

Lisbon Institute of Engineering

Degree in Informatics and Computer Engineering

Concurrent Programming

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Solve the following exercises and submit the tests with which you validated the correctness of the implementation of each exercise. The submission must be made by creating the **0.2.0** tag in each student's individual repository.

1. Implement a class with the same functionality as the **java.util.concurrent.CyclicBarrier** class.
2. Implement, without using *locks*, a *thread-safe* version of the **UnsafeContainer** class that stores a set of values and the number of times these values can be consumed.

```
class UnsafeValue<T>(val value: T, var initialLives: Int)
class UnsafeContainer<T>(private val values: Array<UnsafeValue<T>>){
    private var index = 0
    fun consume(): T? {
        while(index < values.size) {
            if (values[index].lives > 0) {
                values[index].lives -= 1
                return values[index].value
            }
            index += 1
        }
        return null
    }
}
```

As an example, the container built by **Container(Value("isel", 3), Value("pc", 4))** returns, via the **consume** method, the string **"isel"** three times and the string **"pc"** four times. After that, all calls to **consume** return **null**.

3. Consider the following *non-thread-safe* implementation of an object container with a usage count, which automatically calls the **close** function when the usage count is zero. Create a *thread-safe* version of this class without using *locks*.

```
class UnsafeUsageCountedHolder<T : Closeable>(value: T) { private
    var value: T? = value
    // the instance creation counts as one usage
    private var useCounter: Int = 1

    fun tryStartUse(): T? {
        if (value == null) return null
        useCounter += 1
        return value
    }

    fun endUse() {
        if (useCounter == 0) throw IllegalStateException("Already closed") if
        (--useCounter == 0) {
            value?.close()
            value = null
        }
    }
}
```

4. Implement the function **fun <T> any(futures: List<CompletableFuture<T>>): CompletableFuture<T>**

which, given a non-empty list of *futures*, returns a complete *future*:

- Successfully, when any *future* in the list is successfully completed. The value of the *future* returned must be the value of the *future* in the list that was completed.
- With the exception of when all the *futures* on the list are completed. With the exception of the *future* returned should aggregate the exceptions of all the *futures* in the list.

This functionality is similar to that of the **Promise.any** function in the JavaScript language. Minimizing the acquisition of *locks* is valued in the implementation of this function.

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