

Version Control with Git (A time travel machine)

❖ Basic Git commands.

Create a git repository	git init
Add a file to snapshot	git add <file_name>
Add all files to snapshot	git add .
Checking the status of snapshot	git status
Saving snapshot (commit)	git commit -m "message"
Checking history of commits	git log --oneline
Detailed history of commits	git whatchanged
Checking out previously saved snapshots	git checkout <commit_id>
Going back to current state	git checkout master

❖ Demo: Git version control in R.

- a. Loading built-in dataset in R and saving it as “mydata.RData” file under “dvc” folder.

```
data("USArrests")
# The USArrests dataset contains statistics on violent crime rates per
# 100,000 residents for each of the 50 US states in 1973.
# Murder - Murder arrests per 100,000
# Assault - Assault arrests per 100,000
# UrbanPop - Percent urban population
# Rape - Rape arrests per 100,000

save.image(file.choose()) #save file as mydata.RData under "dvc" folder
load(file.choose())
```

- b. Create git repository under “dvc” folder. Add file to snapshot. Save the snapshot with message “initial commit”

```
> git init
> git add mydata.RData
> git commit -m "initial commit"
```

- c. Manipulating data and saving it. Then, adding this modified data file to snapshot and saving the snapshot with a message.

```
USArrests <- subset(USArrests, Murder > 10) #keeping observations having
Murder value greater than 10
save.image(file.choose())

> git add mydata.RData
> git commit -m "filtered dataset"
```

- d. Exporting scatter plots and creating a report with a new commit message.

```
jpeg('plot.jpg')  
plot(USArrests)  
dev.off()
```

- Create a file “report.docx” and import the plot.
 - Add the new files and commit.
- > git add plot.jpg report.docx**
- > git commit -m “creating a report with plot”**
- e. Add description of the plot in “report.docx” file and commit.
- > git add report.docx**
- > git commit -m “revised report with description”**

Now check history of commits, its details, checkout previous versions, and coming back to current state.