# CS 241: Systems Programming Lecture 23. Advanced Git

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## Branches

Visualize a project's development as initially a linked list of commits

When a development track splits, a new branch is created

This gives us a tree of commits

In Git, a branch is actually just a pointer to a leaf in the tree of development

Two or more branches can be merged together

This gives a graph of commits

# Using branches

Development and release versions

Trying out new features

Focusing on fixing a bug

Simpler to do in Git than other VCS, consider using more frequently

# Git branching

List all branches in the project

git branch

Create a new branch

git branch <branchname>

Switch to a branch

• git checkout <branchname>

Create and immediately switch

p git checkout -b <branchname>

Delete a branch

• git branch —d <branchname>

# Using branches

Create and switch to a branch

```
$ git branch working
$ git checkout working
M README
Switched to branch 'working'
$ git branch
   main
* working
```

# Stashing

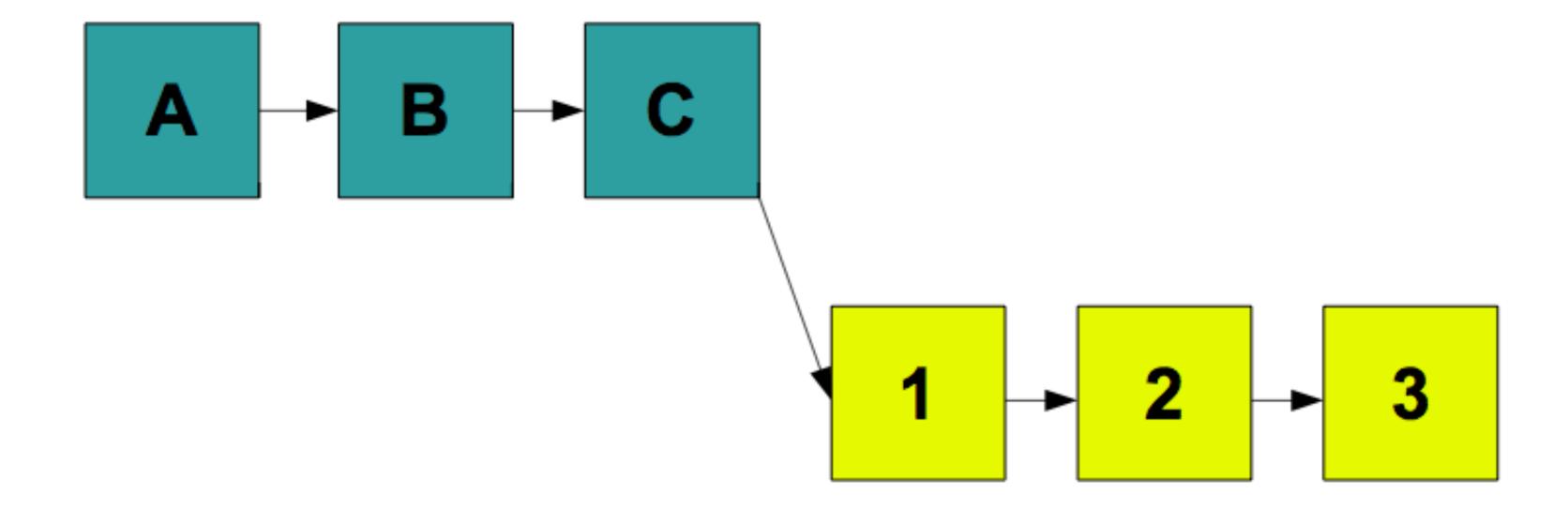
Working tree should be clean when switching branches

Save/hide changes you're not ready to commit with git stash

Pushes changes onto a stash stack

Recover changes later with git stash pop

# Using branches



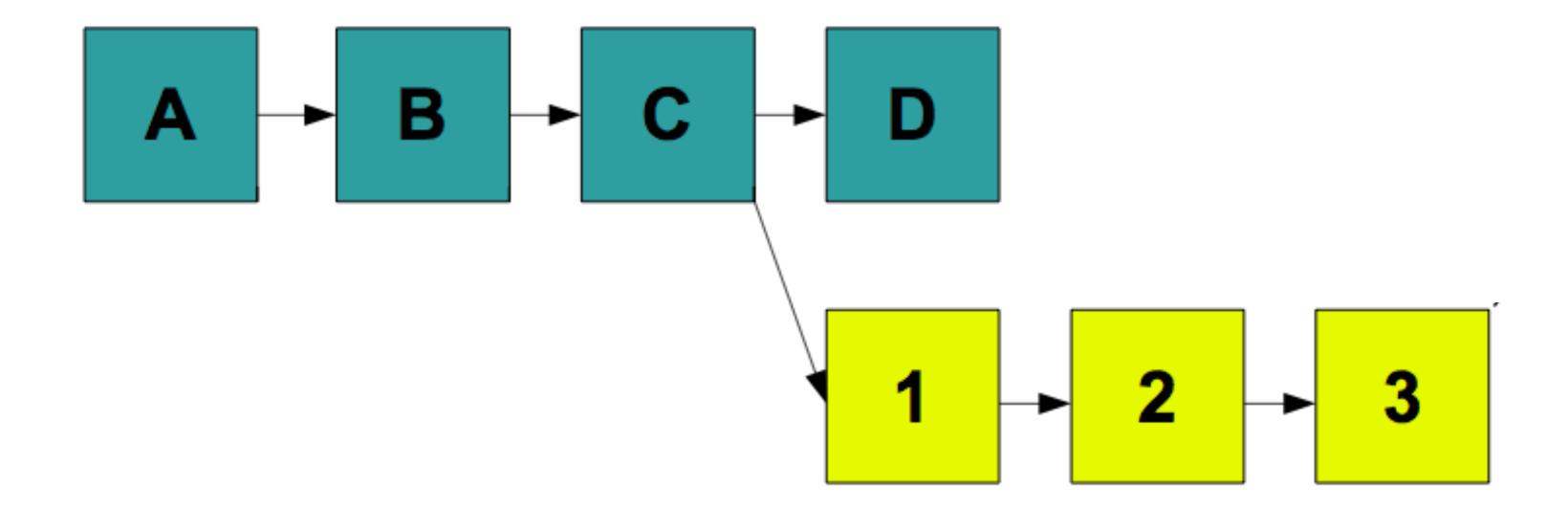
# Using branches

Integrate changes back into main

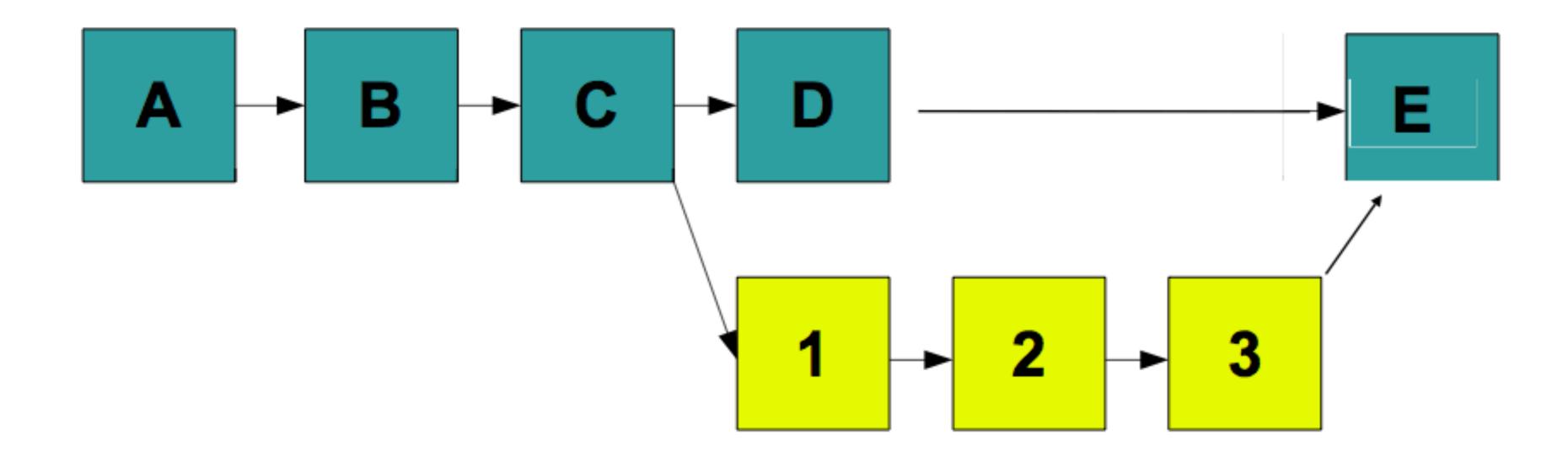
```
$ git checkout main
Switched to branch 'main'

$ git merge working
Merge made by the 'recursive' strategy.
  newfile.txt | 1 +
  1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
  create mode 100644 newfile.txt
```

# Before git merge



# After git merge



# Merged history

```
* cdd07b2 - (HEAD, main) Merge branch
'working'
|\
| * 1ccf9e7 - (working) Added a new file
* | 3637a76 - Second change
* | cf98d00 - First change
|/
* cf31a23 - Updated README to 2.0
* 2a8fc15 - Initial commit
```

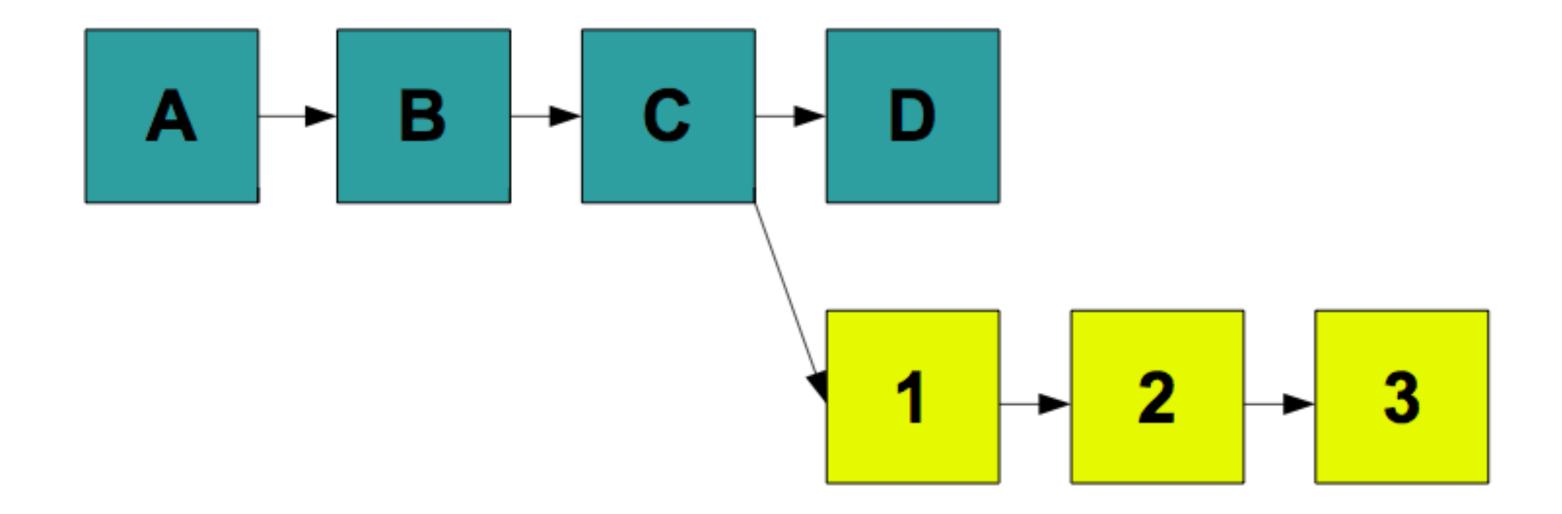
# Rebasing

Like merging, rebasing transfers changes from one branch to another

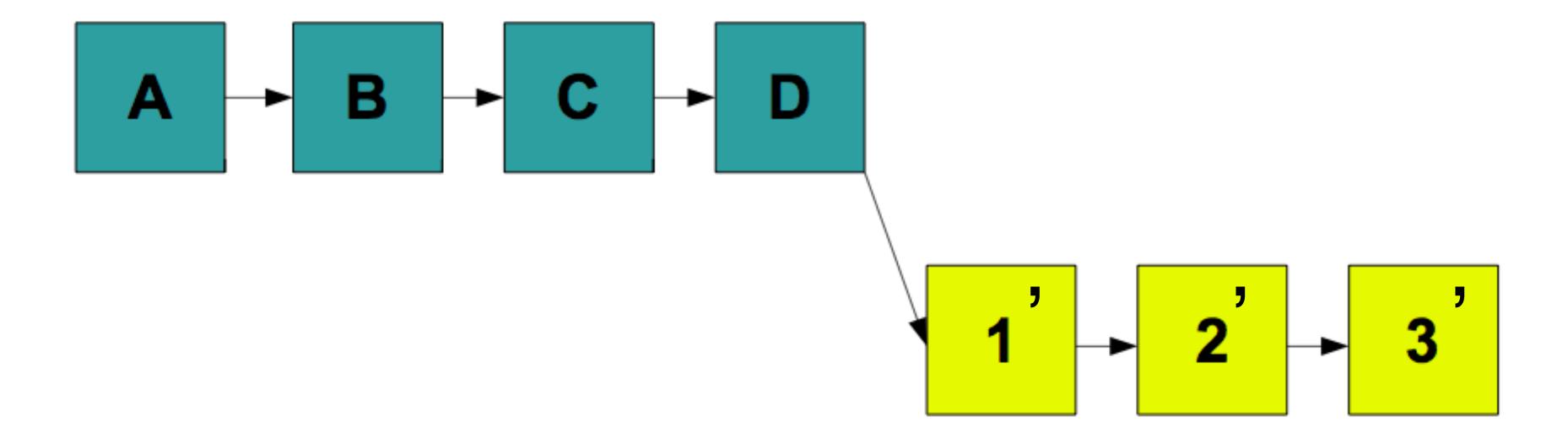
Does not create a new commit

Replays changes from current branch onto head of other branch

# Before git rebase



# After git rebase



# git rebase

Powerful tool

Can change the commit order

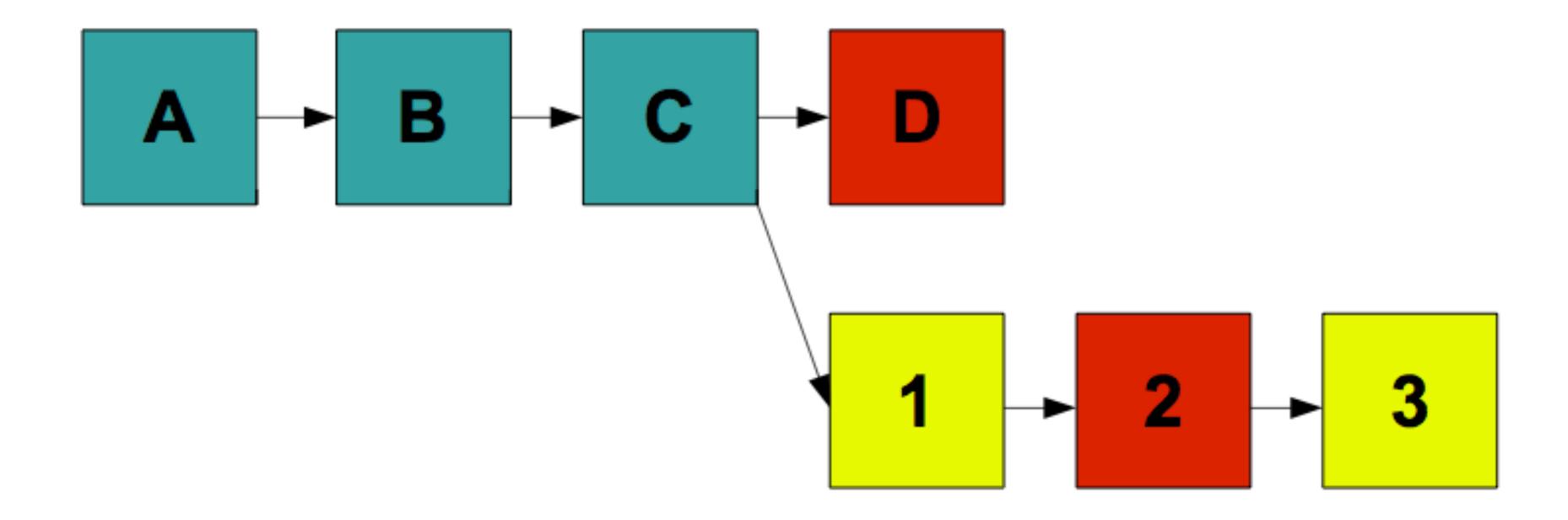
Merge/split commits

Make fixes in earlier commits

DO NOT DO ON PUSHED CHANGES OR PUBLIC BRANCH

\$ git rebase —i main

## Conflicts



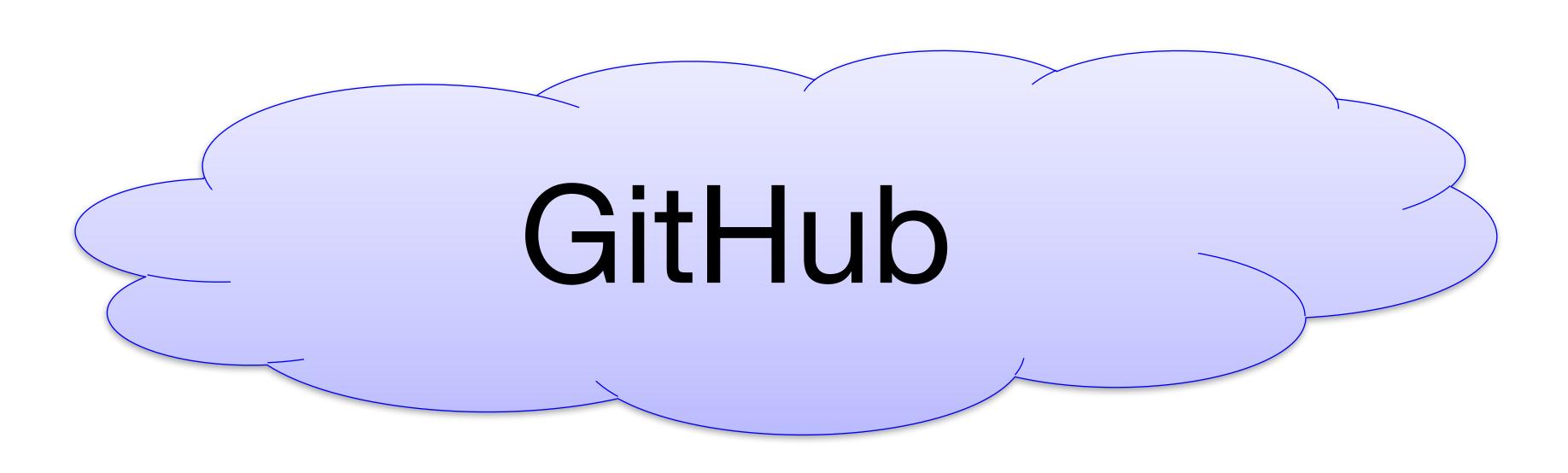
## Git conflict markers

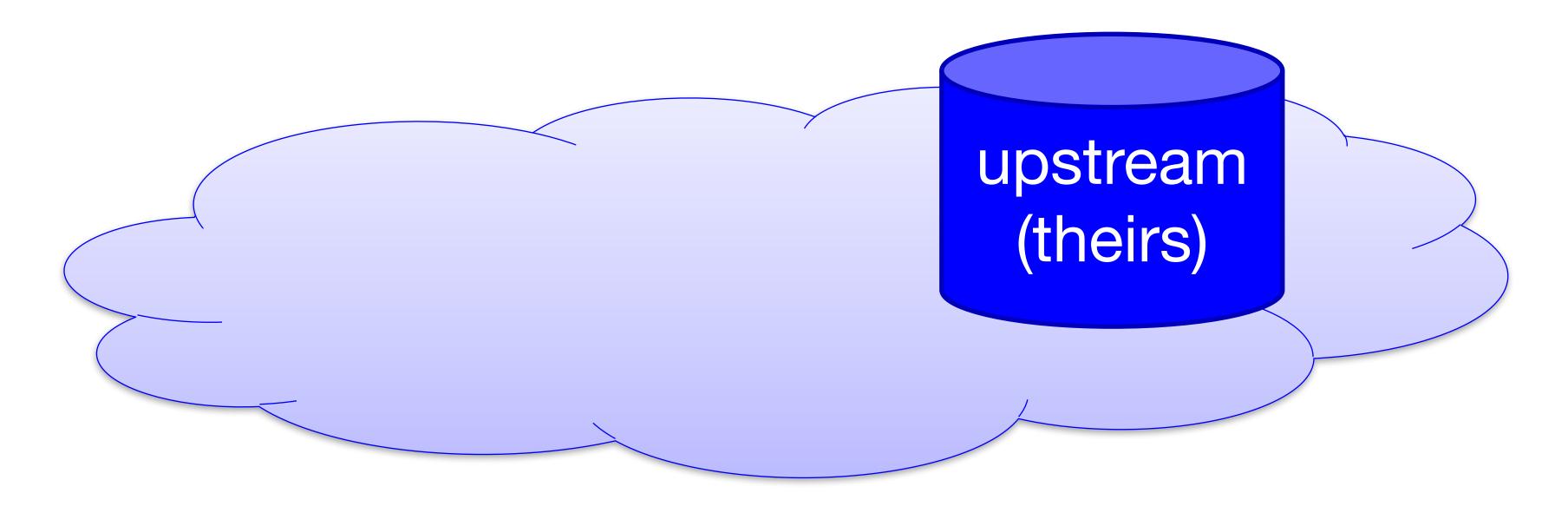
```
$ cat foo.c
<<<<<< HEAD
current content
======
branch content
>>>>> newbranch
$ vim foo.c
$ git add foo.c
$ git rebase --continue
```

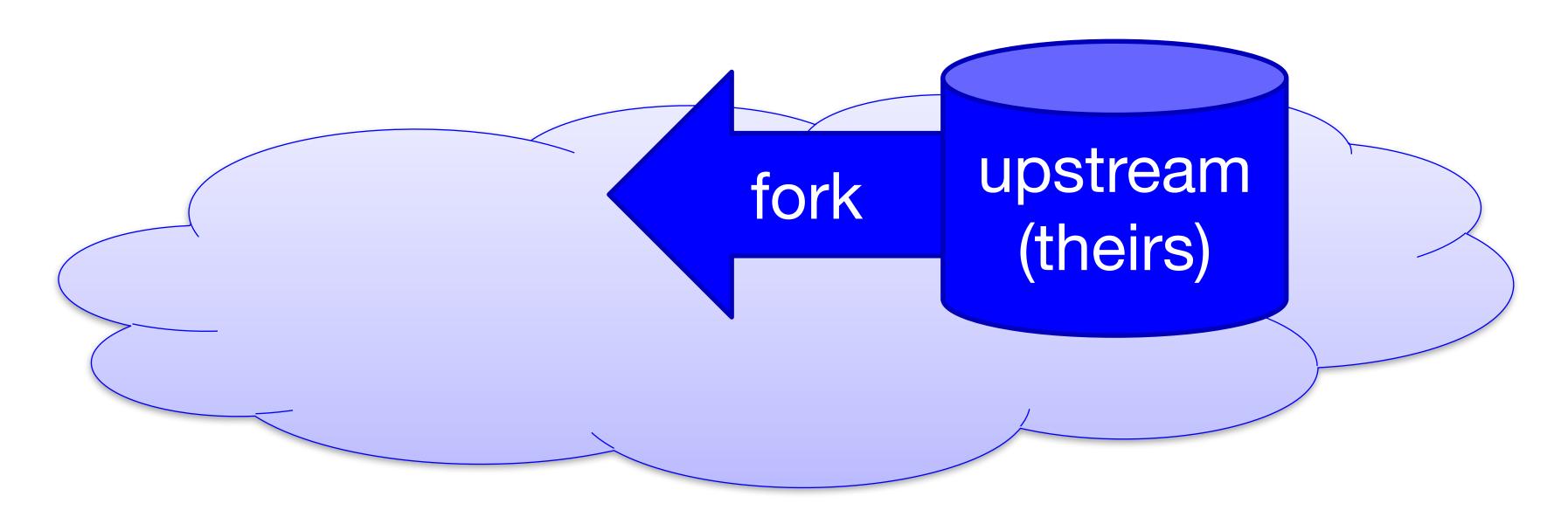
# Pull requests with Github

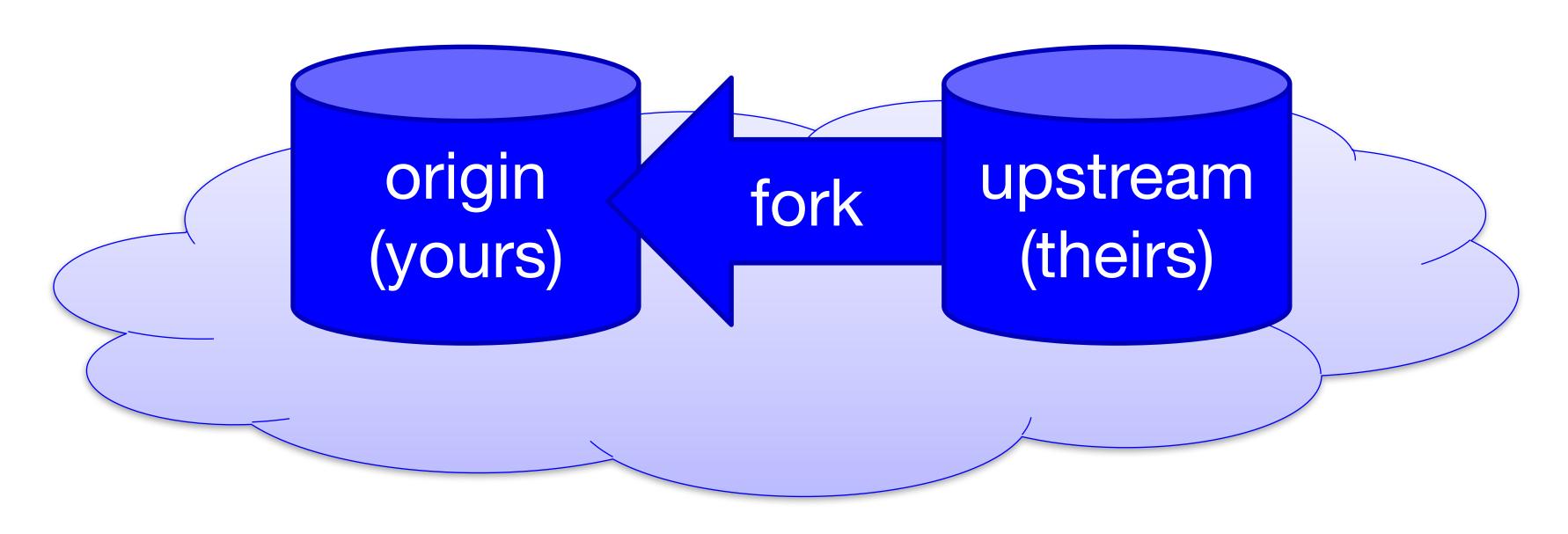
Contributing changes to repositories on Github

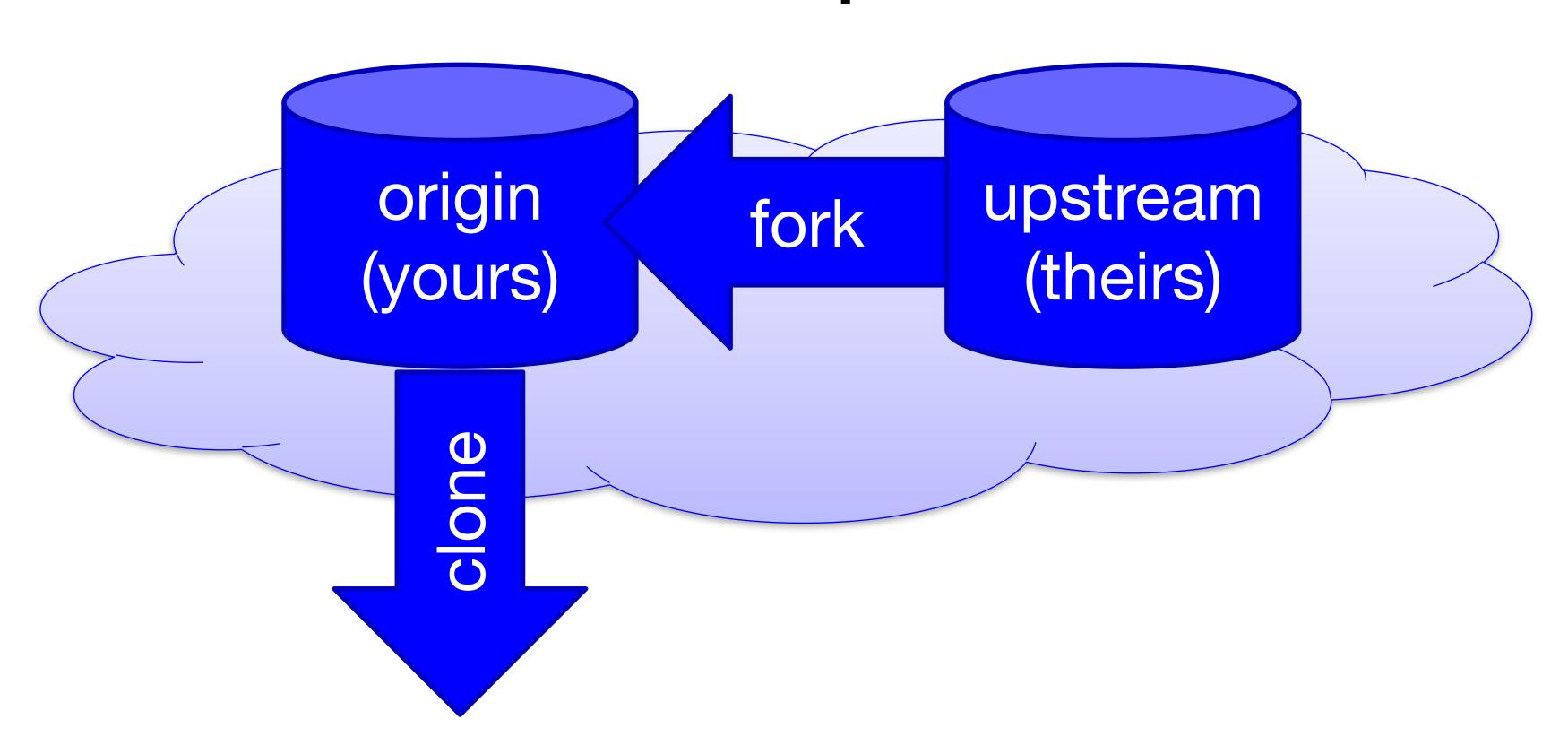
Requests the owner of the code integrate your changes

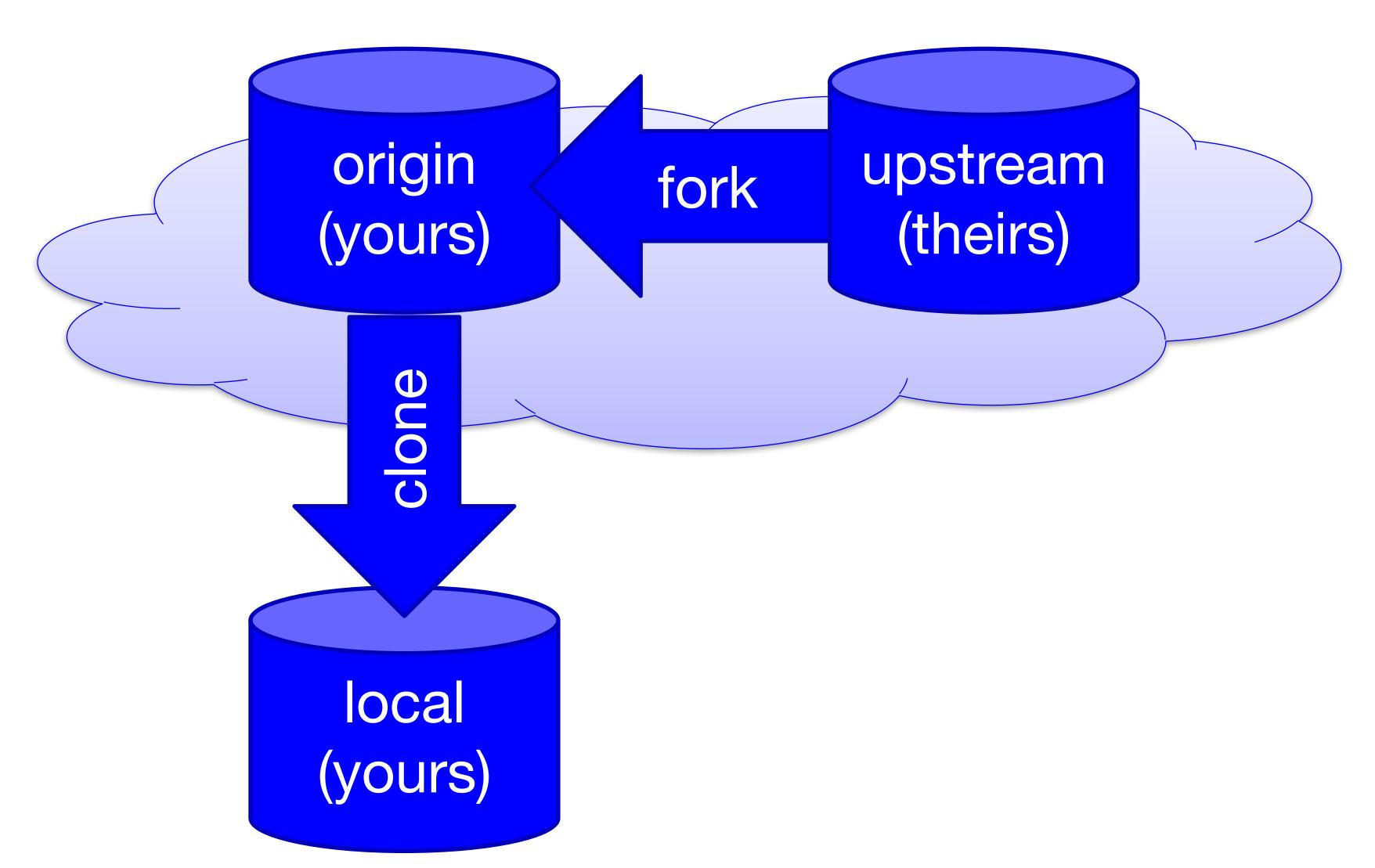


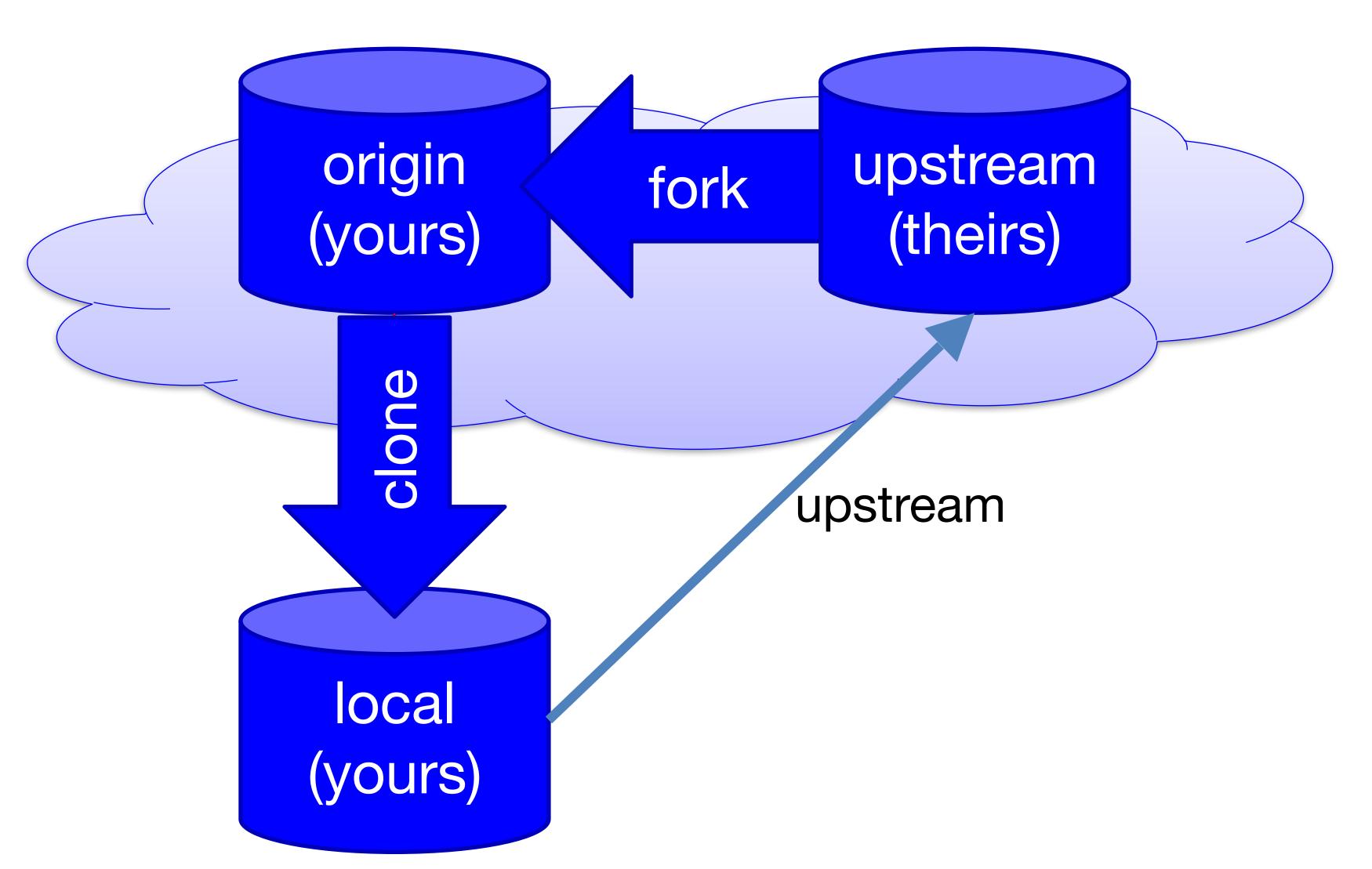


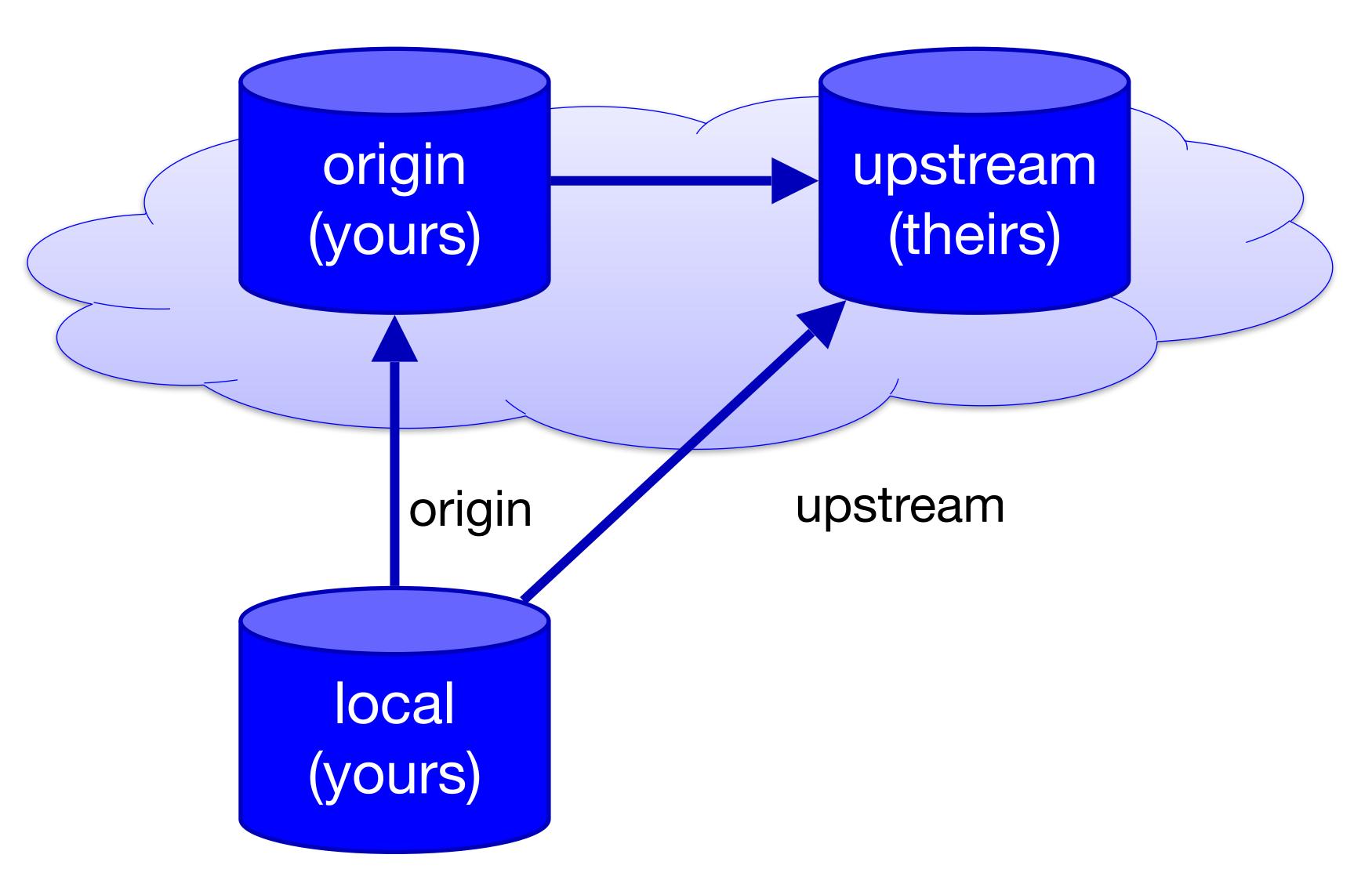


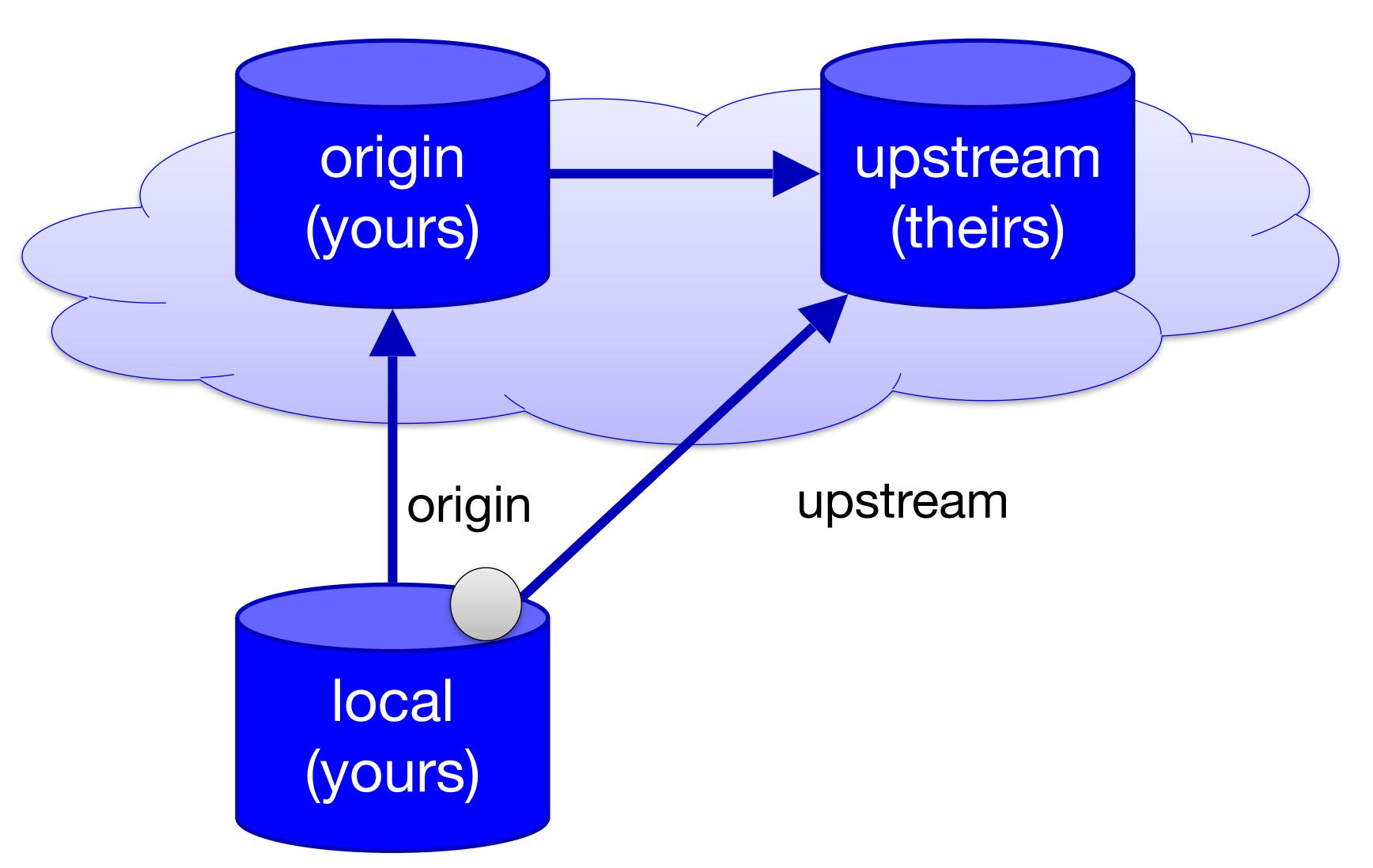


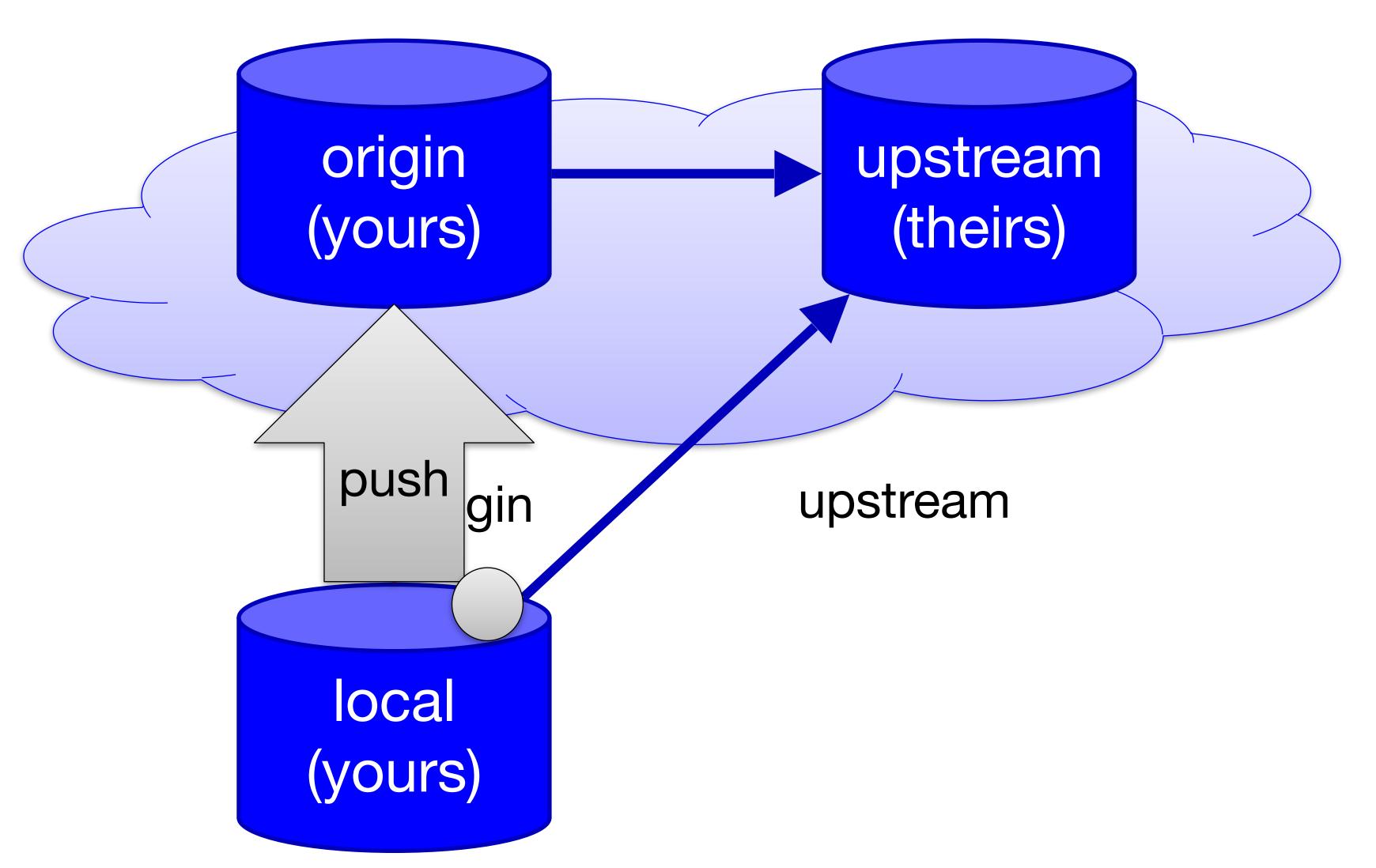


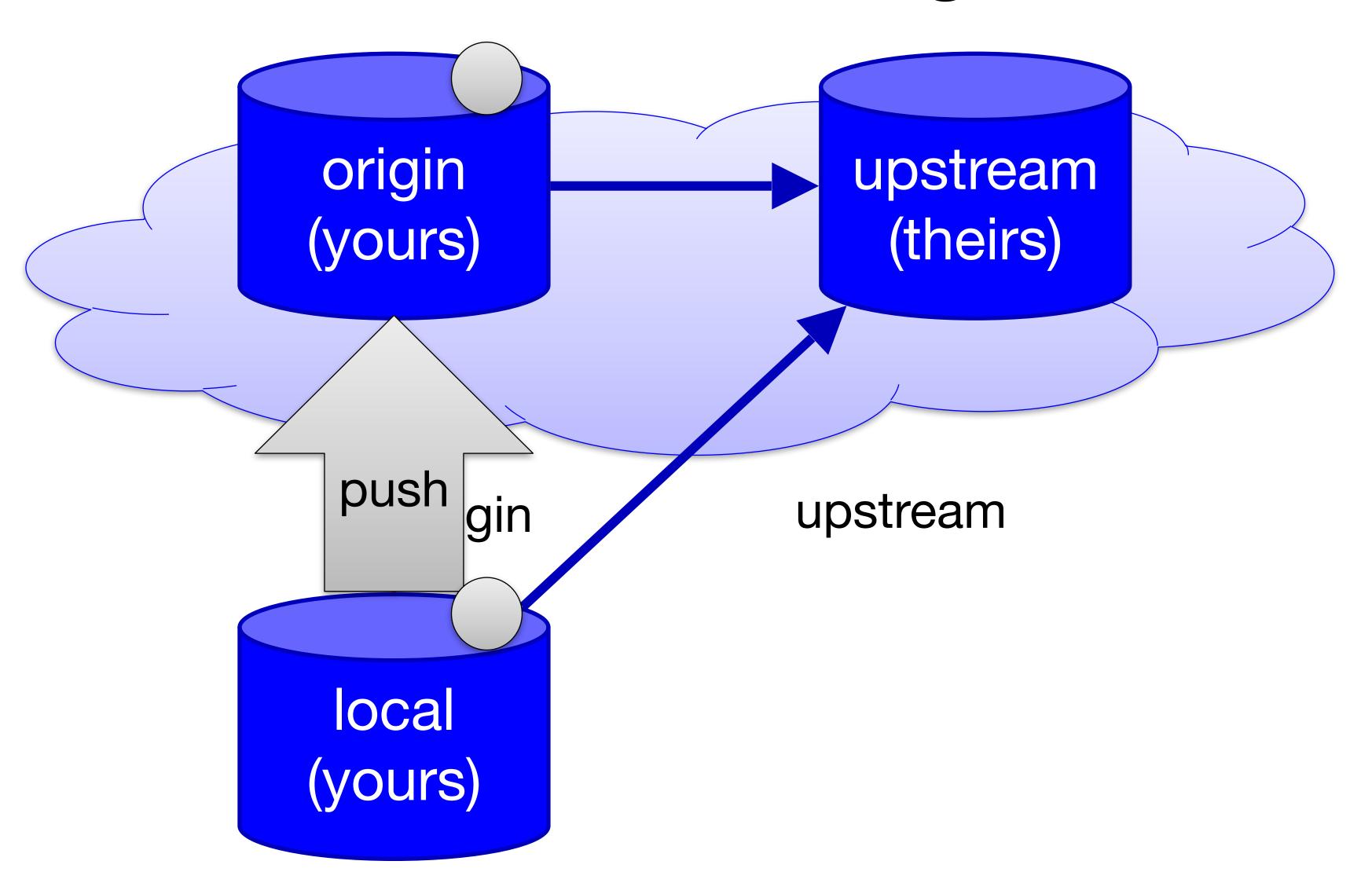


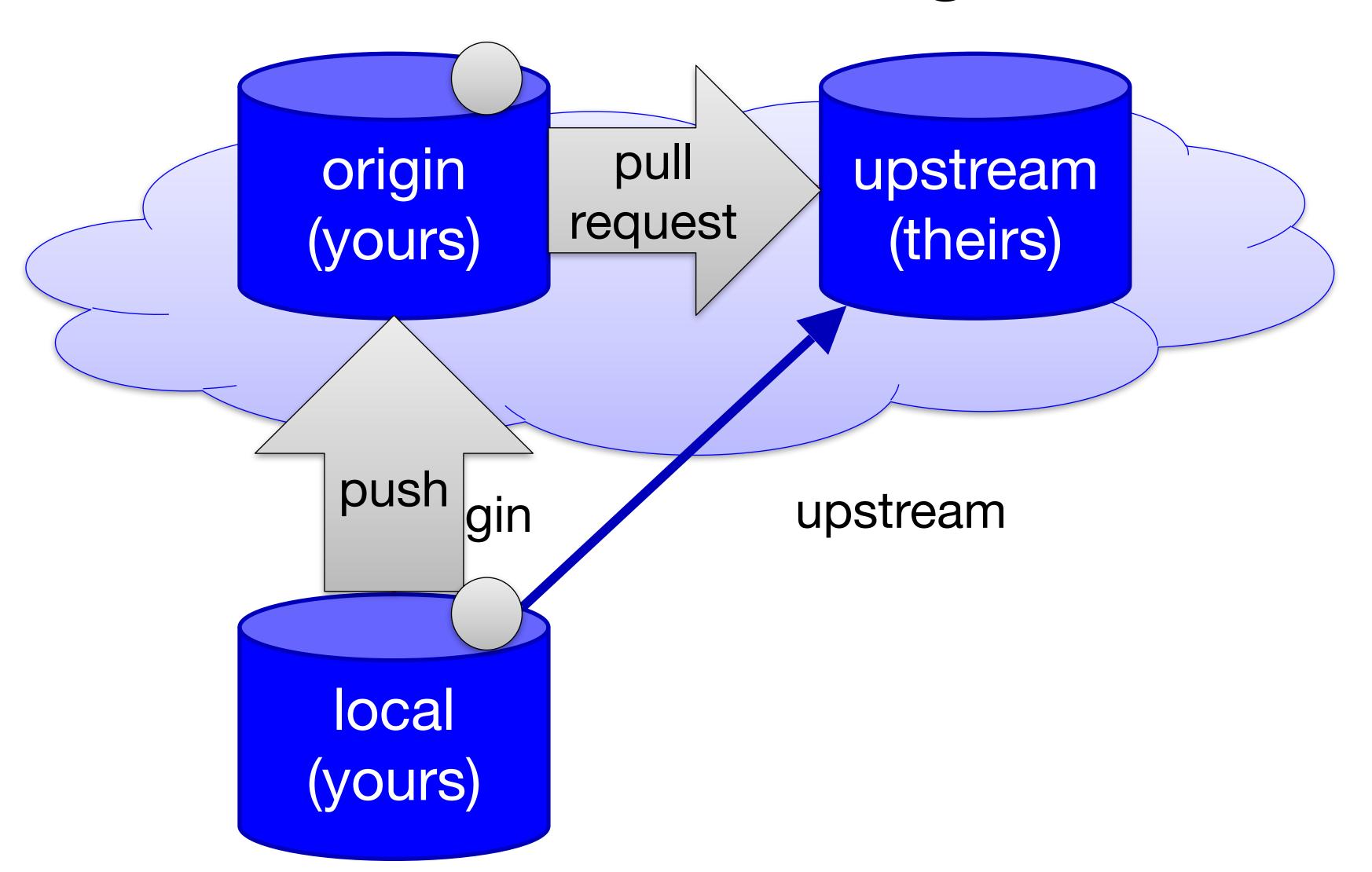


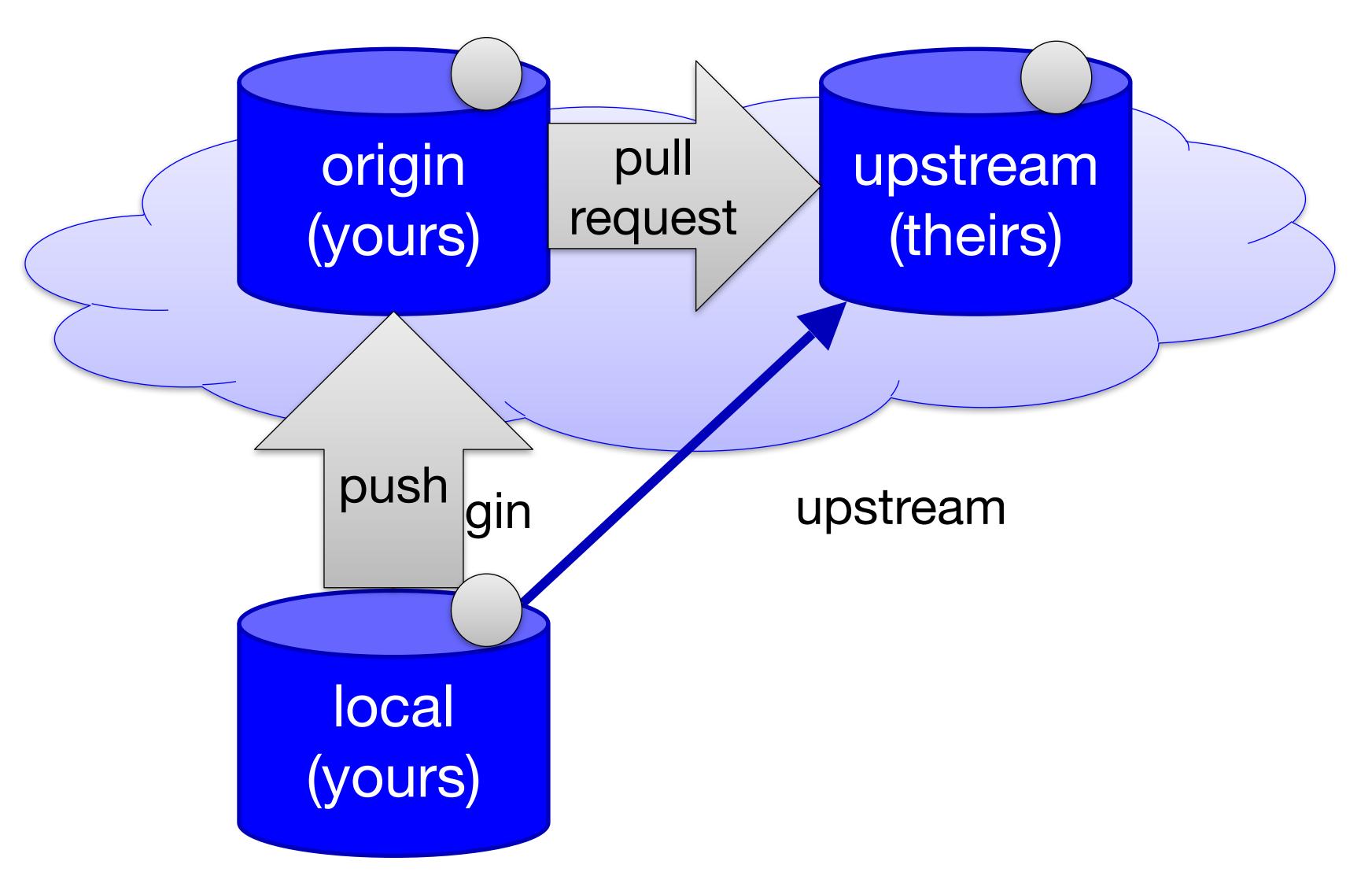


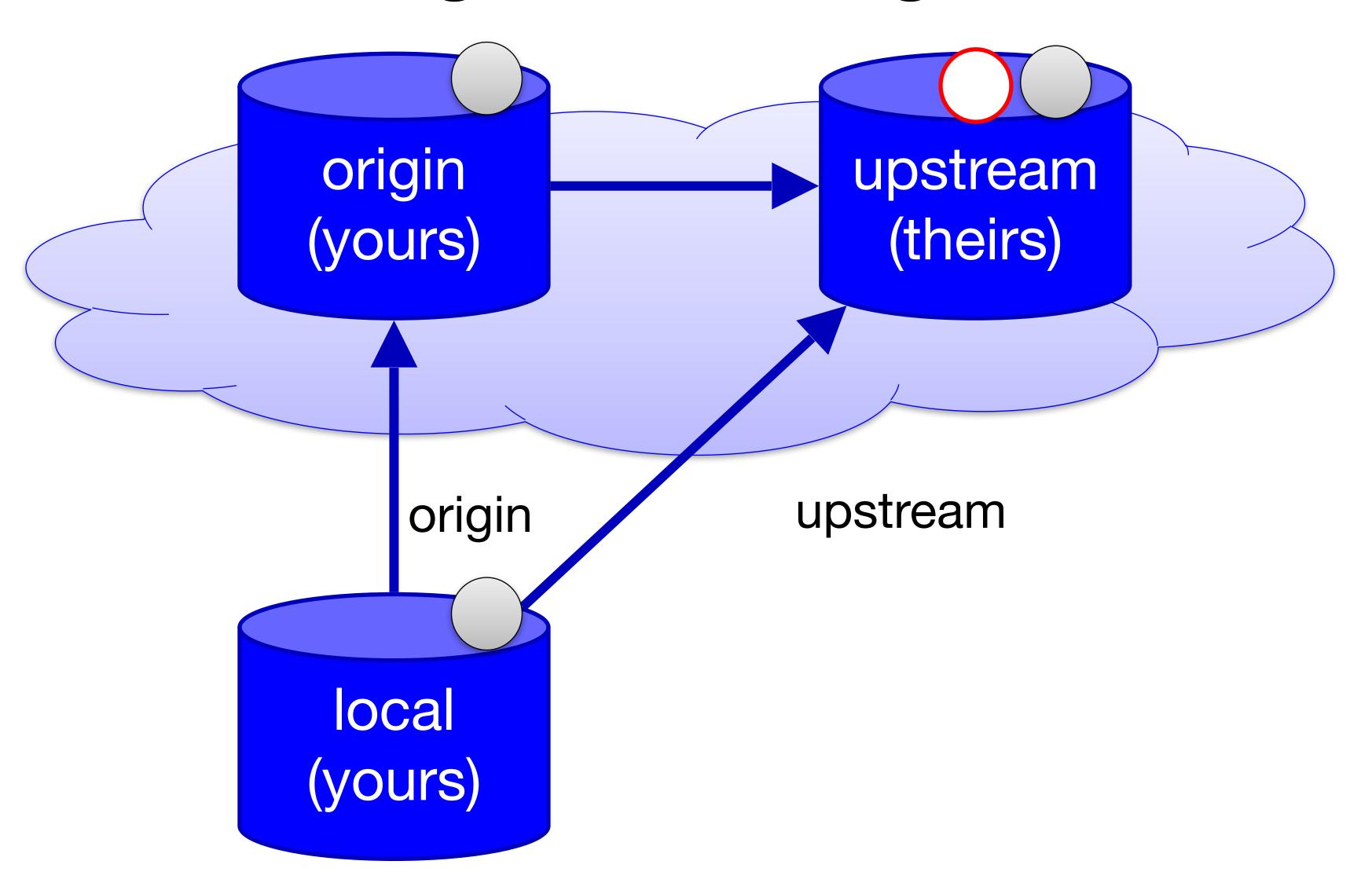


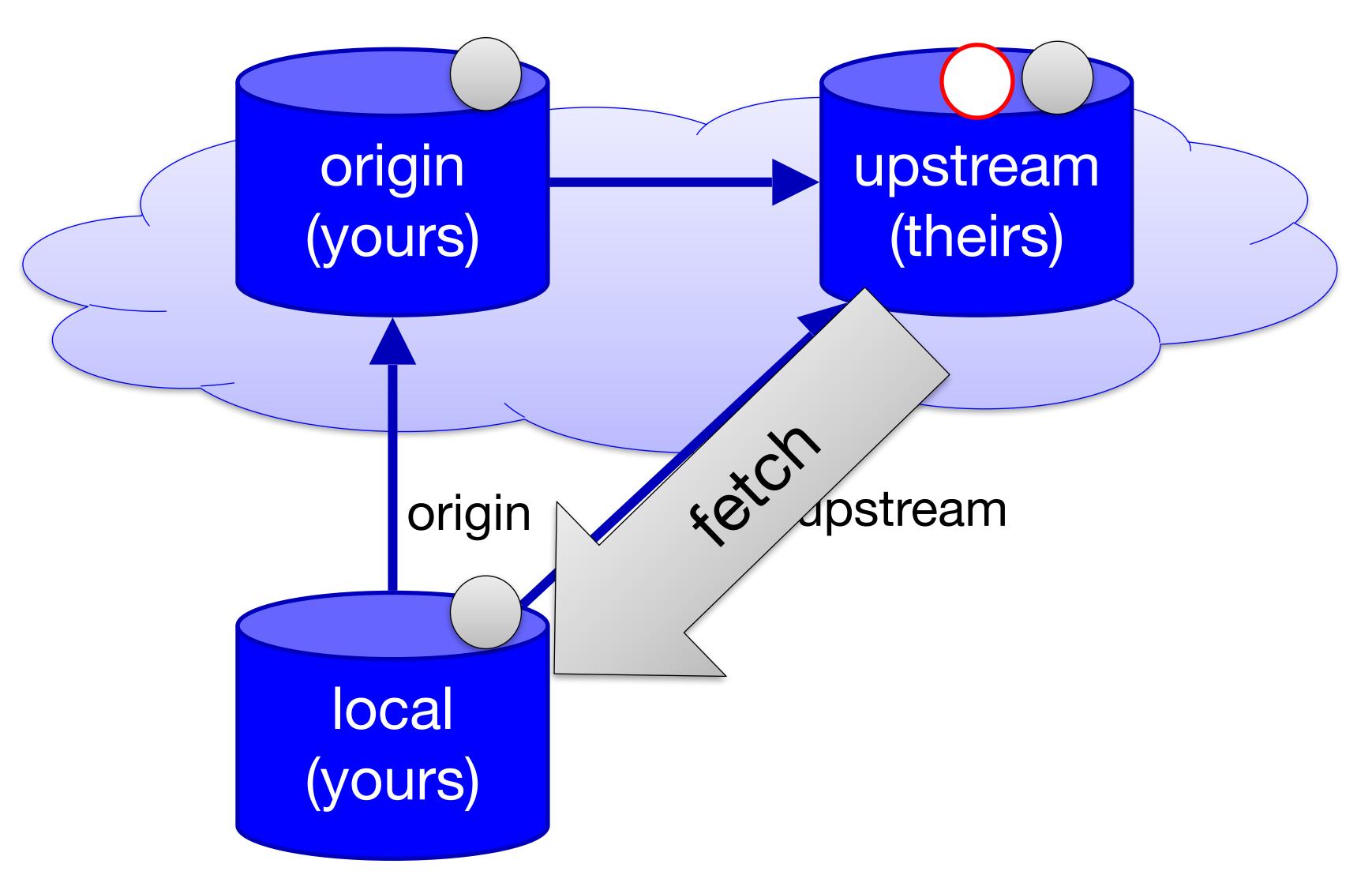


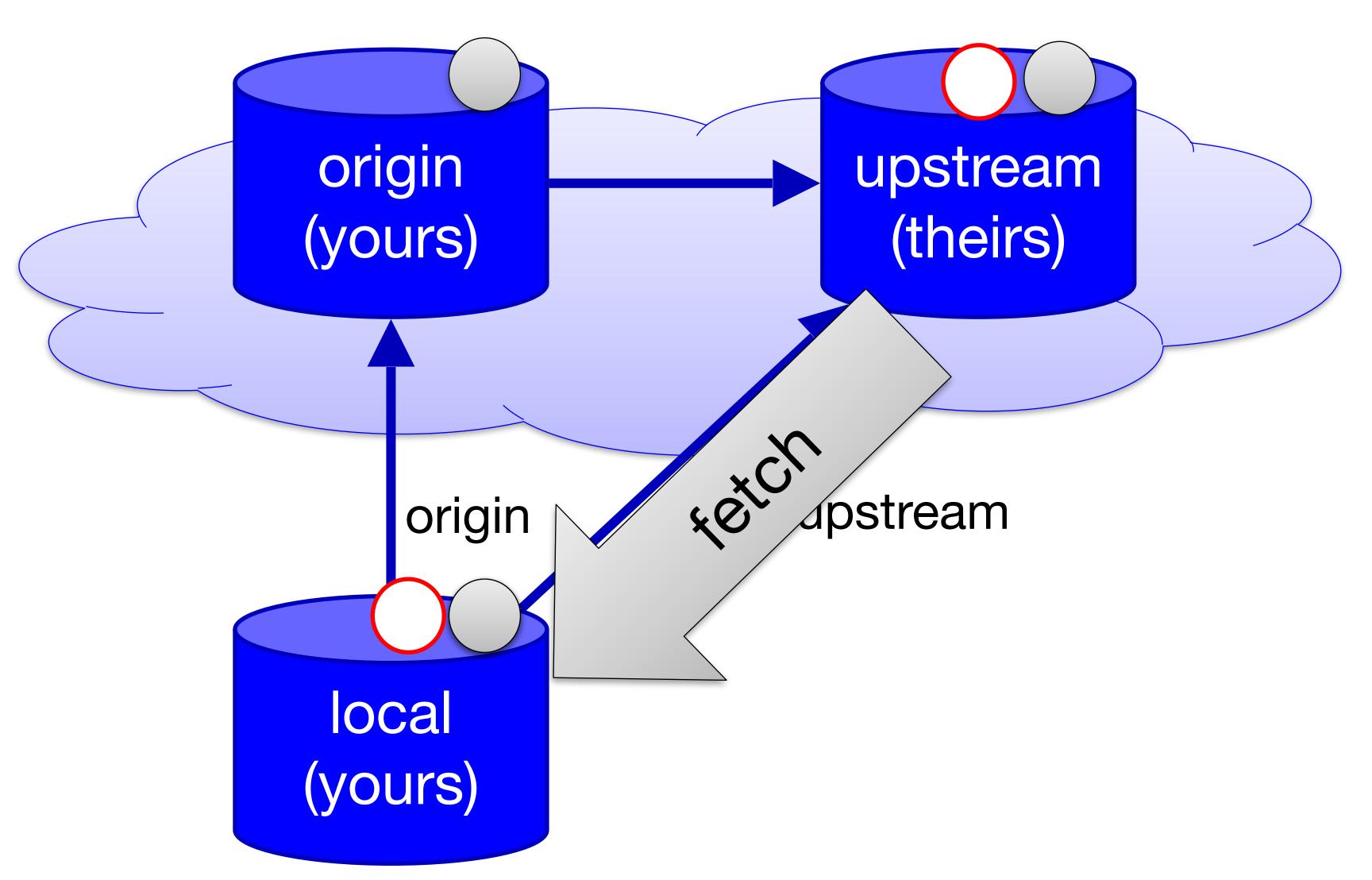


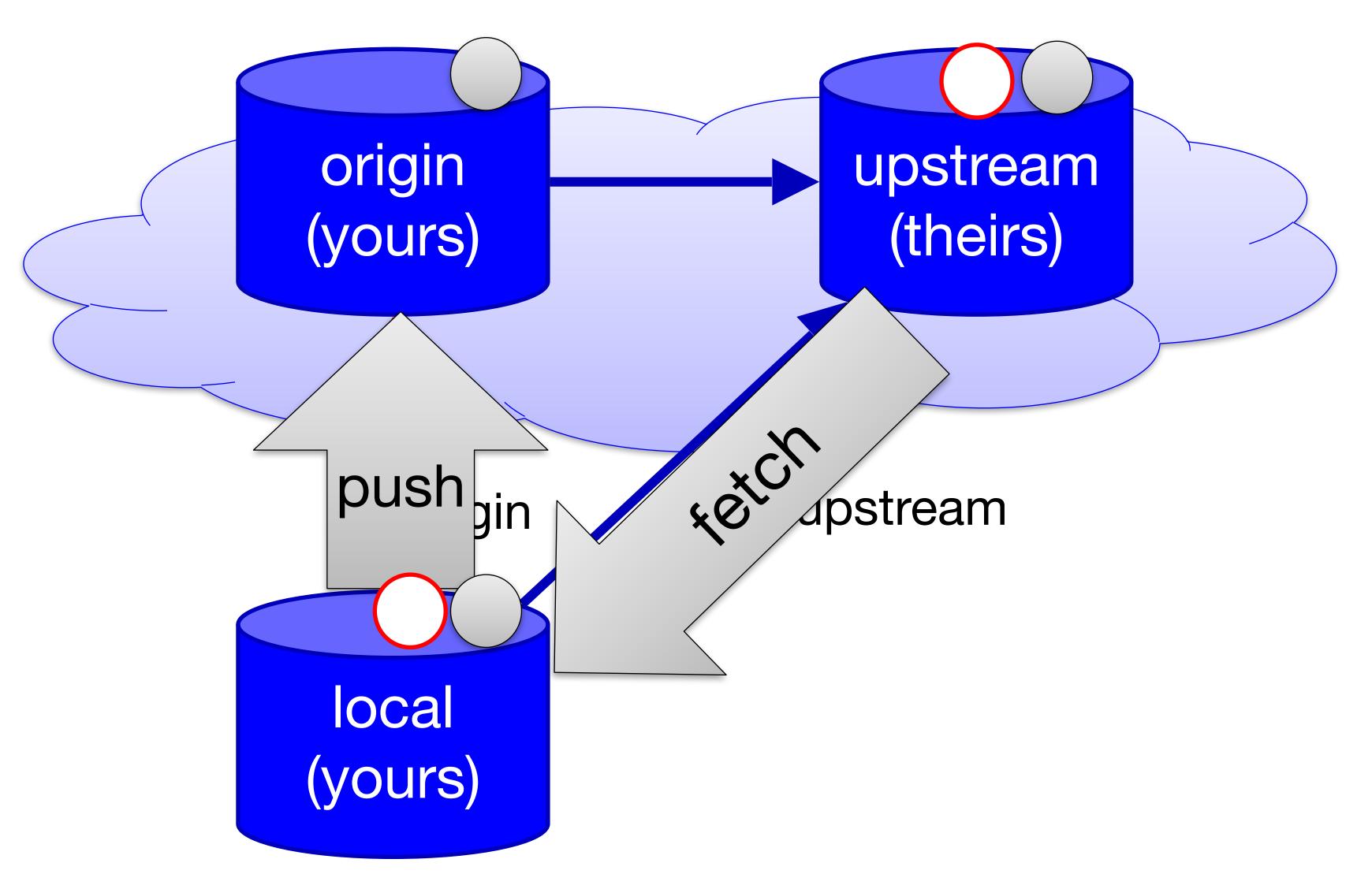


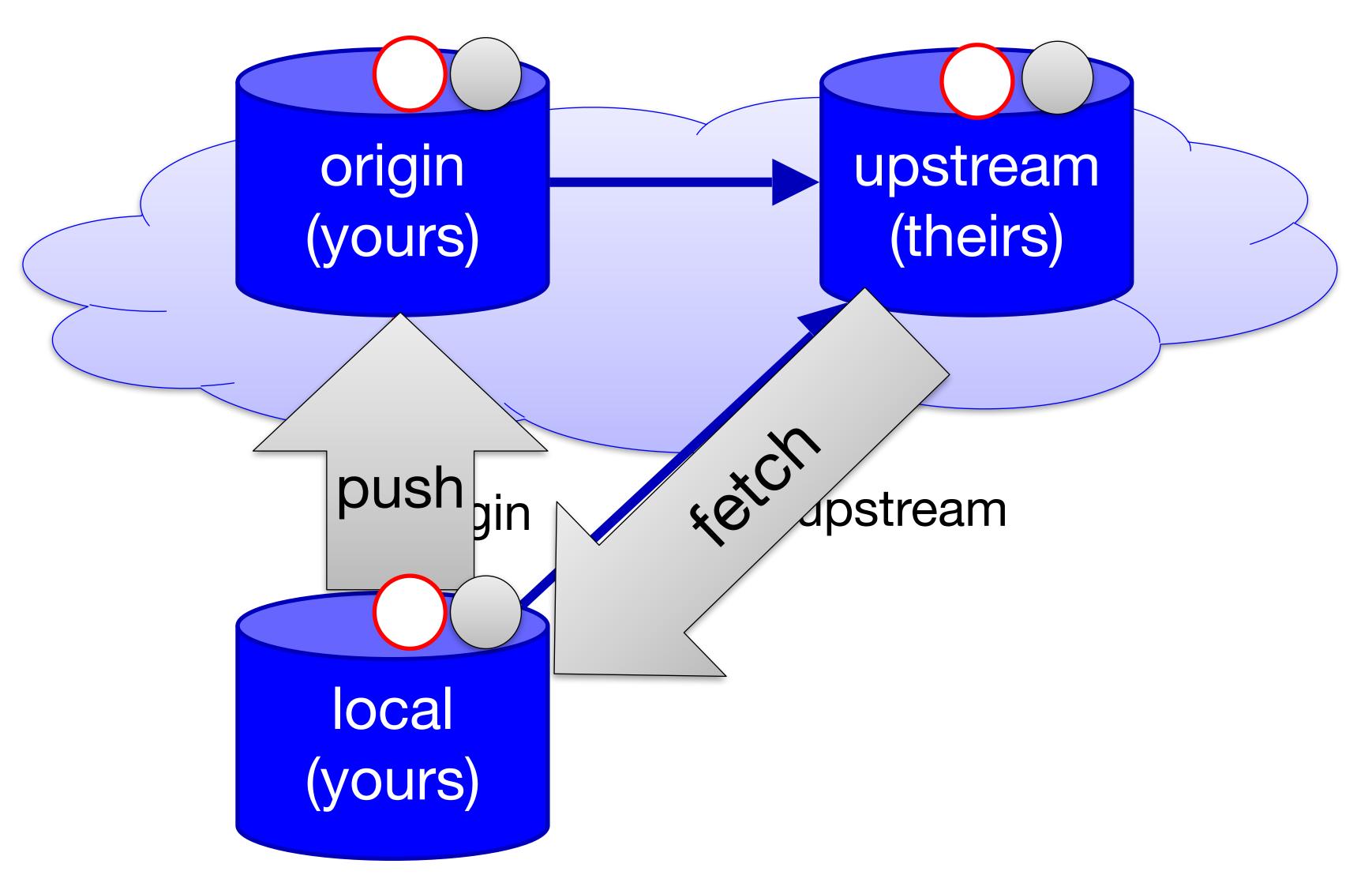










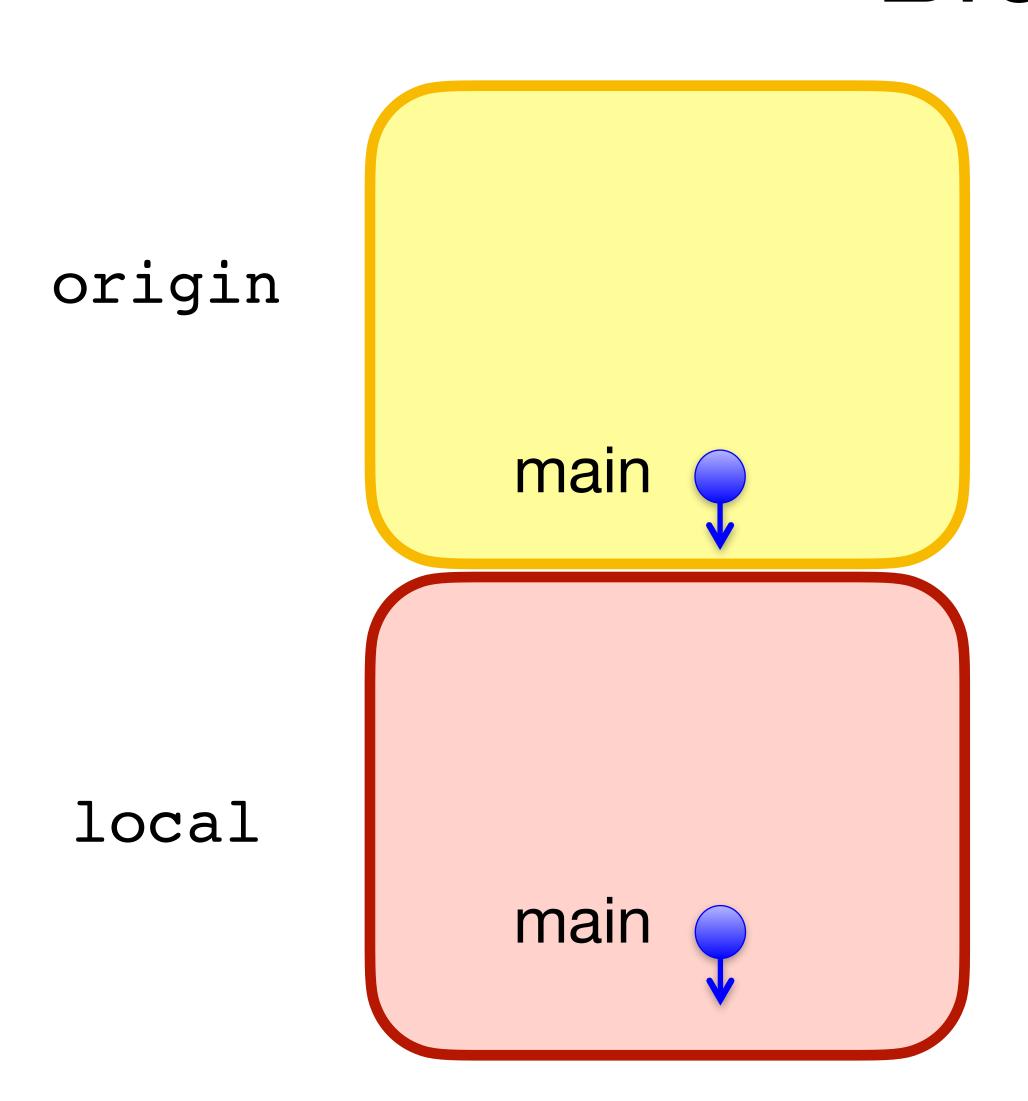


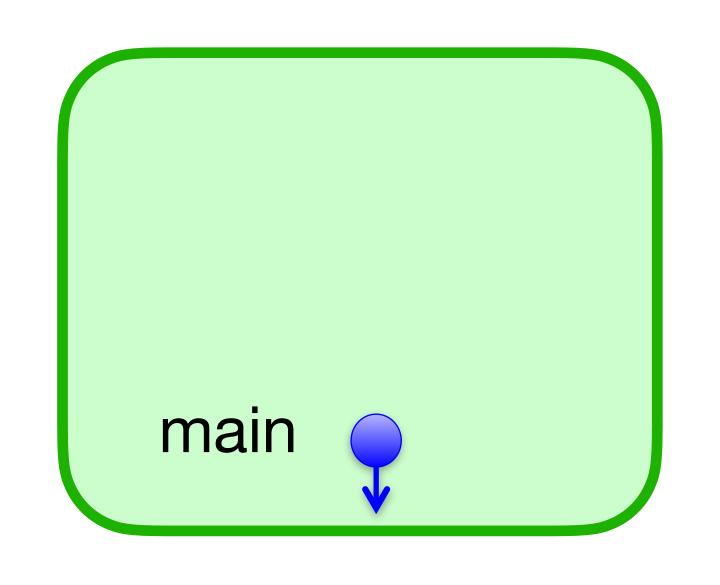
You want to contribute code to the Github project fancy/project (fancy is the name of the owner, project is the name of the repo). You fork the repo (producing student/project), commit your changes, and push to student/project. Next, you make a pull request for fancy/project.

Which statement is true?

- A. Your code is now integrated into fancy/project via merging
- B. Your code is now integrated into fancy/project via rebasing
- C. You have requested that your code be integrated into fancy/project, but no changes have been made
- D. You cannot make any additional commits until the pull request has been accepted

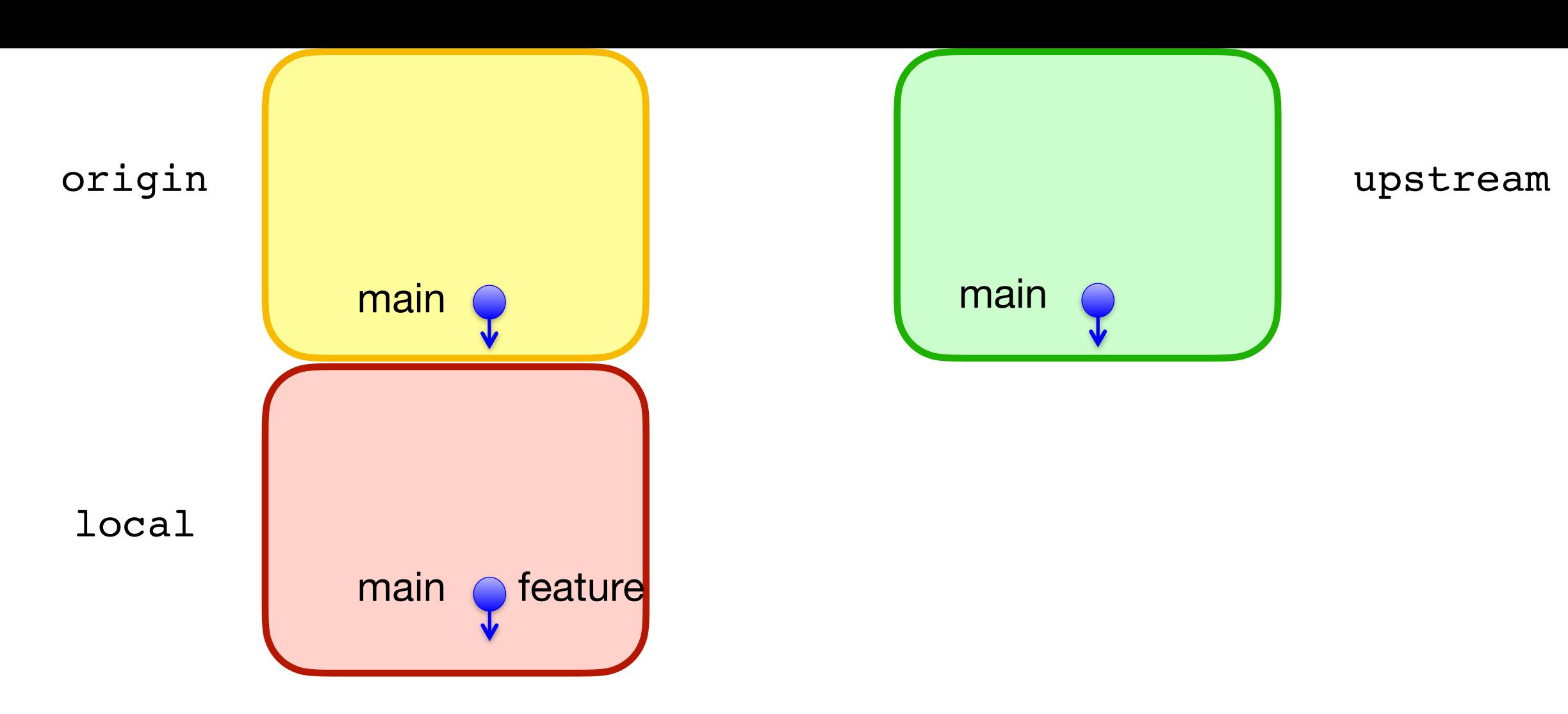
## Branches



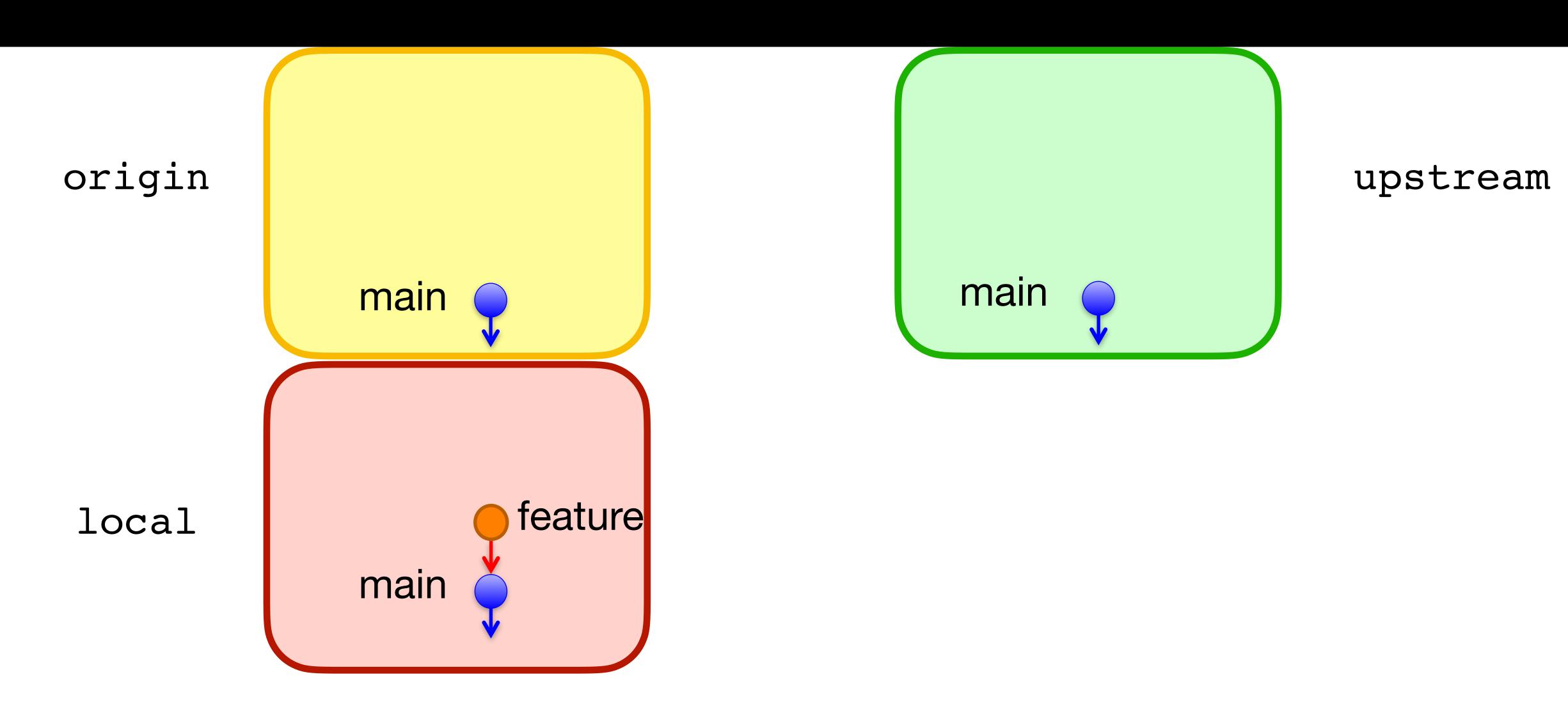


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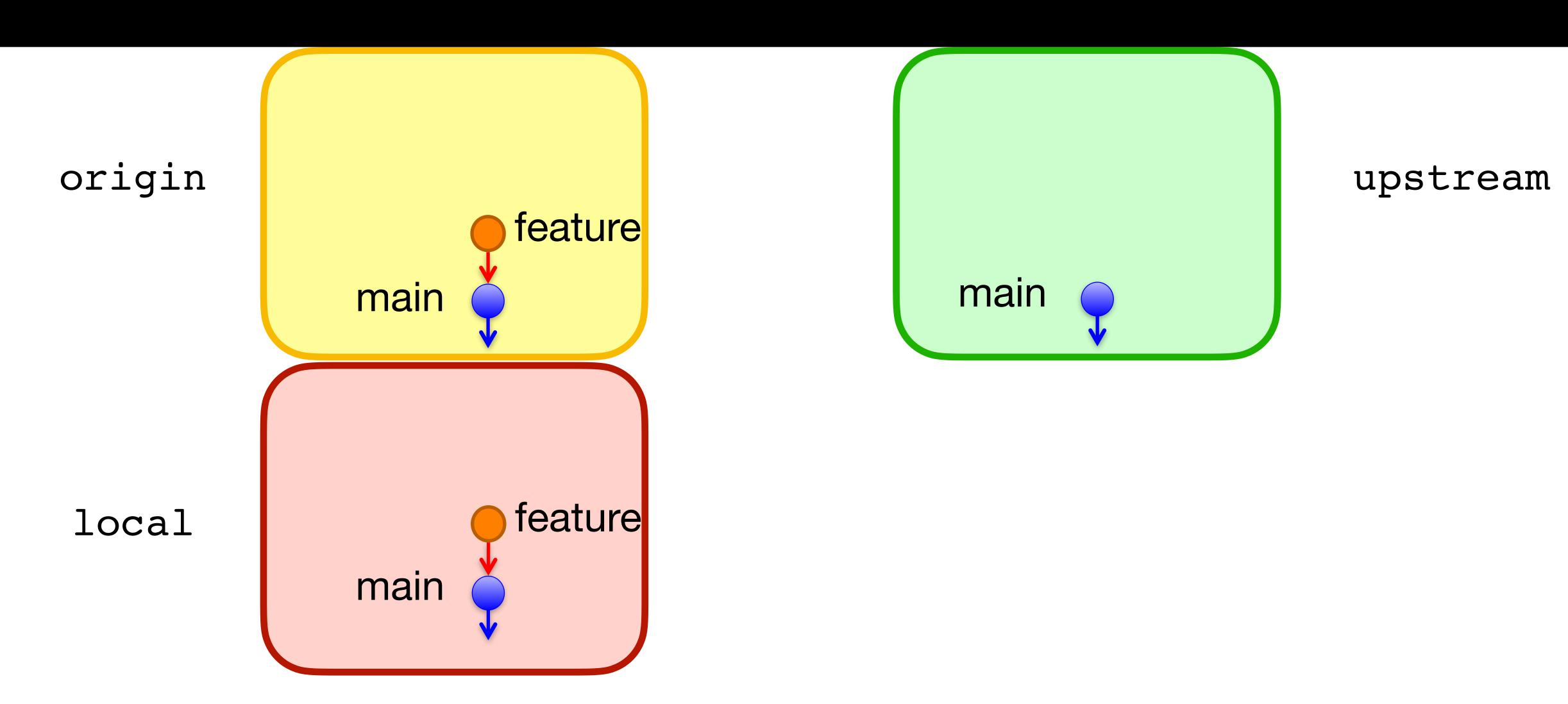
#### \$ git checkout -b feature



## \$ git commit



## \$ git push -u origin feature

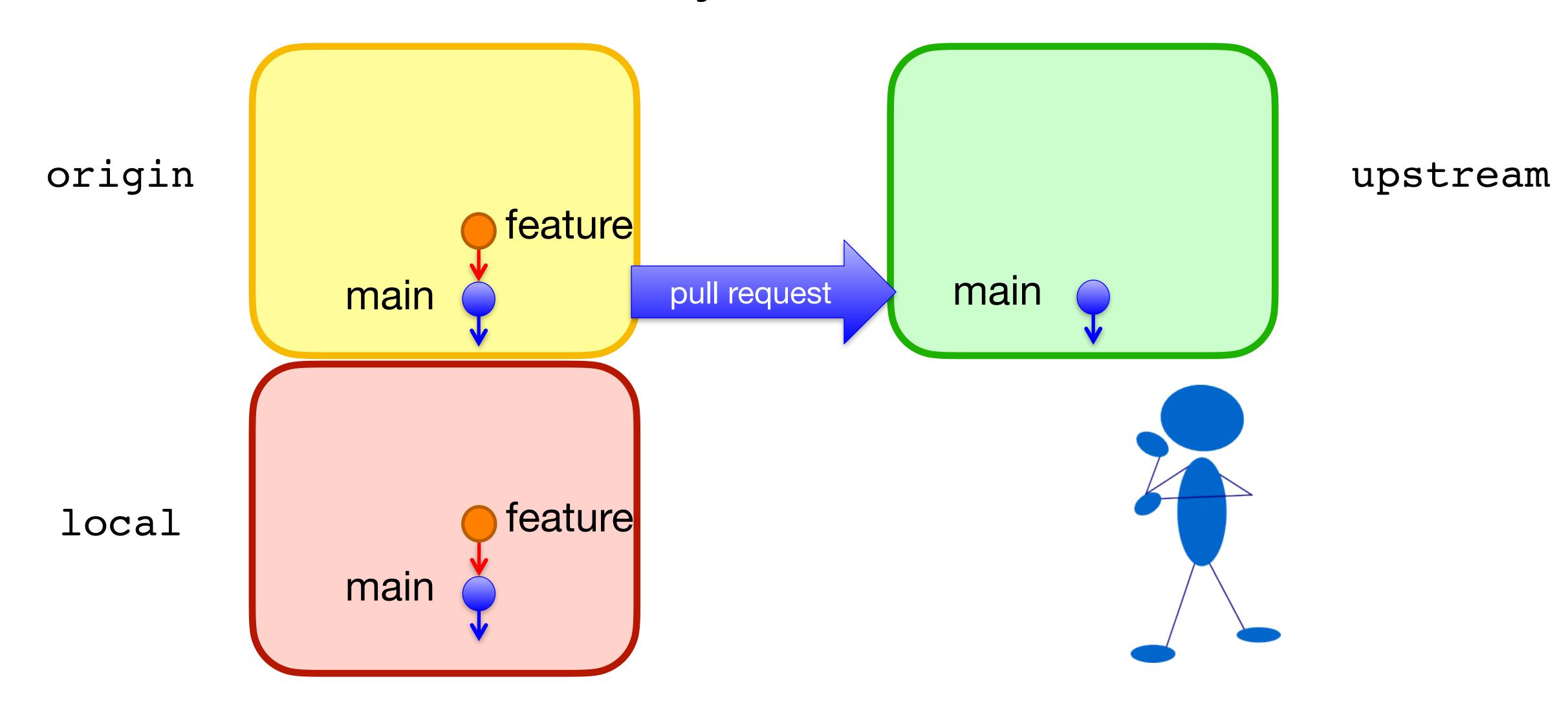


# New pull request origin feature main pull request main feature local main

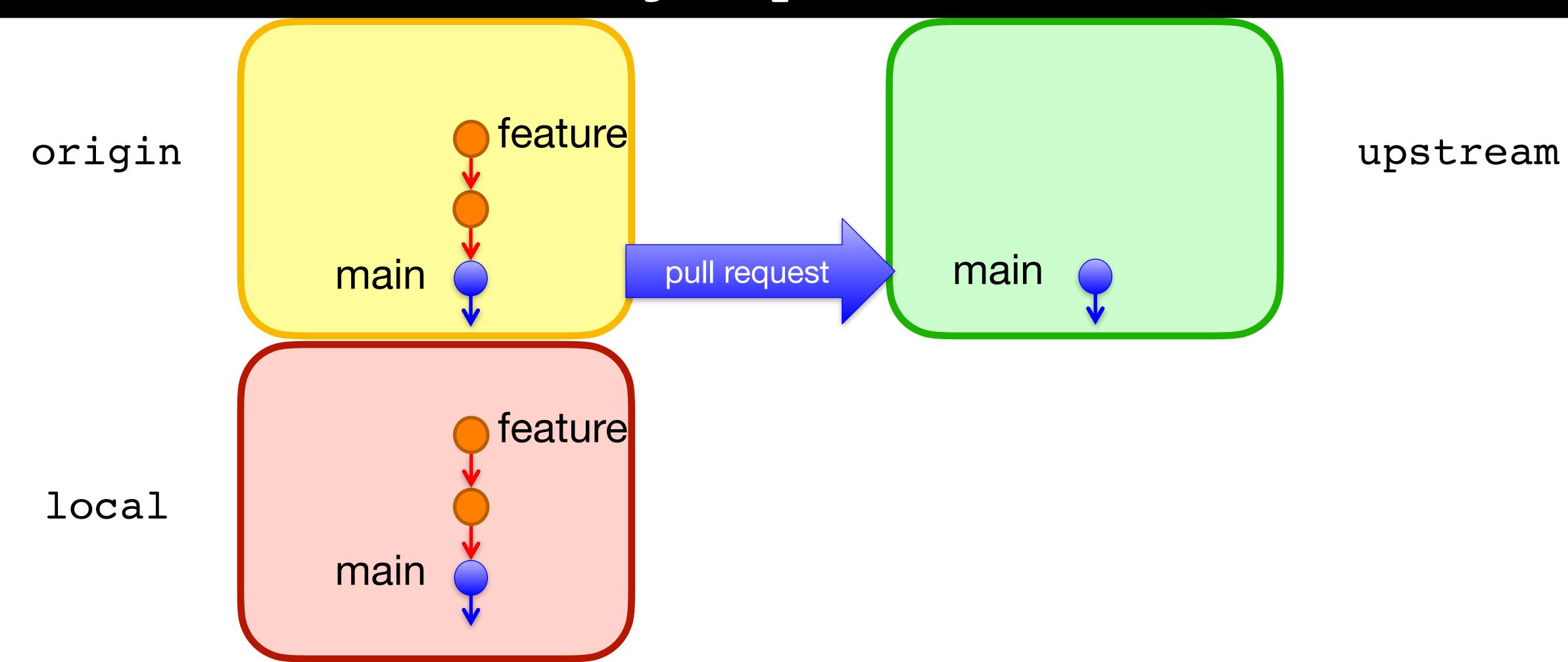
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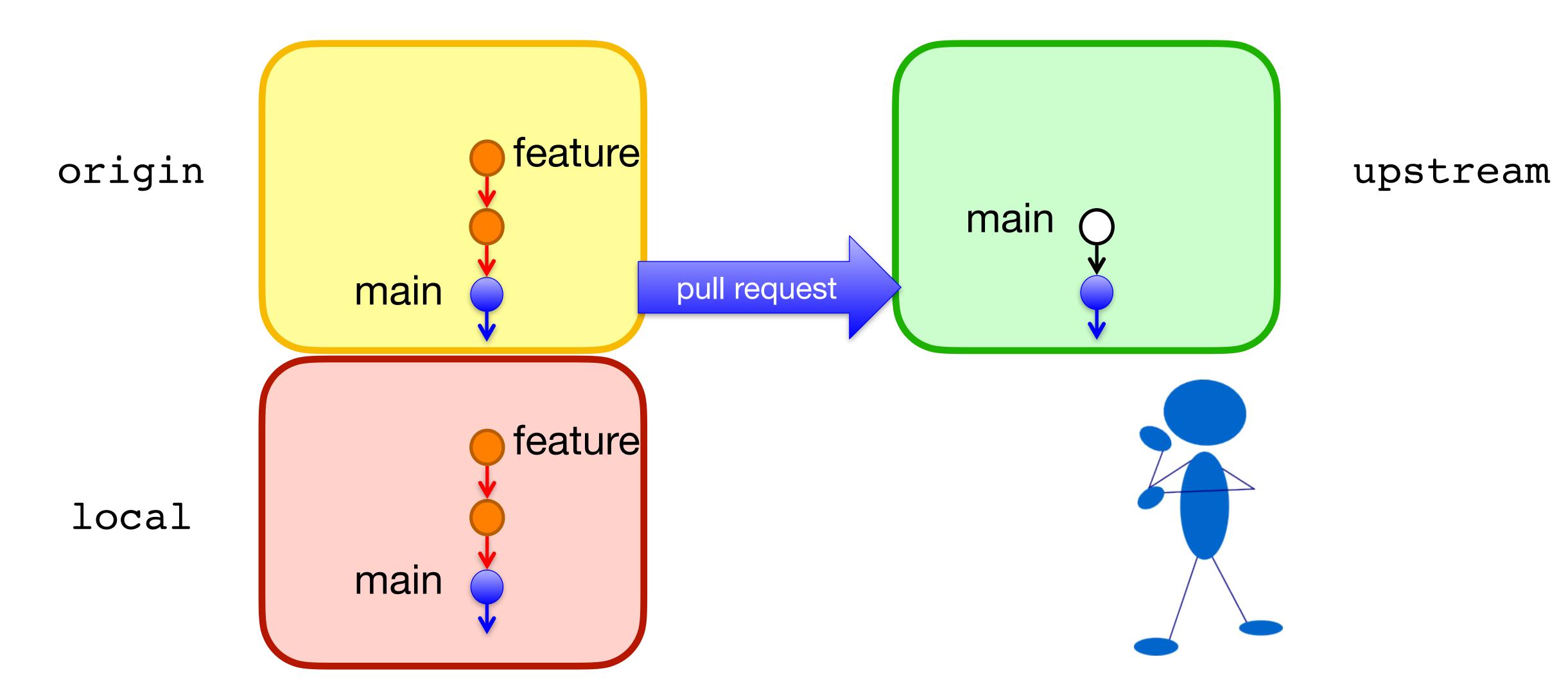
## Great idea, now can you do it more like this?



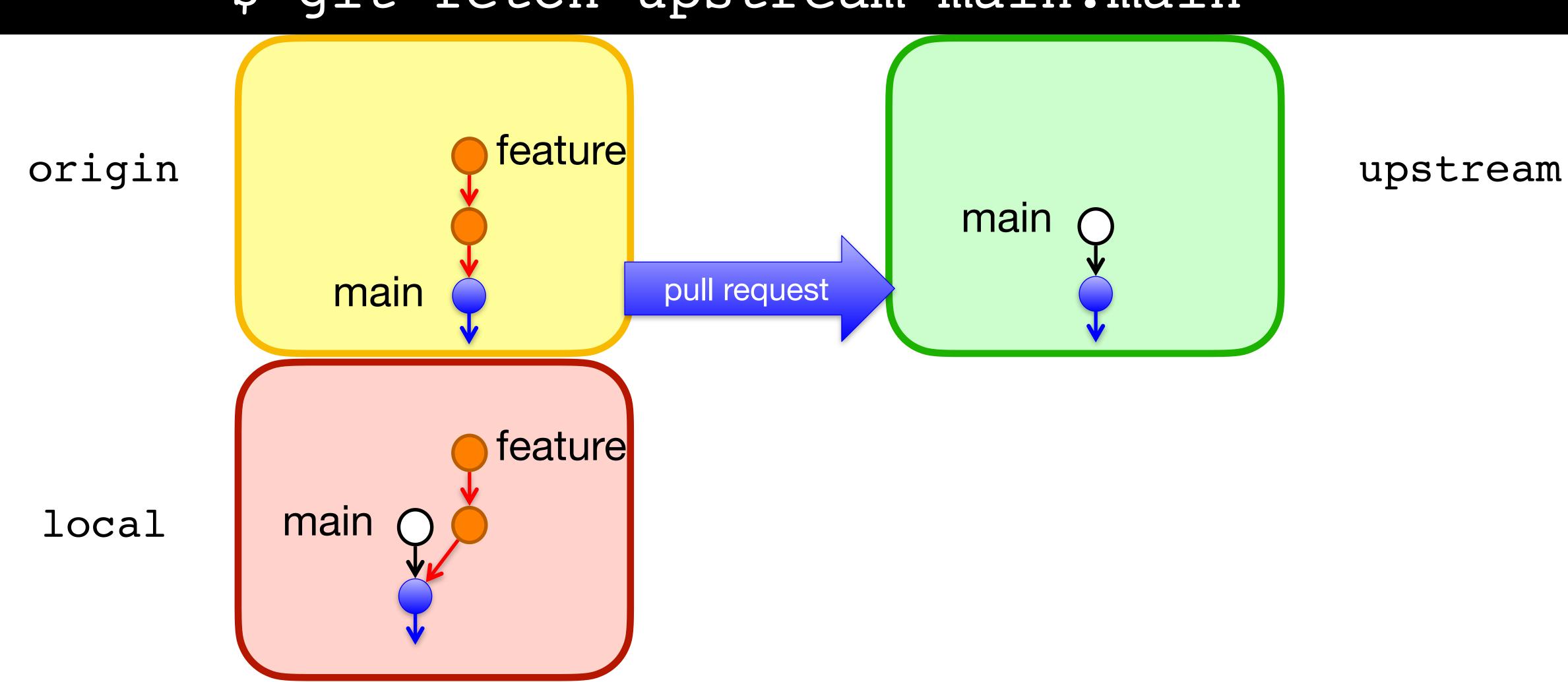
## \$ git commit \$ git push



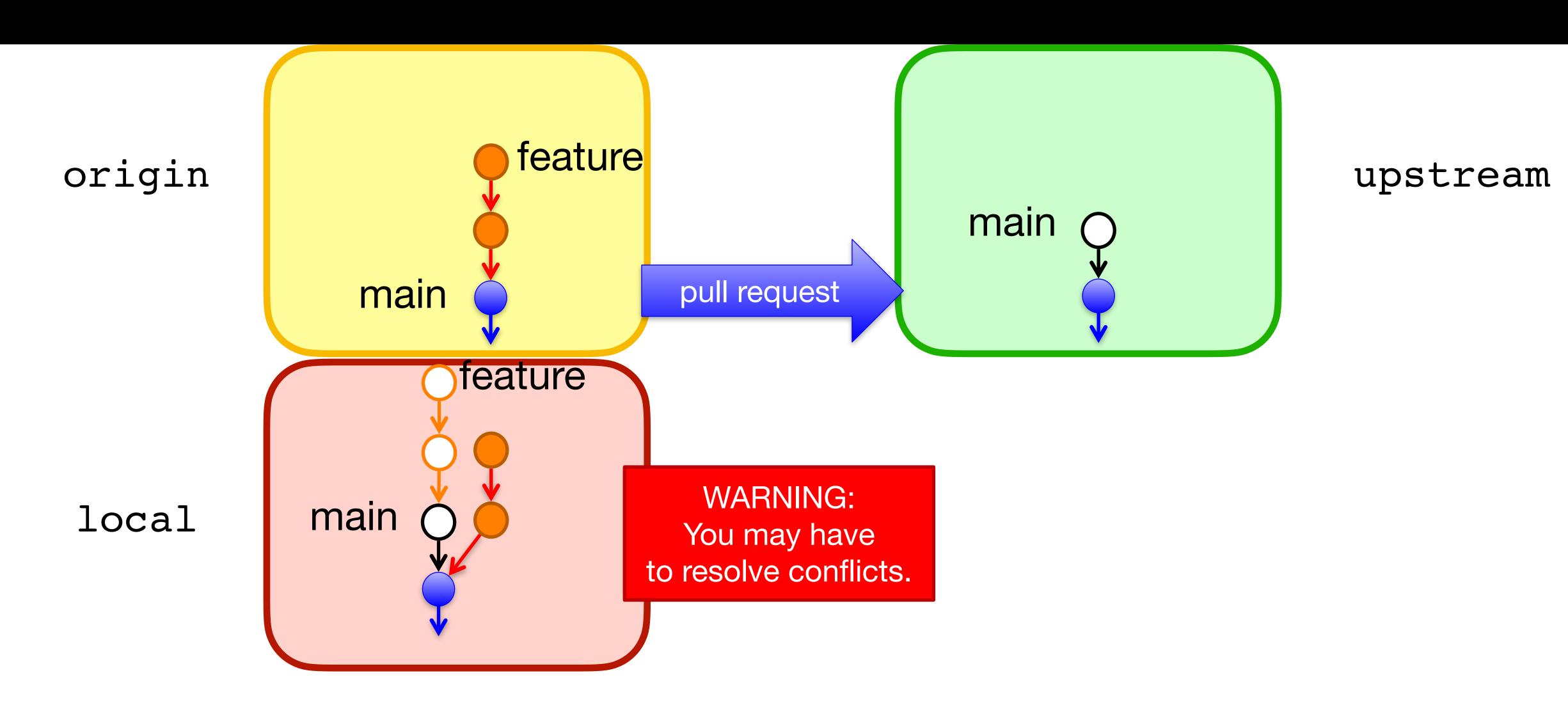
## Awesome, but please update with new changes in main



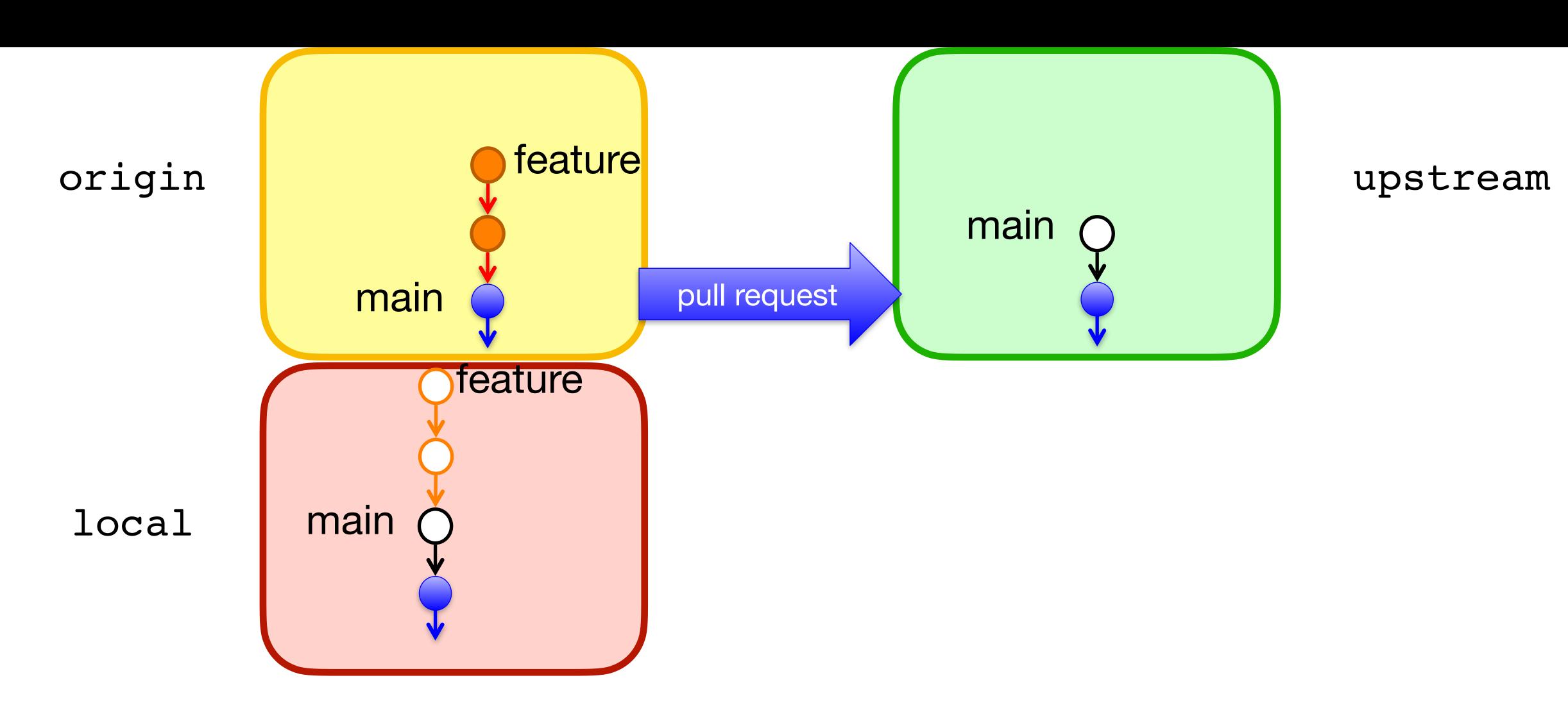
# \$ git remote add upstream https://github.com/... \$ git fetch upstream main:main



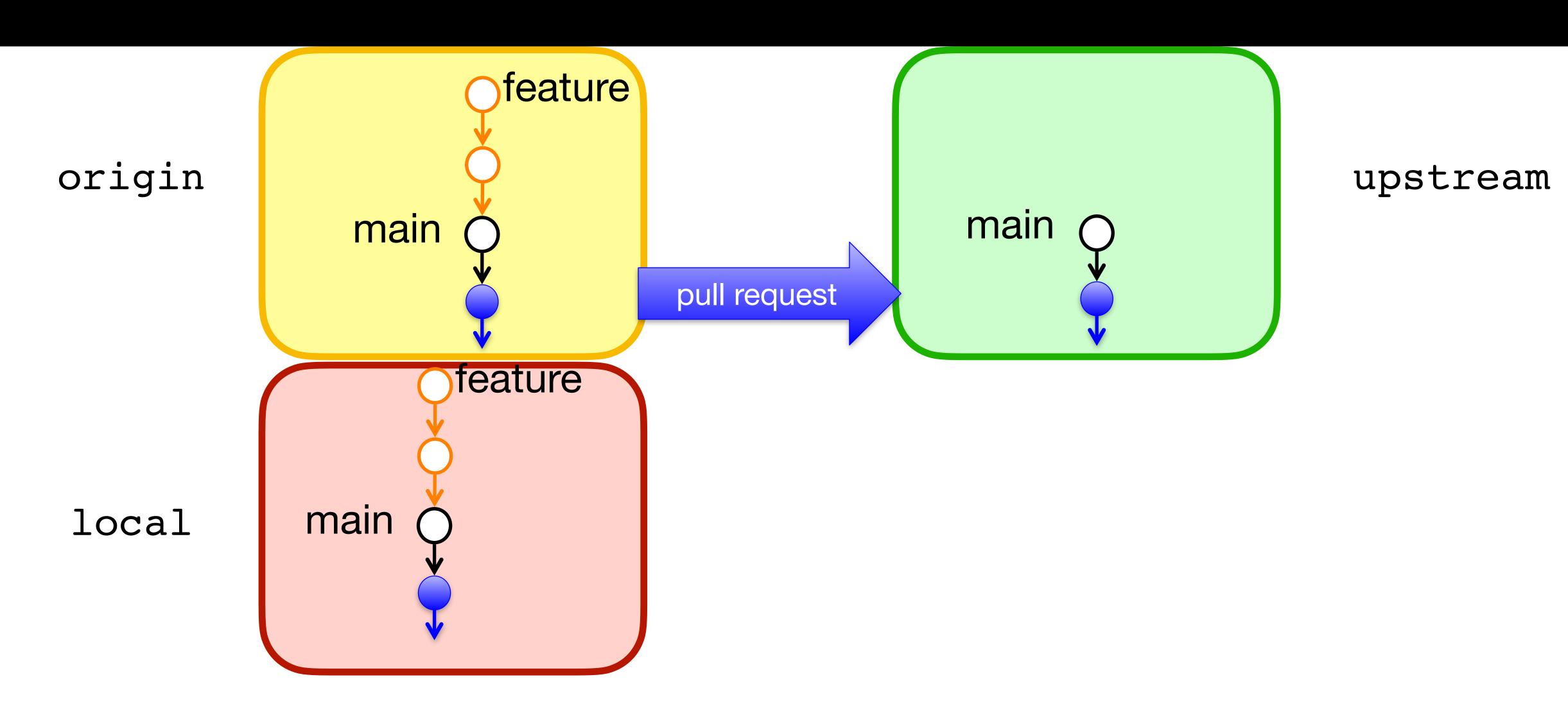
#### \$ git rebase main



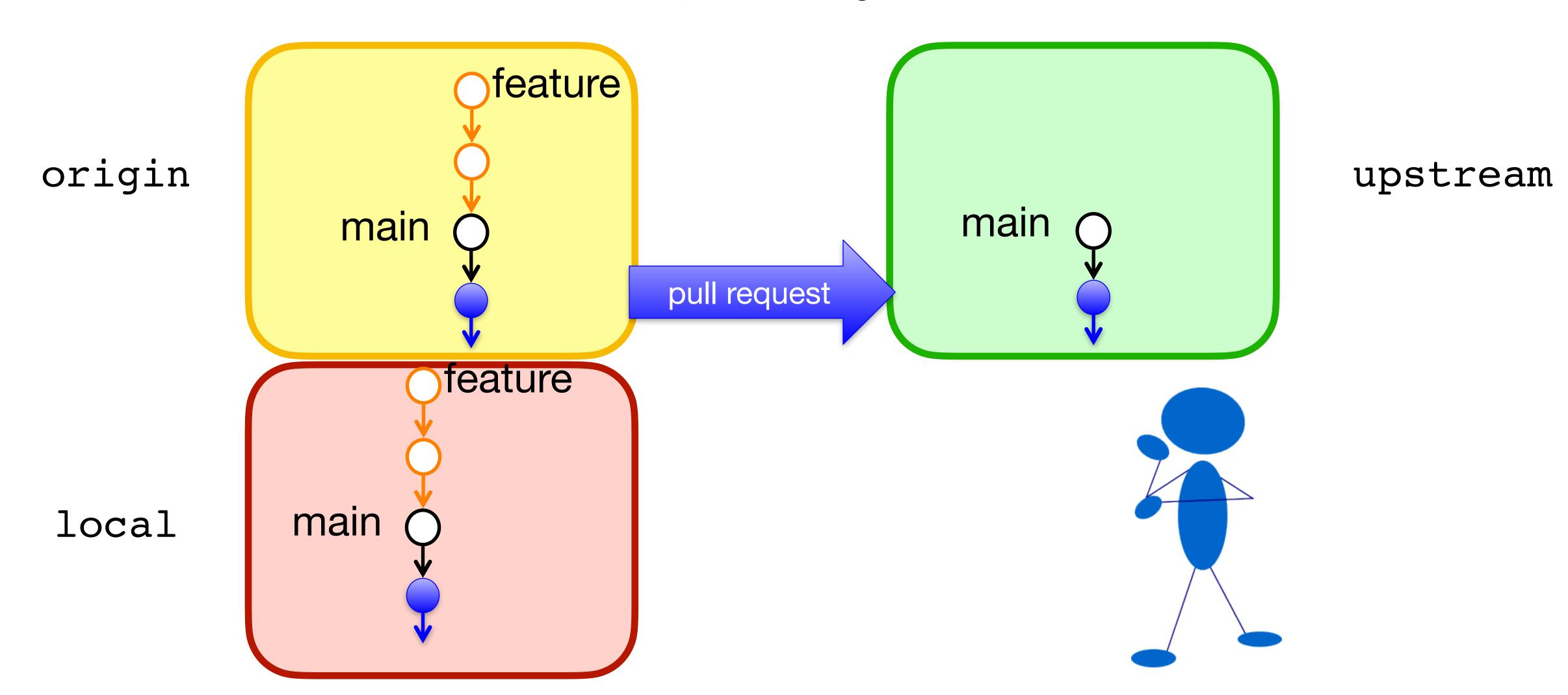
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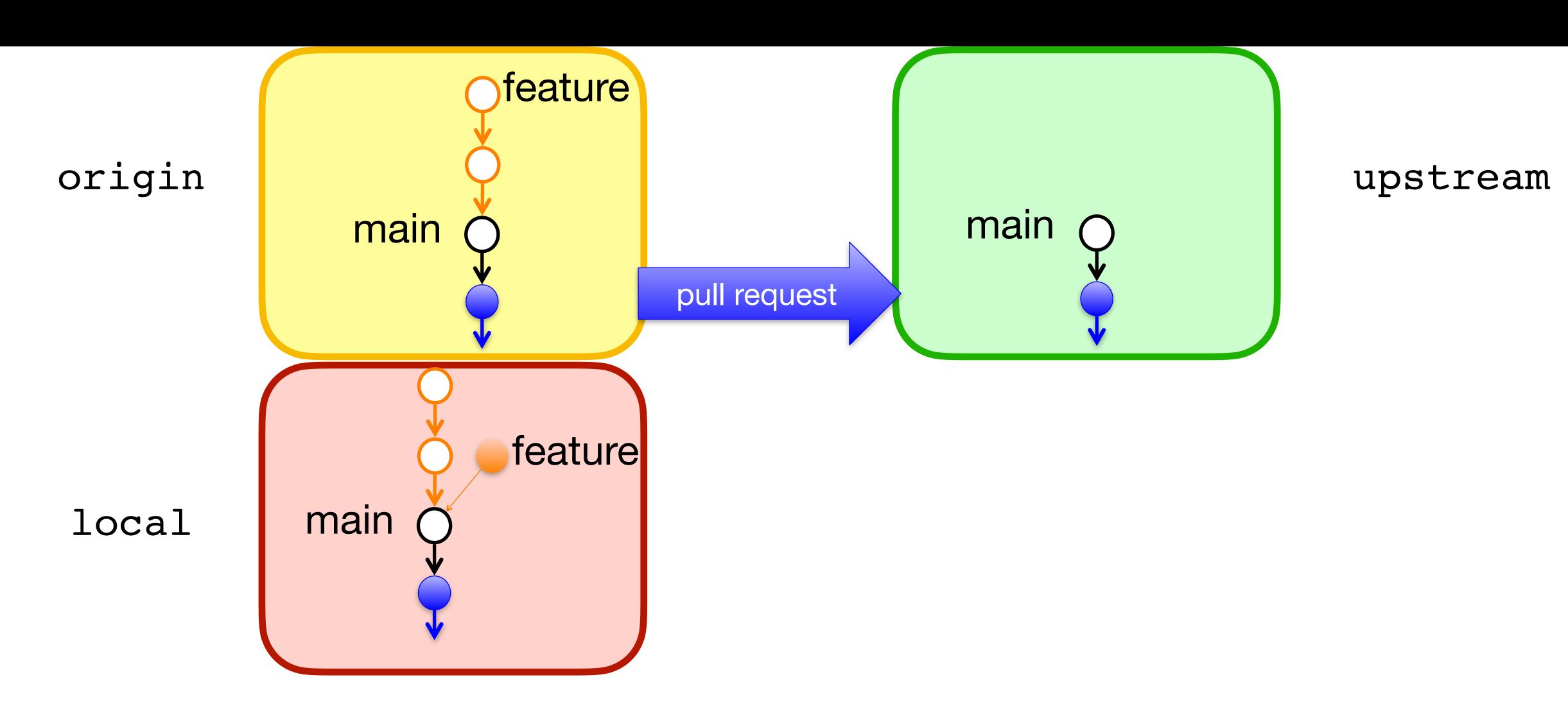
#### \$ git push -f origin main feature



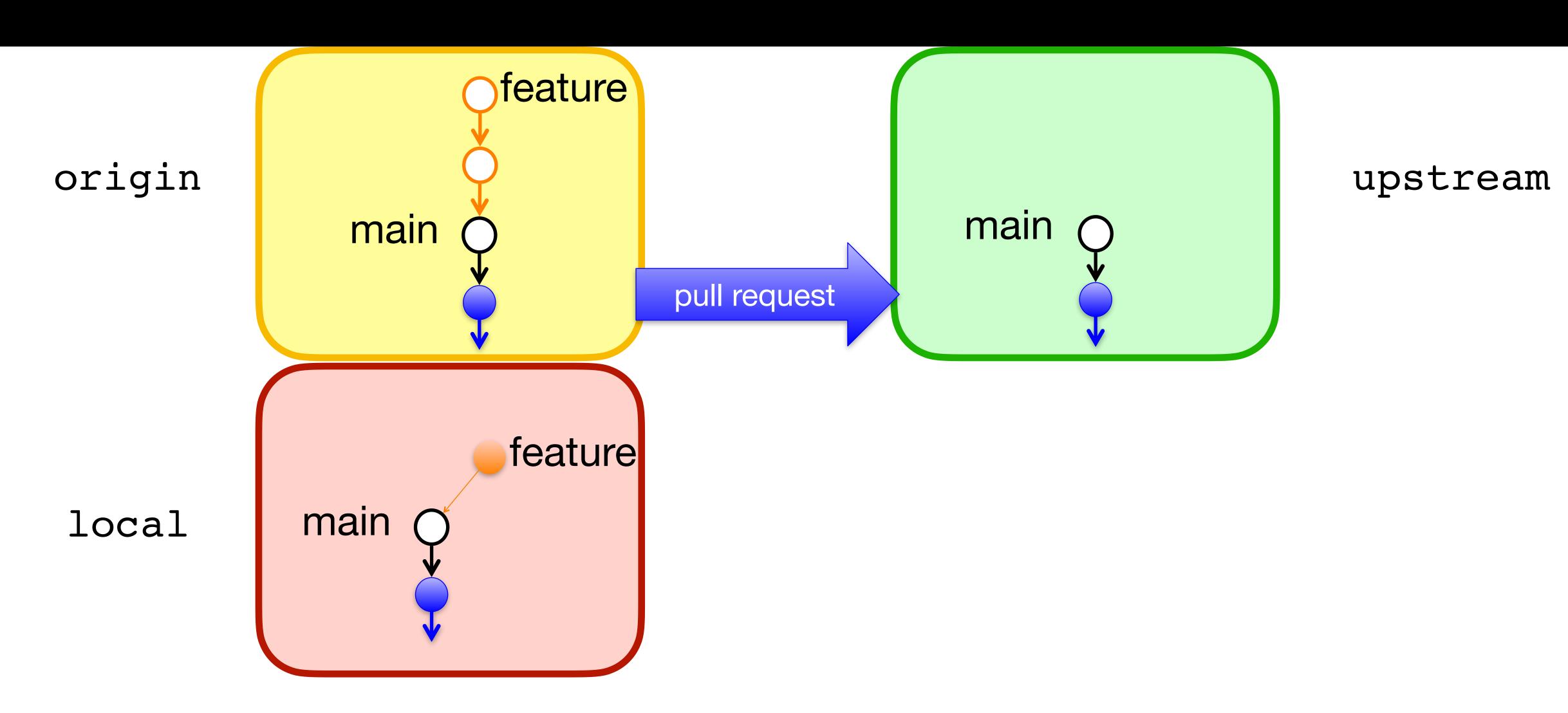
## Great. Please squash your commits.



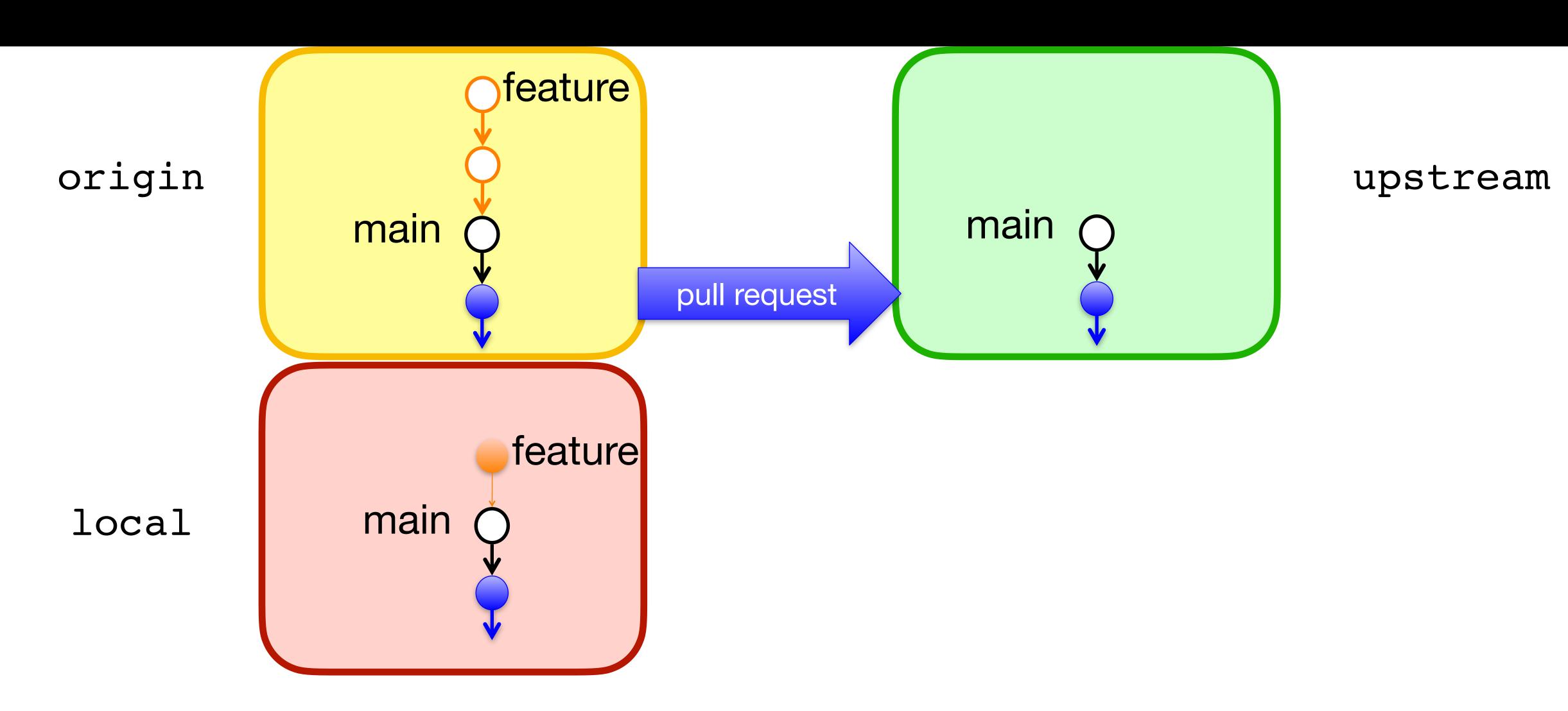
## \$ git rebase —i main



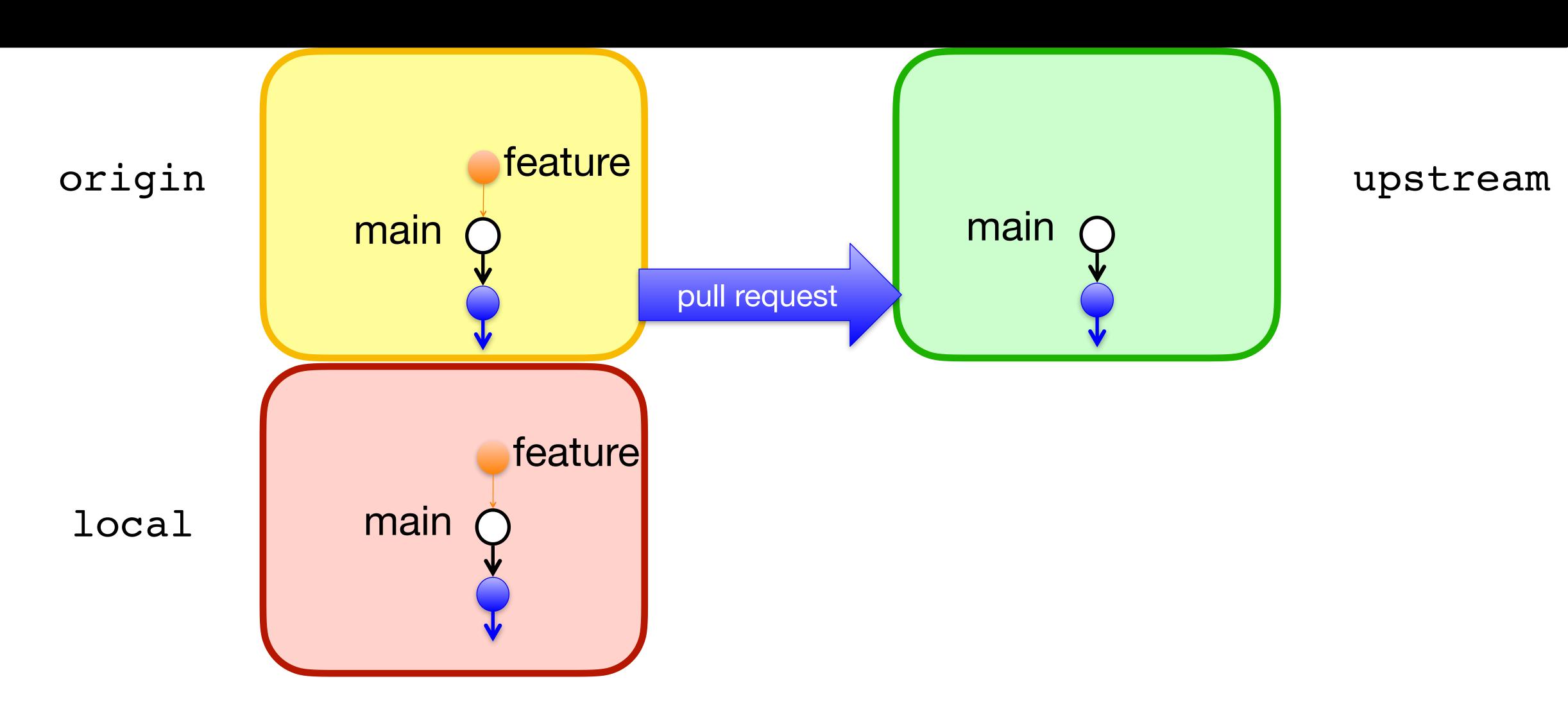
## \$ git rebase —i main



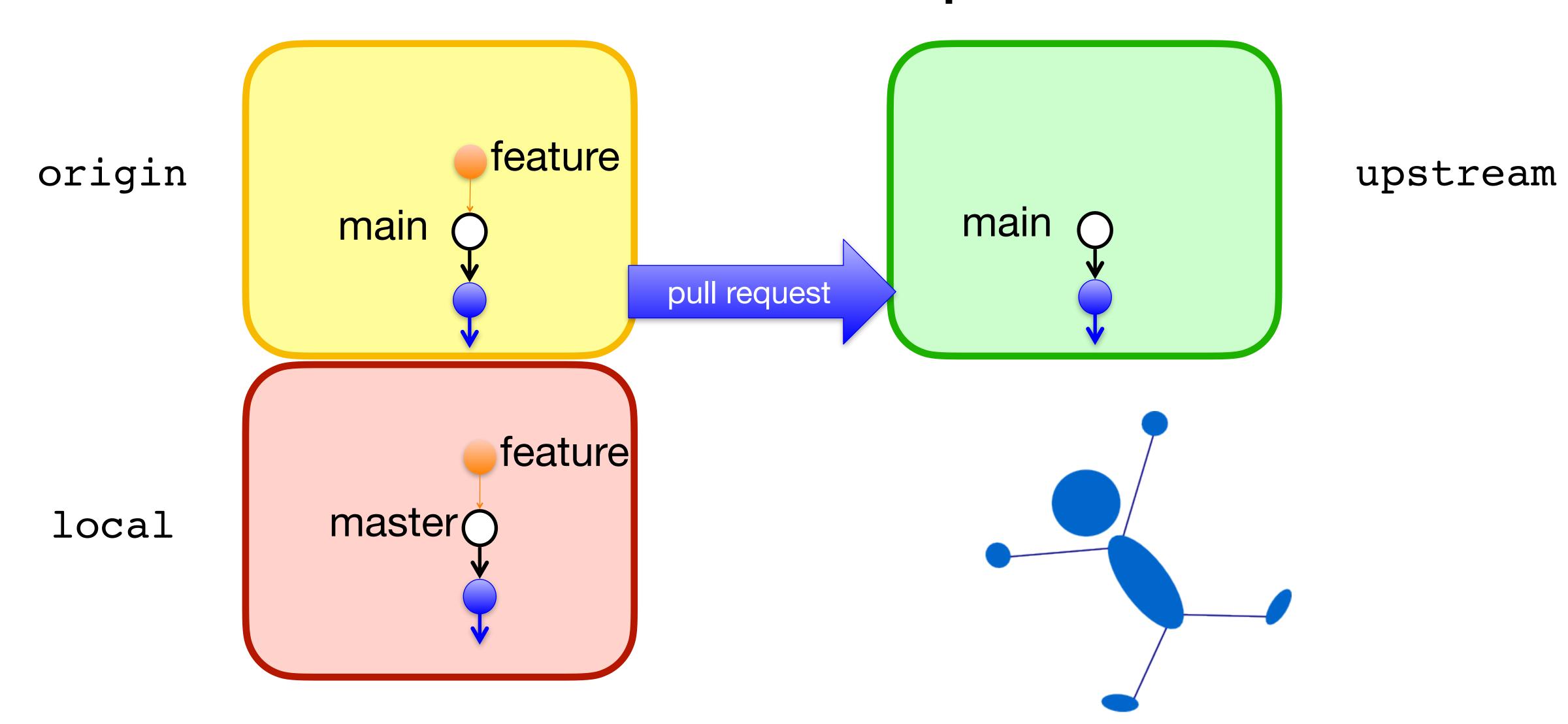
#### \$ git rebase —i master



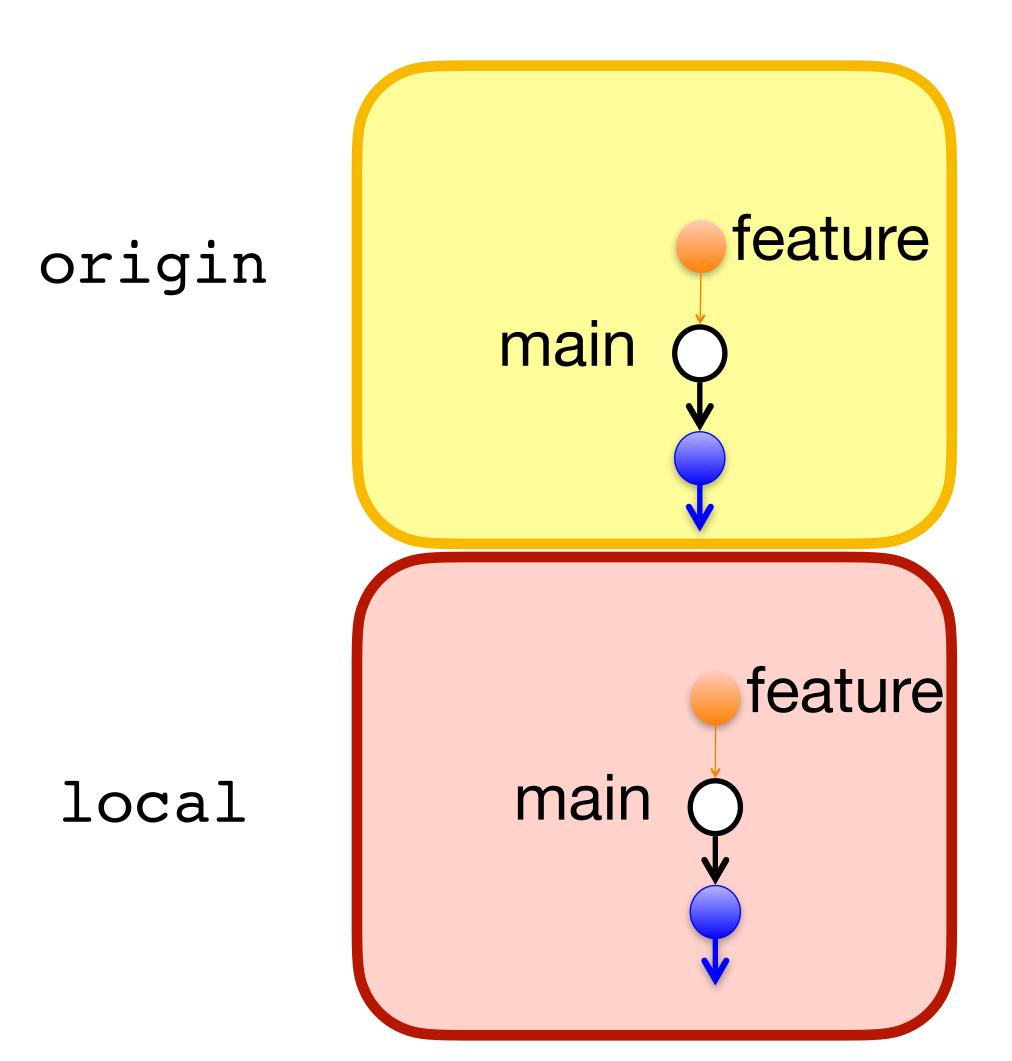
#### \$ git push -f origin feature

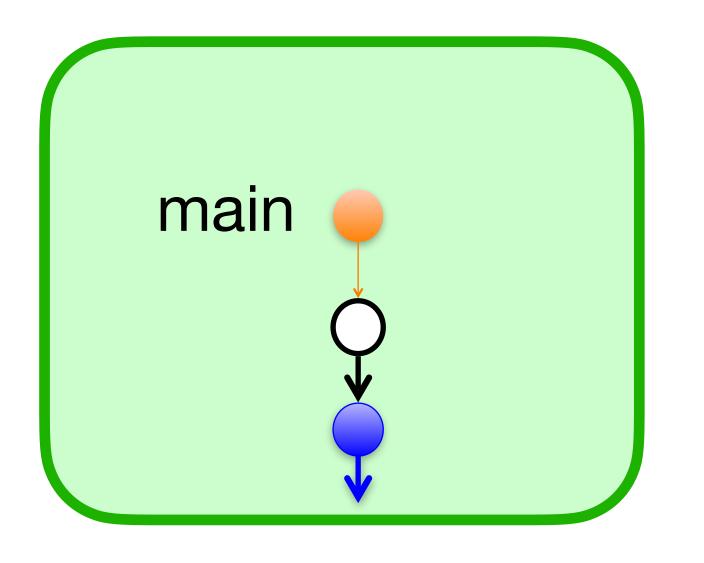


## Perfect, I accept!



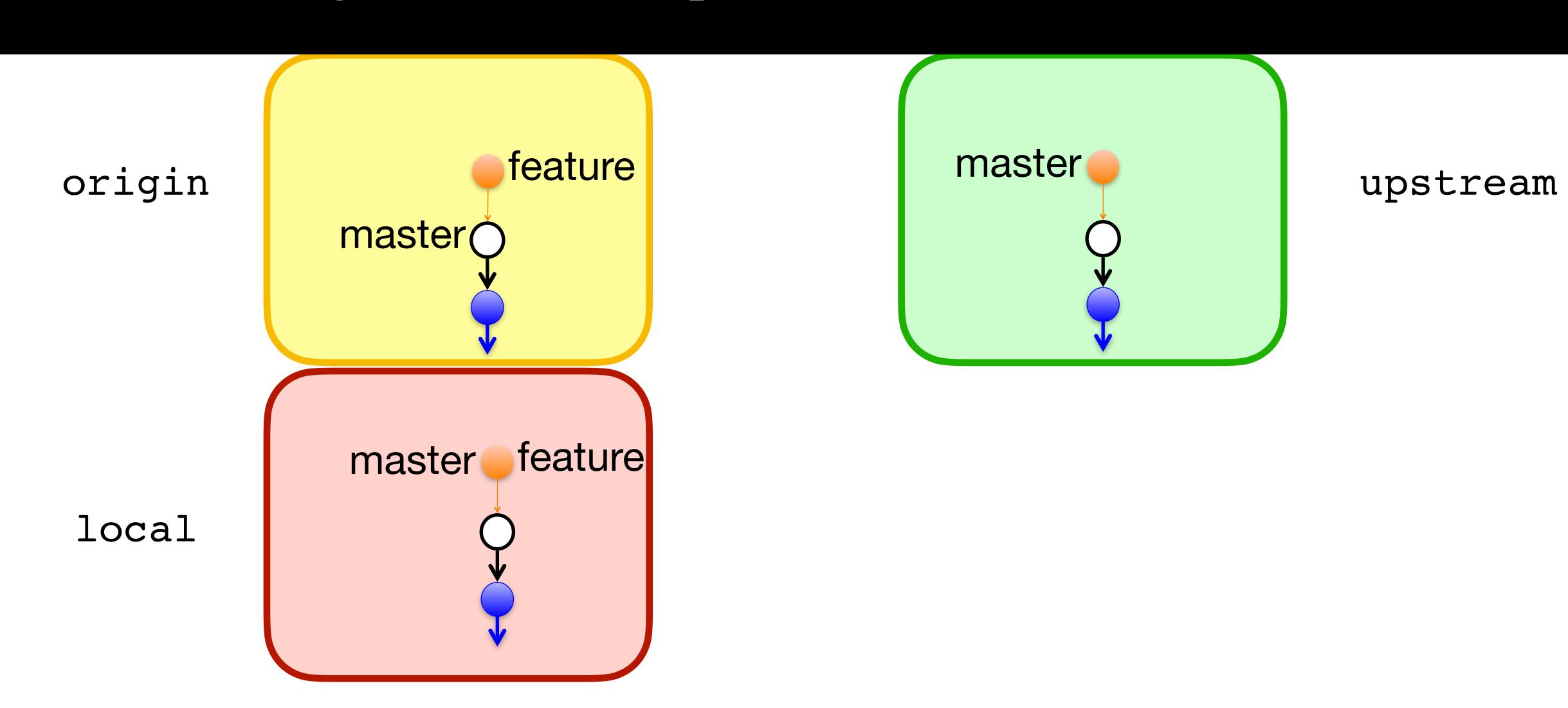
## Time to Clean Up



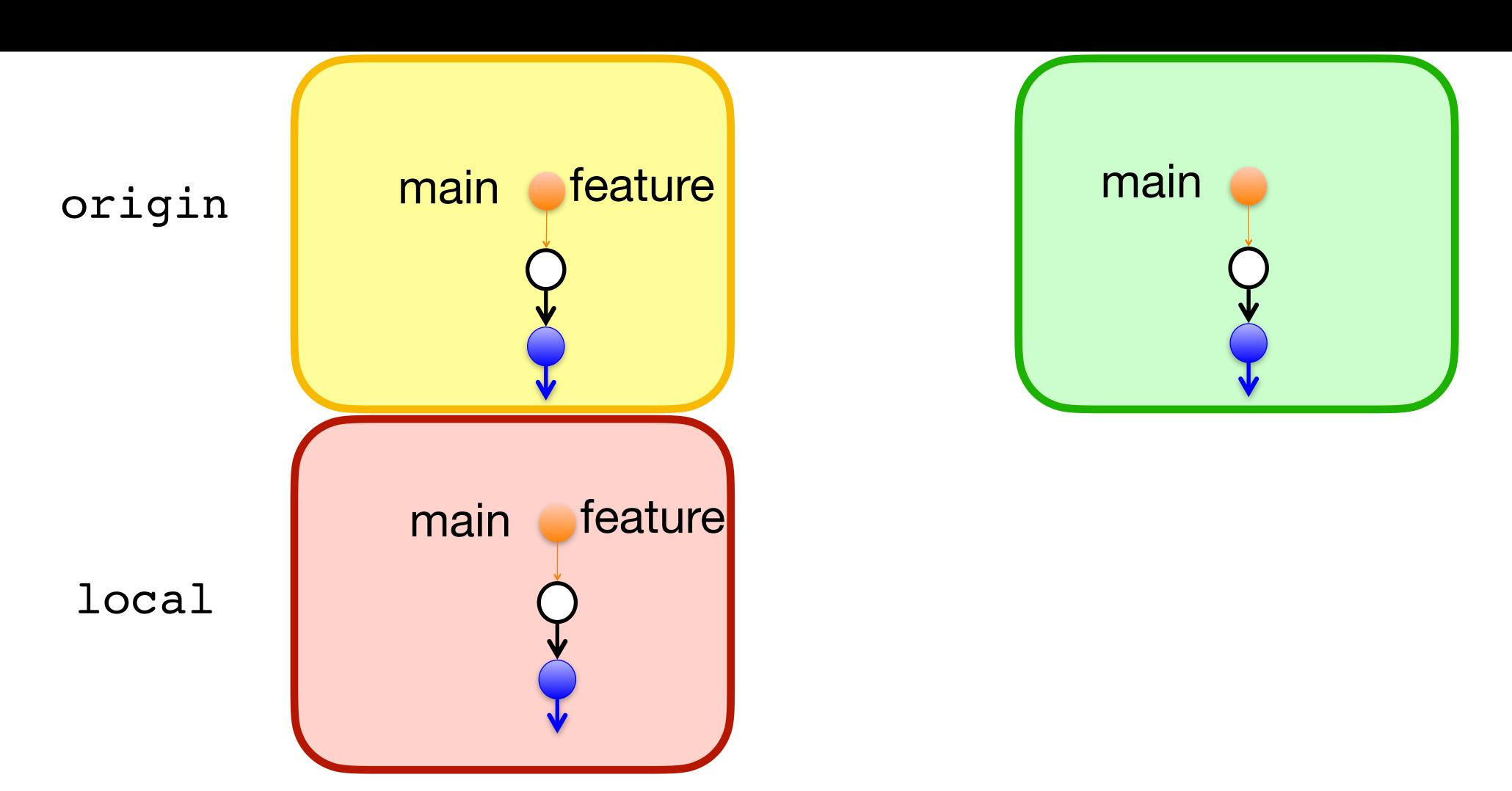


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#### \$ git fetch upstream main: main

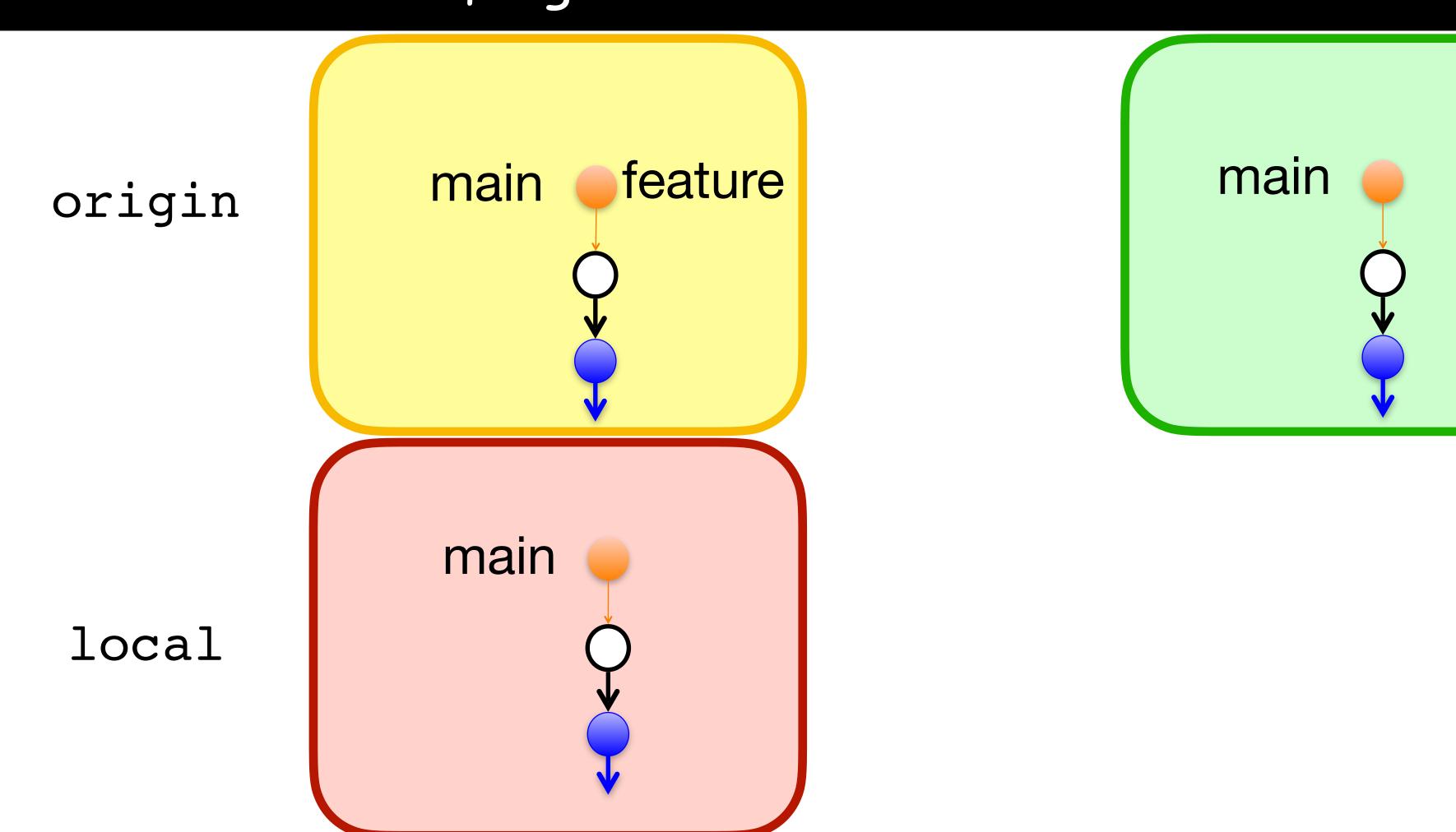


## \$ git push origin main



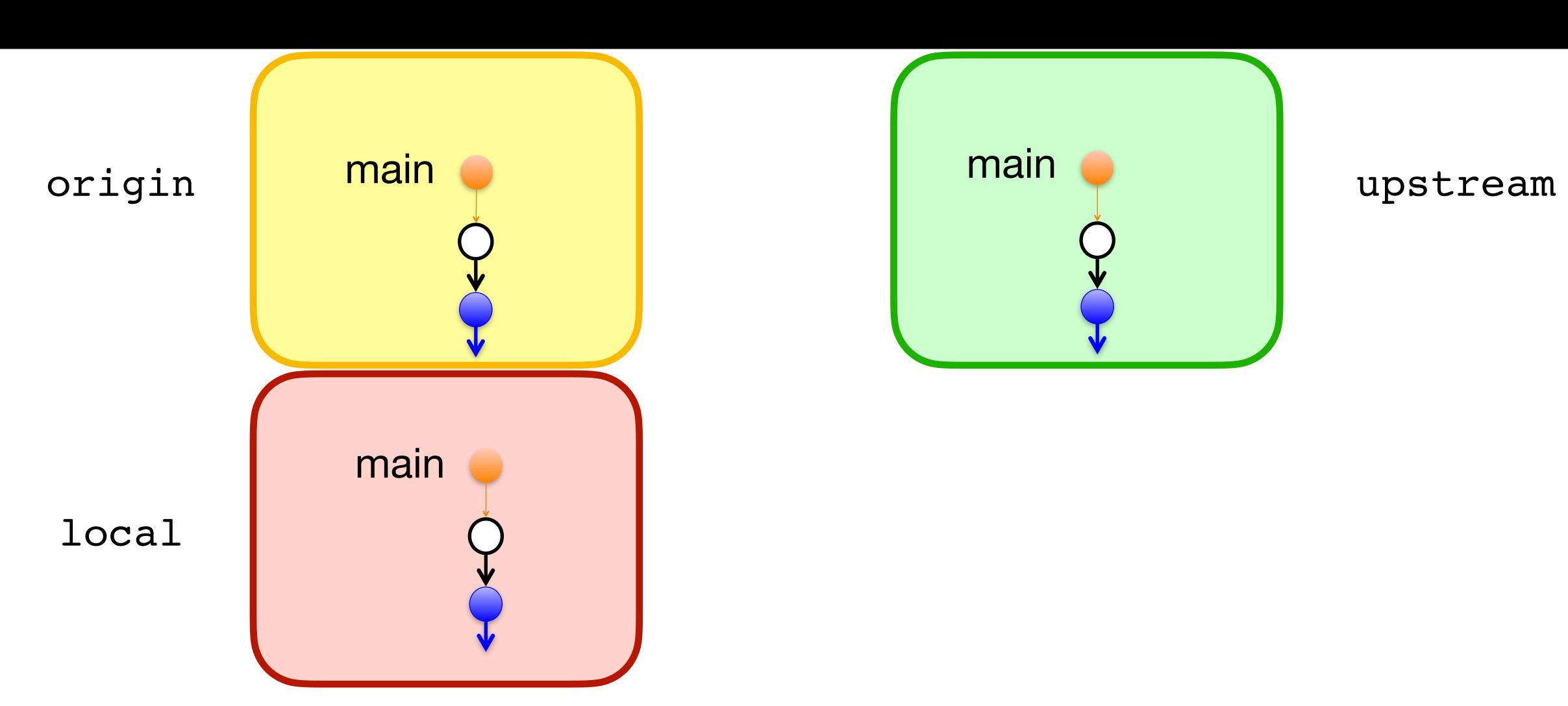
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# \$ git checkout main \$ git branch -d feature



upstream

## \$ git push origin -d feature



After a PR is accepted, Github will ask you if you want to delete your feature branch. If you say yes, which branches get deleted?

- A. feature the branch named feature in your local repo
- B. origin/feature the branch named feature in your remote repo
- C. upstream/feature the branch named feature in their remote repo
- D. feature and origin/feature
- E. feature, origin/feature, and upstream/feature

Now that origin/feature has been deleted, how do you delete feature?

- A. \$ git delete feature
- B. \$ git delete -b feature
- C. \$ git branch -d feature
- D. \$ git push origin -d feature
- E. I would google "delete a git branch" and then click on <a href="https://stackoverflow.com/questions/2003505/how-do-i-delete-a-git-branch-locally-and-remotely">https://stackoverflow.com/questions/2003505/how-do-i-delete-a-git-branch-locally-and-remotely</a> like every other programmer