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#include <pthread.h>
#include "_speculator.h"
using namespace std;
//! \class conditional speculator
//! \brief implements an abstract class that is the basis for instantiable child
           classes such as .
//!
//!
            It simply encapsulates the speculator state (active or inactive) and the
//!
            reference of the shared data, operations over those elements have to be
//!
            implemented in the instantiable classes.
//!
//! Limitations:
//!
class conditional speculator: protected speculator {
        protected:
                //mutex related to _valid_branch
                pthread_mutex_t _valid_branch_mutex;
                conditional speculator () { //necesarry to initialize the mutex.
                        pthread mutex init (& valid branch mutex, NULL);
                }
};
```