Concurrency — Exercise 6 Rust II

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Problem 1

Implement the banking example from the lecture in Rust. Follow these recommendations and directions:

- Model accounts with a struct with the methods deposit and withdraw.
- Outside the struct, implement an execute function as shown in the banking example.
- Write a main function that creates an account and that runs a series of threads each of which executes a command on this account.

Problem 2

Now implement the factorizer service from exercise 4 as a struct with functions, say FactorizerService. Follow these recommendations and directions:

- Move the variables LAST_NUMBER and LAST_FACTORS into the newly defined struct FactorizerService.
- Make the service method a method of the FactorizerService.
- Make the factorizer method an associated function of the FactorizerService.
- Get rid of the unsafe blocks.
- Run a similar test program as in exercise 4 to check whether a service call produces a cache hit or a cache miss.

In this version, the whole service method will be synchronized, because as an instance method of the FactorizerService it will be part of the shared data and hence guarded by its mutex.

Problem 3

Modify the solution from problem 2 such that the computation of the factors does not happen in the critical region, as seen in the lecture. Hint: To make this work, you need to convert the service method into an associated function. This will allow you to do the locking *inside* the service function.

Have fun and good luck!