# With great power comes great responsibility

One of these deletes the tmp-data directory and any files that start with "aligned-reads". The other deletes EVERYTHING in the current directory.

```
$ rm -rf tmp-data/ aligned-reads*
$ rm -rf tmp-data/ aligned-reads *
```

Undo is not an available shell command. Get smart about protecting your data.

## Protect your data

- Backups for your own computer
  - External hard drive
    - Mac Time Machine
    - Windows Backup and Restore
  - Online backup software that is automated
    - iDrive, BackBlaze, Carbonite, etc
    - Costs money



https://www.techopedia.com/2/29440/trends/cloud-computing/cloud-vs-local-backup-which-do-you-need



### Protect your data

- Backups of data
  - External hard drive these do fail, consider using 2
  - ACF backs up home directories but not project directories
  - Low likelihood of loss unless a major disaster happens!
  - Keep an eye on project end date you may lose data. No emails are sent right now.
- But what if you delete it?
- Linux Permissions
  - Can use these to prevent yourself or someone else from overwriting or deleting the data
  - Read-only permission



**READ ONLY** 

#### **Linux Permissions**

 File permissions are broken down into three user types:

```
User/Owner (u)Group (g)World/Other (o)
```

- Permissions can control how each user type can interact with the file
  - Read (r)
  - Write (w)
  - Execute (x)

#### Execute?

- For a file
  - Run the file as a program (execute the code)
- For a folder
  - The ability to cd into the directory
  - The ability to access the contents of a directory

Mnemonic device built right in!



#### **Linux Permissions**

Viewing permissions with `ls -l`

A file with completely open permissions:



User and group can read/write:

```
-rw-rw---- mstaton1 tug2222 file.txt
```

User and group and outsiders can read:

```
-r--r-- mstaton1 tug2222 file.txt
```

#### **Linux Permissions**

- Changing owner
   chown mestato file.txt
- Changing owner + group chown mestato:statongroup file.txt
- Removing write permission from user chmod u-w file.txt
- Removing execute permission from everyone chmod a+x file.txt