

# Version Control in Science, Why and How?

*... could the benefits outweigh the costs?*

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- and to use other people's code!

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- Take advantage of a hardware renewal to implement the new strategy.



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**Demos & Discussion** We will demonstrate daily use cases of git. We can also discuss open issues.

# Your questions!