Browsing History

Viewing the history

git log --stat # Shows the list of modified files

git log --patch # Shows the actual changes (patches)

Filtering the history

git log -3 # Shows the last 3 entries

git log --author="Mosh"

git log --before="2020-08-17"

git log --after="one week ago"

git log --grep="GUI" # Commits with "GUI" in their message

git log -S"GUI" # Commits with "GUI" in their patches

git log hash1..hash2 # Range of commits

git log file.txt # Commits that touched file.txt

Formatting the log output

git log --pretty=format:"%an committed %H"

Creating an alias

git config --global alias.lg "log --oneline"

Viewing a commit

git show HEAD~2

git show HEAD~2:file1.txt # Shows the version of file stored in this commit

Comparing commits

git diff HEAD~2 HEAD # Shows the changes between two commits

Checking out a commit

git checkout dad47ed # Checks out the given commit git checkout master # Checks out the master branch

Finding a bad commit

git bisect start

git bisect bad # Marks the current commit as a bad commit

git bisect good ca49180 # Marks the given commit as a good commit

git bisect reset # Terminates the bisect session

Finding contributors

git shortlog

Viewing the history of a file

git log file.txt # Shows the commits that touched file.txt

git log --stat file.txt # Shows statistics (the number of changes) for file.txt

git log --patch file.txt # Shows the patches (changes) applied to file.txt

Finding the author of lines

git blame file.txt # Shows the author of each line in file.txt

Tagging

git tag v1.0 # Tags the last commit as v1.0

git tag v1.0 5e7a828 # Tags an earlier commit

git tag # Lists all the tags

git tag -d v1.0 # Deletes the given tag