

Title : CVS Basic Session How-To
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1 A Basic User Session

1.1 Getting files from a repository

Lets say you want to checkout the directory 'dir' from the repository #cvs checkout 'dir'

This creates the directory 'dir' in ur CWD and populates it with files from the directory 'dir' of the repository In addition a directory CVS will be created.It contains administrative files so lay off!!!. At the end of this you have your own working directory which you can edit at will.

1.2 Making changes

Open the files in the CWD and do whatever you like with them, be careful not to fiddle with the files in CVS though. Technically you can modify files in CVS but hey u gotta be a CVS Wiz to do that. Until then 'Play it Safe'

1.3 Committing your changes

Lets say you have modified 'file' and want to update the repository to reflect the changes #cvs commit 'file'

CVS starts an editor, to allow you to enter a log message. You type in "Your comment", save the temporary file, and exit the editor.

1.4 Viewing changes with diff

You can view changes you have made to source files using diff #cvs diff 'file'
Run diff before you do a commit otherwise you wont see any output from diff

1.5 Cleaning up

You can simply remove the working directory by `rm -rf 'workingdir'`

A elegant way to do this is

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#cvs release -d 'workingdir'
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Its much safer believe me!