

# Contributing to Galaxy

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# Overview

- Why contribute?
- How to contribute code
- Contributing without coding

# Why Contribute?

- Galaxy core team is a small group with big goals
  - We have to prioritize our development efforts
- We have experience with usegalaxy.org
  - Which is completely unlike almost all other Galaxy instances
- You want things



# Divergence



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I was warned to avoid biological analogies



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# Divergence - This is not fun

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# So you want to be a Hero (contributor)

1. Awesome.

2. Think about:

- Security
- Performance
- General Applicability
- Communicate Early and Often
  - Trello
  - Mailing List
  - IRC



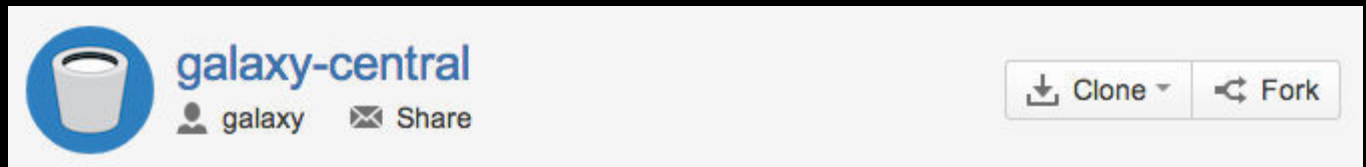
# Using Trello For R&D





# HOWTO in a nutshell

Fork it.



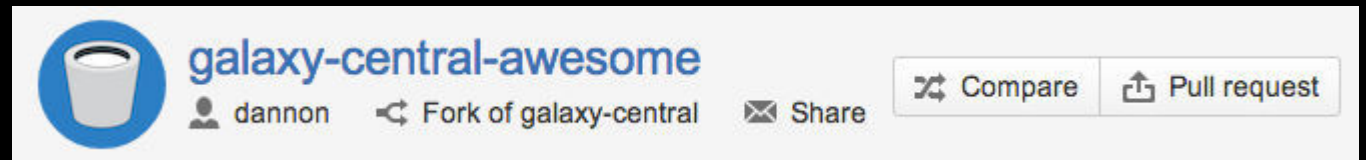
Tweak it.

```
10 + class TestToolDirectory(object):
11 +     def __init__(self):
12 +         self.temp_directory = mkdtemp()
```

Test it.

```
yoplait@gizmo ~/work/galaxy-central sh run_unit_tests.sh
Ran 59 tests in 11.099s
OK
```

Pull it.





# Writing code that's easy to integrate

- Readable
- Commented
- Detailed commit messages
- Preserves existing functionality
  - Config conditional!
- Includes unit and/or functional tests

```
globals()  
    .update({ "_____":  
lambda x:      globals()  
    .update((      dict([[x]  
        *2])))), _____(((  
        "Just")))  
    , _____(( "another"  
    )), _____("Python"  
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credit: <http://c2.com/cgi/wiki?ObfuscatedPython>

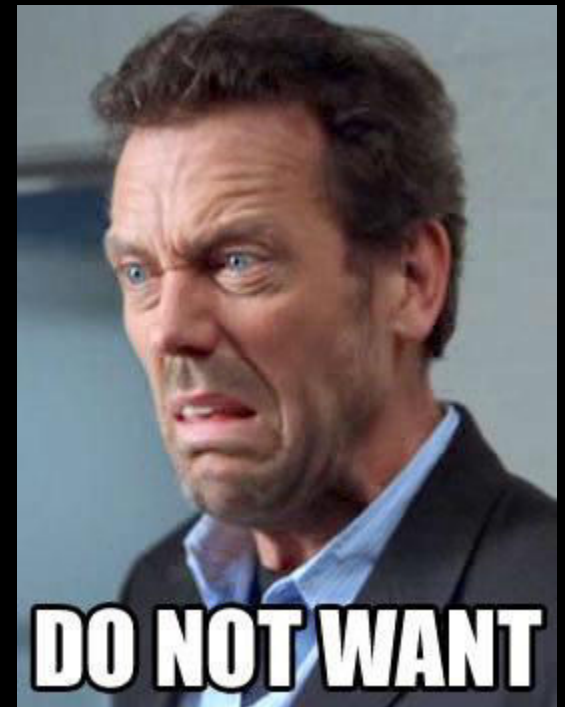
# A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds

Galaxy mostly follows PEP8, readability is the ultimate goal

- Avoid `from module import *`
- `thisIsNotJava` `underscores_strongly_preferred`
- Comment lines should be under 79 characters, code lines can be up to 200 characters
- Docstrings need to be reStructured Text and Sphinx markup compatible
- Whitespace: whatever is most readable, both for blank lines and space around operators

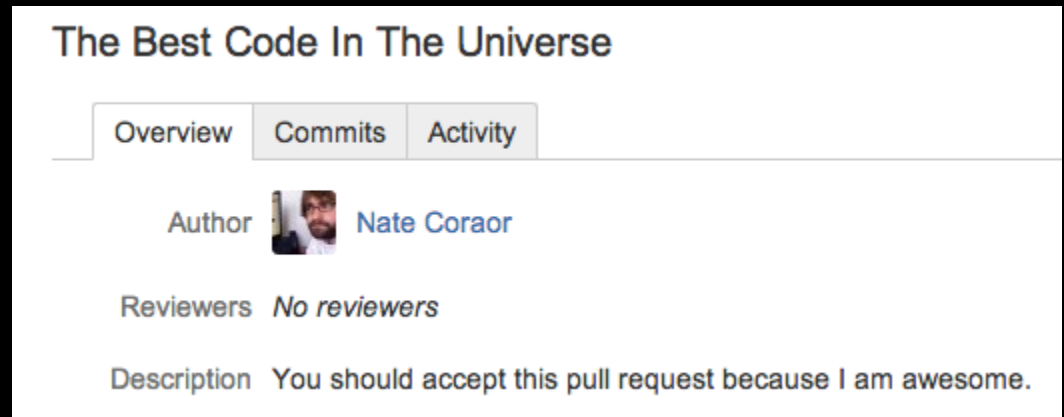
# Writing code that is easy to reject

- Tools
- Hard-to-read code
- Code that negatively impacts existing functionality to solve your specific case
- Suboptimal implementations that inhibit comprehensive work in the future



# Writing Pull Requests that are easy to integrate

- Informative pull request message
- Context
  - New functionality: test cases
  - Bug fixes: how to reproduce
- Links to Trello cards as applicable
- Tag specific individuals as reviewers



# An Almost Perfect Example

#160

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galaxy-central-m...



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The imperfection ->

🕒 Created 2013-04-20

🕒 Updated 2013-06-13

#160 **MERGED** galaxy-central-m... default → default


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Testing code:

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#!/usr/bin/env python


import json
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import sys

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if __name__ == "__main__":
    server = sys.argv[1]
    api_key = sys.argv[2]

    rg = RemoteGalaxy(server, api_key)

    for row in rg.post("/api/search", { "query" : "select name, id, file_size t
    print row

    for row in rg.post("/api/search", { "query" : "select name from hda" }):
        print row

    for row in rg.post("/api/search", { "query" : "select name, model_class fro
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    for row in rg.post("/api/search", { "query" : "select * from history" }):
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    for row in rg.post("/api/search", { "query" : "select * from workflow" }):
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    for row in rg.post("/api/search", {"query" : "select * from history where r
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# Contributing without Coding

- Mailing List (galaxy-dev)
  - [wiki.galaxyproject.org/MailingLists](http://wiki.galaxyproject.org/MailingLists)
- Trello
  - [galaxyproject.org/trello](http://galaxyproject.org/trello)
- Wiki
  - [wiki.galaxyproject.org](http://wiki.galaxyproject.org)
- Pull Request Review
  - [bitbucket.org/galaxy/galaxy-central/pull-requests](http://bitbucket.org/galaxy/galaxy-central/pull-requests)

# Using Trello For Friendly Coercion

The screenshot shows a Trello card with the title "Unable to run jobs when user job limits are set" and a subtitle "in list In stable branch". The card has a red circle around the "2 votes" and "6" comment icons. The card content describes a problem with job limits and includes a traceback error. The right sidebar shows "Labels" (No labels) and "Members" (one member).

**Unable to run jobs when user job limits are set** in list In stable branch

Archived **2 votes** 6

When `registered_user_job_limit` and `anonymous_user_job_limit` are set in `universe.wsgi` jobs cannot be run, instead the following error occurs:

```
galaxy.jobs.handler ERROR 2012-12-04 12:44:51,869 fa
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "/data/local/galaxy/galaxy-prod/lib/galaxy/jot
```

**Labels**

No labels

**Members**

The screenshot shows a comment by Hans-Rudolf Hotz. The comment text describes a similar issue with job limits and mentions a production server upgrade. The user's initials "HH" are visible in a small box.

**HH Hans-Rudolf Hotz**

I was just running into the same issue as part of upgrading our production server from release 2012\_10\_05 to 2013\_02\_08 (unfortunately, I didn't catch it last week, when I did our test server, as the job limit was not set there).

The user job limit has been very handy for us.

Vote!

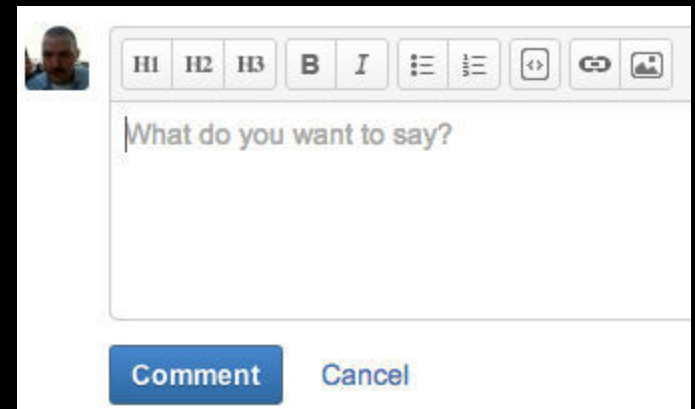
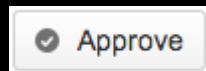
Comment!

Make your impassioned plea!

Make sure we know what matters to you!

# Reviewing Pull Requests

- Yes, please?
- Consider the utility of the PR
  - Is this something that, included in Galaxy, would benefit the community at large?
- Pull the code
- Test, look for corner cases
- Errors or Improvements?
- Comment
- Approve!



# Wrapping Up

- Small team, large and diverse community
- Pull requests take time to review (help us!)
- Tell us how we can improve the process

# Thank You

Florent Angly

Raj Ayyampalayam

Finn Bacall

James Boocock

Carlos Borroto

Brad Chapman

John Chilton

Ilya Chorny

Saket Choudhary

Peter Cock

Freek de Bruijn

John Duddy

Kyle Ellrott

Jaime Frey

Mike Gehring

Nuwan Goonasekera

Björn Grüning

MORITA Hideyuki

Rob Hooft

Gert Hulselmans

Joachim Jacob

Jim Johnson

Rory Kirchner

Brad Langhorst

Philip Mabon

Eric Paniagua

Richard Park

Lance Parsons

Andrea Sbardellati

Nick Semenkovich

Clare Sloggett

Nicola Soranzo

Roy Storey

Hanfei Sun

Tomithy Too

Peter van Heusden

Martijn Vermaat

Hiral Vora

Trevor Wennblom

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**So you found a bug (and want to fix it)**

Saw the Cytoscape rendering, and you're not fazed? Great!

<<NEED CONTENT>>

( <http://wiki.galaxyproject.org/Develop> )