



Placement Empowerment Program Cloud Computing and DevOps Centre

Set Up Git Branching

Create a new branch in your Git repository for testing. Add a new feature and merge it.

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Introduction:

In this task, we explore Git branching, which allows developers to work on new features independently from the main codebase. We create a new branch called testing to implement a feature, commit the changes, and then merge them back into the main branch. The process involves checking the current branch, making changes, and resolving conflicts if necessary. After merging, we verify the changes through commit history and file existence. This helps maintain a clean and efficient workflow in collaborative development.

Overview

Here's what we will cover in this setup:

Start by navigating to your Git repository using the terminal.

- 1. Check the current branch using git branch to confirm you're on the correct branch (usually main).
- 2. Create and switch to a new branch called testing using git checkout -b testing.
- 3. Make changes by adding or modifying files (e.g., creating a new feature).
- 4. Stage the changes with git add and commit them with git commit.
- 5. Switch back to the main branch and merge the testing branch into it using git merge.
- 6. Verify the merge by checking commit history with git log and confirming changes are present in the main branch.

Objectives:

The objective of this task is to learn and implement Git branching to manage feature development separately from the main codebase. It aims to demonstrate how to create a new branch, add and commit changes, and merge those changes back into the main branch. The task also focuses on resolving potential merge conflicts and verifying successful changes. Additionally, it provides practice in navigating Git history to confirm the integration of new features. Ultimately, it improves version control skills in a collaborative development environment.

Step-by-Step Overview

Step 1:

1. Navigate to Your Git Repository:

Open the terminal and navigate to the folder where your Git repository is located. You can use the cd command to change the directory:



Step 2

2. Check the Current Branch:

Before creating a new branch, it's important to know which branch you're currently on. Usually, it's main use this command: git branch

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PS C:\Users\madhu> cd desktop
PS C:\Users\madhu\desktop> cd pep-tasks
PS C:\Users\madhu\desktop\pep-tasks> git branch
* main
```

Step 3

3. Create a New Branch:

To create a new branch, use the following command:

git checkout -b testing

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PS C:\Users\madhu\desktop\pep-tasks> git checkout -b testing
Switched to a new branch 'testing'
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Step 4: Make Changes:

you're on the testing branch, you can add a new feature. For example, you might add a new file or edit an existing one. For this example, let's say you add a file called feature.txt

commad :echo "This is my new feature!" > feature.txt

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PS C:\Users\madhu\desktop\pep-tasks> echo "This is my new feature!" > feature.txt
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Stage and Commit Changes:

After making changes to the files, you need to stage and commit those changes.

command: git add feature.txt

commit changes:

command: git commit -m "Added new feature: feature.txt"

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PS C:\Users\madhu\desktop\pep-tasks> git add feature.txt

PS C:\Users\madhu\desktop\pep-tasks> git commit -m "Added new feature: feature.txt"

[testing bb845a3] Added new feature: feature.txt

1 file changed, 0 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)

create mode 100644 feature.txt
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Step 6

Switch Back to the Main Branch:

After committing the changes in the testing branch, switch back to the main branch:

using this command ->checkout main

Step 7:

Merge the Testing Branch into Main:

Now that you're on the main branch, merge the changes from the testing branch:

using command: git merge testing

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PS C:\Users\madhu\desktop\pep-tasks> git checkout main
Switched to branch 'main'
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/main'.
PS C:\Users\madhu\desktop\pep-tasks> git merge testing
Updating 863ef24. .bb845a3
Fast-forward
feature.txt | Bin 0 -> 52 bytes
1 file changed, 0 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)
create mode 1006444 feature.txt
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Step 8:

you can verify your merging using this command: ls

it lists the files present in the current directory make sure your file is present

Outcomes:

The outcome of this task is the successful creation and management of Git branches for feature development. You will be able to independently work on a new feature in a separate branch and merge it into the main branch without affecting the main codebase. The task will enhance your ability to handle commit history and track changes effectively. You will gain experience in resolving merge conflicts, ensuring a smooth integration of new features. Additionally, the task improves your understanding of Git workflows in collaborative projects. By the end, you will be proficient in basic version control techniques with Git.