# A Crash Course for SU2 Hackers

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# So, you want to be an SU2 developer?

# Good news: it's easy.

We leverage standard development processes and the latest tools for open-source projects.

You will be ready to hack at the end of this talk.

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## Your starting point: <u>https://github.com/su2code/SU2</u>.





#### Here's that list of shell commands you should memorize:

- \$ git clone <u>https://github.com/su2code/SU2.git</u>
- \$ git branch
- \$ git checkout -b feature\_awesome origin/feature\_awesome
- \$ git status
- \$ git diff
- \$ git commit -am "This is an awesome commit."
- \$ git push origin feature\_awesome
- \$ git checkout develop
- \$ git pull origin develop
- \$ git merge develop

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#### And their translations:

- Get a fresh copy of the entire repo (master branch to start)
- Check which branches I have locally
- Check out my feature branch that is already on the remote
  - Check which files have changed since last commit
  - Detailed diff of code changes since last commit
  - While working, make commits frequently with messages
  - Regularly push to the remote on GitHub
  - Switch to the develop branch (assuming you have it locally)
  - Merge the changes in the remote develop into local develop
  - Merge the changes from local develop into current local branch





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New branches can be made in the browser interface here or by pushing local branches to the remote with git.





C++ Executables

- SU2\_CFD -> Primary multiphysics PDE solver for primal and adjoint
- SU2\_SOL -> Solution export code
- SU2 DEF -> Mesh deformation
- SU2\_DOT -> Gradient projection
- SU2\_GEO -> Geometry definition
- SU2\_MSH -> Mesh adaptation

Python Scripts (just a subset of them)

- parallel\_computation.py
- mesh\_deformation.py
- shape\_optimization.py
- continuous\_adjoint.py
- discrete\_adjoint.py
- finite\_differences.py
- direct differentiation.py



- C++ class abstractions encourage code reuse and data encapsulation ensures you can make localized changes easily.
- for many sets of physical governing equations.
- - Files with \*\_structure.cpp contain base classes.

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• Common base classes/methods (grid, linear solvers, output, etc.) are reused

• For a particular PDE, we define iteration, numerics, solver, and variable classes that are customized for the particular methods and algorithms.

 Files with solver\_\*.cpp, variable\_\*.cpp, numerics\_\*.cpp, contain child classes for a particular PDE, e.g., solver\_direct\_mean.cpp for mean flow.





















- Now that you know the basics, you are ready to create a new branch for your awesome feature (feature\_awesome) and start hacking.
- work in the repository?"
  - open.
- other capabilities that already exist in SU2?"

• But you might say, "Wait, how do I coordinate my contribution with other ongoing

 Posting issues on GitHub and interacting with the SU2 IDS are great ways to discuss potential developments and coordinate among other developers in the

And then maybe you'll ask, "How can I make sure that my work doesn't 'break'

Continuous integration will save your bacon. Travis Cl is free for open-source!



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#### New capabilities in your feature branch should also have a test case to protect them in the future.

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2. Put the config file and any supporting data in the corresponding locations. Travis CI combines the complementary sets.





- So, you've finished your awesome feature and the tests are passing. SU2 standard.
- the open source, but how do I do that?"
- To get your work into an official open-source release of SU2, the modifications have to first be staged in the develop branch.
- To do so, we use the standard Pull Request (PR) approach.

You've even added your own regression test (or two), and you checked that there are no new compiler warnings and the style conforms to the

• At this point you are wondering, "I would like to contribute my feature to

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The SU2 suite is an open-source collection of C++ based software tools for performing Partial Differential Equation (PDE) analysis and solving PDE-constrained optimization problems. The toolset is designed with Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) and aerodynamic shape optimization in mind, but is extensible to treat arbitrary sets of governing equations such as potential flow, elasticity, electrodynamics, chemically-reacting flows, and many others. SU2 is under active development by individuals all around the world on GitHub and is released under an open-source license.

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#### Documentation and tutorials are critical for amplifying the impact of your work. Good news: it's the same process to create it.



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#### **SU2 Development Survival Guide** A Best Practice Workflow

- 1. Clone main repository: \$ git clone <u>https://github.com/su2code/SU2.git</u>
- 2. Create new feature branch (in remote and locally) for your development work. Work on this branch in the repo.
- 3. Activate the regressions for your branch by changing to your branch name and email in .travis.yml. Use this to guide development and correct any failures along the way that you will be informed of by email.
- 4. Work on your feature! Please mind white space issues, compiler warnings, and match the SU2 style.
- will have solved any conflicts on your side before a PR.
- 6. Once you feel your feature is finished, submit a PR. Fill out the PR template that is provided for you.
- 8. Once the reviewers approve and the regressions pass, the community will merge in your work.
- 9. Celebrate your contribution and proudly introduce yourself as an SU2 developer at your social engagements.

5. If you are working on a single branch for an extended amount of time, merge the remote develop branch into your own branch at regular, frequent intervals. This ensures that, when the time comes, it will be easy to merge your contribution into develop, as you

7. Get reviews and engage with the community concerning your contribution. Fix problems in your branch or address any feedback on the message boards. Note that any new commits will appear right there in the open PR and will kick-off the regressions again.

## Pretty easy to be a developer, huh?

# We have set up safety nets and removed overhead wherever possible.

So, try crazy ideas in your branches. Don't be afraid to make big changes that push the boundaries of the code. The community and infrastructure will be there to help you. This is how we make progress.

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual SU2 Developers Meeting**

September 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 University of Strathclyde, Scottish Universities Insight Institute (SUII) Glasgow, Scotland, UK

Meeting Agenda for Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup>

0900 – 0915: Welcome & Agenda

**0915** – **1045**: Introduction to developing in SU2: Covering high level class design, how to modify the code, working with GitHub (branching, PRs, regressions), etc. **1045** – **1615**: Hack session: Separate groups working on various problems (lunch and snacks/coffee offered in the room while working) **1615 – 1700: Wrap-up Presentations:** Two-slide presentations on major progress for the day, including discussion

1730 – open: Social at "The Counting House", 2 St Vincent Place, G1 2DH

#### Meeting Agenda for Monday September 17<sup>th</sup>

0800 – 0830: Welcome & Year in review, <u>T. Economon</u> (Bosch), <u>J.J. Alonso</u> (Stanford)

0830 – 0900: SU2-NEMO - Thermochemistry and high-Mach aerothermodynamics, M. Fossati (U. of Strathclyde), T. Magin, J.B. Scoggins, M. Pini, P. Colonna, R. Sanchez, T. Economon, D. Mayer, N. Beishuizen, C. Garbacz-Gomes, W.T. Meier, J.J. Alonso, T. van der Stelt **0900 – 0930: Toward optimization for reactive flows in SU2**, <u>N. Beishuizen</u> (Bosch), D. Mayer, T. Economon 0930 – 1000: Conjugate heat transfer problems and computing coupled discrete adjoints using AD, O. Burghardt (TU Kaiserslautern), T. Albring, N. Gauger

1000 – 1030: Coffee break

1030 – 1100: Physics-based RANS model-form UQ in SU2, J. Mukhopadhaya (Stanford), A. Mishra, J.J. Alonso, G. laccarino 1100 – 1130: Aeroacoustics prediction and optimization capabilities in SU2, B. Zhou (NIA/NASA-Langley), T. Albring, N. Gauger, C. Ilario, T. Economon, J.J. Alonso, L. V. Lopes, H. Yao, S. Peng, L. Davidson

1130 – 1200: Higher-order SU2: DG-FEM solver and WENO-FV solver with LES/ILES/WMLES applications, E. van der Weide (U. of Twente), J.J. Alonso, D. Drikakis, K. Singh, P. Urbanczik, E. Molina, J.H. Choi

1200 – 1300: Lunch

1300 – 1330: Unsteady optimization with SU2: application to turbomachinery design, A. Rubino (TU Delft), M. Pini, N. Anand, P. Colonna 1330 – 1400: Preliminary results on rotor-fuselage aerodynamics using SU2: status and challenges, M. Morelli (Politecnico di Milano), G. Gori, A. Guardone 1400 – 1430: Anisotropic mesh adaptation with the INRIA AMG library, A. Loseille (INRIA), V. Menier, B. Munguia, J.J. Alonso

1430 – 1500: Coffee break

1500 – 1530: Simulation and adjoint-based design for variable density incompressible flows with heat transfer, <u>T. Economon</u> (Bosch) 1530 – 1600: Implementation of pressure-based Navier-Stokes for wind energy applications, A. Ravishankara (ECN part of TNO), H. Ozdemir, E. van der Weide **1600 – 1630: SU2-IDS: International Developers Society**, T. Albring, R. Sanchez (TU Kaiserslautern), T. Economon, F. Palacios

**1630 – 1700: Wrap up**, <u>J.J. Alonso</u> (Stanford)

In order to participate (in-person or virtually), please register for the meeting by following the link on the SU2 home page (<u>https://su2code.github.io</u>). \*Please note that all stated times are British Summer Time (BST). \*\*The presenter author is underlined



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