

Operating Systems

Deadlocks

Mindset

Think: Listen, read, explore, try, think

Overview of Deadlocks

- Deadlock Definition
- Necessary Conditions for Deadlocks
- Dealing with deadlocks
 - Prevention
 - Avoidance
 - Detection
 - Recovery

Review of Resource Sharing

- Several Processes
- Finite Resources
- Resource Use
 - Request
 - Use
 - Release
- Issues
 - Resolve race conditions with various mechanisms (e.g. mutex)
 - **Deadlocks** are possible

Example of Deadlock: Bank Transfer Scenario

Banker Transfer of Money	
Entry Section	lock_account(account_a); lock_account(account_b);
Critical Section	var balance_a = account_a_balance var balance_b = account_b_balance if (balance_a > transfer_amount) { balance_a = balance_a - transfer_amount balance_b = balance_b + transfer_amount }
Exit Section	release_account(account_a); release_account(account_b);

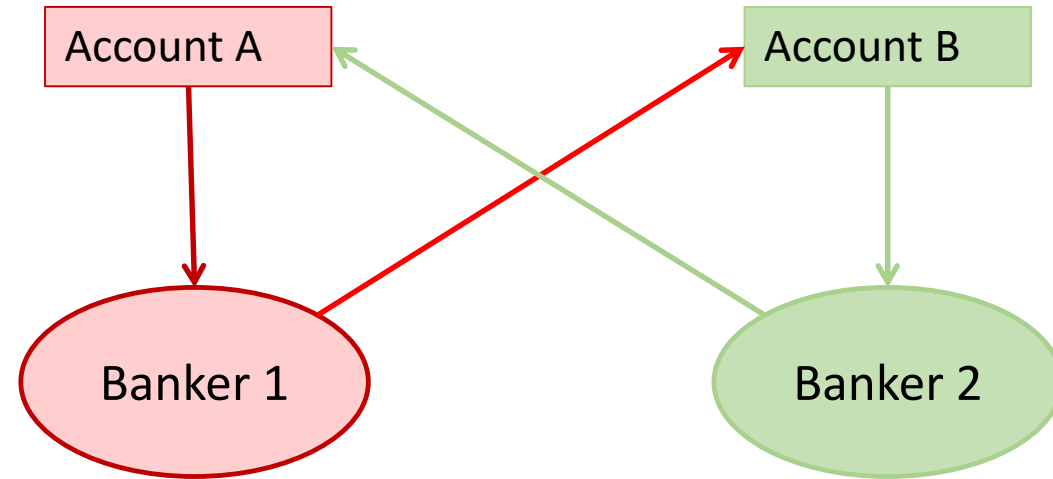
Example of Deadlock: Deadlock Scenario

Banker Transfer of Money

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lock_account(account_a);  
lock_account(account_b);
```

```
var balance_a = account_a_balance  
var balance_b = account_b_balance  
if (balance_a > transfer_amount)  
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    balance_a = balance_a - transfer_amount  
    balance_b = balance_b + transfer_amount  
}
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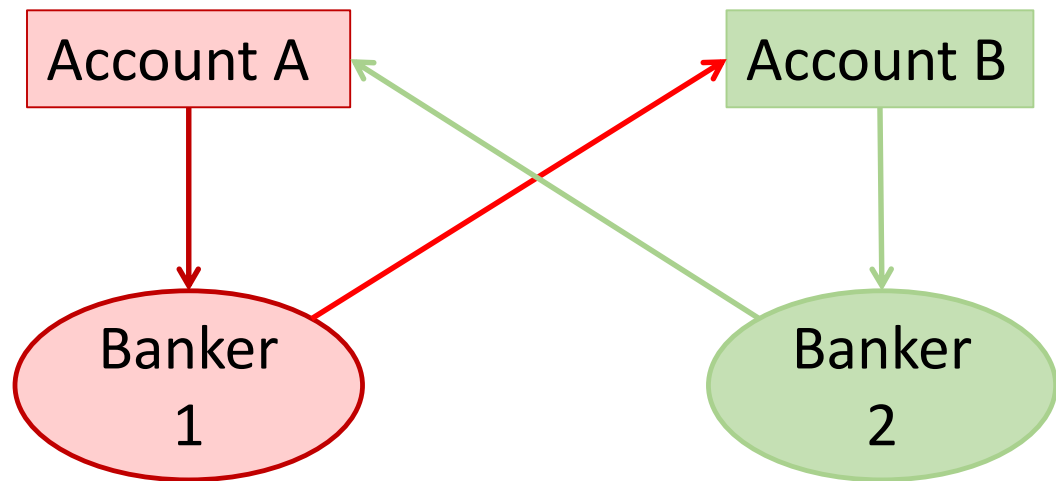
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release_account(account_a);  
release_account(account_b);
```



Transfer from
Account A to
Account B

Transfer from
Account B to
Account A

Example of Deadlock: Conventions



Transfer from
Account A to
Account B

Transfer from
Account B to
Account A

$P = \{\text{Banker1, Banker 2}\}$

$R = \{\text{AccountA, Account B}\}$

$E = \{$

AccountA->Banker1,
AccountB->Banker2,
Banker2 ->AccountA,
Banker1 ->AccountB

$\}$

Example of Deadlock: 2 Bankers

Banker Transfer of Money

```
lock_account(account_a);  
lock_account(account_b);
```

```
var balance_a = account_a_balance  
var balance_b = account_b_balance  
if (balance_a > transfer_amount)  
{  
    balance_a = balance_a - transfer_amount  
    balance_b = balance_b + transfer_amount  
}
```

```
release_account(account_a);  
release_account(account_b);
```

Account A

Account B

Banker 1

Banker 2

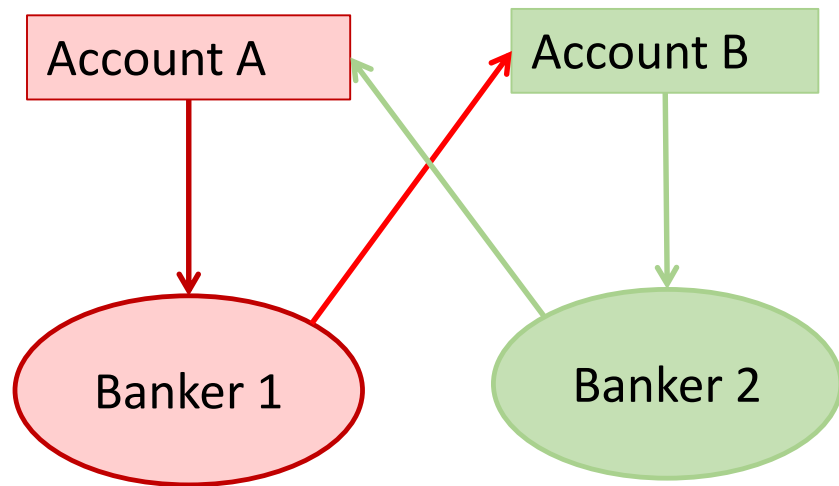
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Account A to
Account B

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Conditions for Deadlock

- Other Prerequisites
 - Multiple Resources
 - Multiple Processes
- Mutual Exclusivity
- Hold and Wait
- No Preemption
- Circular Wait

Example of Deadlock: Necessary Conditions



Transfer from
Account A to
Account B

Transfer from
Account B to
Account A

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$E = \{$

AccountA->Banker1,

AccountB->Banker2,

Banker2->AccountA,

Banker1->AccountB

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Note: mutex means single arrow
from resource

Banker1 hold AccountA

Banker2 hold AccountB

Banker2 waits for AccountA

Banker1 waits for AccountB

Dealing with Deadlocks

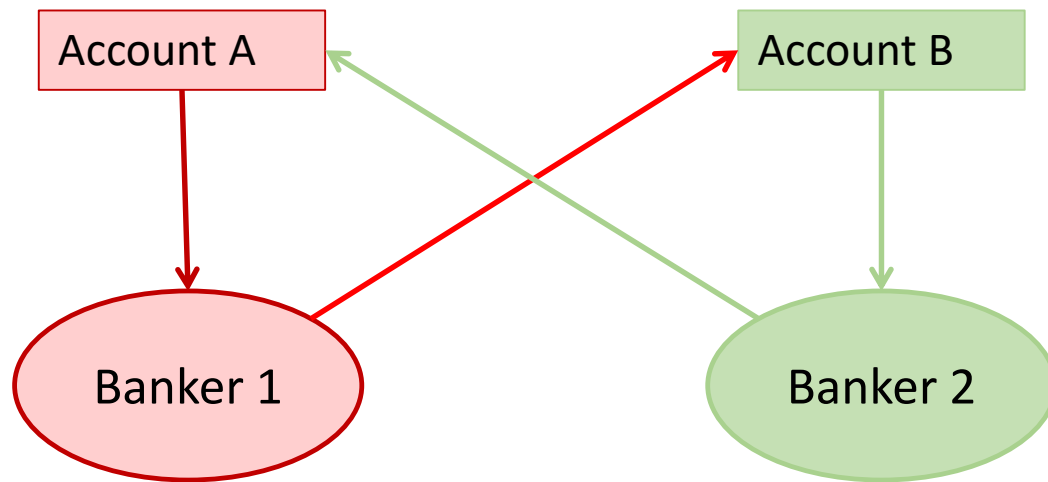
- Prevention
- Avoidance
- Detection
- Recovery

- Other Issues

Dealing with Deadlocks

- Prevention

- Mutual Exclusivity
 - Use sharing is possible
- Hold and Wait
 - Request all before starting
 - Hold none before request
- No Preemption
 - Implicit yield on unsatisfied request
 - Waiting processes can have resources preempted
- Circular Wait
 - Assign strict request order for resources



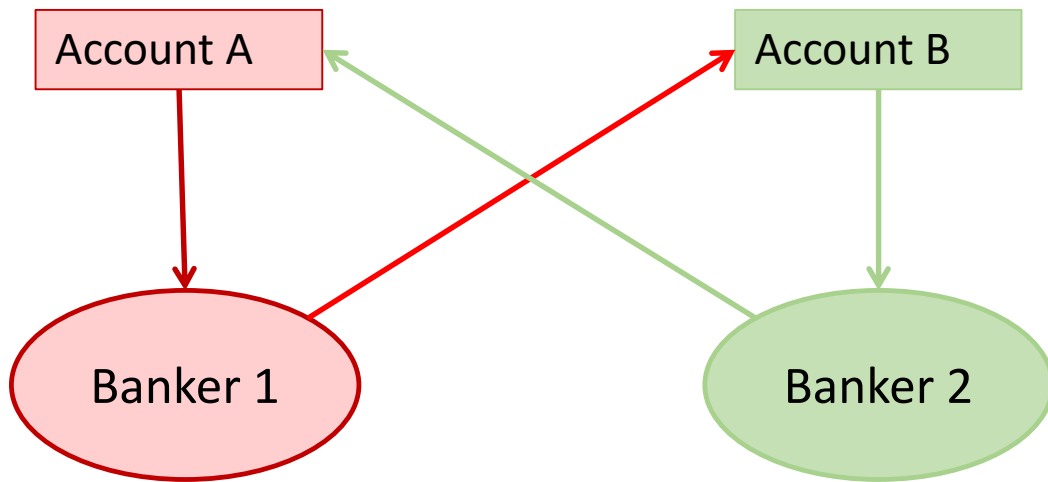
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Dealing with Deadlocks

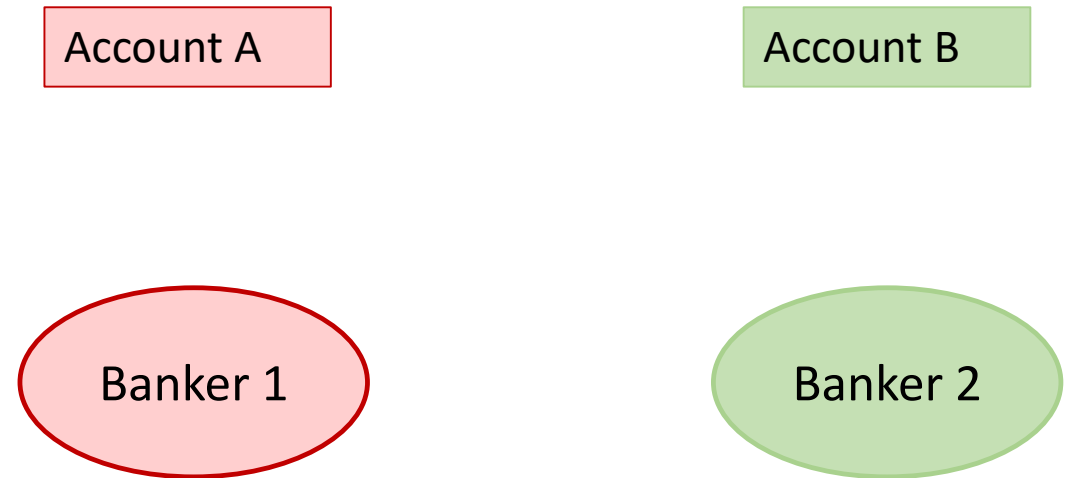
- Avoidance
 - Safe State
 - Safe States and Safe Sequences
 - Resource Allocation Graph Algorithm
 - Graph with potential requests (claim edges)
 - Banker's Algorithm
 - Algorithm to track maximum, allocated, needed, and available resources

Safe States and Safe Sequences



Transfer from
Account A to
Account B

Transfer from
Account B to
Account A



Safe Sequence

Account A -> Banker 1

Account B -> Banker 1

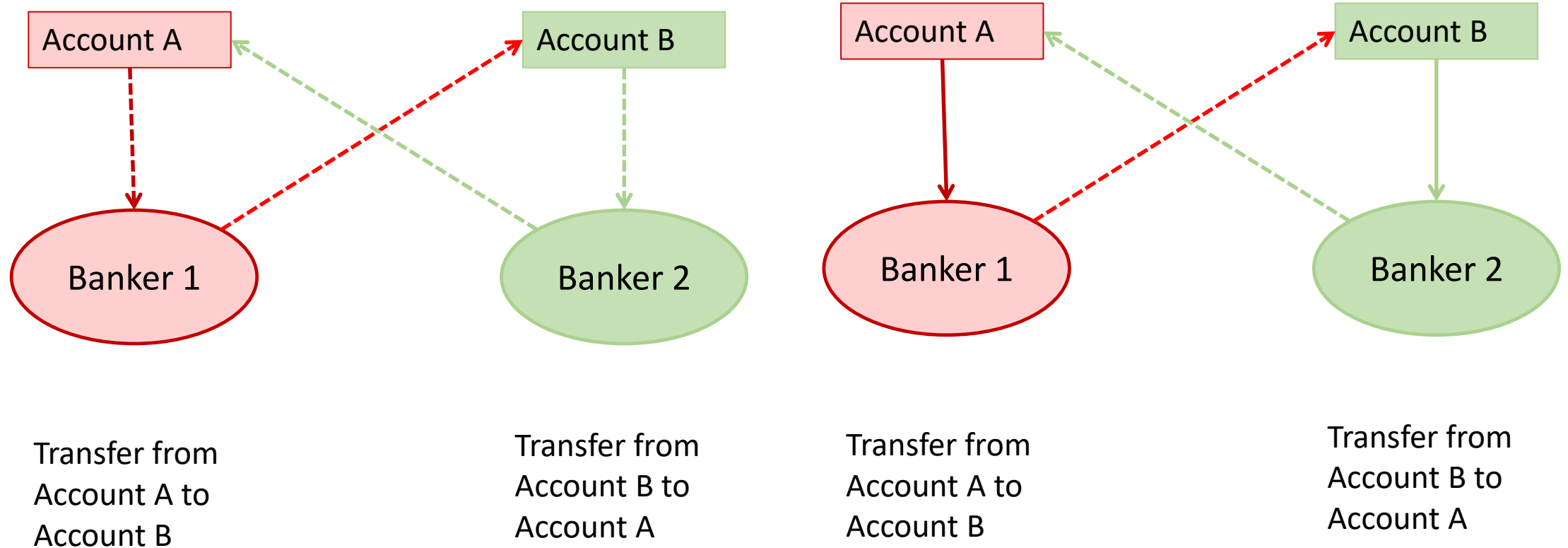
Banker 1 releases Account A, Account B

Account A -> Banker 2

Account B -> Banker 2

Banker 2 releases Account A, Account B

Example: Claim Edges



Create a graph with “claim edges”

Banker's Algorithm

	Maximum			Allocated		
	A	B	C	A	B	C
Process 1						
Process 2						
Process 3						

Available		
A	B	C

Banker's Algorithm

BANKER'S ALGORITHM

	Maximum			Allocated			Needed		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
Process 1	6	6	4	0	0	0	6	6	4
Process 2	1	7	4	0	0	0	1	7	4
Process 3	4	0	6	0	0	0	4	0	6

Available		
A	B	C
8	9	10

Total		
A	B	C
8	9	10

Is this a safe state?

Can we find a safe sequence to prove we are in safe state?

If we are not in safe state, can we prove that as well?

Practice Question: Bankers algorithm

BANKER'S ALGORITHM

	Maximum			Allocated			Needed		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
Process 1	6	6	4	5	0	0	1	6	4
Process 2	1	7	4	0	1	0	1	6	4
Process 3	4	0	6	2	0	4	2	0	2

Is this a safe state?

Available		
A	B	C
1	8	6

Total		
A	B	C
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Practice Question: Bankers algorithm

BANKER'S ALGORITHM

	Maximum			Allocated			Needed		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
Process 1	6	6	4	3	0	0	3	6	4
Process 2	1	7	4	1	1	3	0	6	1
Process 3	4	0	6	3	0	4	1	0	2

Available		
A	B	C
1	8	3

Total		
A	B	C
8	9	10

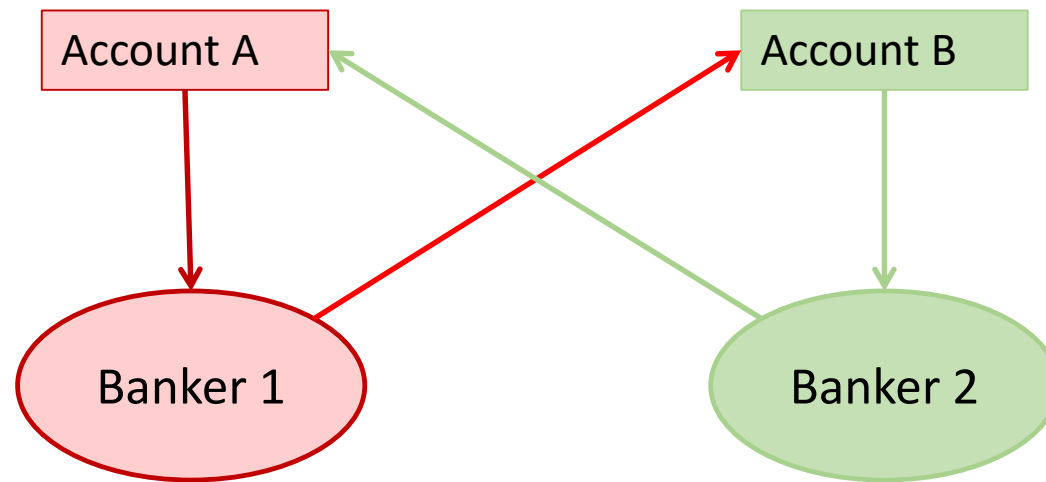
Is this a safe state?

Dealing with Deadlocks

- Detection
 - Wait-For Graphs
 - Collapse resource-allocation graph to wait-for graph
 - Issues
 - When to check for deadlocks

Example: Wait-For Graphs

Changing Resource Allocation Graph to Wait for Graph

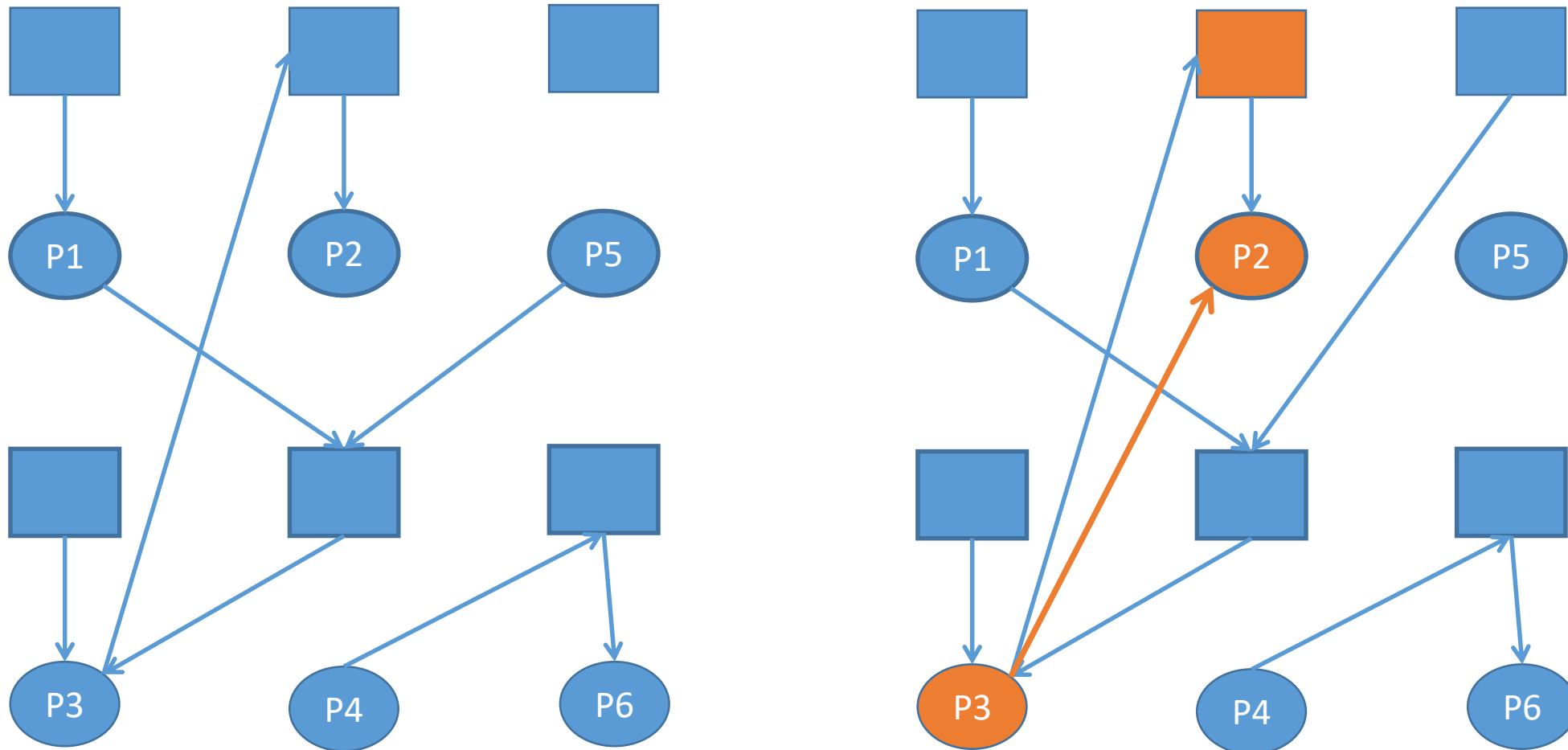


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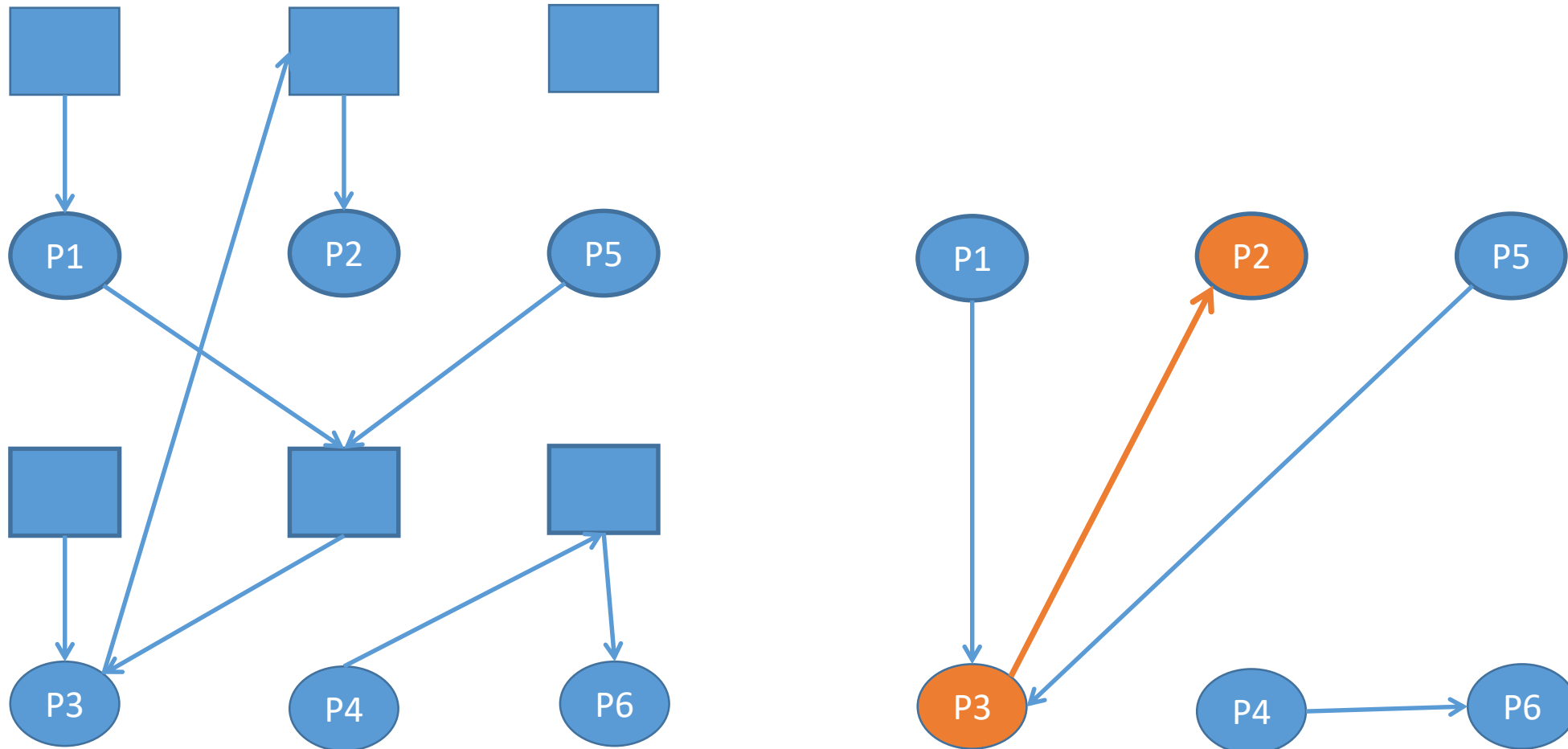
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Changing Resource Allocation Graph to Wait for Graph



Dealing with Deadlocks

- Deadlock Recovery
 - Approach is about abort (then restart) Processes
 - Abort all deadlocked processes
 - Abort processes (one at a time) until deadlock is resolved
 - Issue
 - Should detect deadlocks
 - Choose a victim process (e.g. using minimum cost)

Other Issues with Deadlock Resolution

- Minimum Cost
 - Priority of Process
 - Resources used (extra: Resources needed)
 - Time used (extra: time remaining)
 - Type of process (interactive or batch)
 - Different types of resources (and if they easy to preempt)

Other Issues with Deadlock Resolution

- Resource Preemption
 - Select a Process (victim)
 - Rollback
 - Starvation

Conclusion

- Deadlocks defined
- Deadlock Conditions
- Dealing with Deadlocks
 - Prevention
 - Avoidance
 - Detection
 - Recovery
- What next?
 - Most programming languages have locks (or similar)
 - You can implement any solution or extend on any ideas discussed