

Version control & RMarkdown

EcoDataSci-TLV

2018-11-27

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To follow along, you should have:

- a GitHub account - [create one now](#) if you don't have one already!
- git installed and connected to RStudio (detailed installation instructions [here](#))

Ask questions and share resources on the [EcoDataSci-TLV Slack](#)

This presentation is based on:

<http://ohi-science.org/data-science-training/github.html>

& <https://nceas.github.io/training-git-intro/getting-started-with-git-rstudio.html>

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FINAL.doc!



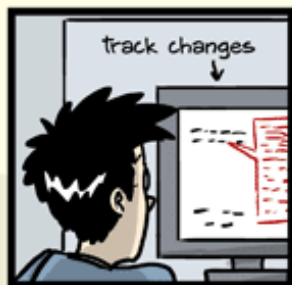
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Git enables time travel & alternate realities!



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git is not

- a full backup
- meant for data, images, etc

git works best with *text-based* files!



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You get unlimited private GitHub repositories for *free* (normally \$7/month) while you are a student! Sign up [here](#).

debugging the species for 2016... I think it's actually OK...

Browse files

master

committed a day ago

1 parent 7a8bc55 commit b21fe2946589b4b2ed7351bc68c154651aab7953

Showing 88 changed files with 2,432,873 additions and 426,265 deletions.

Unified Split

Sorry, we could not display the entire diff because it was too big.

77 globalprep/spp_ico/v2016/data_prep_SPP.Rmd






<> View

```
@@ -22,18 +22,18 @@ library(foreign)
22 22 library(data.table)
23 23 library(sp)
24 24 library(rgdal)
25 -library(raster)
26 -library(maptools)
25 +library(raster)
26 +library(maptools)
27 27 library(readr)
28 28
29 29 source('~/.github/ohiprep/src/R/common.R')
30 30
31 31 goal <- 'globalprep/spp_ico'
32 32 scenario <- 'v2016'
33 33 dir_anx <- file.path(dir_M, 'git-annex', goal)
34 -dir_data_am <- file.path(dir_M, 'git-annex/globalprep/_raw_data', 'aquamaps', str_replace(scenario, 'v', 'd'))
35 -dir_data_iucn <- file.path(dir_M, 'git-annex/globalprep/_raw_data', 'iucn_spp')
36 -dir_data_bird <- file.path(dir_M, 'git-annex/globalprep/_raw_data', 'birdlife_intl')
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37 37 dir_git <- file.path('~/.github/ohiprep', goal)
38 38
39 39 source(file.path(dir_git, scenario, 'spp_fxn.R'))
```

Code in red was deleted

Code in green was added

GitHub terminology

- **repository** or repo - project/folder 
- **local** - files stored on your computer   
- **remote** - files on github.com 

GitHub: let's get oriented!



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Branches
Alternate timelines

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Get a local copy

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Files/folders

Commit messages

Commit dates

Let's create a repo from scratch...

(choose a unique name!)




- don't use special characters
- name it something_meaningful and not too-long
- note for advanced users: R packages cannot take underscores or dashes

Create a new repository

A repository contains all the files for your project, including the revision history.

Owner

 nazrug ▾

Repository name

Quickstart ✓

Great repository names are short and memorable. Need inspiration? How about **literate-octo-journey**.

Description (optional)

How to get started on Github (as a scientist)

☒  **Public**

Anyone can see this repository. You choose who can commit.

☐  **Private**

You choose who can see and commit to this repository.

☒ **Initialize this repository with a README**

This will let you immediately clone the repository to your computer. Skip this step if you're importing an existing repository.

Add .gitignore: **None** ▾

Add a license: **None** ▾ ⓘ

Create repository

1. A simple name
for the repository

2. A description

3. Public or private
(private available with
paid or education)

4. Select this

5. I ignore these

6. Click here!

Alternative workflow

If you want to work off of an existing repository on GitHub...

1. **Fork a repo** = make a copy of the repo on your account
2. **Make a branch** = start an alternate timeline
3. **Make a change**
4. **Examine the differences**

It's good practice to keep your "master" branch clean so that you can keep it synchronized with the original repository

Let's connect to RStudio!

clone github - Google x nazrug/Quickstart: H x

GitHub, Inc. [US] <https://github.com/nazrug/Quickstart>

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How to get started on Github (as a scientist) — Edit

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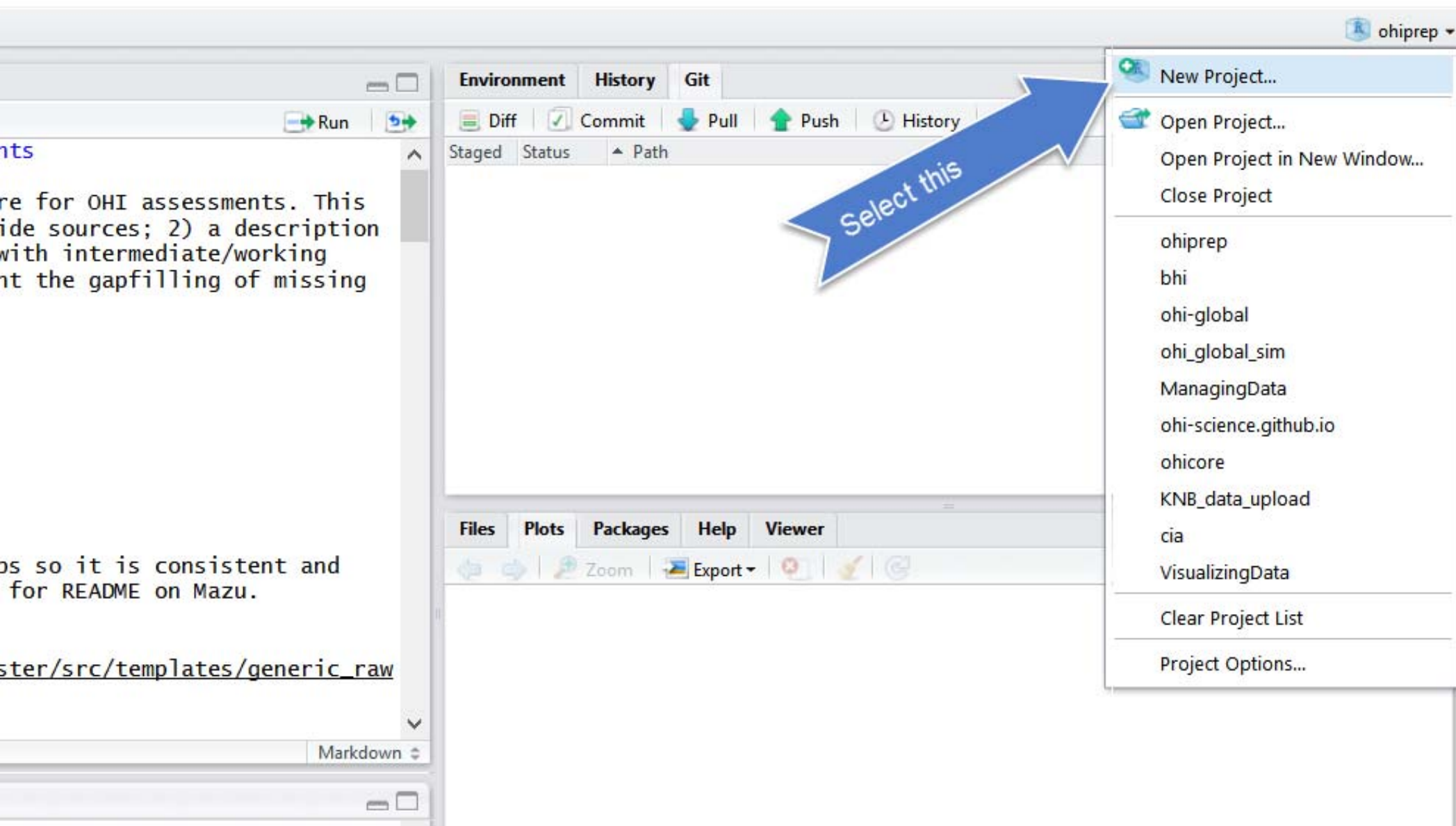
Branch: master ▾ New pull request New file Upload files Find file HTTPS ▾ <https://github.com/nazrug> 📄

 Melsteroni Initial commit Latest commit

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Quickstart



New Project

Create Project



New Directory

Start a project in a brand new working directory



Existing Directory

Associate a project with an existing directory



Version Control

Checkout a project from a version control repository



Select this

Cancel

New Project

Back

Create Project from Version Control



Git

Clone a project from a Git repository



Subversion

Checkout a project from a Subversion repository



Cancel

Select this



New Project

Back

Clone Git Repository



Repository URL:

`https://github.com/nazrug/Quickstart`

Project directory name:

Quickstart

Create project as subdirectory of:

`C:/Users/Melanie/Github`

Paste repository name here (the rest should auto-fill). Then select "Create Project" below.

Browse...

☐ Open in new window

Create Project

Cancel



Inspect your repository

~/github/my-repo - gh-pages - RStudio

my-repo

~/github/my-repo/

R version 3.4.1 (2017-06-30) -- "Single Candle"
Copyright (C) 2017 The R Foundation for Statistical Computing
Platform: x86_64-apple-darwin15.6.0 (64-bit)

R is free software and comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY.
You are welcome to redistribute it under certain conditions.
Type 'license()' or 'licence()' for distribution details.

Natural language support but running in an English locale

R is a collaborative project with many contributors.
Type 'contributors()' for more information and
'citation()' on how to cite R or R packages in publications.

Type 'demo()' for some demos, 'help()' for on-line help, or
'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.

> |

Environment History Connections Git

Diff Commit

Staged Status Path

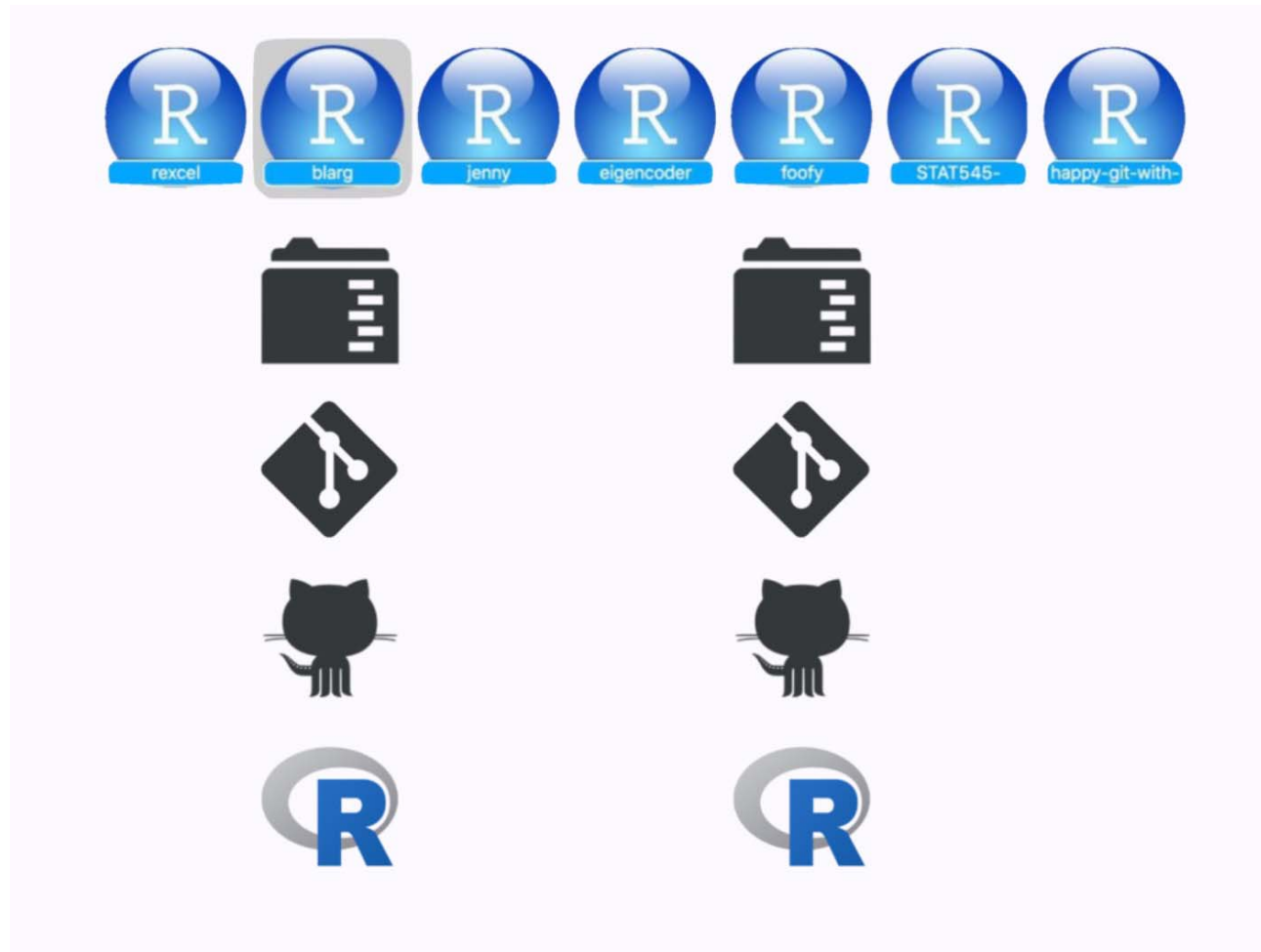
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New Folder Delete Rename More

Home > github > my-repo

	Name	Size	Modified
	..		
	.gitignore	40 B	Jul 13, 2016, 6
	.Rhistory	2.4 KB	Jul 15, 2016, 2
	ggplot_intro.html	1.4 MB	Jul 15, 2016, 2
	ggplot_intro.rmd	2 KB	Jul 15, 2016, 2
	my-repo.Rproj	205 B	Nov 19, 2017,
	README.md	475 B	Jul 13, 2016, 8
	rmarkdown.html	774.9 KB	Jul 13, 2016, 6
	rmarkdown.rmd	913 B	Jul 13, 2016, 6

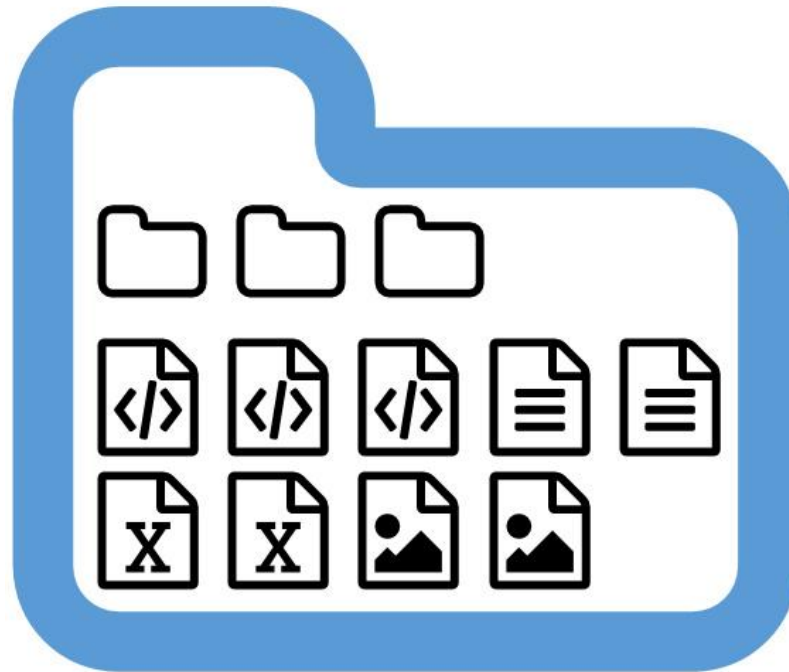
You now have a GitHub PROJECT!



<https://speakerdeck.com/jennybc/workflow-you-should-have-one>

What's the deal with projects?

Each project is a self-contained set of files. Projects make it **easy to transfer** files to another computer because its **boundaries are clearly defined**



Use relative paths inside projects

- looks cleaner
- works for other people/computers

```
read.csv("data/eilat_survey_2017.csv")  
#rather than  
read.csv("C:/חזי/phd/thesis/reef_surveys/data/eilat_survey_2017.csv")
```

You never have to use `setwd()` again!

RMarkdown Demo & Exercise

Resources

RMarkdown cheatsheet

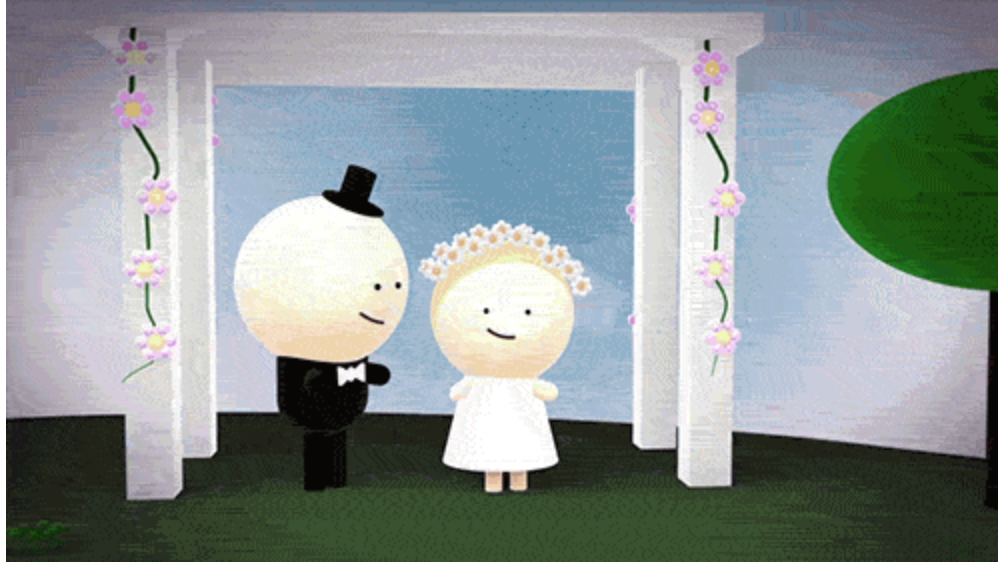
RMarkdown: the Definitive Guide

Basic git flow ~ life cycle of a relationship

First, you **pull** them in



Then, you **stage & commit**



Finally, you **push** out babies



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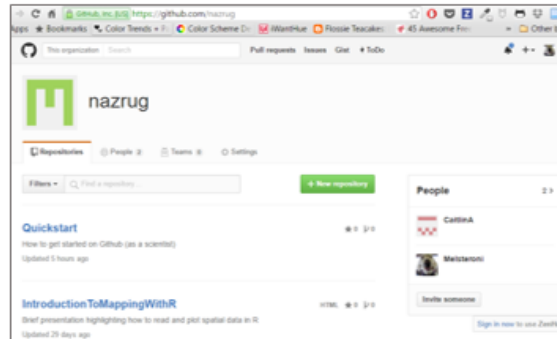


(or **push** them away...)



REMOTE

(aka Github website)



Clone (i.e., copy)
repository to your
computer (a one
time event)

Pull remote
changes

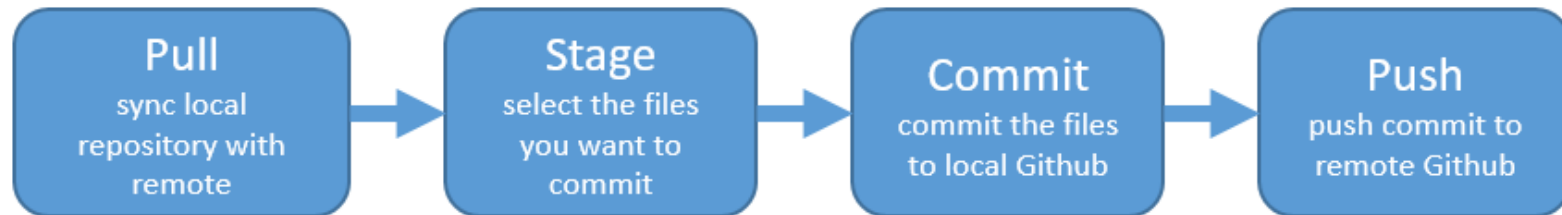
Push local
changes



LOCAL

(aka your computer)

Sync from RStudio to GitHub



Version Control with Git or SVN

Turn on at **Tools > Project Options > Git/SVN**

The screenshot shows the RStudio Git interface with the following annotations:

- Stage files:** Points to the "Stage" button (green plus icon) in the Git toolbar.
- Show file diff**: Points to the "Diff" button (green checkmark icon) in the Git toolbar.
- Commit staged files**: Points to the "Commit" button (green checkmark icon) in the Git toolbar.
- Push/Pull to remote**: Points to the "Push/Pull" button (blue up/down arrow icon) in the Git toolbar.
- View History**: Points to the "History" button (clock icon) in the Git toolbar.
- Open shell to type commands**: Points to the "Shell..." option in the context menu.
- current branch**: Points to the "master" branch dropdown in the Git toolbar.

Legend for file status:

- A** Added
- D** Deleted
- M** Modified
- R** Renamed
- ?** Untracked

The screenshot also shows the "Environment" tab with a file named "file-with-changes.R" and a context menu with options: "Revert...", "Ignore...", and "Shell...".

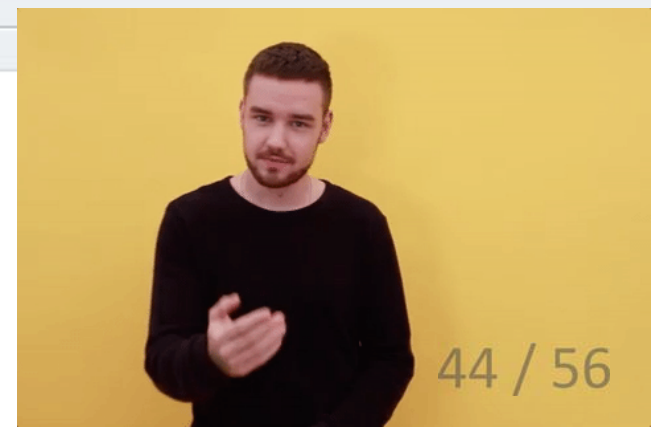
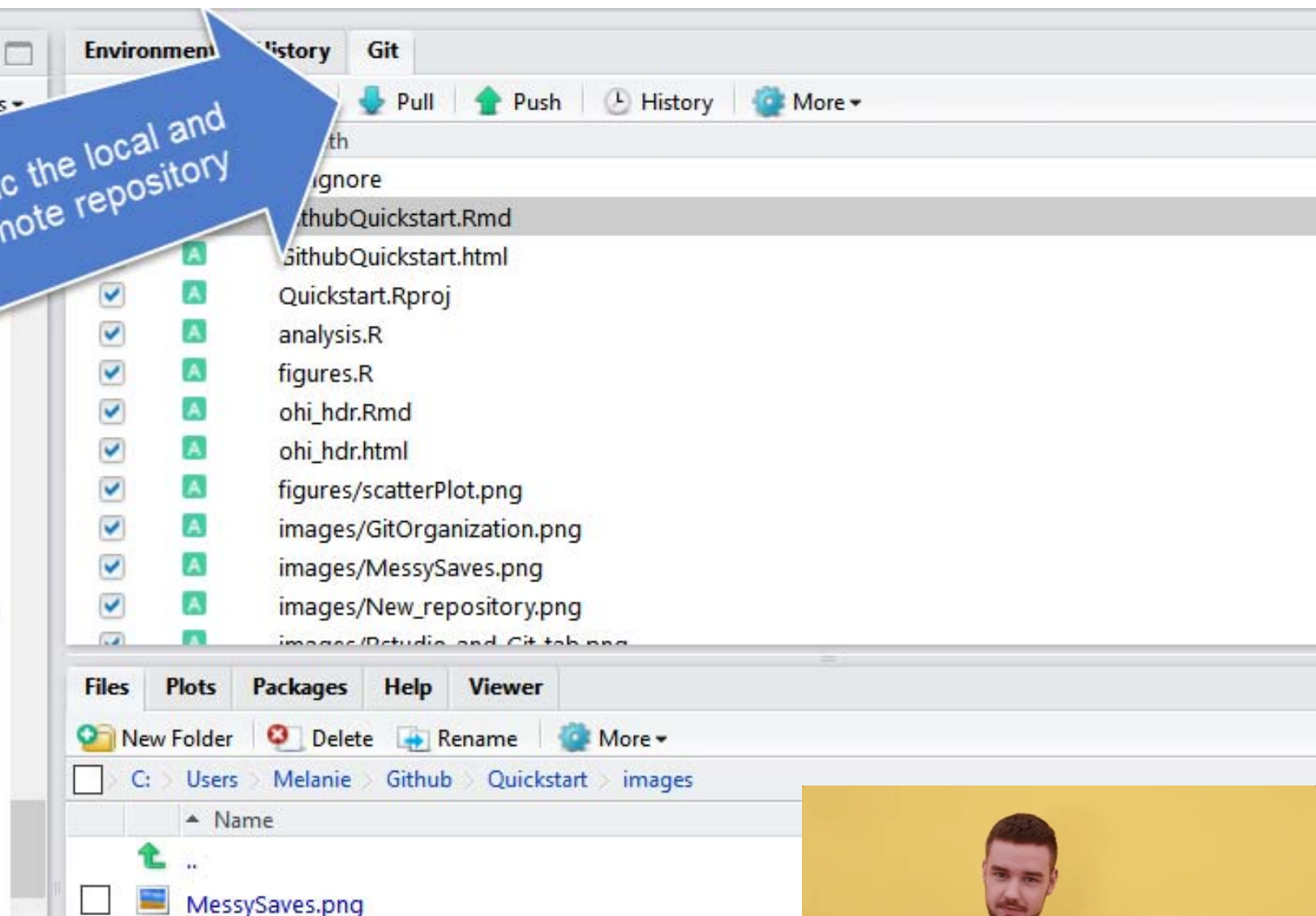
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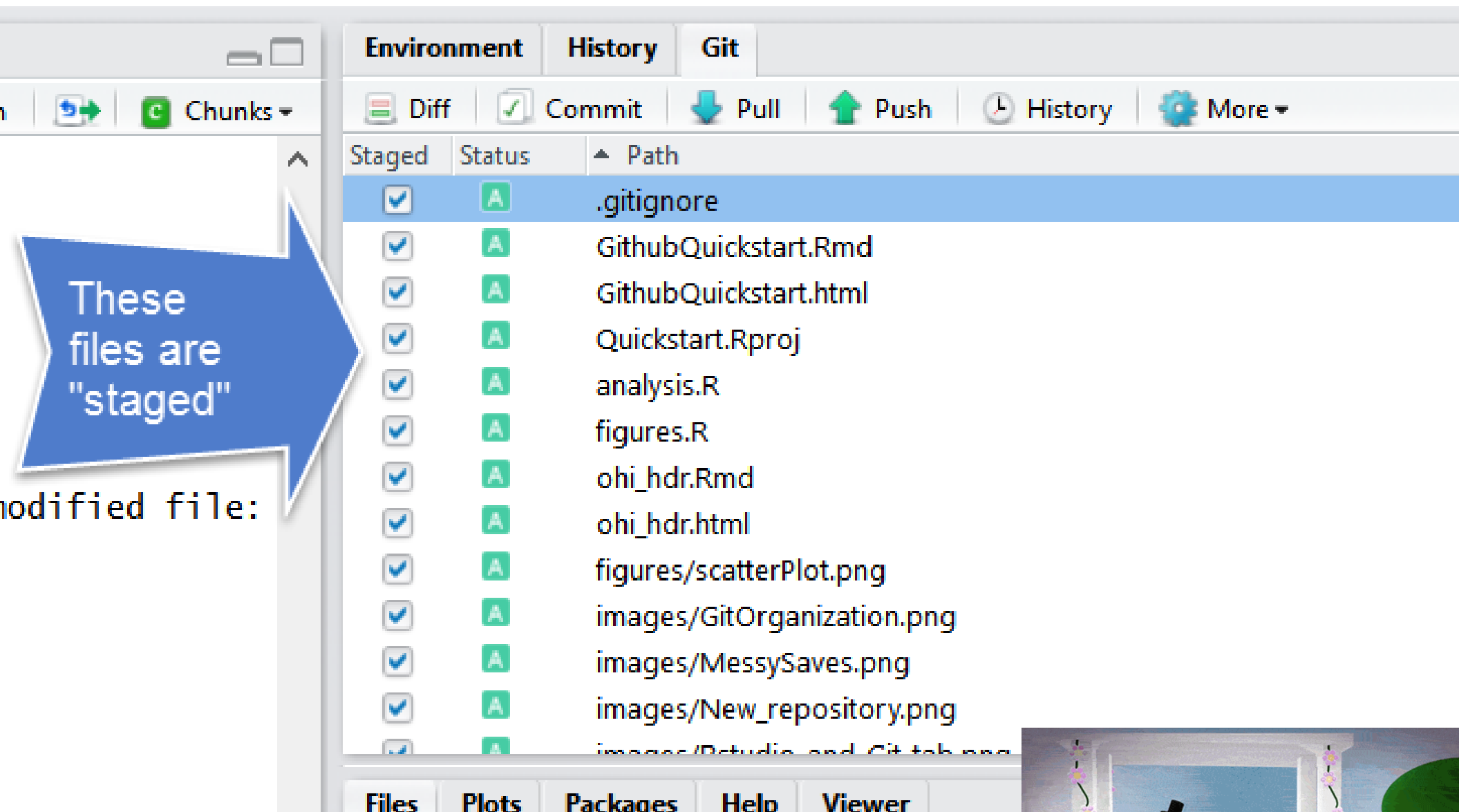
boxes:

Sync the local and remote repository



These files are "staged"

modified file:



Staged	Status	Path
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	.gitignore
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	GithubQuickstart.Rmd
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	GithubQuickstart.html
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	Quickstart.Rproj
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	analysis.R
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	figures.R
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	ohi_hdr.Rmd
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	ohi_hdr.html
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	figures/scatterPlot.png
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	images/GitOrganization.png
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	images/MessySaves.png
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	images/New_repository.png
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	images/Rstudio_and_Git_tab.png

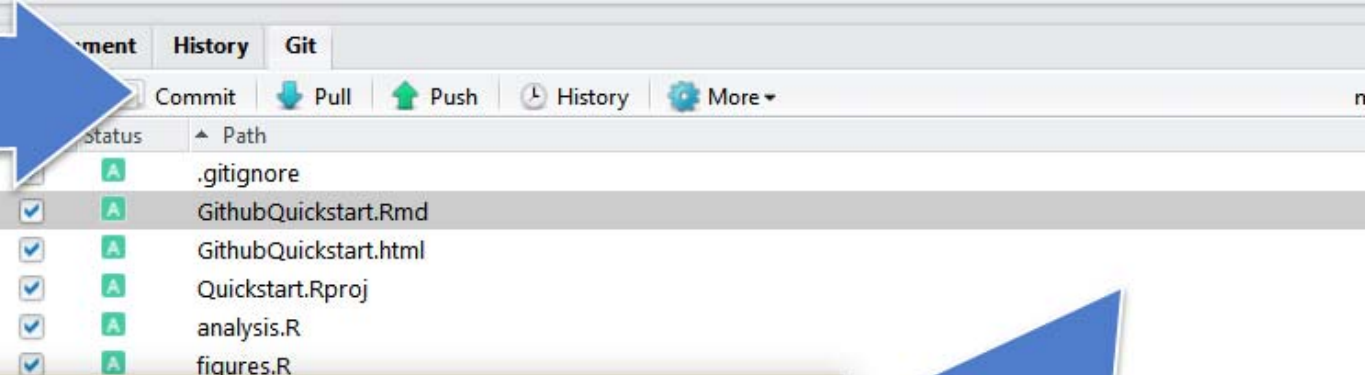
Environment History Git

Diff Commit Pull Push History More

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1. On Git tab select "Commit"



3. Add a commit description

Commit message
Adding documents to Quickstart repo

4. Click the "Commit" button

2. Can select files and see changes

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	figures.R
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	ohi_hdr.Rmd
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	ohi_hdr.html
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A	figures/scatterPlot.png

☐ Amend previous commit

Commit

Unstage All

Unstage chunk

```
1 ---
2 title: "Github Quickstart for Scientists (e.g., not social coders)"
3 author: "*Compiled on `r date()` by `r Sys.info()['user']`*"
4 output:
5   html_document:
6     toc: true
7     number_sections: true
8     theme: cerulean
9     highlight: haddock
10    includes:
11      in_header: ohi_hdr.html
12  pdf_document:
13    toc: true
14 ---
15
16 # What is Git/Github?
```

31 KB	May 1, 2016, 3:06
24.3 KB	May 1, 2016, 3:55
178.2 KB	May 1, 2016, 9:38
71.2 KB	May 1, 2016, 10:1
97.6 KB	May 1, 2016, 10:1
181.8 KB	May 1, 2016, 10:1
105.5 KB	May 1, 2016, 10:1
103.2 KB	May 1, 2016, 10:1
67.8 KB	May 1, 2016, 10:2



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Stage | Revert | Ignore

origin/master' by 1 commit.

commit.png
pull.png
staged.png

Refresh

Push

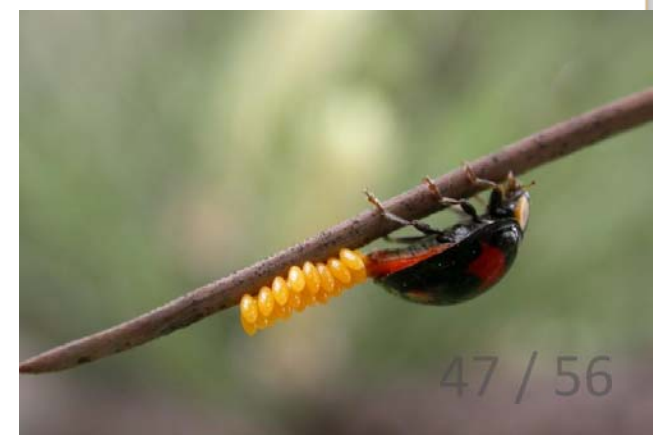
Commit message

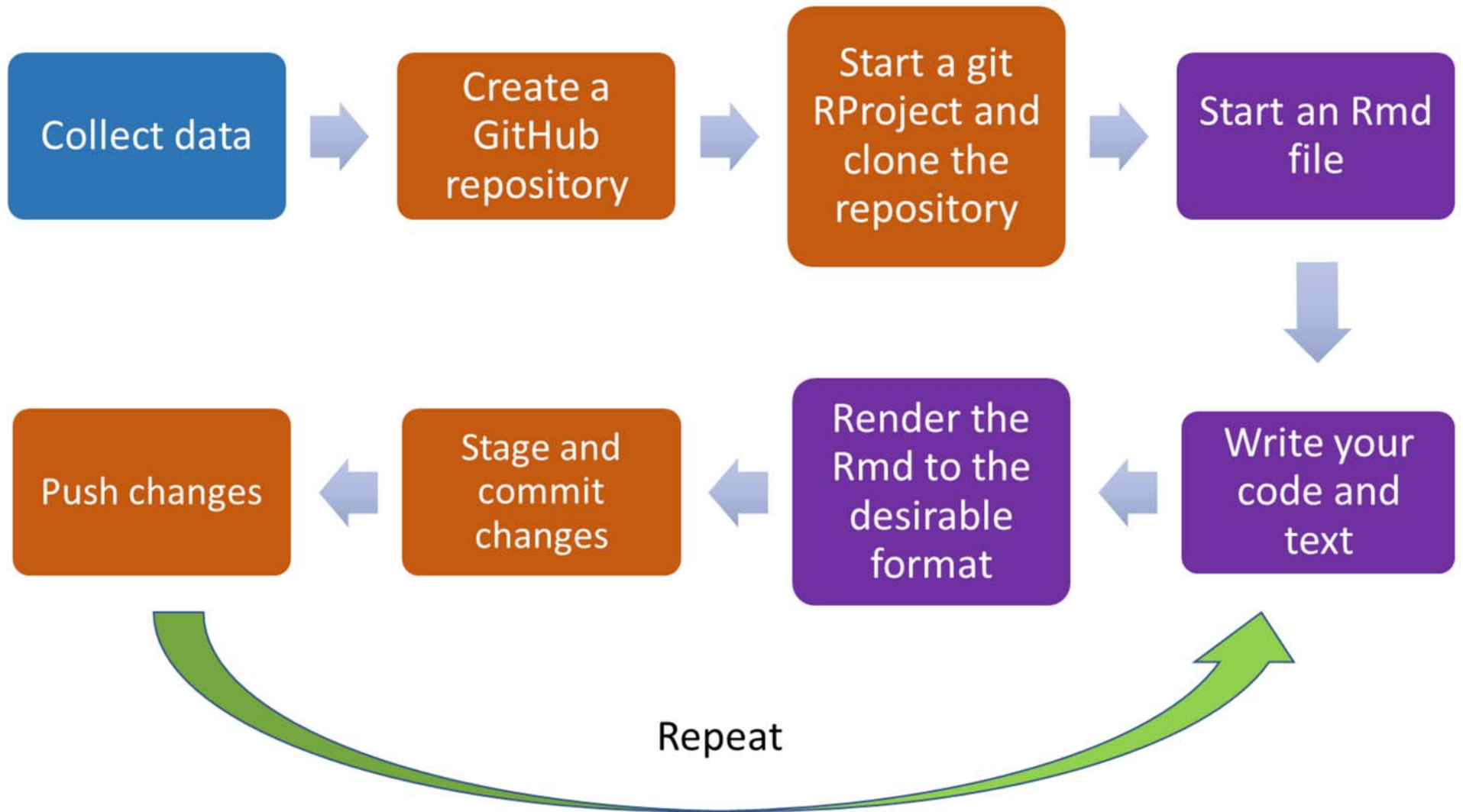
To save local
changes to the
remote repository

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Commit

ged Context 5 line Unstage All





Host Rmd's online with GitHub Pages

In your repo settings (scroll down):

GitHub Pages

GitHub Pages is designed to host your personal, organization, or project pages from a GitHub repository. [Learn more.](#)

Source

GitHub Pages is currently disabled. Select a source below to enable GitHub Pages for this repository. [Learn more.](#)

None ▾

Save

Select source



master branch

Use the master branch for GitHub Pages.

master branch /docs folder

Use only the /docs folder for GitHub Pages.



None

Disable GitHub Pages.

theme using the master branch. [Learn more.](#)

username.github.io/reponame/filename.html

A few tricks

- Use `index.html` to set a home page for your repo:
username.github.io/reponame =
username.github.io/reponame/index.html
- use `toc_float` to add a floating table of contents to your RMarkdown webpage (more details [here](#))

```
---  
output:  
  html_document:  
    toc: true  
    toc_float: true  
---
```

Let's collaborate!

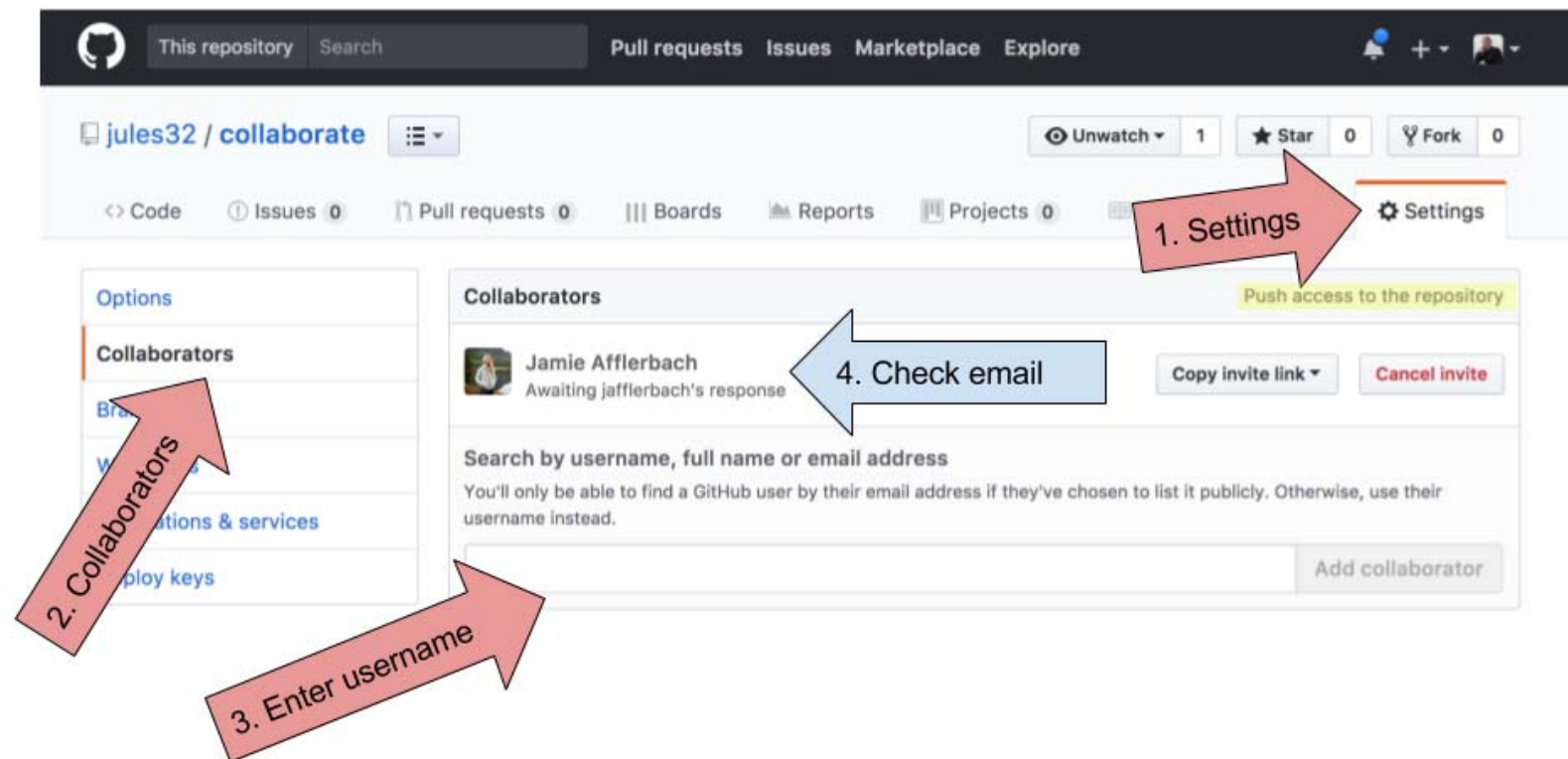
✓ Check-in

You should have:

- a repository on GitHub
- an RProject linked to the GitHub repository

Try this!

In your GitHub repo, go into Settings --> Collaborators. Add your neighbor as a collaborator



Try this!

Switch over to your *neighbor's* repo:

1. Accept your neighbor's invitation
2. Create a GitHub RStudio project
3. Make a change
4. Pull + stage/commit + push

There's more!

...but we'll cover these next time. In the mean time, check out these resources for step-by-step guides for:

- using `gitignore` to tell git what NOT to track
- dealing with merge conflicts
- collaborating using forks and branches
- burning it all down & starting afresh

Happy Git with R

NCEAS GitHub crash course

Ocean Health Index GitHub training