

# yet another git cheat sheet (using github)

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set username	git config --global user.name "<username>"	
set email	git config --global user.email <email-address>	
make git case insensitive	git config --global core.ignorecase true	
clone existing github repo	git clone git@github.com:<account-name>/<repo-name>.git	
checkout and track a remote	git branch -f <local-name> <remote-name>/<branch-name>	
initialize local repo	git init	
add a remote (use 'origin' for remote name)	git remote add <remote-name> git@github.com:<account-name>/<repo-name>.git	
add file to index	git add <file>	
add all files not in index	git add .	
commit all changes to index	git commit -a	
push local to remote & track	git push -u <remote-name> <branch-name>	
push to remote branch	git push origin <branch-name>	
update latest from remote	git remote update	
pull branch (fetch and merge)	git pull origin <branch-name>	
switch branch	git checkout <branch-name>	
clean everything (ignored, dirs, files)	git clean -xdf	
delete remote branch	git push origin :<branch-name>	
delete local branch	git branch -d <branch-name>	
create branch	git checkout -b <new-branch-name> <branch-to-branch-off>	
rename branch	git branch -m <old-branch-name> <new-branch-name>	
unstage committed changes	git reset HEAD	
unstage previous n commits	git reset HEAD~n	
view staged changes	git status	
lose changes to working copy	git reset --hard	
stash changes	git stash	
pop stashed changes	git stash pop	
who changed file contents	git blame <file>	
view remote branches	git branch -r	
revert changes to file	git checkout -- <file> git checkout HEAD <file>	
undo conflict resolution	git checkout -m <file>	
un-stage single file commit	git reset HEAD <file>	
cherry pick from a local branch (e.g. if committed to a wrong branch)	//get the sha of the commit git checkout <correct-branch-name> git cherry-pick <sha> git push origin <correct-branch-name> git checkout <incorrect-branch-name> git reset -hard HEAD^ git push origin <incorrect-branch-name>	
interactive add	git add -i 2 - update index with changes to existing files 4 - add untracked files according to selection	
visualize index	git gui	
visualize log/history	gitk	
pull historical version of branch into another (e.g. known good integration into master)		
	git checkout <sha> //now in detached head state git checkout -b <branch-name> //branch based on <sha> git checkout master //for example git pull <temporary-branch-name> git push origin master git branch -d <temporary-branch-name>	
add submodule	git submodule add git@github.com:<account-name>/<repo-name>.git <location>	
commit as amend to the previous commit	git commit -a --amend //then "i" for interactive ":w" to save, and ":q" to quit	
force local to track remote	git branch set-upstream origin/branch-to-track	
differences between branches	git diff --name-status master..branch	
list commits to branch	git log	
check the result of a merge (before commit)	git pull <remote-name> //bring yourself up-to-date git merge <branch-name> --no-commit --no-ff	
prune knowledge of deleted remotes	git remote prune <remote-name> //e.g. 'origin'	
compress history archive	git gc	
find in files	git grep -n <string-to-find>	
tag a branch	git tag -a <branch-name> -m "<message>"	
"chop the head off a branch"		
NOTE: this adds a commit with the tree at the state it was at the given sha. It doesn't actually chop the head off.	//id the sha of the last good commit git reset <sha> //reset index to the desired tree git reset --soft HEAD@{1} //move branch pointer to previous HEAD git commit -m "<message>" //e.g. "revert to <sha>" git reset --hard //reset working copy to reflect new commit	
add color	git config color.ui true	
add alias	git config --global alias.myalias '<actual-command>'	