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# INTRO TO GIT/GITHUB

## WHAT IS THE POINT OF THIS

- ▶ We want to avoid this → Why?
- ▶ What are the differences between different versions?
- ▶ Who else worked on these files?
- ▶ When/why were different version made?
- ▶ Arghh I can't reproduce things and I don't know what to trust!

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My Project/  
  my_analysis.py  
  my_analysis_v2.py  
  my_analysis_v3.py  
  my_analysis_final.py  
  my_analysis_final_final.py
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## WHAT IS THE POINT OF THIS

- ▶ We want to avoid this → Why?
- ▶ We want to be able *easily* keep track of our work history
- ▶ We want to be able to *collaborate* with others
- ▶ We want to be able to try new things *without losing old work*
- ▶ We research to be *reproducible*

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# WE NEED A TIME- MACHINE

(With room for other people)

THIS IS GIT. IT TRACKS COLLABORATIVE WORK  
ON PROJECTS THROUGH A BEAUTIFUL  
DISTRIBUTED GRAPH THEORY TREE MODEL.

COOL. HOW DO WE USE IT?

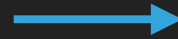
NO IDEA. JUST MEMORIZE THESE SHELL  
COMMANDS AND TYPE THEM TO SYNC UP.  
IF YOU GET ERRORS, SAVE YOUR WORK  
ELSEWHERE, DELETE THE PROJECT,  
AND DOWNLOAD A FRESH COPY.



# VERSION CONTROL



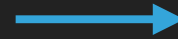
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Do some work



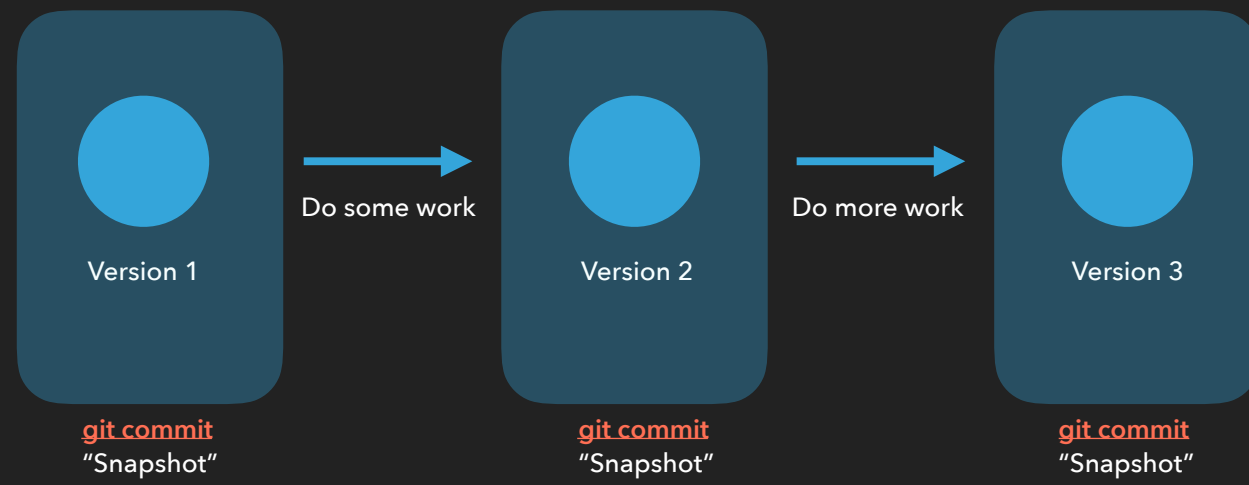
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Do more work

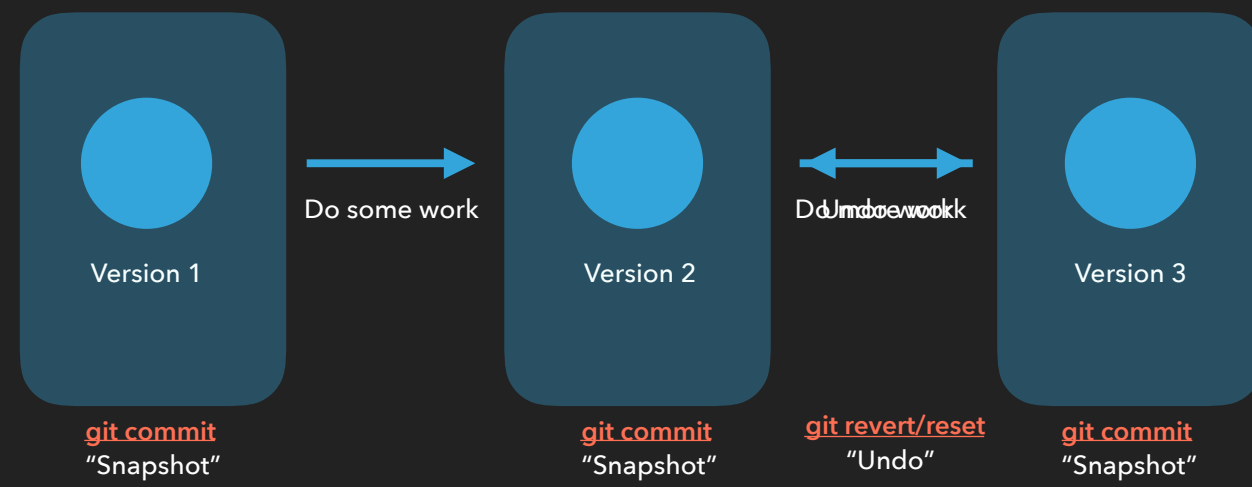


my\_analysis\_v3.py

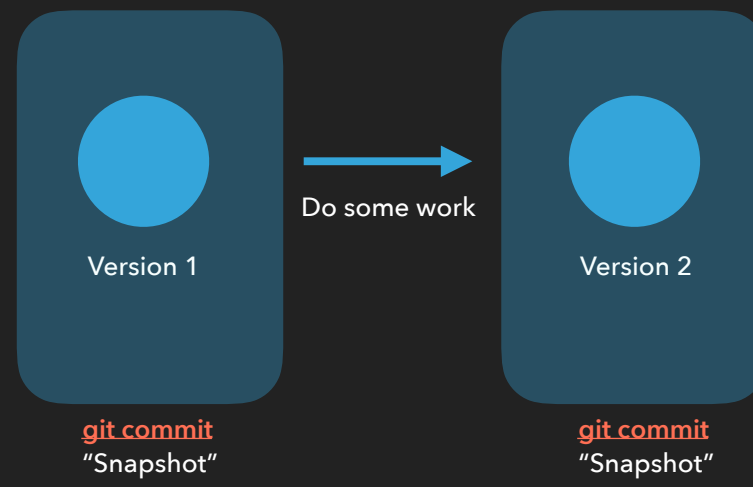


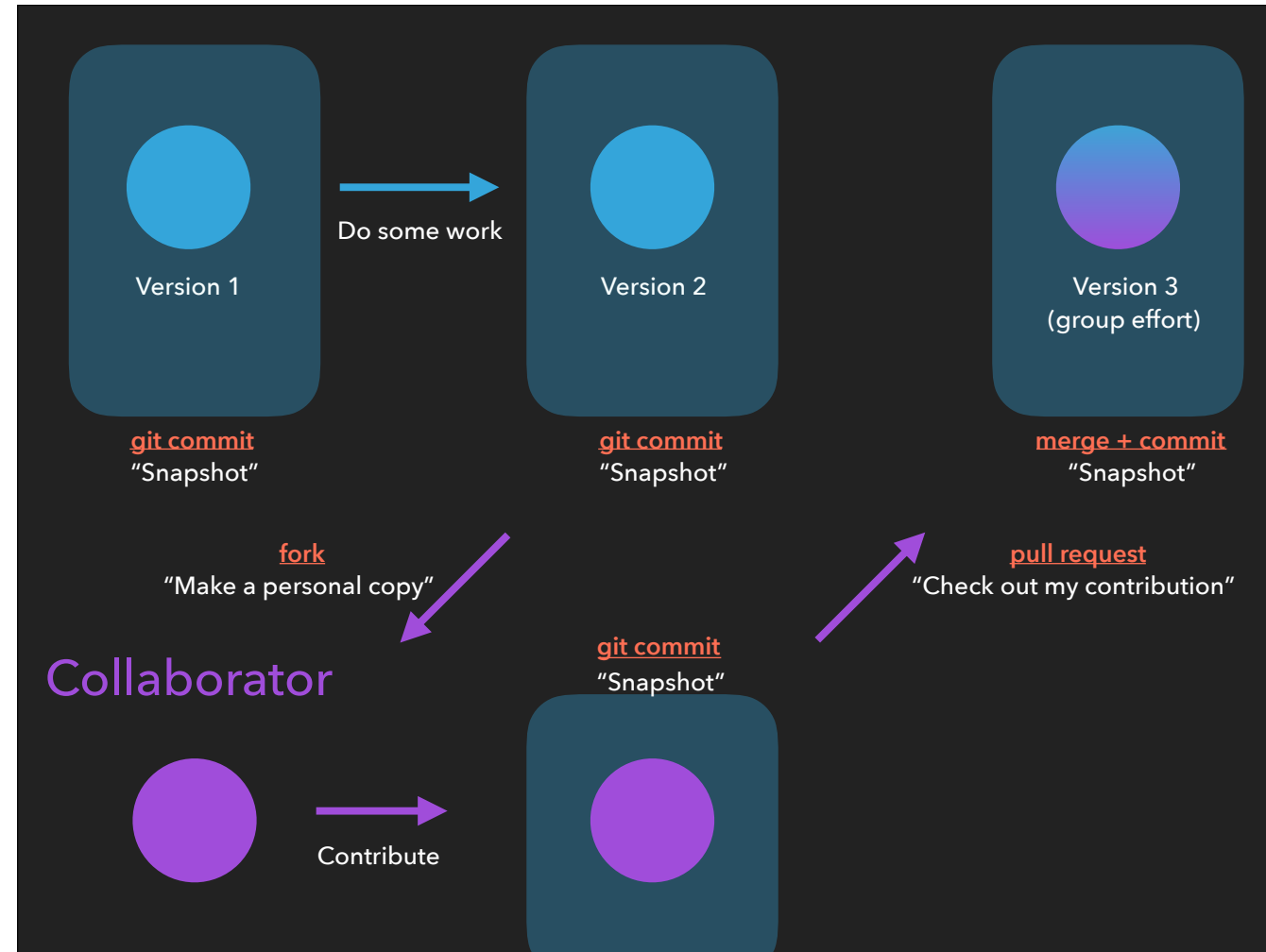


**GO BACK IN TIME**

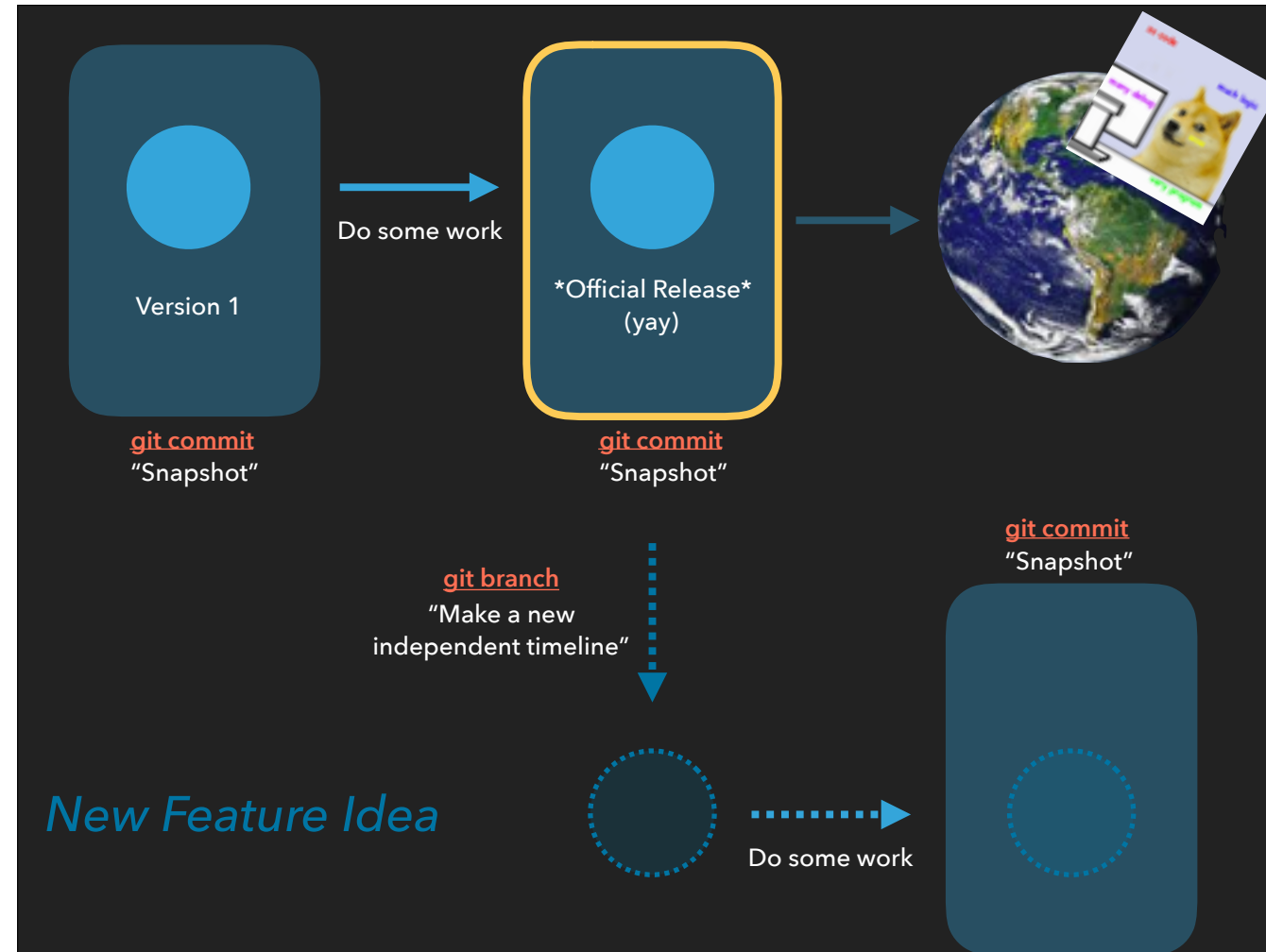


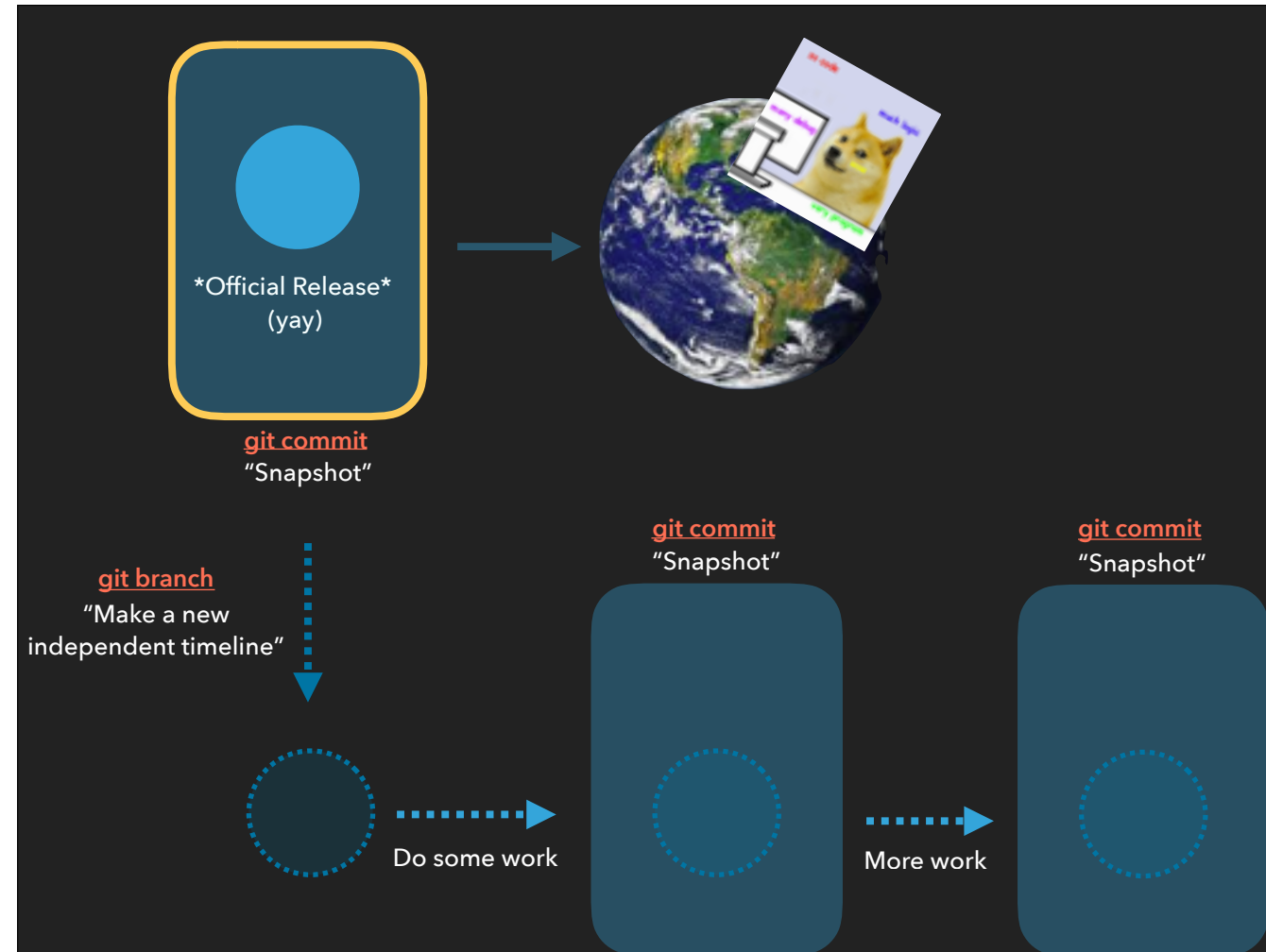
**COLLABORATION**



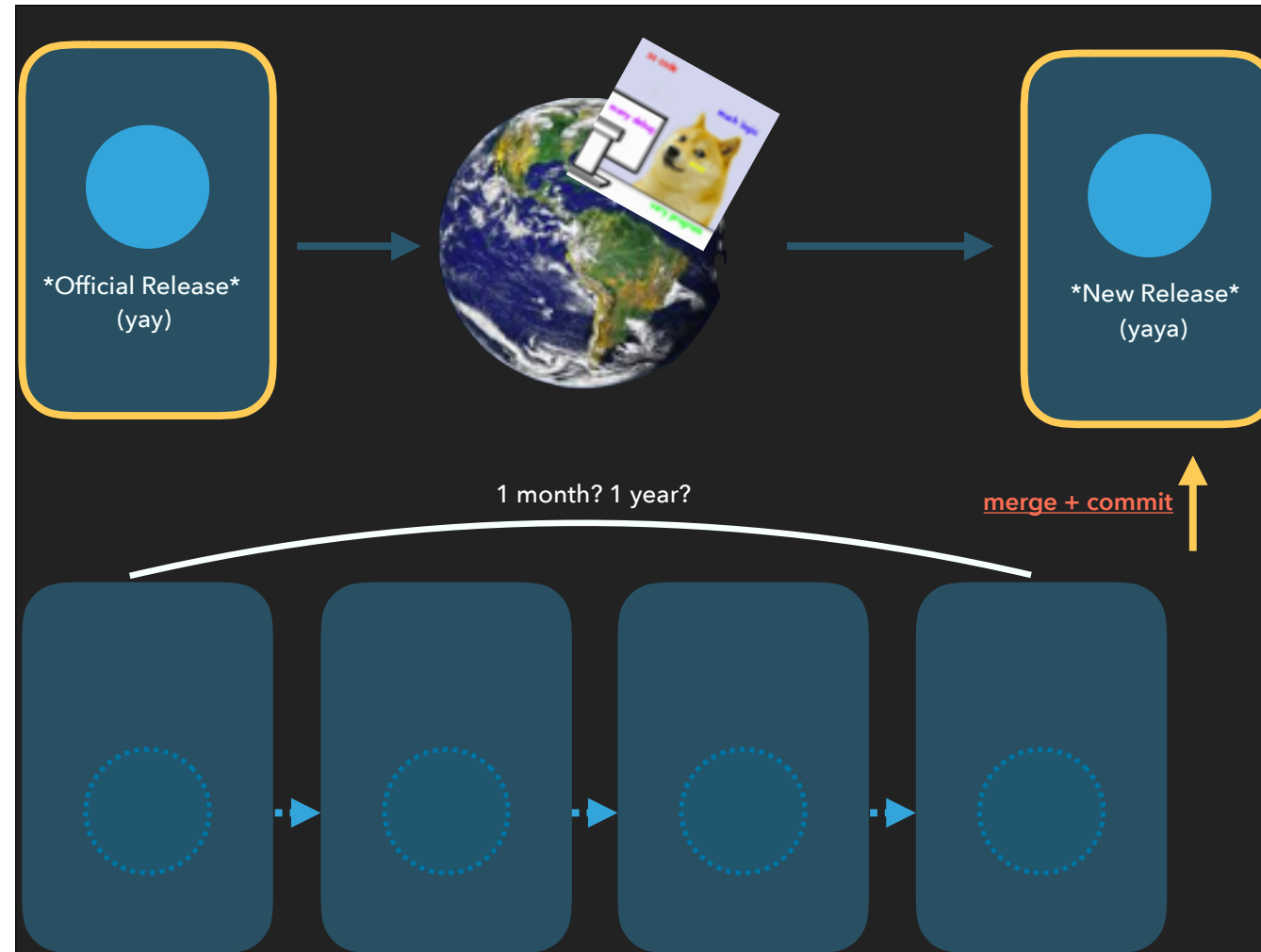


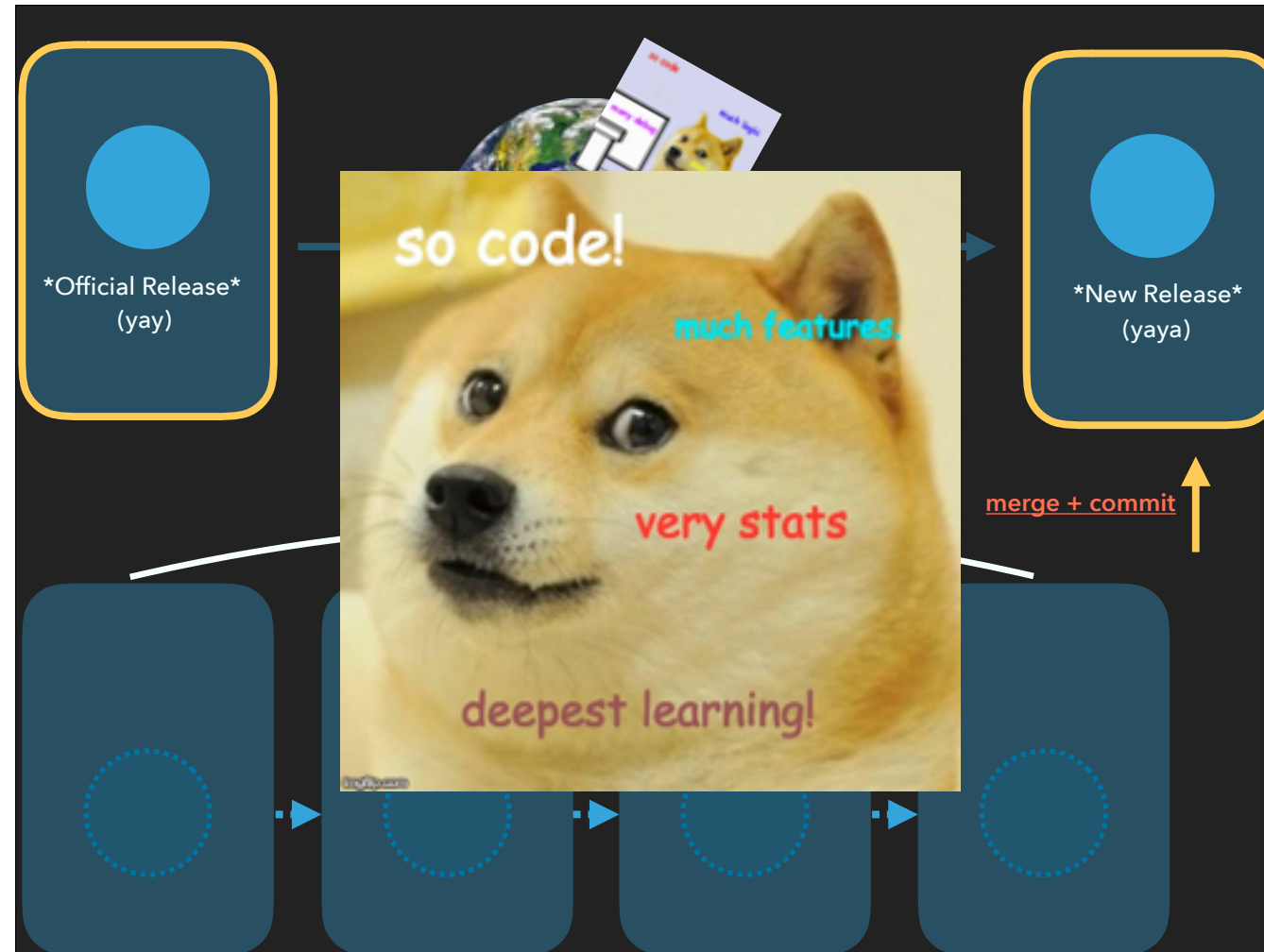
# PARALLEL DEVELOPMENT











## GIT IS LIKE A FLEXIBLE TIME MACHINE FOR FILE MANAGEMENT

- ▶ Git is a local version-control-system
- ▶ Git is a command-line program (there are GUI apps too!)
- ▶ It can do almost everything a real time machine can do
  - ▶ Move backwards in time (retrieve old versions)
  - ▶ Move forwards in time (incorporate new changes)
  - ▶ Move sideways in time (parallel development)
  - ▶ Alter and merge branching timelines

## GIT VS GITHUB

- ▶ Github is a free **cloud** storage site for git repositories
- ▶ Github allows you to **collaborate** and share projects with others
- ▶ It keeps track of your complete git history (including parallel branches)
- ▶ It helps keeps track of **who did what when**
- ▶ It provides resources for tracking issues, enables communication, and hosts releases

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- ▶ GUI-based git apps
  - ▶ [GitKraken](#)
  - ▶ [Atom Github Integration](#)
- ▶ [Atlassian Git Tutorials](#)
- ▶ [Github Hello World](#)
- ▶ [Blischak, Davenport & Wilson \(2016\) - Quick Intro to VCS](#)

**DEMO**