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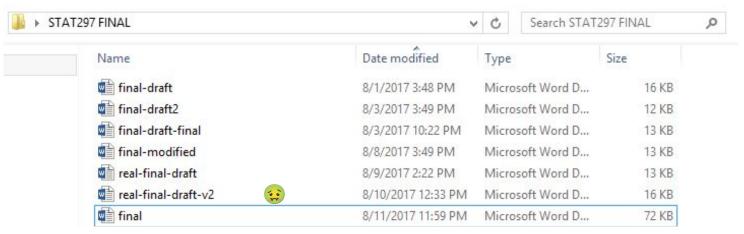
Practical 2B: Introduction to Git(Hub)

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What is Git?

Version Control System (VCS)- tracks changes to files over time



M. Beckman, S. Guerrier, J. Lee, R. Molinari, S. Orso, I. Rudnytskyi, Eds., in *An Introduction to Statistical Programming Methods with R* (2020).



What is Git?

- Version Control System (VCS)- tracks changes to files over time
 (e.g. scripts, simple csvs, small fastas, etc.)
- Enables restoration of old versions, modifications to previous changes, tracking contributions by multiple people, etc.
- Primarily of text files, but can also do other types



What is GitHub?

- Remote hosting service for version-controlled repositories
 - Field standard approach for sharing data, code, etc.
 - User-friendly GUI
- Similar open-source alternative: GitLab





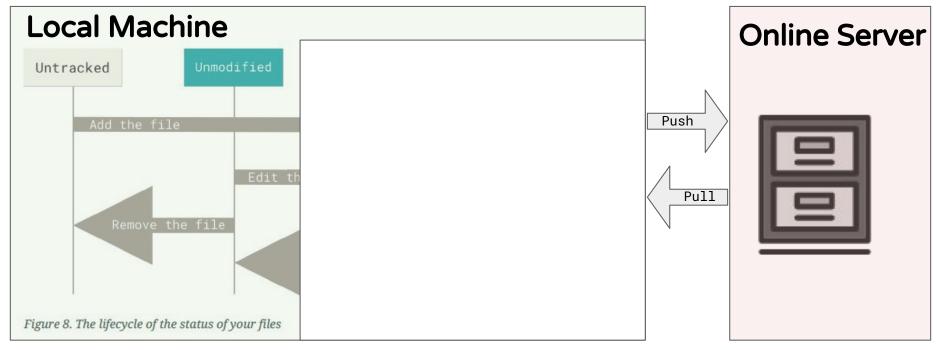
Why use Git(Hub)

- 1. Keep a (deep) backup of your work
- 2. Revert to an old version/ modify previous changes
- 3. Allow multiple contributors to work simultaneously
- 4. Test new code before updating public version
- 5. Share your data, code, and results!

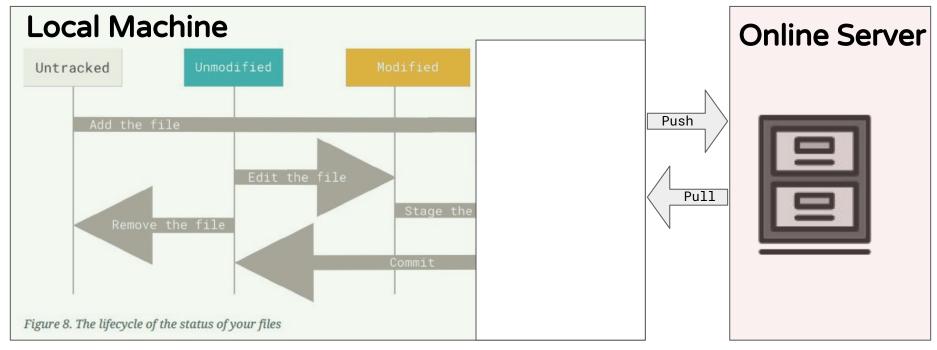




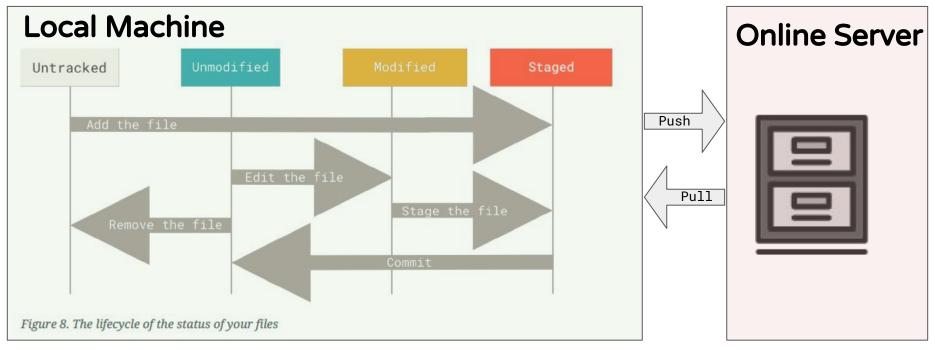














SSH setup

How to never type a password again!





SSH keys

- Replaces password with file containing a cryptographic ultra-secure password
- Very common for working with servers
- We will generate a public key (shared with github) and a private key (kept on your computer)
 - Behind the scenes: the public and private keys are compared to authenticate
- SSH key files can be reused (e.g. copied to a new laptop)



Start your terminals!

Time for the practical portion



```
$ conda activate git-eager
```



Make a new key with your email address:

```
$ ssh-keygen -t ed25519 -C "your_email@example.com"
```



Press enter (default file location)

```
$ ssh-keygen -t ed25519 -C "your_email@example.com"
Generating public/private ed25519 key pair.
Enter file in which to save the key
(/home/ubuntu/.ssh/id_ed25519):
```



Recommended to skip passphrase entry

```
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Generating public/private ed25519 key pair.
Enter file in which to save the key
(/home/ubuntu/.ssh/id_ed25519):
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
Enter same passphrase again:
```



Should something like this:

```
The key fingerprint is:
SHA256:hnc0R6hr4T/VH9acLod4L1xG/2MDJkwS+FmG84m/g2U megan_michel@eva.mpg.de
The key's randomart image is:
+--[ED25519 256]--+
        .0* *
       ..So* ...+
        o+. E.o.*+|
        . .+.* B.o
          <u>.o</u>+ * *o|
            .0 *.01
+----[SHA256]----+
```



Check for id_ed25519* and id_ed25519*.pub files

```
$ cd ~/.ssh/
$ ls id*
```



1. Check ssh program is running

```
$ eval "$(ssh-agent -s)"
Agent pid 59566
```

2. Give SSH your key to record

```
$ ssh-add ~/.ssh/id_ed25519
Identity added: /home/ubuntu/.ssh/id_ed25519 (megan_michel@eva.mpg.de)
```



On Github:

- 1. Settings > SSH & GPG Keys > New SSH Key
- 2. Give a name of key (title: "spaam-summer-school")
- 3. Paste PUBLIC key

```
$ cat ~/.ssh/id_ed25519.pub # manually copy paste
```

4. Press Add SSH key



Check that it worked!

```
$ ssh -T git@github.com
Hi meganemichel! You've successfully authenticated, but GitHub does not
provide shell access.
```



If you see an error message like this, say yes

The authenticity of host 'github.com (140.82.121.3)' can't be established. ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:p2QAMXNIC1TJYWeIOttrVc98/R1BUFWu3/LiyKgUfQM. Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])?



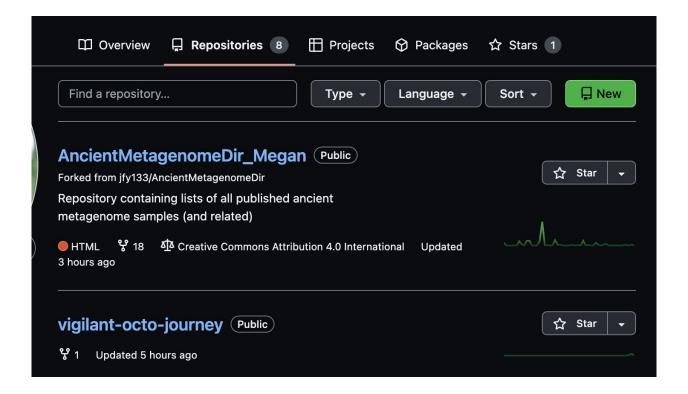
The only 6 commands

you really need to know





Make your own repository

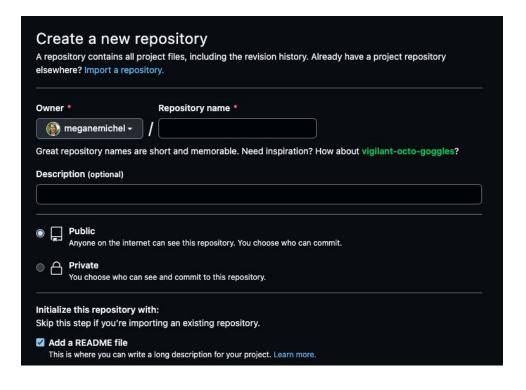




Make your own repository

- 1. Name your repository
- Select Add a README file
- Choose Create Repository

For the remainder of this section, replace 'vigilant-octo-journey' with the name of your new repo





Change directories

We will save our data in the following directory:

```
$ cd /vol/volume/2b-introduction-to-github/
```

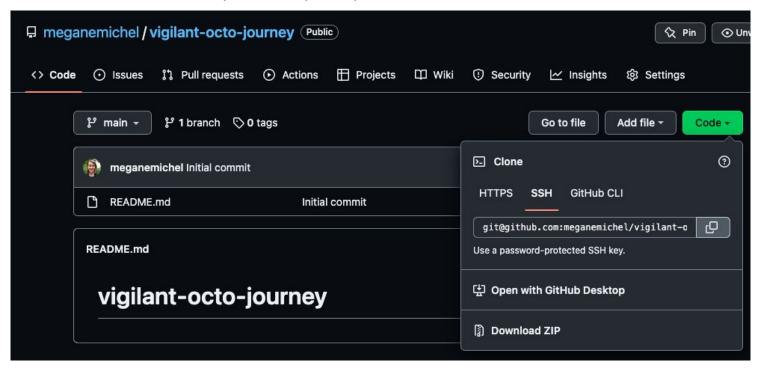


git clone



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Clone a remote (online) repository to your local machine





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Clone a remote (online) repository to your local machine

```
$ git clone git@github.com:meganemichel/vigilant-octo-journey.git
Cloning into 'vigilant-octo-journey'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 3, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (3/3), done.
remote: Total 3 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
Receiving objects: 100% (3/3), done.
```



git add



git add <file>

Add a new or modified file into a 'staging' area (ready to send to the repository) on your local machine

```
$ cd vigilant-octo-journey
$ echo "test_file" > file_A.txt
$ echo "Just an example repo" >> README.md
$ git add file_A.txt
```



git status



git status

Check what files are locally changed, staged, etc.

```
$ git status
On branch main
Your branch is up-to-date with 'origin/main'.
Changes to be committed:
  (use "git restore --staged <file>..." to unstage)
    new file: file A.txt
Changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)
  (use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
    modified:
                README.md
```



1 Try to add the README.md as well and check the status again



git commit



git commit -m "<change_description>"

Package or 'save' the changes into a single 'commit' with a message of the changes.

- Each commit has a unique 'hash' ID
- Will not change: stored 'forever' in git history

```
$ git commit -m "Add example file"
[main c58ac5f] Add example file
2 files changed, 2 insertions(+)
create mode 100644 file_A.txt
```

1 You may see a warning that your name and email were configured automatically. You can safely ignore that for now.

git push



git push

Push (upload) your local commit to the remote (online) repository

```
$ git push
Enumerating objects: 4, done.
Counting objects: 100% (4/4), done.
Delta compression using up to 14 threads
Compressing objects: 100% (2/2), done.
Writing objects: 100% (3/3), 313 bytes | 313.00 KiB/s, done.
Total 3 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
To github.com:meganemichel/vigilant-octo-journey.git
    0480758..67a8f67 main -> main
```



git pull

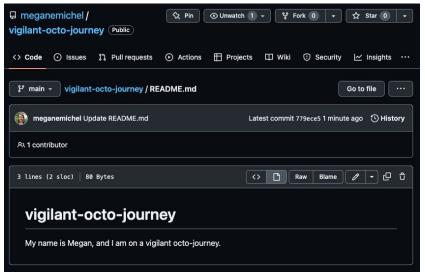
Pull (download) any commits from the remote to your local repository clone

```
$ git pull
Already up-to-date.
```



git pull

Pull (download) any commits from the remote to your local repository clone



```
$ git pull
remote: Enumerating objects: 5, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (5/5), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (3/3), done.
Unpacking objects: 100% (3/3), 740 bytes | 740.00 KiB/s, done.
remote: Total 3 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
From github.com:meganemichel/vigilant-octo-journey
    bbd553e..775152d main -> origin/main
Updating 67a8f67..779ece5
Fast-forward
    README.md | 2 +-
    1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)
$ cat README.md
```



Summary: the 6 commands

- 1. git clone
- 2. git add
- 3. git status
- 4. git commit
- 5. git push
- 6. git pull



Working collaboratively





i.e. make changes without interfering with other people's changes?



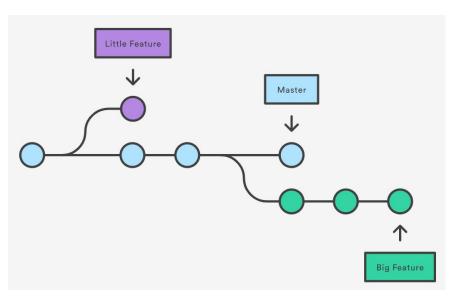
Branch



Branch

Copy of main repository, within the repository

- Edit and prototype without breaking main files
- e.g. development branches
- Recommended for small-team projects

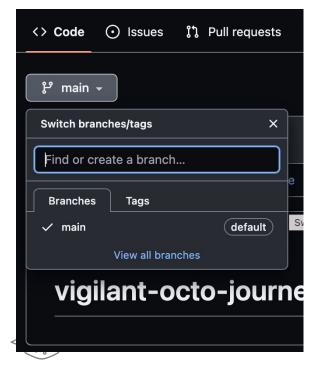


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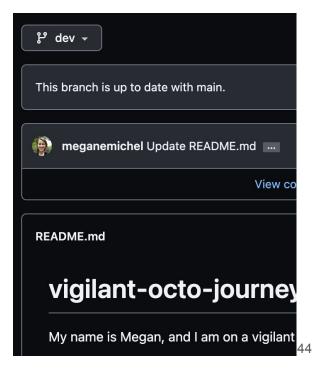




Making a new branch on GitHub







To make a new branch on command line

```
$ git switch -c new-feature
Switched to a new branch 'new-feature'
```

(Old command: git checkout -b)



Go back to the main branch

```
$ git switch main
Switched to branch 'main'
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/main'.
```





Commit changes to save to branch!

```
$ git switch new-feature
$ echo "What is a vigilant-octo-journey anyway?" >> README.md
$ git status
On branch new-feature
Changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed)
  (use "git restore <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)
    modified:
                README.md
no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit -a")
$ git switch main
     README.md
Switched to branch 'main'
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/main'.
```



git add/commit/push

```
$ git switch new_feature
$ git add README.md
$ git commit -m "Update README"
$ git push
```



If branch created on CLI

```
$ git push --set-upstream origin new-feature
```

To also push the new-feature branch on GitHub (first time only)



Code peer review



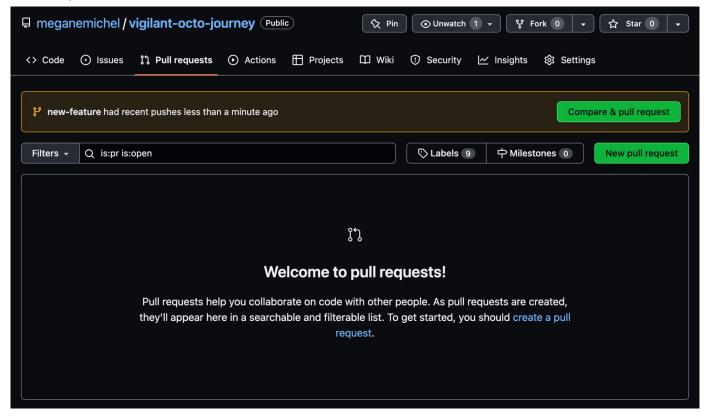




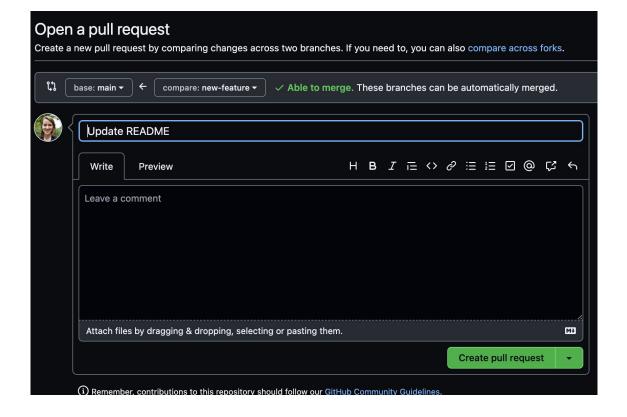
Pull request: propose changes to a branch from another branch

- a.k.a PRs
- e.g., request to pull your changes from dev into main branch
- Allows others to comment and make suggestions before merging into main branch





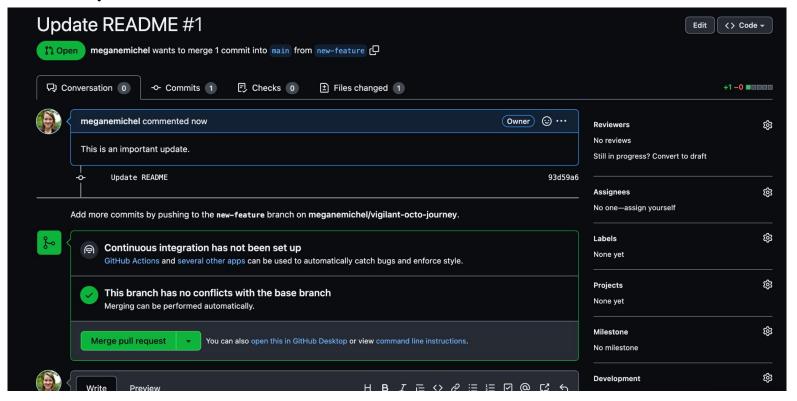




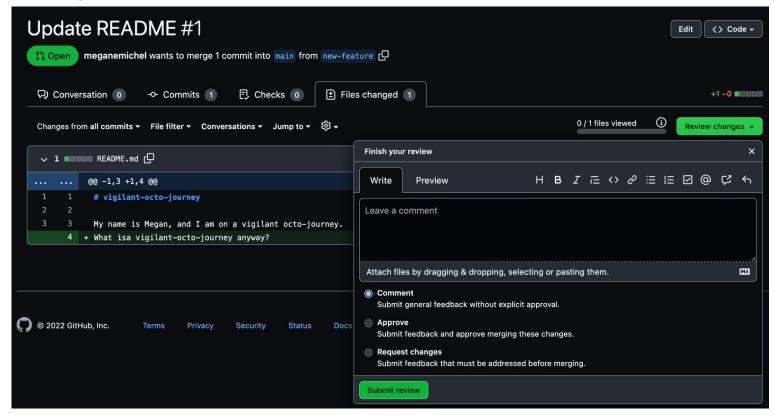






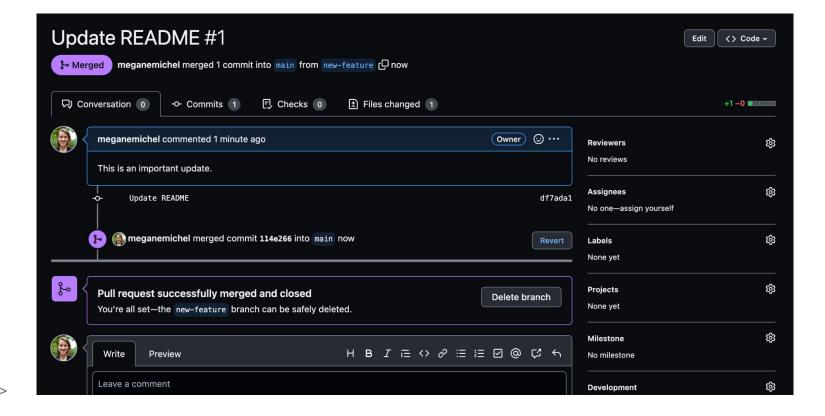








Merged Pull Request





Changes After Review

How to implement requested changes?

- Push the changes to your branch!
- The PR automatically tracks changes to your branch
- Request re-review!



What if I disagree

with the requested changes?

(or working with big teams)





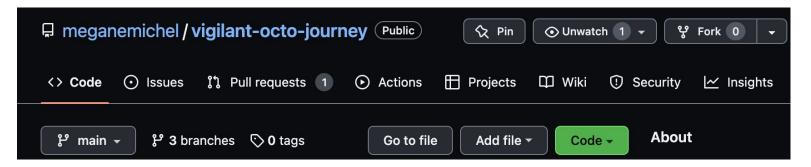
Fork



Fork

Independent copy of main repository, outside the repository

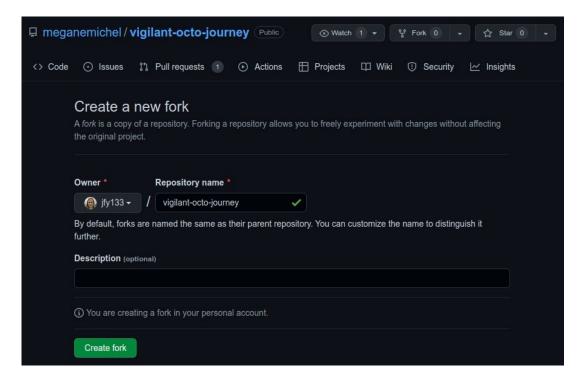
- Where you can edit without breaking files
- For 'going your own way'
- Provides extra protection recommended for large-team projects





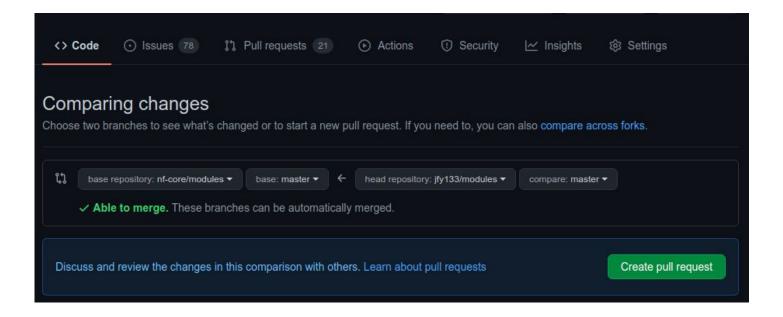
Making a fork

https://github.com/meganemichel/vigilant-octo-journey



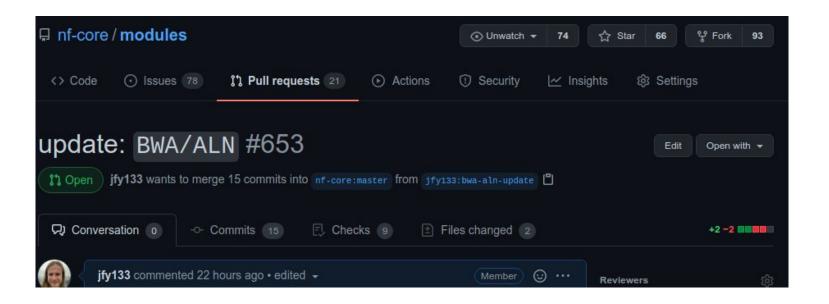


Also pull request to and from forks!





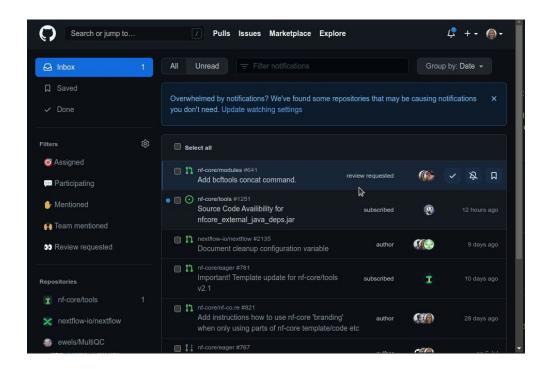
Also pull request into forks!





Reviewing PRs

Pull request tab → Blue Button → Review Changes



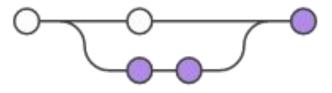


Merge



Approve and Merge

Once collaborator approves changes, you can merge your branch into the main





Summary and Practical Task: Branch and Fork

- 1. Fork github.com/meganemichel/vigilant-octo-journey
- 2. git clone
- 3. Make new branch with git checkout -c
- 4. Update README
- 5. Push changes to your fork
- 6. Make a PR back into meganemichel/vigilant-octo-journey



Merge Conflicts

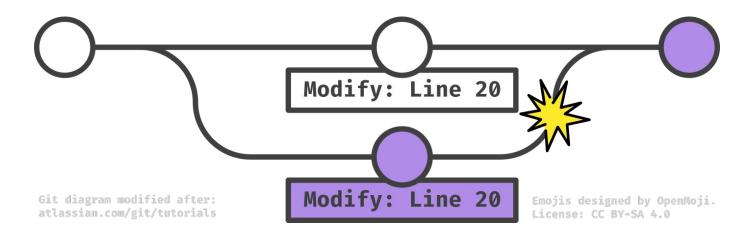
And how to resolve them





Conflict!

But what if same file or lines of file been modified in both main and your branch!?





Merge Conflict

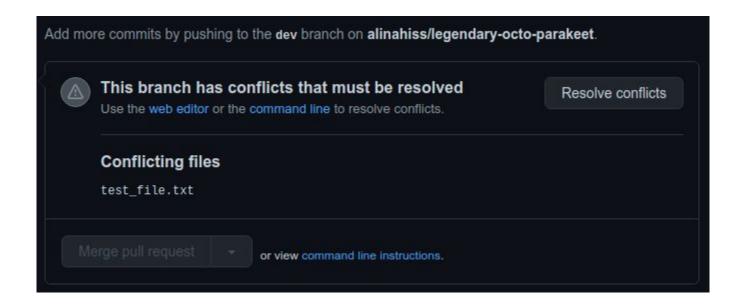
When git doesn't know which is the 'correct' line or file

- two people have changed the same lines in a file
- one developer deleted a file while another developer was modifying it



How to know when you have a conflict

On GitHub:





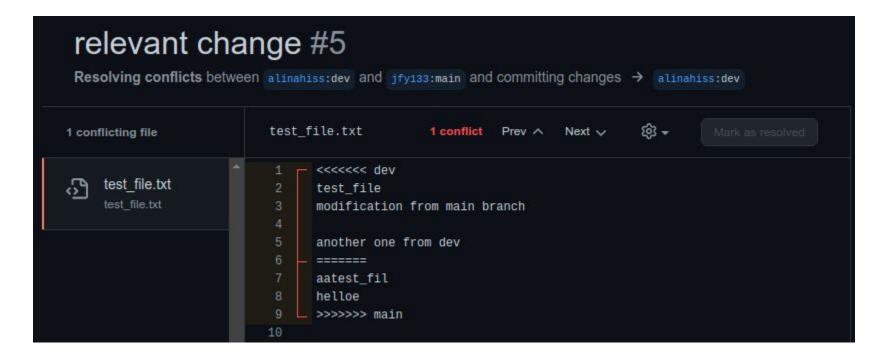
How to know when you have a conflict

On the command line

```
$ git pull
error: Entry '<fileName>' would be overwritten by merge. Cannot merge. (Changes in staging area)
```



Resolving a simple conflict (on github)





What a merge conflict looks like

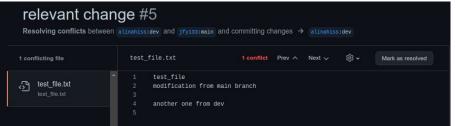
- Incoming change (the later change e.g. from your remote)
 - O <<<<<< dev</p>
- Separator
 - 0 ======
- Current change (what you currently have on your local)
 - 0 >>>>>> main



Resolving a simple conflict

Delete which you think is 'right'!







make sure to delete all conflict markers!



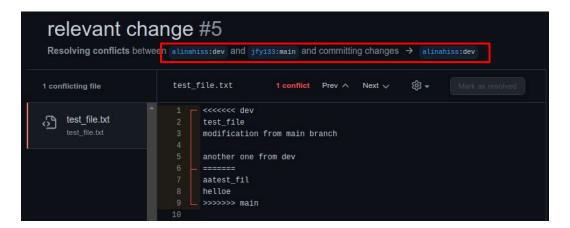
Resolving a simple conflict

- Press 'Mark as resolved'
- Updates if PR dev → main, changes merged into dev
- Now can merge PR \(\mathbb{U}\) \(\psi\)



Simple conflict

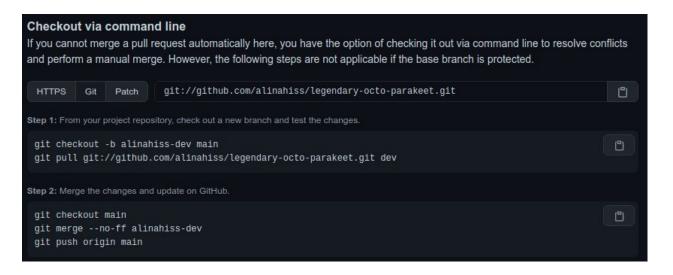
- 1 check WHERE resolved changes being committed to!
- Resolving conflict when updating dev from main
- Commit will be onto main NOT recommended!
- If unsure: make a separate branch (GitHub will ask)





Where to 'resolve a conflict'

- Simple: on GitHub (e.g. couple lines)
- Complex: locally on your machine with your IDE



Summary: Merge conflicts

- Merge conflict: same line modified on two branches/forks
- Indicated with

```
>>> <BRANCH>===
```

When conflict is:

Simple: on GitHub

<<< <BRANCH>

Complex: locally (follow instructions)



Merging

If changed files on main not changed on your branch, simply

```
$ git fetch upstream
$ # or git pull
```

