

# Worksheet: Sequential->Parallel Spanning Tree Algorithm

Insert finish, async, and atomic (includes a compareAndSet) constructs (pseudocode is fine) to convert the sequential spanning tree algorithm to a parallel algorithm

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1. class V {
2.     V [] neighbors; // adjacency list for input graph
3.     V parent; // output value of parent in spanning tree
4.
5.     boolean makeParent(V n) {
6.         if (parent == null) { parent = n; return true; }
7.         else return false; // return true if n became parent
8.     } // makeParent
9.
10.    void compute() {
11.        for (int i=0; i<neighbors.length; i++) {
12.            final V child = neighbors[i];
13.            if (child.makeParent(this))
14.                child.compute(); // recursive call
15.        }
16.    } // compute
17. } // class V
18. . . . // main program
19. root.parent = root; // Use self-cycle to identify root
20. root.compute();
21. . . .
```



# Atomic Variables represent a special (and more efficient) case of object-based isolation

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1. class V {
2.   V [] neighbors; // adjacency list for input graph
3.   AtomicReference<V> parent; // output value of parent in spanning tree
4.   boolean makeParent(final V n) {
5.     // compareAndSet() is a more efficient implementation of
6.     // object-based isolation
7.     return parent.compareAndSet(null, n);
8.   } // makeParent
9.   void compute() {
10.    for (int i=0; i<neighbors.length; i++) {
11.      final V child = neighbors[i];
12.      if (child.makeParent(this))
13.        async(() -> { child.compute(); }); // escaping async
14.    }
15.  } // compute
16.} // class V
17...
18.root.parent = root; // Use self-cycle to identify root
19.finish(() -> { root.compute(); });
20...
```

