

Viewing the version history

INTRODUCTION TO GIT



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The commit structure

Git commits have **three** parts:

1. Commit

- contains the metadata - author, log message, commit time

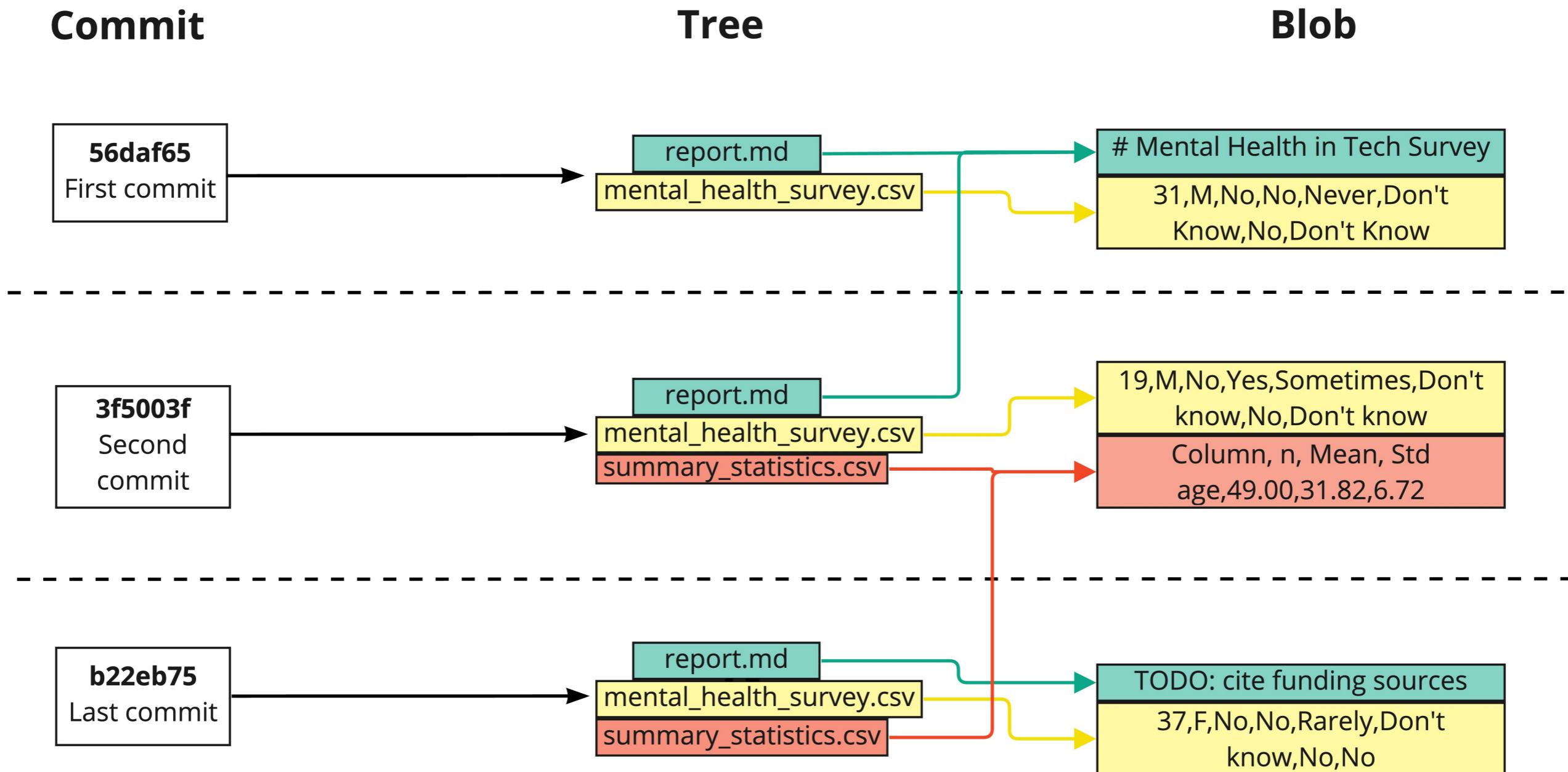
2. Tree

- tracks the names and locations of files and directories in the repo
- like a dictionary - mapping keys to files/directories

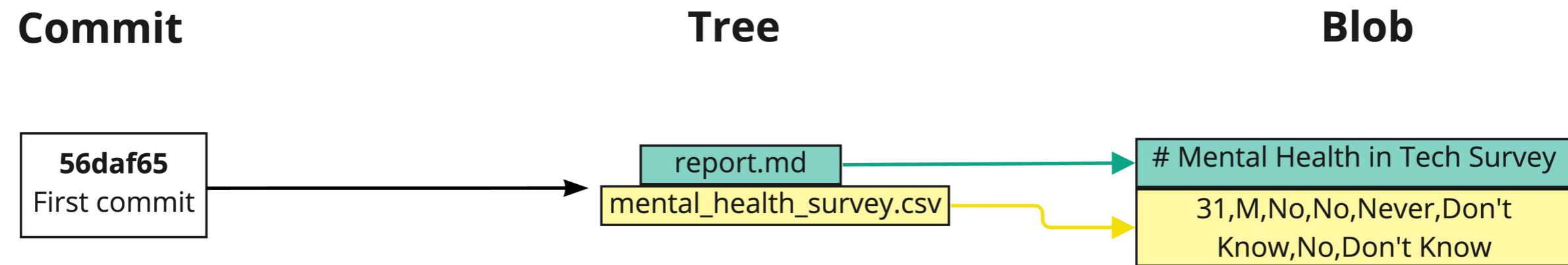
3. Blob

- **Binary Large OBject**
- may contain data of any kind
- a compressed snapshot of a file's contents

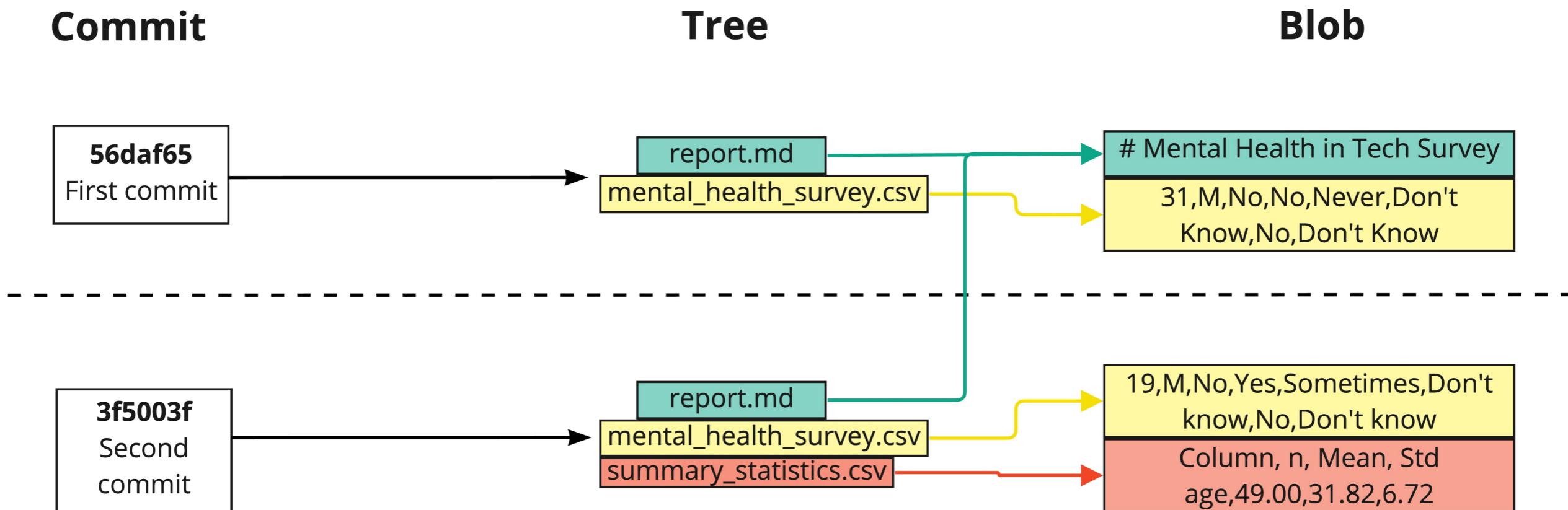
Visualizing the commit structure



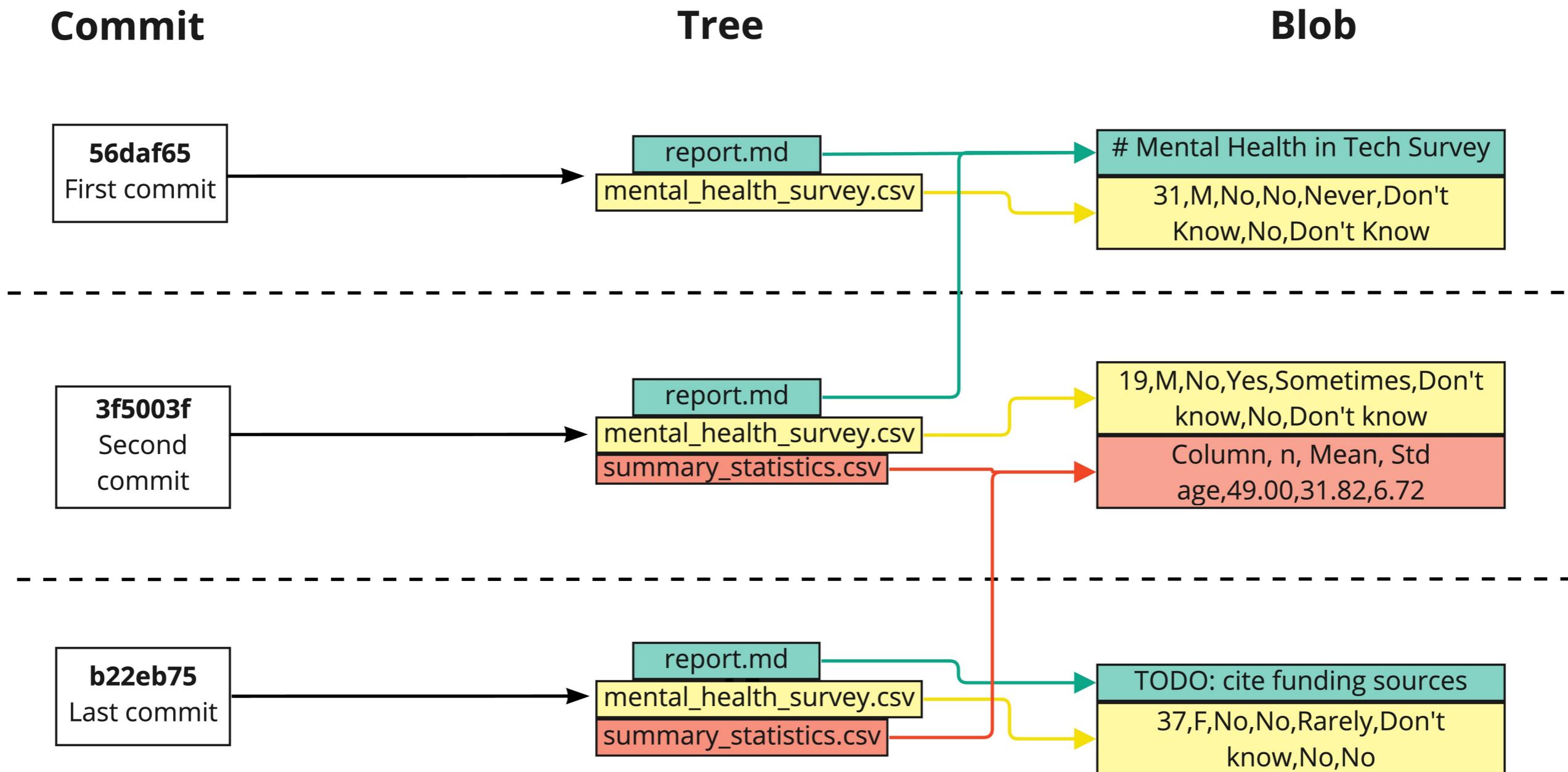
Visualizing the commit structure



Visualizing the commit structure



Visualizing the commit structure



Git hash

Last commit: b22eb75a82a68b9c0f1c45b9f5a9b7abe281683a

- Pseudo-random number generator—**hash** function
- Hashes allow data sharing between repos
 - If two files are the same,
 - then their hashes are the same
 - Git only needs to compare hashes

Git log

```
git log
```

- Shows commits from newest to oldest

```
commit ad8accfe94cb924444c488132bdef7c54b9bca68
```

```
Author: Rep Loop <repl@datacamp.com>
```

```
Date: Wed Jul 24 07:48:27 2022 +0000
```

```
Added reminder to cite funding sources.
```

```
:
```

- Press space to show more recent commits
- Press q to quit the log and return to the terminal

Let's practice!

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Version history tips and tricks

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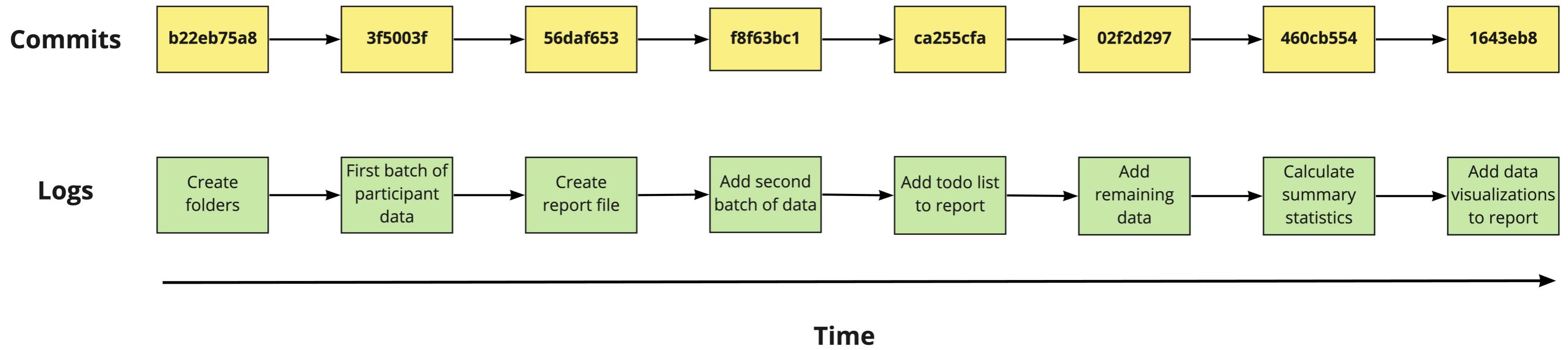


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Projects grow!

- Larger project = more commits = larger output



Restricting the number of commits

- We can restrict the number of commits displayed using `-` :
- Restrict to the `3` most recent commits

```
git log -3
```

Restricting the file

- To only look at the commit history of one file:

```
git log report.md
```

Combining techniques

```
cd data
```

```
git log -2 mental_health_survey.csv
```

git log output

```
commit f35b9487c063d3facc853c1789b0b77087a859fa
```

```
Author: Rep Loop <repl@datacamp.com>
```

```
Date: Fri Jul 26 15:14:32 2024 +0000
```

Add two new participants' data.

```
commit 7f71eadea60bf38f53c8696d23f8314d85342AAF
```

```
Author: Rep Loop <repl@datacamp.com>
```

```
Date: Fri Jul 19 09:58:21 2024 +0000
```

Adding fresh data for the survey.

Customizing the date range

- Restrict `git log` by date:

```
git log --since='Month Day Year'
```

- Commits since 2nd April 2024:

```
git log --since='Apr 2 2024'
```

- Commits between 2nd and 11th April:

```
git log --since='Apr 2 2024' --until='Apr 11 2024'
```

Acceptable filter formats

Natural language

- "2 weeks ago"
- "3 months ago"
- "yesterday"

Date format

- "07-15-2024"
 - Recommend ISO Format 6801 "YYYY-MM-DD"
 - Check system settings for compatibility, e.g., 12-06-2024 could be 6th Dec or 12th June !
- "15 Jul 2024" or "15 July 2024"
 - Invalid: "15 Jul, 2024"

¹ <https://www.iso.org/iso-8601-date-and-time-format.html>

Finding a particular commit

```
git log
```

- Only need the first 8-10 characters of the hash

```
git show c27fa856
```

¹ <https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2/Git-Tools-Revision-Selection#Short-SHA-1>

git show output

```
commit c27fa85646794b92c5de310395493ebcc3e15cc0 (HEAD -> main)
```

```
Author: Rep Loop <repl@datacamp.com>
```

```
Date: Thu Aug 11 07:57:09 2022 +0000
```

← Log

```
Adding 50th participant's data
```

```
diff --git a/data/mental_health_survey.csv b/data/mental_health_survey.csv
```

```
index e034015..17ff40f 100644
```

```
--- a/data/mental_health_survey.csv
```

```
+++ b/data/mental_health_survey.csv
```

← Diff

```
@@ -48,3 +48,4 @@ age,gender,family_history,treatment,work_interfere,benefits,mental_health_interv
```

```
29,F,No,Yes,Rarely,Don't know,No,Don't know
```

```
23,M,Yes,No,Sometimes,No,No,No
```

```
25,M,Yes,Yes,Sometimes,Yes,No,Don't know
```

```
+F,56,Yes,Rarely,No,Don't know,Often,No
```

← Data entry error

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Comparing versions

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git show output

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```

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← Data entry error

git diff

- `git diff` - Difference between versions
- Compare last committed version with latest version **not in the staging area**

```
git diff report.md
```

Comparing to an unstaged file

```
diff --git a/report.md b/report.md
index 6218b4e..066f447 100644
--- a/report.md
+++ b/report.md
@@ -1,5 +1,5 @@
 # Mental Health in Tech Survey
-TODO: write executive summary.
 TODO: include link to raw data.
 TODO: add references.
 TODO: add summary statistics.
+TODO: cite funding sources.
```

git diff output

Line changes



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git diff output

Line changes



Line in version a



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git diff output

Line changes



Line in version a



Line in version b



```
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+++ b/report.md
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```

Comparing to a staged file

- Add `report.md` to the staging area

```
git add report.md
```

- Compare last committed version of `report.md` with the version in the staging area

```
git diff --staged report.md
```

Comparing to a staged file

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```

Comparing multiple staged files

- Compare **all staged files** to versions in the last commit

```
git diff --staged
```

```
diff --git a/mh_tech_survey.csv b/mh_tech_survey.csv
index 4208ed3..d758efb 100644
--- a/mh_tech_survey.csv
+++ b/mh_tech_survey.csv
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+++ b/report.md
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 TODO: include link to raw data.
 TODO: add references.
 TODO: add summary statistics.
+TODO: cite funding sources.
```

Comparing two commits

- Find the commit hashes

```
git log
```

- Compare them

```
git diff 35f4b4d 186398f
```

- What changed from first hash to second hash
 - Put most recent hash second
- State in latest commit = `HEAD`
- Compare second most recent with the most recent commit

```
git diff HEAD~1 HEAD
```

Comparing two commits

**Version B
has an
extra line**

```
diff --git a/report.md b/report.md
index 35f4b4d..186398f 100644
--- a/report.md
+++ b/report.md
@@ -1,3 +1,4 @@
 # Mental Health in Tech Survey
 TODO: write executive summary.
 TODO: include link to raw data.
+TODO: remember to cite funding sources!
```

**Contents of the
new line**

Summary

Command	Function
git diff	Show changes between all unstaged files and the latest commit
git diff report.md	Show changes between an unstaged file and the latest commit
git diff --staged	Show changes between all staged files and the latest commit
git diff --staged report.md	Show changes between a staged file and the latest commit
git diff 35f4b4d 186398f	Show changes between two commits using hashes
git diff HEAD~1 HEAD~2	Show changes between two commits using <code>HEAD</code> instead of commit hashes

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Restoring and reverting files

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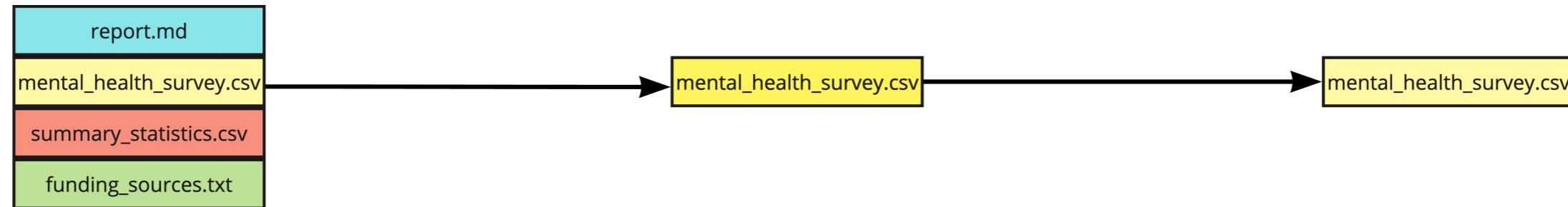


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Making an error

Repository Staging Area Commit



Reverting files

- Restoring a repo to the state prior to the previous commit
- `git revert`
 - Reinstates previous versions and makes a commit
 - Restores **all files updated in the given commit**
 - `a845edcb` , `ebe93178` , etc
 - `HEAD` , `HEAD~1` , etc

```
git revert HEAD
```

Reverting files

```
git revert HEAD
```

```
Revert "Adding fresh data for the survey."  
  
This reverts commit 7f71eadea60bf38f53c8696d23f8314d85342AAF.  
  
# Please enter the commit message for your changes. Lines starting  
# with '#' will be ignored, and an empty message aborts the commit.  
#  
# On branch main  
# Changes to be committed:  
#       modified:   data/mental_health_survey.csv  
#
```

- Save: `Ctrl + 0`, then `Enter`
- Exit: `Ctrl + X`

Reverting files

```
[main 7d11f79] Revert "Adding fresh data for the survey."
```

```
Date: Tue Jul 30 14:17:56 2024 +0000
```

```
1 file changed, 3 deletions(-)
```

git revert flags

- Avoid opening the text editor

```
git revert --no-edit HEAD
```

- Revert without committing (bring files into the staging area)

```
git revert -n HEAD
```

Revert a single file

- `git revert` works on commits, not individual files
- To revert a single file:
 - `git checkout`
 - Use commit hash or `HEAD` syntax

```
git checkout HEAD~1 -- report.md
```

Checking the checkout

```
git status
```

```
On branch main
```

```
Changes to be committed:
```

```
  (use "git restore --staged <file>..." to unstage)
```

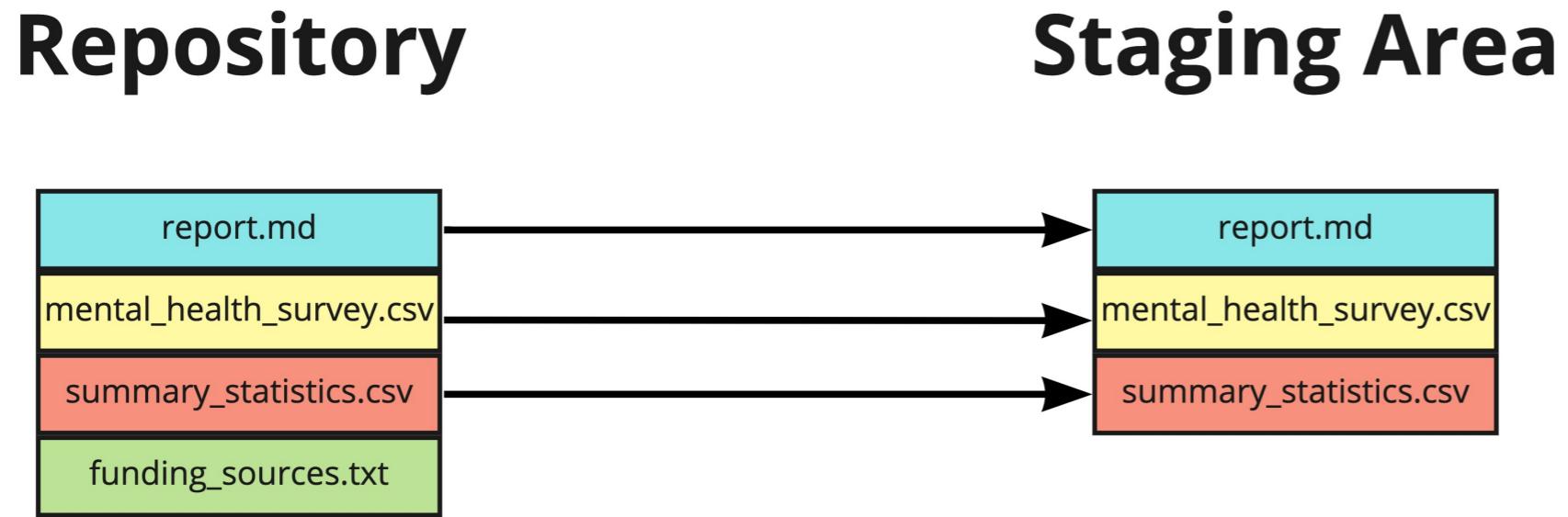
```
modified:   report.md
```

Making a commit

```
git commit -m "Checkout previous version of report.md"
```

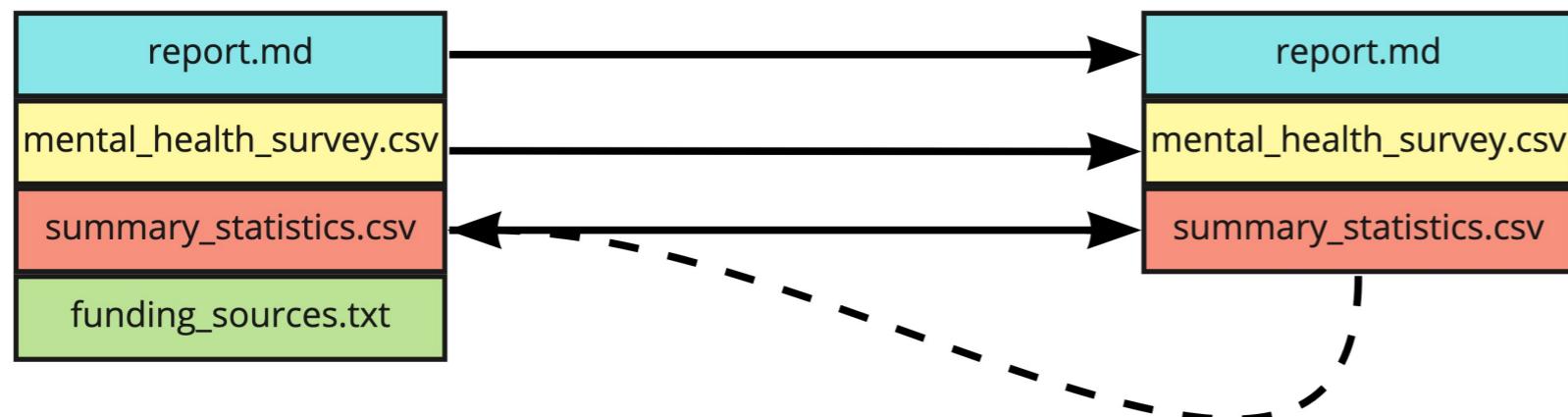
```
[main daa6c87] Checkout previous version of report.md  
1 file changed, 1 deletion(-)
```

Unstaging a file



Unstaging a file

Repository Staging Area



Unstaging a single file

- To unstage a single file:

```
git restore --staged summary_statistics.csv
```

- Edit the file

```
git add summary_statistics.csv
```

```
git commit -m "Adding age summary statistics"
```

Unstaging all files

- To unstage all files:

```
git restore --staged
```

Summary

Command	Result
<code>git revert HEAD</code>	Revert all files from a given commit
<code>git revert HEAD --no-edit</code>	Revert without opening a text editor
<code>git revert HEAD -n</code>	Revert without making a new commit
<code>git checkout HEAD~1 -- report.md</code>	Revert a single file from the previous commit
<code>git restore --staged report.md</code>	Remove a single file from the staging area
<code>git restore --staged</code>	Remove all files from the staging area

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Congratulations

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Chapter 1 recap

- Benefits and applications of Git for version control
- Navigating the terminal - `ls`, `cd`
- How to initiate a Git project - `git init`
- How to use Git to track your files - `git add .`, `git commit -m`

Chapter 2 recap

- How Git stores data

1. Commit

2. Tree

3. Blob

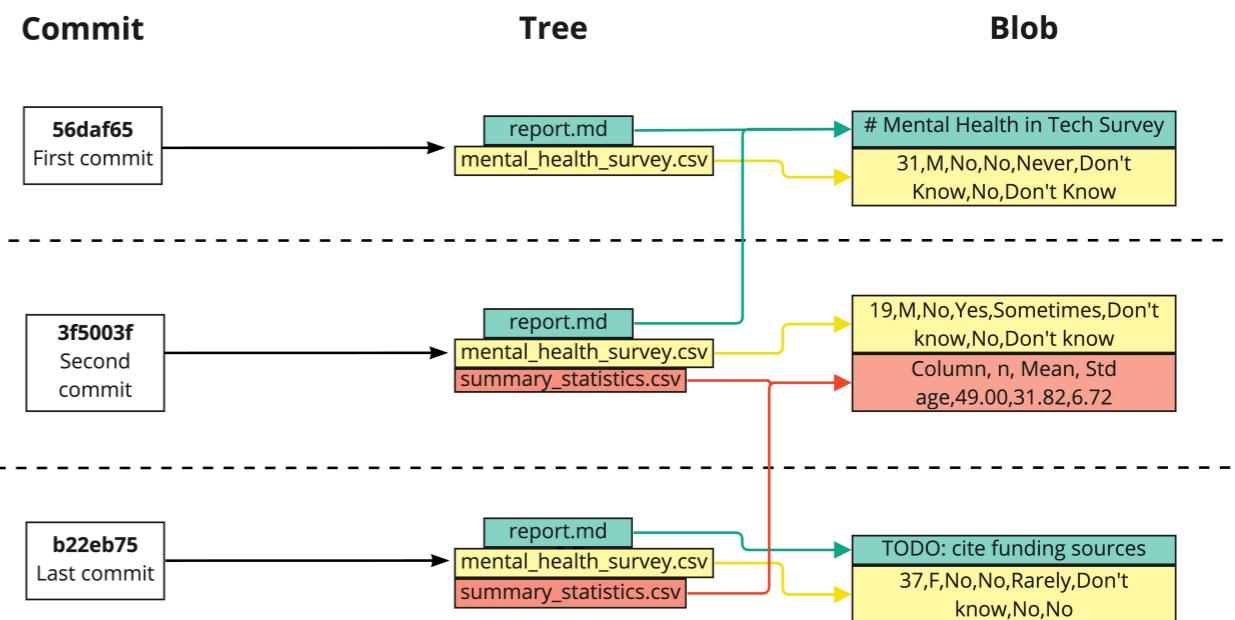
- `git log`

- 3

- `--since`

- `--until`

- `git show c27fa856`



Chapter 2 recap

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<code>git diff report.md</code>	Show changes between unstaged file and the latest commit
<code>git diff --staged report.md</code>	Show changes between staged file and the latest commit
<code>git diff 35f4b4d 186398f</code>	Show changes between two commits using commit hashes
<code>git diff HEAD~1 HEAD~2</code>	Show changes between two commits using HEAD syntax

Chapter 2 recap

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<code>git checkout HEAD~1 -- report.md</code>	Revert a single file from the previous commit
<code>git restore --staged report.md</code>	Remove a single file from the staging area
<code>git restore --staged</code>	Remove all files from the staging area

What's next?

- Branches
- Remote repos
- Rebasing
- Bisecting
- Submodules

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