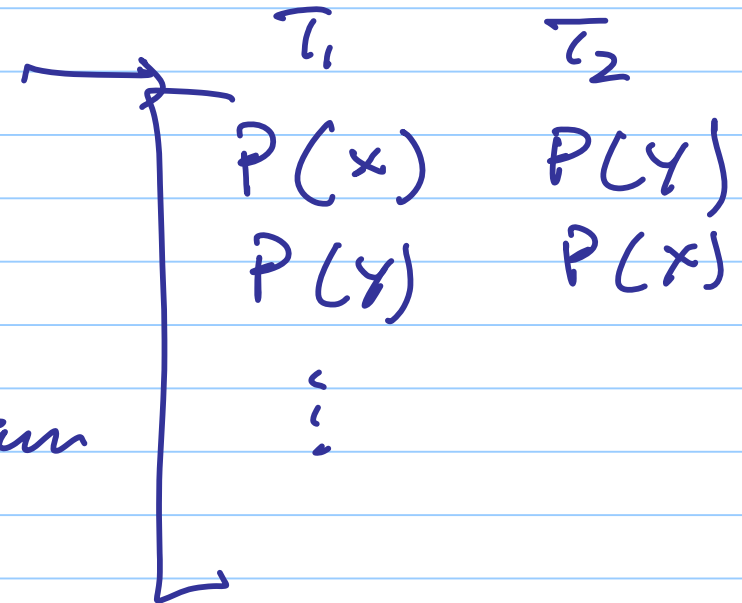


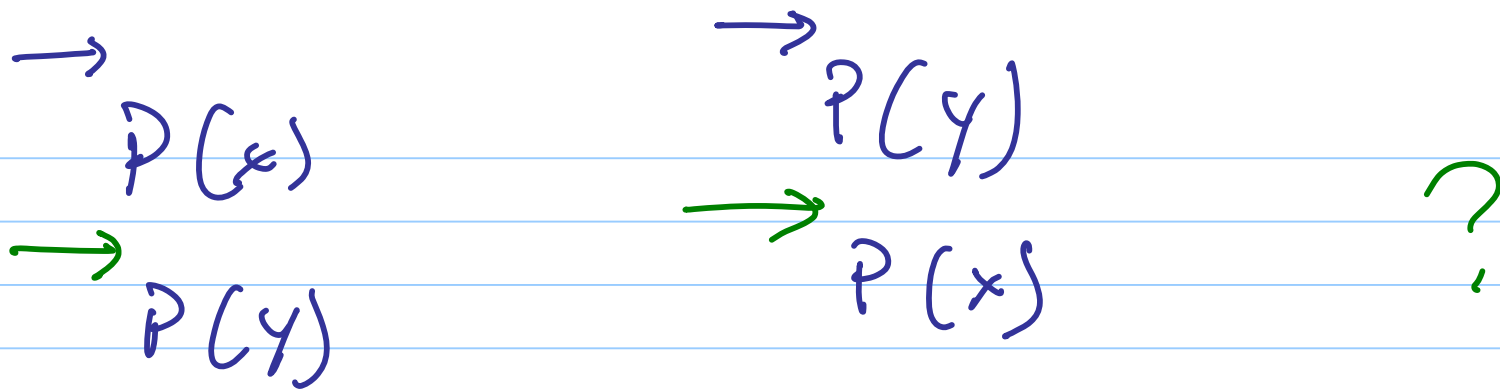
## Deadlocks

- happen?

- Semaphore program

$x=1$   
 $y=1$





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Software solutions →

# Dining Philosophers

→ simple symmetric solution

→ deadlock prone

Deadlocks happen when there is resource allocation (of shared resources)

system  
model



- Acquire (R)
- use (R)
- Release (R)

4 Necessary Conditions for deadlocks  
(not sufficient) → all 4 have to be  
met for deadlock  
to happen

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① → mutual exclusion

↳ resources are used in  
exclusive fashion

2) no preemption

→ when a resource is in use<sup>by A</sup> then it cannot be preempted (or taken away) for use by B → till it is released

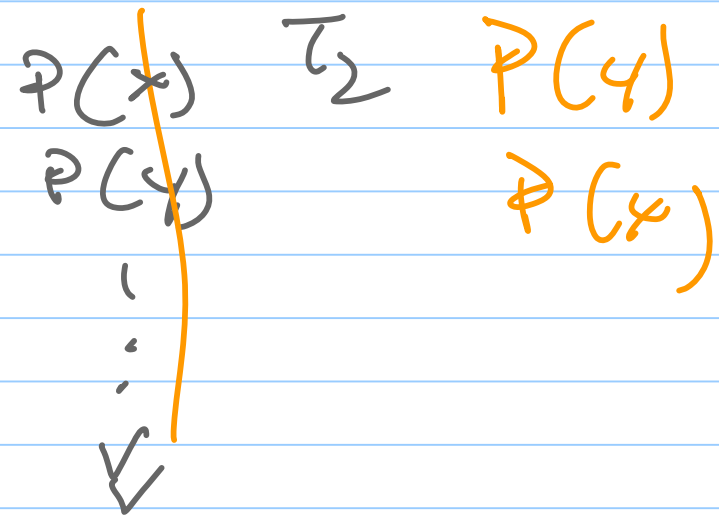
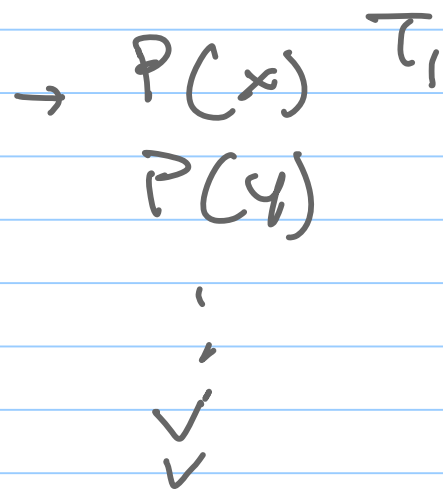
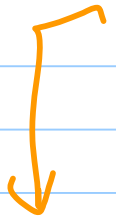
3 - hold & wait

↳ a process must have the ability to hold resource  $R_1$  and then wait for  $R_2$  (to be available) without releasing  $R_1$

## 4 - Circular Wait

→ hold & wait can become circular

Circular





## Resources

→ Case 1 → one instance of each resource

Case 2 → multiple instances of each resource

↳ each instance is identical.

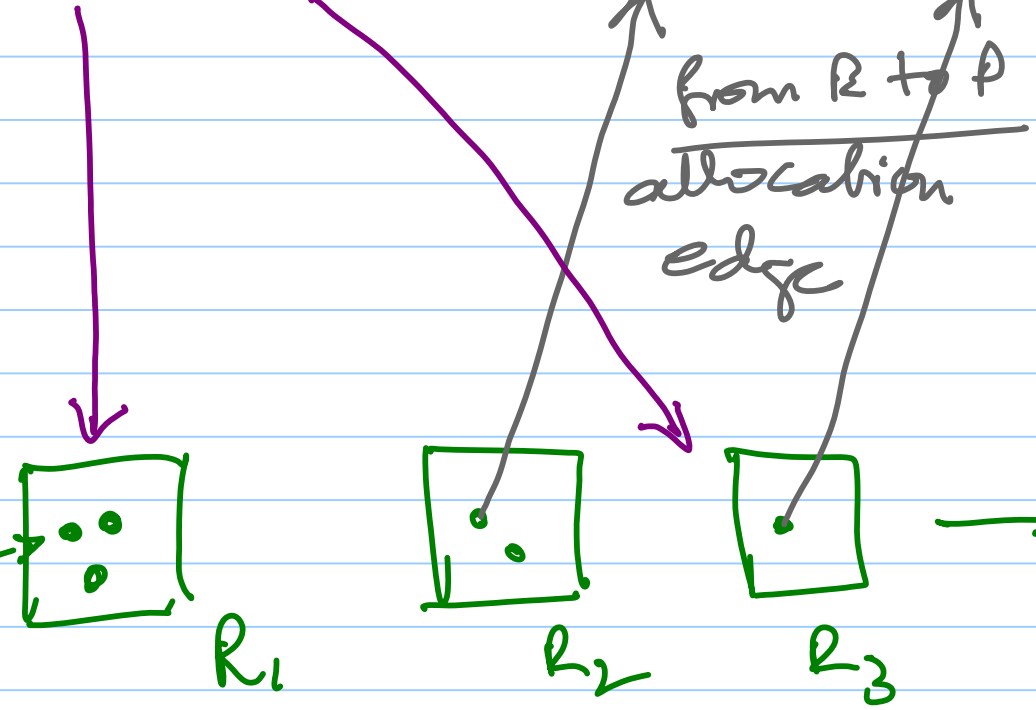
Resource Allocation Graph  
RAG

from P to R  
request edge  
instance



← processes

from R to P  
allocation edge



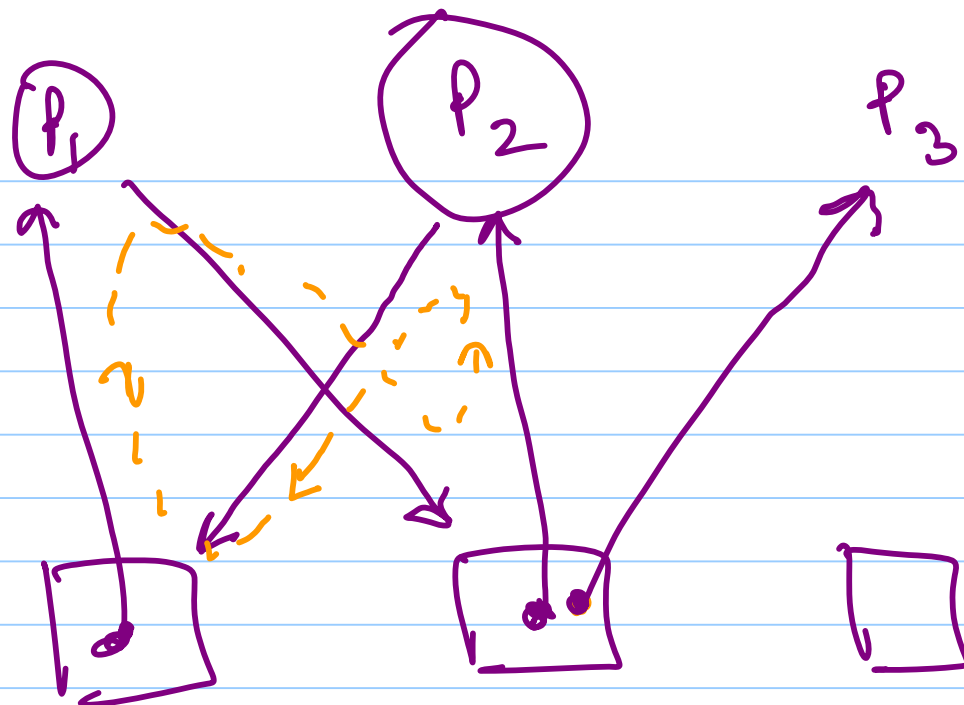
Resources  
or  
Resource  
types

## Cycles in a RAG

— necessary but not sufficient  
cond for deadlock

→ if cycle → yes deadlock  
→ no deadlock } OR

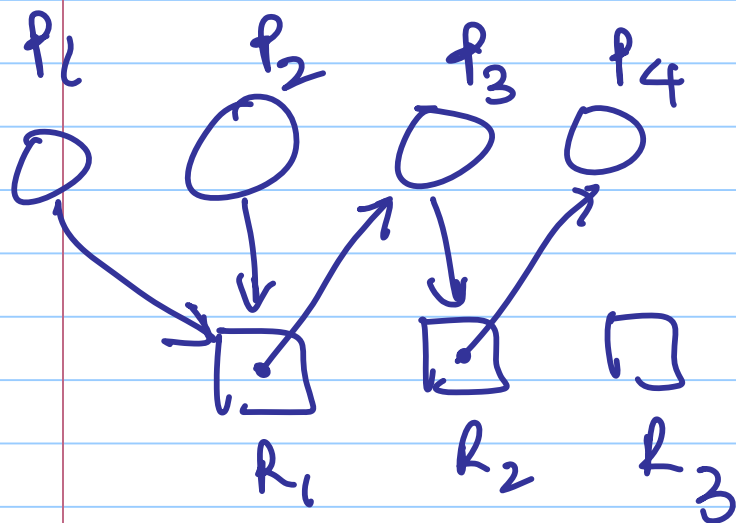
no cycle → no deadlock



A Deadlock is a stable property → once established stays for ever

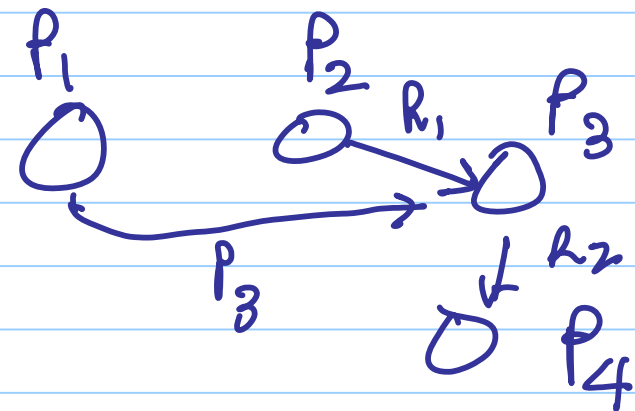
A Starvation → unstable property  
(livelock) → may continue forever  
OR may not

Special case of RAG  $\rightarrow$  every resource has one ~~ist~~ instance



$\Rightarrow$

WFG waits for graph

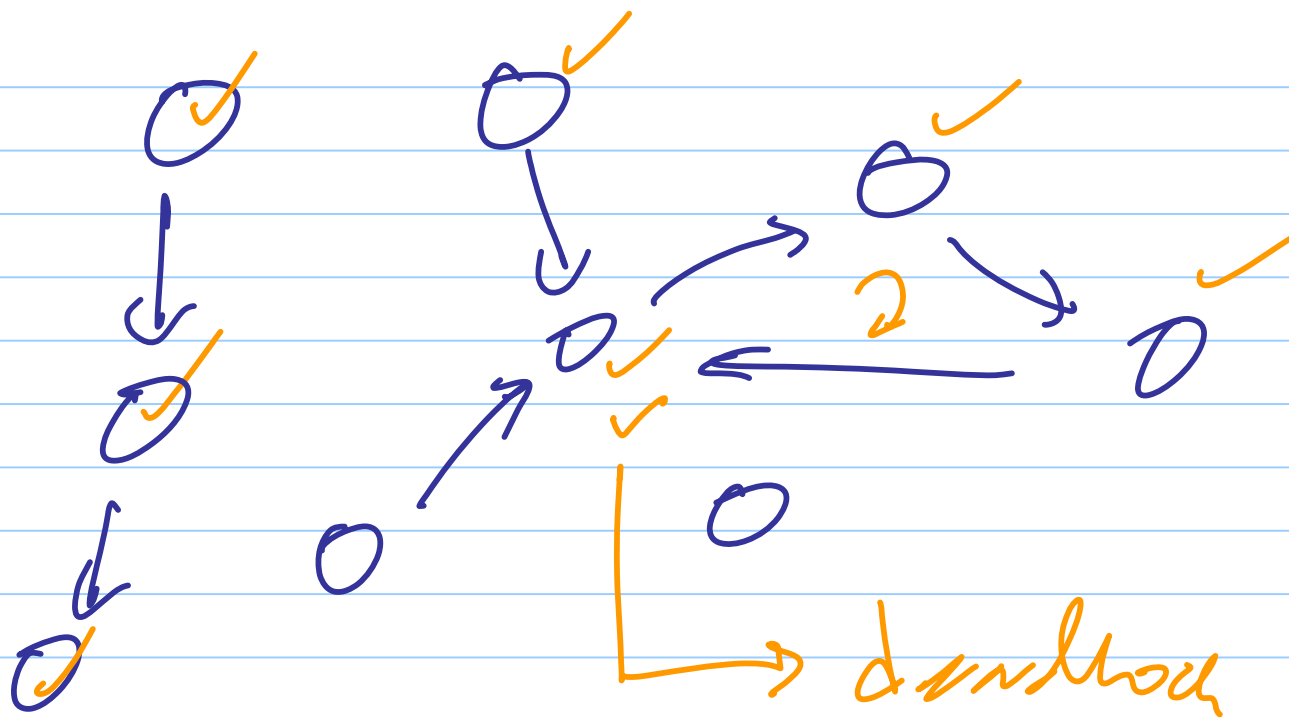


Cycle in a WFG

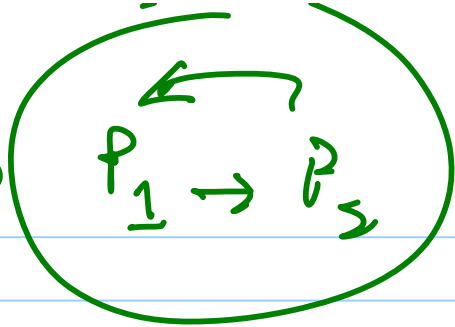
→ Necessary & sufficient  
Cond for deadlock

cycle → deadlock

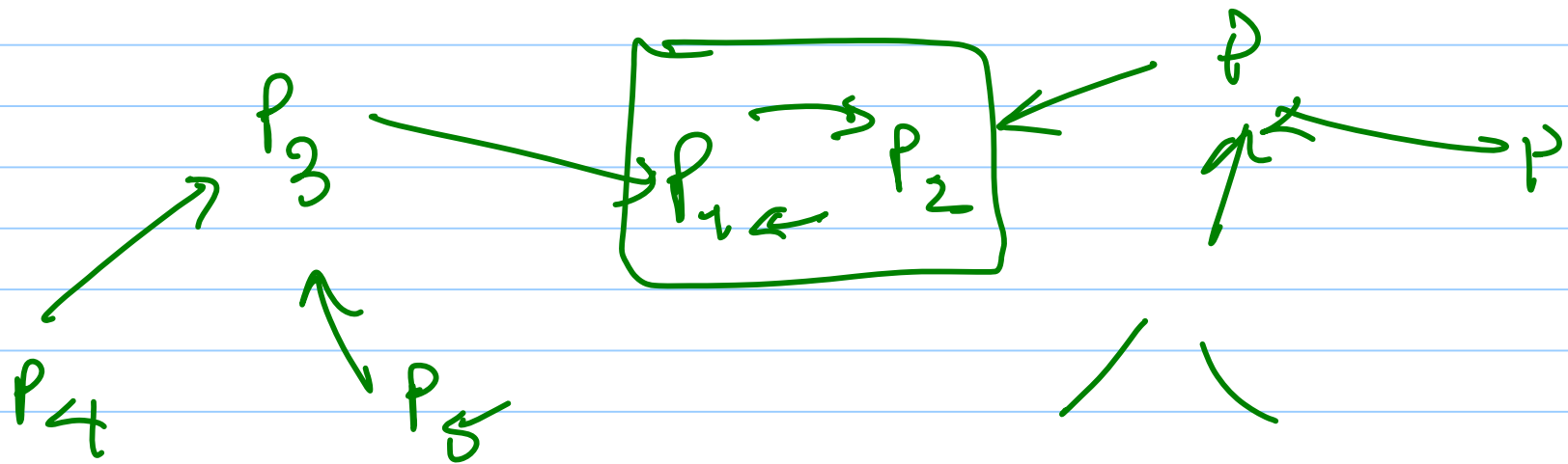
no " → no "





How bad is a deadlock? 

100 process running



# What to do about deadlocks?

- prevention
- avoidance
- detection (and recovery)

## Deadlock prevention

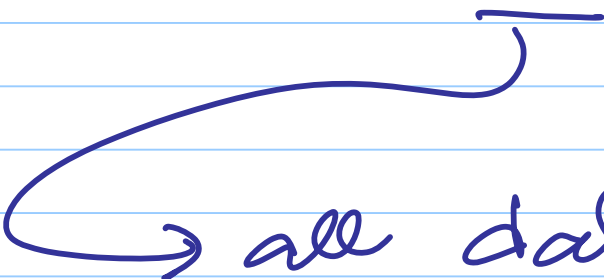
→ make sure deadlocks  
can't happen (BEST)

→ deadlock free

→ At least one of the  
necessary conditions are not met

Cond1  $\rightarrow$  mutual exclusion

Solution  $\rightarrow$  no mutual exclusion

 all data is read only

$\hookrightarrow$  never shared

## Cond 2

→ no preemption

⇒ resources can be taken away

↳ CPU, memory → preemptible

↳ printers → spooling

Cond 3

hold & wait

↳ ① 1 resource @ a time

all or  
nothing

② All resources have to  
be requested in 1 shot

Cond 4 → ordered resource allocation

↳ all resources have numbers

if you have  $R_i$  you can  
hold  $R_i$  & wait for  $R_j$

if  $j > i$

