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A Realistic Log History

Clone a repository and view its history.

We'll cover the following   ︿

  • Cloning

So far you've seen fairly contrived and straightforward Git repositories.

Cloning

First, you're going to clone a codebase with a history. My rather messy
 `shutit` project is a good example to look at. Not because of any careful
curation or attention to detail in its construction but for the messiness of
its history as I've become better acquainted with Git.

```
1   git clone https://github.com/ianmiell/shutit.git
2   cd shutit
```

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Click to Connect...

Once cloned (it can take a while), run this command to view the kind of output `git log` can show you. Type this out:

```
3    git log --graph --oneline --all --decorate --topo-order
```

By the end of this chapter, you'll understand what's going on here.

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