**Branching Strategy:**

* To maintain the proper branches, we need to have standard directory structure

For that create below three directories

* Trunk
* Branches
* Tags

The source code should be inside the trunk

* We can create the directories with any name, but this is the procedure many industries are using

For example, if there is code for M1 release and got a request for creating M2. Then we can add the code from trunk by creating new branch as M2 in branches directory. We can do that as below

* **Svn copy <URL of repo/trunk> <URL of repo/branches/M2>**

With the above command, M2 directory will be created automatically

**Merging:**

If you want to merge M1 with M2, then got to M1 branch and use below command

* **Svn merge <URL of repo/M2>**

Then after, commit the changes

We can do from UI also, like for example to create a PROD branch, merge current PROD branch to trunk, then UAT to trunk, QA to trunk and then create new PROD branch from trunk.

