Merck-Data Mine Documentation

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Chapter 1

Introduction

This book will serve as tutorial based documentation for the Merck - Data Mine Coporate Partnership team for the 2020-2021 academic year.

1.1 How to contribute

Contributing to this book is simple:

1.1.1 Small changes and additions

If you have a small change or addition you'd like to make to the book, the easiest way to quickly contribute would be the following method.

- 1. Navigate to the page or section that needs to be edited
- 2. Click on the "Edit" button towards the upper left side of the page:



- 3. You'll be presented with the respective RMarkdown file. Make your modifications.
- 4. In the "Commit changes" box, select the radio button that says *Create a new branch* for this commit and start a pull request. Give your pull request a title and a detailed description. Name the new branch, and click on "Propose file change".

5. You've successfully submitted a pull request. Our team will review and merge the request shortly thereafter.

1.1.2 Larger changes or additions

If you have larger changes or additions you'd like to make to the book, the easiest way is to edit the contents of the book on your local machine.

1.1.2.1 Using git in the terminal

- 1. Setup git following the directions here.
- 2. Start by opening up a terminal and configuring git to work with GitHub.
- 3. Navigate to the directory in which you would like to clone the-examples-book repository. For example, if I wanted to clone the repository in my ~/projects folder, I'd first execute: cd ~/projects.
- 4. Clone the repository. In this example, let's assume I've cloned the repository into my ~/projects folder.
- 5. Navigate into the project folder:

cd ~/projects/the-examples-book

6. At this point in time your current branch should be the master branch. You can verify by running:

git branch

Note: The highlighted branch starting with "*" is the current branch. or if you'd like just the name of the branch:

git rev-parse --abbrev-ref HEAD

- 7. Create a new branch with whatever name you'd like, and check that branch out. For example, fix-spelling-errors-01.
- 8. Open up RStudio. In the "Files" tab in RStudio, navigate to the repository. In this example, we would navigate to /Users/kamstut/Documents/GitHub/the-examples-b Click on the "More" dropdown and select "Set As Working Directory".
- 9. If you do not already have **renv** installed, install it by running the following commands in the console:

```
install.packages("renv")
```

10. Restore the environment by running the following commands in the console:

```
renv::restore()
```

11. In order to compile this book, you must have LaTeX installed. The easiest way to accomplish this is to run the following in the R console:

```
install.packages("tinytex")
library(tinytex)
tinytex::install_tinytex()
```

- 12. In addition, make sure to install both pandoc and pandoc-citeproc by following the instructions here.
- 13. Modify the .Rmd files to your liking.
- 14. Click the "Knit" button to compile the book. The resulting "book" is within the "docs" folder.

Important note: If at any point in time you receive an error saying something similar to "there is no package called my_package, simply install the missing package, and try to knit again:

```
install.packages("my_package")
library(my_package)
```

- 15. To test the book out, navigate to the "docs" folder and open the index.html in the browser of your choice.
- 16. When you are happy with the modifications you've made, commit your changes to the repository.
- 17. You can continue to make modifications and commit your changes locally. When you are ready, you can push your branch to the remote repository (github.com).
- 18. At this point in time, you can confirm that the branch has been successfully pushed to github.com by navigating to the repository on github, and click on the "branches" tab:
- 19. Next, create a pull request. Note that a "Pull Request" is a GitHub-specific concept. You cannot create a pull request using git. Navigate to the repository https://github.com/thedatamine/the-examples-book, and you should see a message asking if you'd like to create a pull request:

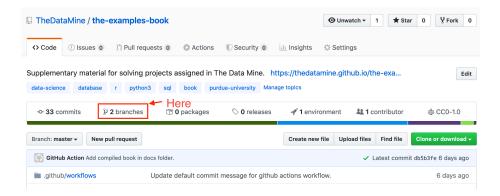


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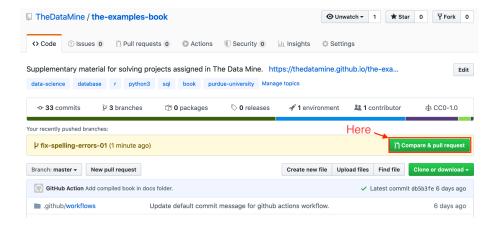


Figure 1.2:

20. Leave a detailed comment about what you've modified or added to the book. You can click on "Preview" to see what your comment will look like. GitHub's markdown applies here. Once satisfied, click "Create pull request".

21. At this point in time, the repository owners will receive a notification and will check and potentially merge the changes into the master branch.

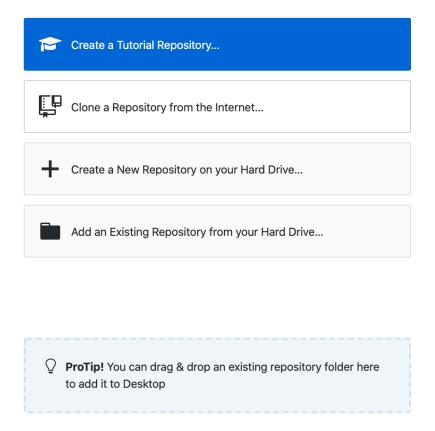
1.1.2.2 Using GitHub Desktop

- 1. Setup GitHub Desktop following the directions here.
- 2. When you are presented with the following screen, select "Clone a Repository from the Internet...":



Let's get started!

Add a repository to GitHub Desktop to start collaborating



- 3. Click on the "URL" tab:
 - 4. In the first field, enter "TheDataMine/the-examples-book". This is the repository for this book.
 - 5. In the second field, enter the location in which you'd like the repository to be cloned to. In this example, the repository will be cloned into /Users/kamstut/Documents/GitHub. The result will be a new folder

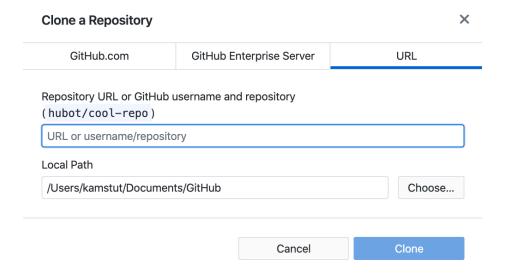


Figure 1.3:

called the-examples-book in /Users/kamstut/Documents/GitHub.

- 6. Click "Clone".
- 7. Upon completion, you will be presented with a screen similar to this:
- 8. At this point in time, your current branch will be the master branch. Create a new branch with whatever name you'd like. For example, fix-spelling-errors-01.
- 9. Open up RStudio. In the "Files" tab in RStudio, navigate to the repository. In this example, we would navigate to /Users/kamstut/Documents/GitHub/the-examples-book. Click on the "More" dropdown and select "Set As Working Directory".
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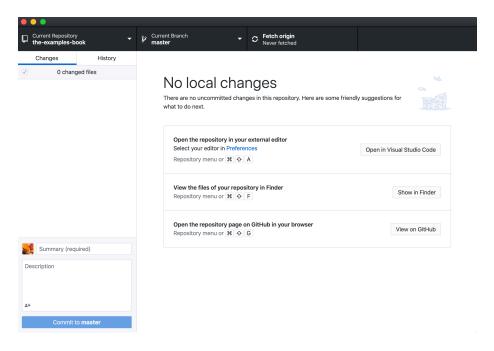


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- 17. When you are happy with the modifications you've made, commit your changes to the repository.
- 18. You can continue to make modifications and commit your changes locally. When you are ready, you can publish your branch:

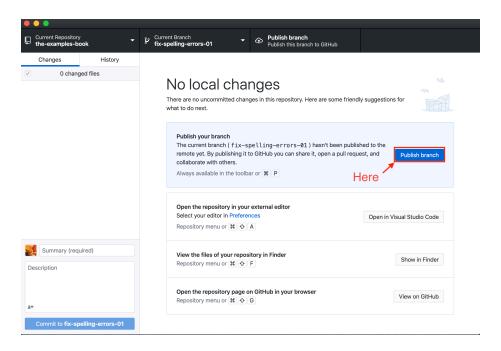


Figure 1.5:

- 19. Upon publishing your branch, within GitHub Desktop, you'll be presented with the option to create a pull request:
- 20. At this point in time, the repository owners will receive a notification and will check and potentially merge the changes into the master branch. © 2020 GitHub, Inc. Terms Privacy Security Status Help Contact GitHub Pricing API Training Blog About

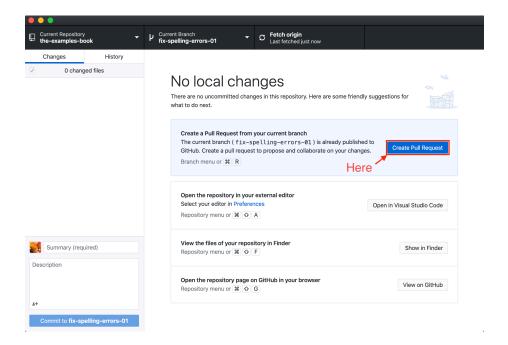


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