



Introduction to GitHub

Lesson 1



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- What You Need to Know About Git

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What is Git – an overview : Git Configuration

- Levels of Git Configuration
- Local : repository level (--local)
 - For example : while using a personal GitHub account
 - "git config -- local user.email a@b.org"
 - "git config -- local – list" to view the local configuration
 - "cat .git/config" or "vi ~/.git/config"
- Global : user level (--global)
 - For example : To know/reset your user level settings
 - "git config -- user.name <optionally new value>"
 - "git config -- user.email <optionally new value>"
 - "git config -- global – list"
 - "cat ~/.gitconfig" or "vi ~/.gitconfig"
 - "git config -- global pull.rebase true" defaulting pull to rebase
- System : all user level (--system)
 - For example : Setting UI color for all users
 - "git config – system color.ui true"



What is GitHub

- GitHub is a collaboration platform.
- From software to legal documents, you can count on GitHub to help you do your best work with the collaboration and security tools your team needs.
- With GitHub, you can keep projects completely private, invite the world to collaborate, and streamline every step of your project.
- GitHub is also a powerful version control tool.
- GitHub uses Git, the most popular open source version control software, to track every contribution and contributor to your project--so you know exactly where every line of code came from.



What is GitHub – Sharing a Git Configuration on GitHub

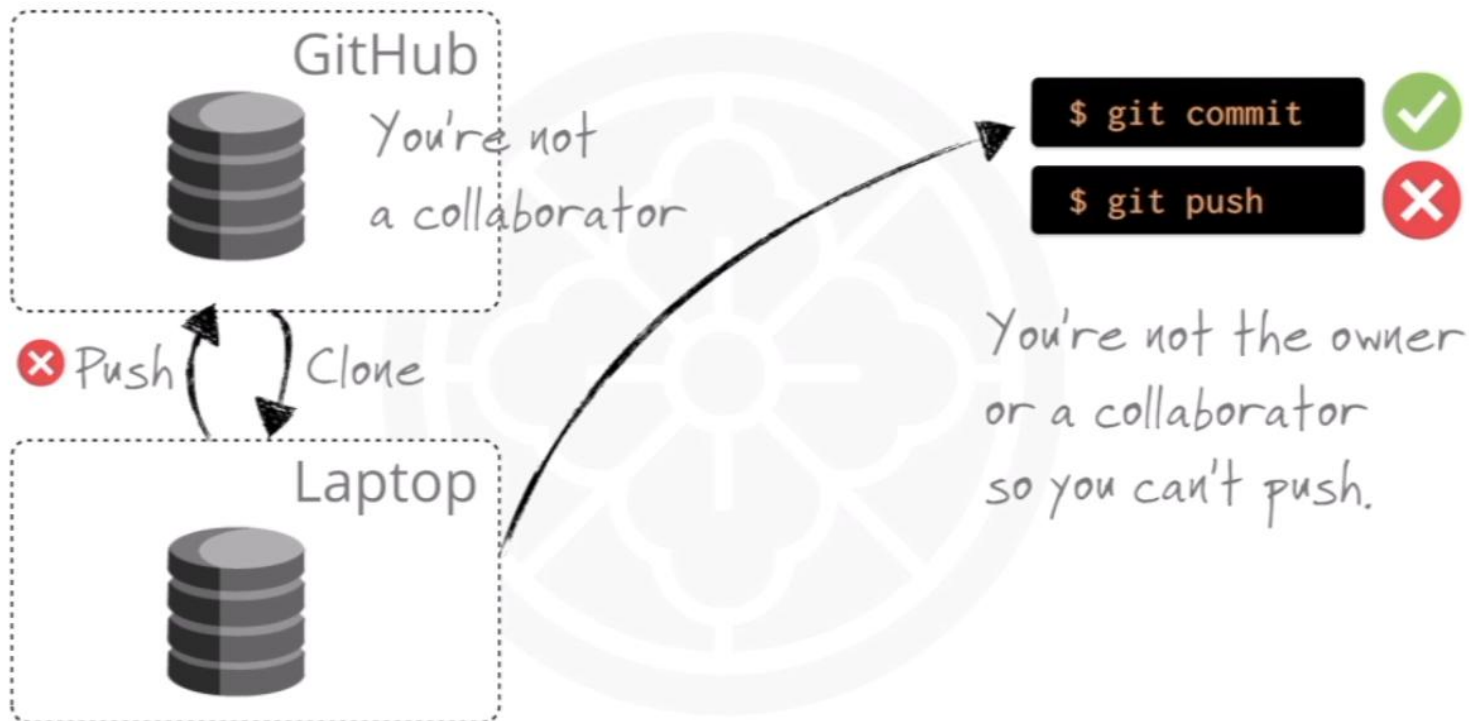
- Wiki Page
- Add the configuration files (dot files) to a repository on GitHub
- Global : user level (--global)
- System : all user level (--system)

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What is GitHub – Cloning :

- When you are not a Owner/Collaborator on a public repo, you can
 - Clone the repo
 - Commit the changes locally
- However you can not push it back to the repository.

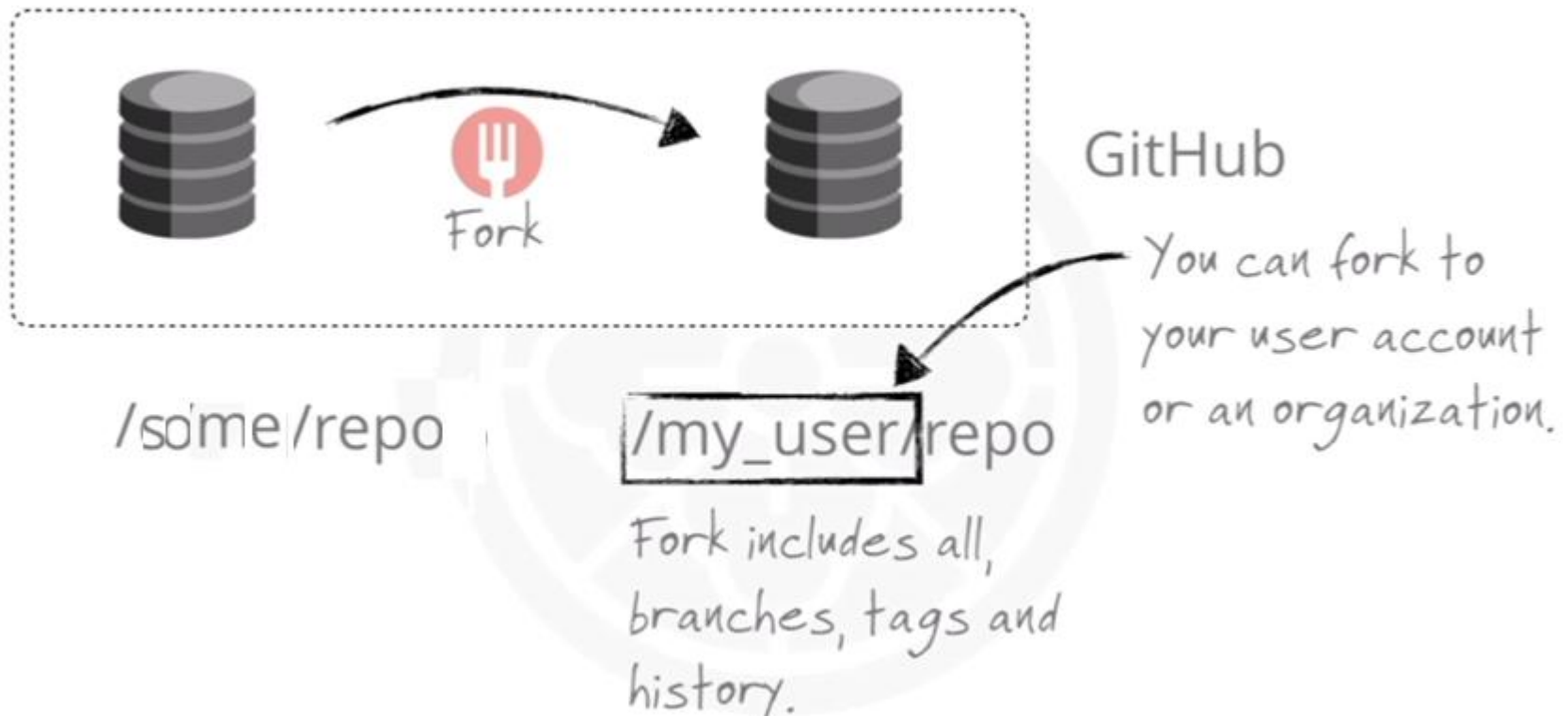


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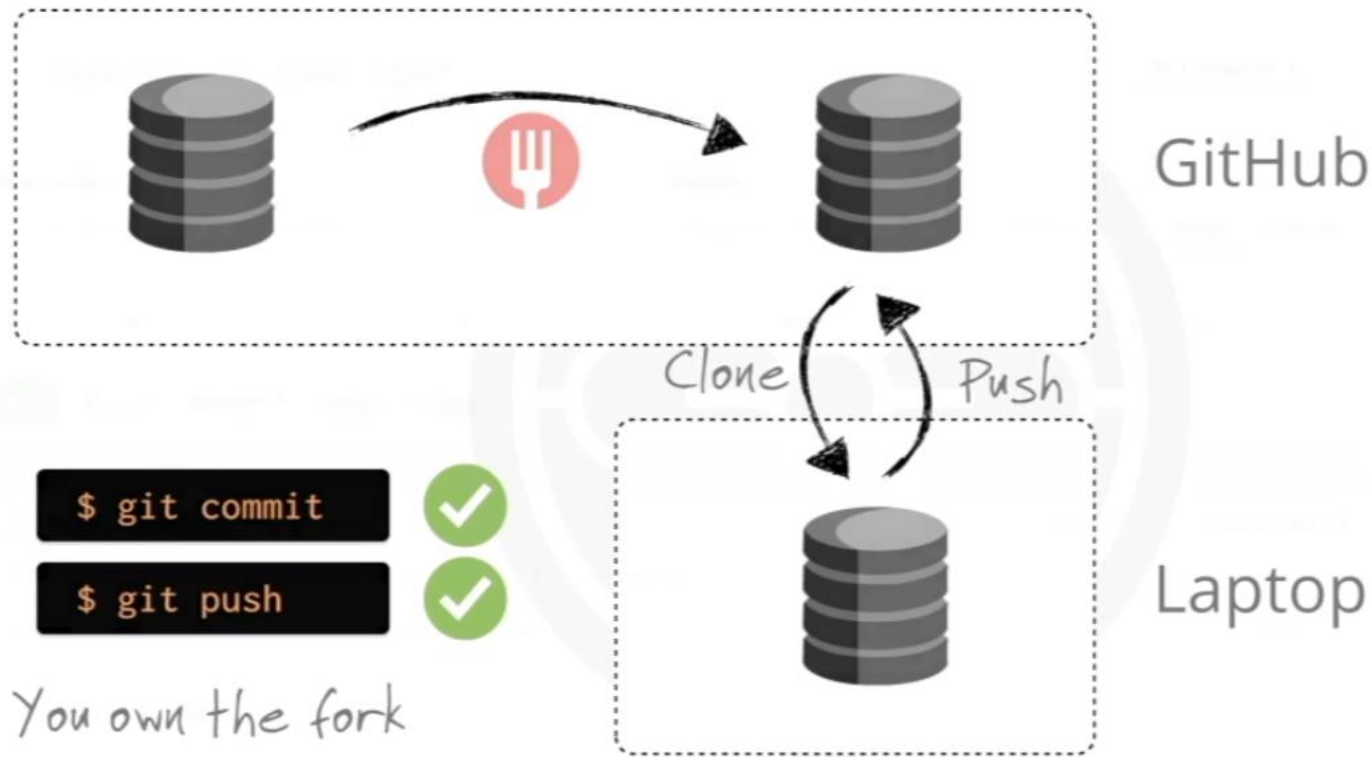


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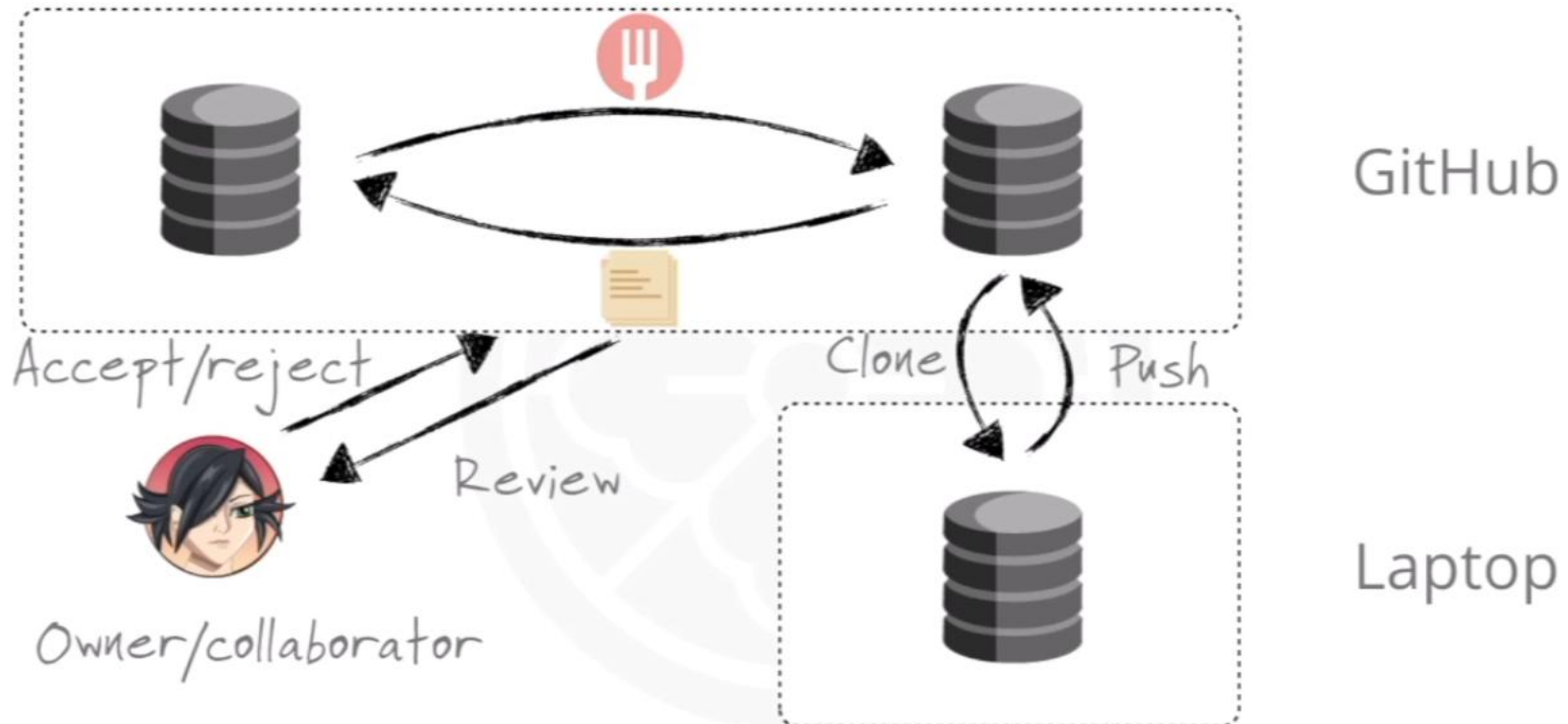


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What is GitHub – Pull Request :

- You can fork a project on a public repo, you can
 - Clone and Commit the changes locally
 - Push it back to the forked repo
- By Submitting a Pull Request, you can
 - Send a Pull Request to original repo owner/collaborator
 - It is reviewed by owner/collaborator
 - Changes are Accepted or Rejected

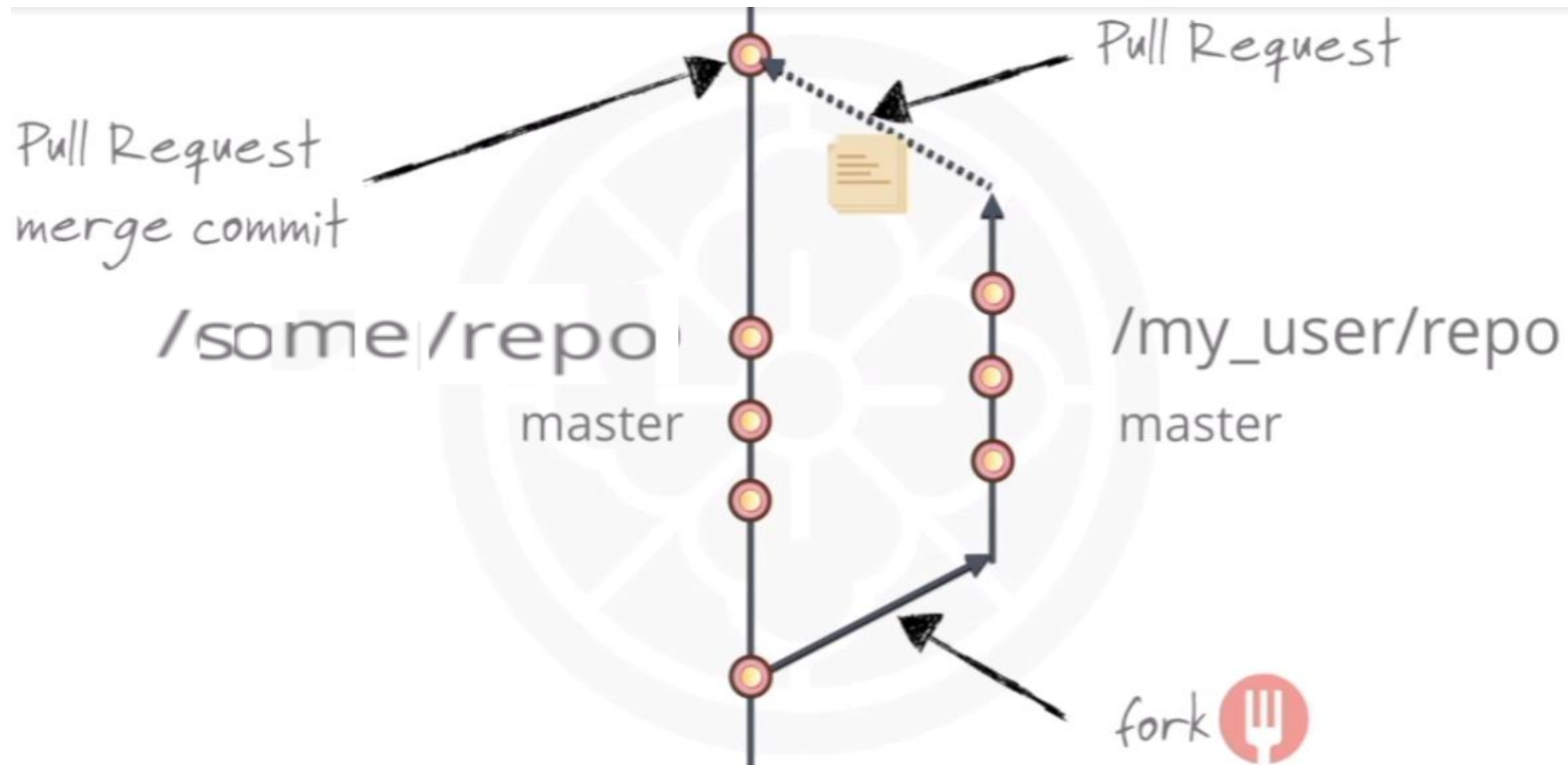


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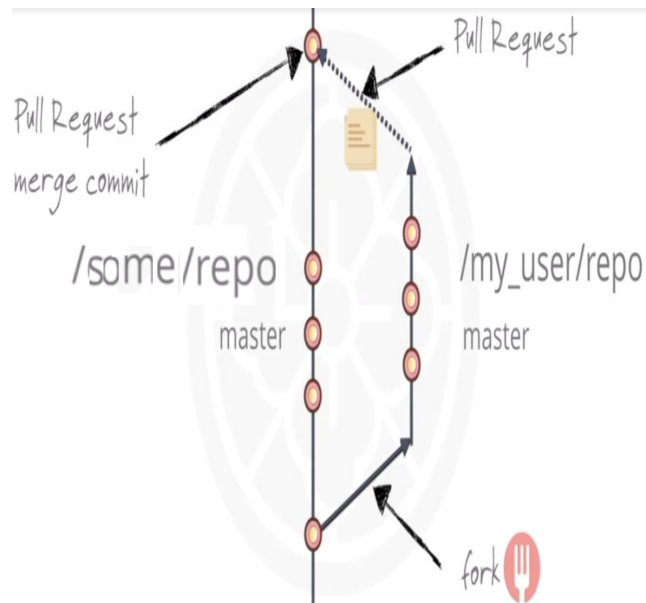
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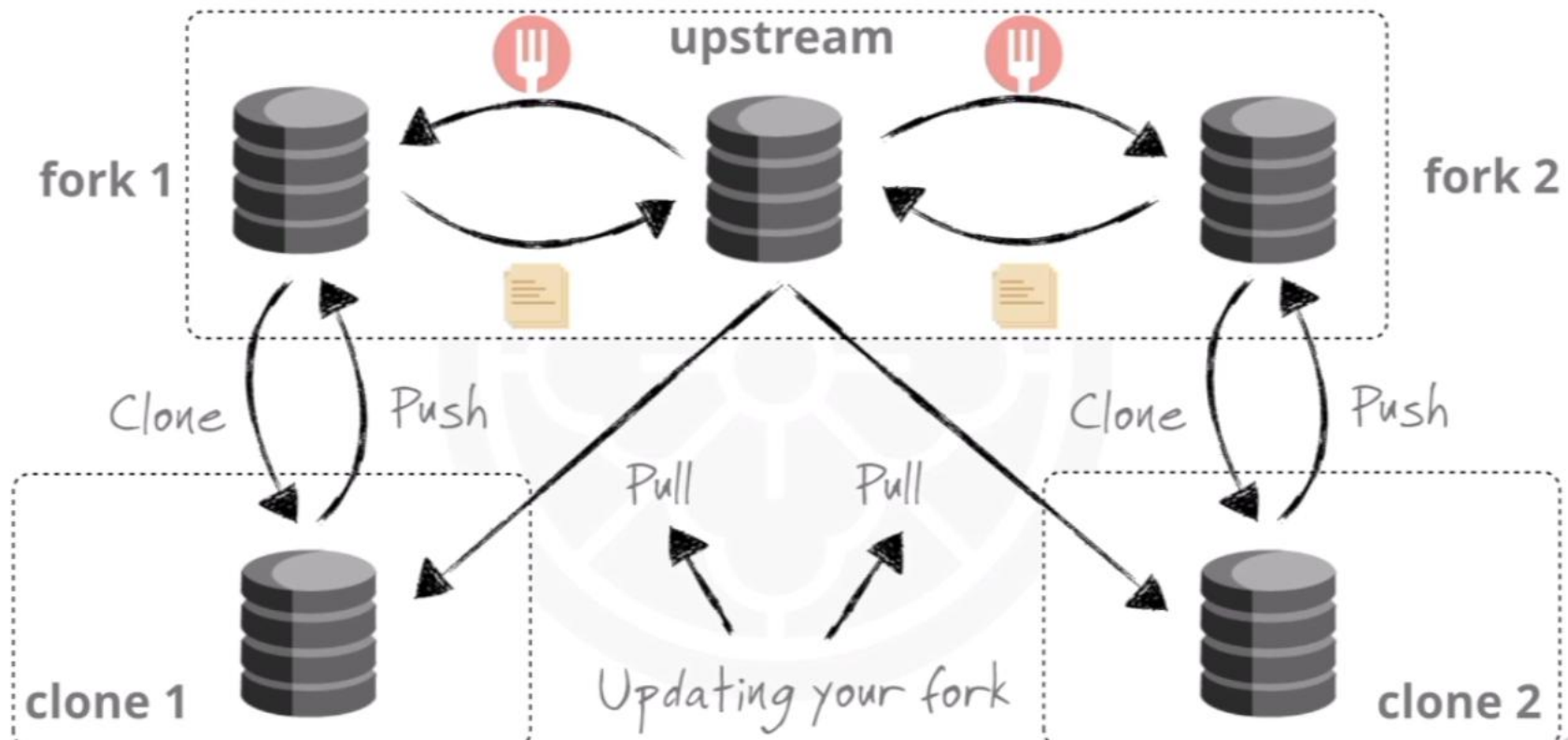
Anyone can comment on a PR

They can also checkout your branch, commit and add their changes to your PR.

The owner or any collaborator can merge in your PR.

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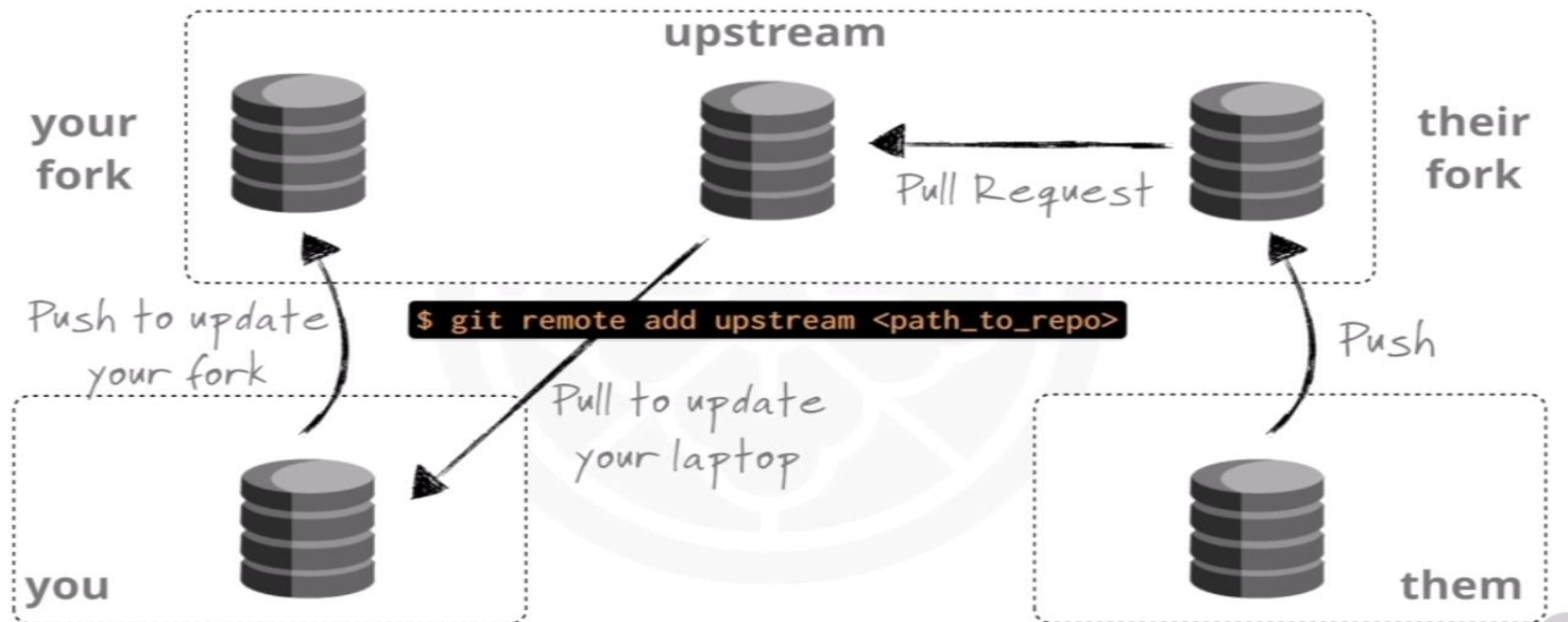
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- Commands to update your Fork for every Pull Request accepted
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Add remote for upstream

```
$ git remote add upstream <path_to_repo>
```

Fetch changes

```
$ git fetch upstream
```

Merge them into master

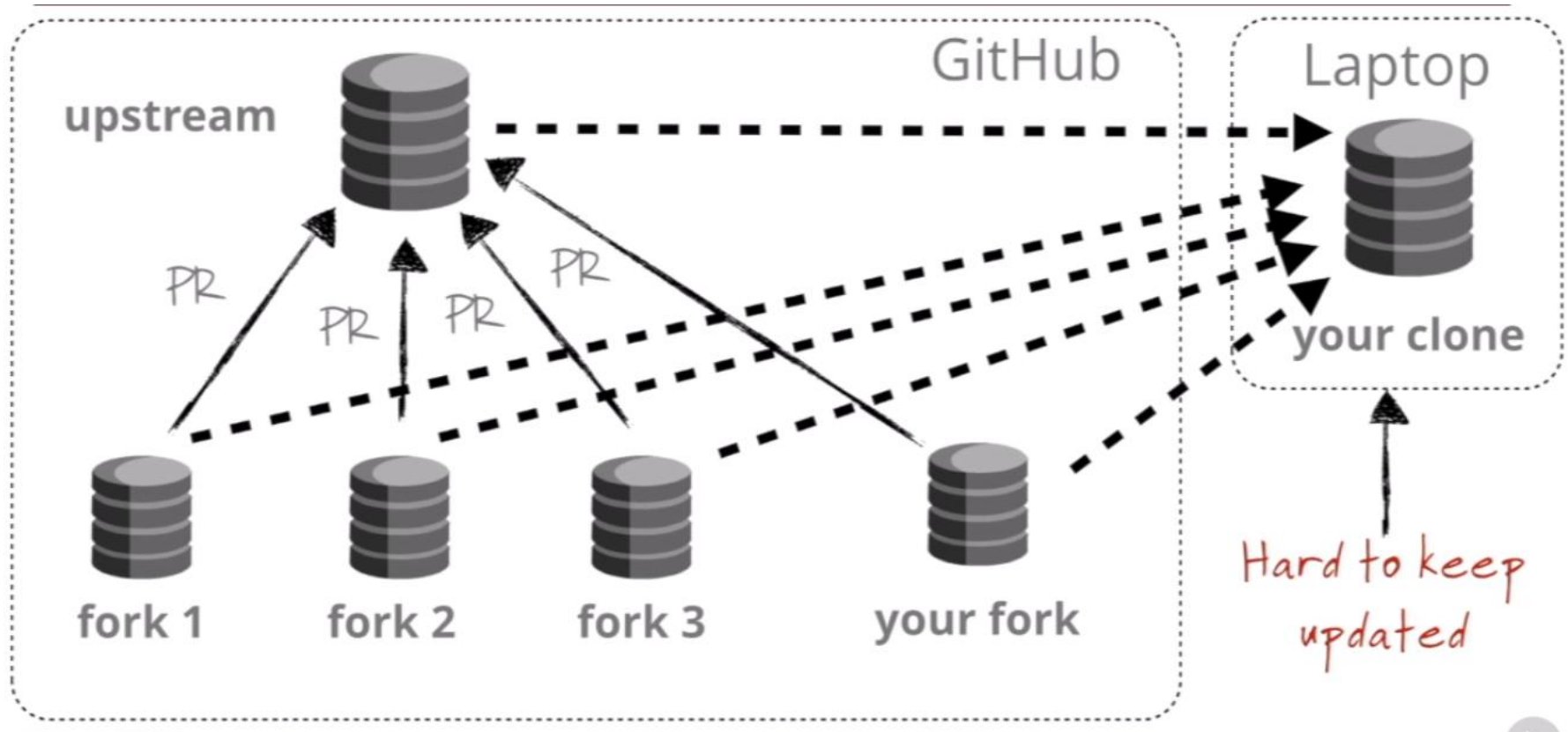
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$ git merge upstream/master master
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Push them to your remote

```
$ git push origin master
```

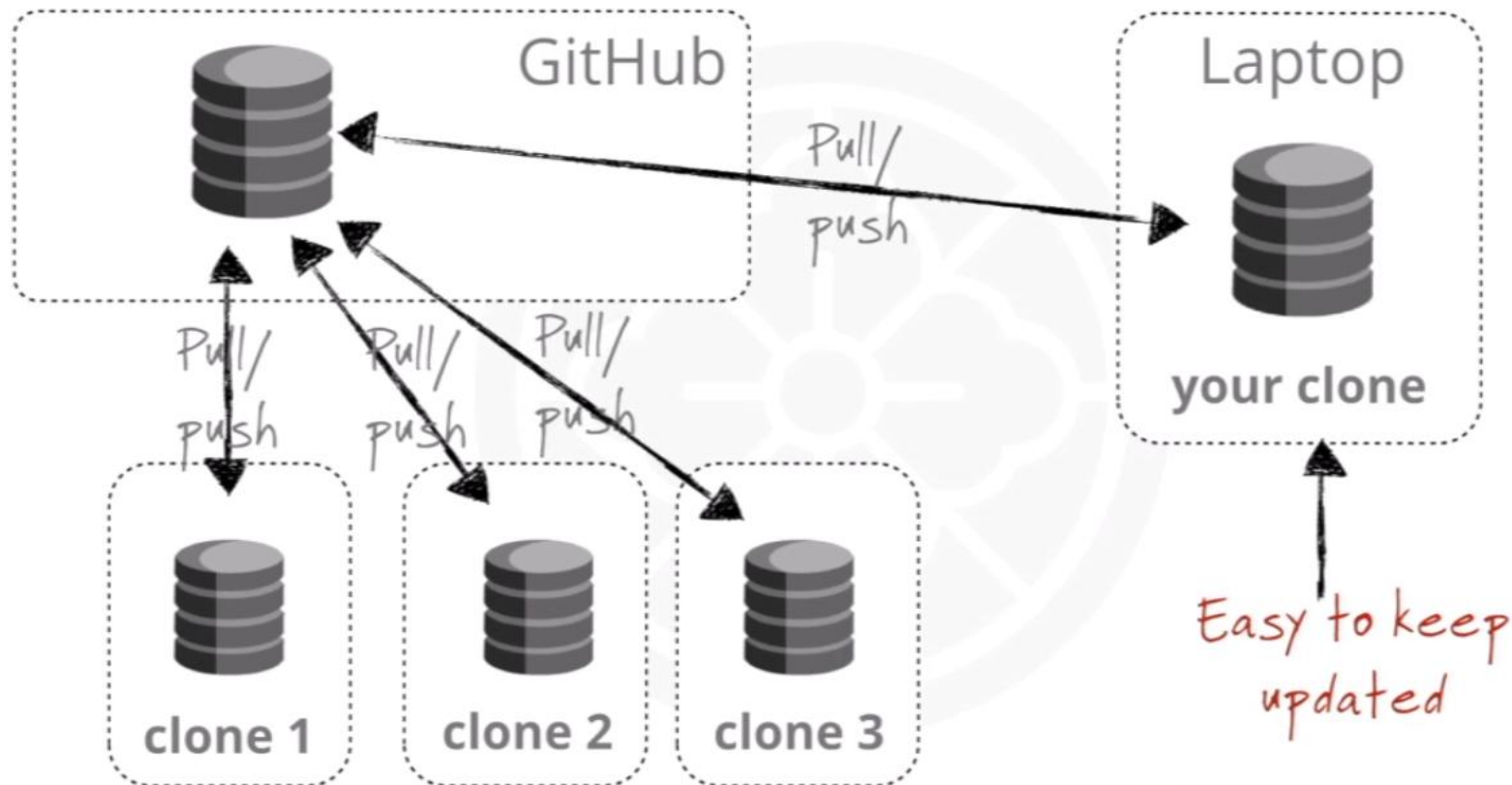
What is GitHub – Multi Repository Workflow Challenges

- Maintaining Multi repository Workflows is a challenging task
 - Especially while you try to keep your local codebase, up-to-date with PRs that are yet to be accepted from other forks in your team



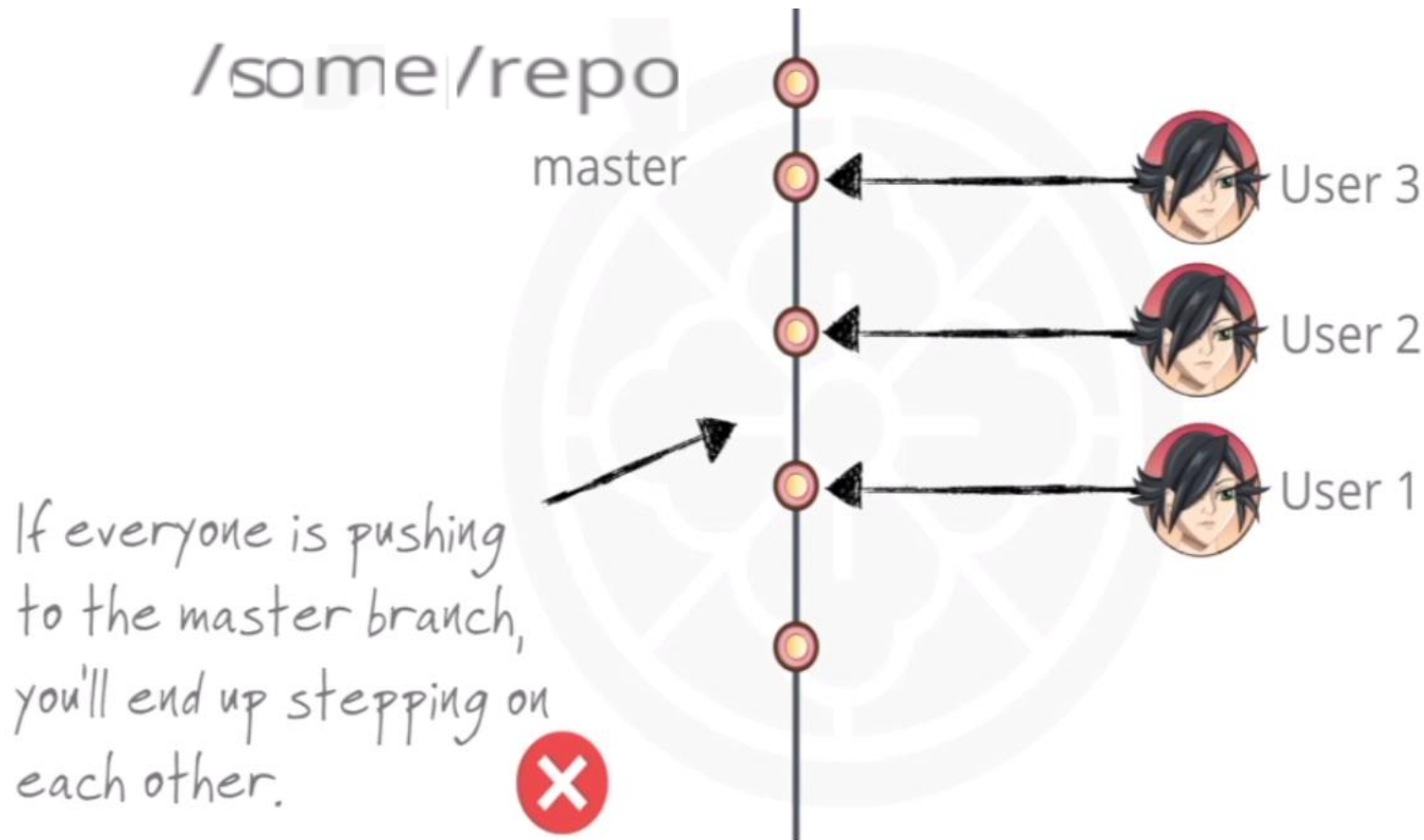
What is GitHub – Introducing Single Repository Workflow

- It is easy to use Single repository Workflows
 - Especially while collaborating with central repository, in your team, every one can clone the central repo, pull or push the changes on it. NO Fork required in this case.



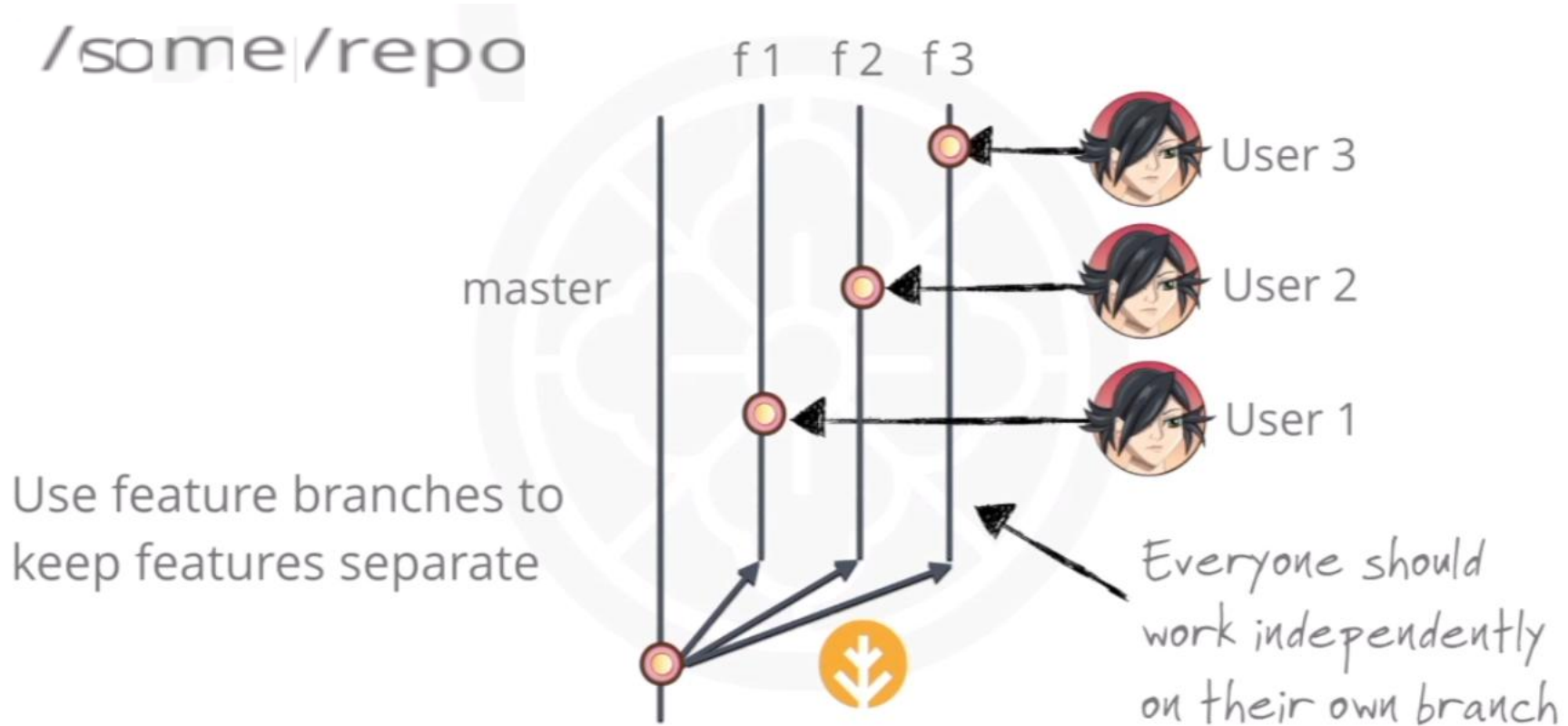
What is GitHub – Caution : Single Repository Workflow

- Due to use Single repository Workflows, there can be regular Conflicts



What is GitHub – Feature Branches

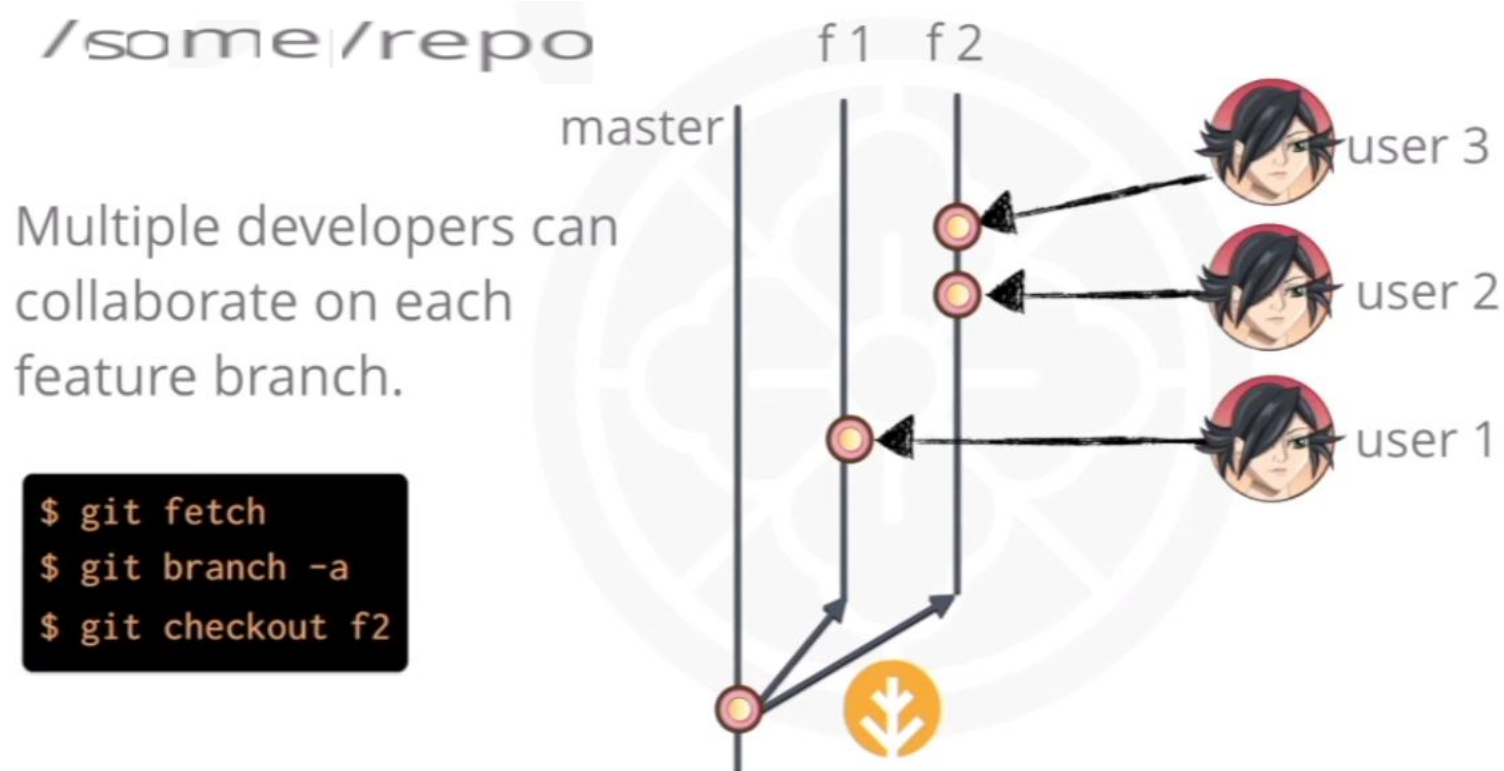
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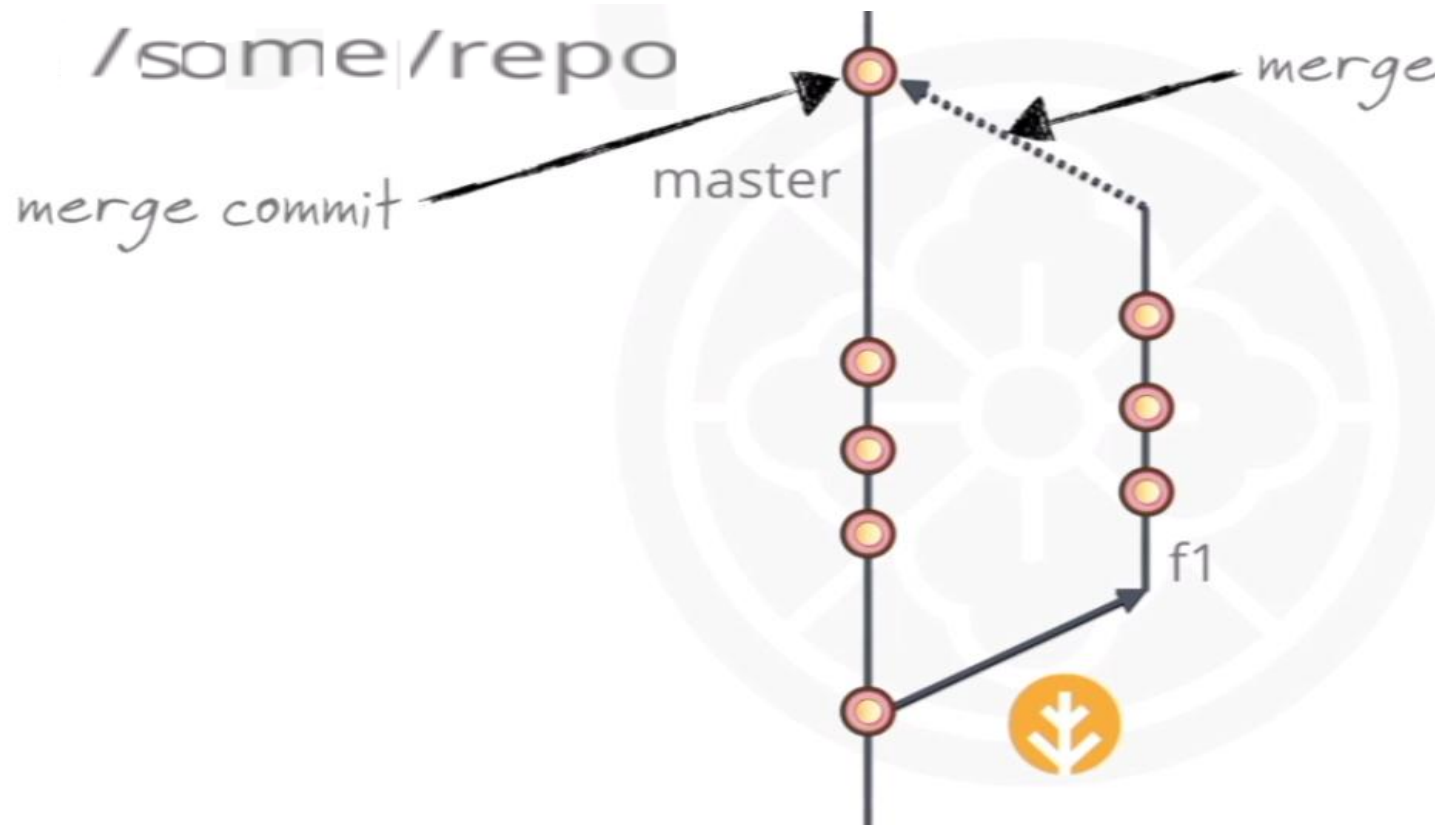
What is GitHub – Collaborating on Feature Branches

- Feature Branches can be used for independent development on Single repository Workflows. Each developer can ...
 - Fetch the changes from the remote repo
 - List all existing branches
 - Checkout the branch that has been recently pushed to GitHub



What is GitHub – Merging the Development back to Master

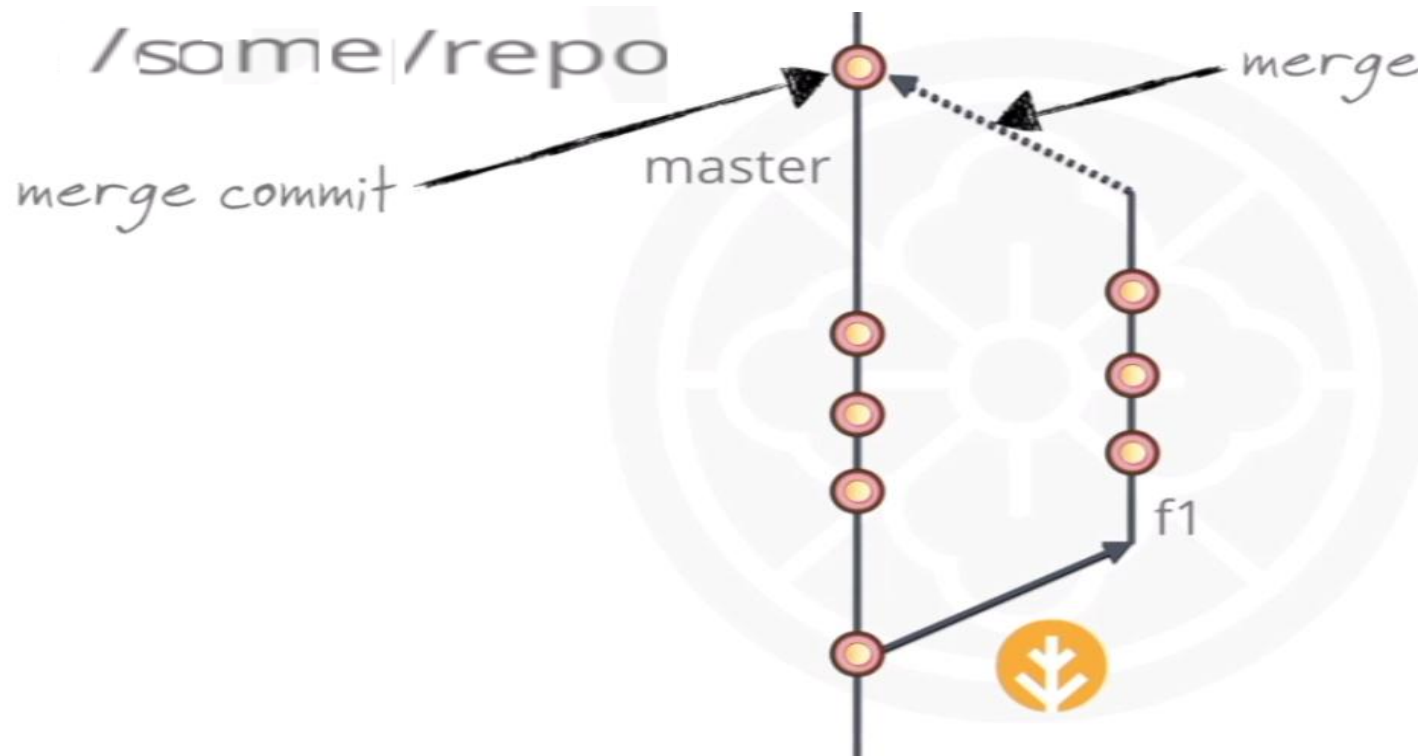
- Once a Feature is done ...
 - Assuming that the right branch is checkout
 - Merge the changes on the Master branch
 - Push the changes to GitHub





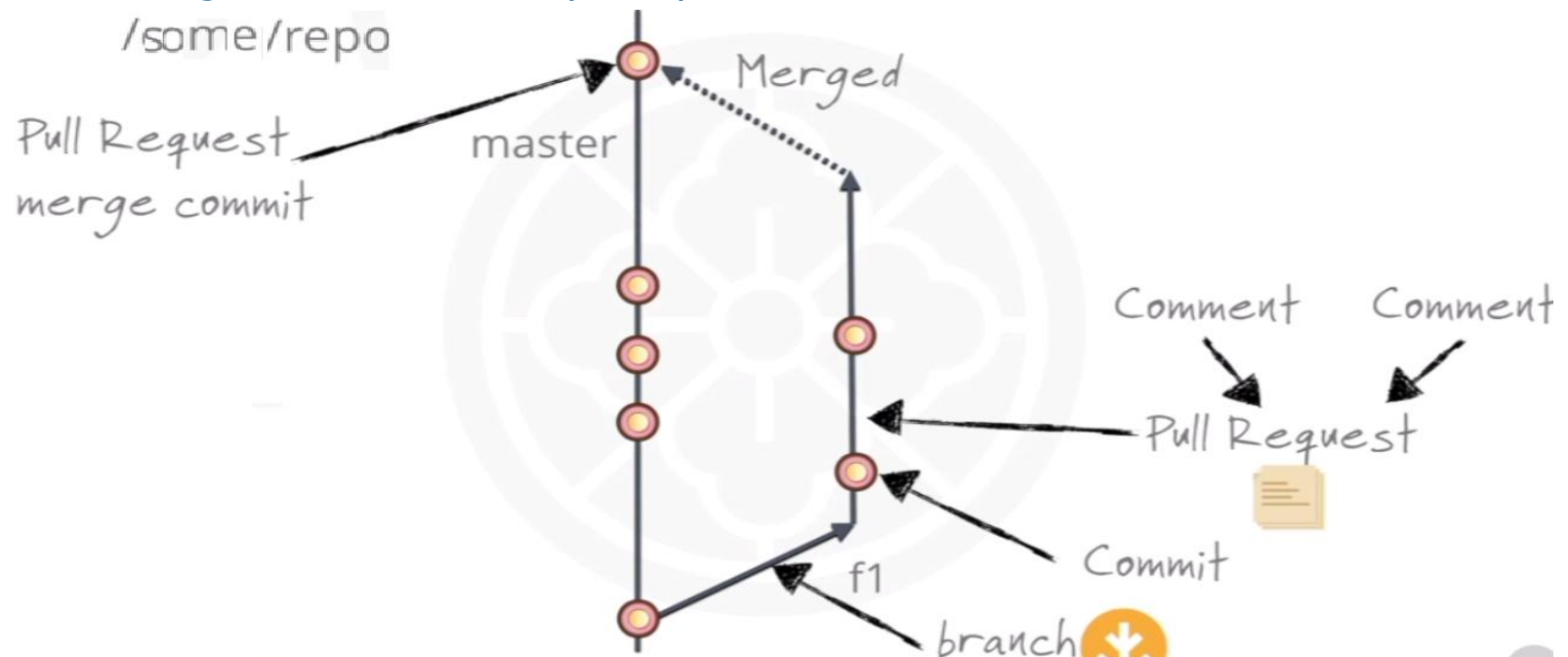
What is GitHub – Pull Requests are used for Review on GitHub

- Pull Requests can be used for review.
- With Pull Request you can have multiple developers collaborating on a branch and commenting on it directly on GitHub
- Every developer creates own branch and work on single repo
- Once work is done, create a Pull request and merge into the master branch



What is GitHub – Collaborating on Pull Requests

- For Working on a single repo in a team
 - Create a branch, Do the first commit
 - Create a pull request, you will receive comments
 - Make changes , Push them upto GitHub
 - These changes will automatically be added to the Pull Request.
 - This is because, Pull requests point head of a branch not to a particular commit
 - Then either merge through GitHub GUI or commit merge and push through the command prompt CUI





What is GitHub – Commands used while Collaborating on Pull Requests

Download all branches from GitHub

```
$ git fetch
```

View all of the branches *includes remote tracking branches in red*

```
$ git branch -a
```

Checkout a local copy of a remote branch

```
$ git checkout <branch_name>
```

Test code, make any changes and then commit and push changes

```
$ <make edits>  
$ git commit  
$ git push
```

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