The Unix Shell

Managing your code: quietly introducing Git - a friend for life - Part 2

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Managing code in the olden days

- Create "working_dir"...add some code
- Write some outputs...change the code
- Publish a paper...change the code
- Copy "working_dir" to "working_dir2"
- Change the code
- Copy a version to a CD

...now which version is current? Is it "working_dir" or "working_dir2"? And which one relates to that paper?





But those days are gone!

- Scientists are typically required to publish data and code (by their funders/institutions).
- Collaboration between scientists requires data-sharing; this implicitly relies on code-sharing.
- There are tools that make it easy to record our changes, document our workflow and "fix" releases of our code at important steps along the way.







Introducing Git

There are many different Version Control tools:

- **SVN** (Subversion) is very popular and (relatively) easy to grasp; eclipsed by...
- **Git,** which is also:
 - More useful for collaboration
 - Distributed and fast
 - Very well supported in terms of tooling
 - Has free repository hosts on the web (GitHub, BitBucket etc.,).







More about Git

Git is a distributed Version Control System (VCS):

- you store a complete copy of a repository within your working copy.
- this means you can work offline:
 - there is no default 'central' server if you want one, you (and your team) just nominate where it is typically GitHub!





What is a Git repository?

- A directory tree containing files and subdirectories.
- Old and different versions of those files and subdirectories.
- A set of information to enable you to navigate across versions.







Not Introducing GitHub

https://github.com

A service for hosting git repositories.

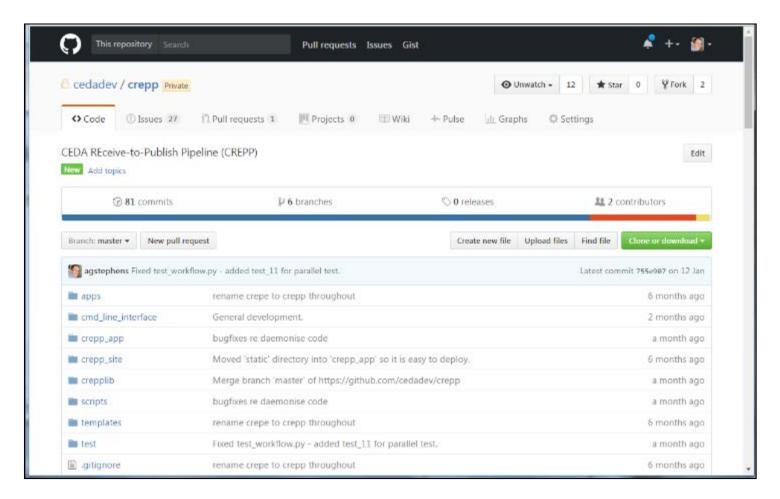








GitHub: repositories (public or private)

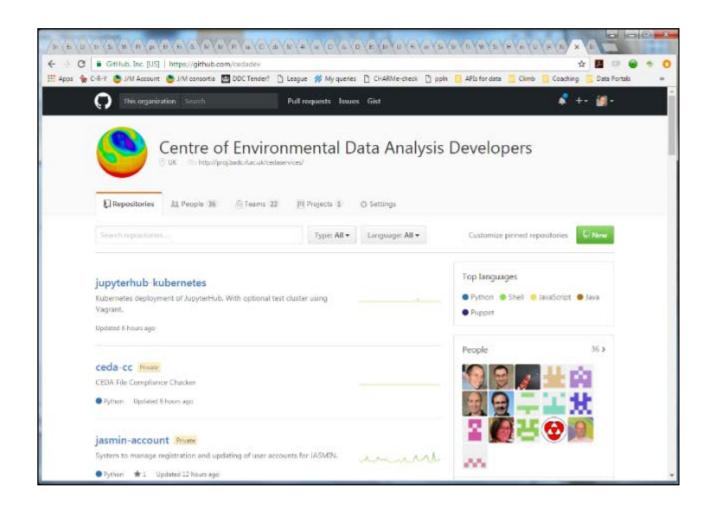








GitHub: organisations

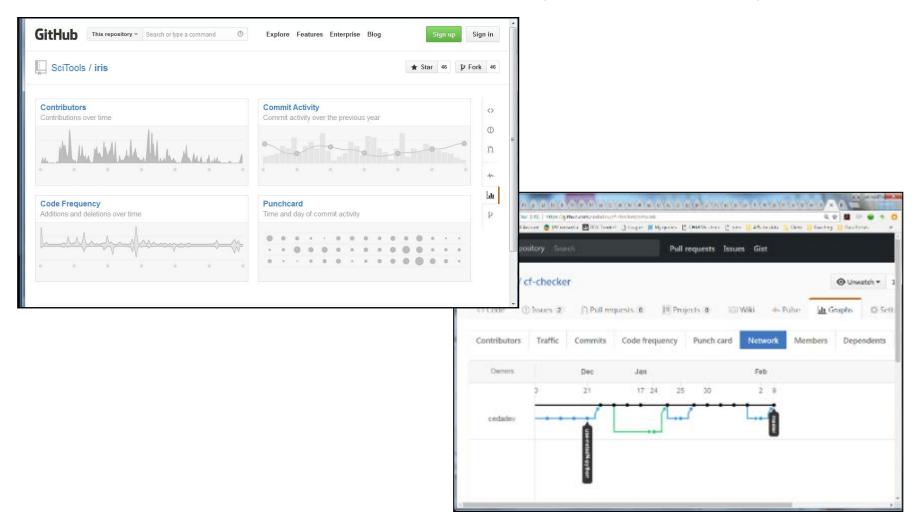








GitHub: collaboration (branch/fork)



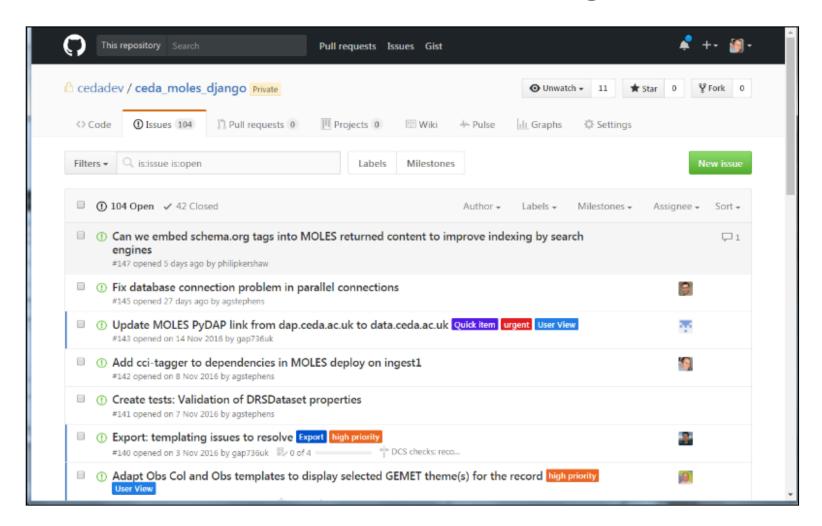








GitHub: Issue tracking









GitHub: history and change

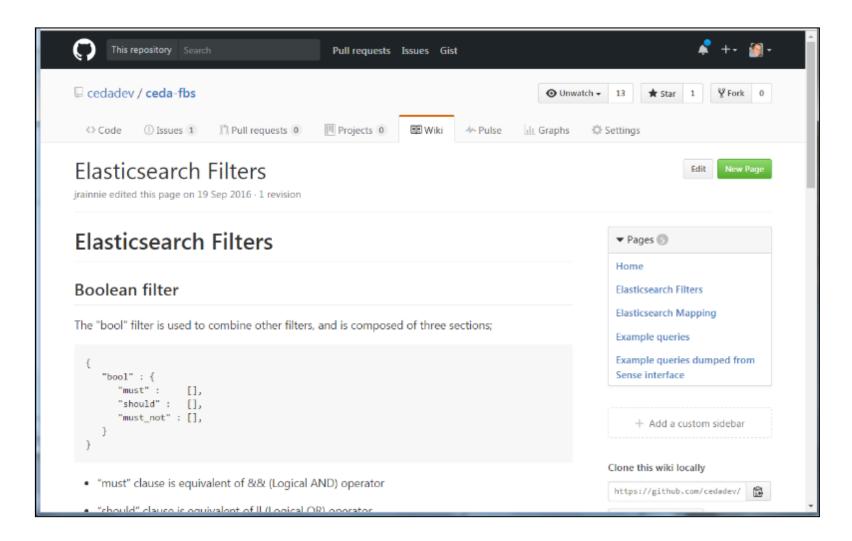
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              @@ -41,10 +41,10 @@ def run checks(self):
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               class ResultChecks(ChecksBase):
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  43
                   def check internalPath(self):
  44
                   def check dataPath(self):
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                       found = Counter()
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                       for result in Result.objects.all():
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                           path = result.internalPath
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                           path = result.dataPath
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                           found.update([path])
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                        dupes = [(path, count) for (path, count) in found.items() if count > 1]
              @@ -53,7 +53,7 @@ def check_internalPath(self):
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                       for path, count in dupes:
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                           print path, count
```







GitHub: wikis







GitHub does lots of funky things, but...

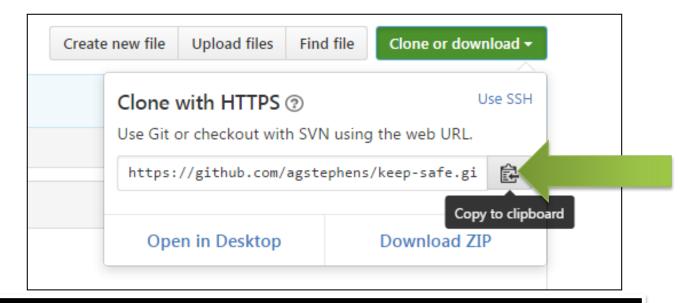
- On this course we are going only using it as a remote repository.
- We are going to concentrate on simply using git.





Where to start 1: git clone

This makes a copy of a repository locally. We did this at the start of the course.



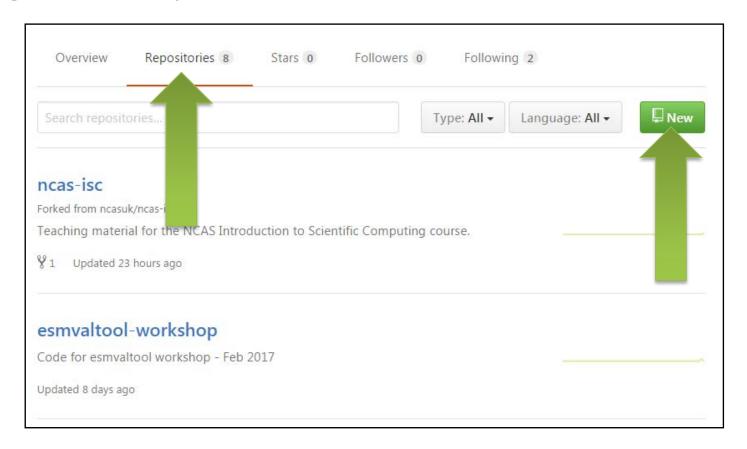
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$ git clone
https://github.com/agstephens/keep-safe
```





Where to start 2: Create a repository on GitHub

Navigate to "Repositories" and click "New".







Where to start 3: start a new repository from existing files

```
ls
X
$ git init
Initialized empty Git repository in
/Users/sjp23/play/york_workshop_shell/test-pakage/.git/
$ git add .
$ git commit -m'Initial commit from existing files'
[master (root-commit) 71ecfcf] Initial commit from
existing files
 3 files changed, 0 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)
 create mode 100644 x
 create mode 100644 y
 create mode 100644 z
```





Add a file to your local repo

1. Enter the repository directory:

```
$ cd ncas-isc
```

2. Create a new file:

```
$ echo "hello world" > hello.txt
```

3. Tell Git about the file:

```
$ git add hello.txt
```

4. Commit the file to the local Git repository:

```
$ git commit -m "added hello"
```

5. Push any updates to the **remote** GitHub repo:

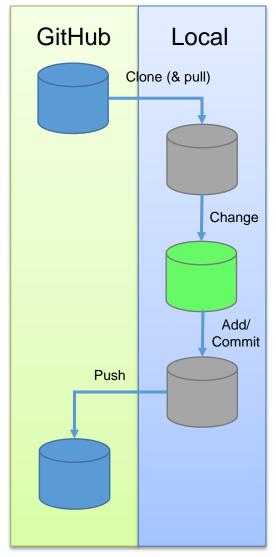
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$ git push
```





So, what just happened?

- We *cloned* the remote repository to our file system.
 - Now there are two identical copies of one repo.
- We created a new text file.
- We added and committed that new file to the local version of the repo.
- We used *push* to update the remote repo.

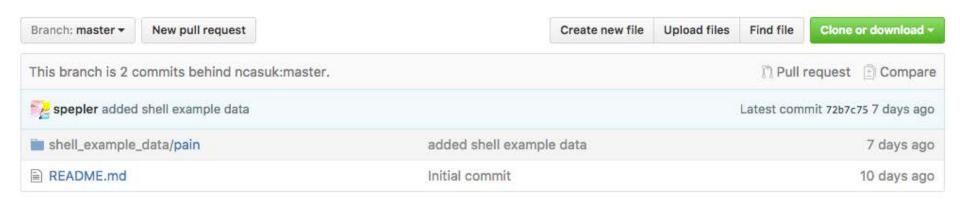




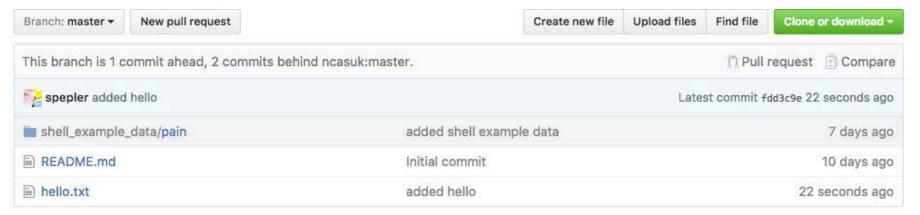


Let's look on GitHub

Before...



After...







The Plan: Use git / GitHub all week

- This stuff is hard to learn we know that from experience.
- A presentation is quickly forgotten.
- So, we propose that you use Git/GitHub for every exercise.
- You are going to create and update your own Github repository with files from exercises throughout the course.





Lets make some test files

```
$ mkdir mydir
$ echo "hi" > hi.txt
$ echo "testing..." > mydir/t1.txt
$ ls
hi.txt hello.txt mydir
```





git Status

Use to see what stage files are at

```
$ git status
On branch master
Your branch is up-to-date with 'origin/master'.
Untracked files:
  (use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be
committed)
      hi.txt
      mydir/
nothing added to commit but untracked files present (use
"git add" to track)
```





git add

Adding files tells git to start looking after them or add a new version if it already knows about it.

```
$ git add .
$ git status
On branch master
Your branch is up-to-date with 'origin/master'.
Changes to be committed:
   (use "git reset HEAD <file>..." to unstage)

   new file: hi.txt
   new file: mydir/t1.txt
```





Add another file

These files are all staged to go into the repository, but are not committed yet.

```
$ echo "testing..." > mydir/t2.txt
$ git add mydir/t2.txt
$ git status
On branch master
Your branch is up-to-date with 'origin/master'.
Changes to be committed:
  (use "git reset HEAD <file>..." to unstage)
      new file: hi.txt
      new file: mydir/t1.txt
      new file: mydir/t2.txt
```





Lets commit

Now the files are in the local repository. The working tree is the same as repository.

```
$ git commit -m 'Adding my new greetings files'
[master fe70026] Adding my new greetings files
 3 files changed, 3 insertions(+)
 create mode 100644 hi.txt
 create mode 100644 mydir/t1.txt
 create mode 100644 mydir/t2.txt
$ git status
On branch master
Your branch is ahead of 'origin/master' by 1 commit.
  (use "git push" to publish your local commits)
nothing to commit, working tree clean
```





Push the new version back to GitHub

Make the repo on GitHub match the local repo.

```
$ git push
Counting objects: 5, done.
Delta compression using up to 4 threads.
Compressing objects: 100% (3/3), done.
Writing objects: 100% (5/5), 465 bytes | 0 bytes/s, done.
Total 5 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0)
To github.com:spepler/ncas-isc.git
  fdd3c9e..fe70026 master -> master
```

This branch is 2 commits ahead, 2 commits behind neasuk:master. Spepler Adding my new greetings files		Pull request ① Compare Latest commit fe78826 22 hours ago
ishell_example_data/pain	added shell example data	8 days ago
README.md	Initial commit	11 days ago
hello.txt	added hello	a day ago
hi.txt	Adding my new greetings files	22 hours ago







Enough?

- If you are working on your own then that is all you need to know.
- You can keep track of changes in your code, you know its safe and you can share it with people.





Working with other people

```
S git clone git@github.com:spepler/ncas-isc.git ncas-isc2
Cloning into 'ncas-isc2'...
remote: Counting objects: 17, done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (11/11), done.
remote: Total 17 (delta 1), reused 16 (delta 0), pack-reused
0
Receiving objects: 100% (17/17), done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (1/1), done.
$ cd ncas-isc2
$ ls
hello.txt hi.txt mydir
S emacs hello.txt
$ cat hello.txt
                                 Red Fred clones a copy of the repository
                                 and changes a file
hello world
New line
```





They commit their changes and push back to GitHub

```
git add hello.txt
 git commit -m 'added new line'
[master d274491] added new line
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
$ git push
Counting objects: 3, done.
Delta compression using up to 4 threads.
Compressing objects: 100% (2/2), done.
Writing objects: 100\% (3/3), 283 bytes | 0 bytes/s, done.
Total 3 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0)
remote: Resolving deltas: 100% (1/1), completed with 1 local
objects.
To github.com:spepler/ncas-isc.git
   fe70026..d274491 master -> master
```





Black Bob downloads changes using git pull

```
$ git pull
remote: Counting objects: 3, done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (1/1), done.
remote: Total 3 (delta 1), reused 3 (delta 1), pack-reused 0
Unpacking objects: 100% (3/3), done.
From github.com:spepler/ncas-isc
   fe70026..d274491 master -> origin/master
Updating fe70026..d274491
Fast-forward
hello.txt | 1 +
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)
```





Black Bob looks at change log

```
$ git log hello.txt
commit d274491d34d96aa92eb110e472006070e537dda0
Author: Sam Pepler <sam.pepler@stfc.ac.uk>
Date: Fri Feb 24 12:26:47 2017 +0000
    added new line
commit fdd3c9eb7cbea69cce46ea22326ed5c801bb75f8
Author: Sam Pepler <sam.pepler@stfc.ac.uk>
Date: Thu Feb 23 11:13:13 2017 +0000
    added hello
```





Exercise

Clone the repository we made yesterday:

```
$ cd
$ git clone
https://github.com/<username>/my-isc-work
```

- Make a new directory in your cloned repo and a new file containing a few lines of text.
- Commit the changes: \$ git commit -m 'Add some test files'
- Update Github repo: \$ git push







Other tools in the Git ecosystem

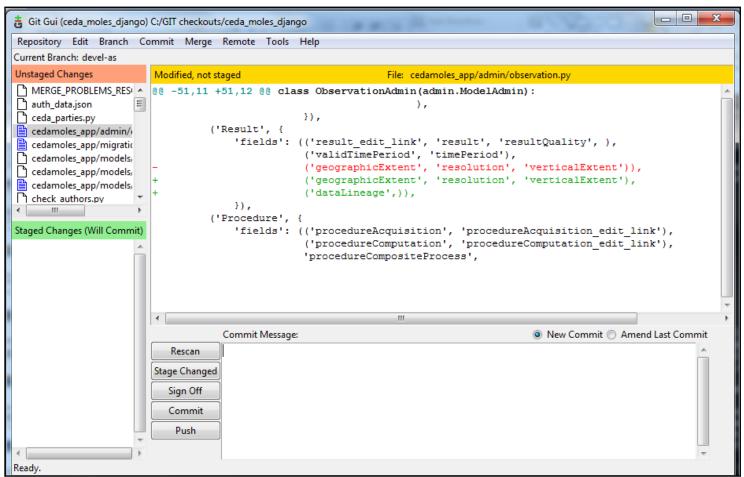






git gui

Full set of GUIs for interacting with local and remote repos.









TortoiseGIT (for Windows)

Provides GUIs for adding/committing/changing - including a side-by-side diff...

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File Edit Navigate View Help
 observation.py : Working Copy
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The why - one more time

- Using version control will **save you time** *No more* accidentally deleting your workspace, or working on the wrong version of a file.
- It will make you a better programmer It encourages good working practices: such as documenting change.
- It will help you **collaborate more effectively** *Others* can access tagged releases of your code.
- It will **boost your scientific integrity** Helping you document your work; aiding reproducibility.
- It will make you feel safe No more waking up at 3 a.m. wondering if you backed up your work!





The NCAS GitHub organisation

An NCAS GitHub organisation has been set up.

This allows repositories to be set up that where users could share code when it has become a more formal collaboration.

If you want to become part of the NCAS GitHub please contact Ag, James or Dan and send them your GitHub account ID.





Further information

Git documentation:

http://git-scm.com/documentation

Nice Git reference:

http://gitref.org/

GitHub:

http://github.com/





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