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Learning and Knowledge Management

Module 4: Advance Git Commands





Module Objectives

At the end of this module, you will be able to:

- Identify the different Git commands.
- Use some of the key advance Git commands



Topic List

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Key Git Commands (1)

List of Key Git Commands

The following table lists the key Git commands and its description:

Creating a work space		Analyzing the history and state	
clone	Clone a repository into a new directory	bisect	Use binary search to find the commit that introduced a bug
init	Create an empty Git repository or reinitialize an existing one		
	Editing		Print lines matching a pattern
add	Add file contents to the index	log	Show commit logs
mv	Move or rename a file, a directory, or a symlink	show	Show various types of objects
reset	Reset current HEAD to the specified state	status	Show the working tree status
rm	Remove files from the working tree and from the index	Status	Show the working tree states

Key Git Commands (2)

List of Key Git Commands

The following table lists the key Git commands and its description:

Grow, mark and tweak your common history				
branch	List, create, or delete branches			
checkout	Switch branches or restore working tree files			
commit	Record changes to the repository			
diff	Show changes between commits, commit and working tree, etc			
merge	Join two or more development histories together			
rebase	Reapply commits on top of another base tip			
tag	Create, list, delete or verify a tag object signed with GPG			
Collaborate				
fetch	Download objects and references from another repository			
pull	Fetch from and integrate with another repository or a local branch			
push	Update remote references along with associated objects			

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Alex Hopkins

Introduction

Scenario

In this module, requirements of Alex Hopkins are captured and solutions are provided for his requirement. Along with Alex you will also learn the usage of advance Git commands:

Creating Alias Rebasing I am using Git for Merging & Branching **Resetting the files** my project. Hi, I am Alex **Identifying the File Status Finding Difference** Hopkins Adding File with Selected Changes Stashing Committing **Parameters for better logging Cleaning untracked files** and directories I want to perform certain operations in Git. For my requirements, can you help me with the commands Git Bisect & Blameon

Creating Alias

Scenario

Alex wants to create an alias for most frequently used command based on the history of commit. He creates an alias by using the following command to save his writing time.

git config –global alias.XZ

Example

git config --global alias.X "log --oneline --graph"

After creating alias the command can be as follows.

git X instead of git log --oneline --graph.

If more parameters to the alias then git X --author="Charles"

Merging & Branching (1)

Scenario

Alex developed some code in his local branch. He wants to merged the changes to an another branch. He wants to keep the Git branch history during a pull request, even after merging his local branch with another.

Merge Command

Merge command joins two or more development histories together. To merge the histories together, go to the

branch to which you need to merge and use the following command:

git merge some-branch-name

The following command helps to store a commit history tree where the branch changes are tracked.

```
git merge --no-ff
git merge --no-ff some-branch-name.
```

```
mac express: git merge --no-ff no-ff-demo
Merge made by the 'recursive' strategy.
Readme.md | 2 +-
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)
ac express: git log --oneline --graph
   397215d Merge branch 'no-ff-demo'
 * b4ae5f8 Another commit
 * 8abe7f9 Some commit
 11a77a3 Fix inner numeric indices incorrectly altering parent req.para
 ee90042 Fix infinite loop condition using mergeParams: true
 a4fcd91 deps: update example dependencies
 a559ca2 build: istanbul@0.3.17
 c398a99 deps: type-is@~1.6.6
 1cea9ce deps: accepts@~1.2.12
 e33c503 deps: path-to-regexp@0.1.7
   9848645 Merge tag '3.21.2
```

Alex needs to remember the branch structure after a local merge which is difficult.

How will Alex know the branching details?

Merging & Branching (2)

Branch Command

To view all the remote branches, use the following command:

```
git branch —a
```

To display branches which are fully merged with the master branch, you can use the following command:

git branch -a -merged

```
express — bash — 71×22
mac express: git branch -a
  master
  remotes/origin/1.x
  remotes/origin/2.x
  remotes/origin/4.x
  remotes/origin/5.0
  remotes/origin/HEAD -> origin/master
  remotes/origin/external-isAbsolute
  remotes/origin/master
  remotes/origin/mscdex-router-optimize
  remotes/origin/slim-benchmark
mac express: git branch -a --merged
 master
  remotes/origin/3.x
  remotes/origin/4.x
mac express:
```

Merging & Branching (3)

Sort Command

Use the following command for viewing the remote branches, that exists along with the last commits.

git for-each-ref --sort=committerdate --format='%(refname:short) * %(authorname) * %(committerdate:relative)' refs/remotes/ | column -t -s '*'

```
mac express: git for-each-ref --sort=committerdate --format='%(refname:short) * %(aut
horname) * %(committerdate:relative)' refs/remotes/ | column -t -s '*'
origin/1.x
                                 Tj Holowaychuk
                                                               4 years, 6 months ago
                                 TJ Holowaychuk
origin/2.x
                                                              3 years ago
origin/streaming-render
                                 Roman Shtylman
                                                              1 year, 10 months ago
origin/benchmark
                                 Douglas Christopher Wilson
                                                              1 year, 2 months ago
                                                              1 year, 1 month ago
origin/mscdex-router-optimize
                                 Douglas Christopher Wilson
origin/slim-benchmark
                                 Douglas Christopher Wilson
                                                              1 year, 1 month ago
origin/5.x
                                 Douglas Christopher Wilson
                                                              10 months ago
origin/external-isAbsolute
                                 Jeremiah Senkpiel
                                                               5 months ago
                                 Douglas Christopher Wilson
origin/4.x
                                                               9 weeks ago
origin/5.0
                                 Douglas Christopher Wilson
                                                               9 weeks ago
origin/3.x
                                 Douglas Christopher Wilson
                                                               5 weeks ago
origin/master
                                 Brendan Ashworth
                                                               5 weeks ago
origin/HEAD
                                 Brendan Ashworth
                                                               5 weeks ago
mac express:
```

Alex has the details about the remote branches. How can he extract files from those remote branches?



Merging & Branching (4)

Extracting Files from Branches

To extract files from other branches, use the following command:

git show some-branch:file.js

To redirect the output to a temporary file, which can be deleted later, use the following command:

git show some-branch-name:file.js > deleteme.js

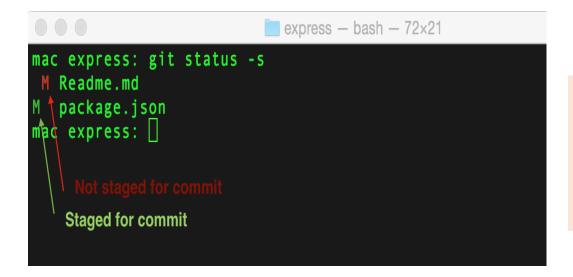
Identifying the File Status

Scenario

Alex has his local files with similar names. He has forgotten what was the last action taken on those files. He wants to display which stage is a file in Git.

To identify the file status, use the following command:

```
git status -s
```



Remember

Following are the difference status of the file:

- 1. Yet to be staged for commit
- 2. Staged for commit
- 3. Committed

Adding File with Selected Changes

Scenario

Alex finds a file which is yet to be staged, however in that file, he wants to add only selected changes from a file.

To add a file with selected changes, use the following command:

git add -p

express — perl5.18 — 72×36 mac express: git add -p diff --git a/package.json b/package.json index 3b4389e..5112b4d 100644 a/package.json +++ b/package.json @@ -1.5 +1.5 @@ "name": "express-custom", "description": "Fast, unopinionated, minimalist web framework", "version": "4.13.2", "author": "TJ Holowaychuk <tj@vision-media.ca>", Stage this hunk [y,n,q,a,d,/,j,J,g,e,?]? ? do not stage this hunk quit; do not stage this hunk or any of the remaining ones stage this hunk and all later hunks in the file do not stage this hunk or any of the later hunks in the file search for a hunk matching the given regex this hunk undecided, see previous undecided hunk manually edit the current hunk print help @@ -1,5 +1,5 @@ "name": "express-custom", "description": "Fast, unopinionated, minimalist web framework", "version": "4.13.2", "author": "TJ Holowaychuk <tj@vision-media.ca>", Stage this hunk [y,n,q,a,d,/,j,J,g,e,?]?

Commit (1)

Scenario

Alex added and committed the selected changes. However, he realizes that there is a typo after committing. He wants to correct the typo in his previous commit, instead of making a new commit with comments as "typo".

When the changes are not pushed to the remote branch, you can use amend option:

1) Stage the fixed file using the following command:

git add corrected-file.js

2) Execute the following "amend" command through which the most recent changes can be added to the latest commit. Even the commit message can be edited.

git commit --amend

Important

It is recommended to avoid a new commit, instead of fixing an old commit.

How will Alex fix the typo error if the changes are already **Pushed** to remote branch?



Commit (2)

Scenario

When the changes are pushed to the remote branch. You can use force option to fix the incorrect commit.

The following command is used to fix the incorrect commit:

git push -f

Note: When you are performing this task, you would be changing the content on a branch that is being **used by other users**.

Commit (3)

Standards for Commit Message

A commit should describe the following sentence:

When applied, this commit will: {{ YOUR COMMIT MESSAGE}}

Example

- When applied this commit will Update README file
- When applied this commit will Add validation for GET /user/:id API call
- When applied this commit will Revert commit 12345

Soft revert on a commit options are available at

This reverts now and re-commit reverted files and takes the new commit message as an input.

git revert –n



Commit (4)

cherry Command

The git cherry command finds the commits where are yet to be applied to upstream.

```
git cherry-pick –v SampleBranchName
Git cherry –v master
```

```
rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject (develop)

$ git cherry -v master
+ 0aa886c2d9c80ddadc659182935eadd7949d4b31 Adding sample project contents

rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject (develop)
```

```
$ git cherry -v develop
rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject (develop)
```

cherry-pick Command

The git cherry-pick command applies the changes introduced by some existing commits.

git cherry-pick <commitSHA>



Rebasing (1)

Scenario

Alex commits in a local version of a master branch. Simultaneously, another user Tom checked in 5 days of work into the master branch.

By using Push & Pull command, the scenario can be handled

- When the user attempts to push, Git identifies the conflicts and it prompts to perform Git pull to resolve it.
- After doing Git pull, Git throws a message "Merge remote-tracking branch 'origin/master", which might clutter
 the log history a bit.

Using Rebase Command

Alternatively, to address the considered scenario, you can use the following command:

git pull --rebase

• The rebase command forces Git to pull the changes first, and then re-apply (rebase) the un-pushed commits on the remote branch's latest version. Thus the merge and the message is avoided.

Rebasing (3)

Merging Branch with Master

 Rebase command is an alternative to Merge command. You can rebase the feature branch with master branch using the following commands:

git checkout feature git rebase master

- These commands move the entire feature branch to begin from the master branch and it incorporate all new commits in master.
- Rebasing re-writes the project history by creating brand new commits for each commit in the original branch.
- The major benefit of rebasing is:
 - Cleaner project history
 - Elimination of unnecessary merge commits required by git merge command
 - · Provides linear project history
 - Easier navigation in the project



Rebasing (2)

Interactive Rebasing

If you are in need of an interactive rebasing, use the following command:

```
git rebase -i {{some commit hash}}
```

```
git pull -rebase
```

The command reapplies commit on top of another base.

```
ick a6671aa Commit
    2261d76 Commit
    8f462e7 Commit 4
    7c9d609 Fist bad commit
oick e549232 Commit 5
 Rebase 11a77a3..e5efcθe onto 11a77a3
 Commands:
     reword = use commit, but edit the commit message
     edit = use commit, but stop for amending
     squash = use commit, but meld into previous commit
     fixup = like "squash", but discard this commit's log message
  x, exec = run command (the rest of the line) using shell
 These lines can be re-ordered; they are executed from top to bottom.
 If you remove a line here THAT COMMIT WILL BE LOST.
 However, if you remove everything, the rebase will be aborted.
 Note that empty commits are commented out
                                CWD: /Users/alexk/Desktop/express
```

Note: It is recommended not to use rebase commits that exist outside the repository.



Resetting the Files (1)

Types of Resets

You can use the Reset command to return to a particular version in Git history. Reset command lets you tidy up code before doing commit

Command	Description
git resethard {{some-commit-hash}}	Changes made after the commit are discarded.
git reset {{some-commit-hash}}	Changes made after commit are moved to " not yet staged for commit " stage. If needed, run Git add and Git commit to add the files back to the repository.
git resetsoft {{some-commit-hash}}	Changes made after the commit are moved to "staged for commit" stage. You can run Git commit command to add files back to the repository.

Resetting the Files (2)

Scenario

Alex wants to Ignore local changes for few files, but at the same time he wants to save the changes in few other files. He wants to check out committed versions of the files whose changes are to be ignored.

git checkout filename.js

An alternative command is:

git reset -hard

Note: But this option is only for some files.

To check out another version of a file from other branch or commit.

git checkout some-branch-name file-name.js

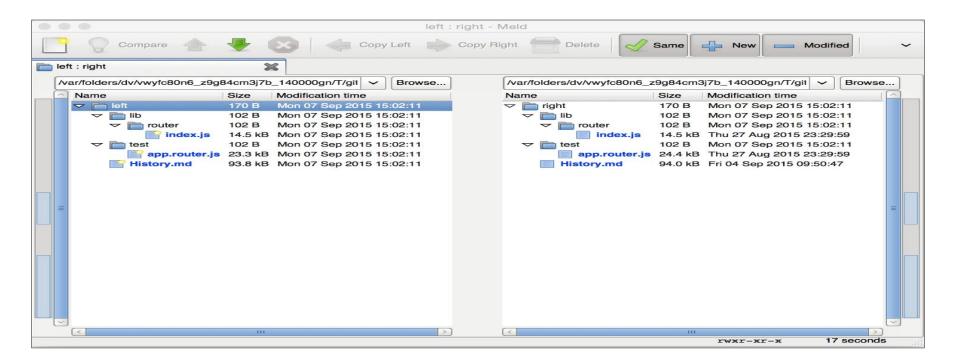
git checkout {{some-commit-hash}} file-name.js

Finding Difference Between Folders (1)

Scenario

Alex wants to find the difference between the folders. You can use the "difftool" command to find the difference between folders.

git difftool –d



Finding Difference Between Folders (2)

Finding Difference Between Files

To find the difference between two files, use the following command:

git diff some-branch some-filename.js

Alex wants to ignore the white space during re-indentation or re-format of a file. How will he do this?

Ignore the white space

To ignore the white space changes during re-indentation or re-format of a file, use the following command:

git diff -w or git blame -w



Stashing (1)

Scenario

Alex wants to pull all the unsaved changes on Git Stack.

You can put all the unsaved changes on a "Git stack" using the "stash" command.

git stash -p

-p option allows you to see the chunks of changes that needs to be stashed.

You can use the stash command when you want to record the current state of the working directory and the index, but want to go back to a clean working directory.

The command saves the local modifications and reverts the working directory to match the HEAD commit.

```
express — perl5.18 — 85×40
nac express: git stash -p
diff --git a/Readme.md b/Readme.md
index 8da83a5..4735255 100644
     a/Readme.md
+++ b/Readme.md
   -1,6 +1,6 @@
 [![Express Logo](https://i.cloudup.com/zfY6lL7eFa-3000x3000.png)](http://expressjs.c
   Fast, unopinionated, minimalist web framework for [node](http://nodejs.org)..
    [![NPM Version][npm-image]][npm-url]
    [![NPM Downloads][downloads-image]][downloads-url]
     quit; do not stash this hunk or any of the remaining ones stash this hunk and all later hunks in the file
     to not stash this hunk or any of the later hunks in the select a hunk to go to search for a hunk matching the given regex leave this hunk undecided, see next undecided hunk leave this hunk undecided, see next hunk leave this hunk undecided, see previous undecided hunk leave this hunk undecided, see previous hunk split the current hunk into smaller hunks manually edit the current hunk print help
    -1,6 +1,6 @@
 [![Express Logo](https://i.cloudup.com/zfY6lL7eFa-3000x3000.png)](http://expressjs.c
    Fast, unopinionated, minimalist web framework for [node](http://nodejs.org)..
    [![NPM Version][npm-image]][npm-url]
    [![NPM Downloads][downloads-image]][downloads-url]
 stash this hunk [y,n,q,a,d,/,e,?]?
```

Stashing (2)

Stash Command Options

Stash list

git stash list

- Lists the current stash entries that you have. List command displays the following:
 - A named stash entry (e.g. stash@{0} which will the latest entry, stash@{1} is the one before, etc.),
 - A short description of the commit the entry was based on.

```
rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject/spring-petclinic/src/main/resources/messages (develop)
$ git stash list
stash@{0}: WIP on develop: 534f9ec Merge pull request #4 from RobertNorthard/feature/dependency-updates
```

Stash pop

git stash pop

Removes a single stashed state from the stash list and apply it on top of the current working tree state.

```
rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject/spring-petclinic/src/main/resources/messages (develop)
$ git stash pop
Auto-merging src/main/resources/messages/messages.properties
CONFLICT (content): Merge conflict in src/main/resources/messages/messages.properties
```



Parameters for Logging (1)

Scenario

Alex needs a weekly report about the project files which has to be submitted every Friday.

On Fridays, he needs to execute following command:

git log --author="Alex Hopkins" --after="1 week ago" -oneline

Following table lists the parameters that can be passed on with the log command:

Parameters	Description
author="Alex Hopkins"	Show commits made by a particular author
name-only	Only file names are displayed.
oneline	Data is compressed to one line.
graph	Displays the tree of dependency for all commits.
reverse	Commits in reverse order (Oldest commit first).
after	Filters and displays commits done after particular date.
before	Displays commits before particular date.

Parameters for Logging (2)

Example

Alex wants to have a look at the compressed data as tree of dependency for all commits.

```
git log --oneline --graph
```

```
express — less — 72×21
mac express: git log --oneline --graph
 11a77a3 Fix inner numeric indices incorrectly altering parent req.para
 ee90042 Fix infinite loop condition using mergeParams: true
  97b2d70 4.13.2
  a4fcd91 deps: update example dependencies
  a559ca2 build: istanbul@0.3.17
  c398a99 deps: type-is@~1.6.6
  1cea9ce deps: accepts@~1.2.12
  e33c503 deps: path-to-regexp@0.1.7
   9848645 Merge tag '3.21.2'
   cb59086 3.21.2
  * ce087e5 build: marked@0.3.5
  * 93dd15c deps: connect@2.30.2
  * b53feaa deps: vary@~1.0.1
  * d51d1ea build: ejs@2.3.3
  * fc95112 build: should@7.0.2
   659c0b1 deps: update example dependencies
   09c80bf deps: array-flatten@1.1.1
   de7ffca tests: add test for matching route after error
```

Parameters for Logging (3)

Example

Alex wants to have a look at all the changes that were made in each commit, along with the commit message, author, and date.

git log -p filename

```
•
                           express - less - 72×21
Author: Douglas Christopher Wilson <doug@somethingdoug.com>
        Thu Oct 23 02:20:51 2014 -0400
Date:
    docs: visionmedia is now tj on Github
commit 5f7a37ee517e172c0762fc3debaf94c066e531f9
Author: Fishrock123 <fishrock123@rocketmail.com>
       Sat Oct 11 14:12:03 2014 -0400
Date:
    docs: misc. tweaks
    closes #2394
commit ff3a368b2f9a7e640fb3fd18f116de5352e73d58
Author: Douglas Christopher Wilson <doug@somethingdoug.com>
        Thu Oct 23 02:08:34 2014 -0400
Date:
    deps: update example dependencies
commit ccc45a74f89b45a6551bc8ff305581dbc8175bca
/visionmedia
```

Parameters for Logging (4)

Example

Alex finds something fishy in line 1 of a certain file. He wants to see what has changed in it through various commits.

```
git log -L 1,1:filename
```

This traces the evolution of the line 1 to line 1 in the file named "filename" through various commits.

```
express — less — 132×22
mac express: git log -L 6,13:package.json
commit d046208ca24000cfd83e474bf2d4340c60ffb520
Author: Douglas Christopher Wilson <doug@somethingdoug.com>
Date: Wed Jul 16 13:10:19 2014 -0400
   build: add Young Jae Sim as contributor
diff --git a/package.json b/package.json
 -- a/package.json
+++ b/package.json
  -6,7 +6,8 @@
   "contributors": [
    "Aaron Heckmann <aaron.heckmann+github@gmail.com>",
    "Ciaran Jessup <ciaranj@gmail.com>",
    "Douglas Christopher Wilson <doug@somethingdoug.com>",
    "Guillermo Rauch <rauchg@gmail.com>",
    "Jonathan Ong <me@jongleberry.com>",
    "Roman Shtylman <shtylman+expressjs@gmail.com>",
    "Young Jae Sim <hanul@hanul.me>"
 ommit 2e257d1cf744400d0ed4c80cd0e2fb7b01ec3896
```

Parameters for Logging (5)

Example

Alex wants to log the changes that are yet to be merged to the parent branch.

git log --no-merges master

no-merges flag: Displays changes which are not merged to any branch, and the master.

Alternatively,

git show --no-merges master

or

git log -p --no-merges master

Also displays file changes which have not been merged yet.

Cleaning Untracked Files and Directories

Scenario

Alex identifies few untracked files and directories in the project which he wants to remove.

Following are the commands to remove untracked files and directories:

Git clean -f

Removes untracked files

Git clean -fd

Removes untracked files/directories

Git clean -nfd

Lists all files and folders which will be removed

```
rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject (develop)
$ git clean -f
Removing test.txt
rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject (develop)
```

```
rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject (develop)
$ git clean -fd
Removing Sample_Source_Code/
Removing test/
```

```
rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject (develop)
$ git clean -nfd
Would remove sample/
Would remove test/
```

Git Bisect & Blameon (1)





On checking the last commit before vacation, the left out feature is intact and is operational.



Alex headed back to work. He pulled the latest changes of the feature that he worked prior to vacation and noticed that the work is left cracked.



- Numerous commits exist after he left for vacation.
- Found bugs in the feature that he was working.

Now, how will Alex fix the bug and find who broke the feature???

Git Bisect & Blameon (2)



Git Blameon & Git
Bisect

Git Blameon command to find out the culprit who broke feature.

Git Bisect command to find the broken commit that caused the bug by using the divide and conquer algorithm.

\$ git bisect

Git Bisect Conquer Algorithm

- A known bad commit and a known good commit are mentioned to Git Bisect.
- This splits the commits between those in half, thus identifies the middle one and checkout a new (nameless) branch.
- Alex should check whether the feature is broken in the middle commit.
- If the middle commit is operational and not broken, then repast Git bisect with this known good commit and the known bad commit.
- This process gets narrowed down and thus the first bad commit which broke the feature is spotted.

Git Bisect & Blameon (3)

Git Bisect Command Example

Following screen captures shows an example of Git Bisect command.

```
rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject (develop)
$ git bisect
usage: git bisect [help|start|bad|good|new|old|terms|skip|next|reset|visualize|replay|log|run]
```

```
rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject (develop)
$ git bisect good
You need to start by "git bisect start"
Do you want me to do it for you [Y/n]? Y

rakhi.parashar@M2B-L-5296SMP MINGW32 /c/Data/DevopsAcademy/ExampleProject (develop|BISECTING)
$
```

Knowledge Check

Select the right answer

Which command is used to find the broken commit that causes the bug?





- c) git blameon
- d) git checkout



Knowledge Check

Select the right answer

Which command saves the unsaved changes on a "Git stack"?

- a) Clone
- b) Add
- c) Commit



d) Stash



Exercise 4.1: Using Git Advance Commands

Scenario

- Create a branch devTest, pull the changes from the master branch over here and then make some more changes, save those changes and then commit your changes. Go to develop branch and then merge the changes of devTest branch in develop branch.
- Compare both the branches develop and devTest with master, if any file is missing from the master then fetch that file and place in both branches (develop and devTest). Use commands like grep, log, show, status, diff and bisect for analyzing history.
- Add a new file in the working tree and make the changes and commit. Post this copy this file to another file File2 and then rename the newly added file. Finally remove the File2 from the working tree. Check status of the working tree.
- Clone the spring petclinic project from git repository. Go to springpetclinic/src/main/resources/messages/messages.properties and remove the first line with content
 "welcome=Welcome". OR you can create any other bug and commit the changes. Now use binary search to
 find the commit that introduced a bug. Hint: use Bisect and blame command.

Exercise 4.2: Using Git Advance Commands

Scenario

Following are the key scenarios where you need to use some of the other Git Advance Commands:

- Creating an alias for most frequently used command based on the history of commit.
- Identifying the file status by displaying which stage is a file in Git
- Merging without using merge command
- Keeping the changes in local branch that you want to commit later.
- Committing only specific commits from master to your current
- Removing untracked files and directories



Module Summary

Now, you should be able to:

- Identify the different Git commands.
- Use some of the key advance Git commands



Course Summary

Now, you should be able to:

- Describe Configuration Management (CM).
- Explain what is Git.
- Practice the steps to create Git Hub Repository.
- Use some of the key Git commands for version control.



Thank You