Version Control with Git

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Program

Time	Activity
09:30	Intro and Recap
09:45	Exploring history
10:10	Ignoring Things
10:15	GitHub
10:30	Coffee Break
10:45	Collaborating
11:10	Conflicts
11:25	Branches
12:00	Lunch Break
13:00	Git in practice
13:30	Reflection
14:00	WEEKEND

"FINAL".doc

UNIVERSAL MISSIONS

moon

Wolfman

Dracula

mars

planets

Mummy

pluto

.git

git add

staging area

git commit

repository

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```
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E.g.
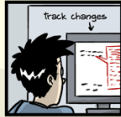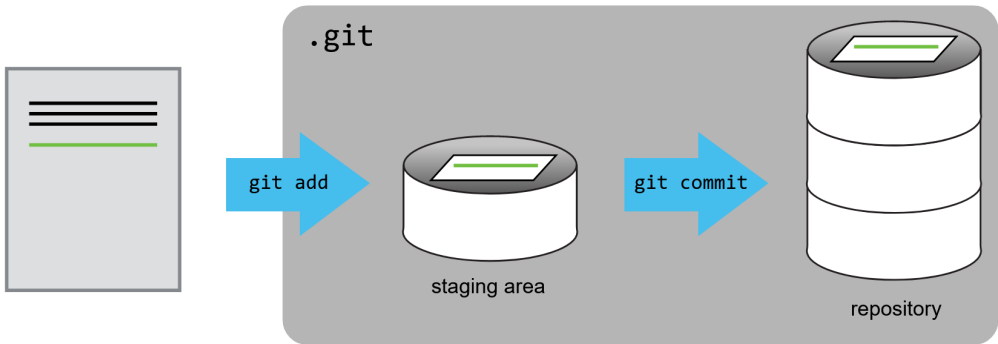
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Episode 5: Recovering Older Versions of a File

Which commands below will let you recover the last committed version of the Python script called data_cruncher.py?

1. `$ git restore HEAD`
2. `$ git restore data_cruncher.py`
3. `$ git restore -s HEAD~1 data_cruncher.py`
4. `$ git restore -s <unique ID of last commit> data_cruncher.py`

Episode 5: Reverting a Commit

Below are the right steps and explanations for Jennifer to use `git revert`[1], what is the missing command?

1. `_____` # Look at the git history of the project to find the commit ID
2. Copy the ID (the first few characters of the ID, e.g. 0b1d055).
3. `git revert [commit ID]`
4. Type in the new commit message.
5. Save and close

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[1]The command `git revert` undoes the changes made a particular commit.

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Answer: Venus is beautiful and full of love

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results/*            # ignore everything in results folder
!results/data/       # do not ignore results/data/ contents
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Episode 9: A Typical Worksession

Put the following actions in order, and give the commands needed to achieve the action:

- ▶ Make changes by appending the number 100 to a text file numbers.txt
- ▶ Update remote repository to match the local repository
- ▶ Celebrate your success with some fancy beverage(s)
- ▶ Update local repository to match the remote repository
- ▶ Stage changes to be committed
- ▶ Commit changes to the local repository

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Open Science

- Git and GitHub are great for transparency: every one can see the work you have done.
- But: it may not be the best for scientific archiving. (Is your repo guaranteed to be accessible for 10 years?)
- Use the OSF to archive github repos, and get a DOI

Git in Practice

- ▶ I am a big fan!
- ▶ It declutters your hard drive (and head) by removing the need to keep track of versions
- ▶ GitHub can be linked to OSF and Zenodo
- ▶ No need to use command line

Example repos

https://github.com/utrechtuniversity/dataprivacyhandbook

https://github.com/kleuveld/rerc_selfcheck_overview

https://github.com/tpronk/splithalfr (website)

Reflection

- What do like about git?
- What don't you like about git?
- Do you think you will be using git? What for?