

# Worksheet #28:

## Liveness Guarantees

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    /** Atomically adds delta to the current value.  
1.     *  
2.     * @param delta the value to add  
3.     * @return the previous value  
4.     */  
5.    public final int getAndAdd(int delta) {  
6.        for (;;) {  
7.            int current = get();  
8.            int next = current + delta;  
9.            if (compareAndSet(current, next))  
10.                // commit  
11.                return current;  
12.        }  
13.    }
```

Assume that multiple tasks call `getAndAdd()` repeatedly in parallel. Can this implementation of `getAndAdd()` lead to a) deadlock, b) livelock, c) starvation, or d) unbounded wait? Write and explain your answer below

