# Implementing a Proxy Check in Windows

To implement a proxy check in Windows using Git-Bash and PowerShell, you need to set up mechanisms in each shell to detect when network-related commands are executed and display proxy settings if they are configured. Below are the steps and code for both Git-Bash and PowerShell. The "terminal" mentioned likely refers to Windows Terminal hosting these shells, so we'll focus on Git-Bash and PowerShell implementations.

#### For Git-Bash

Git-Bash is a Bash emulation on Windows, and we can use a DEBUG trap to run a function before each command execution. The goal is to check if the command is network-related and if proxy settings are set, then display them.

#### Steps:

- 1. Define the list of network-related commands.
- 2. Create a function to display proxy settings.
- 3. Create a function to check the command and proxy settings.
- 4. Set up the DEBUG trap to run the check before each command.
- 5. Define a manual checkproxy function to display proxy settings on demand.
- 6. Add all configurations to the .bashrc file.

**Implementation:** Add the following code to your ~/.bashrc file (create it if it doesn't exist):

```
# List of network-related commands
network_commands=(
    "gpa"
    "git"
    "ssh"
    "scp"
    "sftp"
    "rsync"
    "curl"
    "wget"
    "apt"
    "yum"
    "dnf"
    "npm"
```

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"yarn"
    "pip"
    "pip3"
    "gem"
    "cargo"
    "docker"
    "kubectl"
    "ping"
    "traceroute"
    "netstat"
    "ss"
    "ip"
   "ifconfig"
    "dig"
    "nslookup"
    "nmap"
    "telnet"
    "ftp"
    "nc"
    "tcpdump"
   "adb"
    "bundle"
    "brew"
    "cpanm"
    "bundle exec jekyll"
    "make"
    "python"
    "glcoud"
# Function to display proxy settings
display_proxy() {
   echo -e " **Proxy Settings Detected:**"
    [ -n "$HTTP_PROXY" ] && echo "
                                    - HTTP_PROXY: $HTTP_PROXY"
    [ -n "$http_proxy" ] && echo "
                                    - http_proxy: $http_proxy"
    [ -n "$HTTPS_PROXY" ] && echo " - HTTPS_PROXY: $HTTPS_PROXY"
    [ -n "$https_proxy" ] && echo " - https_proxy: $https_proxy"
    [ -n "$ALL_PROXY" ] && echo " - ALL_PROXY: $ALL_PROXY"
    [ -n "$all_proxy" ] && echo "
                                    - all_proxy: $all_proxy"
    echo ""
```

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```
# Function to check if the command is network-related and proxies are set
proxy_check() {
   local cmd
    # Extract the first word of the command
    cmd=$(echo "$BASH_COMMAND" | awk '{print $1}')
   for network_cmd in "${network_commands[0]}"; do
        if [[ "$cmd" == "$network_cmd" ]]; then
            # Check if any proxy environment variables are set
            if [ -n "$HTTP_PROXY" ] || [ -n "$http_proxy" ] || \
               [ -n "$HTTPS_PROXY" ] || [ -n "$https_proxy" ] || \
               [ -n "$ALL_PROXY" ] || [ -n "$all_proxy" ]; then
                display_proxy
            fi
            break
        fi
    done
}
# Set the DEBUG trap to run proxy_check before each command
trap 'proxy_check' DEBUG
# Function to manually check proxy settings
checkproxy() {
   echo "HTTP_PROXY: $HTTP_PROXY"
   echo "HTTPS PROXY: $HTTPS PROXY"
   echo "Git HTTP Proxy:"
   git config --get http.proxy
   echo "Git HTTPS Proxy:"
   git config --get https.proxy
}
```

#### **How It Works:**

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- The network\_commands array lists commands that are network-related.
- display\_proxy shows all relevant proxy environment variables if they are set.
- proxy\_check uses BASH\_COMMAND (available in the DEBUG trap) to get the command being executed, extracts the first word, and checks if it matches any network command. If proxy variables are set, it displays

them.

- The trap 'proxy\_check' DEBUG line ensures proxy\_check runs before each command.
- checkproxy allows you to manually view proxy settings, including Git-specific proxy configurations.
- After adding this to .bashrc, restart Git-Bash or run source ~/.bashrc to apply changes.

#### **Usage:**

- When you run a network command (e.g., git clone, curl), if proxy settings are configured, they will be displayed before the command executes.
- Run checkproxy to manually view proxy settings.

#### For PowerShell

PowerShell doesn't have a direct equivalent to Bash's DEBUG trap, but we can use the PSReadLine module's CommandValidationHandler to achieve similar functionality. This handler runs before each command, allowing us to check for network commands and proxy settings.

## Steps:

- 1. Define the list of network-related commands.
- 2. Create a function to display proxy settings.
- 3. Set up the CommandValidationHandler to check commands and proxy settings.
- 4. Define a manual checkproxy function to display proxy settings on demand.
- 5. Add all configurations to your PowerShell profile.

**Implementation:** First, locate your PowerShell profile file by running \$PROFILE in PowerShell. If it doesn't exist, create it:

```
New-Item -Type File -Force $PROFILE
```

Add the following code to your PowerShell profile (e.g., Microsoft.PowerShell\_profile.ps1):

```
# List of network-related commands
$networkCommands = @(
    "gpa",
    "git",
    "ssh",
    "scp",
```

```
"sftp",
    "rsync",
    "curl",
    "wget",
    "apt",
    "yum",
    "dnf",
    "npm",
    "yarn",
    "pip",
    "pip3",
    "gem",
    "cargo",
    "docker",
    "kubectl",
    "ping",
    "traceroute",
    "netstat",
    "ss",
    "ip",
    "ifconfig",
    "dig",
    "nslookup",
    "nmap",
    "telnet",
    "ftp",
    "nc",
    "tcpdump",
    "adb",
    "bundle",
    "brew",
    "cpanm",
    "bundle exec jekyll",
    "make",
    "python",
    "glcoud"
# Function to display proxy settings
function Display-Proxy {
```

)

```
Write-Host " **Proxy Settings Detected:**"
    if ($env:HTTP_PROXY) { Write-Host " - HTTP_PROXY: $env:HTTP_PROXY" }
    if ($env:http_proxy) { Write-Host " - http_proxy: $env:http_proxy" }
    if ($env:HTTPS_PROXY) { Write-Host " - HTTPS_PROXY: $env:HTTPS_PROXY" }
    if ($env:https_proxy) { Write-Host " - https_proxy: $env:https_proxy" }
    if ($env:ALL_PROXY) { Write-Host " - ALL_PROXY: $env:ALL_PROXY" }
    if ($env:all_proxy) { Write-Host " - all_proxy: $env:all_proxy" }
    Write-Host ""
}
# Set up the CommandValidationHandler to check commands before execution
Set-PSReadLineOption -CommandValidationHandler {
    param($command)
    # Extract the first word of the command
    $cmd = ($command -split ' ')[0]
    if ($networkCommands -contains $cmd) {
        # Check if any proxy environment variables are set
        if ($env:HTTP_PROXY -or $env:http_proxy -or $env:HTTPS_PROXY -or $env:https_proxy -or $env:ALL_PROXY
            Display-Proxy
        }
    }
    # Always return true to allow command execution
    return $true
}
# Function to manually check proxy settings
function checkproxy {
    Write-Host "HTTP_PROXY: $env:HTTP_PROXY"
    Write-Host "HTTPS_PROXY: $env:HTTPS_PROXY"
    Write-Host "Git HTTP Proxy:"
    git config --get http.proxy
    Write-Host "Git HTTPS Proxy:"
    git config --get https.proxy
}
```

#### **How It Works:**

- \$networkCommands is an array of network-related commands.
- Display-Proxy displays all relevant proxy environment variables if they are set.

- Set-PSReadLineOption -CommandValidationHandler defines a script block that runs before each command:
  - It extracts the first word of the command.
  - Checks if it's in \$networkCommands.
  - If proxy variables are set, it calls Display-Proxy.
  - Returns \$true to ensure the command executes.
- checkproxy allows manual viewing of proxy settings, including Git-specific proxies.
- After adding to your profile, restart PowerShell or run . \$PROFILE to apply changes.

#### Requirements:

- The PSReadLine module is required, which is included by default in PowerShell 5.1 and later.
- If using an older version, you may need to upgrade PowerShell or find an alternative method (not covered here, as most systems use newer versions).

## **Usage:**

- When you run a network command (e.g., git pull, curl), if proxy settings are configured, they will be displayed before the command executes.
- Run checkproxy to manually view proxy settings.

## Notes on the "Terminal"

- If "terminal" refers to Windows Terminal, it is simply a host for shells like Git-Bash, PowerShell, or Command Prompt (cmd.exe).
- The above implementations work within Git-Bash or PowerShell sessions in Windows Terminal.
- Implementing similar functionality in Command Prompt (cmd.exe) is not practical due to its limited scripting capabilities. It's recommended to use Git-Bash or PowerShell instead.

#### **Additional Considerations**

## Command Parsing:

- Both implementations check only the first word of the command against the network commands list. For example, git clone triggers because git is in the list.
- Multi-word commands like bundle exec jekyll will trigger if bundle is in the list, which is sufficient for most cases.

- If needed, you could modify the code to check all words in the command, but this might lead to false positives and is generally unnecessary.

## Proxy Variables:

- Both implementations check for HTTP\_PROXY, http\_proxy, HTTPS\_PROXY, https\_proxy, ALL\_PROXY, and all\_proxy to cover common variations.
- In Windows, environment variables are case-insensitive, but we check both cases for consistency with Unix-like behavior (especially in Git-Bash).

## Git Proxy Settings:

- The  ${\tt checkproxy}$  function in both shells displays Git-specific proxy settings using  ${\tt git}$   ${\tt config}$  --get.

## **Testing**

## Set Proxy Variables:

- In Git-Bash: export HTTP\_PROXY=http://proxy.example.com:8080
- In PowerShell: \$env:HTTP\_PROXY = "http://proxy.example.com:8080"

#### • Run Network Commands:

- Try commands like git --version, curl -V, etc.
- Proxy settings should display before the command output.

#### • Use checkproxy:

- Run checkproxy in either shell to manually view proxy settings.

This implementation provides a robust proxy check in both Git-Bash and PowerShell, suitable for use within Windows Terminal or standalone.