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Quiz 6

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Notice:

Please type your responses in a simple text file named “quiz06.txt” and submit it on our server *thales* using the following command:

```
thales$ submit hpc quiz06 quiz06.txt
```

Question 1

What is the purpose of the classes `std::lock_guard` and `std::unique_lock`? In which cases is the class `std::lock_guard` sufficient, where is `std::unique_lock` required?

Question 2

In our `ThreadPool` class, the method `submit` calls `cv.notify_one()` while the destructor uses the method `cv.notify_all()`. When to use which? Would the `ThreadPool` class work if `submit` would use `cv.notify_all()` instead? Would the `ThreadPool` class work as expected if the destructor would use `cv.notify_one()` instead? If not, why not?

Question 3

Our last version of the *ThreadPool* class uses the type *std::packaged_task<T()>* for its jobs instead of *std::function<void()>* as in our previous implementations. This is the implementation of the *submit* method of the same class:

```
template<typename Task>
std::future<T> submit(Task task) {
    Job job(task);
    auto result = job.get_future();
    std::unique_lock<std::mutex> lock(mutex);
    jobs.push_back(std::move(job));
    cv.notify_one();
    return result;
}
```

Is *std::move* required here, i.e. would *jobs.push_back(job)* work as well? And if not, why not?