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2 Git Commands and User Interface

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Overview

First steps *clone, status, diff*

Submitting changes *add, commit, push*

Refresh and document *pull, log, tag*

Undo things *rm, checkout, clean, reset*

User interface *command line, rstudio, web browser, other*

First Steps

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clone Download a copy of remote repo to your computer

status See files you have changed

diff See lines you have changed

.git is a hidden folder containing a database of tracked changes

Submitting Changes

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add Specify files to commit

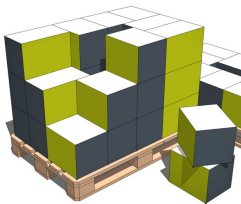
commit Describe what was changed

push Upload to remote repo

3-step combo move

Submitting Changes

add



select boxes
that go together



commit



wrap and label



push



send it off

Commit Messages

Tips for writing commit messages

Relatively short *~ 60 char*

Describe purpose *or specific things that were changed*

Present tense *often starting with a verb like 'Add', 'Improve', 'Document', ...*

Examples

MFCL

skj22

yft-2017

Commit Messages



Refresh and Document

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pull Refresh local repo *download latest commits from remote repo*

log View commit messages *can also view on github.com*

tag Mark significant commit with a nickname *example: 2.0.0*

SHA Hash

Every Git commit has a unique identifier

This identifier (SHA hash) is 40 characters long

random combination of 0123456789abcdef

It's enough to use the first 7 characters

For example, the first commit of this workshop's GitHub repo:

`e15ccce7ad92c6ae5a67b707816add8da25d4cfa`

`= e15ccce`

We use tags to give commits meaningful nicknames

Undoing Things

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rm Remove file from repo *it will still be 'remembered' in history*

checkout Undo local changes `git checkout -- file`
(also) Select branch

clean Remove files that are not part of the repo *example: MFCL output files*

reset Rewind to a previous snapshot of the project *pull to go back to the 'present'*
(also) Un-add files

User Interface

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Command line Works on all computers, full Git functionality
especially practical if you know the basic shell commands

RStudio Convenient if you're already using RStudio
small subset of Git commands, noticeable lag, creates 'garbage' files

Web browser Commit history, files and lines changed, GitHub features

Other Most editors have Git support, also many dedicated Git clients
view current changes (not yet committed)

User Interface (cont)

Arni's shell *scripts* and *aliases*

add, br, clone, co, commit, di, log, merge, pull, push, reset, show, st, stash, tag *shorthand*

c *clone and rename OFP-SAM repo*

commits *that are not yet pushed*

eg *Emacs Magit*

files *that were changed in a given commit*

lfh *log-full | head*

shortlog *show commits by author*

tag-delete *remote repo*

url *show remote repo location*

br-full, commits-full, files-full, log-full, shortlog-full, show-full, tag-full

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