Lab: (Command Line) Commit to a Local Repository

Estimated time: 10 minutes

Note: This lab assumes that you are using a command line. If you would prefer to use Sourcetree, there are separate instructions.

Note: This lab assumes that you have created a local repository named projecta. This was done in the previous lab.

In this lab, you will:

- 1. View file status using git status .
- 2. Stage content using git add.
- 3. Commit content using git commit .
- 4. View the commit history using git log.

1: View file status using git status.

- 1. In a command line, navigate to your projecta directory and execute git status. You should see the message "Nothing to commit".
- 2. Create an empty file named fileA.txt in the projecta directory using touch fileA.txt. This is the first file in your working tree.
- 3. Execute git status . You should see that Git notices the fileA.txt file and identifies it as untracked.

Congratulations, you have viewed an untracked file in your working tree.

2: Stage content using git add.

- 1. Add fileA.txt to the staging area using git add fileA.txt.
- 2. Execute git status again. You should see that Git adds fileA.txt under "Changes to be committed".

Congratulations, you have staged a file.

3: Commit content using git commit.

1. Execute git commit -m "add fileA.txt" to create a commit. The -m option adds a

commit message.

Congratulations, you have created a commit.

4: View the commit history using git log.

- 1. Execute git log. You should see your commit details, including your commit message.
- 2. Execute git log --oneline. A concise version of the history is displayed.
- 3. You will not use the projecta repository in future labs. Feel free to delete it by simply deleting the projecta directory.
- Congratulations. You have staged a file and created a commit.

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