

GitHub Education

Module 1

Basics

Introduction to Git

Understanding the state of your repository

Being selective with Git

Inside a commit

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Exercises

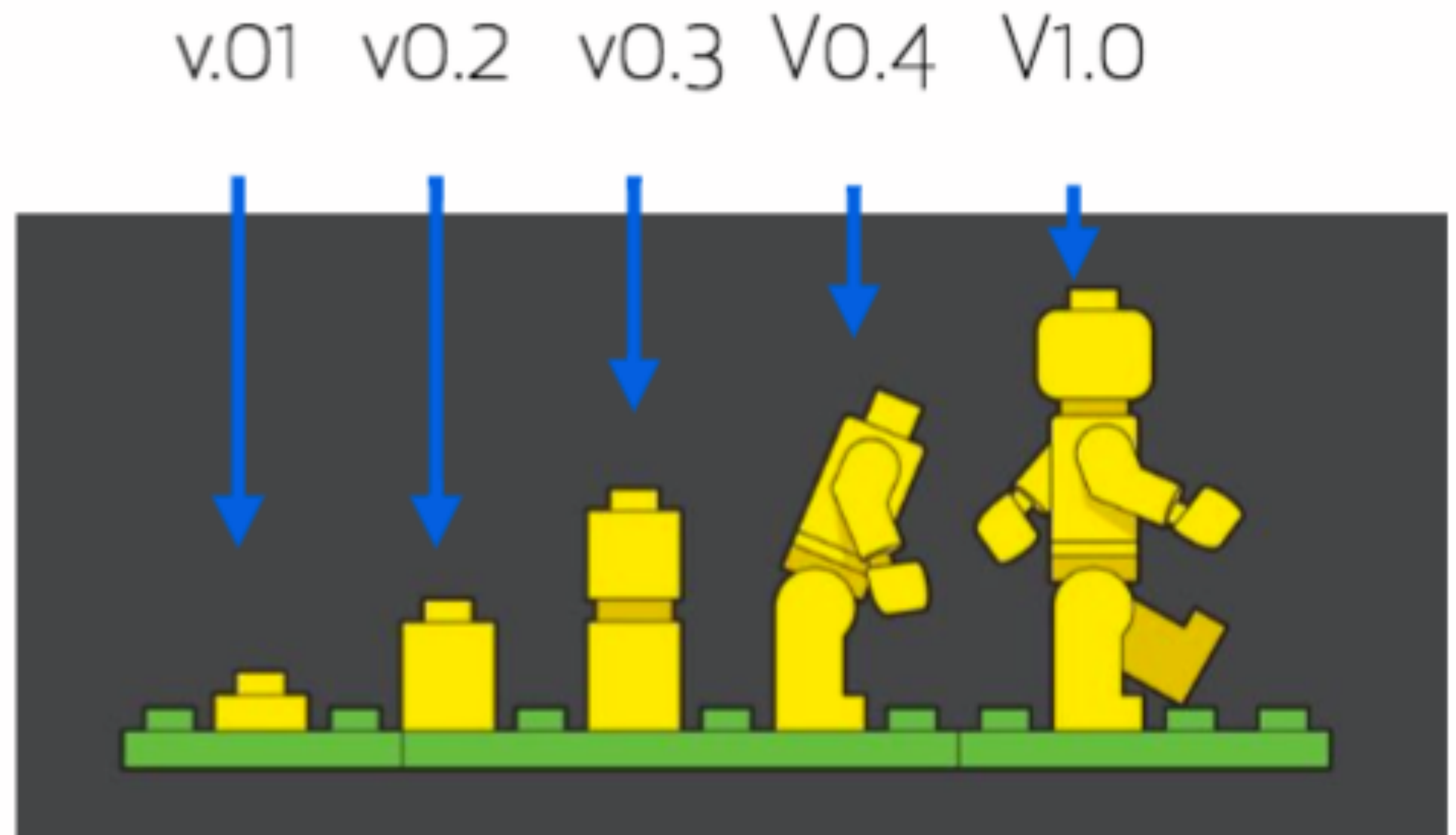


Git basics

(a.k.a. 'the internals')

Git is a *version control system*

A tool that lets you track your progress over time.



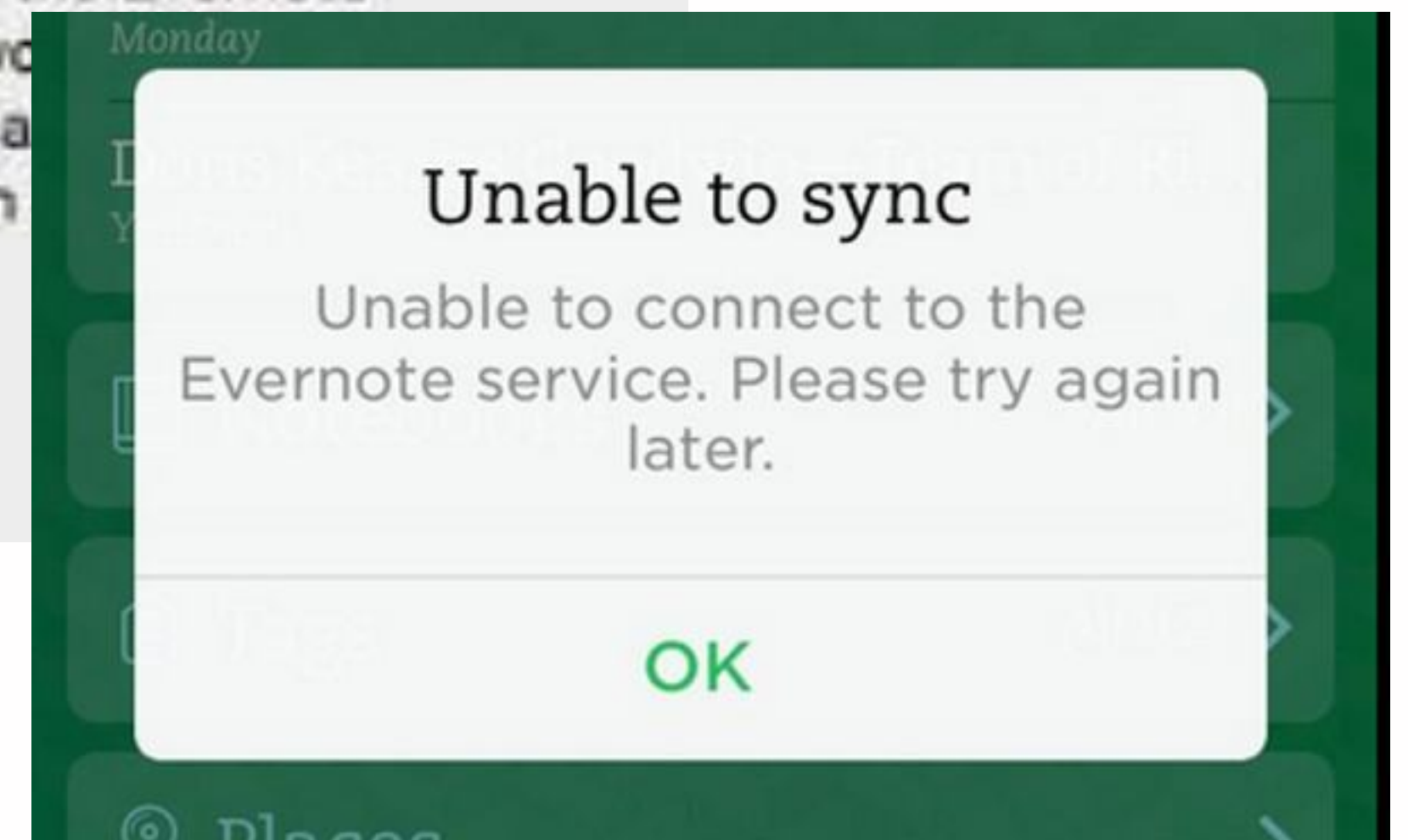
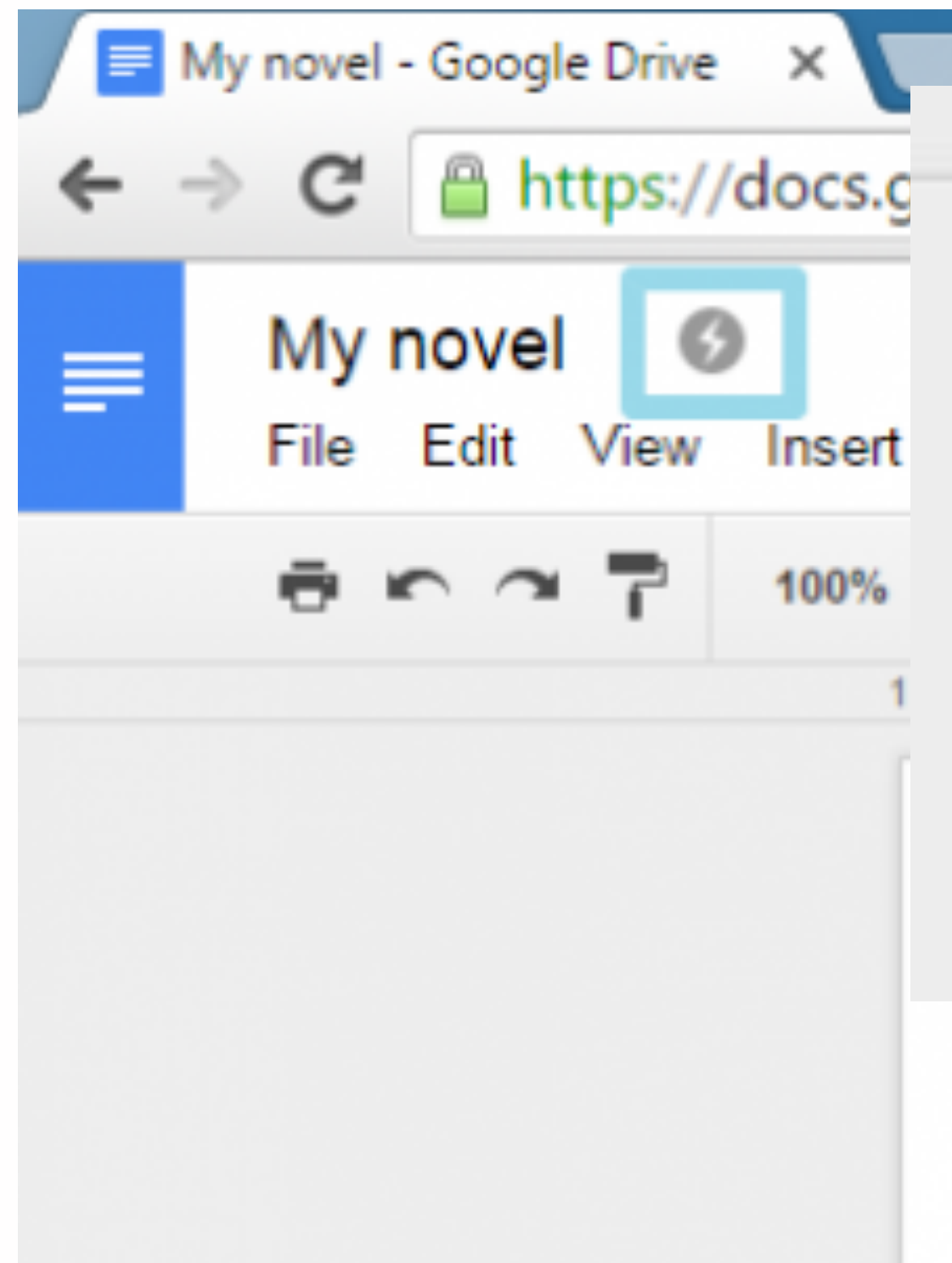
Git takes snapshots

Save snapshots to your history to retrace your steps.

Also keeps others up-to-date with your latest work.



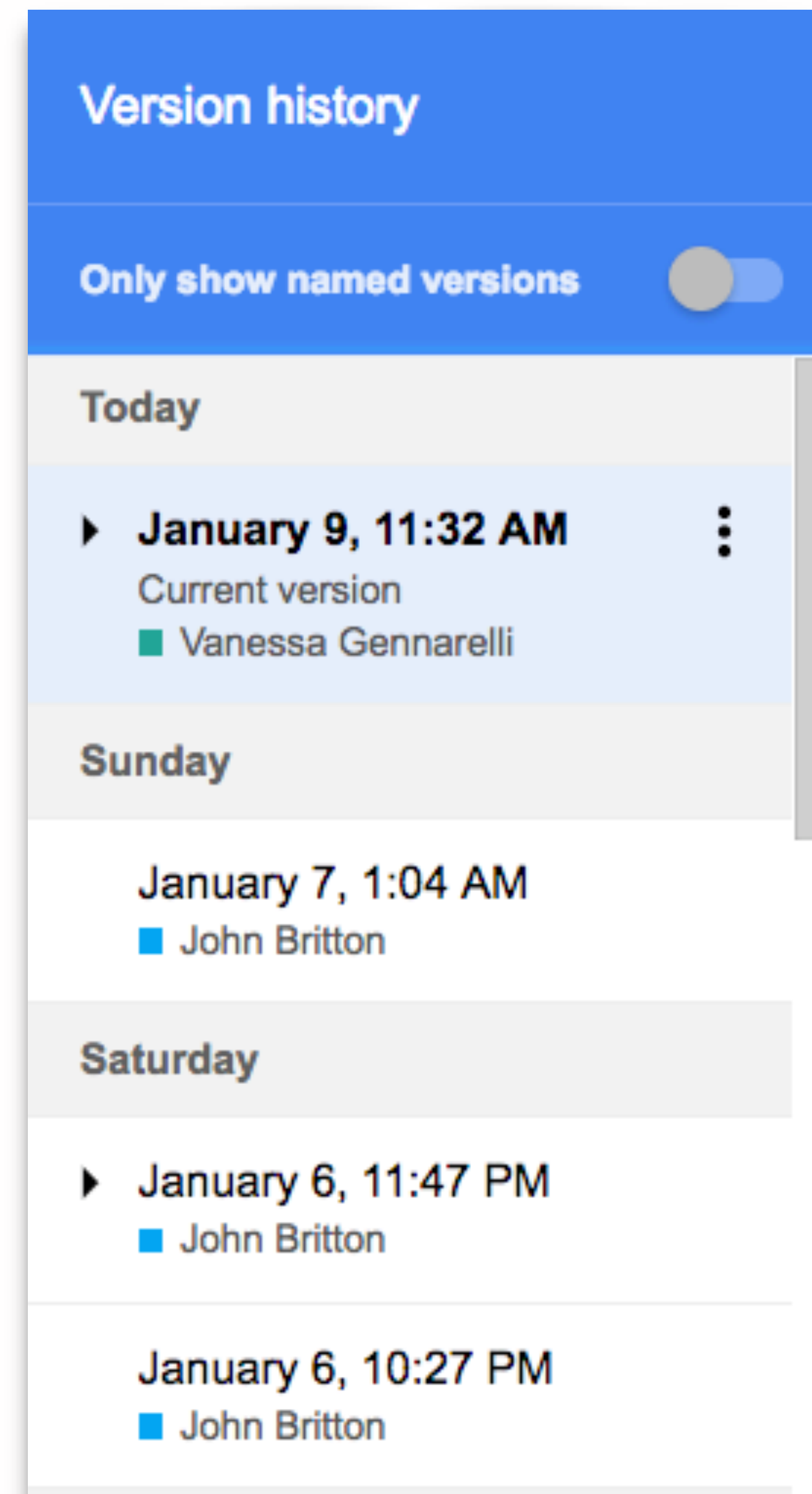
Centralized systems require coordination...



Order with coordination:

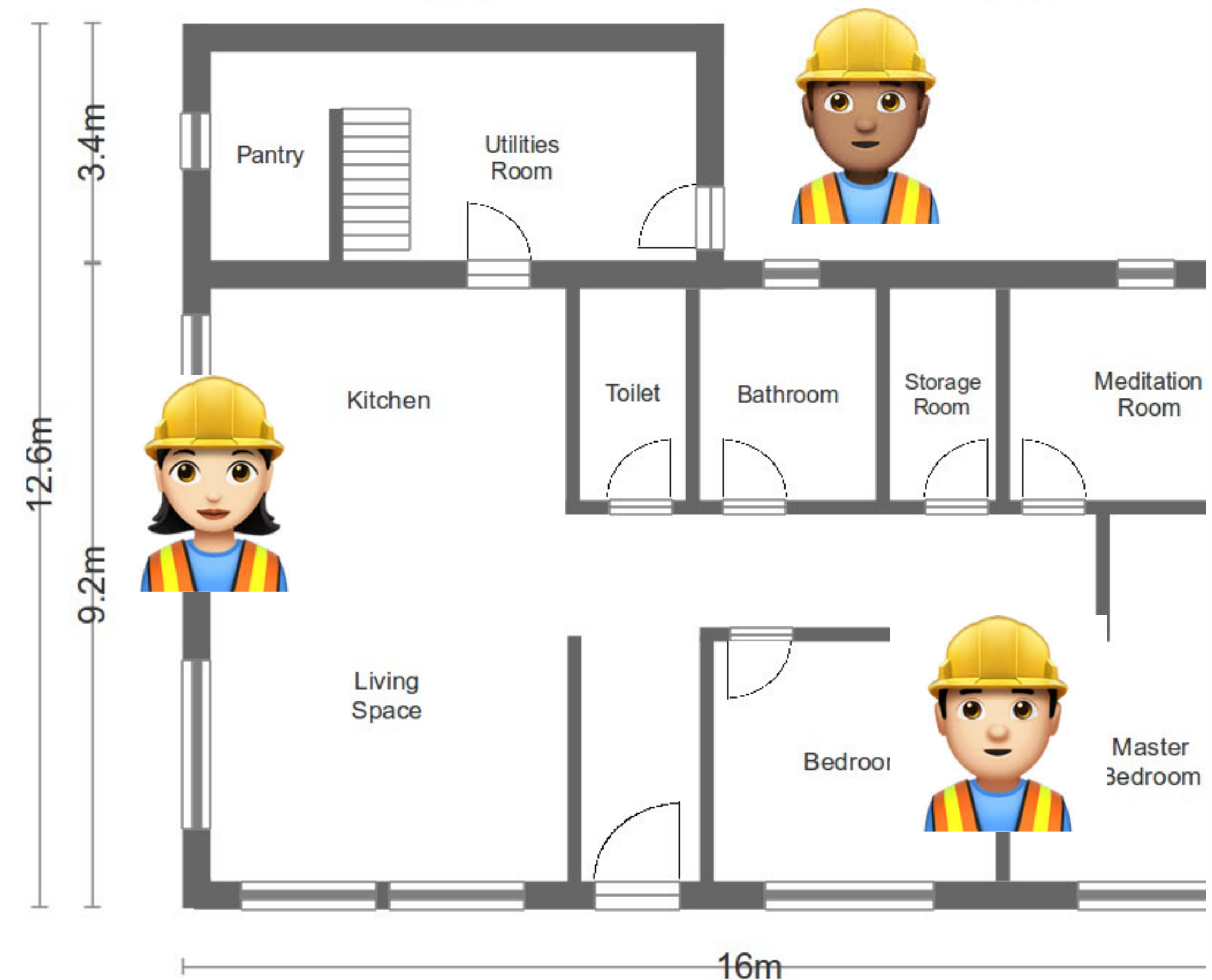
In a centralized system, you can objectively call versions a numerical progression: version 1, version 2, version 3...

Since John made a new version before Vanessa, his is $n+1$, and Vanessa is $n+2$.



Working in parallel: order without coordination

Git goes after this idea of distributed version control, so you can keep track of your versions without coordination.



In your terminal, check to see if you have
Git installed.

```
git --version
```



If it's not installed, configure Git to recognize you:

```
git config user.name "Mona Lisa"
```

```
git config --global user.email  
"email@example.com"
```



A repository holds the entire history of your project

A repository is the unit of separation between projects in Git.

Each project, library or discrete piece of software should have its own repository.



Git is like a desk

Working directory
where you write

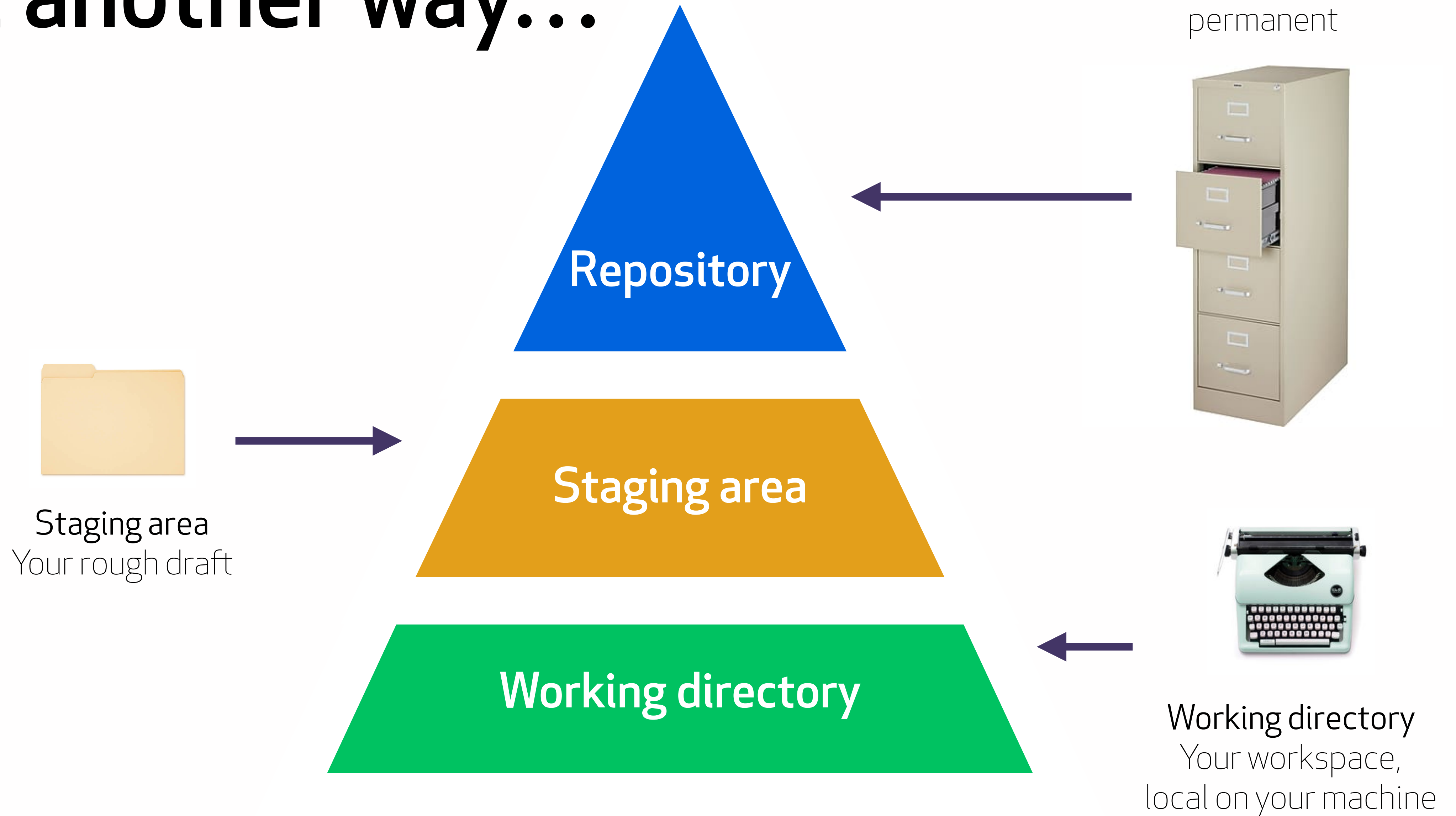


Staging area
rough draft, in a
manila folder

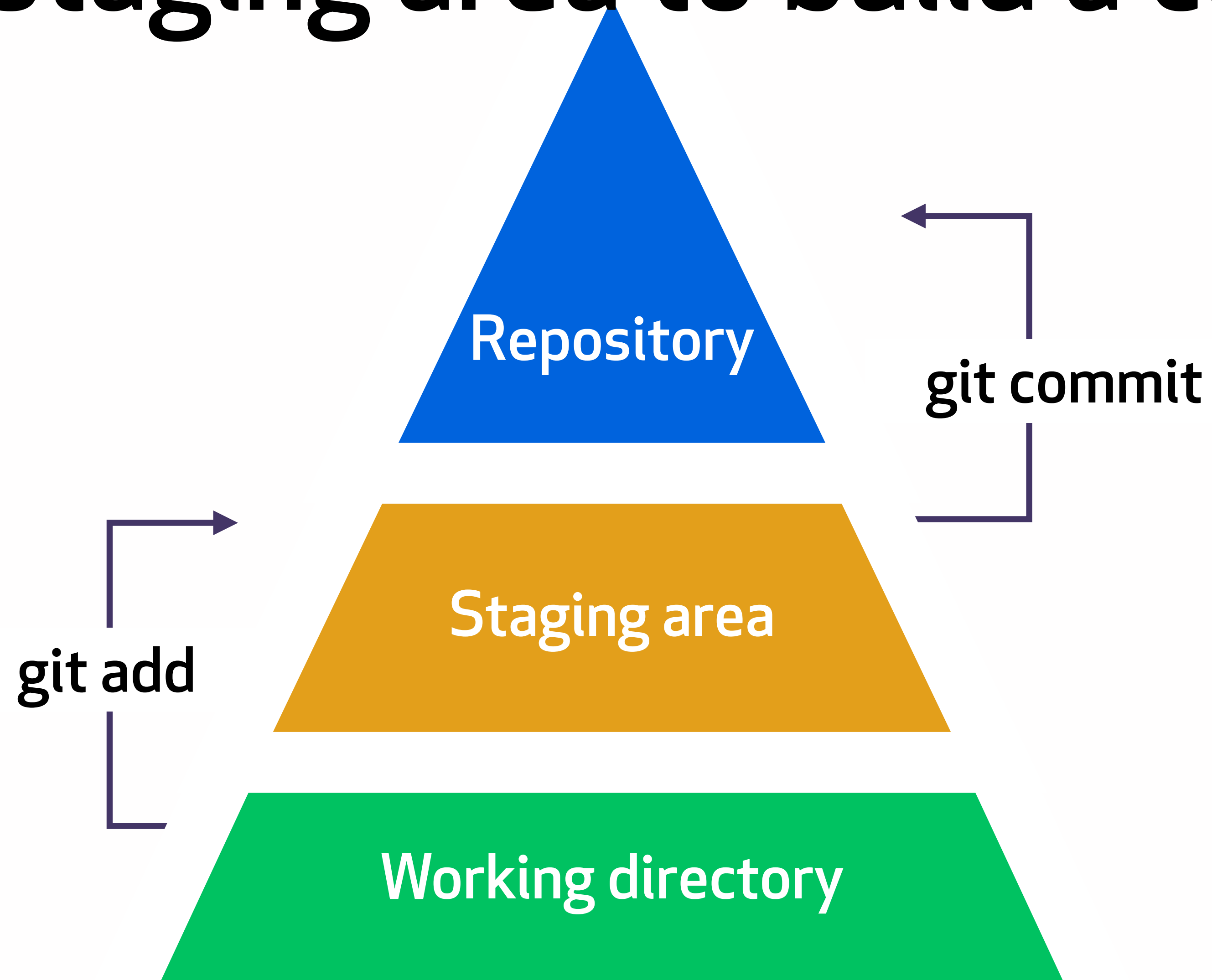
Repository
final draft
in the filing cabinet



Put another way...



Use the staging area to build a commit



Making commits

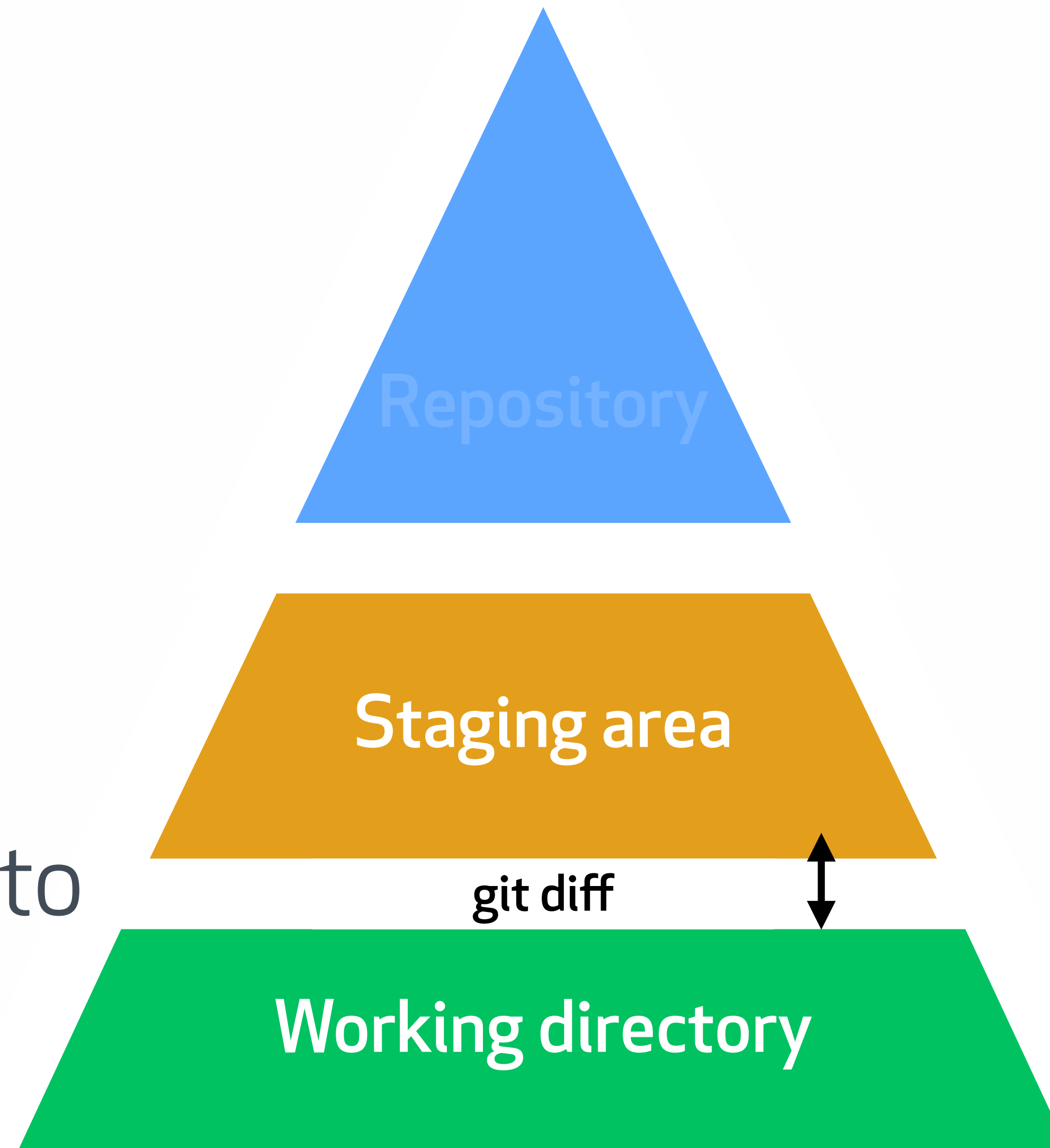
`'git commit'`

tells Git to save that portion of the project from the staging area into the repository history.



**When we run `git diff`
what two things are we comparing?**

git diff



Compares staging to
working directory.

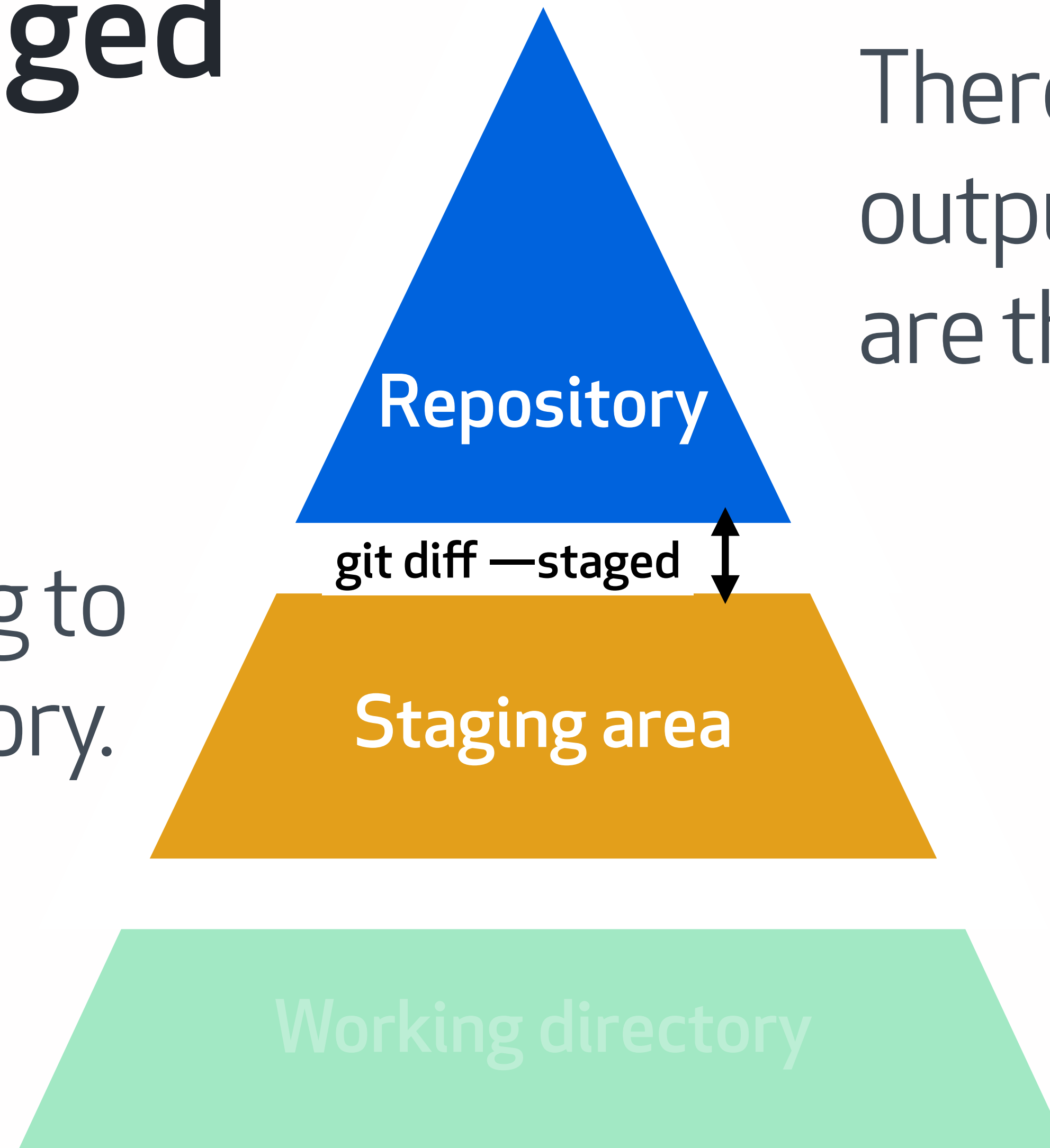
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git diff --staged

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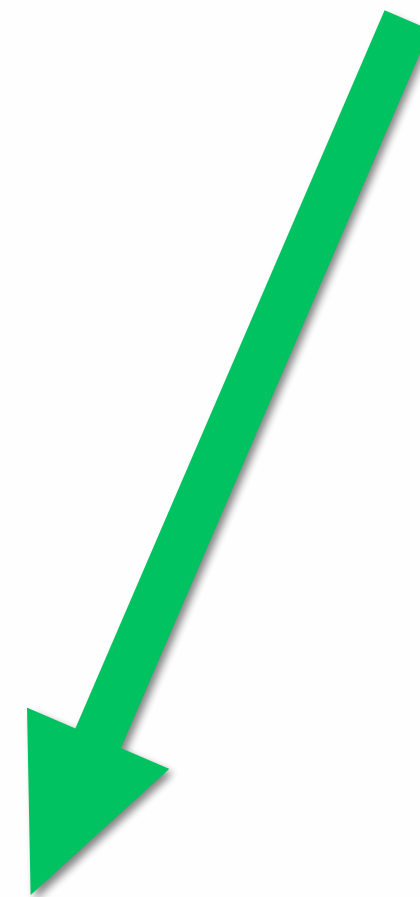
Compares staging to repository directory.



Git allows you to be selective

You can fix a bug across several different files in the same commit.

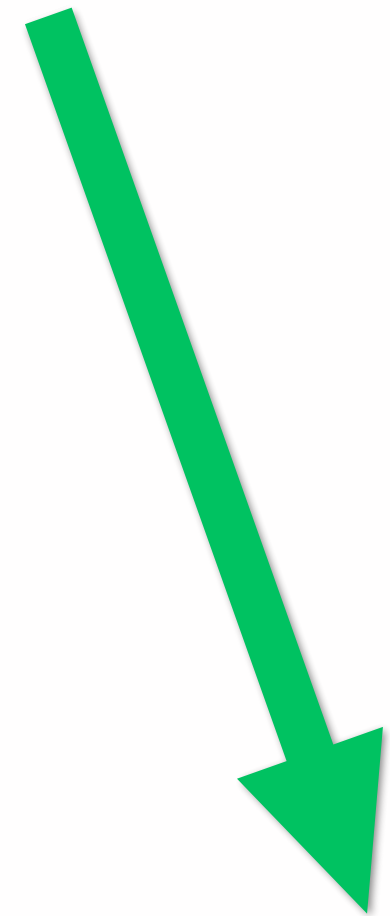
```
git commit -m 'new TA email'
```



Exercise-1



Exercise-2



Exercise-3



But commits should be logically grouped

Don't mix typo corrections and new features.

If the feature gets rolled back, you re-introduce the typo.

```
git commit -m 'typo in readme.md'
```



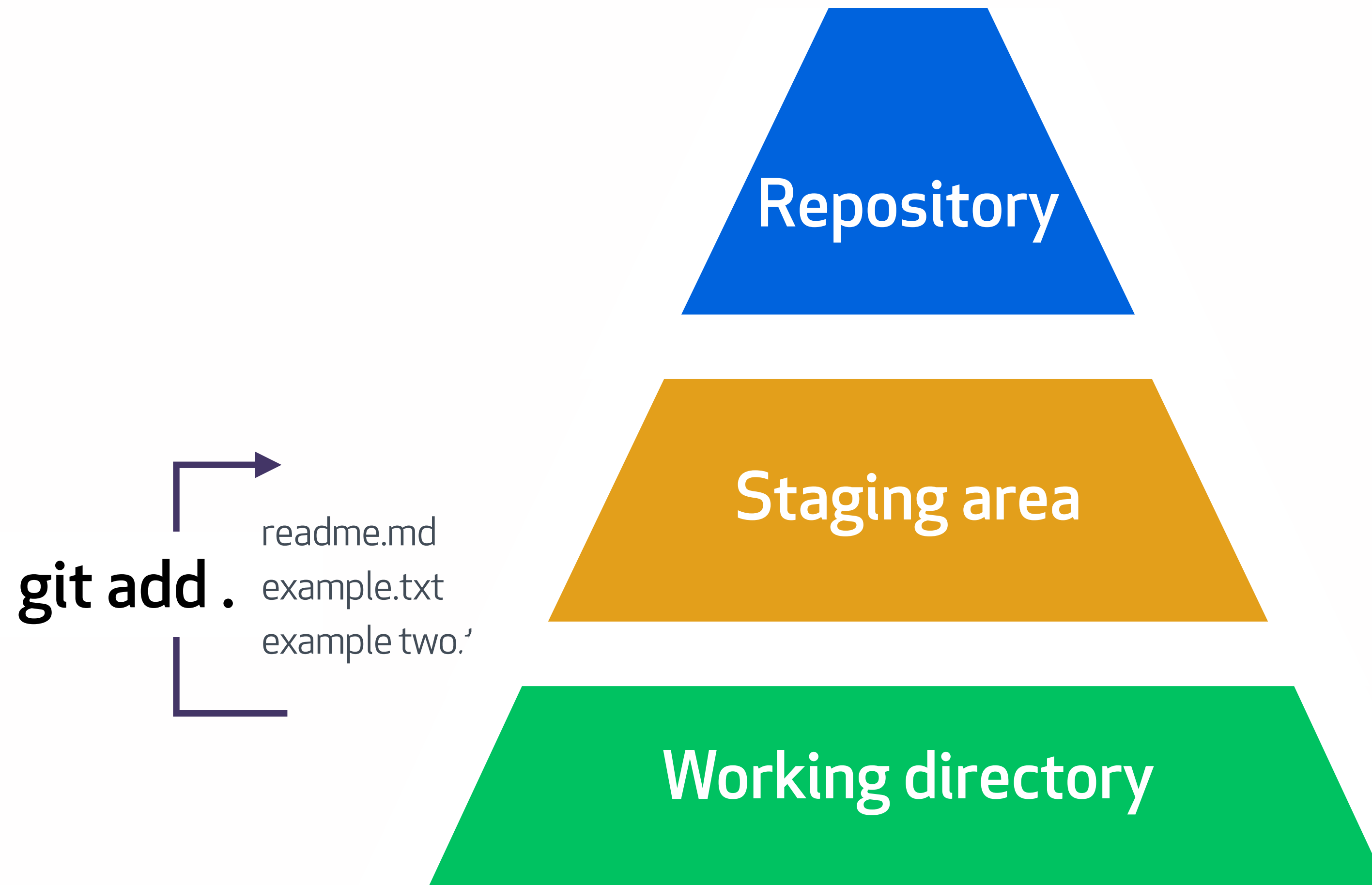
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git commit -m 'new signup flow.'
```



```
git commit -m 'fix typo, add  
field to signup flow, create  
parallax effect'
```



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it stages changes that aren't logically related...



Imagine if you revealed solutions in exercise-1

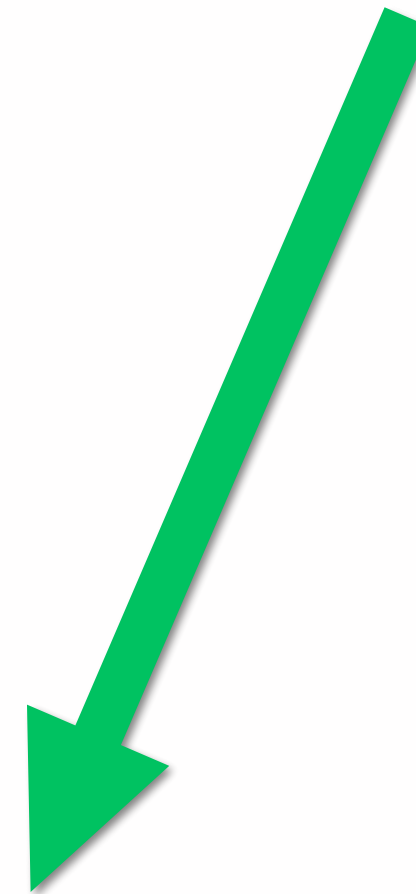
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git commit -m 'remove key data'
```

You'd need to update Exercise-1, but you don't need to touch 2 or 3.

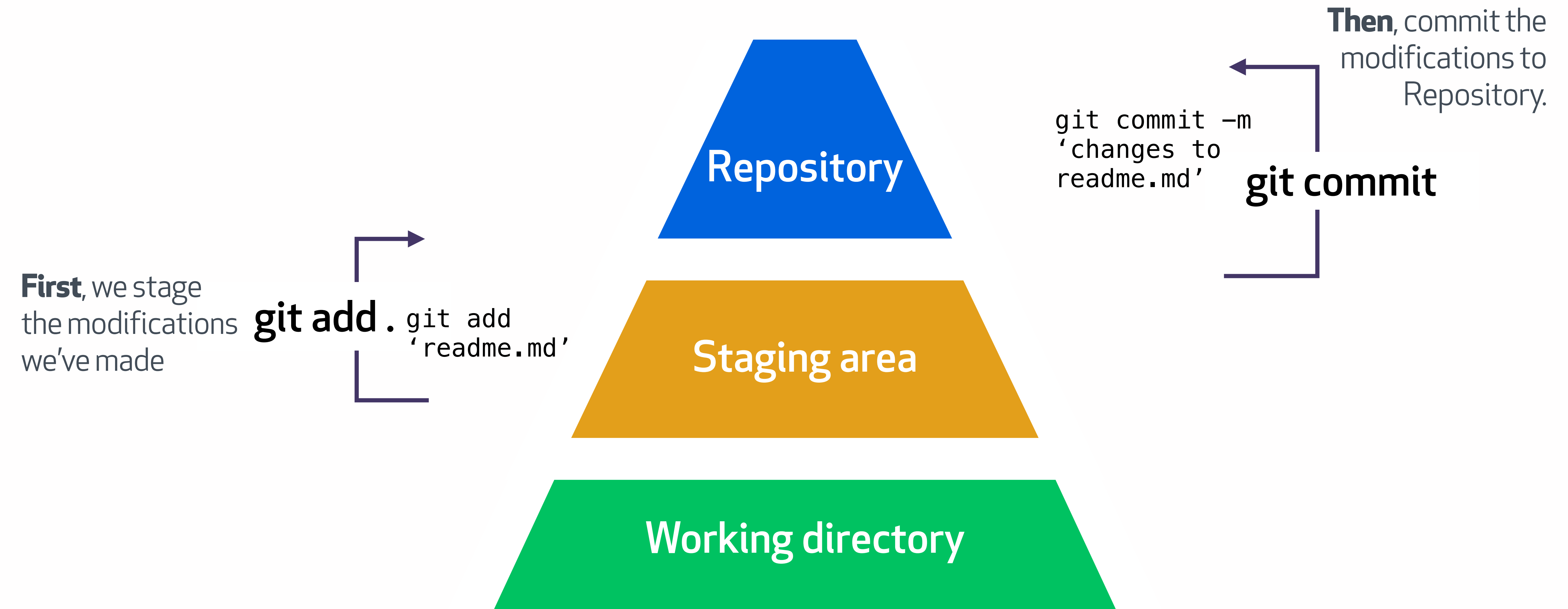
Exercise-1

Exercise-2

Exercise-3



Order of operations:



**Understanding the state
of your repository**

Create a repository

```
cd desktop  
git init exercise-1  
cd exercise-1  
ls -al
```



Create a file in your Git repository + add it to staging.

```
touch readme.md  
git status  
git add readme.md  
git status
```



Understanding the state of your repository

```
git status
```

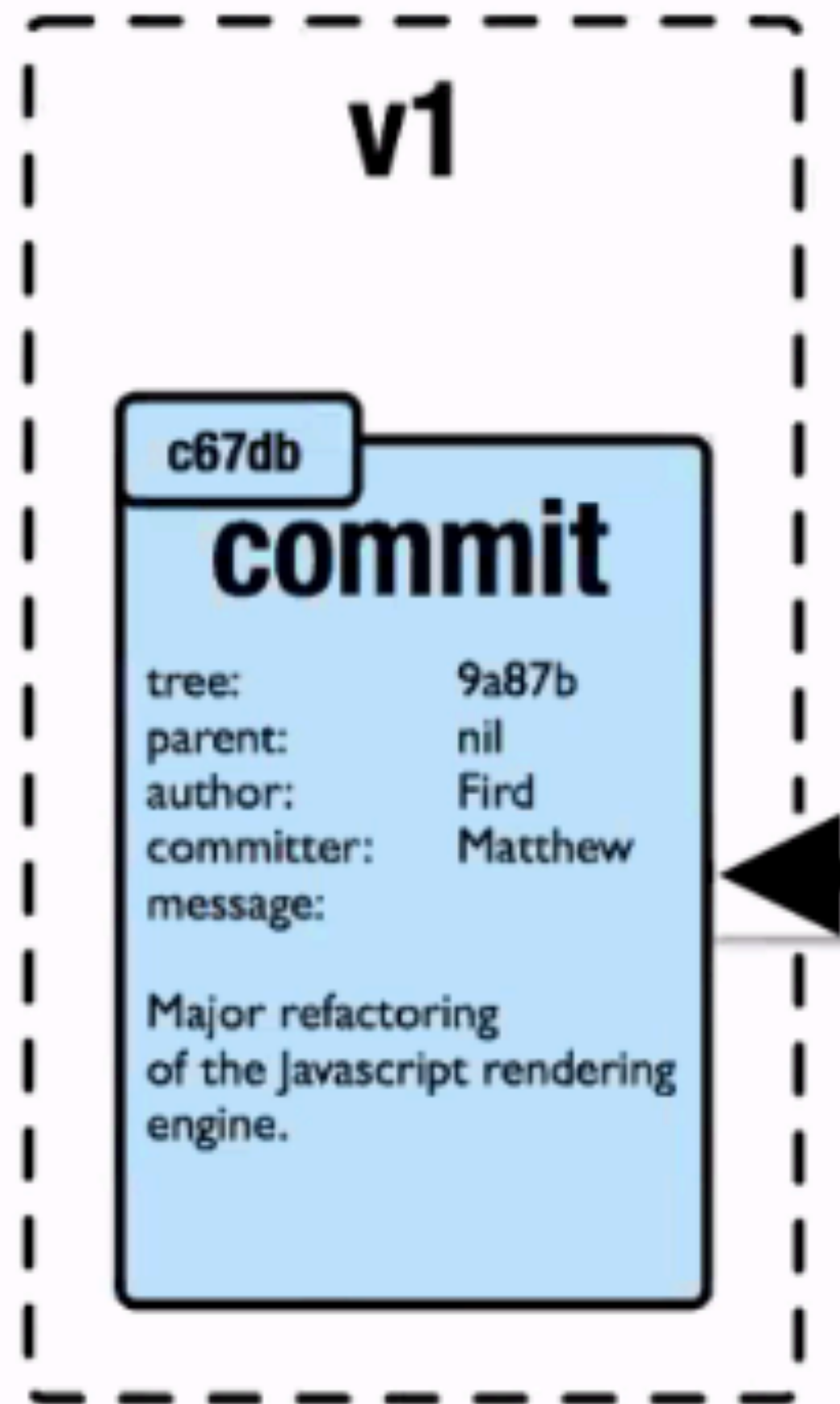
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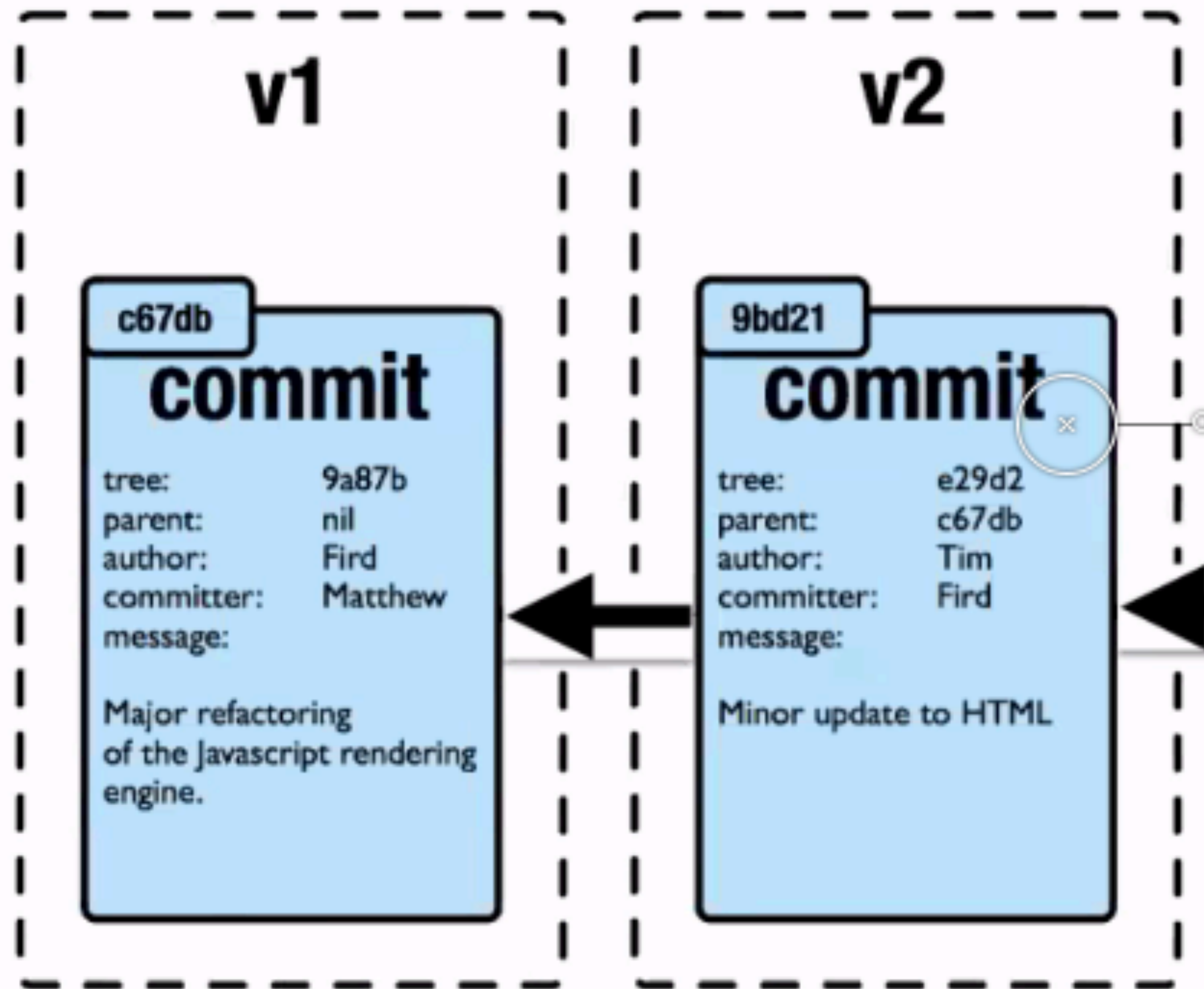


Now..
a bit of theory

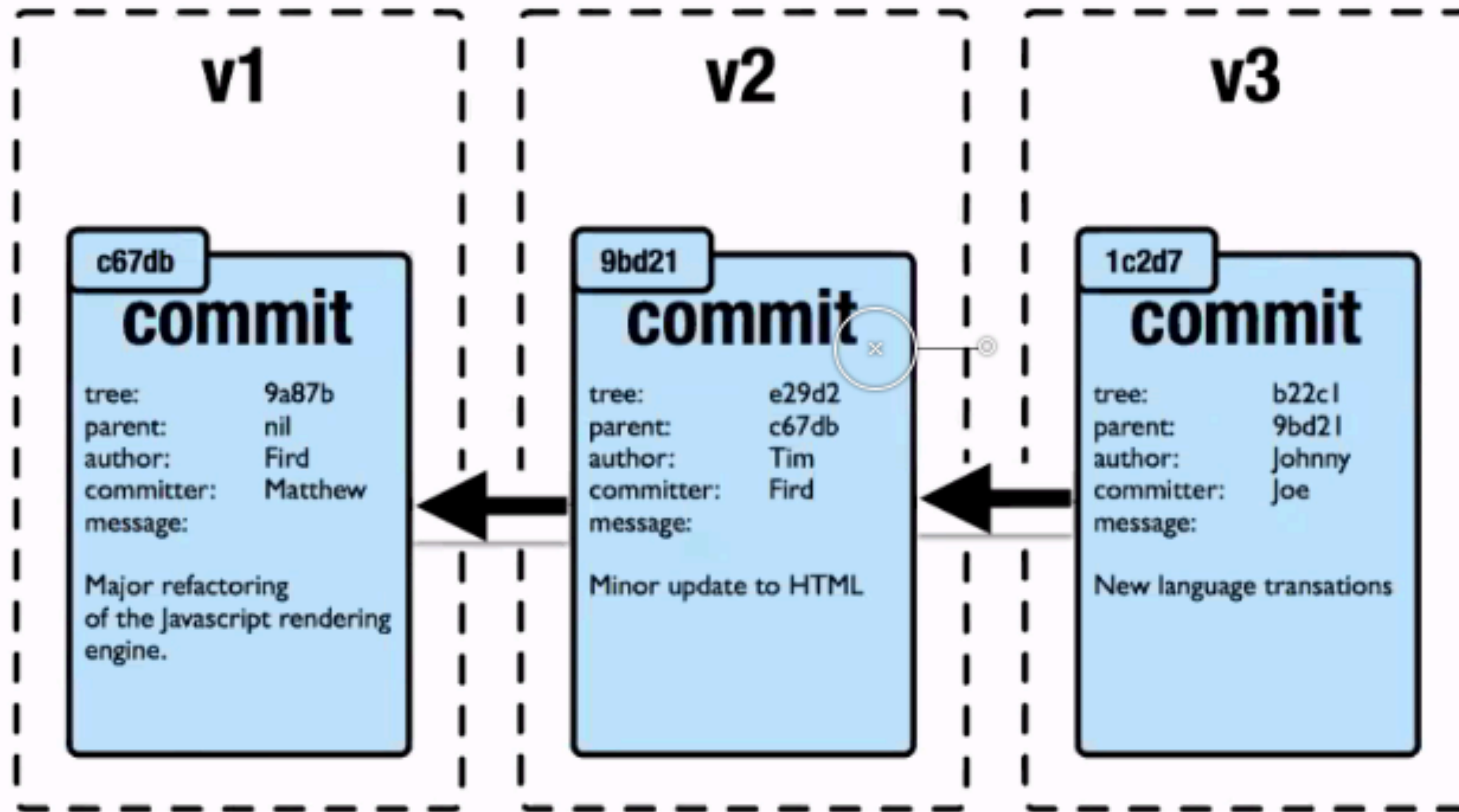
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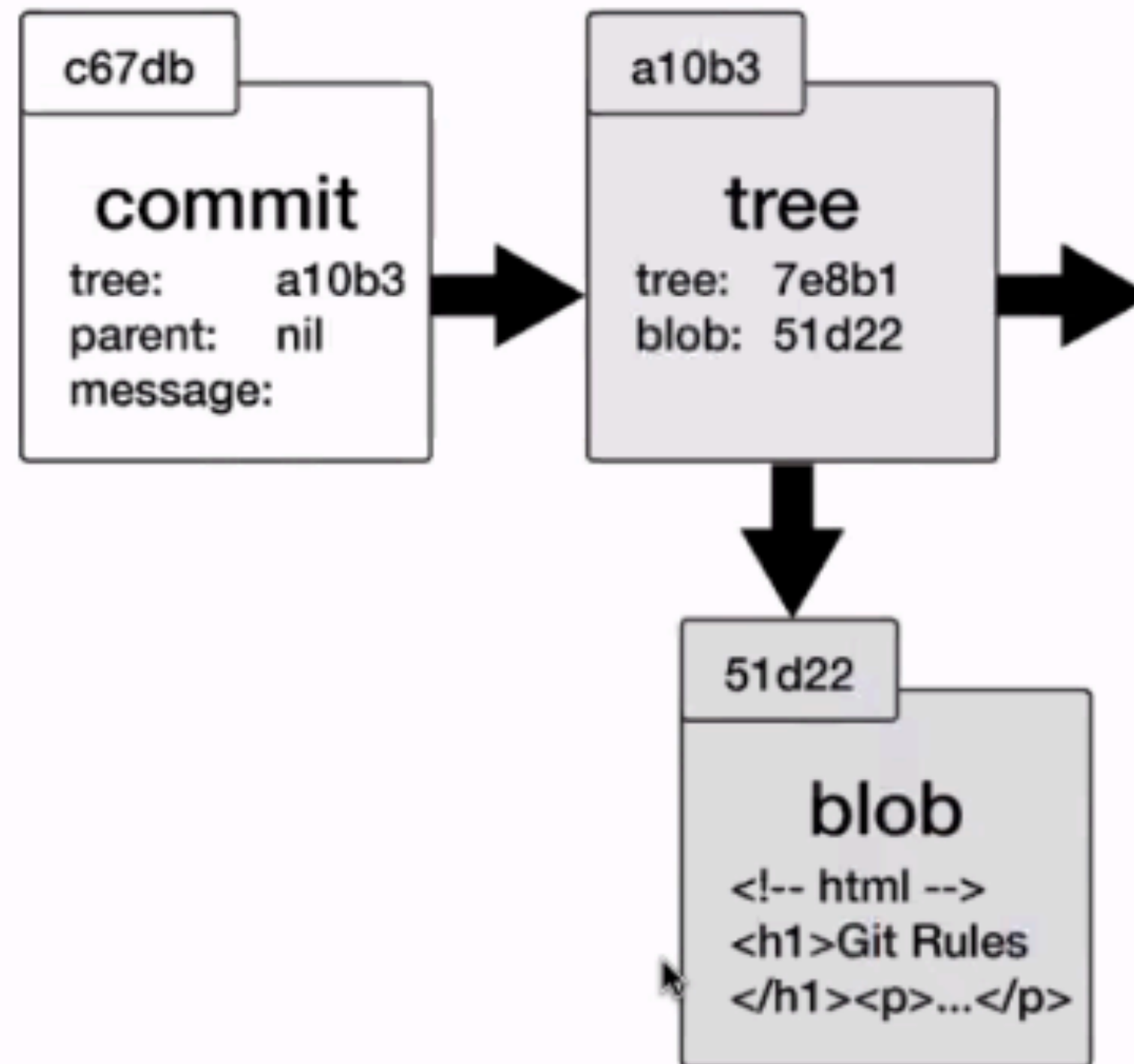
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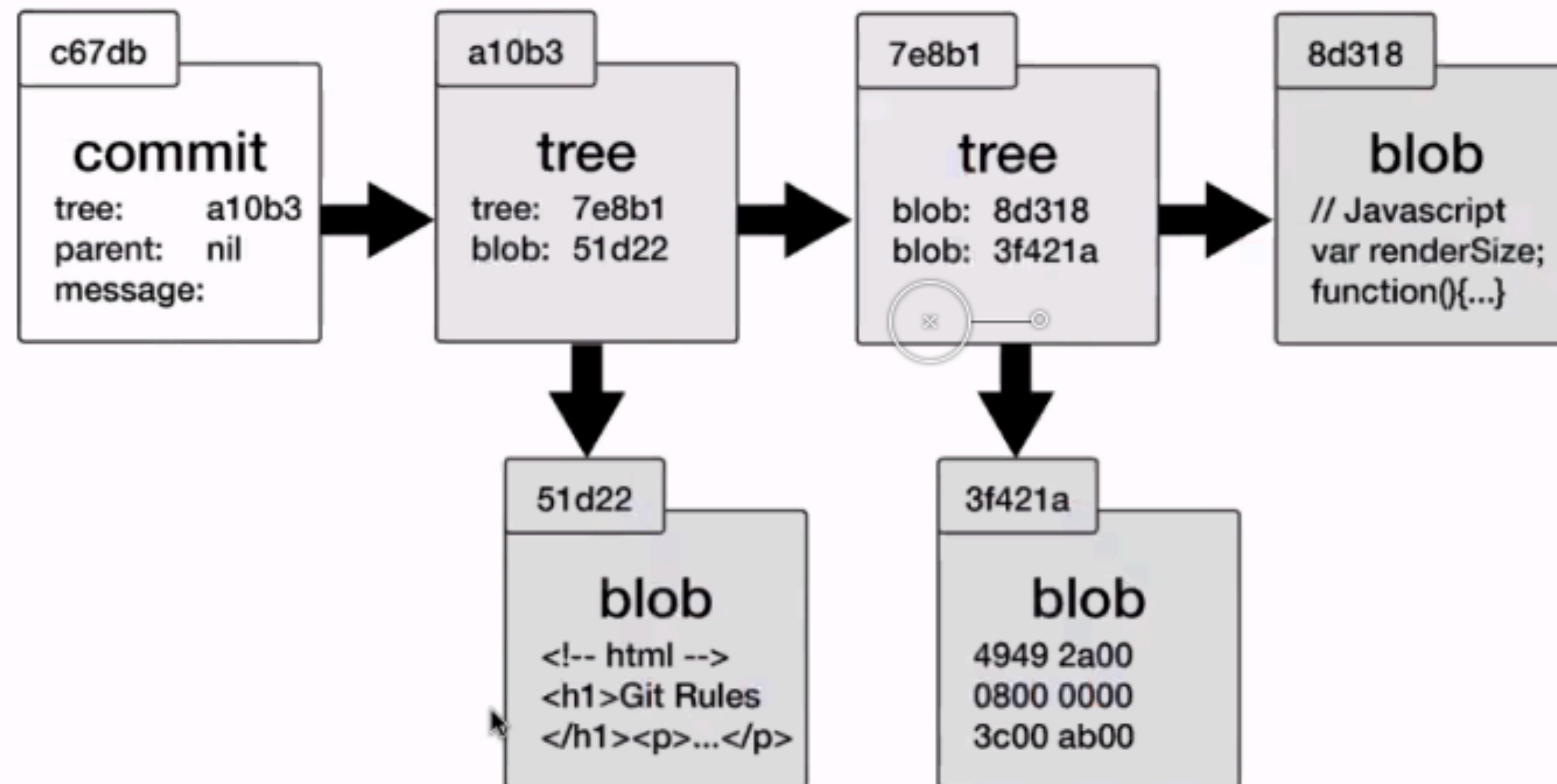
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Inside the commit



It's a Merkle tree if that's your thing



GitHub Education

Module 2

Individual work

Network activity

Remotes

Fetch/push

Branches

Managing student repositories

GitHub Classroom

Permissions

Exercises



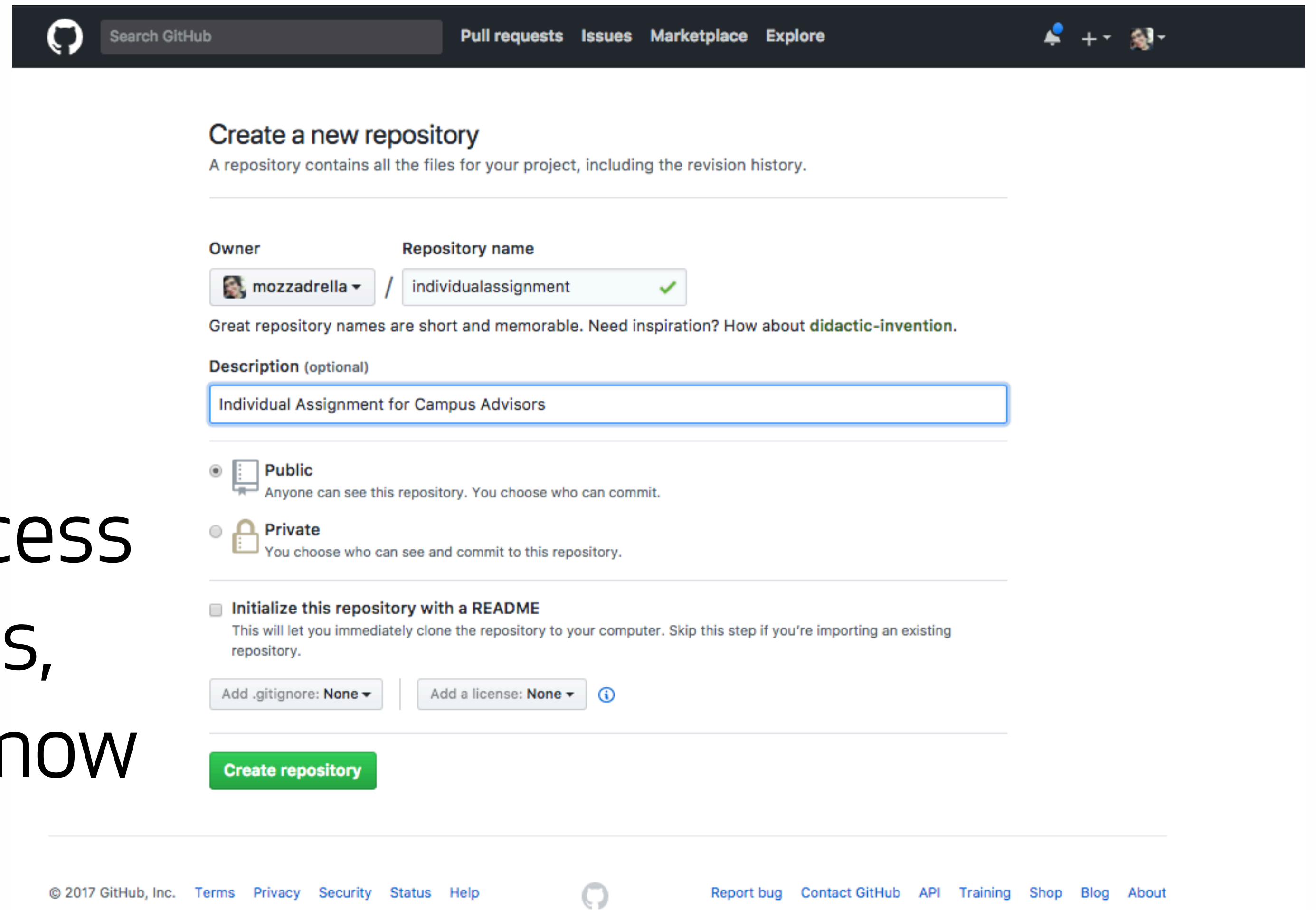
Network activity



```
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C02T40YZFVH4:Desktop mozzadrella$
```


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GitHub!**

Let's set up a place to host your code



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Back to the terminal!

Check remotes with -v

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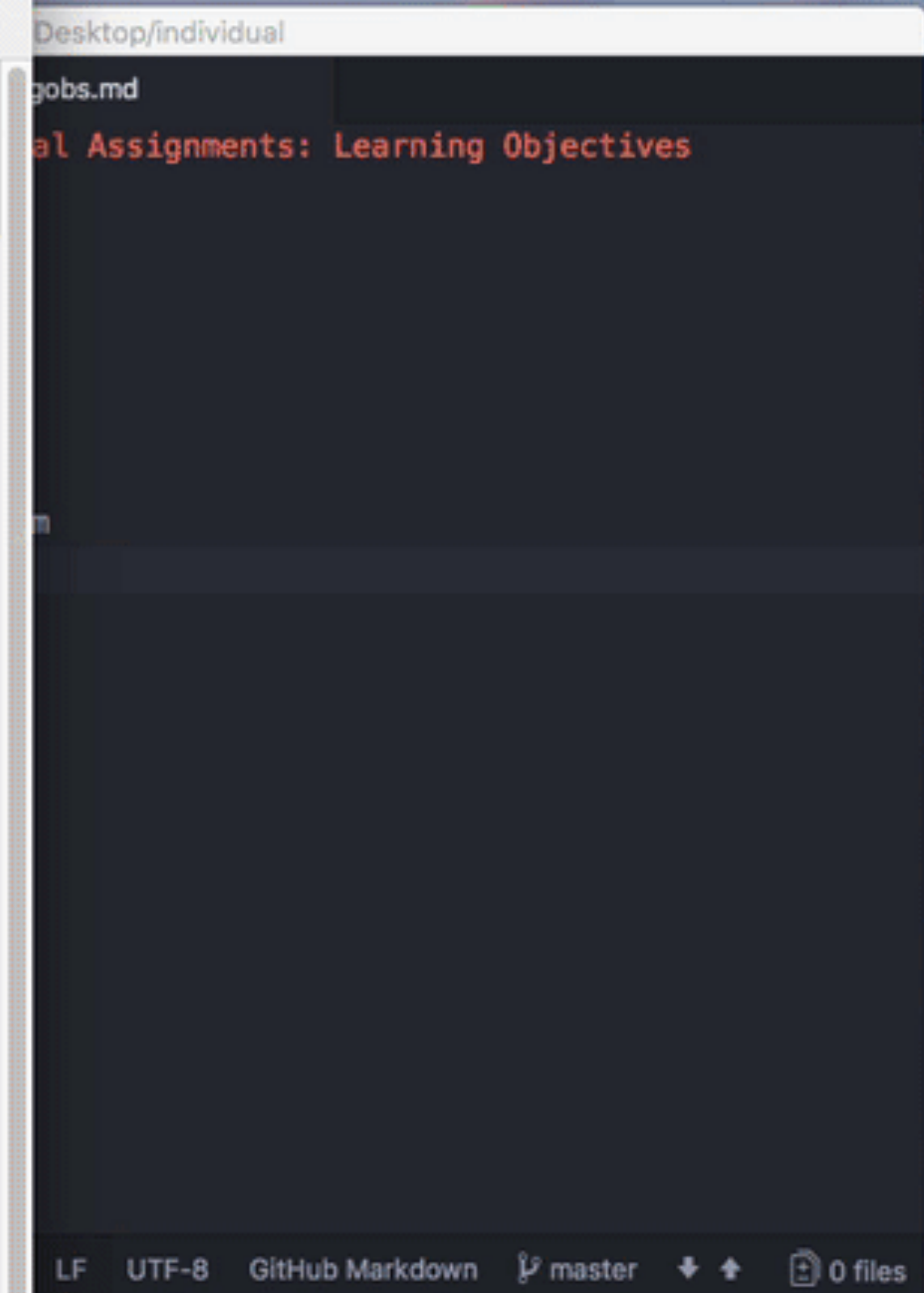
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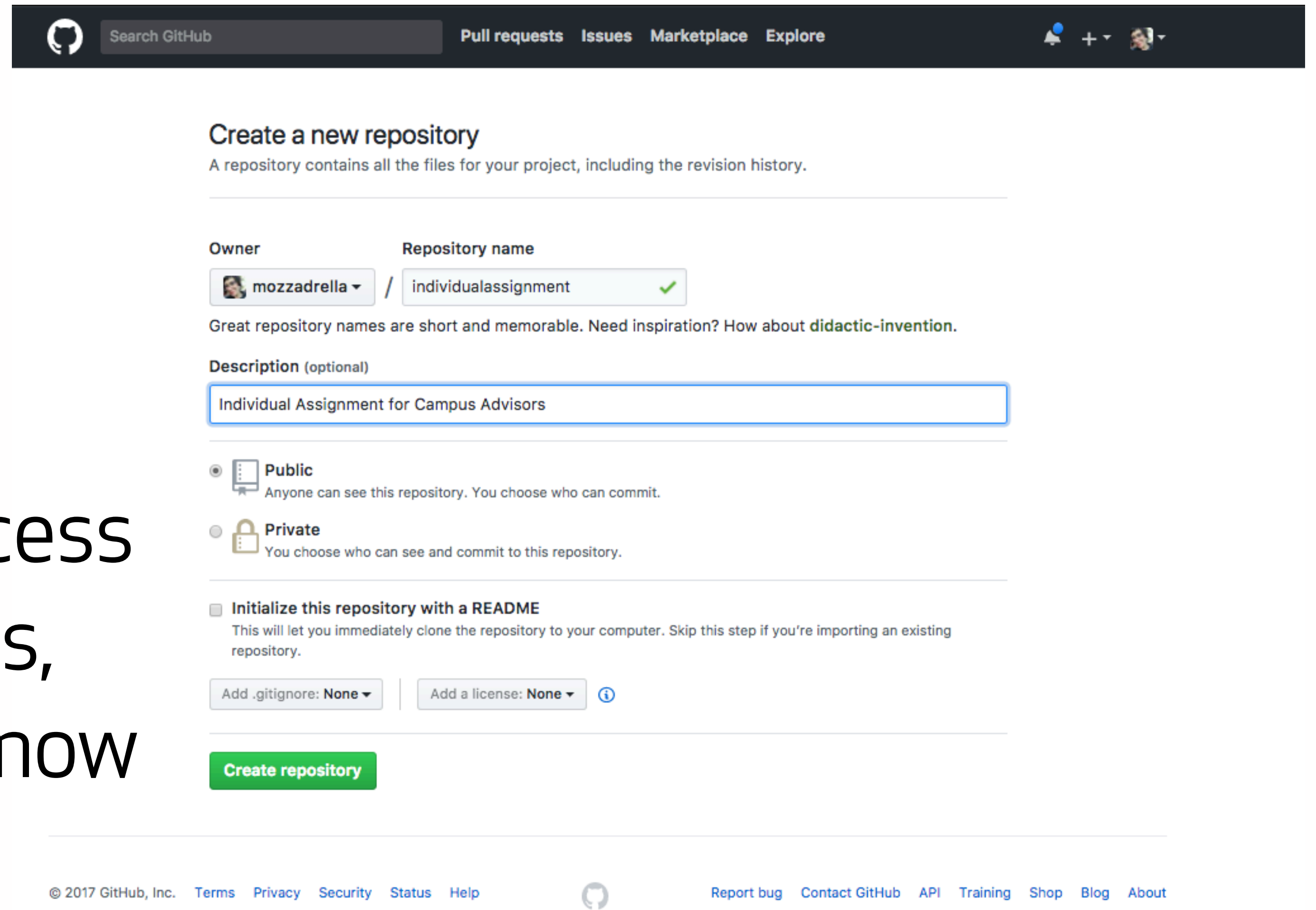

GitHub

- Hosts your repositories
- Track student progress
- Social features to enable collaboration



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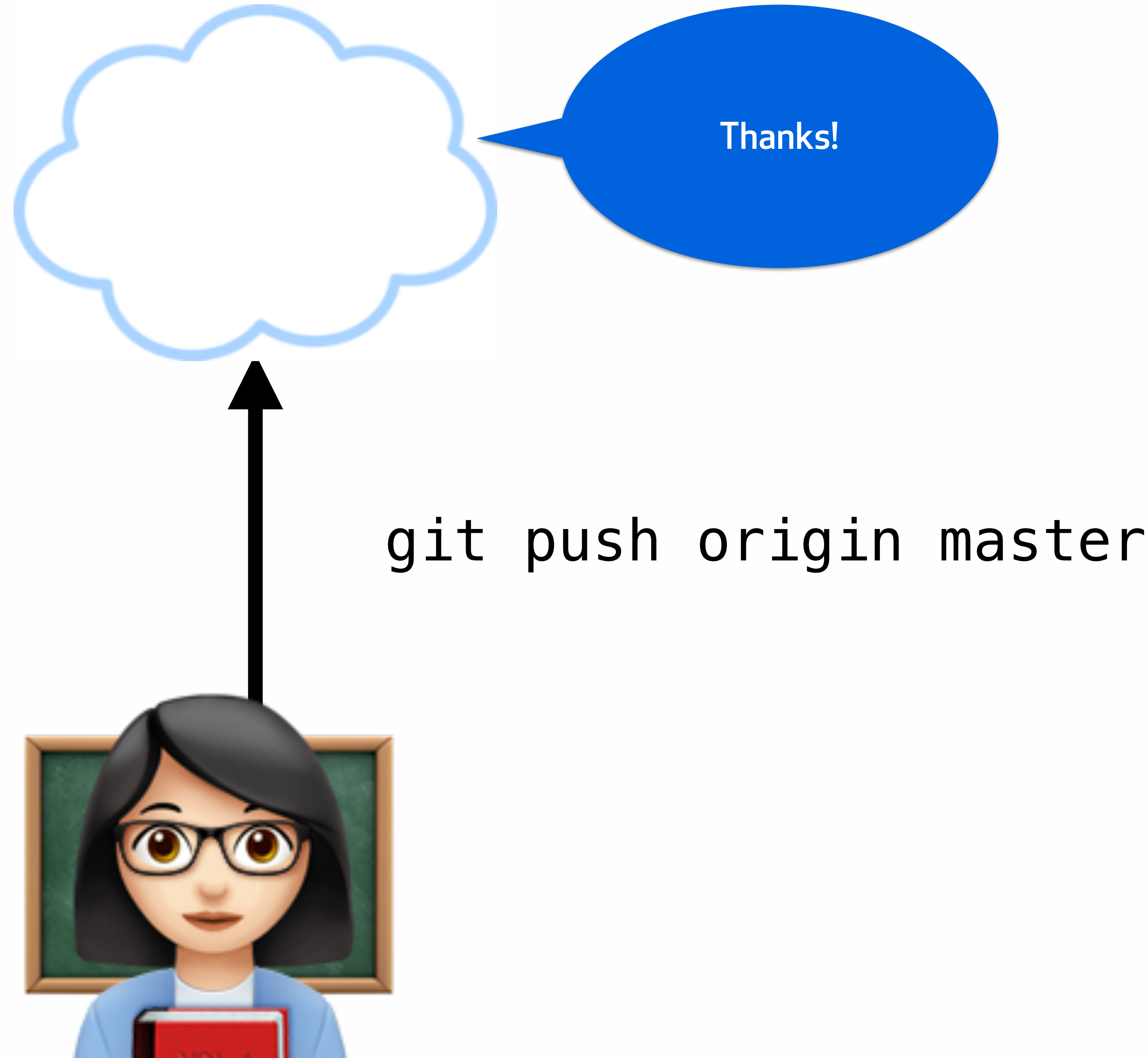
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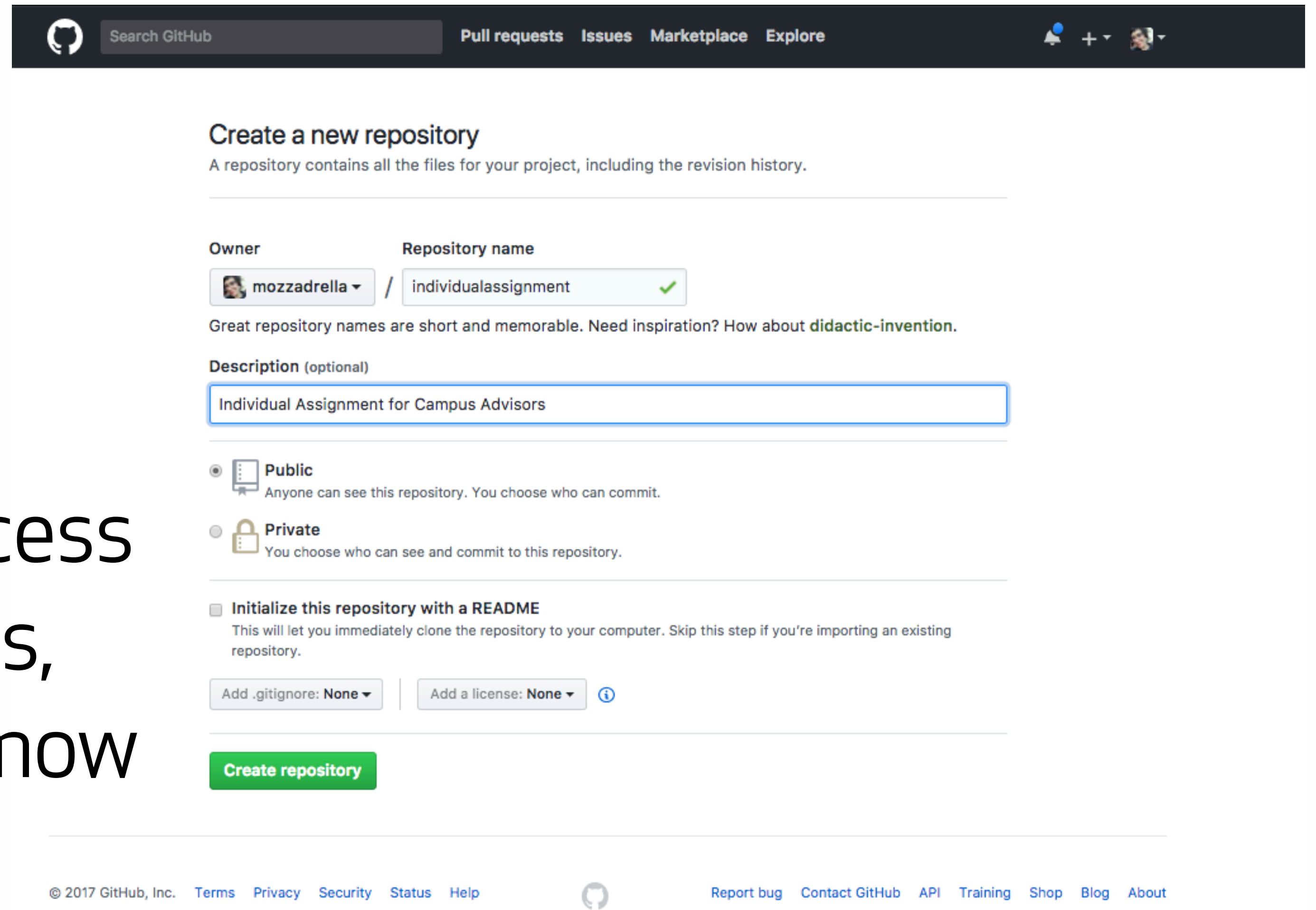
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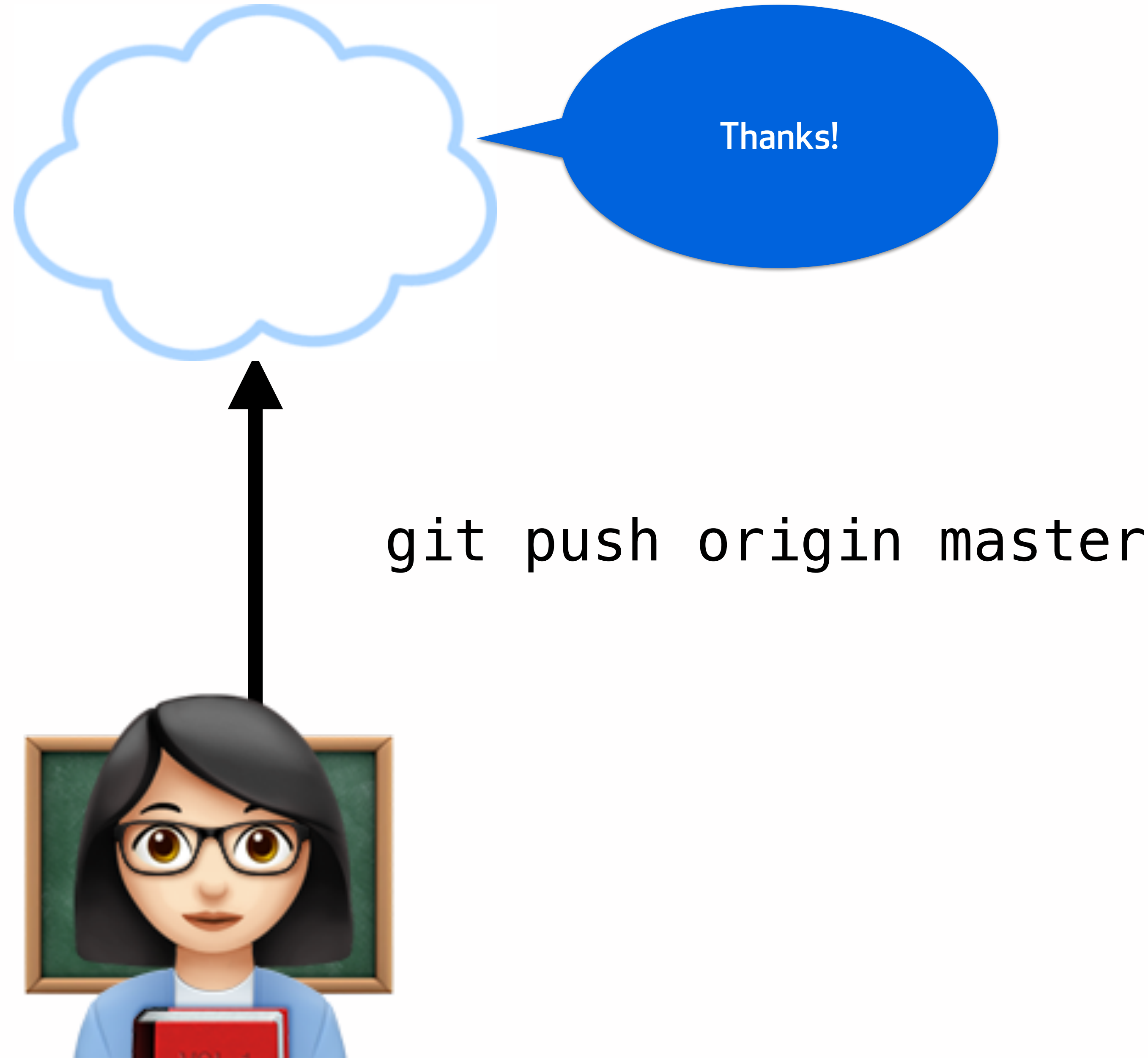
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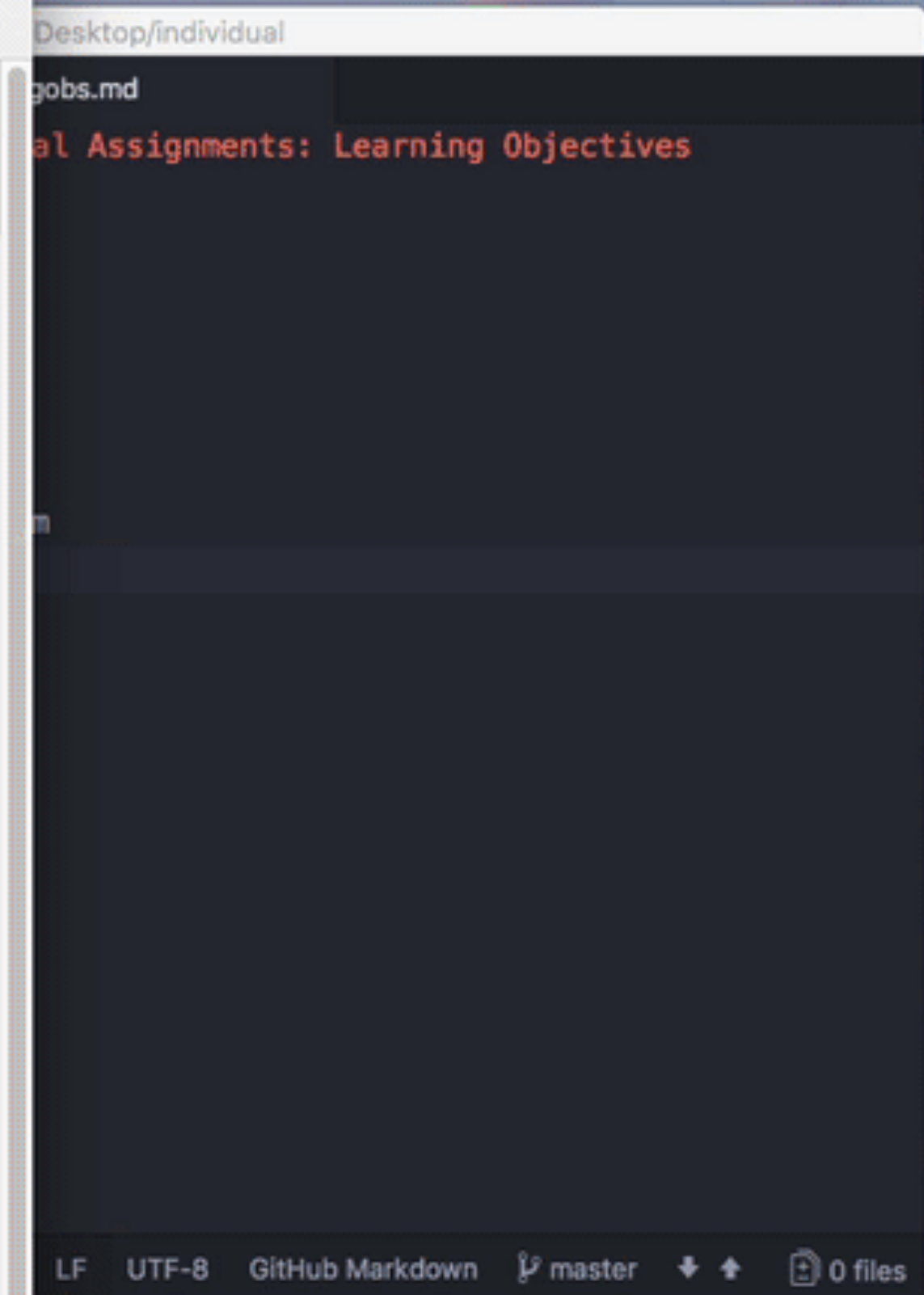
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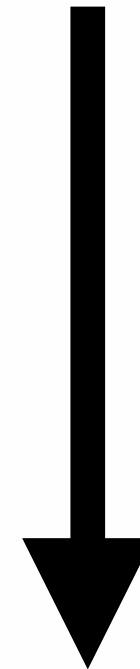


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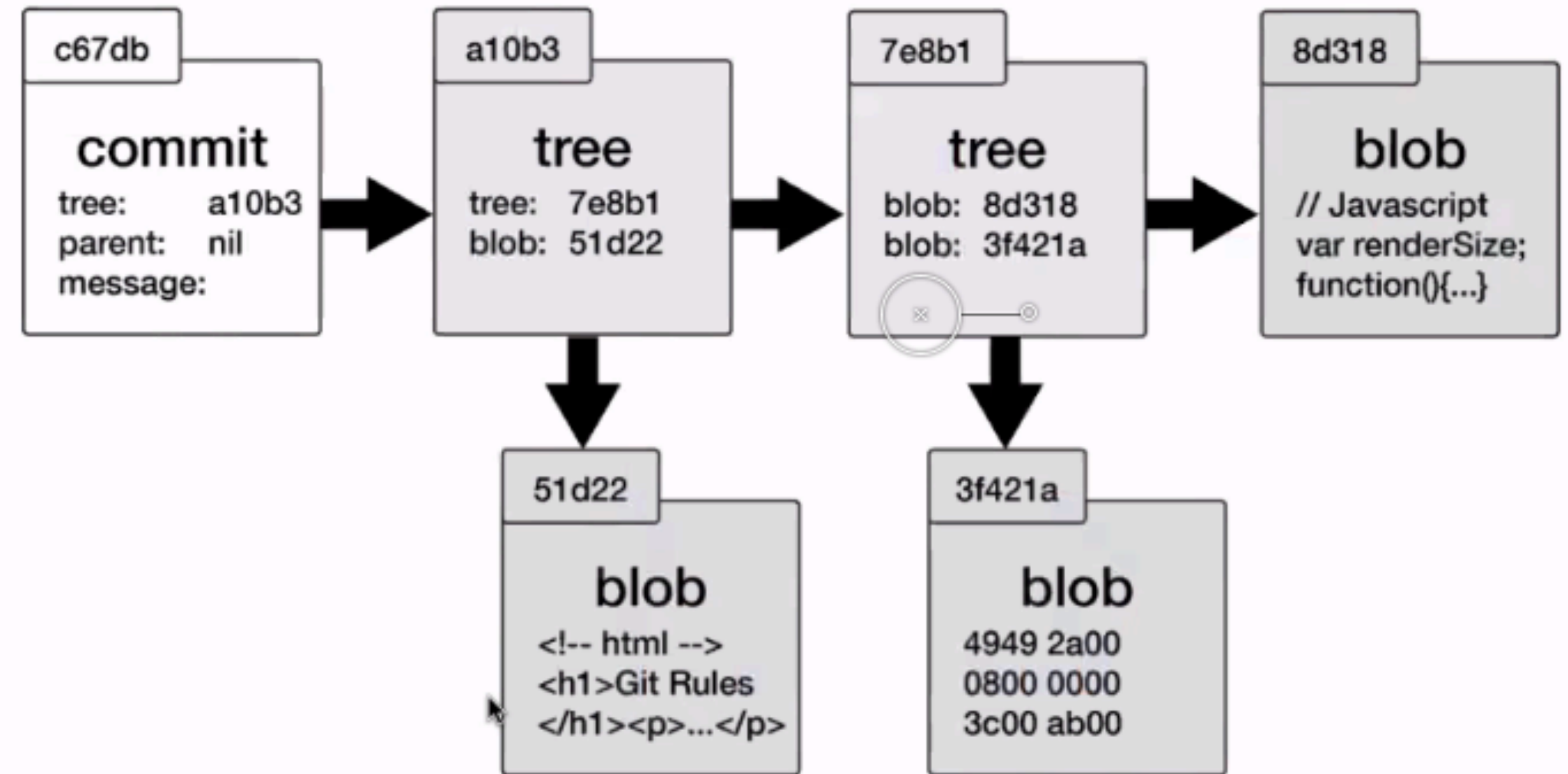


Counting objects

Git **only** transmits the necessary objects.

Push: sends objects the remote doesn't have.

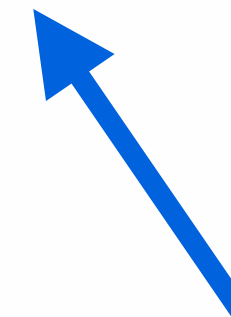
Fetch: receives objects we don't have locally.



Which branch do you want to push?



```
git push -u origin master
```



You want to push master.
To origin, the remote.



But what is “master”?



```
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```



The background of the slide is a dark green field filled with vertical columns of glowing green text, reminiscent of the 'Matrix' digital rain effect. The text is blurred and appears to be falling from the top of the frame.

**You've been on a branch...
all along.**



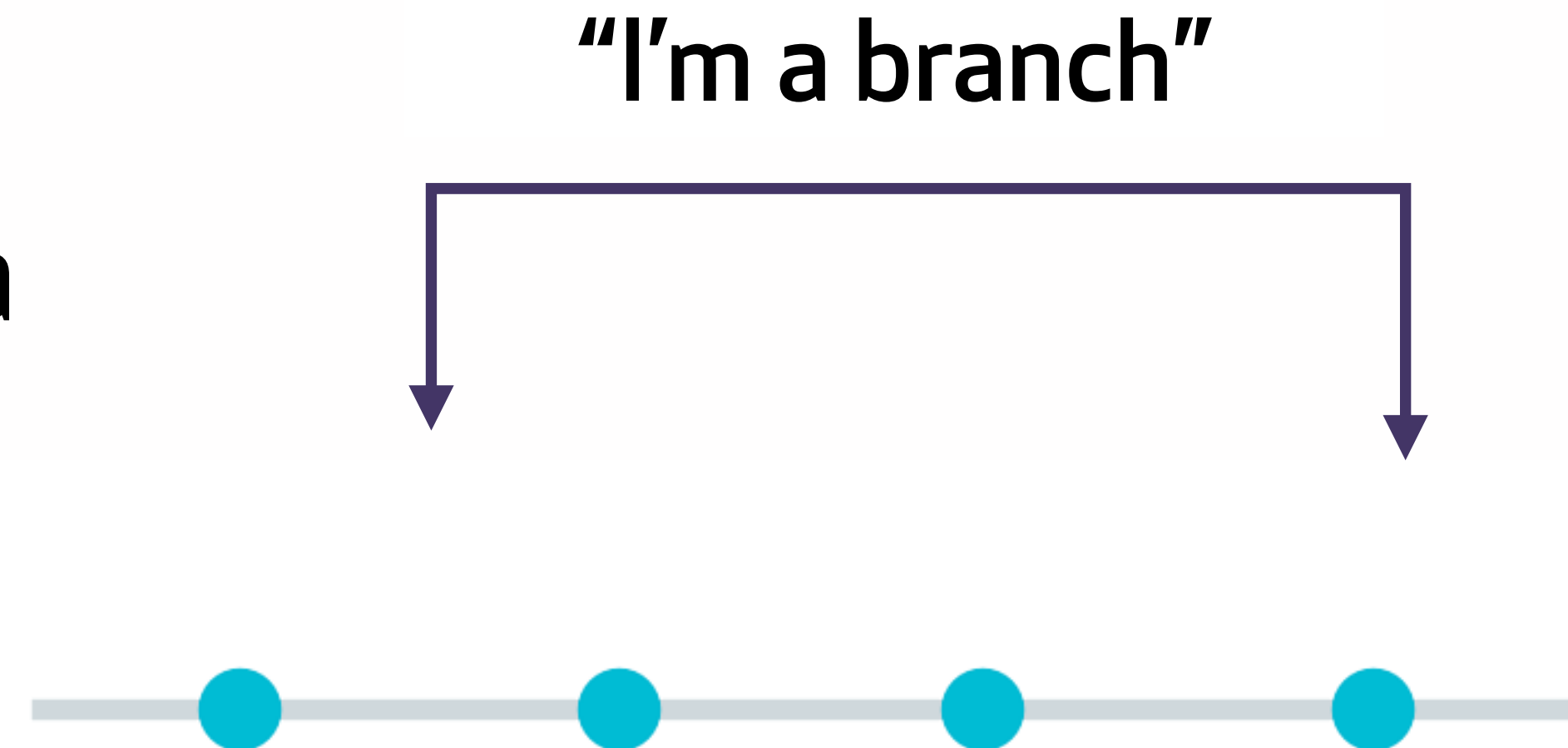
**An aside to discuss
branches.**

Branches are bookmarks to commits

“Master” is the default, it’s a naming convention.

Can think about branches as either a bookmark or a pointer for commits.

As we add commits, the active branch updates to point to the newest commit (HEAD).



demo

Changes

All Commits

▼ Branches

🔗 master

3↑

▼ Remotes

▼ 🔄 origin

🔗 master

► Tags

► Stashes

► Submodules

demo : master

Filter

Local branches

🔗 master

origin branches

🔗 origin/master

● master

add info about Fork, m

● add info about branches

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● origin/master

readme.md

Commit

Changes

File Tree



Author: Mozzadrella <mozzadrella@github.com>

Date: December 16, 2017 at 1:28:05 PM EST

Commit hash: cc30f26f9bcb27fc45338961a3f09b269ecd0931

Parents: [6c8bfc8](#)

Subject: add info about Fork, my handy git client

Changes:

...

readme.md

irella

cc30f26

Today at 1:28 PM

irella

6c8bfc8

Today at 1:25 PM

irella

83203d0

Today at 1:23 PM

irella

bce46da

Today at 12:36 PM



demo : master

demo

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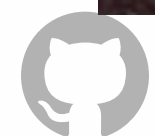
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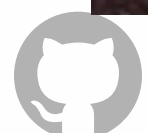
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When
we copied the
repo by pushing it to
remote, we also
copied the pointer
"master."

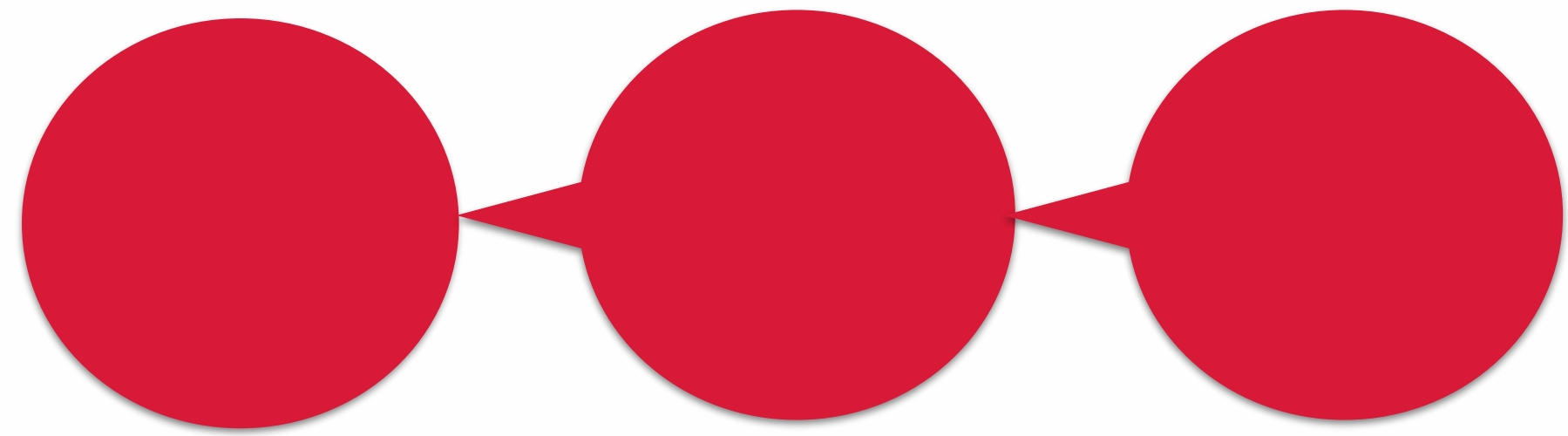


The screenshot shows the GitHub Desktop application interface. On the left, the 'demo' repository is selected, showing a list of branches: 'master' (3 commits) and 'origin/master' (1 commit). The 'origin/master' branch is highlighted. A red callout points to this branch, stating: 'Since branches are bookmarks to commits...'. In the center, a red callout states: 'in effect, every commit could be a branch.' On the right, a red callout states: 'When you commit, the active branch (bookmark) is updated.' The background shows a commit history table with columns for commit hash, message, and time.

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Using branches in your terminal



`git show master`



`commit cc30f26f9bcb27fc45338961a3f09b269ecd0931`

`(HEAD -> master)`

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Remember, branches are pointers to commits.

If we say 'git show master' we'll see the commit master points to.



Finding the active branch

'Git branch' will show you the branches in your project...

```
C02T40YZFVH4:demo  
mozzadrella$ git branch  
* master
```

and the "*" indicates your currently active branch.

If you made commits at that moment, the active branch would be updated to point to the new commit.



Creating a new branch

To summon a new branch, use 'git branch' and the new branch name. We'll call ours 'newbranch'

```
C02T40YZFVH4:demo mozzadrella$ git branch newbranch
```

```
C02T40YZFVH4:demo mozzadrella$ git branch
```

```
* master
```

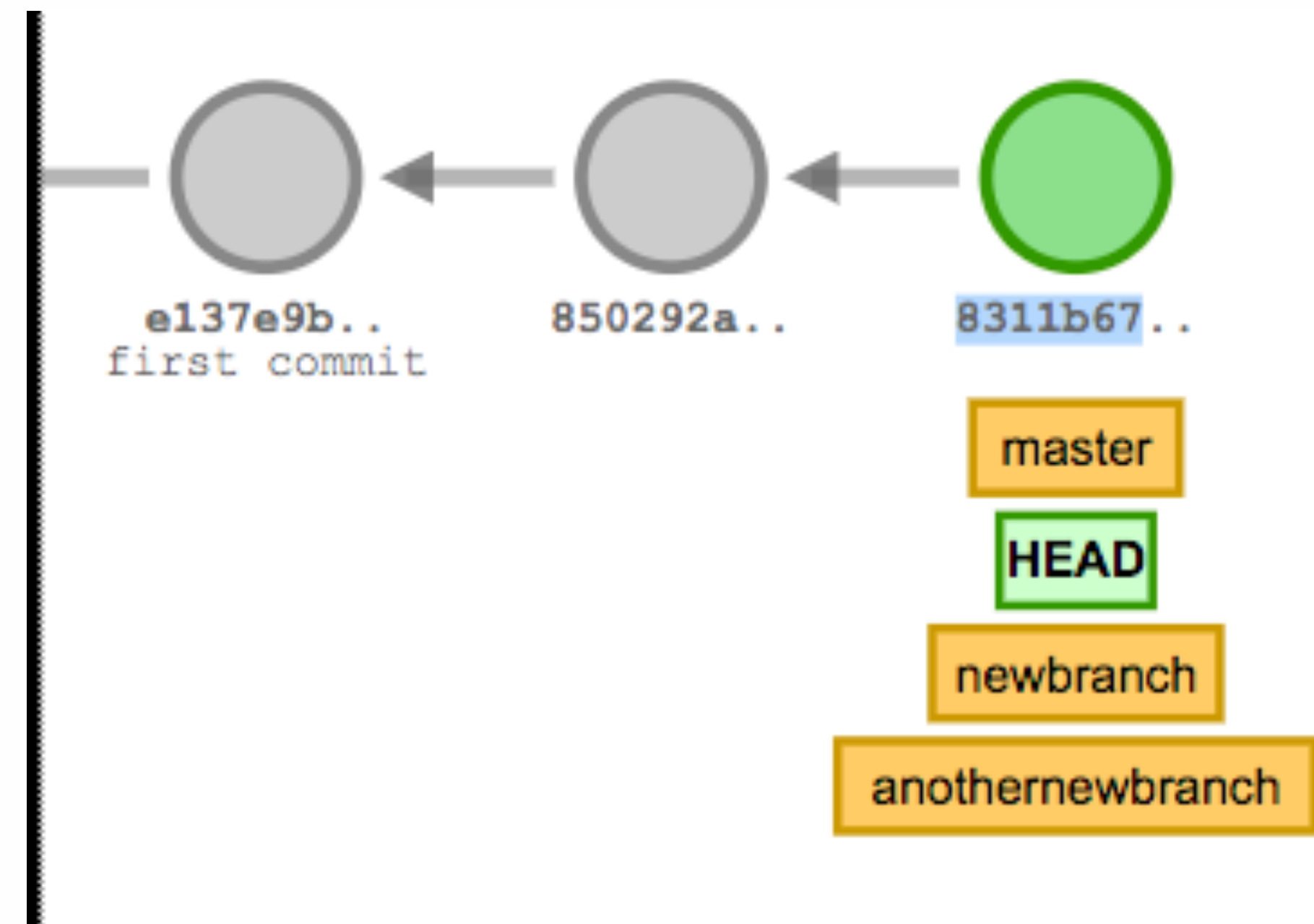
```
newbranch
```



Branches point back to the currently active commit

If we created 2 new branches from

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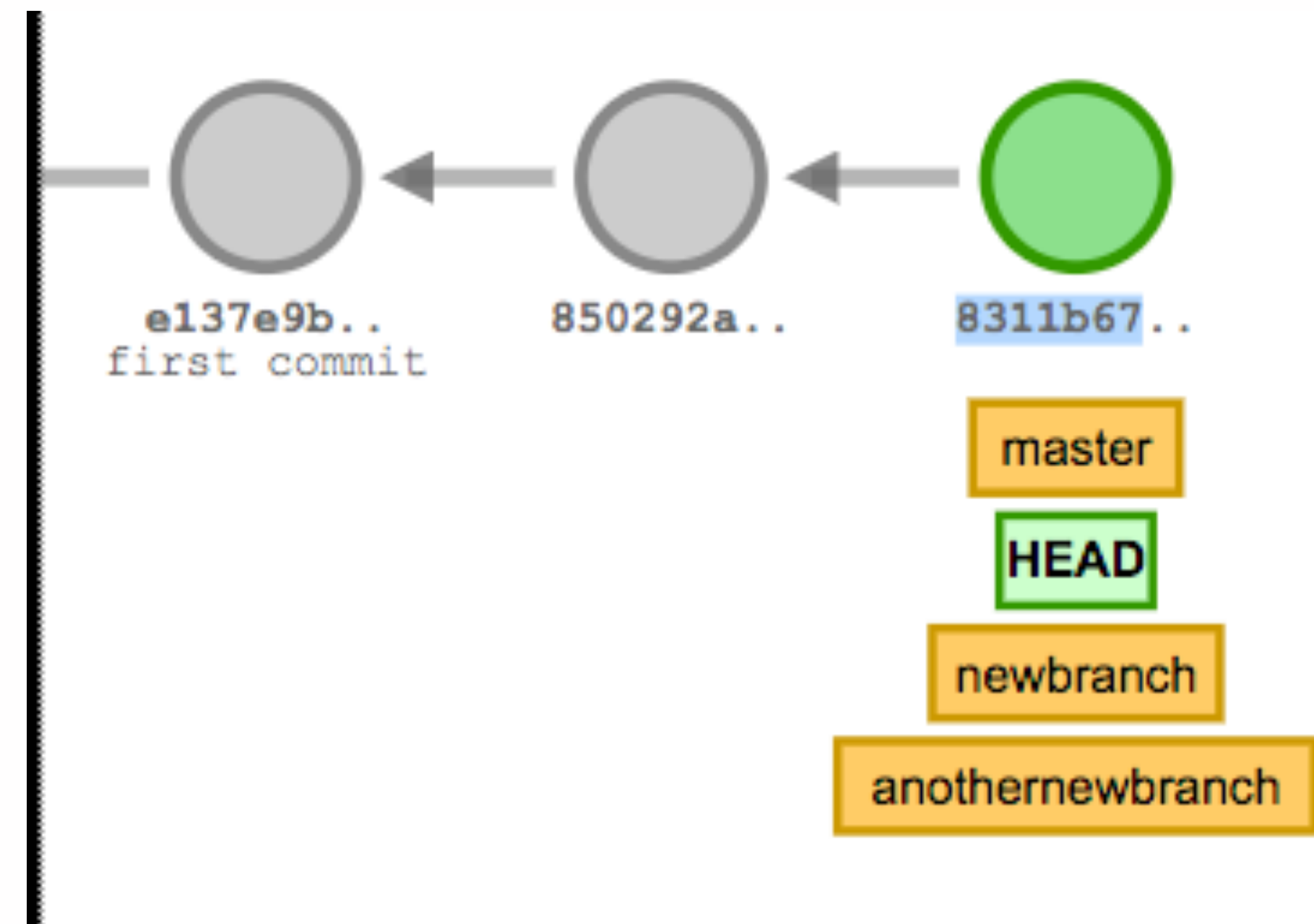
Branches point back to the currently active commit

If we created 2 new branches from

8311b67...

they would both point to

8311b67

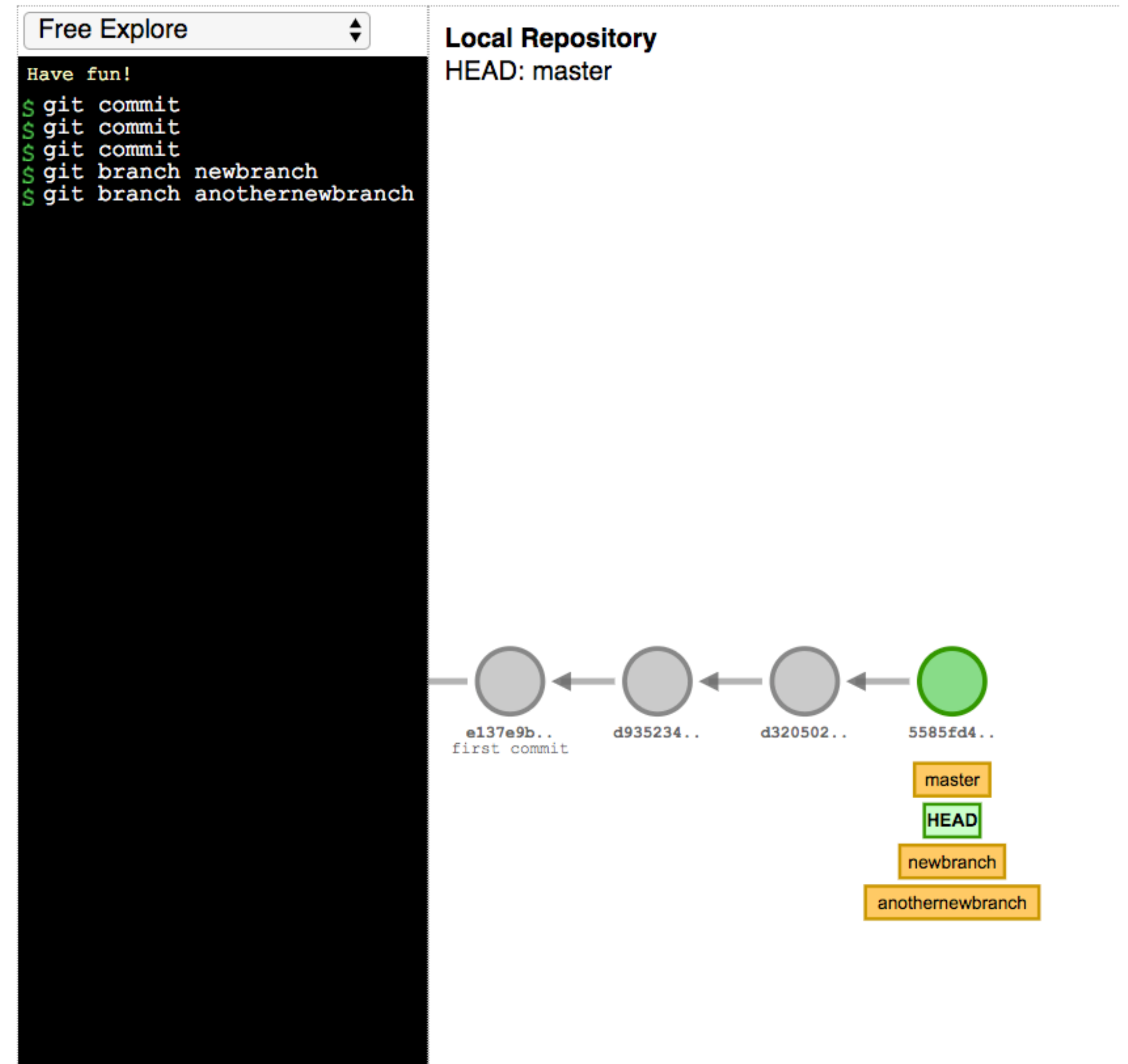


Branching from commits using references

`git branch <name>` creates a branch at HEAD

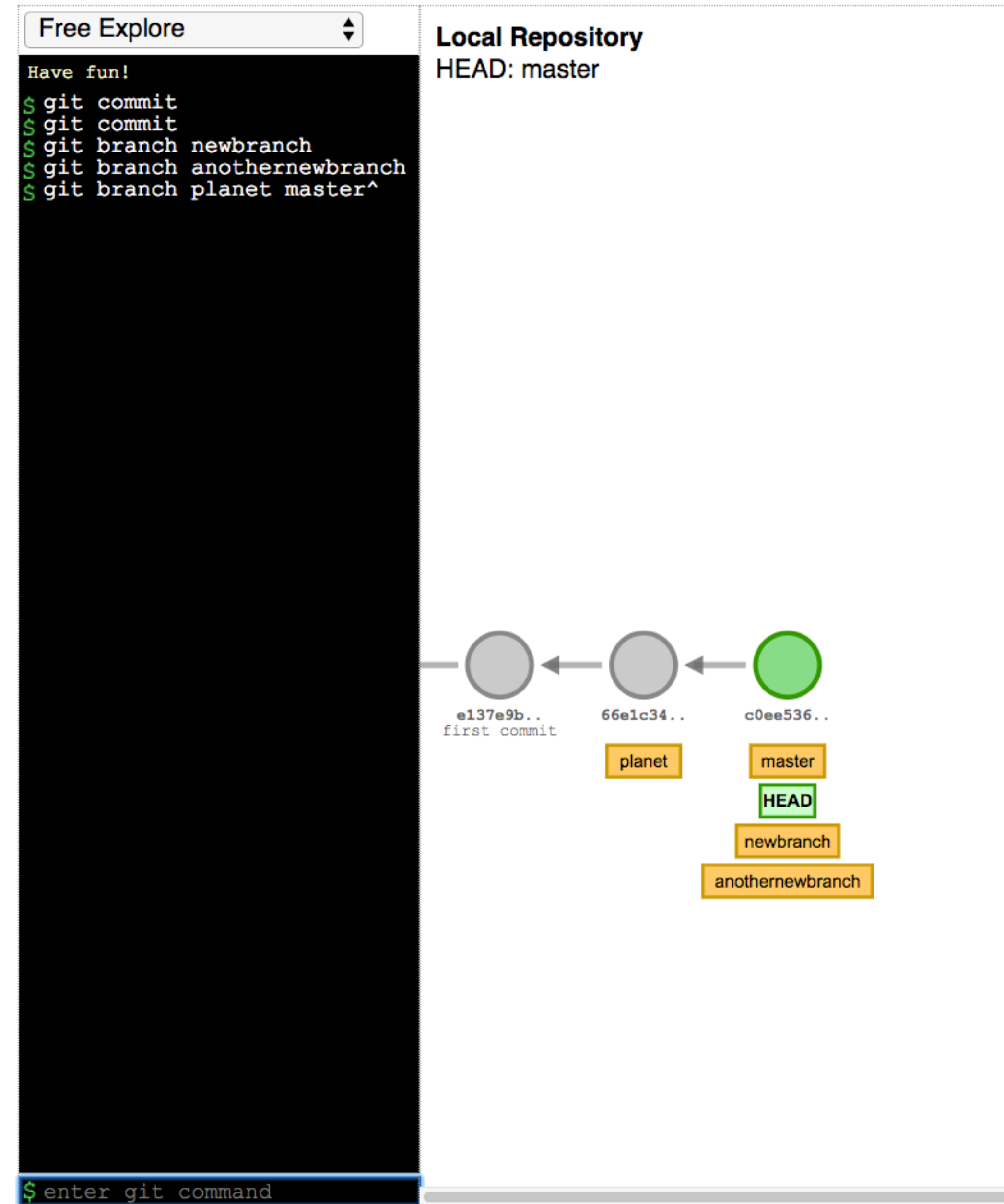
`git branch <name> <ref>` creates a branch at <ref>

<ref> can be HEAD, a branch name, a commit, or a commit-ish (e.g. `HEAD^` or `master~3`)



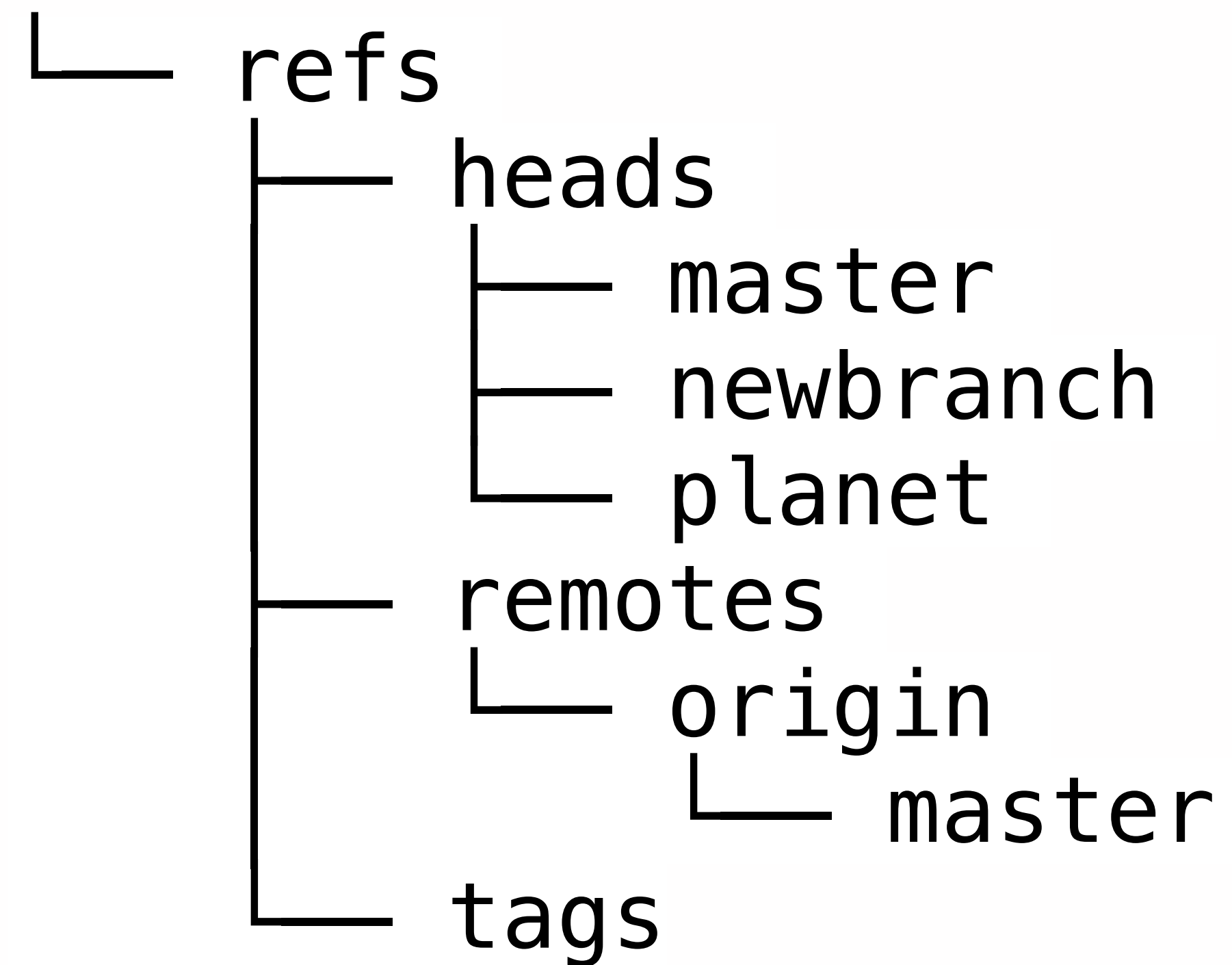
Or branch from previous commits

`git branch planet master^`



A final word on branches...

```
tree .git/refs
```



Those files contain the commit ID...

```
C02T40YZFVH4:demo mozzadrella$ cat .git/refs/heads/planet  
6c8bfc88bb440844f18a5e0a6ca885998b461bb7
```



So the implementation for branches is a file with a hash in it.



**Back to the world of
network activity.**

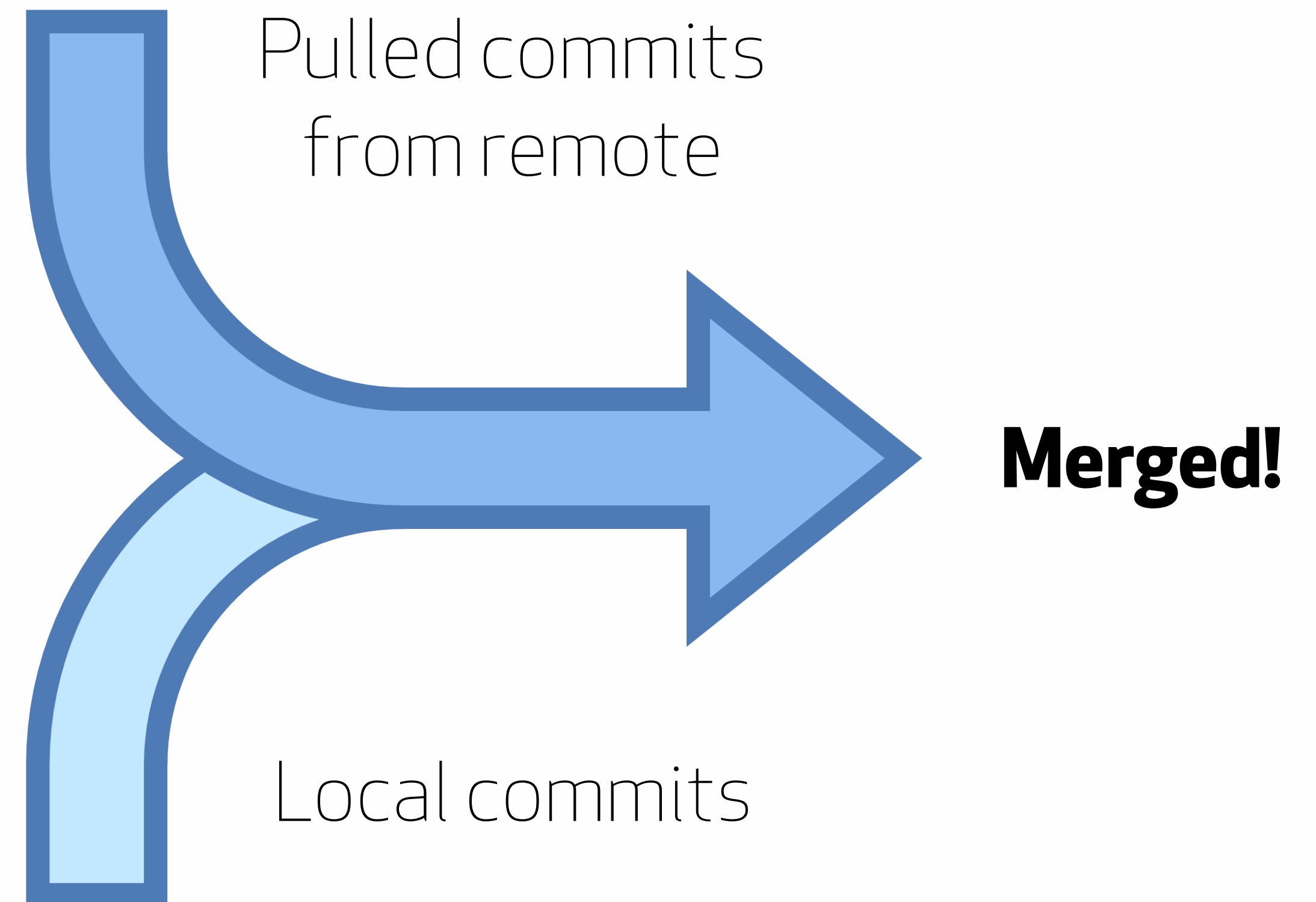
Pull = fetch + merge

Pull first fetches the commits and stores them locally.

Merge takes the two divergent commits, puts them together in the staging area and makes a new commit with two parents.

Merge updates the active branch to point to the new merge commit

You'll see the new commits reflected in your local project when you run "git log."



Watch what happens when we run “pull.”

I'd like the latest commits on the branch that my active branch tracks.



```
git pull origin master
```



Watch what happens when we run “pull.”

Thanks tracking branch!



`git pull origin master`

```
[C02T40YZFVH4:individual-work mozzadrella$ git pull origin master
From https://github.com/mozzadrella/Module-1-Individual-Work
 * branch                master      -> FETCH_HEAD
Updating 1fa65cf..0869a21
Fast-forward
 README.md | 4 +++++
 1 file changed, 4 insertions(+)
C02T40YZFVH4:individual-work mozzadrella$
```



To sum up, here are the commands with network activity:

```
git push
```

```
git fetch
```

```
git pull (fetch part, not merge)
```

