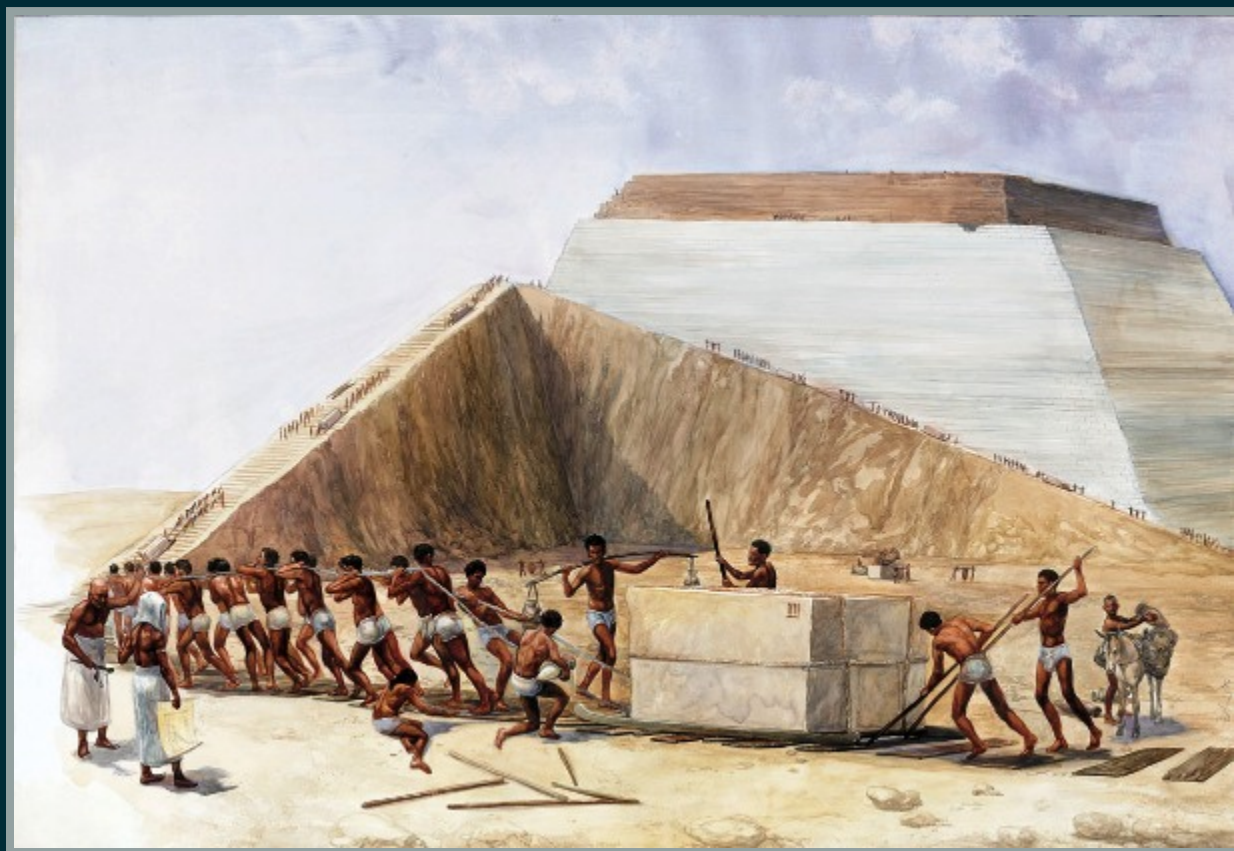


# YOUR FIRST OPEN SOURCE PROJECT

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# CONTRIBUTING TO EXISTING PROJECTS







**WHY?!**



# FAME?



# FORTUNE?





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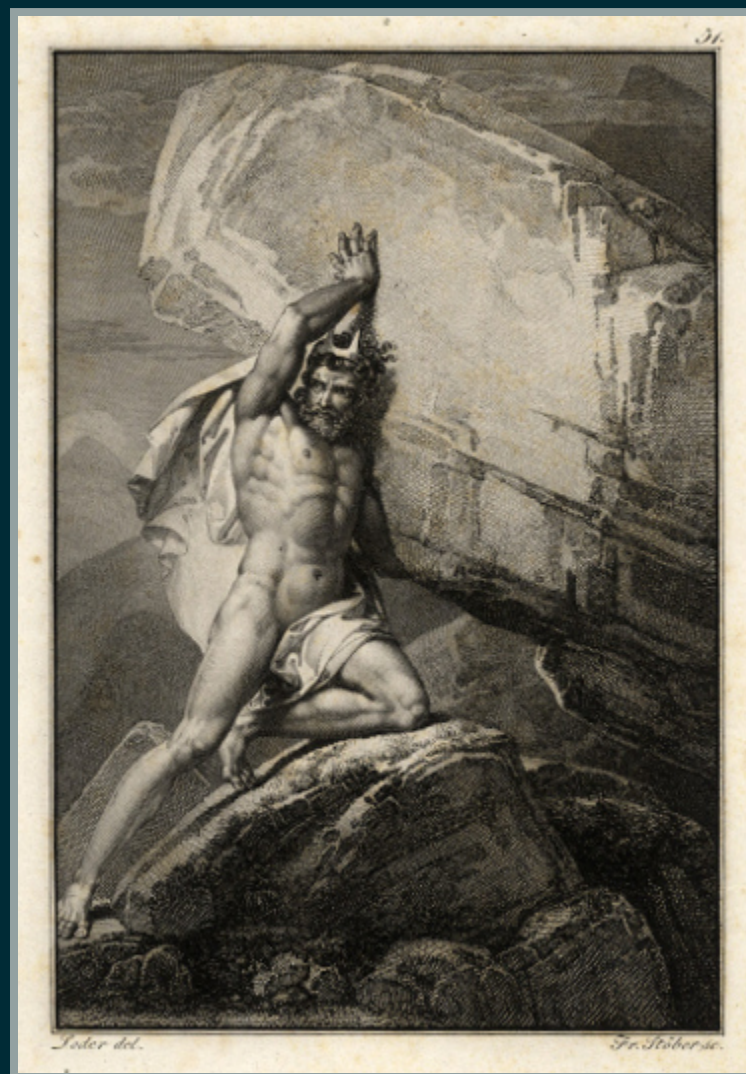




# GIVING BACK



# EXPERIENCE



# COMMUNITY





**Dennis Wilson**

@snnd

 Follow

[@petejohanson](#) i am currently evaluating hy-res. love it so far.  
thanks and keep on the good work. expect casual pull requests. :)

5:37 AM - 5 Aug 2015





**WHAT?!**

# SCRATCH AN ITCH!

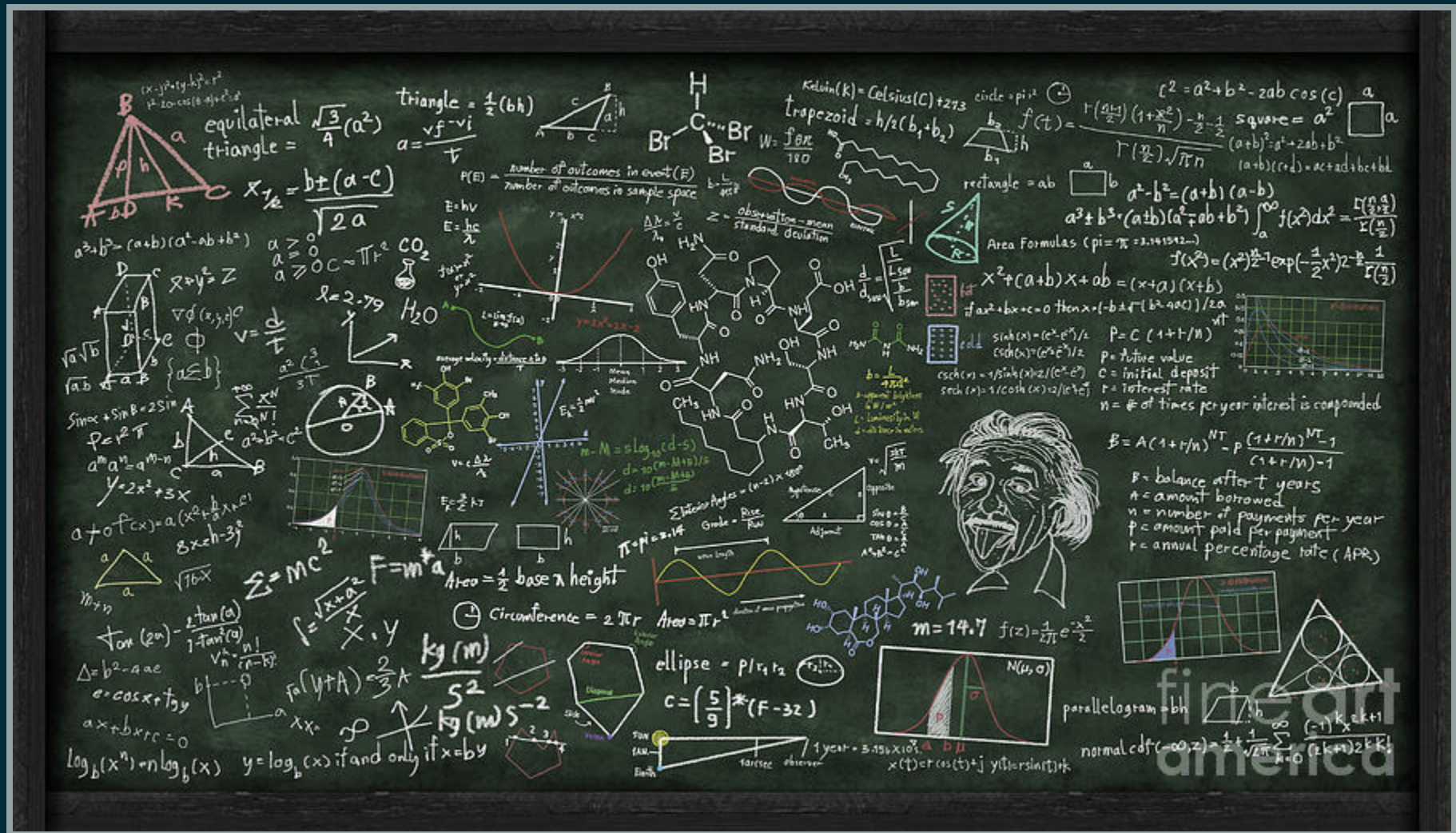


**MORE THAN YOU CAN CHEW?**





# TOO ESOTERIC?



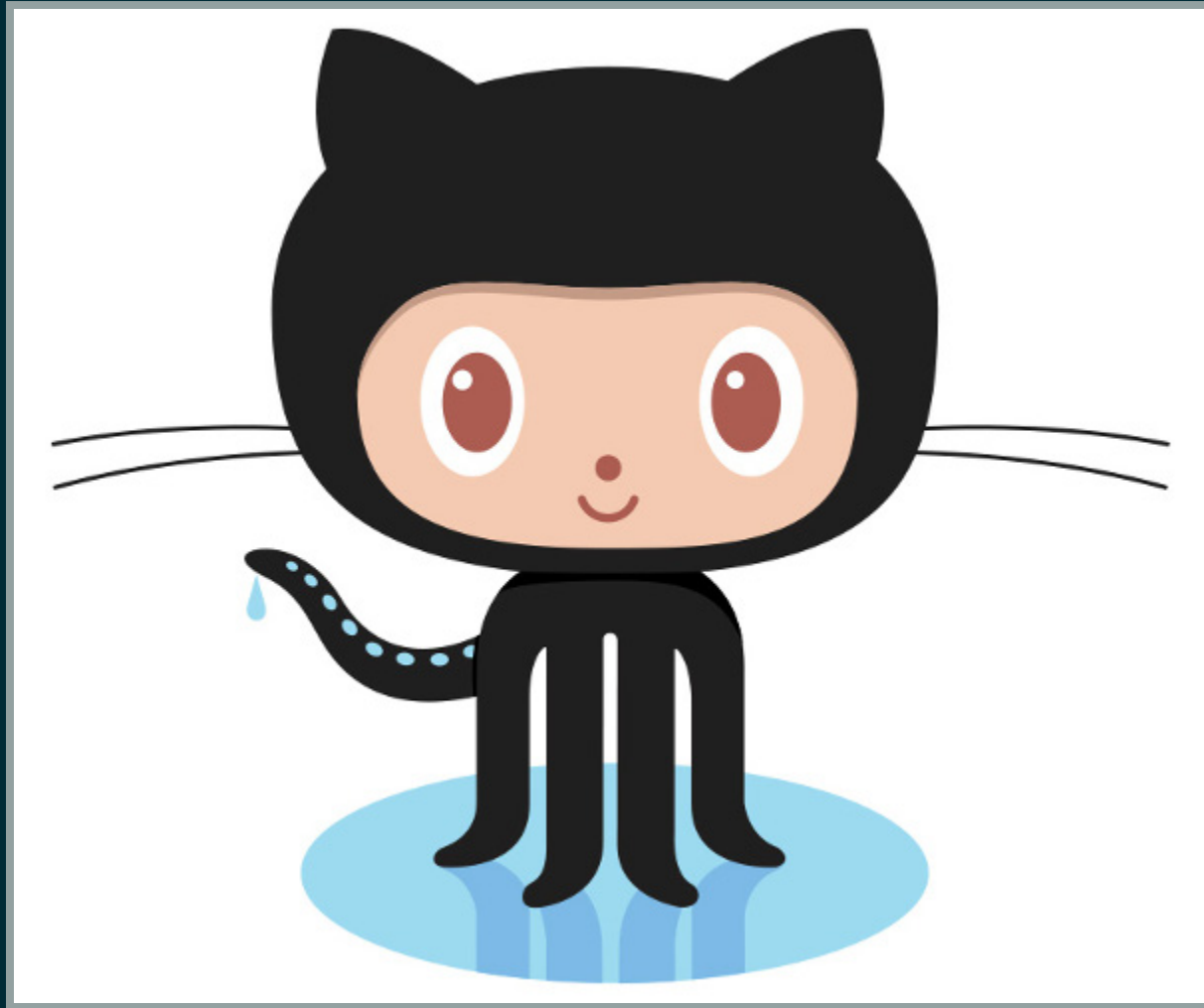


# PLUGIN/EXTENSION



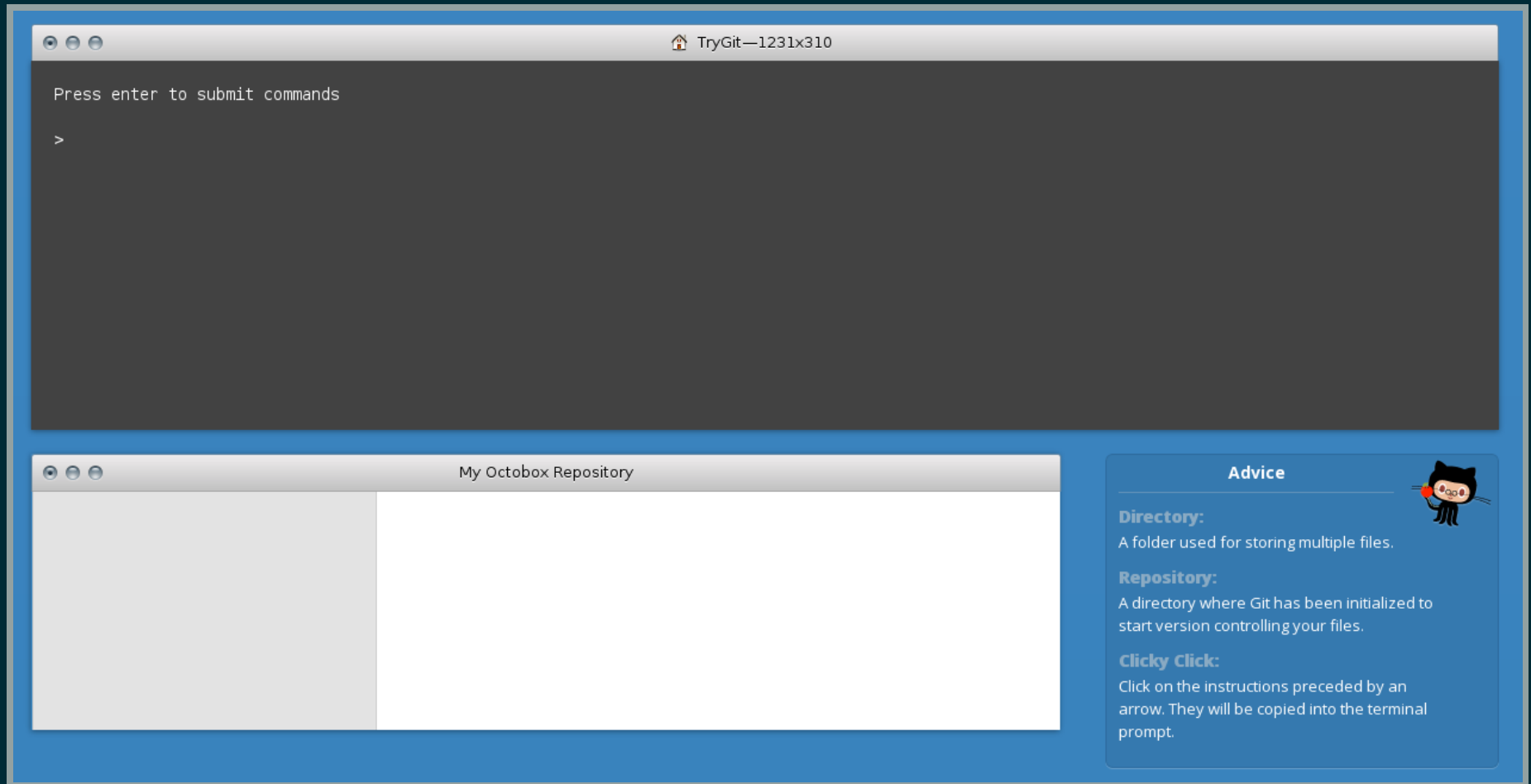
**WHERE?!**

# GITHUB



## DE FACTO OSS REPOSITORY

# TRY.GITHUB.IO



The image shows a web browser window with a dark blue background. At the top, the text "TRY.GITHUB.IO" is displayed in large, light blue, monospace-style capital letters. Below this, there are two main components: a terminal window and a repository browser.

The terminal window, titled "TryGit—1231x310", has a dark gray background. It contains the text "Press enter to submit commands" and a single greater-than sign ">" on the next line, indicating a command prompt.

Below the terminal is a window titled "My Octobox Repository". It has a light gray sidebar on the left and a white main area on the right, which is currently empty.

To the right of the repository browser is a blue sidebar with the heading "Advice" in white. Below the heading, there are three sections of text, each preceded by a small white arrow icon:

- Directory:** A folder used for storing multiple files.
- Repository:** A directory where Git has been initialized to start version controlling your files.
- Clicky Click:** Click on the instructions preceded by an arrow. They will be copied into the terminal prompt.

A small GitHub Octocat logo is positioned to the right of the "Advice" section.



# ISSUES

- Collaboration of One (To Start)
- Low Hanging Fruit » **help wanted**

# ECHO CHAMBER (AT FIRST)



**HOW?!**

# SAMPLES

- Living Documentation
- Show Best Practices



# DOCS

- Too early, and they bit rot or get out of sync
- Tutorial/blog posts provide **narrative**
- Make API documentation part of your workflow

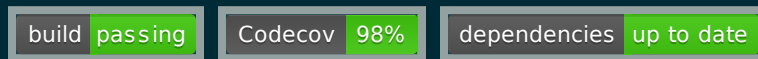
# TESTS

- Improve Quality
- Inspire Confidence In Potential Contributors

# CONTINUOUS INTEGRATION



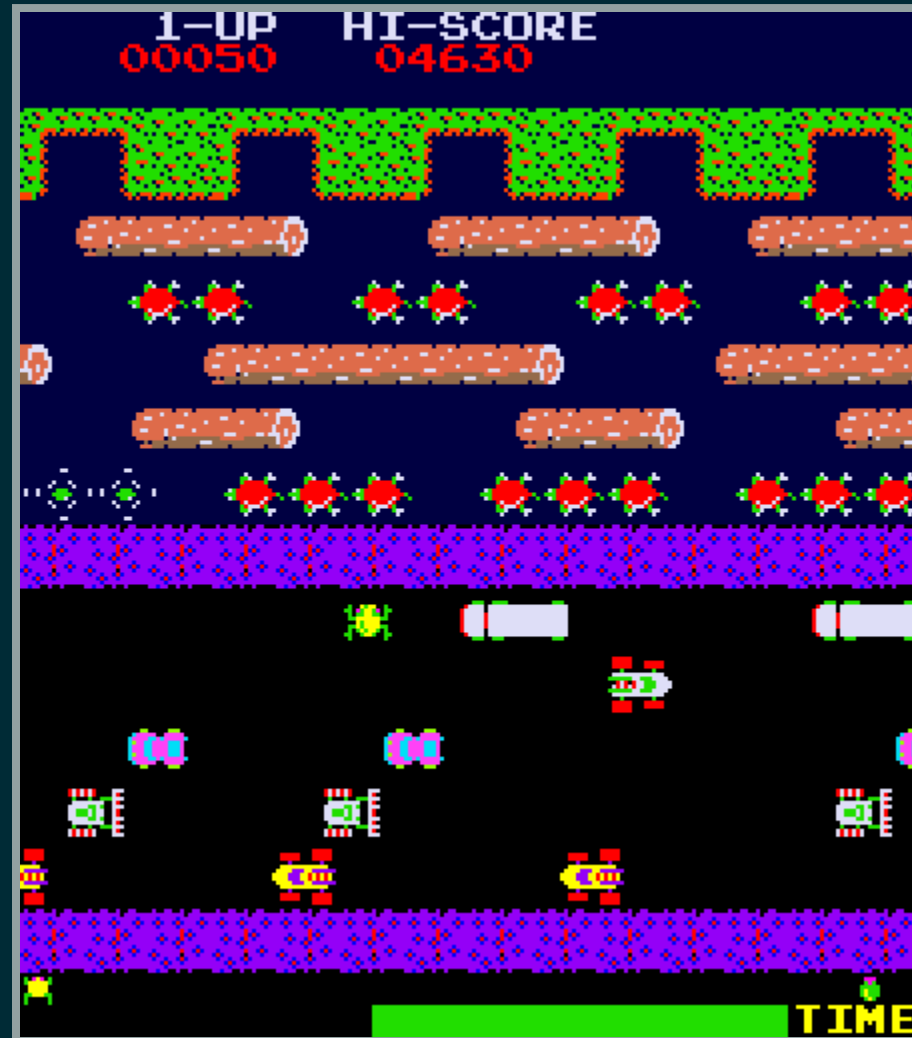
# BADGES!





**WHO?!**

# TIMING



# LEVERAGE EXISTING COMMUNITIES

- Mailing Lists/Google Groups
- Social Media
- Forums

# GO FORTH AND COLLABORATE

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