

Git exercises

1. Configure Git for use on your computer:

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git config --global user.name "First Last"
git config --global user.email my@email.com
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In windows, use the Git Bash command line instead of the usual windows command line.

2. Create an empty folder somewhere on your computer. Call it `testproject`. Go to that folder in the command line. Create a new git repository within that folder using `git init`. See if you can locate the hidden `.git` folder that was just created (try `ls -al`).
3. Check the status of the repo with `git status`. Now create an empty text file named `test.py` (try `touch test.py`). Use `ls -al` to check that it's there. Now check the `git status` again. What do you notice?
4. Mark/stage the new `test.py` file as ready for committing: `git add test.py`. How has `git status` changed? Now commit the new file to the repository with `git commit -m "Add test.py"`. How has `git status` changed?
5. Now there should be one commit in the log. Have a look using `git log`.
6. Open the file, add a line that prints a message 10 times. Test the script by launching IPython or Jupyter in the same folder and typing `run -i test.py`. What's the `git status`? Have a look at the changes in more detail with `git diff`. Now stage and commit this change as above, but with a different commit message. Check `git status` again!
7. Write a new function for printing messages a given number of times. It should take two arguments: the string to print, and the number of times to print it. Put this function in a new file called `mylib.py`. Then change your `test.py` script to import that function, and then call the function to get the same output as before. Test it. Check your changes with `git status` and `git diff`, stage them, and commit them.