

[320] Reproducibility 2

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Reproducibility



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Dictionary

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re·pro·duc·i·bil·i·ty

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noun

noun: **reproducibility**

the ability to be reproduced or copied.

"the reproducibility of reconstructive surgery techniques"

- the extent to which consistent results are obtained when an experiment is repeated.
"the experiments were conducted numerous times to test the reproducibility of the results"

Discuss: *how might we define "reproducibility" for a data scientist?*

Big question: *will my program run on someone else's computer?*
(not necessarily written in Python)

Things to match:

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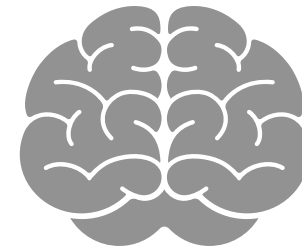
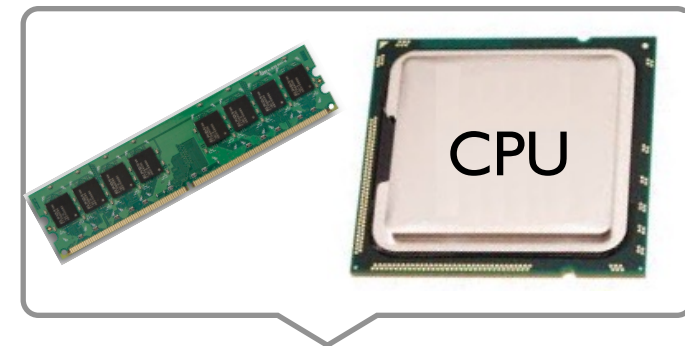
Hardware

2

Operating System

3

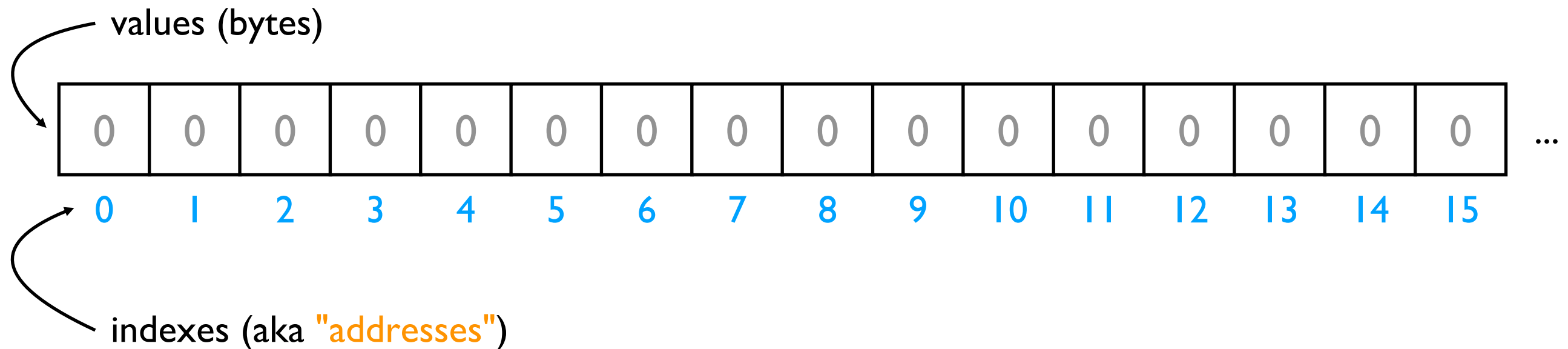
Dependencies



Hardware: Mental Model of Process Memory

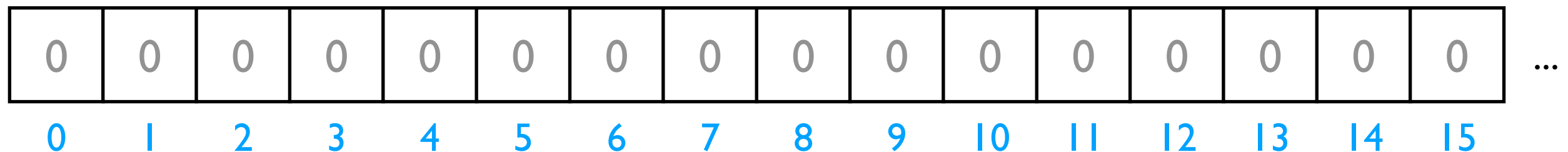
Imagine...

- one huge list, **per each** running program **process**, called "**address space**"
- every entry in the list is an integer between 0 and 255 (aka a "**byte**")



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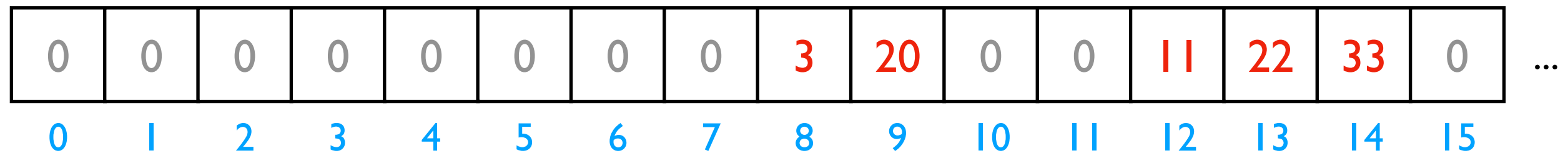
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 - code
- data



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the [3,20] list starts at index address 8 in the giant list

the [11,22,33] list starts at address 12 in the giant list

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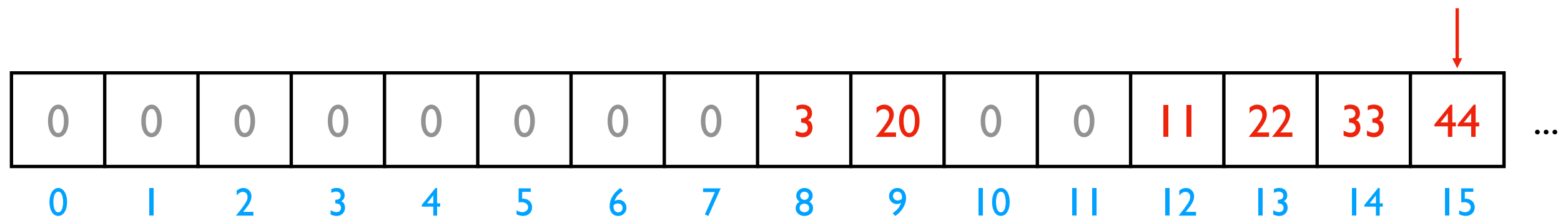
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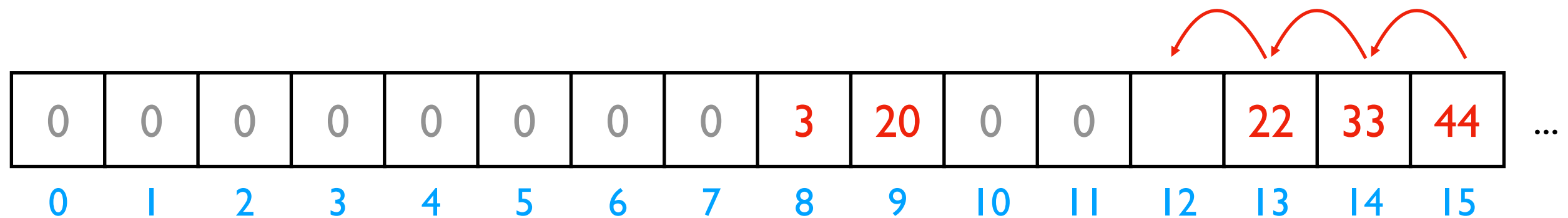
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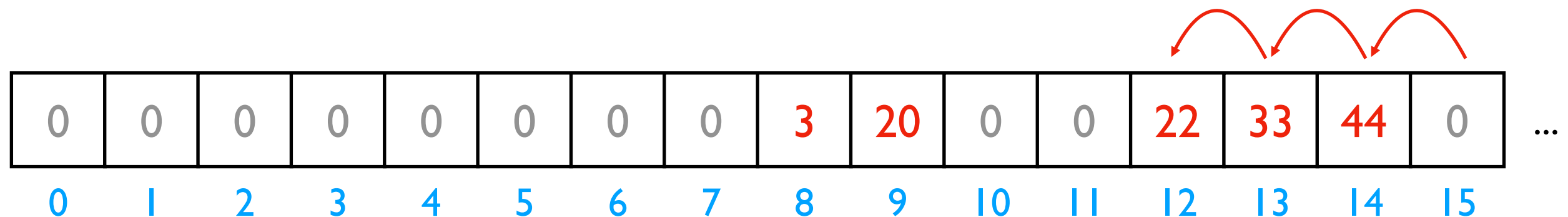
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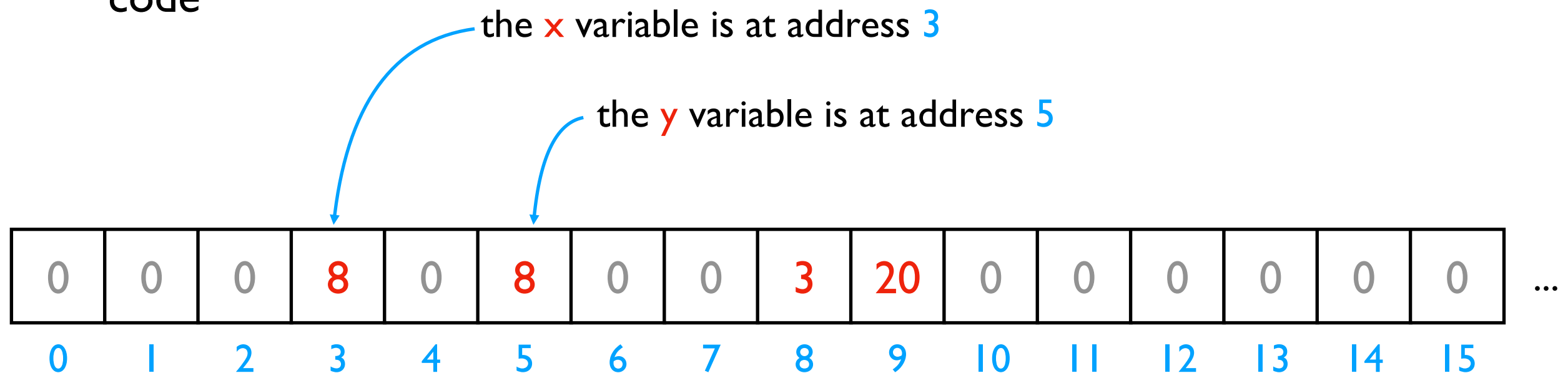
We'll think more rigorously about performance in CS 320 (big-O notation)

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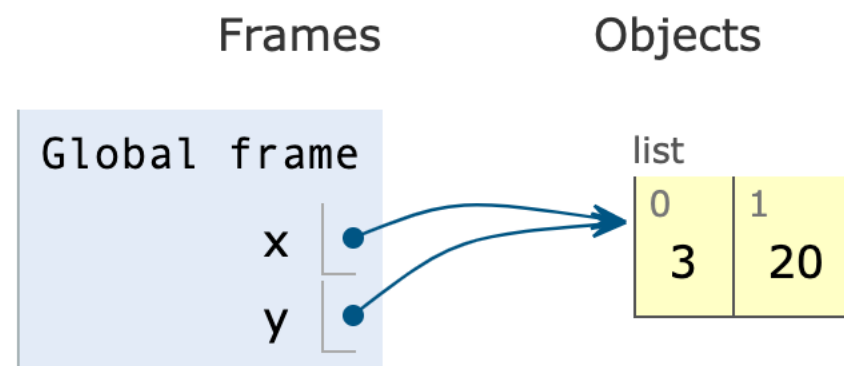
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Python 3.6

```
1 x = [3, 20]
2 y = x
```

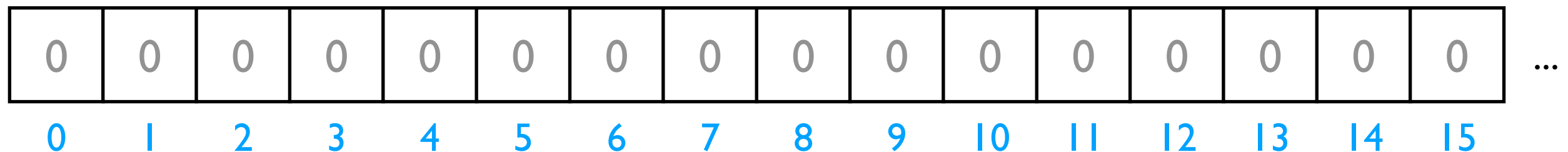
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PythonTutor's visualization

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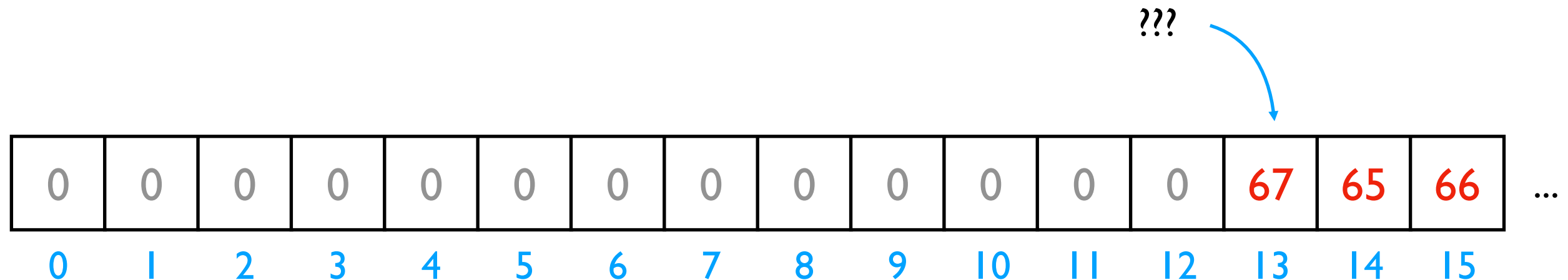
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- **strings** discuss: how?
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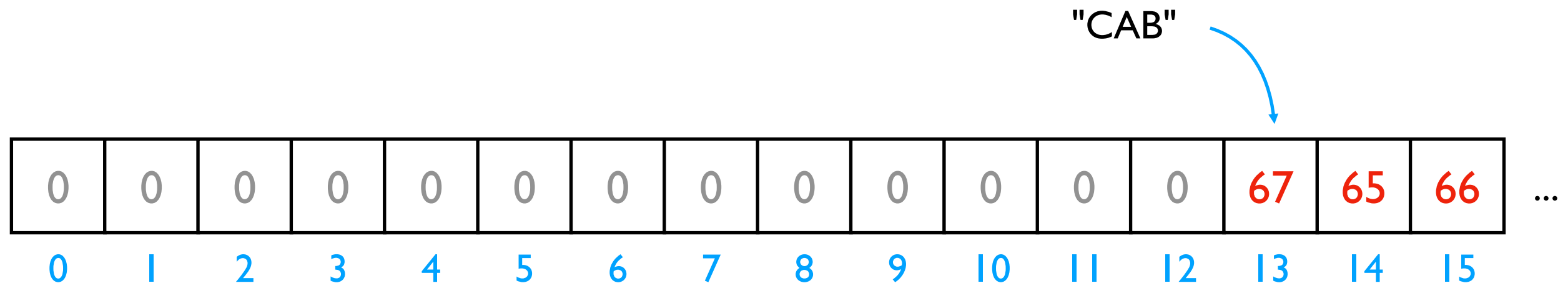
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67	C
68	D
...	...

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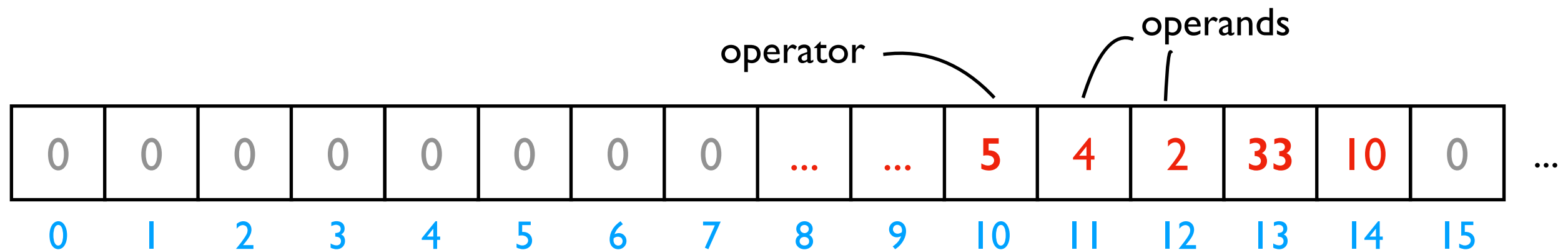
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i = 0
while ????:
    i += 2
    # what line next?
```

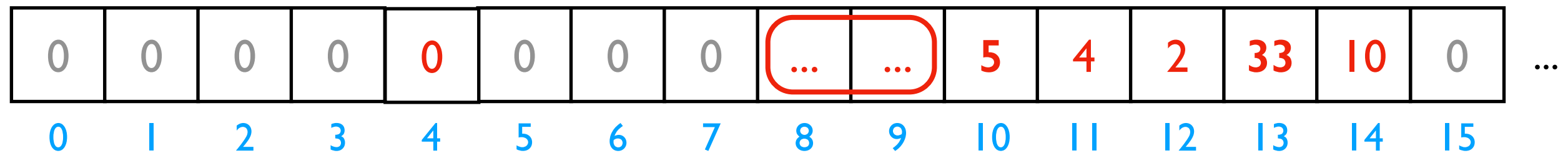
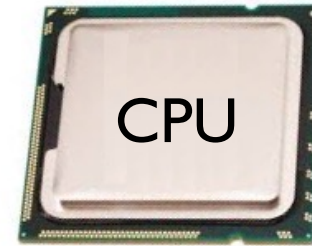


Instruction Set	code	operation
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	33	JUMP

Hardware: Mental Model of CPU

CPUs interact with memory:

- keep track of what instruction we're on
- understand instruction codes
- much more



Write code in Python 3.6

(drag lower right corner to resize code editor)



→ line that just executed

→ next line to execute

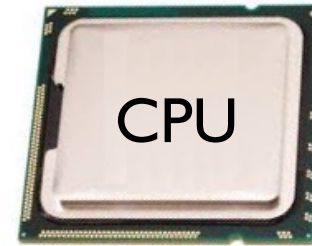
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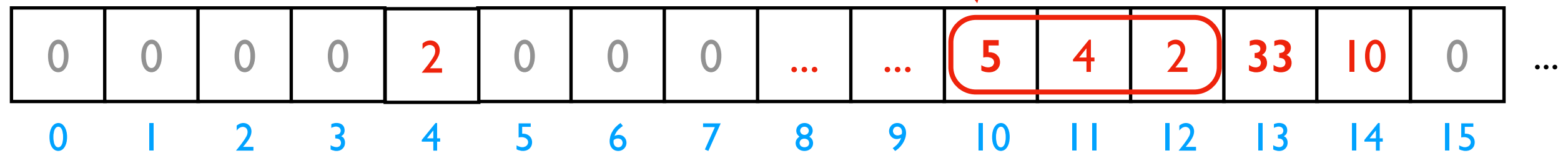
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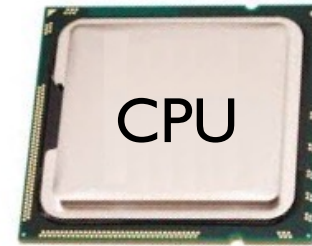


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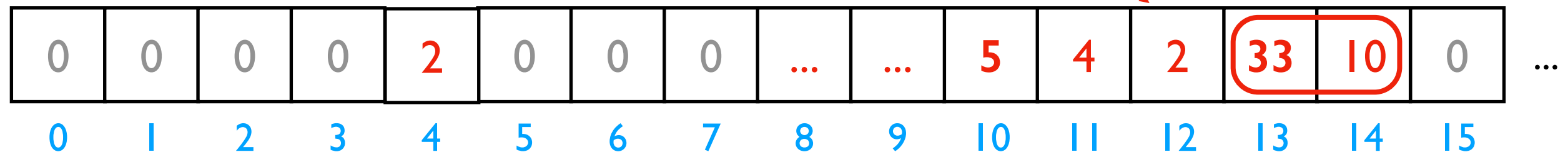
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go back to top of loop

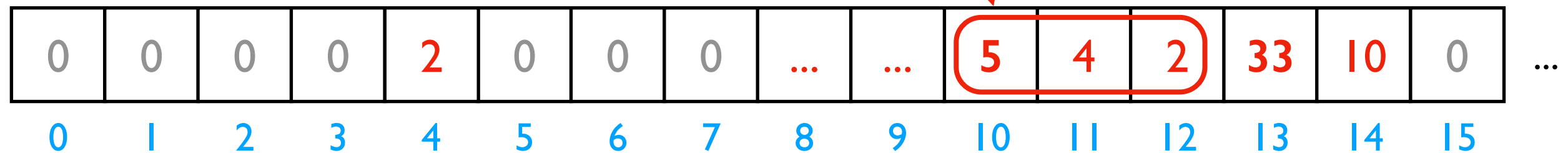
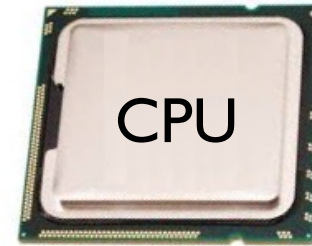


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discuss: what would happen if a
CPU tried to execute an
instruction for a different CPU?

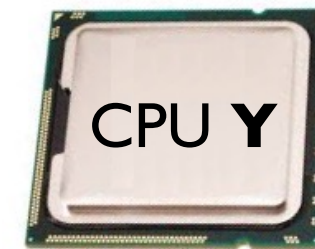
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	5	SUB
	8	ADD
	33	undefined

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a CPU can only run programs that
use instructions it understands!



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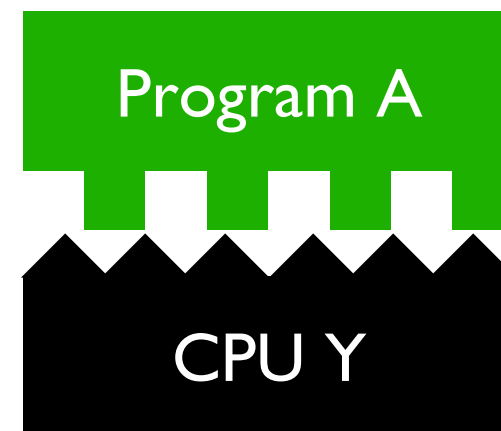
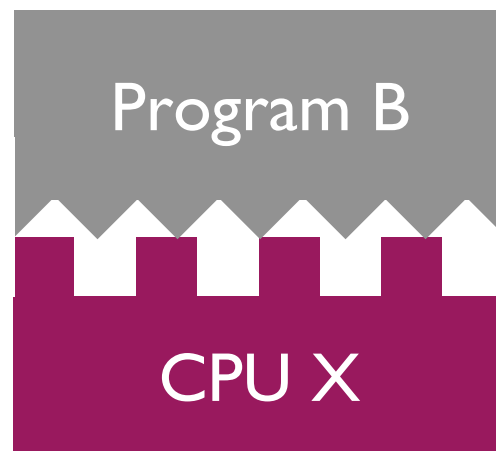
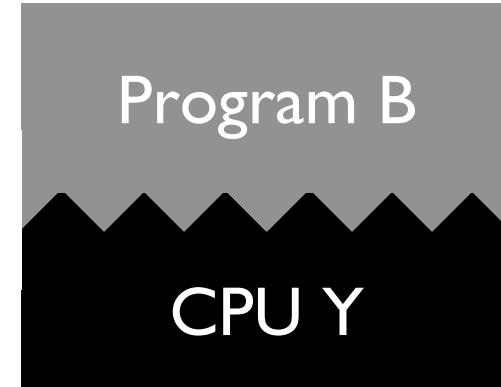
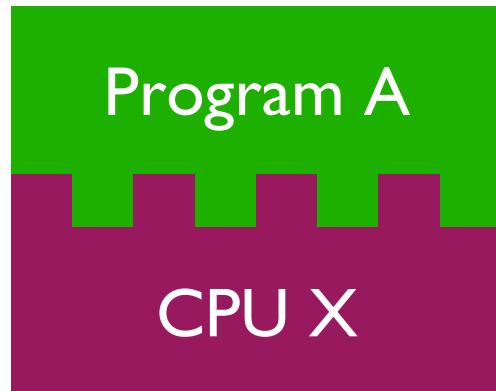
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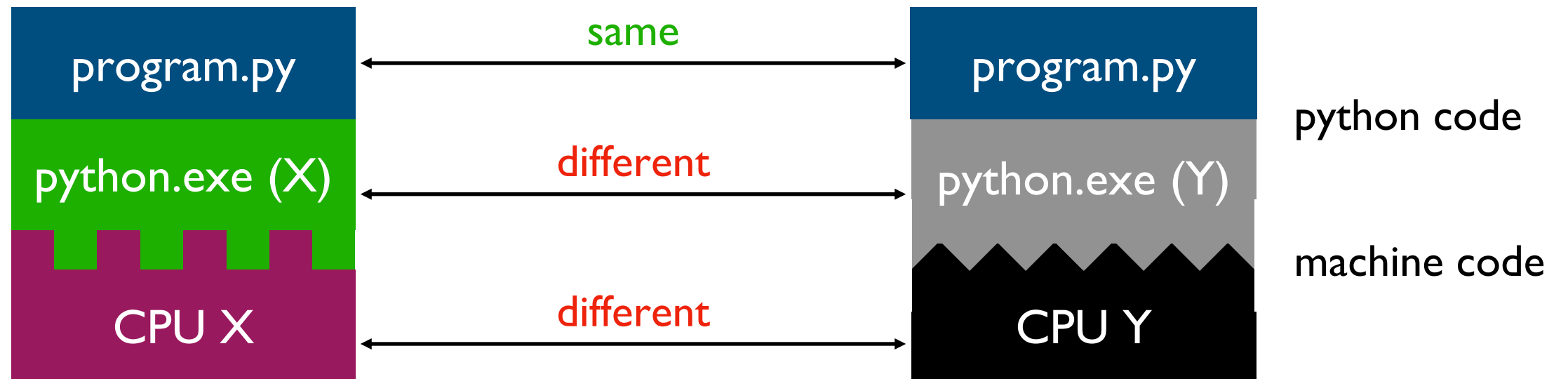


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*why haven't we noticed this yet
for our Python programs?*

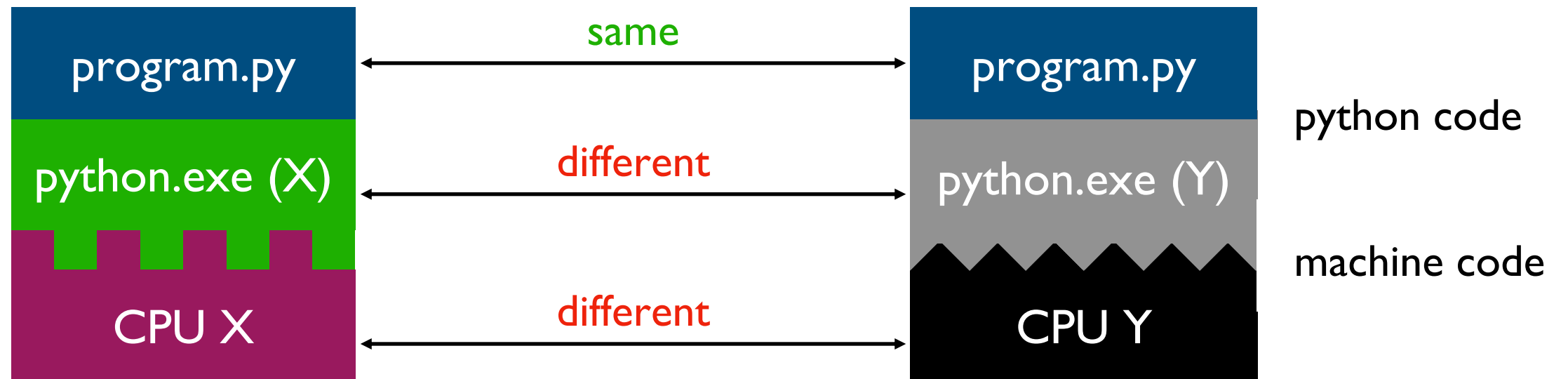
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A **compiler** is another tool for running the same code on different CPUs

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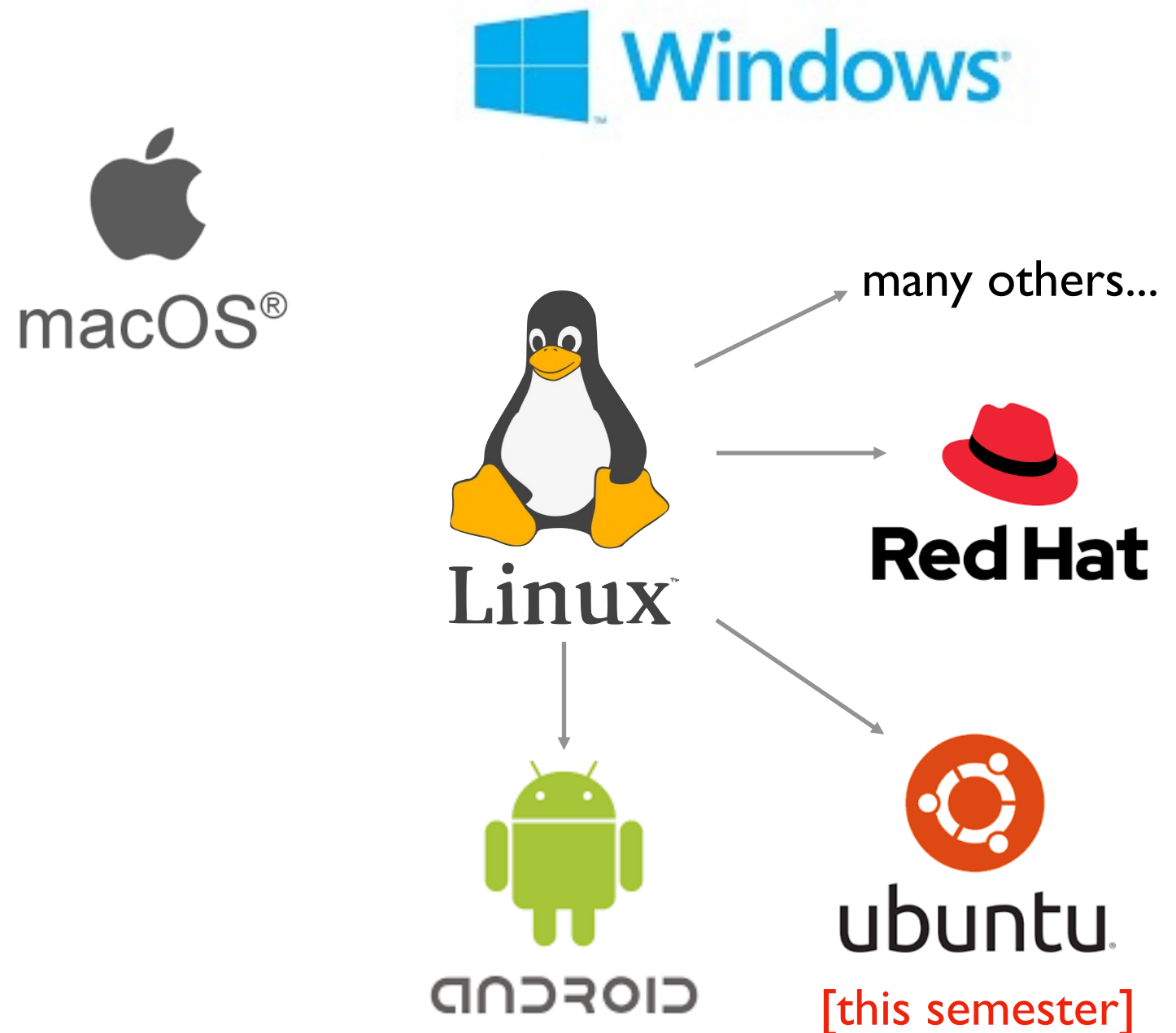
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Discuss: *if all CPUs had the instruction set, would we still need a Python interpreter?*

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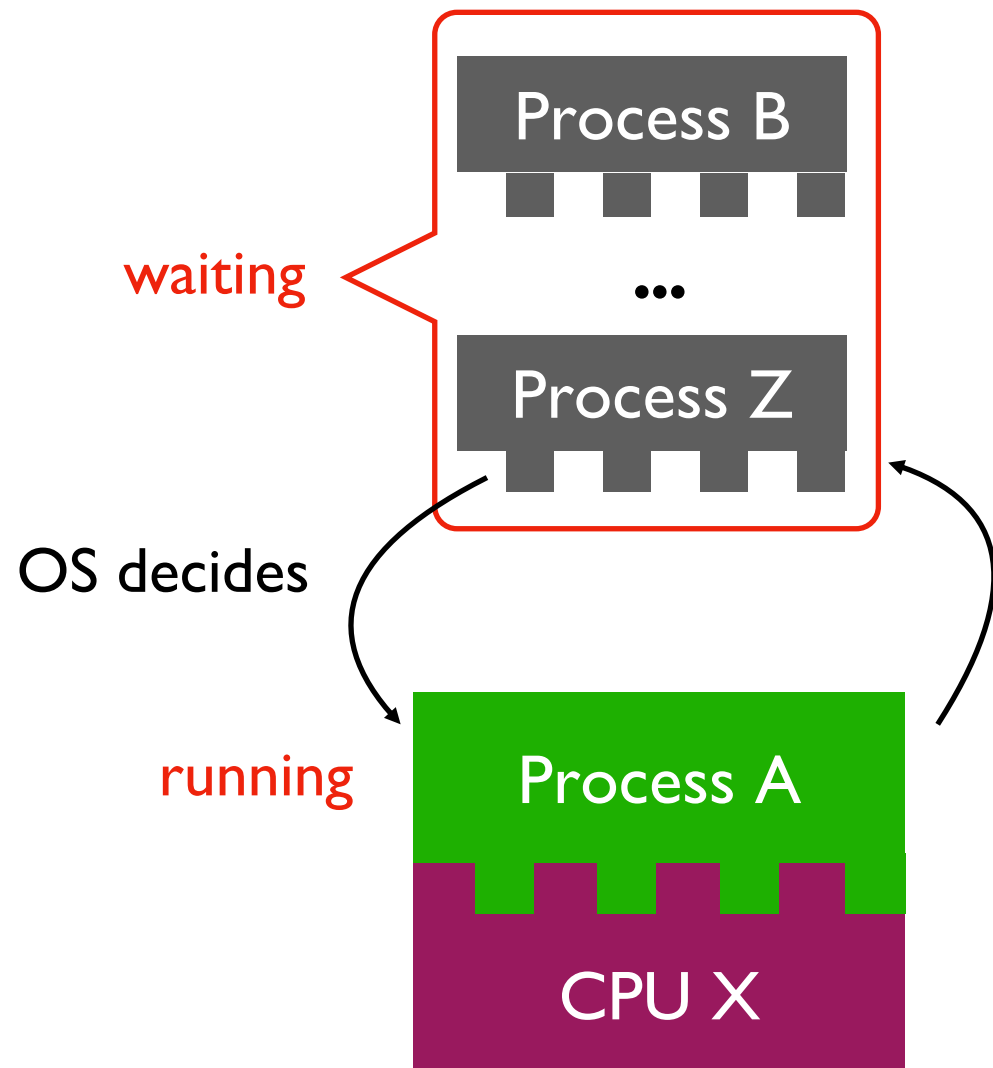
- 1 Hardware
- 2 Operating System
- 3 Dependencies



OS jobs: Allocate and Abstract Resources

[like CPU, hard drive, etc]

1 Allocation



only one process can run on CPU at a time
(or a few things if the CPU has multiple "cores")

2 Abstraction

```
f = open("file.txt")  
data = f.read()  
f.close()
```

convenient

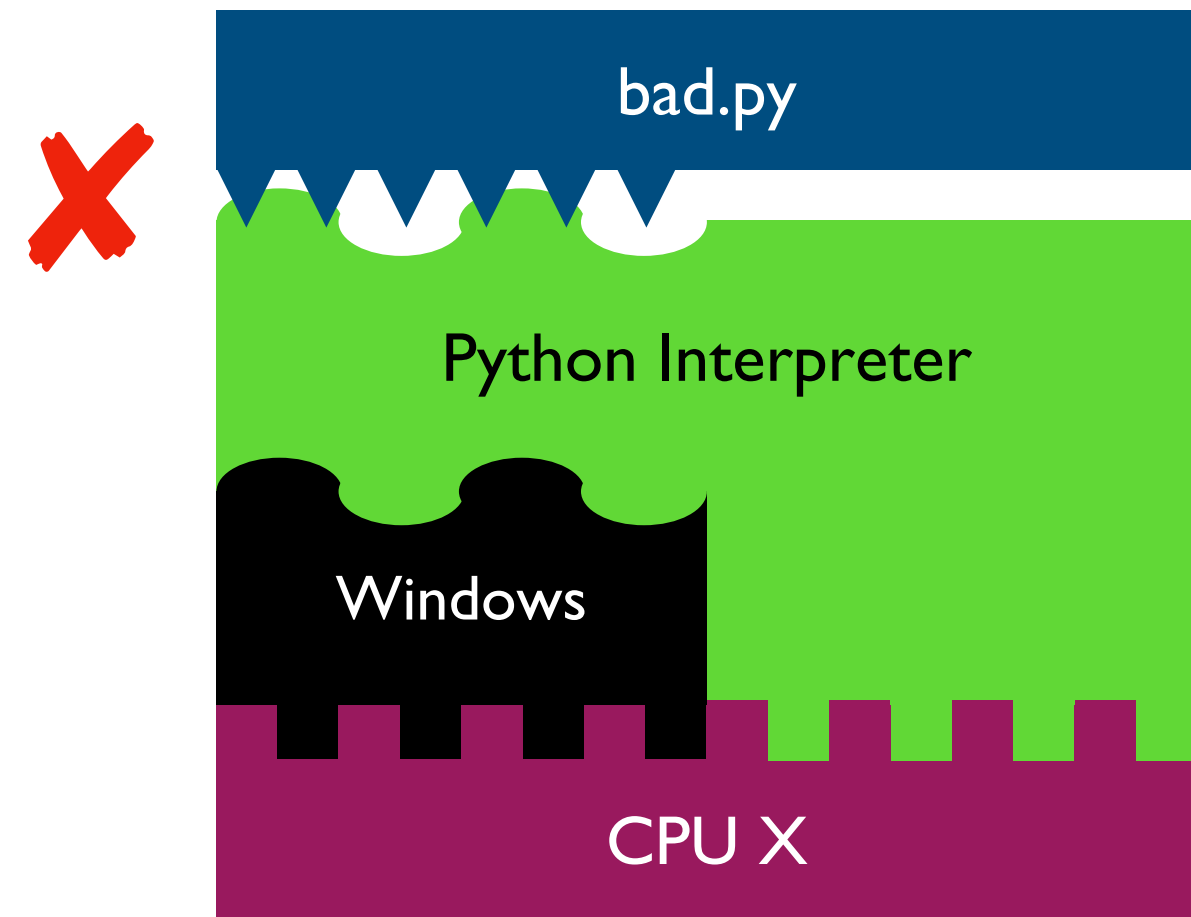
Operating System

inconvenient



ignorant of
files/directories

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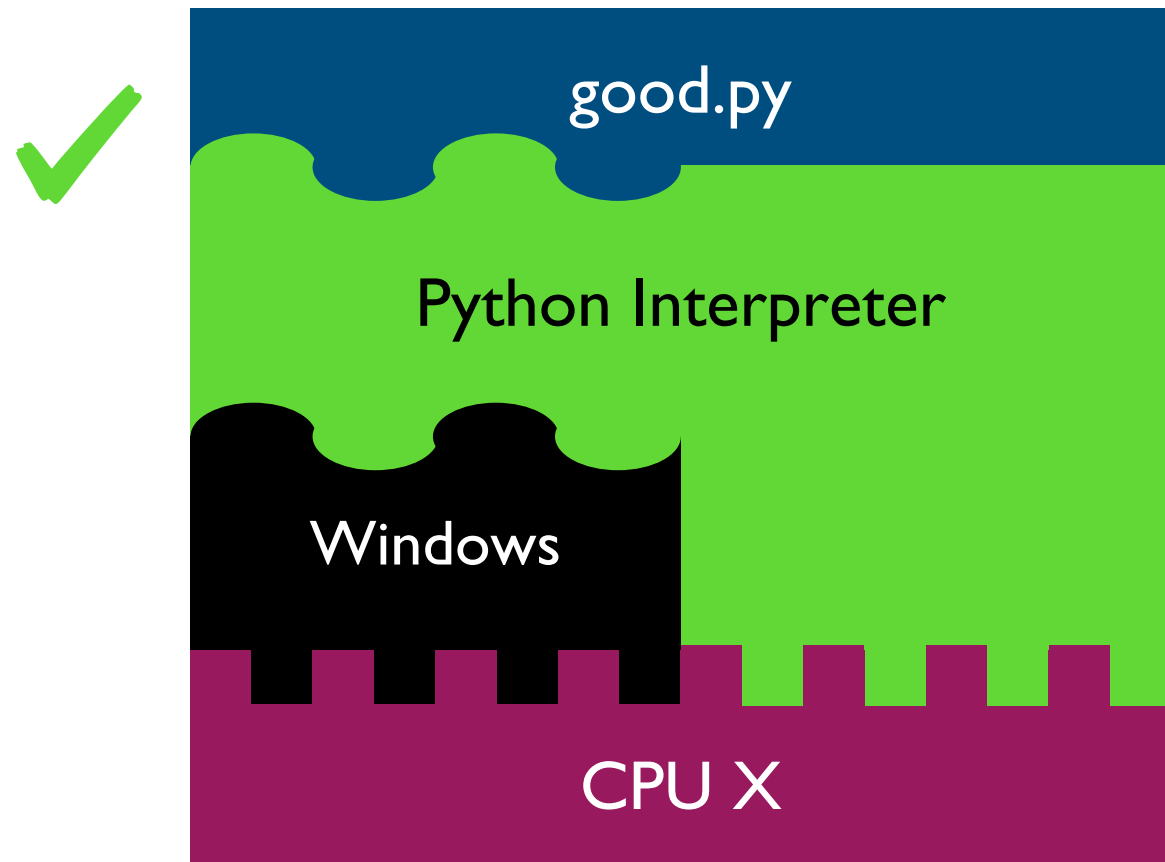


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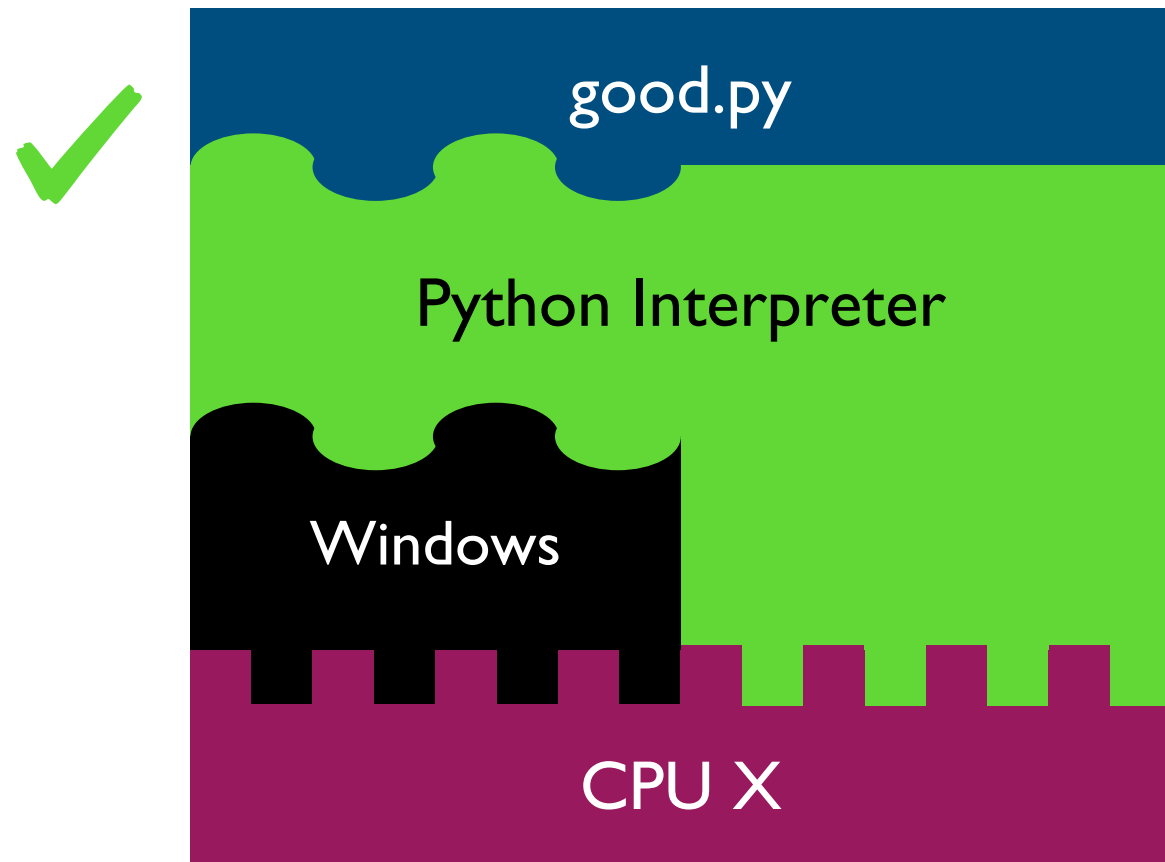


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solution 1:

```
f = open(os.path.join("data", "file.txt"))  
...
```

solution 2:

tell anybody reproducing your results to use the same OS!

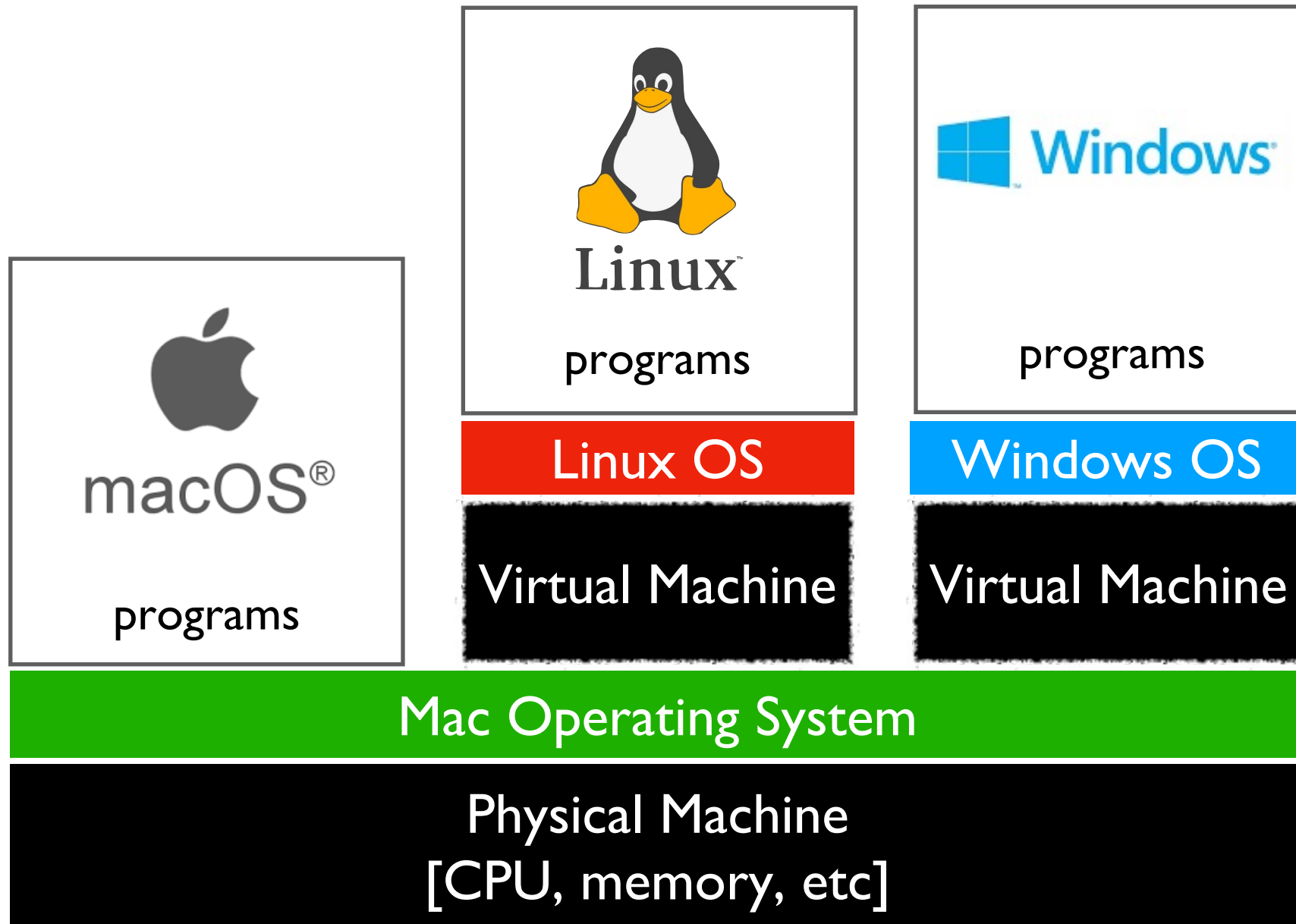
tradeoffs?

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VMs (Virtual Machines)

popular virtual
machine software



With the right virtual machines created and operating systems installed, you could run programs for Mac, Linux, and Windows -- at the same time without rebooting!

The Cloud

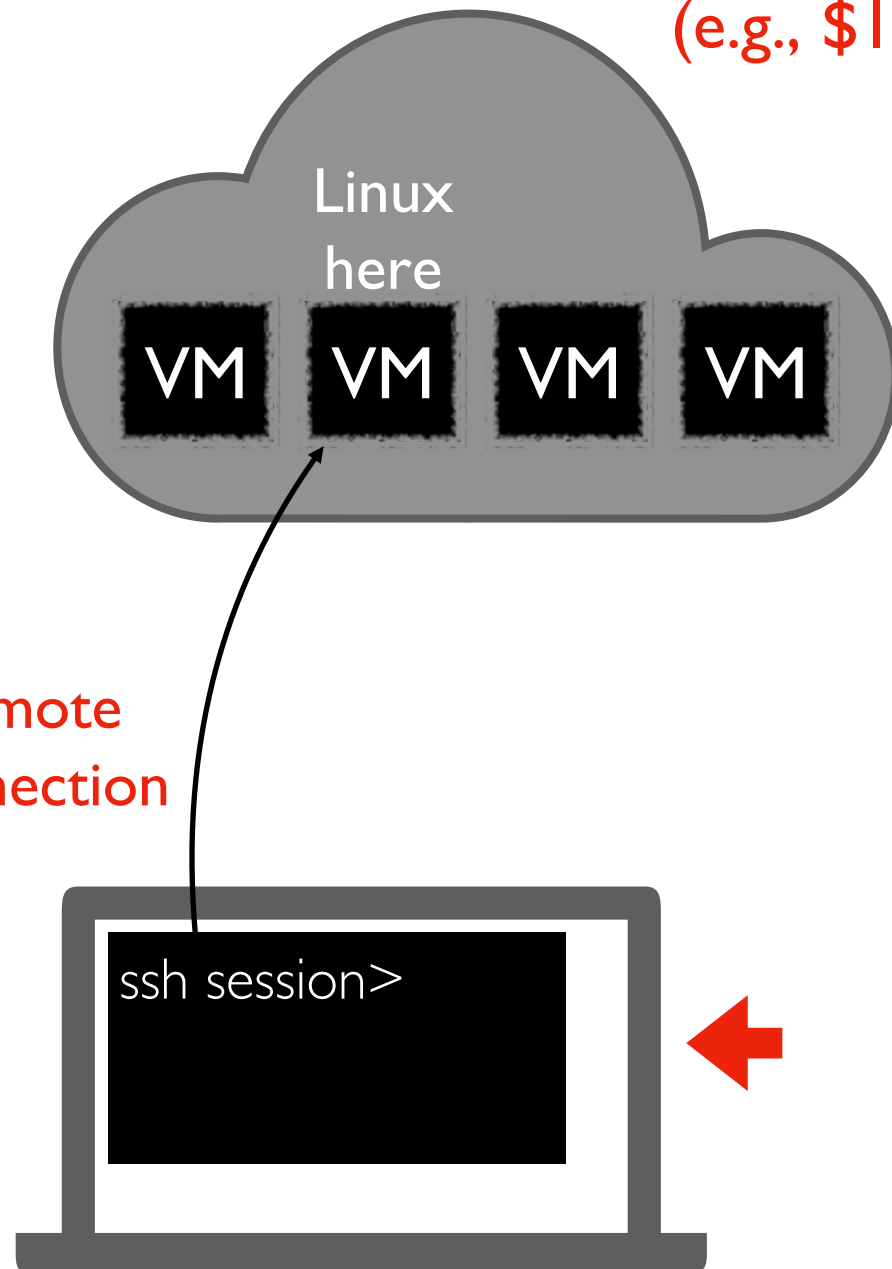
cloud providers let you rent VMs
in the cloud on hourly basis
(e.g., \$15 / month)

popular cloud providers



Google Cloud Platform

we'll use GCP virtual
machines this semester
[setup in lab]



Windows, Mac,
whatever

`ssh user@best-linux.cs.wisc.edu`

run in
PowerShell/bash to
access CS lab

Lecture Recap: Reproducibility

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← today: versioning

Recap of 15 new terms

reproducibility: others can run our analysis code and get same results

process: a running program

byte: integer between 0 and 255

address space: a big "list" of bytes, per process, for all state

address: index in the big list

encoding: pairing of ~~letters~~ characters with numeric codes

CPU: chip that executes instructions, tracks position in code

instruction set: pairing of CPU instructions/ops with numeric codes

operating system: software that allocates+abstracts resources

resource: time on CPU, space in memory, space on SSD, etc

allocation: the giving of a resource to a process

abstraction: hiding inconvenient details with something easier to use

virtual machine: "fake" machine running on real physical machine

allows us to run additional operating systems

cloud: place where you can rent virtual machines and other services

ssh: secure shell -- tool that lets you remotely access another machine

[320] Version Control (git)

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Dependency Versions

program.py

```
import os, sys, json
import pandas

import pandas

print("Pandas Version:", pandas.__version__)

# code that uses pandas
```

this program "depends" on pandas



you can check a
module version



behavior depends on which release was installed

```
pip install pandas
```

or

```
pip install pandas==0.25.1
```

or

```
pip install pandas==0.24.0
```

or...

Versioning: motivation and basic concepts

Many tools auto-track history (e.g., Google Docs)

The screenshot shows a Google Docs document with a version history sidebar on the right. The document text is as follows:

I am so grateful that I get to write for a living. I also really, really, don't want to start writing right now.

That's more- or- less my constant mindset. When I manage to get started ~~I can~~ I get a lot done, but I rarely find myself in the mindset where I *want* to get started ~~on something that I know will take a lot of time or effort~~. This leads to me falling back into the ~~dopamine-rich~~dopamine-rich environment called "internet," where algorithmically designed distractions devour time until it's 5 o'clock and oh well I'll seize the day tomorrow.

You've been there. We've all been there. ~~There's a Thing you should be doing but for some reason just can't get started on. Maybe the Thing is setting up a website. Maybe the Thing is a coding project you've been putting off. Maybe the Thing is a book you've intended to write. Whatever the Thing is, you just can't get started. And it wouldn't happen if we could only get started. I can relate.~~

Which is why over time I've found ways to force the issue on myself. Here are a few tricks I, and a few of my co-workers, use to start doing a thing, even when we really, really don't want to do the ~~t~~Thing. ~~In other words, how to motivate yourself to start a task when you don't feel motivated.~~

~~## Use Your Calendar to Force You to Get Started~~~~Plan Your Day Around Doing The Thing~~

Every workday morning, after breakfast, I plan my day. I look at my to do list, my inbox, and my calendar, ~~and~~ then figure out how I'm going to use my unscheduled time in order to accomplish what needs accomplishing. I then allocate time for each task on my calendar.

This does two things. First: it forces me to see my time as a resource I have to allocate. Second, adding things to my calendar means notifications on my phone and computer throughout the day, reminding me of the intention I set for myself. It's amazing how that ~~reminder~~little bit of ~~accountability~~ can keep me motivated. The calendar helps you make the most of the time you have available each day. From author Marc Levy, *[If Only It Were True]*(<https://www.amazon.com/Only-Were-True-Marc-Levy/dp/0743276841>):

The version history sidebar on the right shows the following entries:

- Version history
- Only show named versions (toggle)
- THIS MONTH
- March 4, 9:10 PM (Melanie Pinola)
- March 4, 6:35 AM (Justin Pot)
- March 2, 7:45 AM (Melanie Pinola)
- March 1, 3:07 PM (Melanie Pinola, Justin Pot)
- March 1, 10:55 AM (Justin Pot)
- FEBRUARY
- February 28, 3:35 PM (Justin Pot)
- February 28, 12:54 PM (Justin Pot)
- February 28, 11:53 AM (Melanie Pinola, Justin Pot)

Annotations in red text and arrows point to specific changes in the document:

- what changed** points to the text "on something that I know will take a lot of time or effort".
- when it changed** points to the version history entry "March 4, 6:35 AM".
- who changed it** points to the version history entry "March 2, 7:45 AM".

Version Control Systems (VCS)

Useful for many kinds of projects

- code, papers, websites, etc
- manages all files for same project (maybe thousands) in a repository

Explicit snapshots/checkpoints, called **commits**

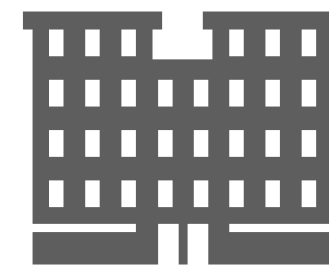
- users **manually** run commands to preserve good versions

Explicit **commit messages**

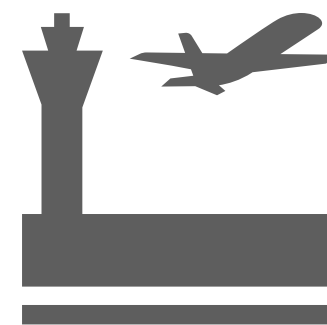
- who, what, when, **why**

Work can **branch** out and be **merged** back

- people can work offline
- can get feedback before merging
- humans need to resolve **conflicts** when versions being merged are too different



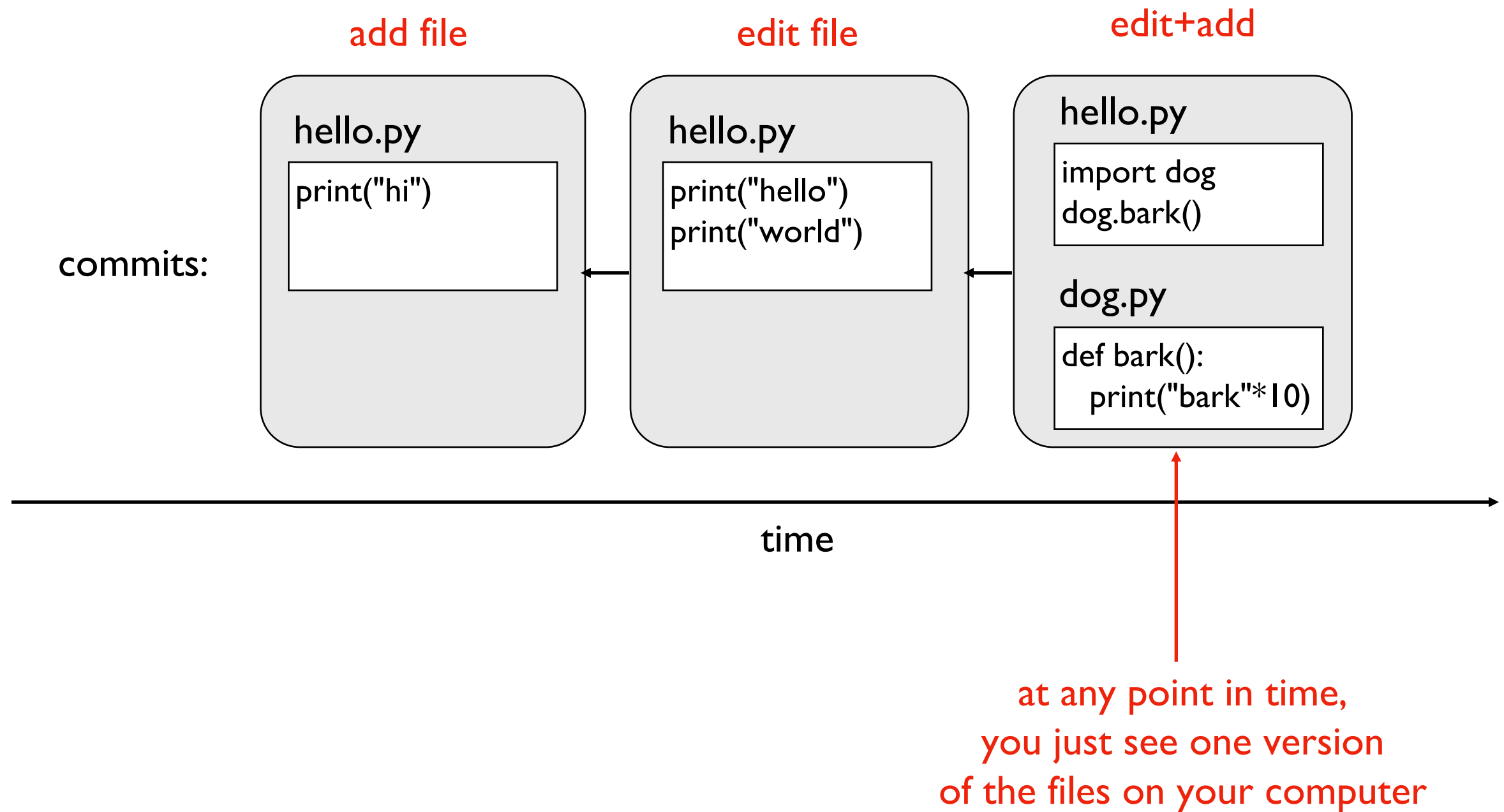
partner A working
on `hw.py` at school



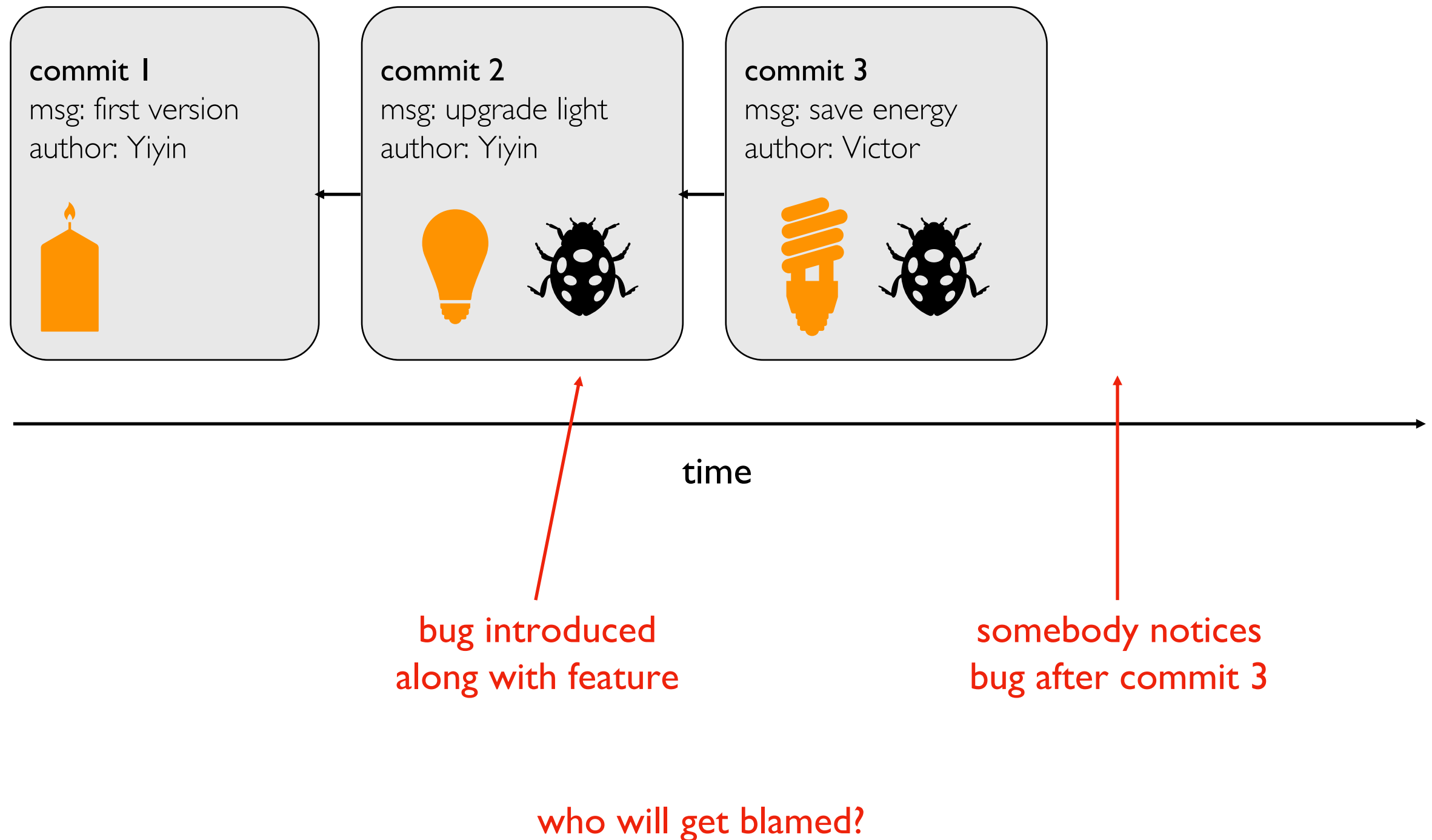
partner B also
working on `hw.py`,
without wifi

what happens when the plane lands?

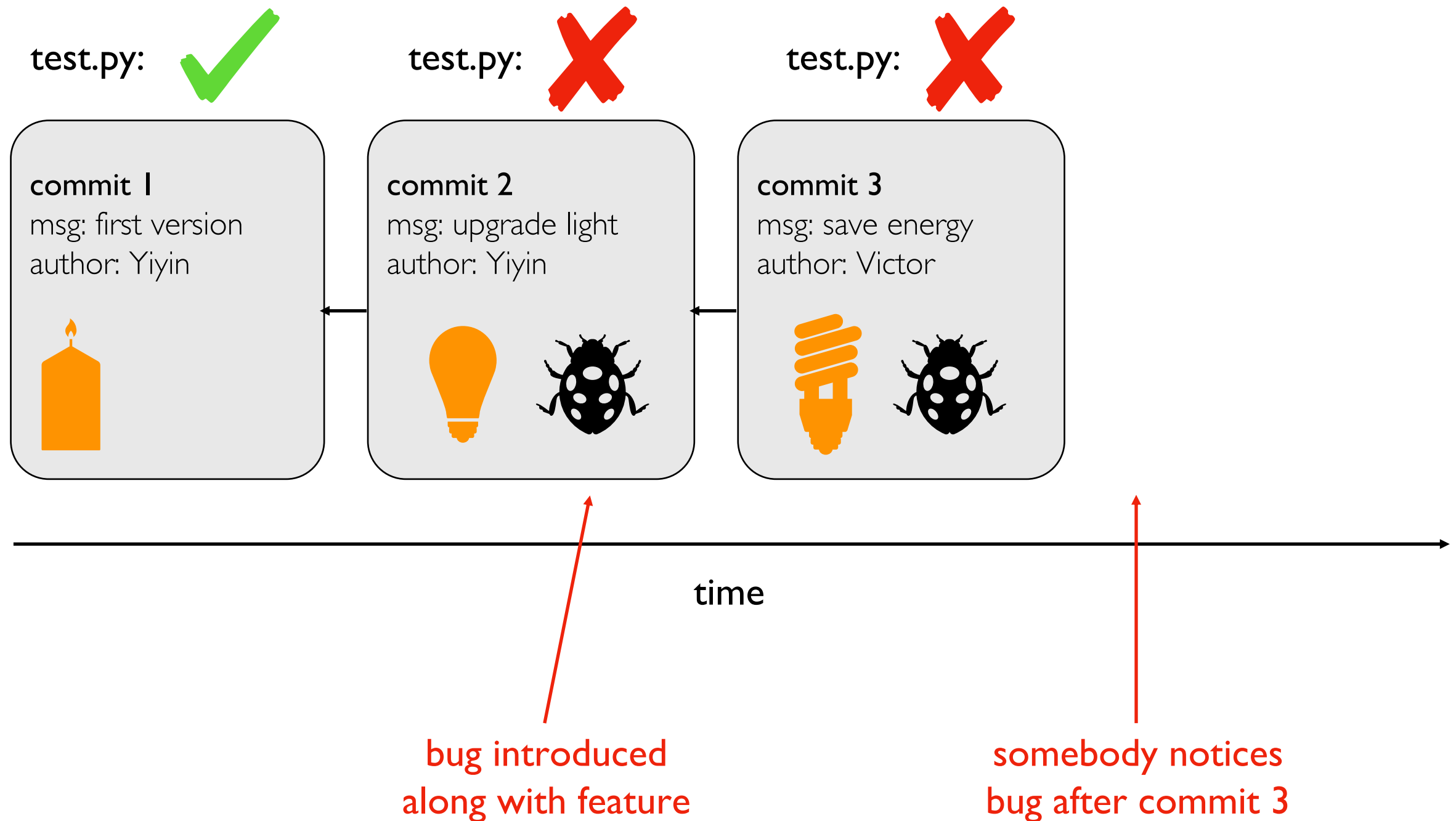
Example



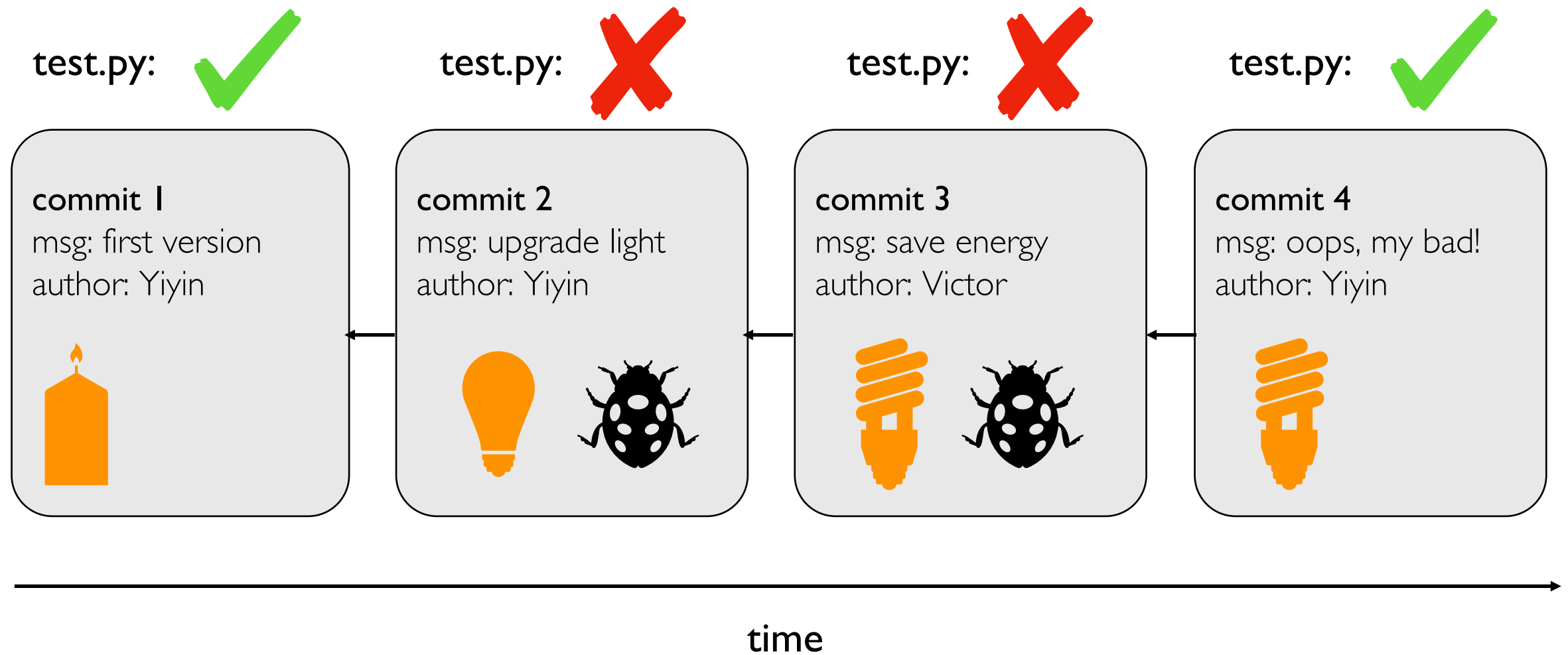
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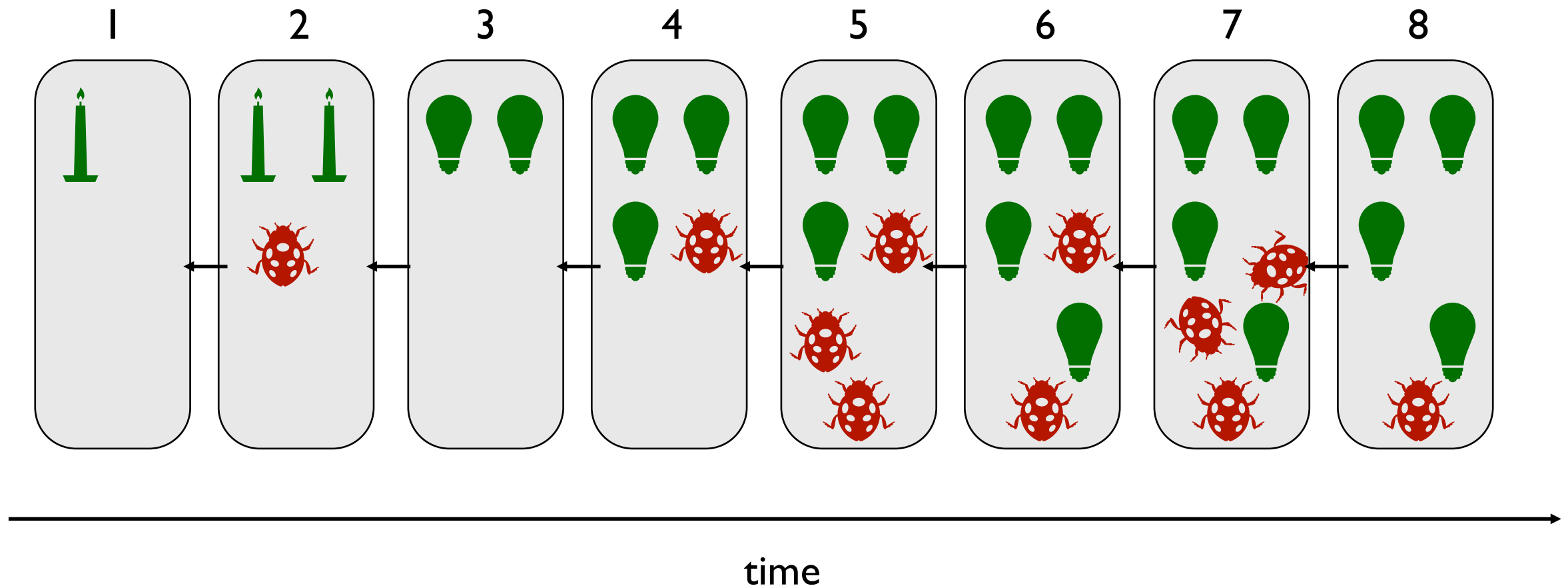
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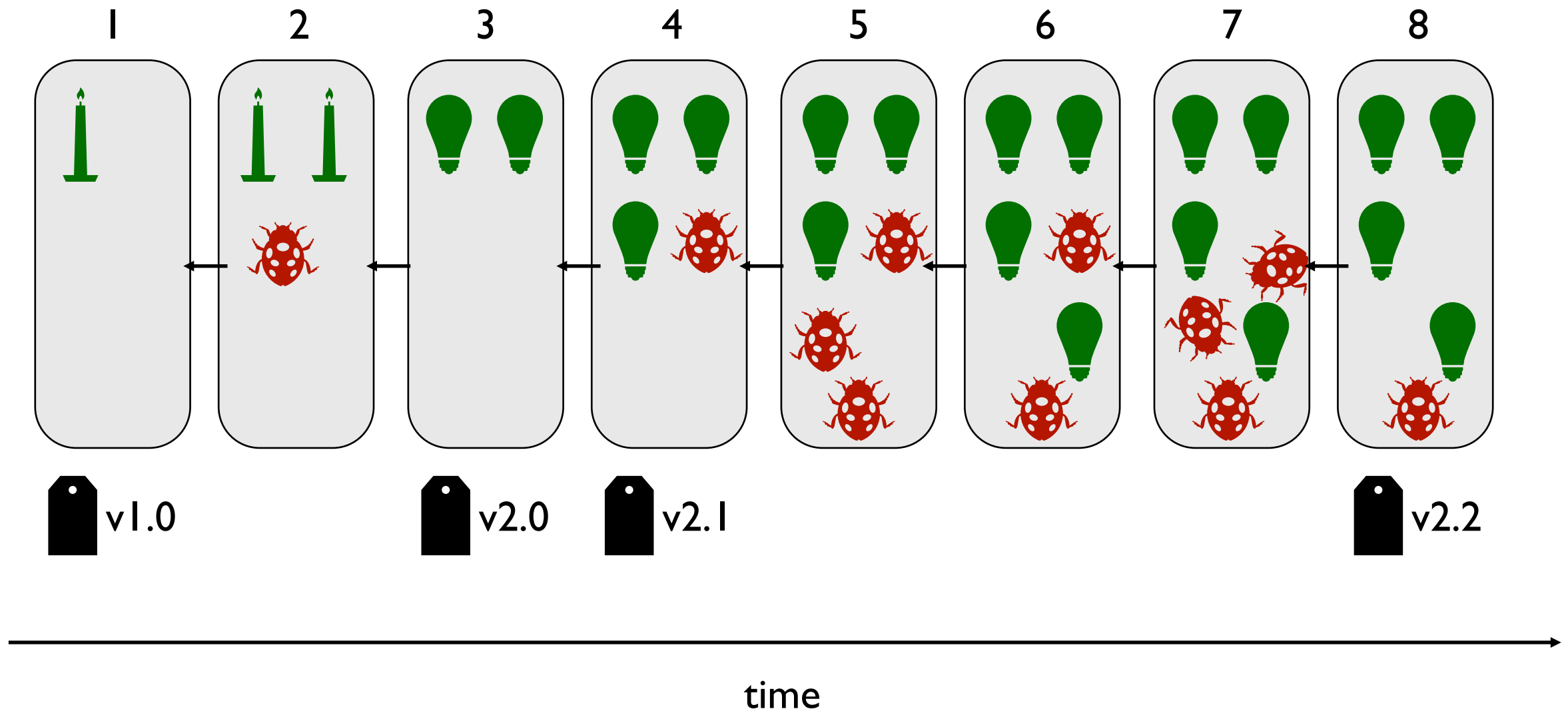


Use case 2: versioned releases



which version would you use?

Use case 2: versioned releases

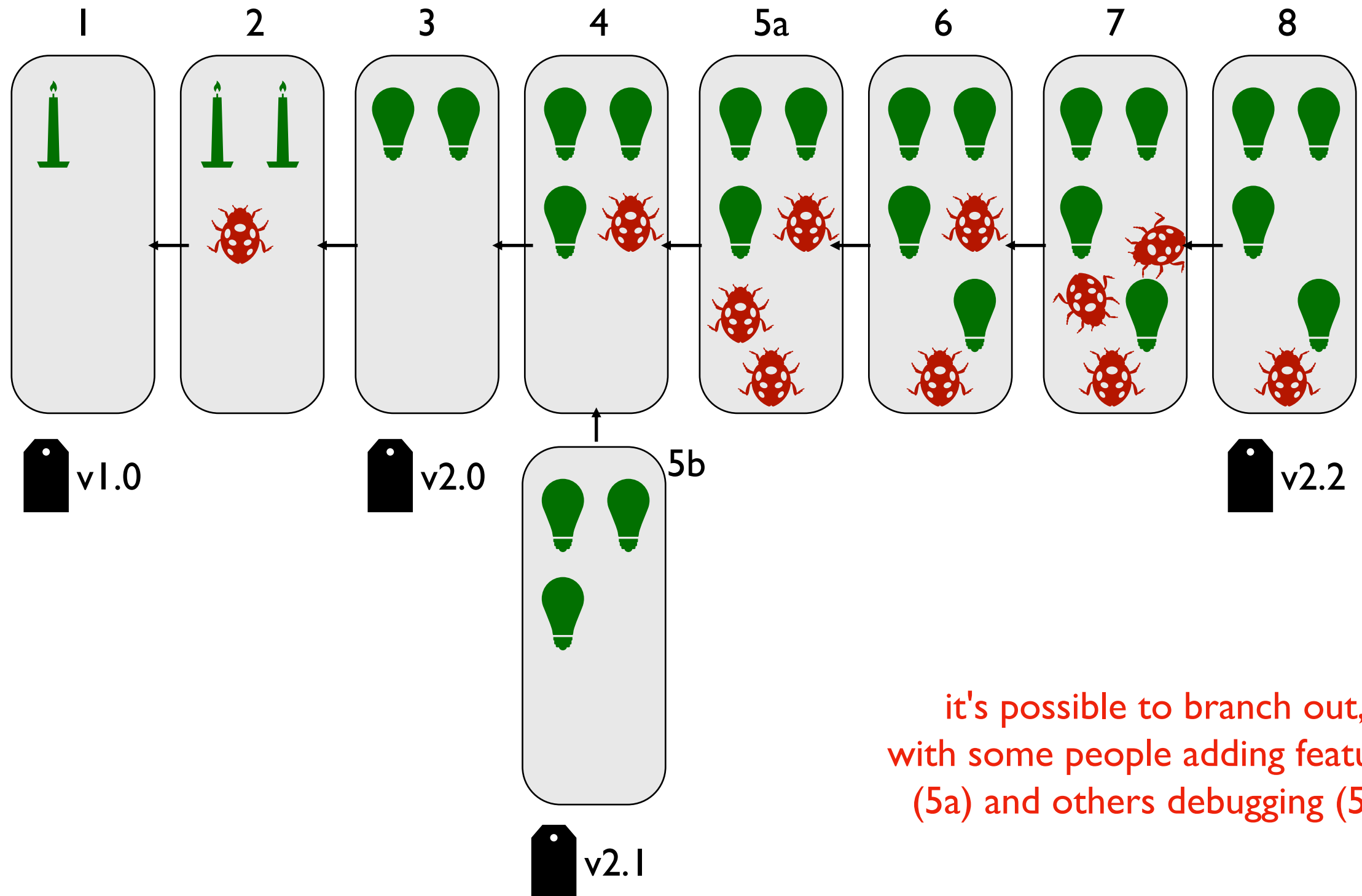


tag "good" commits to create releases

<https://pypi.org/project/pandas/#history>

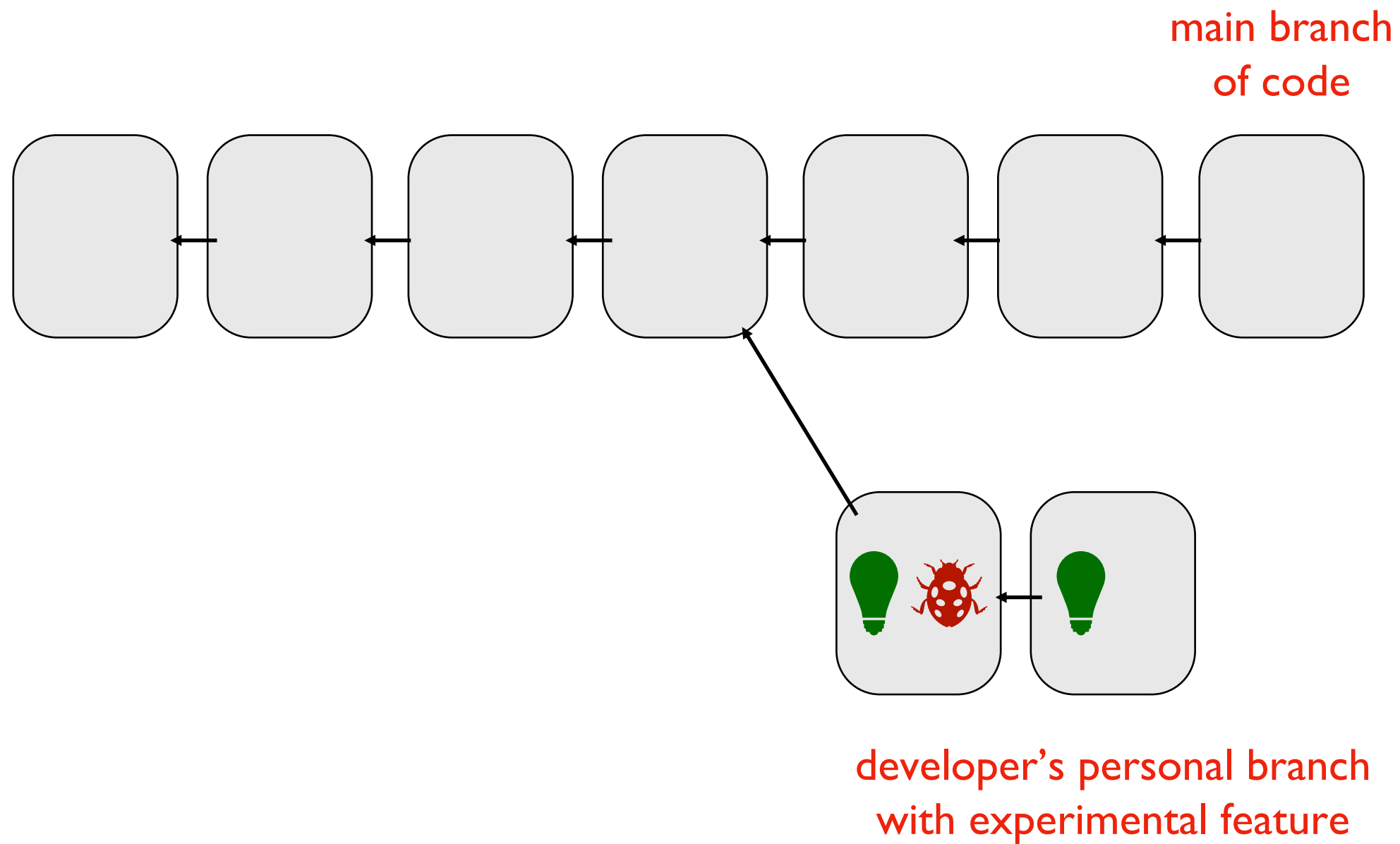
<https://github.com/pandas-dev/pandas/releases>

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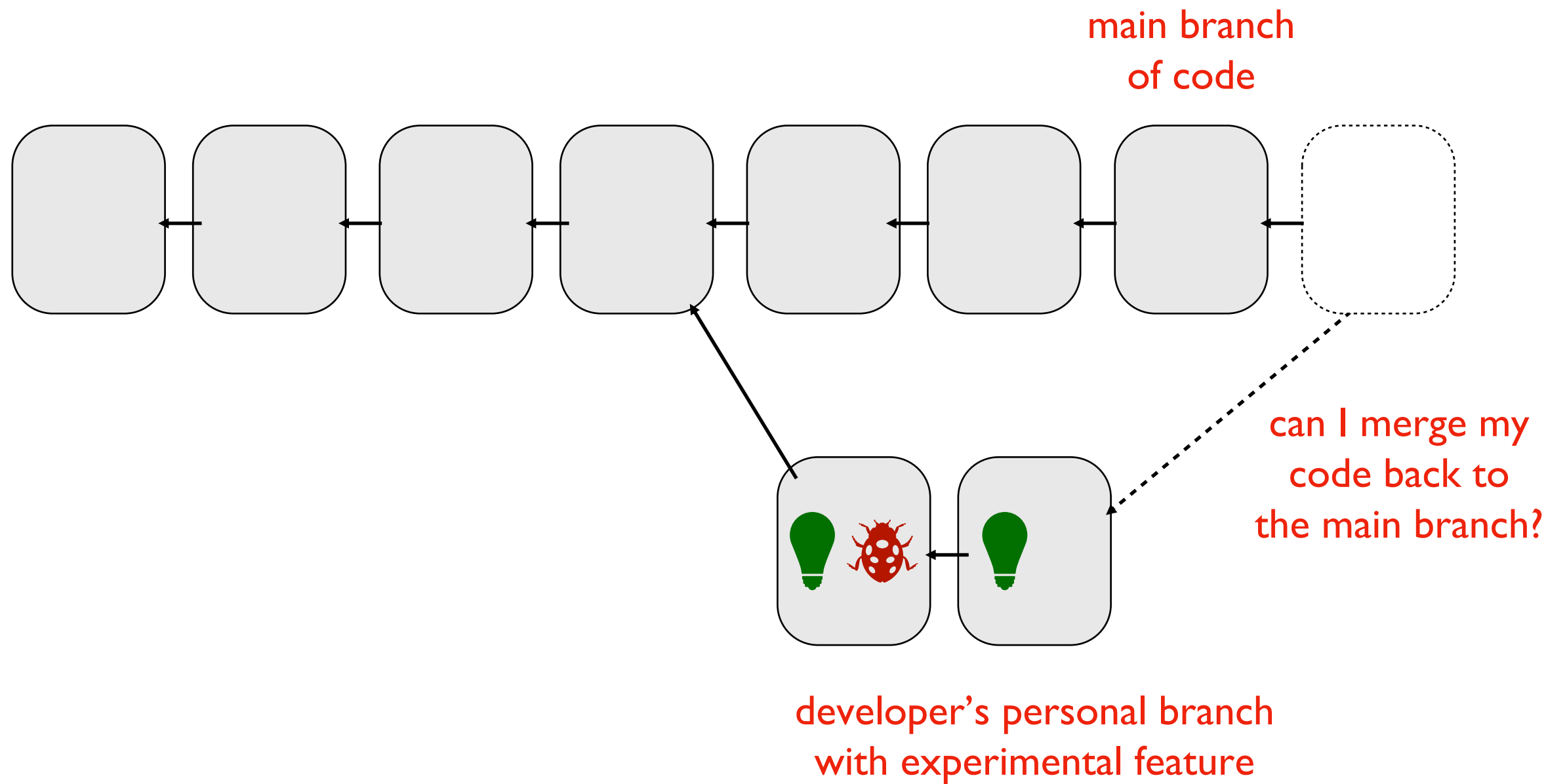


it's possible to branch out,
with some people adding features
(5a) and others debugging (5b)

Use case 3: feedback



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git

Version Control System Tools

tools

svn

git

Mercurial

TeamFoundation

git providers

GitLab

BitBucket

GitHub: signup for a free account for next weeks lab

- **do** choose a name that won't embarrass you on a resume
- **do not** post course work



Linus Torvalds
developed git to manage
Linux as a
BitKeeper replacement

Git Demos

<https://github.com/yiyins2/CS320-SU23/tree/main>

Connect to VM:

- Mac: terminal; Windows: powershell
- `ssh username@computer`: connect to a VM via SSH

Shortcuts:

- `^D` exit connection
- `^C` terminate the current command
- `^R` search history

- `pwd` display current working directory
- `cd` go down a directory
- `cd ..` go up a directory
- `ls` list all files in the directory
- `cat` display the files

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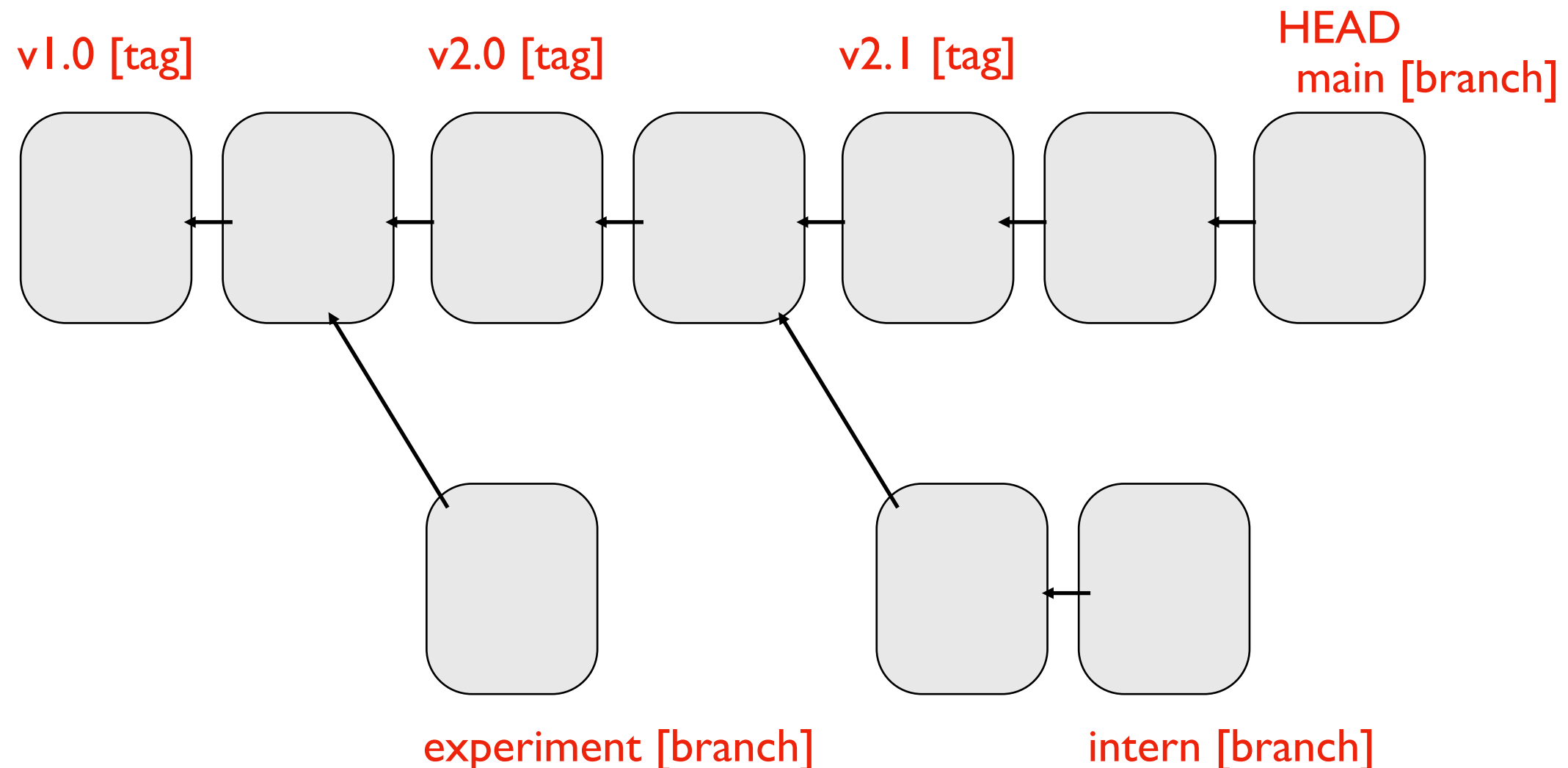
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Git Commands:

- `git clone`: retrieve an entire repository from a hosted location via URL
- `git log`: show all commits in the current branch's history
- `git status`: show modified files in working directory, staged for your next commit
- `git pull`: fetch and merge any commits from the tracking remote branch
- `git add`: add a file as it looks now to your next commit (stage)
- `git commit`: commit your staged content as a new commit snapshot
- `git push`: transmit local branch commits to the remote repository branch
- `git branch`: list your branches. a * will appear next to the currently active branch
- `git checkout`: switch to another branch and check it out into your working directory

HEAD, Branches, and Tags

Remembering commit numbers is a pain! Various kinds of labels can serve as easy-to-remember aliases



HEAD: wherever you currently are (only one of these)

tag: label tied to a specific commit number

branch: label tied to end of chain (moves upon new commits)