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Topic: Deadlock: System Model & Characterization

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- System Model
- Deadlock Characterization
- Methods for Handling Deadlocks
- Deadlock Prevention
- Deadlock Avoidance
- Deadlock Detection
- Recovery from Deadlock





A process requests resources; if the resources are not available at that time, the process enters a waiting state.

Sometimes, a waiting process is never again able to change state, because the **resources it has requested are held by other waiting processes**. This situation is called a deadlock.







- System consists of resources
- Resource types R_1, R_2, \ldots, R_m CPU cycles, memory space, I/O devices
- Each resource type R_i has W_i instances.
- Each process utilizes a resource as follows:
 - request
 - use
 - release





- A process must request a resource before using it and must release the resource after using it.
- A process may request as many resources as it requires to carry out its designated task.
- Obviously, the number of resources requested may not exceed the total number of resources available in the system. In other words, a process cannot request three printers if the system has only two.





Necessary Conditions

Deadlock can arise if four conditions hold simultaneously.

- Mutual exclusion: only one process at a time can use a resource
- Hold and wait: a process holding at least one resource is waiting to acquire additional resources held by other processes
- No preemption: a resource can be released only voluntarily by the process holding it, after that process has completed its task
- **Circular wait:** there exists a set $\{P_0, P_1, ..., P_n\}$ of waiting processes such that P_0 is waiting for a resource that is held by P_1 , P_1 is waiting for a resource that is held by P_2 , ..., P_{n-1} is waiting for a resource that is held by P_n , and P_n is waiting for a resource that is held by P_0 .



Resource-Allocation Graph



A set of vertices V and a set of edges E.

- V is partitioned into two types:
 - P = {P₁, P₂, ..., P_n}, the set consisting of all the active processes in the system
 - $R = \{R_1, R_2, ..., R_m\}$, the set consisting of all **resource** types in the system
- request edge directed edge $P_i \rightarrow R_j$
- assignment edge directed edge $R_j \rightarrow P_i$



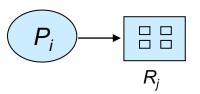
Resource-Allocation Graph (Cont.)



• Process

Resource Type with 4 instances_

• P_i requests instance of R_i



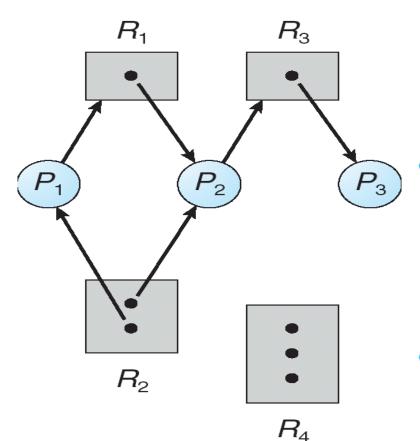
• P_i is holding an instance of P_i

 R_i



Example of a Resource Allocation Graph

The sets P, R, and E:



- $∘ P = \{P_1, P_2, P_3\}$ $∘ R = \{R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4\}$ $∘ E = \{P_1 → R_1, P_2 → R_3, R_1 → P_2, R_2 → P_2, R_2 → P_1, R_3 → P_3\}$
- Resource instances:
 - One instance of resource type R_1
 - Two instances of resource type R_2
 - One instance of resource type R_3
 - \circ Three instances of resource type R_4
- Process states:
 - Process P_1 is holding an instance of resource type R_2 and is waiting for an instance of resource type R_1 .
 - Process P_2 is holding an instance of R_1 and an instance of R_2 and is waiting for an instance of R_3 .

 \circ Process P_3 is holding an instance of R_3 . 19CSB201 – Operating Systems/ Unit-II/ Deadlock: System Model & Characterization/

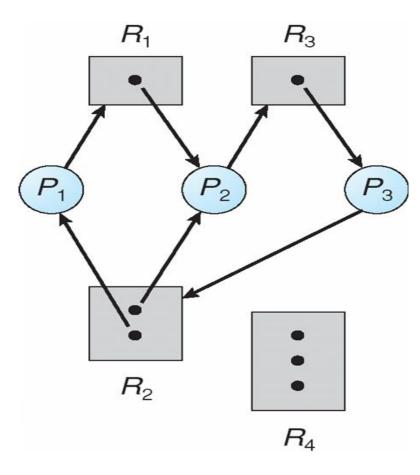
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Resource Allocation Graph With A Deadlock

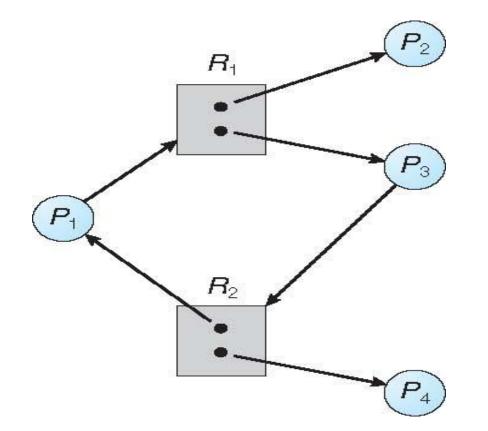






Graph With A Cycle But No Deadlock





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Basic Facts



- If graph contains **no cycles** \Rightarrow **no deadlock**
- If graph contains a cycle \Rightarrow
 - if only one instance per resource type, then deadlock
 - if several instances per resource type, possibility of deadlock



Methods for Handling Deadlocks



- Ensure that the system will *never* enter a deadlock state:
 - Deadlock prevention
 - Deadlock avoidence
- Allow the system to enter a deadlock state and then recover
- Ignore the problem and pretend that deadlocks never occur in the system; used by most operating systems, including UNIX





- we can deal with the deadlock problem in **one of three ways**:
- We can use a protocol to prevent or avoid deadlocks, ensuring that the system will never enter a deadlocked state.
- We can allow the system to enter a deadlocked state, detect it, and recover.
- We can ignore the problem altogether and pretend that deadlocks never occur in the system.







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