising local repo (master) with server (origin)

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echo "# brainhack-demo" >> README.md
git init
git add README.md
git commit -m "first commit"
git remote add origin https://github.com/meneguzzi/brainhack-demo.git
git push -u origin master
```

Cloning a repository

- Copies the entire repository into your computer (this may be large)
  - Alternatively, you can "git clone --depth=1"
- To recap
  - **origin** is the default name of the main branch that lives in the server
  - **master** is the default name of the branch that lives in your computer

```
meneguzzi$ git clone https://github.com/meneguzzi/brainhack-demo.git
Cloning into 'brainhack-demo'...
remote: Counting objects: 3, done.
remote: Total 3 (delta 0), reused 3 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
Unpacking objects: 100% (3/3), done.
```

Committing and Pushing

- git commit -> updates the file in the master repo (your copy)
- git push -> synchronises your master with origin (in the server)

```
meneguzzi$ git commit -m "Minor change to README" *
[master 72c11bf] Minor change to README
 1 file changed, 2 insertions(+)
meneguzzi$ git push
Counting objects: 3, done.
Delta compression using up to 8 threads.
Compressing objects: 100% (2/2), done.
Writing objects: 100% (3/3), 317 bytes | 317.00 KiB/s, done.
Total 3 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0)
To https://github.com/meneguzzi/brainhack-demo.git
   c4ebe76..72c11bf  master -> master
```

Pulling Content

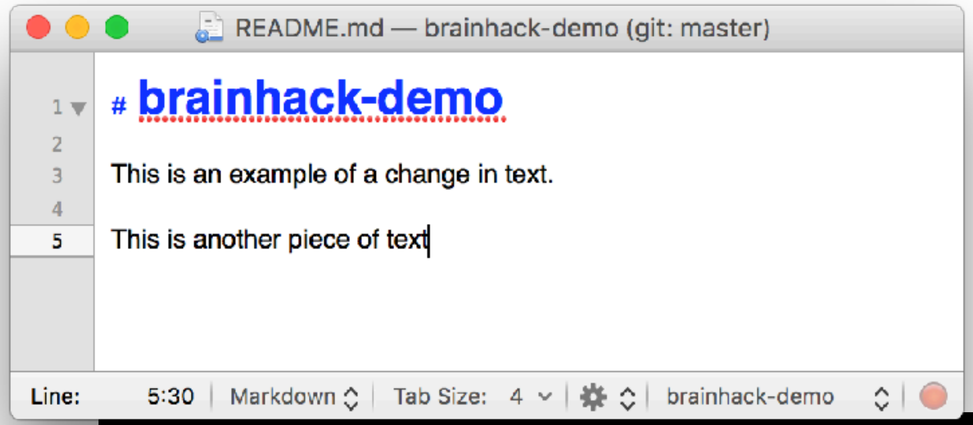
- git pull synchronises your master (local clone) with changes in the origin (in the server)

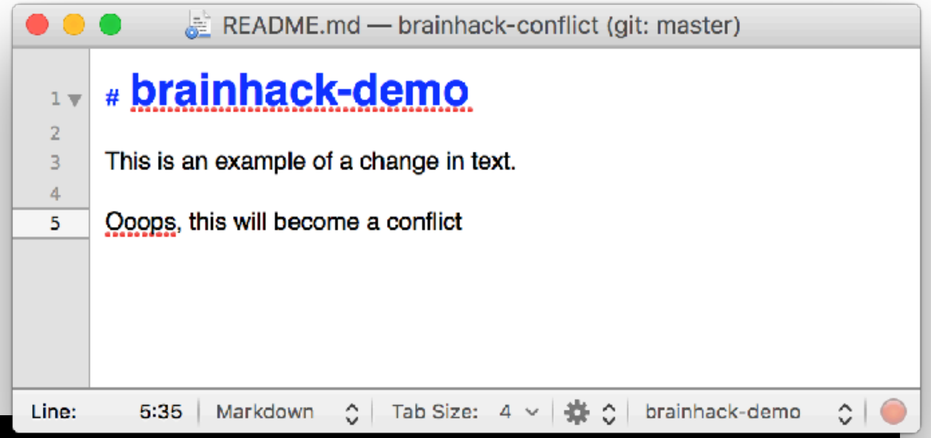
- If there are concurrent changes, there may be conflicts

```
meneguzzi$ git pull
remote: Counting objects: 6, done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (3/3), done.
remote: Total 6 (delta 1), reused 6 (delta 1), pack-reused 0
Unpacking objects: 100% (6/6), done.
From https://github.com/meneguzzi/brainhack-demo
   fd720a2..8fdb1d4  master     -> origin/master
Updating fd720a2..8fdb1d4
Fast-forward
 README.md | 2 +-
 1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)
```

Conflicts

- When two local copies of a repository have concurrent edits, there will be a conflict






```
meneguzzi$ git push
To https://github.com/meneguzzi/brainhack-demo.git
 ! [rejected]        master -> master (fetch first)
error: failed to push some refs to 'https://github.com/meneguzzi/brainhack-
demo.git'
hint: Updates were rejected because the remote contains work that you do
hint: not have locally. This is usually caused by another repository pushing
hint: to the same ref. You may want to first integrate the remote changes
hint: (e.g., 'git pull ...') before pushing again.
hint: See the 'Note about fast-forwards' in 'git push --help' for details.
```

Dealing with Conflicts

- Two possibilities:
  - There is no individual file conflicts, or git can figure out how to merge
    - Great! Fast forward
  - Conflicting edits to similar regions of the same file
    - You need to manually merge content

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remote: Total 3 (delta 0), reused 3 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
Unpacking objects: 100% (3/3), done.
From https://github.com/meneguzzi/brainhack-demo
   8fdb1d4..efe2cdb  master     -> origin/master
Updating 8fdb1d4..efe2cdb
Fast-forward
 DONT-README.md | 3 +++
```
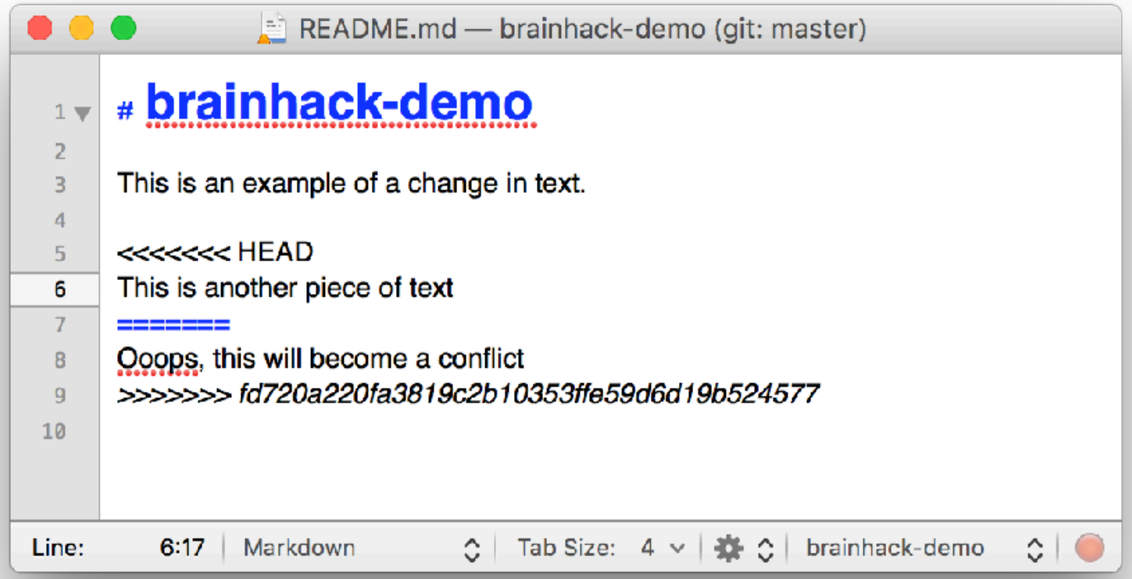

Merging conflicts manually

- File will be annotated with diff-like comments
  - <<< HEAD means your content
  - ==== to >>> is the remote content
- You choose which ones you keep

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From https://github.com/meneguzzi/brainhack-demo
   72c11bf..fd720a2  master     -> origin/master
Auto-merging README.md
CONFLICT (content): Merge conflict in README.md
Automatic merge failed; fix conflicts and then commit the result.
```

Committing Merges

- Once you are done editing the files
  - git add -> marks as merged
  - git commit -> will get you this interface ->
  - git push -> all is good

```
Merge branch 'master' of https://github.com/meneguzzi/brainhack-demo

# Conflicts:
#       README.md
#
# It looks like you may be committing a merge.
# If this is not correct, please remove the file
#       .git/MERGE_HEAD
# and try again.


# Please enter the commit message for your changes. Lines starting
# with '#' will be ignored, and an empty message aborts the commit.
#
# On branch master
# Your branch and 'origin/master' have diverged,
# and have 1 and 1 different commits each, respectively.
#   (use "git pull" to merge the remote branch into yours)
#
# All conflicts fixed but you are still merging.
#
# Changes to be committed:
#       modified:   README.md
#
                                                                    :MSG" 24L, 657C
```

```
meneguzzi$ git add README.md
meneguzzi$ git commit
[master 8fdb1d4] Merge branch 'master' of https://github.com/meneguzzi/brainhack-
demo
meneguzzi$ git push
Counting objects: 6, done.
Delta compression using up to 8 threads.
Compressing objects: 100% (4/4), done.
Writing objects: 100% (6/6), 625 bytes | 625.00 KiB/s, done.
Total 6 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0)
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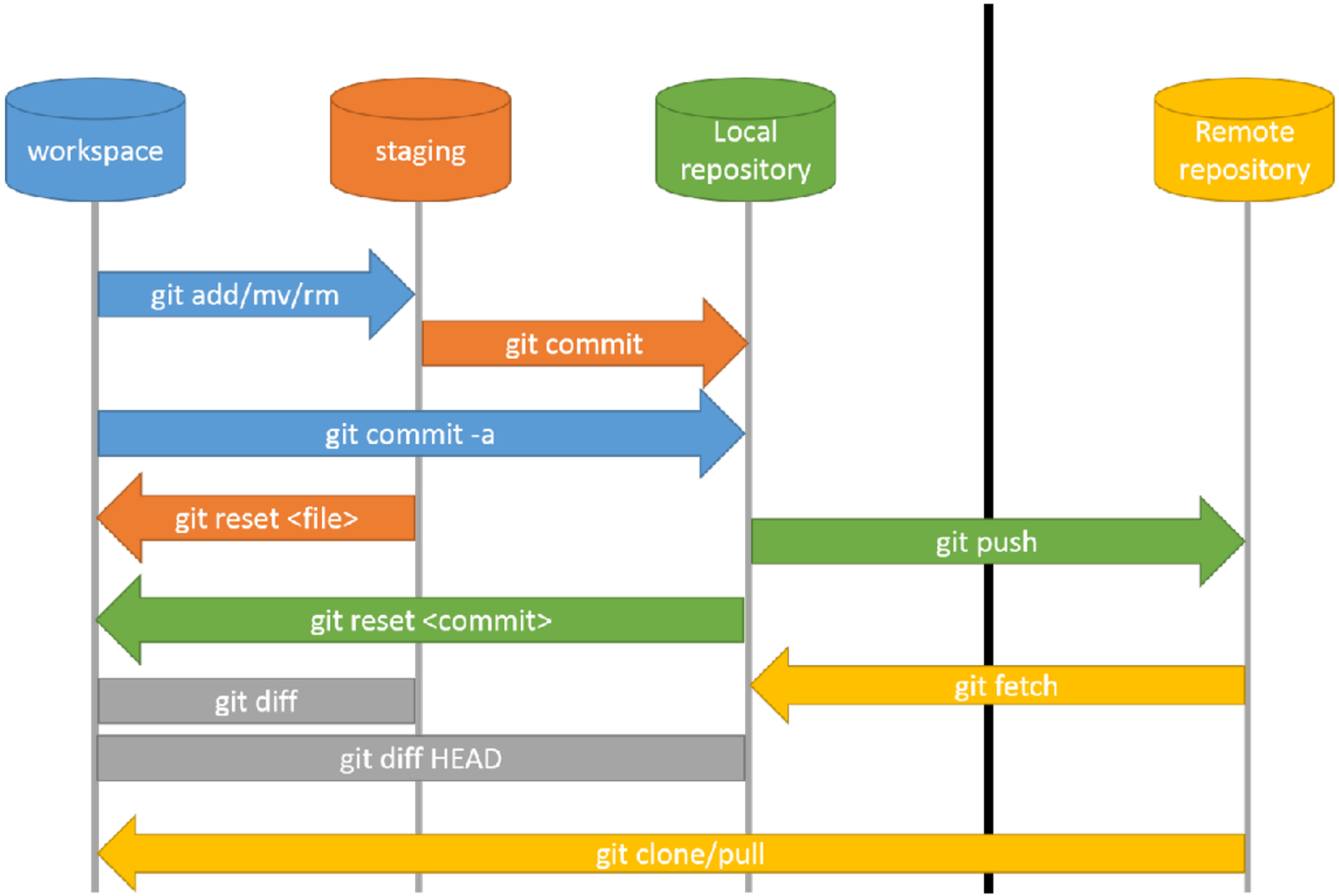
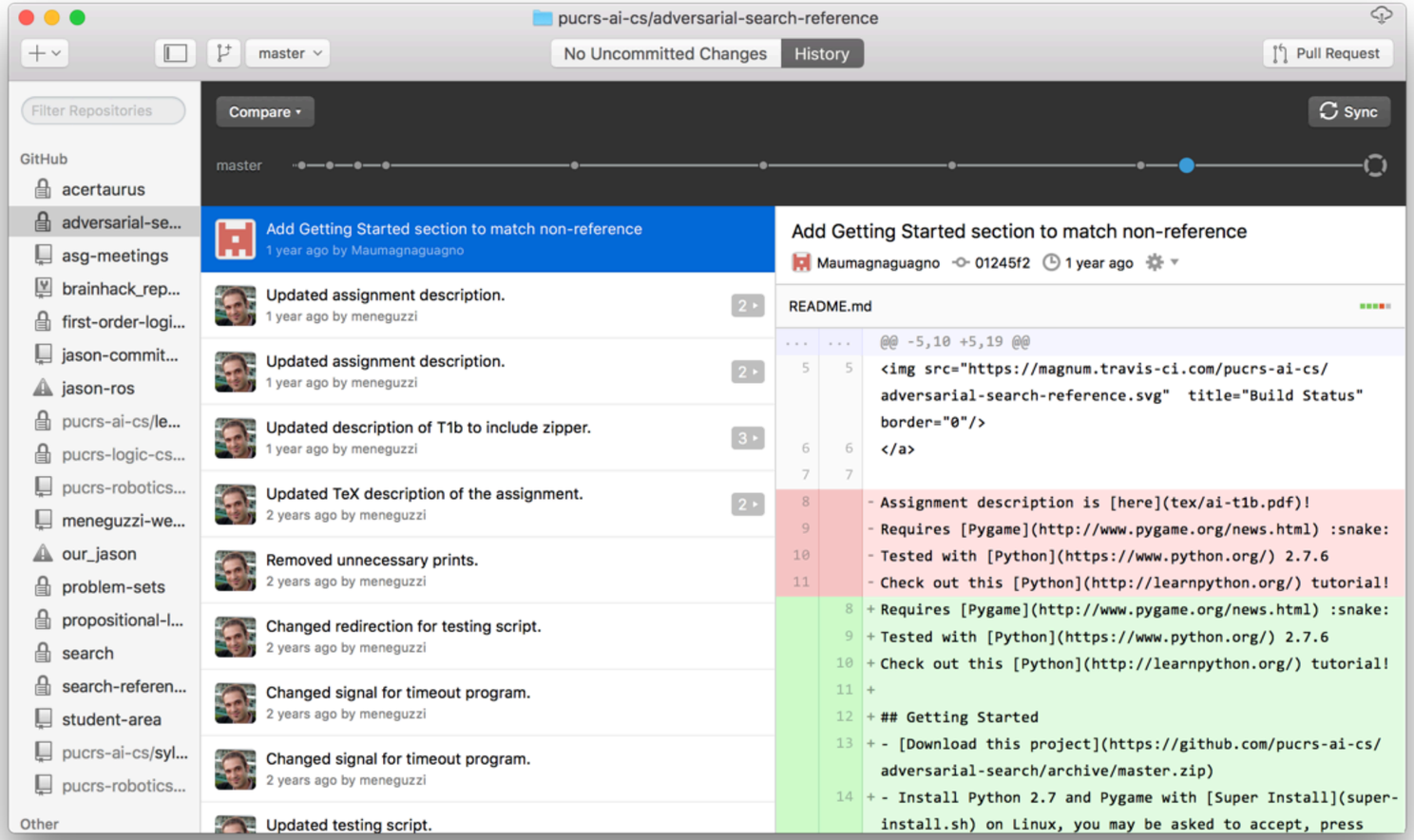
In a nutshell



Git tools

- Github Desktop



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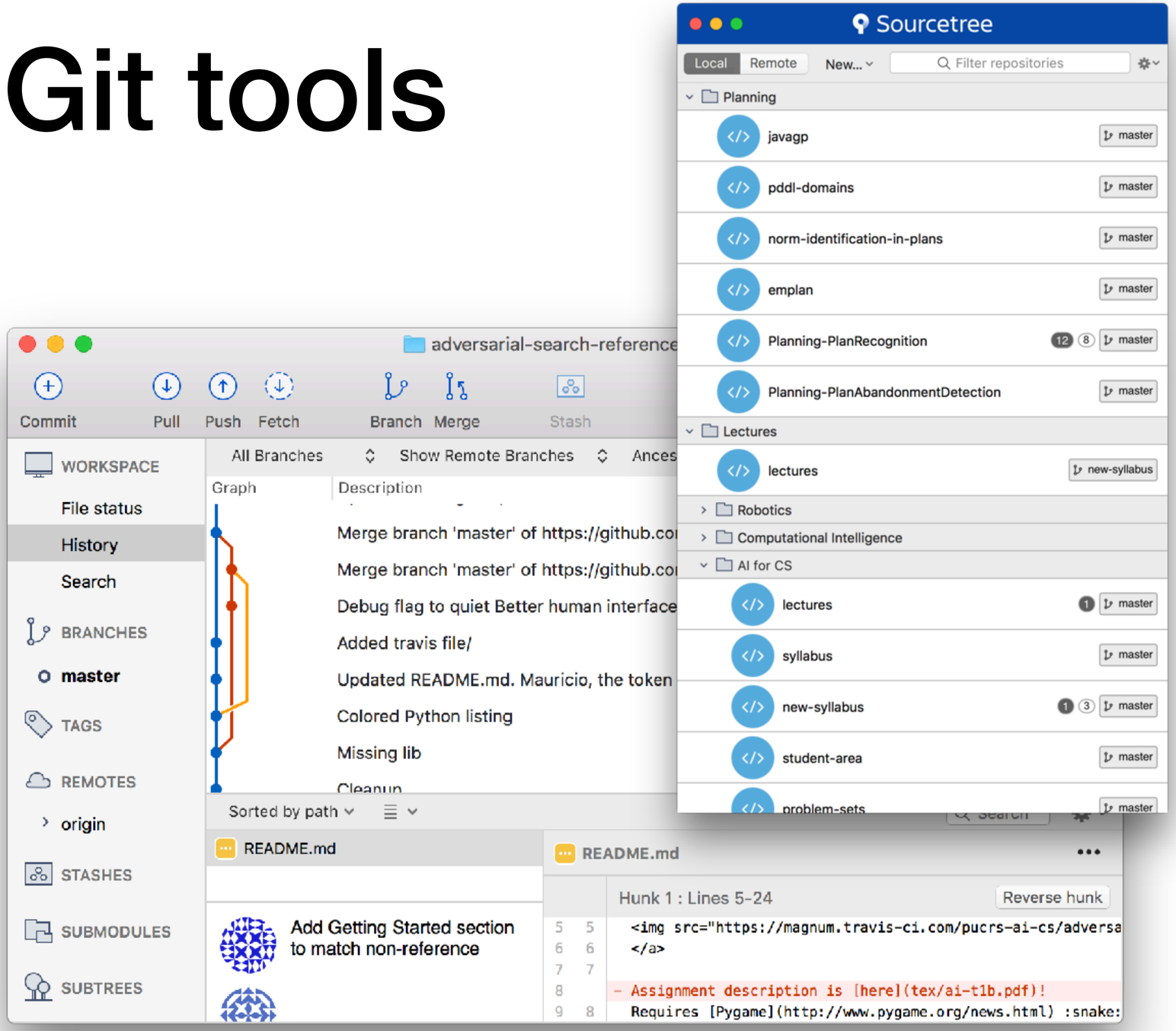
- SourceTree



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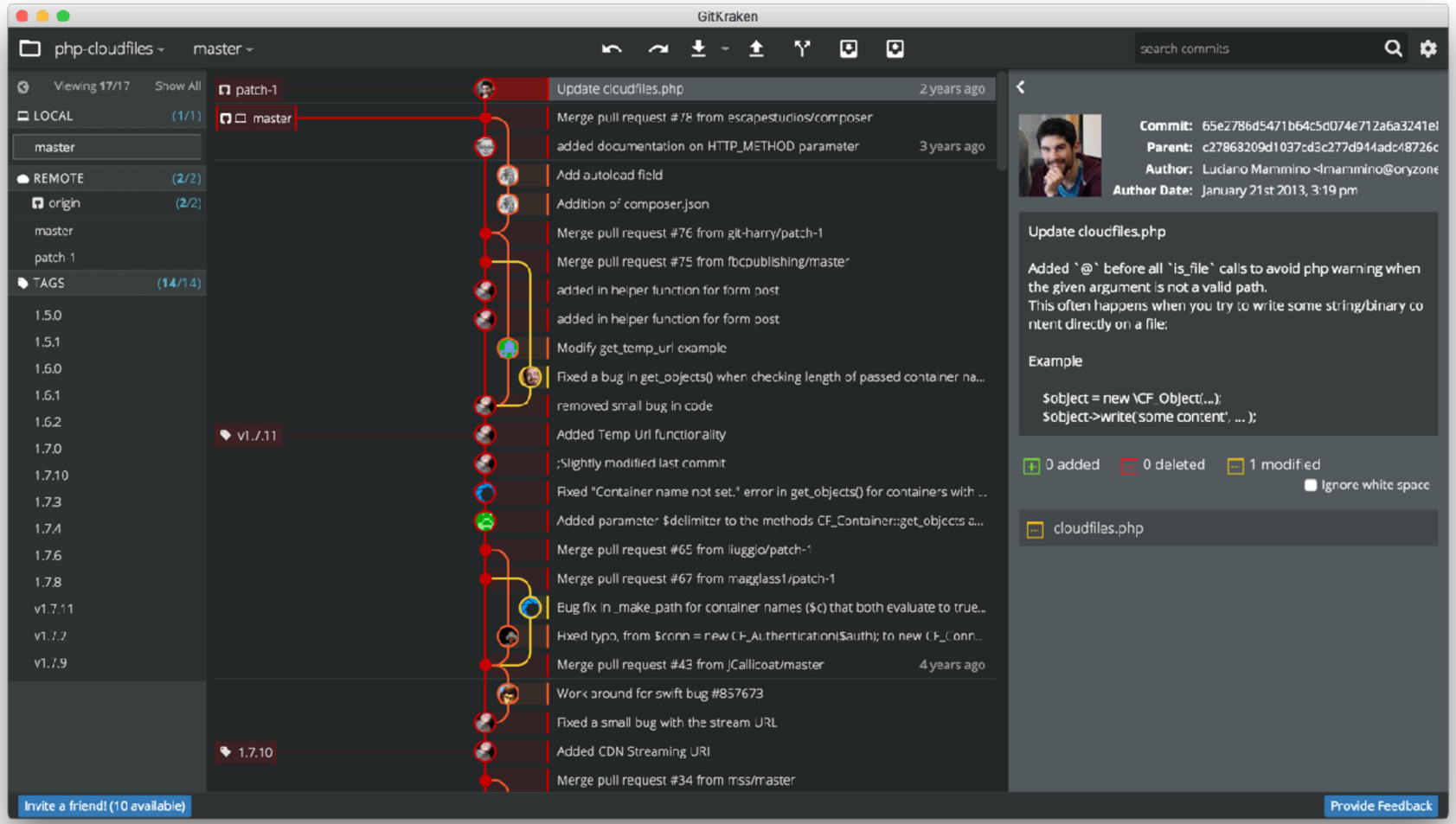

Demo