CLI & VCS

An acronym-filled introduction to hackathons.

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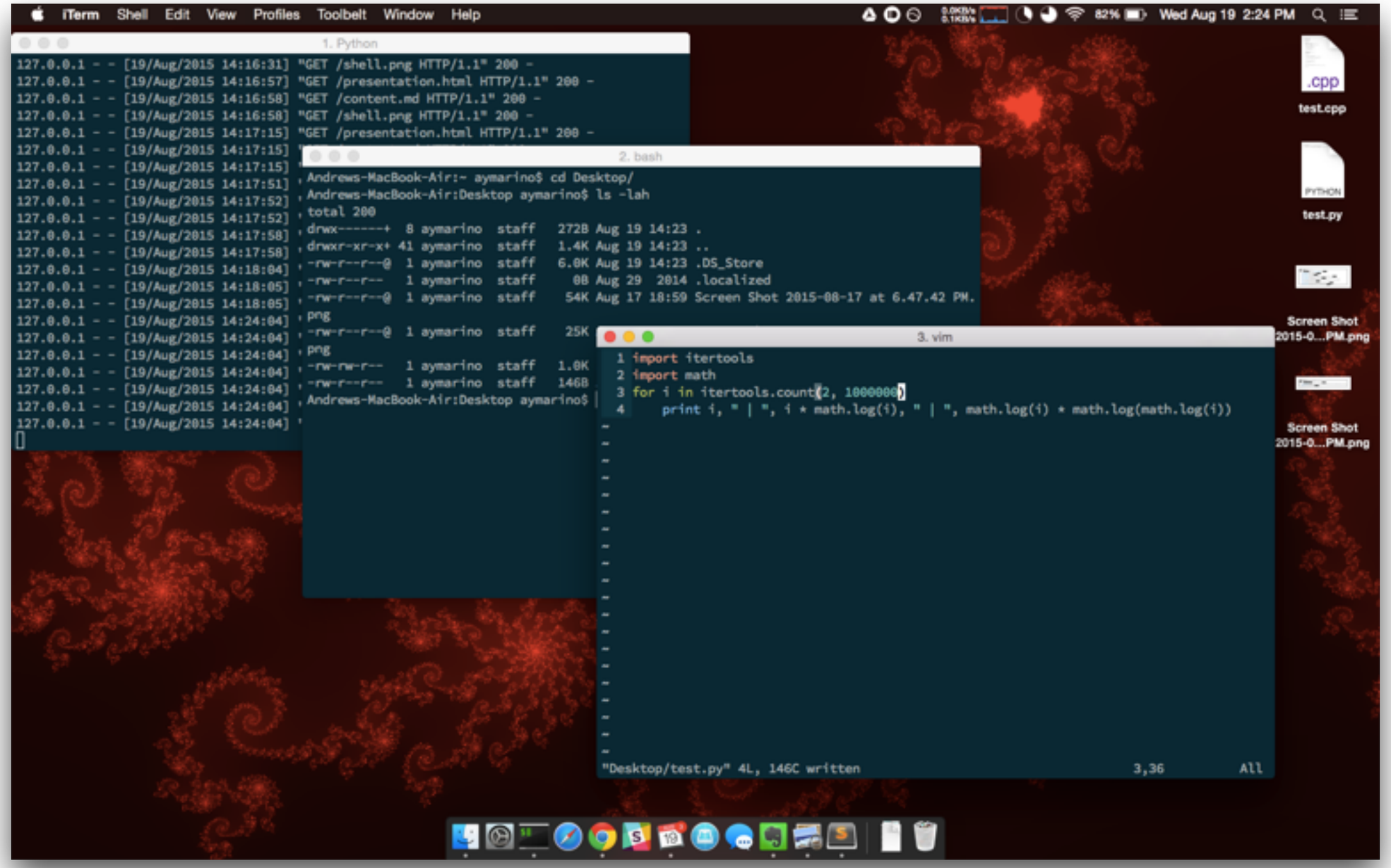
Command Line Interfaces (CLI)

A textual user interface



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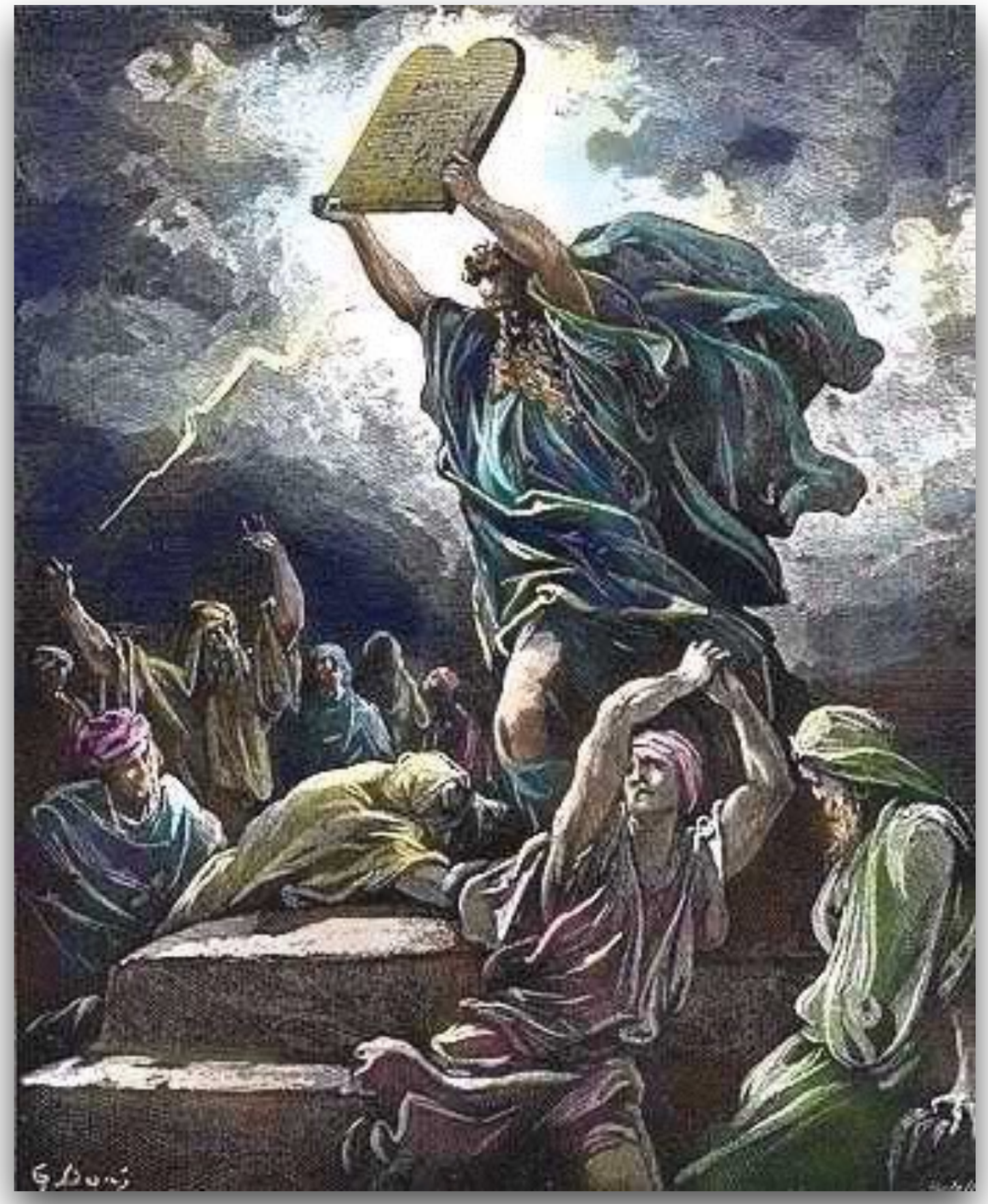

(A different kind of textual interface)

The *actual* original command line

Basic Unix Command Reference

cd [path]	**c**hange **d**irectory to [path]	
ls	**ls**t files/folders in directory	ls -la (detailed list)
pwd	**p**rint **w**orking **d**irectory	
cat [file]	show (text) content of file	
mkdir [folder name or path]	**m**a**k**e **dir**ectory	
cp [origin] [destination]	**c**o**p**y	
mv [origin] [destination]	**m**o**v**e	
rm [file] [-r for folders] [-f for force delete]	**r**e**m**ove	CAUTION

| less	Pipe output to “less”	Easier for reading long outputs (files, compiler
tail [- #] file	Last # of lines of file	
head [- #] file	First # of lines of file	
grep [search] [file]	Finds lines with search term in file(s)	Use with regex: “-E”
ssh user@hostname	Secure shell into “hostname” as “user”	Connect into a remote host’s shell
Ctrl-A	Cursor to front of command	
Ctrl-E	Cursor to end of command	
Ctrl-L	Clear screen	
Ctrl-R	Reverse command search	Find that one long-ass command you typed a few minutes ago

Git & GitHub

An introductory workflow

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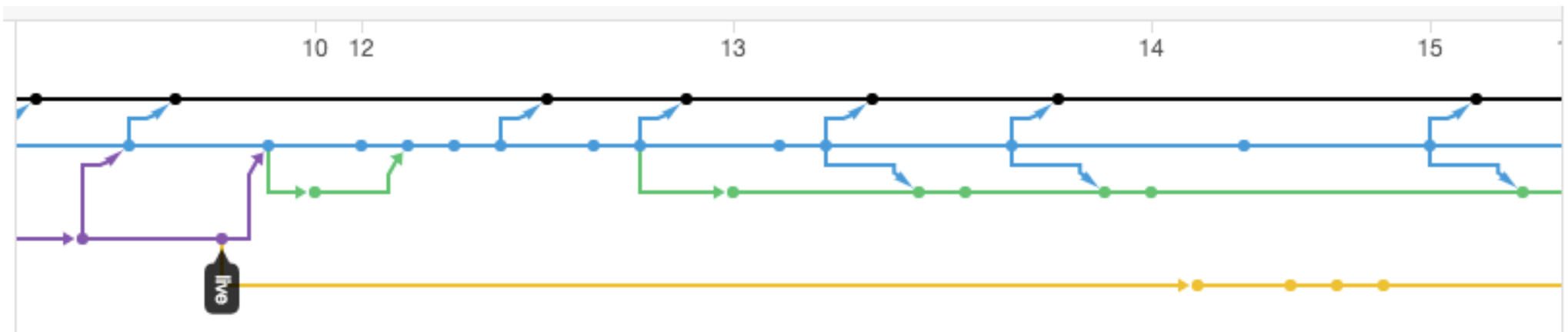

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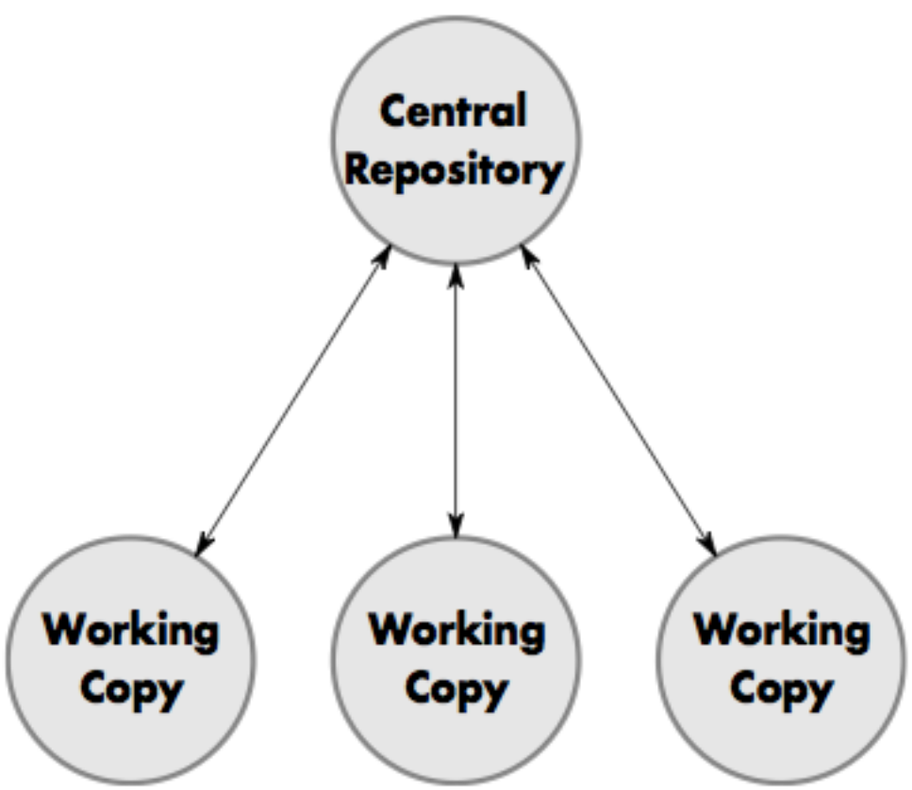
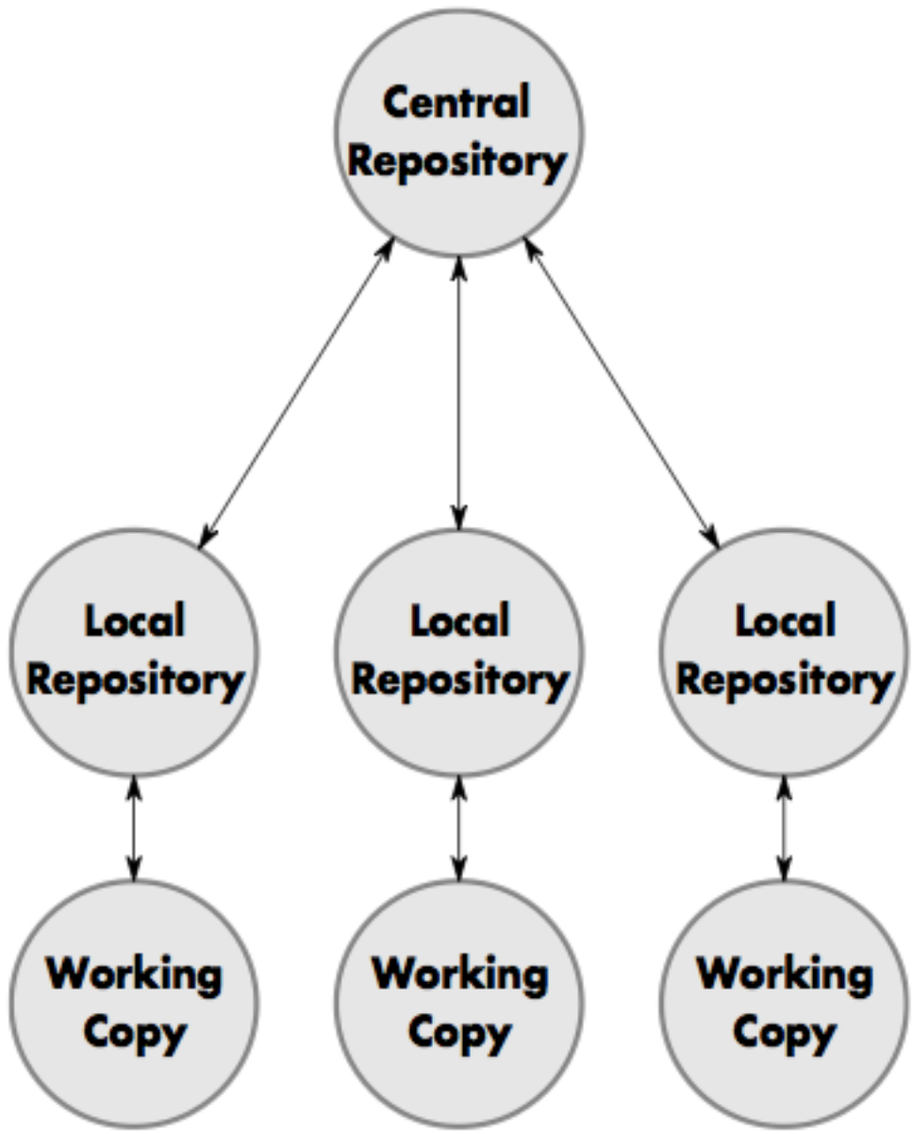


Centralized (à la SVN)

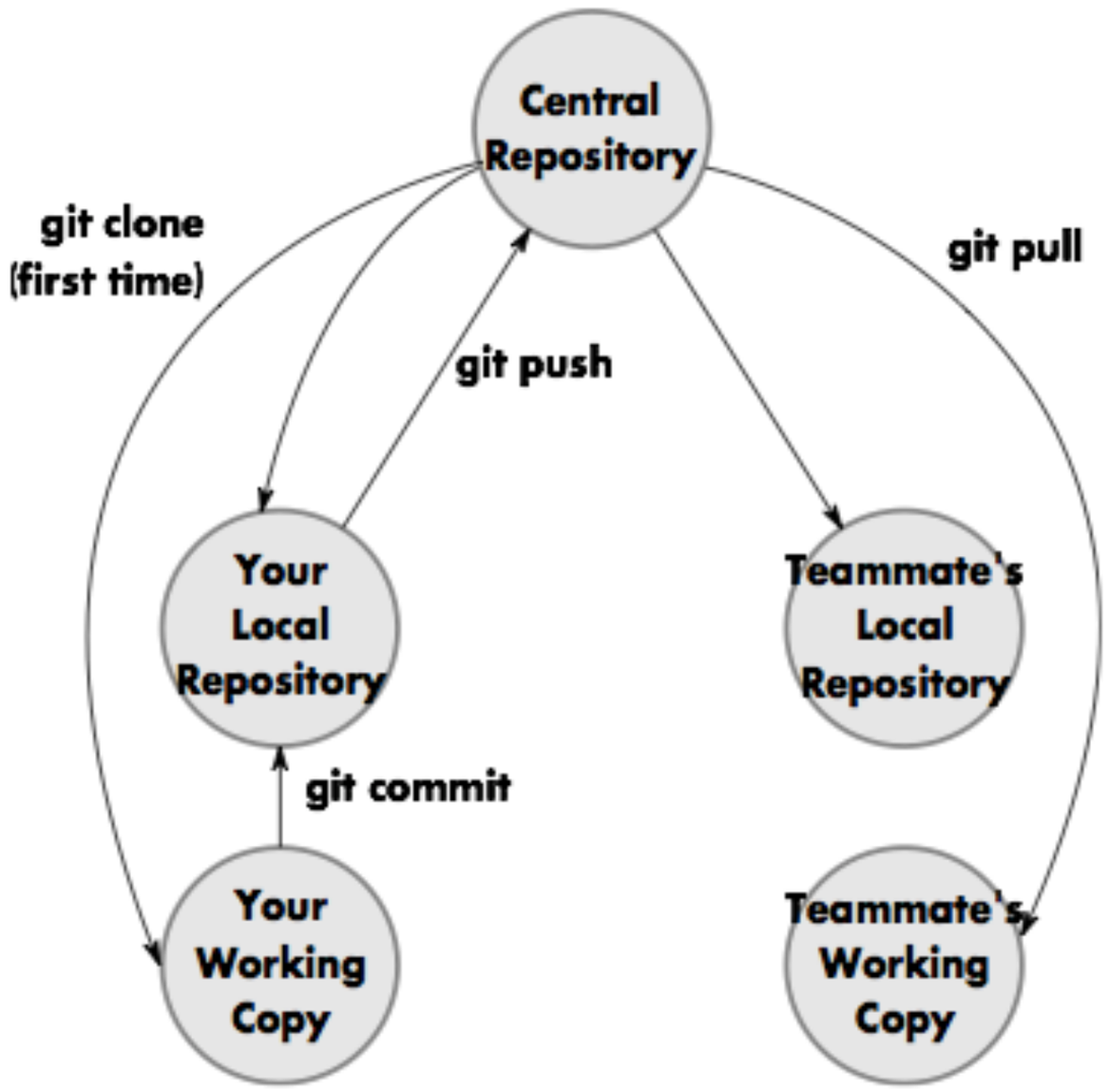


Distributed repos (à la git)

Ways to use git

- Graphical interfaces:
    - Xcode
    - GitHub Desktop
    - Sublime Text
- **Command Line**

Collaborating via git



Git Reference

- Git commands: init, clone, add, commit, push, pull, checkout, branch, merge, diff, log, status
- Live workflow example
- Reference for these commands: Google Search “git cheat sheet”

Best practices with git

- Don’t use commits as “save”.
- Don’t wait too long to commit.
- Careful not to commit sensitive info when pushing to GitHub.
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