Welcome!

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Two truths and a lie

- 1. I am preparing for an ironman
- 2. I have performed music at a Parisian museum
- 3. I grew up across four countries

Two truths and a lie

On a piece of paper, write your name and two truths and a lie.

Session overview

1	Fri, Sep 6, 2024	VSC, virtual environments
2	Mon, Sep 9, 2024	Version control
3	Tue, Sep 10, 2024	EDA & feature creation in python
4	Thu, Sep 12, 2024	EDA & feature creation in python (continued)
5	Fri, Sep 13, 2024	RStudio, importing and exploring data (EDA) in R
6	Tue, Sep 17, 2024	EDA live challenge

Session 1: VSC and virtual environments

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You will be able to

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Session 2

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- structured **collection of functions and classes** that **can be imported** and used in other functions, classes or programs in order to **reduce the time** required to code.
- allow developers (and/or Data Scientists) to access pre-written frequently used pieces of code without having to write them from scratch every time they are needed.
- allow other developers (or themselves) to focus on new functionalities or custom usages of the predefined functions and classes.

An ideal library (and code in general): DRY



Don't

Repeat

Yourself

"Every piece of knowledge must have a **single, unambiguous, authoritative representation** within a system". The principle has been formulated by Andy Hunt and Dave Thomas in their book *The Pragmatic Programmer*.

- Successful application of DRY principle: a modification of any single element of a system does not require a change in other logically unrelated elements.
- Also: elements that are logically related all **change predictably** and uniformly, and are thus kept in sync.

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- pandas
- numpy
- scikit-learn
- scipy
- datetime
- OS

- matplotlib
- seaborn
- xgboost
- tensorflow
- pytorch
- nltk

- statsmodels
- pyspark
- flake8
- pytest
- jupyter
- regex

Installing libraries

To install a library from Pypi, we use: pip install

We can create our own libraries! To install locally, share with colleagues or even publish to Open Source (<u>Pypi</u>).

Extra: For development of our own libraries, there is a way to install the library and be able to modify it and use the current state of the library when importing it. It creates a "direct access" to the folder.

You will trial this with Roger :)

```
library folder/
    LICENSE
    README.md
    setup.cfa
    setup.py
    requirements.txt
    src/
    └─ library name/
             init .py
           python file.py
        another python file.py
        ___ subfolder/
                  init .py
            └─ yet another python file.py
    tests/
```

Under the hood of pip install

In Python, when we install a library, a copy of that library folder is stored in the site-packages folder of a Python interpreter in our computer.

Those libraries will be copied inside the path shown running "which python" (or which python3) in the terminal.

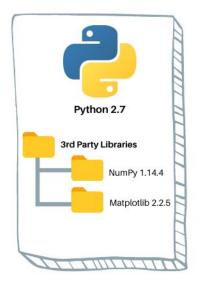
→ Try this now.

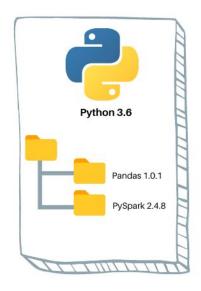
If we use the same Python interpreter for all projects, all projects will use the same version of Python and the same version of the libraries. Many times that's far from ideal.

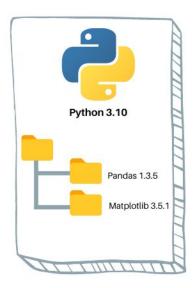
→ Why?

When libraries create problems

Imagine you are working on three different projects that need different library versions. Do you have to upgrade and downgrade your libraries each time?







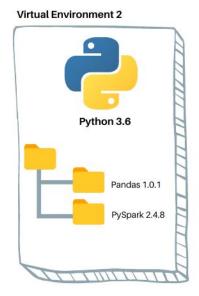
Solution: virtual environments

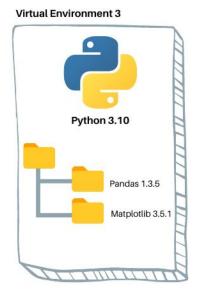
Python 2.7

3rd Party Libraries

NumPy 1.14.4

Matplotlib 2.2.5





Virtual environment options

What virtual environments managers are you aware of or familiar with?

Virtual environment options

You can create and handle virtual environments (virtual envs) in different ways:

- <u>venv</u>: It is a module in the default Python system to manage virtual envs. It does not allow multiple Python versions.
- **pyenv**: It isolates Python versions, not a virtual env tool. used to install Python versions.
- <u>virtualenv</u>: It is the classical way to manage virtual envs. Might be a bit old fashioned.
- <u>virtualenvwrapper</u>: It is an extension to virtualenv. More comfortable than virtualenv.
- **pipenv**: A new way to manage virtual envs in a project oriented manner. Getting traction.
- <u>conda</u>: Part of Anaconda distribution and go tool if you work using Anaconda. Simple to use but occupies a lot of space (up to 10 times more than others).

Demo

- 1. Folder
- 2. VSC
- 3. Terminal location and conda env
- 4. Install pandas
- 5. Create requirements.txt

Venus with conda

1	Create an environment	conda create -n venvname
2	Get list of environments	conda infoenvs
3	Get list of all packages installed in an environment	conda list (-n venvname) pip3 list
4	Activate an environment	conda activate venvname
5	Install something within an activated environment	conda install package -v(e.g.2.2.3) pip3 install package -v(e.g.2.2.3)
6	Deactivate an environment	conda deactivate venvname
7	Create a requirements file: stores all of the packages and dependencies installed in current environment	<pre>conda list -e > requirements.txt pip3 freeze > requirements.txt</pre>
8	Install from a requirements file	conda installfile requirements.txt pip3 install -r requirements.txt
9	Remove a conda environment	conda remove -n venvnameall

Command line

- cd .. - change directory: up one directory

- Is - list: all items in the current folder

cd Doc → - go into folder starting with Doc (end with tab)

- mkdir dirname - make directory: called trial1

- rmdir *dirname* - remove directory

You'll do more of this with Roger...

15m Task: library management with conda

- 1. Create a folder called brushup_files
 - a. Extra: do it via the command line
- 2. Open that location in VSC
- 3. From terminal in VSC, create a virtual environment called brushup_env
- 4. Install a version of pandas (latest is 2.2.2)
- 5. Create a requirements.txt file. Is it saved in the brushup_files folder?
- 6. Are there any direct paths in requirements.txt? Replace them with package versions.
- 7. Close this environment and create another called "trial"
- 8. Install requirements.txt file
- 9. Manually downgrade pandas in requirements.txt and try to install it now.
- 10. Done?
 - a. Upload a screenshot of the your terminal showing that you are in the brushup_file folder with the trial active and the error message visible
 - b. See if someone might benefit from your help.

Demo and "solutions"

Below are all the terminal commands up to installing the requirements.

The packages for which I needed to replace file locations with versions were:

- altgraph==0.17.2
- future==0.18.2
- macholib==1.15.2
- six = = 1.15.0

margheritaphilipp@Margheritas-MacBook-Air brushup % conda info --envs margheritaphilipp@Margheritas-MacBook-Air brushup % conda create -n brushup_env margheritaphilipp@Margheritas-MacBook-Air brushup % conda activate brushup_env (brushup_env) margheritaphilipp@Margheritas-MacBook-Air brushup % pip3 install pandas=2.2.0 (brushup_env) margheritaphilipp@Margheritas-MacBook-Air brushup % pip3 list (brushup_env) margheritaphilipp@Margheritas-MacBook-Air brushup % conda deactivate margheritaphilipp@Margheritas-MacBook-Air brushup % conda create -n trial margheritaphilipp@Margheritas-MacBook-Air brushup % conda activate trial (trial) margheritaphilipp@Margheritas-MacBook-Air brushup % pip3 install -r requirements.txt

Session 2: Version control systems

(VCS ≠ VSC)

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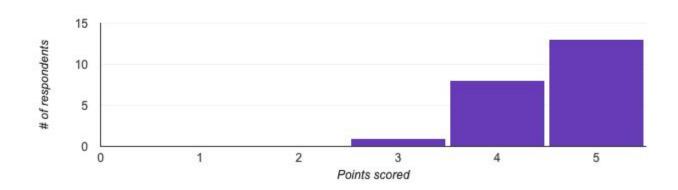
Quiz results



Median 5 / 5 points

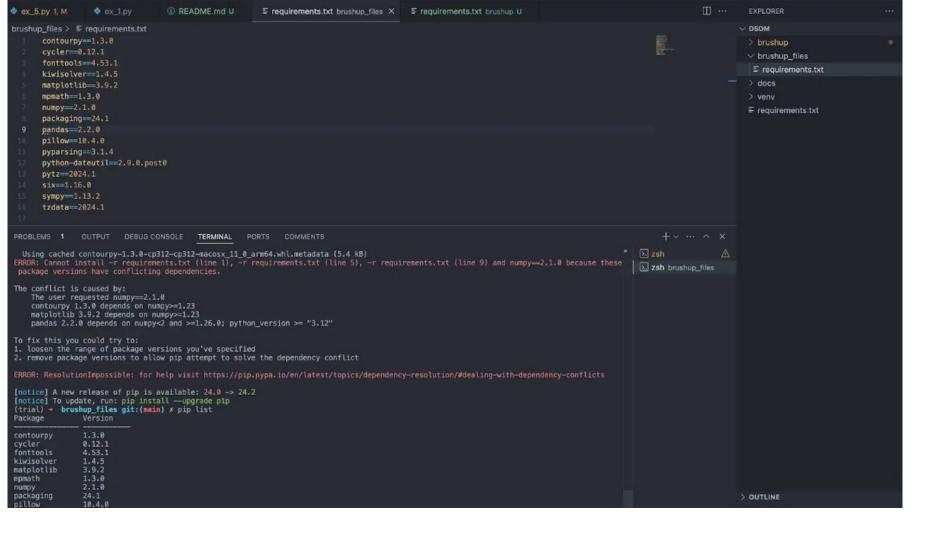
Range 3 - 5 points

Total points distribution



Questions from session 1

- 1. I've done all the steps you told us and in the last one I was able to manually downgrade pandas to version 2.2.1 without getting any error. I don't know if that means I made a mistake or if it's alright.
- 2. From what I understood in class, we should install Pandas using the pip command instead of Conda. So, to create the requirements.txt, we also use pip instead of Conda?
 - P.D (When created by Conda, the directory gets loaded with folders.)
- 3. When I try to install Pandas, it shows me that it is already installed, so I guess that is for the installation that we were asked to do before the course started, but we also installed a bunch of other stuff from the prompt of our OS so every time that I create a requirements file, it will be included either the way I needed it for that specific project or not. Is there a way to fix that?
- 4. The requirements.txt, when created, is located outside the folder of my virtual environment. Is it supposed to be like that? Shouldn't I have a requirements.txt for every environment?
- 5. The requirements.txt created by Pip and by Conda have different content. Why is that, and which one should I use?



```
txt (line 5)) (2.9.0.post0)
Requirement already satisfied: pytz==2024.1 in ./trial/lib/python3.12/site-packages (from -r requirements.txt (line 6)) (
024.1)
Requirement already satisfied: six==1.16.0 in ./trial/lib/python3.12/site-packages (from -r requirements.txt (line 7)) (1
16.0)
Requirement already satisfied: soupsieve==2.6 in ./trial/lib/python3.12/site-packages (from -r requirements.txt (line 8))
(2.6)
Requirement already satisfied: tzdata==2024.1 in ./trial/lib/python3.12/site-packages (from -r requirements.txt (line 9))
(2024.1)
INFO: pip is looking at multiple versions of pandas to determine which version is compatible with other requirements. Thi
could take a while.
ERROR: Cannot install -r requirements.txt (line 4) and numpy==2.1.1 because these package versions have conflicting depen
encies.
The conflict is caused by:
    The user requested numpy==2.1.1
   pandas 2.2.1 depends on numpy<2 and >=1.26.0; python version >= "3.12"
```

Requirement already satisfied: python-dateutil==2.9.0.post0 in ./trial/lib/python3.12/site-packages (from -r requirements

Collecting pandas==2.2.1 (from -r requirements.txt (line 4))

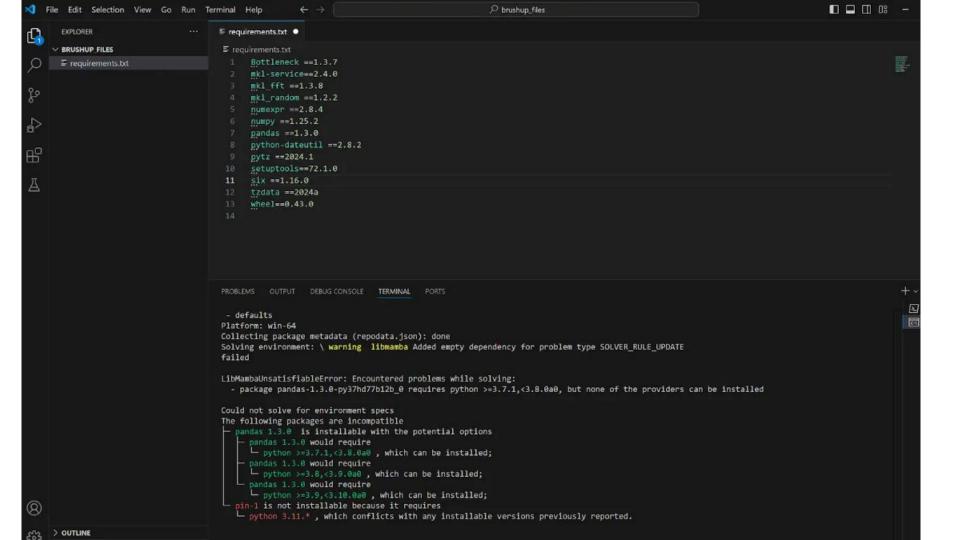
1. loosen the range of package versions you've specified

To fix this you could try to:

Using cached pandas-2.2.1-cp312-cp312-macosx_11_0_arm64.whl.metadata (19 kB)

2. remove package versions to allow pip attempt to solve the dependency conflict
ERROR: ResolutionImpossible: for help visit https://pip.pypa.io/en/latest/topics/dependency-resolution/#dealing-with-dependency-conflicts

~/Desktop/brushup_file



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What's the difference? .py vs .ipynb



.py vs .ipynb

- .py file is a regular Python programming file (a plain text file that contains just code).
- .ipynb file is a Python notebook file that contains notebook code alongside execution results and other internal settings.



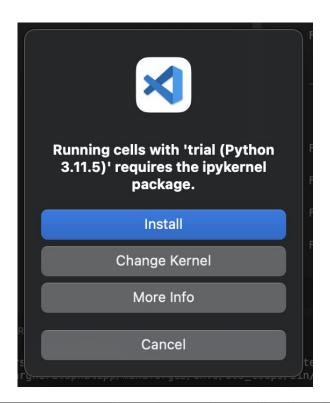
10m Task: library management with conda

- 1. In your brushup folder, create file called **temperature.py**
- 2. Select the kernel environment to be brushup_env (bottom right of VSC)
- 3. Create a function that converts celsius to fahrenheit

```
    def c_to_f(celsius):
    fahrenheit = celsius * 9/5 + 32
    return fahrenheit
    cel=15
    print(c_to_f(cel))
```

- 4. Save the file.
- 5. Run the file.
 - via VSC "run"
 - in terminal: python3 temperature.py
- 6. Now create a **temp.ipynb** that contains the same function.
- 7. Select the environment (top right of VSC)
- 8. Can you run it immediately? What is missing?
- 9. Done?
 - Expand your function
 - E.g. can you ensure only number are accepted?
 - ☐ Can you allow for a list of inputs that are all converted?
 - ☐ Can you make it print a statement about "x degrees celsius is equal to y degrees fahrenheit"?

What you need to run notebooks



Motivation for version control

- 1. How can multiple developers **collaborate** on the same project without overwriting each other's work?
- 2. How can you track changes and revert to a previous version if something goes wrong?
- 3. How can you **safely experiment** with new features without affecting the main codebase?

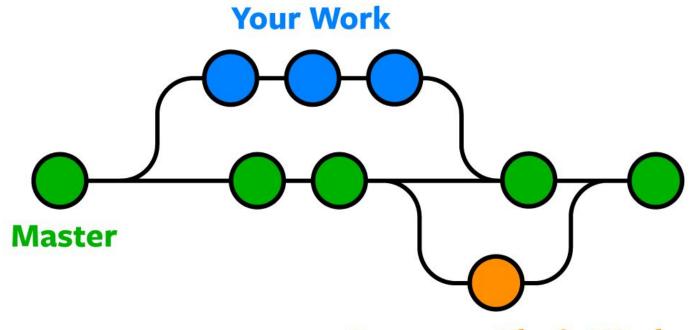
Why version control?

- Allow multiple **collaborators** to work on the same project **remotely** by having a different version in their computer.
- Allow **merging the changes** done by multiple collaborators into a single state.
- Reduce possibilities of **errors and conflicts** meanwhile project development through traceability to every small change.
- Allow **revision and validation** of code modifications before merging them.
- Allow **recovery** in case of any disaster or mistake.
- Informs us about **Who, What, When, Why** changes have been made.

Version control with git

- Git is a is a **free and open source** distributed version control system.
- A version control system (VCS) is a software that helps in recording changes made to files by keeping a **track record** of modifications done to the code.
- With a VCS, we can keep track of the history of a file without saving all the different versions in a way that we can reconstruct any previous state.

Git magic with branches

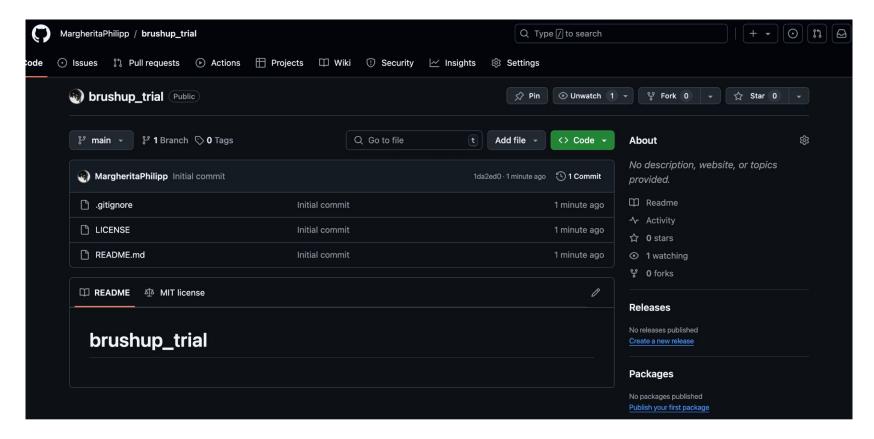


Someone Else's Work

10m Task: github and git

- If you don't have one: create a github account (and if needed, install/ enable git: https://docs.github.com/en/get-started/getting-started-with-git/set-up-git)
- 2. Create a repository call brusup_git
 - Public
 - With readme
 - ☐ Gitignore template "python"
 - License MIT
- 3. Done?
 - Can you explore/ explain: What is the difference between clicking on the .gitignore vs the "initial commit" in the same line?
 - Does anyone need your help?
 - What is the readme file for?
 - What does gitignore do?
 - ☐ What is the maximum file size you can upload to github?
 - Might anyone benefit from your help?

Git magic with branches



Version control lingo

Version control systems components:

1. A repository:

It can be thought of as a database of changes. It contains all the edits and historical versions (snapshots) of the project.

Copy of Work (sometimes called as checkout): It is the personal copy of all the files in a project.

You can edit to this copy, without affecting the work of others and you can finally commit your changes to a repository when you are done making your changes.

Git cheat sheet 1

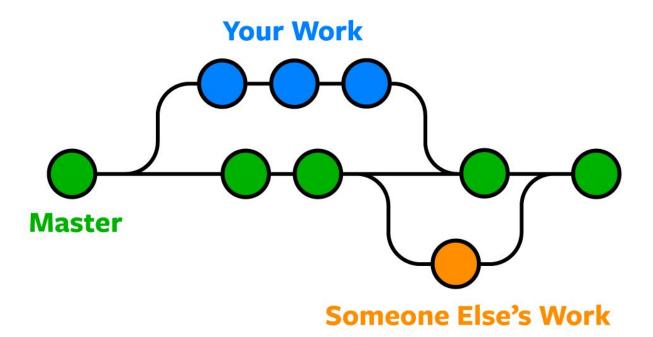
1	Initialise git	git init
2	Link to repository	git remote add origin git@github.com:username/reponame
3	Show the state of modified files (untracked, staged, unstaged)	git status
4	Pull changes done in a specific branch from the remote repository	git pull origin /branch>
5	Create a branch and move to it	git checkout -b <name_branch></name_branch>
6	Stage modifications of a file/directory to prepare them to commit	git add <file></file>
7	Commit (save) the staged changes with a message	git commit -m " <message>"</message>
8	Change state of directory to a certain branch	git checkout <branch></branch>
9	Push committed changes to specific branch on remote repository	git push origin <branch></branch>
10	Unlink repository	git remote remove origin

git init	
git status	
git remote add origin git@github.com:margheritaphilipp/brushup_trial	
git status	
git pull origin main	
git status	
git add print_hello.py	
git status	
git commit - "adding py file"	
git status	
git checkout -b mph	

git status

git push origin mph

Where does what happen?



- 1. Pull origin main
- 2. Push origin branch
- 3. (Stage and) Commit

Extra:

What "nono" is being illustrated here (going against best practice)?

What could "pull origin Elses_Work" look like in the graphic?

May require setting up a Secure SHell (SSH)

1. Check if you have an SSH key: ls -al ~/.ssh

Look for files like id_rsa or id_ed25519 [part of error message]. If they exist, proceed to step 2. If they don't, go to step 3.

2. Add your SSH key to the SSH agent:

Start the SSH agent in the background: eval "\$(ssh-agent -s)"

Add your SSH private key to the agent: ssh-add ~/.ssh/id rsa

3. Generate a new SSH key (if you don't have one): ssh-keygen -t ed25519 -C "your_email@example.com"

Press Enter to accept the default file location, and then choose whether to set a passphrase.

If you're using an older system that doesn't support ed25519, you can generate an RSA key instead: ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096 -C "your email@example.com"

4. Add the SSH key to GitHub: cat ~/.ssh/id_ed25519.pub

Copy the result into GitHub under Settings > SSH and GPG keys > New SSH key → Paste the key into the "Key" field and give it a recognizable title.

- 5. Check the connection: ssh -T git@github.com
- 6. Try pulling again: git pull origin main

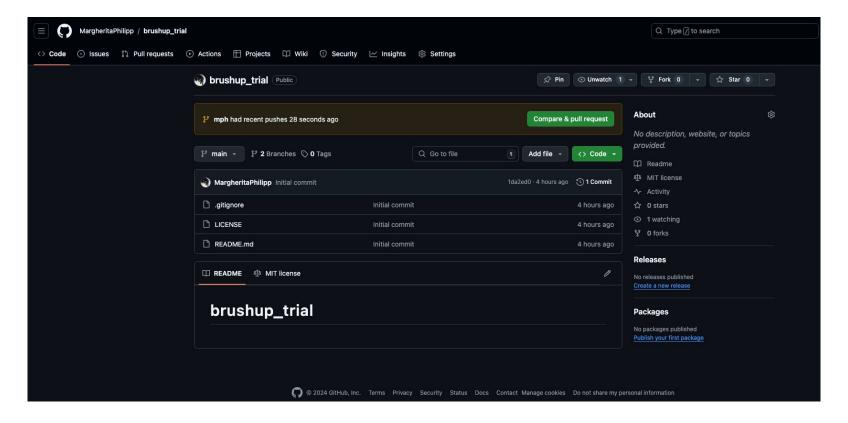
15m task: start pulling and pushing

- 1. Initialise git
- 2. If needed, set up Secure SHell (SSH)
- 3. Pull origin from main branch
- 4. Create a branch
- 5. Add the files temperature.py and temp.ipynb
- 6. Commit with a message
- 7. Push your branch
- 8. Done?
 - Submit a screenshot of your github
 - ☐ How can you now create a pull request?
 - What might be best practice here?
 - Can you add a collaborator to your github?
 - Do you know how .py and .ipynb behave differently when collaborating via github?
 - ☐ Can you add a data folder to your local folder that does not get synced to the repository?
 - What git commands were not included in the cheatsheet?
 - Might anyone benefit from your help?

Git cheat sheet 2

1	View the history of commits in a repository	git log
2	Undo a commit that has already been pushed to a shared repository	git revert
3	Merges changes from one branch to another without creating a merge commit (best to stay away from this)	git rebase
4	Downloads new data but doesn't modify working files	git fetch
5	Create a copy of an existing Git repository	<pre>git clone <repo> <directory> (https://github.com/username/repos itory.git)</directory></repo></pre>
6	git stash	git stash
		?

Example screenshot



Not a fan of git in terminal?







Best practices

- Make incremental, small changes
- Keep commits atomic
- Develop using branches
- Write descriptive commit messages
- Obtain feedback through code reviews
- Don't alter published history

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