

# A Toy Merging Example

Obtain a better understanding of merging with the help of a visual example.

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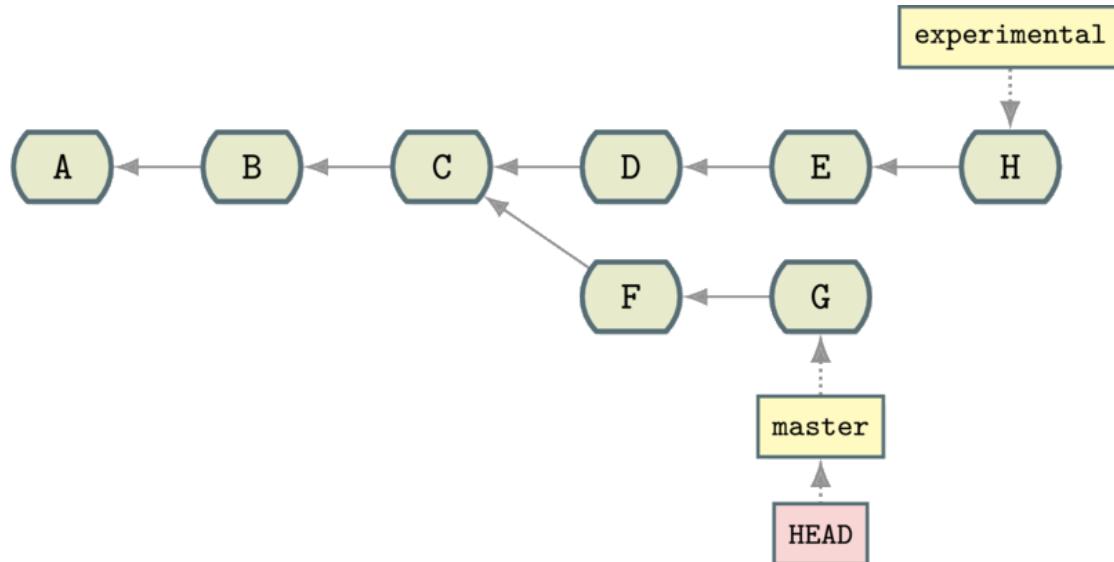


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Now, you're going to run through a typical merging scenario by yourself.

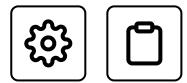
## Pre-merge #

Take a look at this diagram:



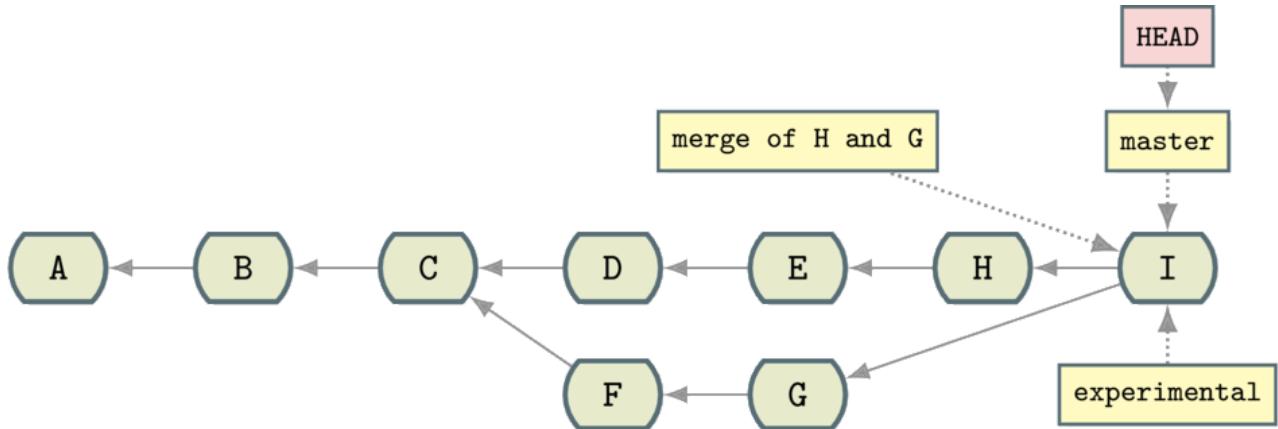
A branched repository pre-merge

In this diagram, the repository is currently positioned at the tip of `master` (**G**). You know this because the `HEAD` is pointed at **G**.



# Post-merge #

If you merge the `experimental` branch into `master` with a `git merge experimental` command, you end up with a tree that looks like this:



A branched repository post-merge

A new change has been made (**I**). This change merges together the changes made on `experimental` with the changes made on `master`.

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