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TROUBLESHOOTING GIT

cheatsheet

This cheatsheet provides commands to solve common troubleshooting situations with Git including locating changes, undoing commits, and untracking files and directories.

COMPARISON COMMANDS

Comparison commands allow you to spot differences between commits and branches. You'll use these commands to locate and fix undesired commits and changes.

git diff

Shows changes between your working directory and the last commit.

git diff

git diff --staged

Shows changes between your last commit and the files that you staged to be committed.

git diff --staged

git diff
branch_name>..
branch_name>

View differences between two branches.

git diff main..contact-info

git diff <commit hash>..<commit hash>

View differences between two commits.

git diff c9de0a..779785

UNDO COMMANDS

Undo commits, change commit messages, and stop a merge using these undo commands.

git reset --hard <commit hash>

Permanently deletes the commits and any uncommitted changes on the branch. Use with caution!

```
git reset --hard 25fg94
```

git reset --soft <commit hash>

Rewinds commits to the staging area. You can choose to modify or commit the changes.

```
git reset --soft 689vft
```

git reset --mixed <commit hash>

Rewinds commits to before staging. You can choose to modify, add, or save the commit.

```
git reset --mixed v56et2
```

git revert < commit hash>

Reverse the changes made to the commit without changing the project history.

```
git revert t78y90
```

git commit --amend -m

Change the most recent commit message to a new message.

```
git commit --amend -m "Updated email and phone number"
```

git checkout <file_name>

Rewind a file to match the file version of the last commit.

```
git checkout about.html
```

git merge --abort

Stop a merge that's in progress.

```
git merge --abort
```

UNTRACK COMMANDS

When a file is **untracked**, Git will stop tracking any updates to the file. You'll untrack a file or directory that you no longer want to commit to your repo.

git rm --cached <file_name>

Untrack a file.

```
git rm --cached experiments.html
```

git rm -cached <directory_name>

Untrack a directory.

```
git rm --cached client_test_site
```