

# Outline

- **Deadlock Detection**

# Actual Goal

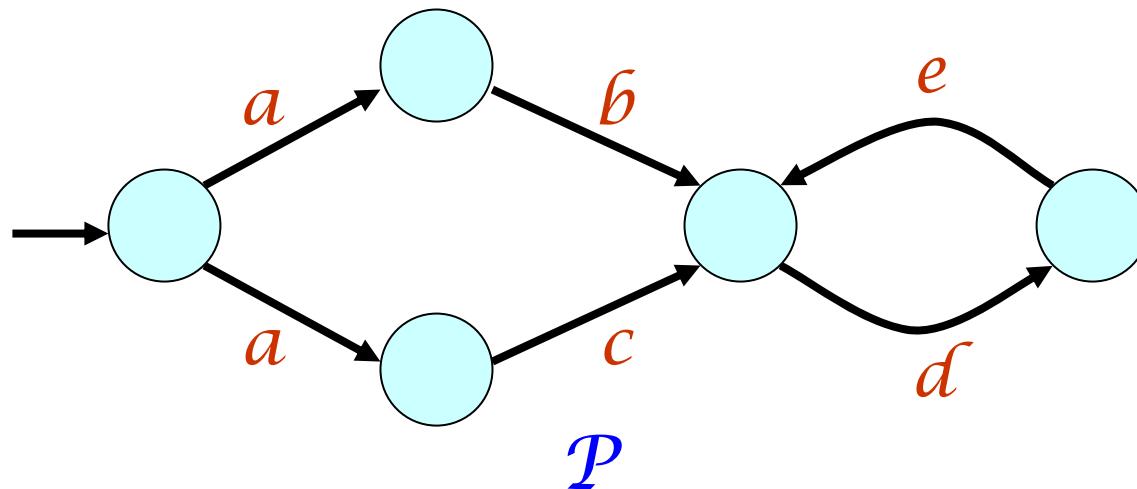
- Deadlock for **concurrent message-passing** blocking C programs
- Tackle **complexity** using automated abstraction and compositional reasoning
- Obtain precise answers using automated iterative abstraction refinement

# For this part of the lecture

- Focus on finite state machines
  - Labeled transition systems (LTSs)
- Parallel composition of state machines
  - Synchronous communication
  - Asynchronous execution
  - Natural for modeling blocking message-passing C programs

# Finite LTS

- $\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{Q}, I, \Sigma, \mathcal{T})$ 
  - $\mathcal{Q} \equiv$  non-empty set of states
  - $I \in \mathcal{Q} \equiv$  initial state
  - $\Sigma \equiv$  set of actions  $\equiv$  alphabet
  - $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{Q} \times \Sigma \times \mathcal{Q} \equiv$  transition relation

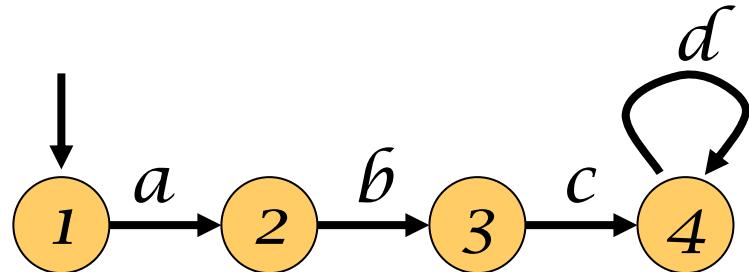


$$\Sigma(\mathcal{P}) = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$$

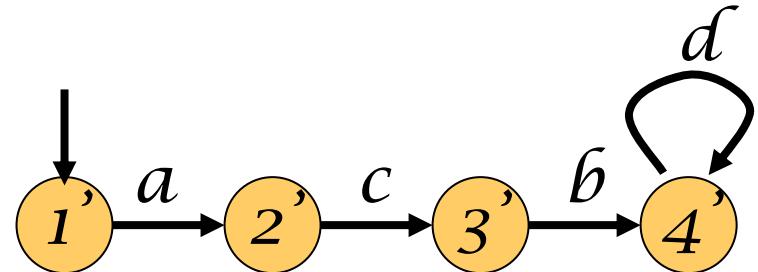
# Concurrency

- Components communicate by **handshaking (synchronizing)** over **shared actions**
  - Else proceed independently (**asynchronously**)
  - Essentially **CSP** semantics
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- Composition of  $\mathcal{A}_1$  &  $\mathcal{A}_2 \equiv \mathcal{A}_1 \parallel \mathcal{A}_2$

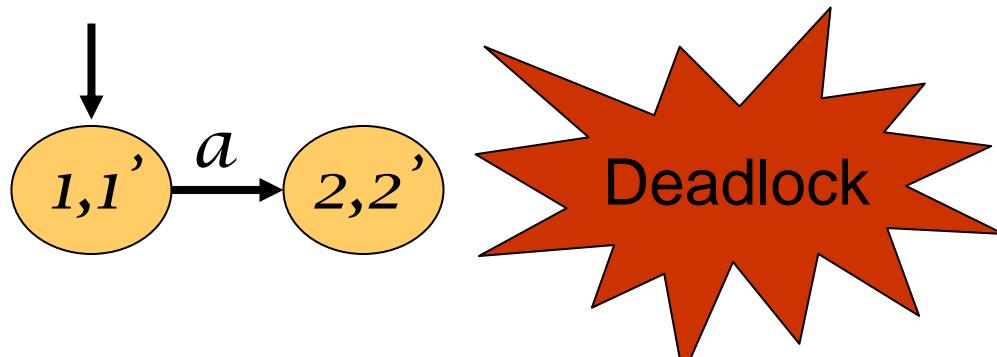
# Deadlock



$$\mathcal{M}_1 \quad \Sigma = \{a, b, c, d\}$$



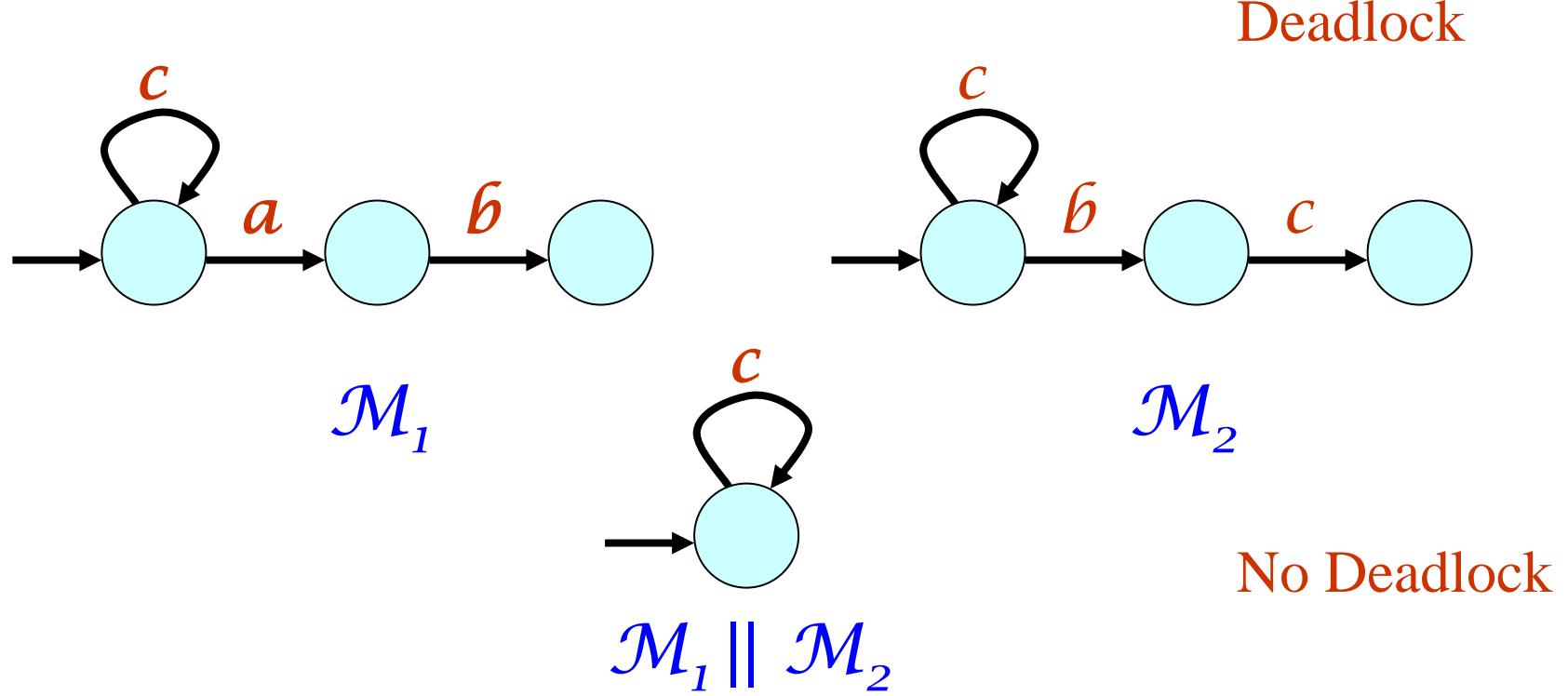
$$\mathcal{M}_2 \quad \Sigma = \{a, b, c, d\}$$



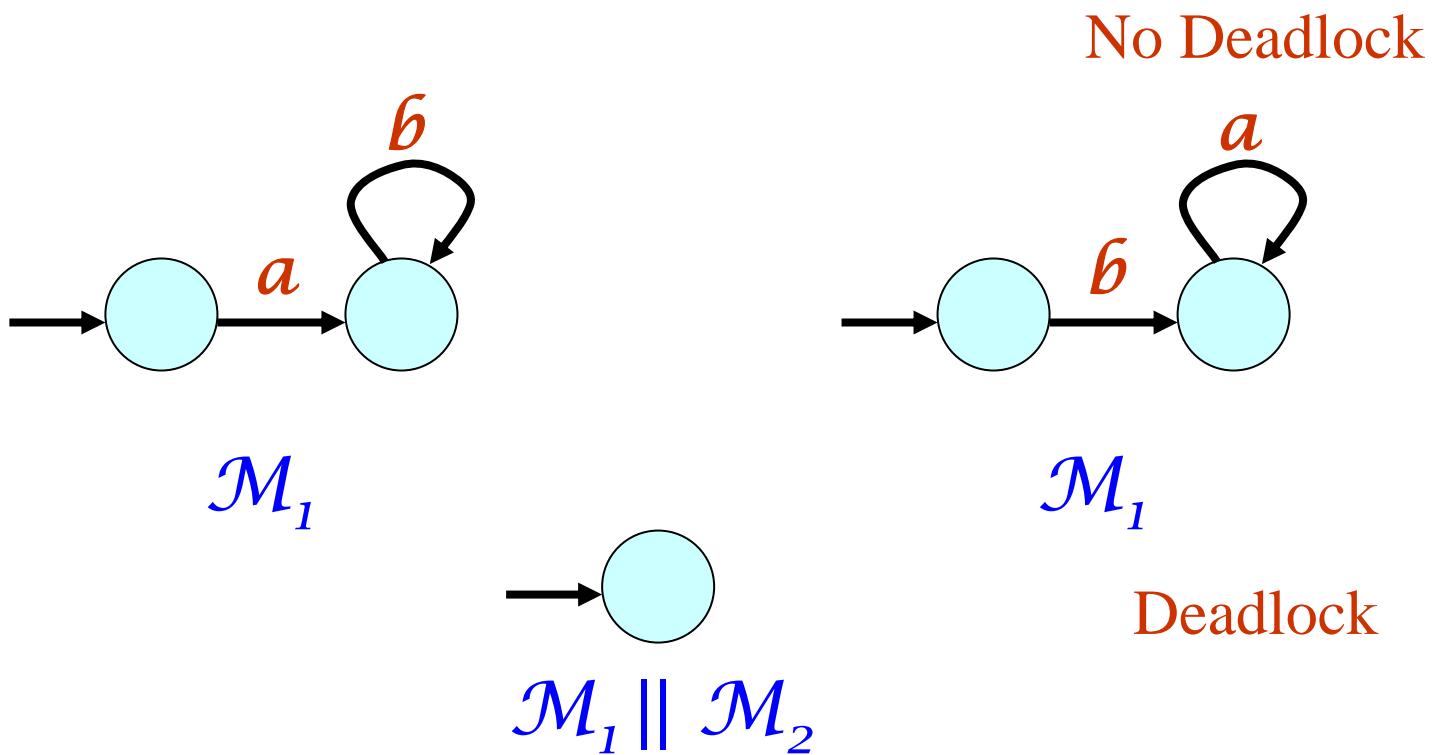
$$\mathcal{M}_1 \parallel \mathcal{M}_2$$

Deadlock  $\Leftrightarrow$  a reachable state cannot perform any actions at all

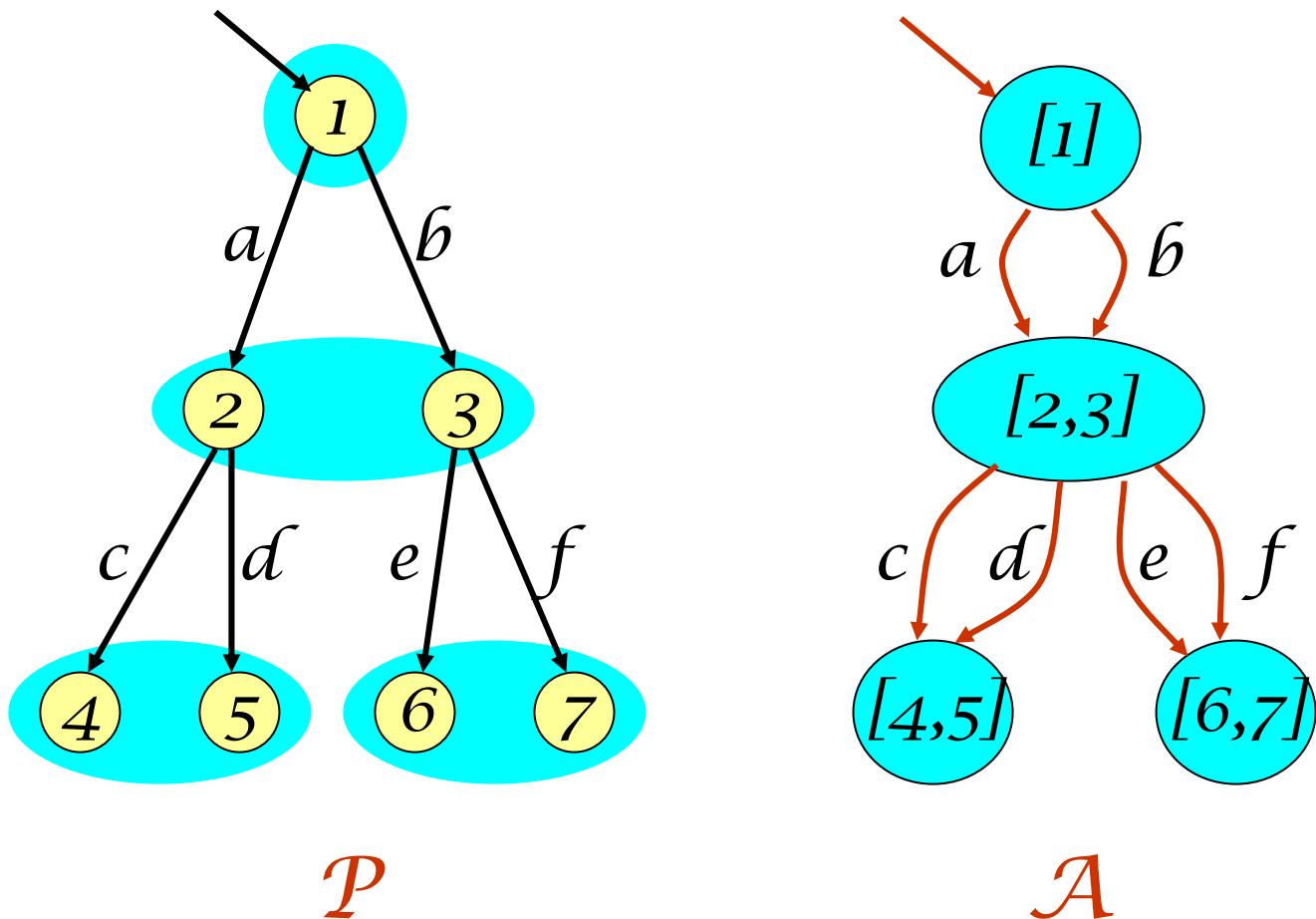
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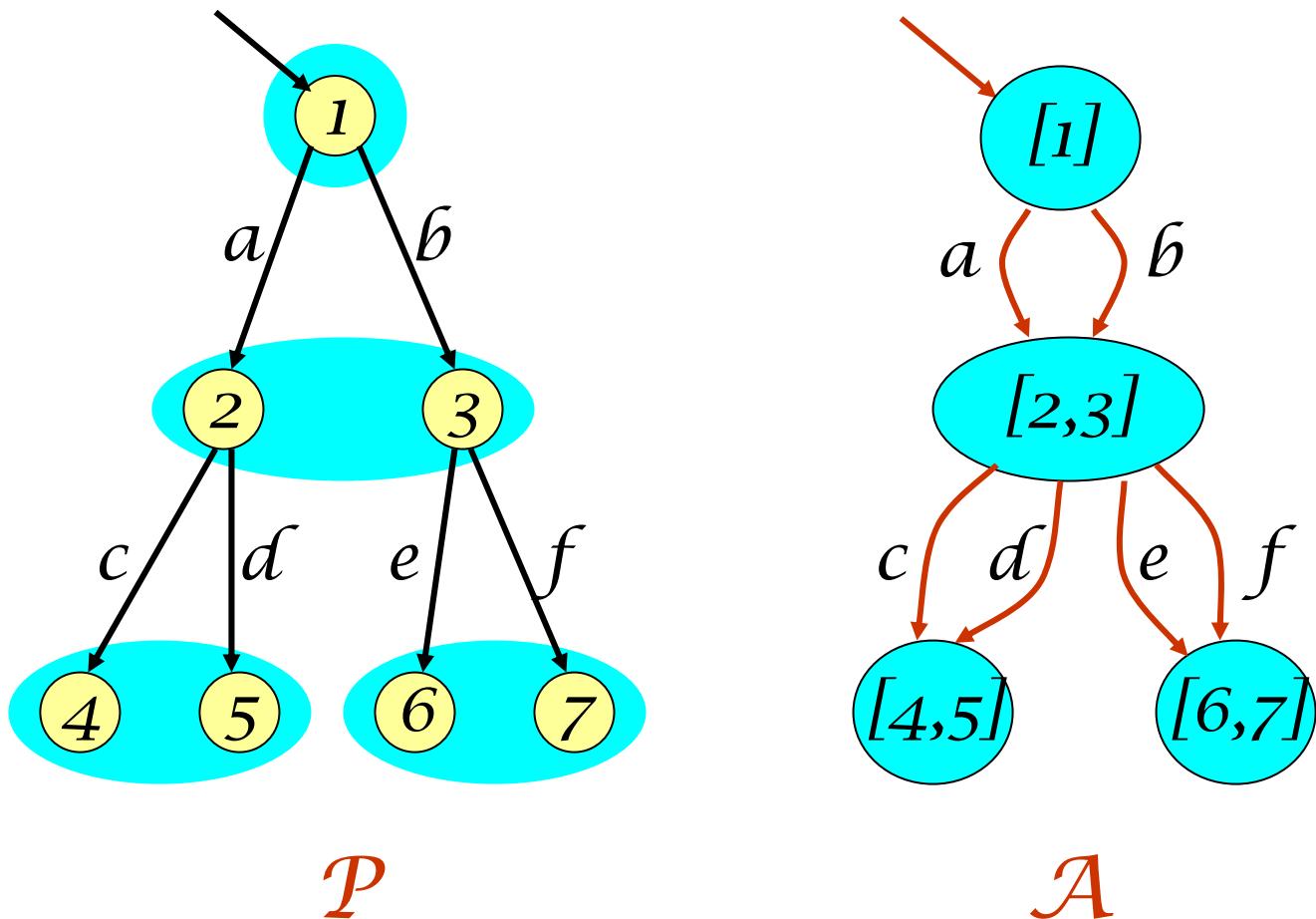
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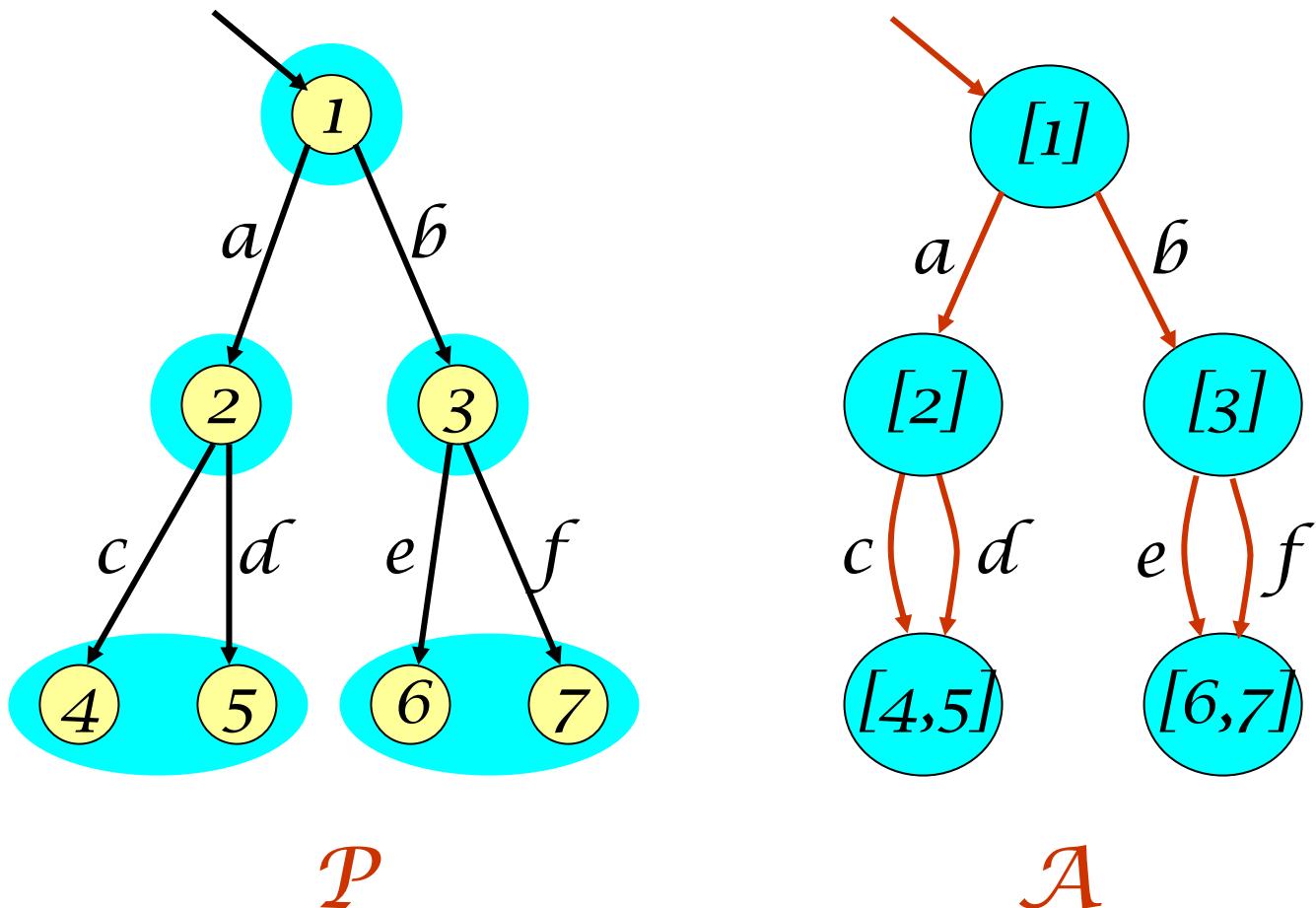
# Conservative Abstraction

- Every trace of  $\mathcal{P}$  is a trace of  $\mathcal{A}$ 
  - Preserves safety properties:  $\mathcal{A} \models \phi \Rightarrow \mathcal{P} \models \phi$
  - $\mathcal{A}$  over-approximates what  $\mathcal{P}$  can do
- Some traces of  $\mathcal{A}$  may not be traces of  $\mathcal{P}$ 
  - May yield spurious counterexamples -  $\langle a, e \rangle$
- Eliminated via abstraction refinement
  - Splitting some clusters in smaller ones
  - Refinement can be automated

# Original Abstraction

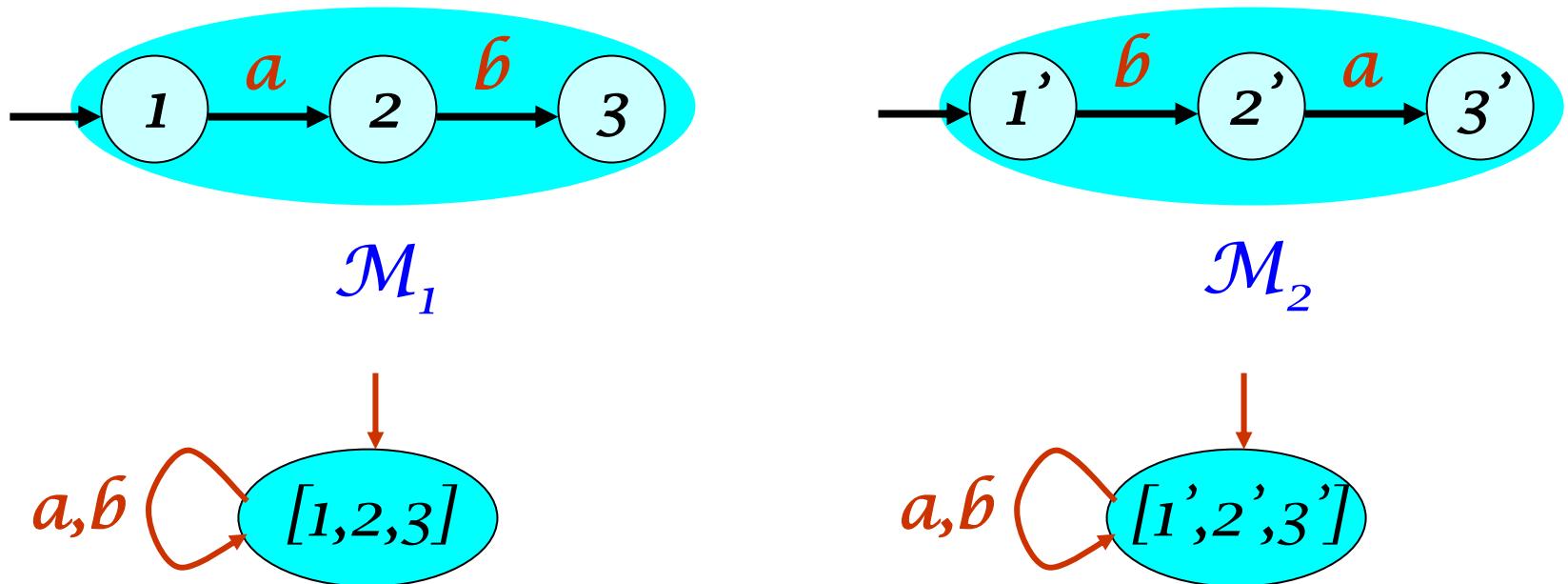


# Refined Abstraction



# Deadlock : Problem

- Deadlock is not preserved by abstraction

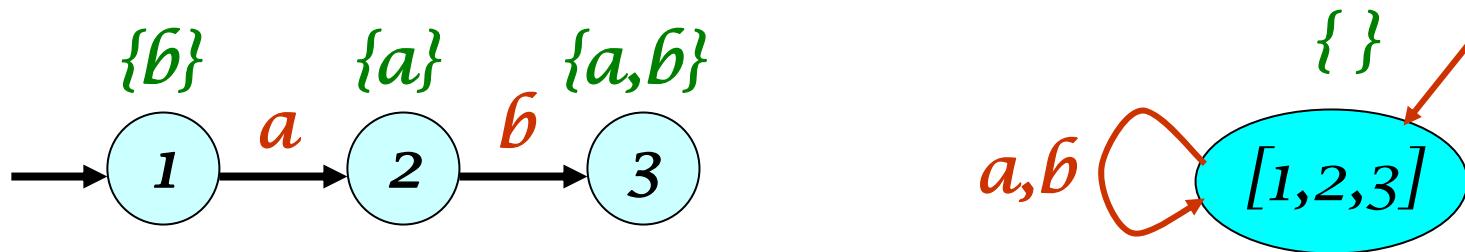


# Deadlock Detection : Insight

- **Deadlock**  $\Leftrightarrow$  a reachable state **cannot perform any actions at all**
  - **Deadlock** depends on the set of **actions** that a reachable state cannot **perform**
- In order to **preserve** deadlock  $\mathcal{A}$  must **over-approximate** not just what  $\mathcal{P}$  can do but also what  $\mathcal{P}$  **refuses**

# Refusal & Deadlock

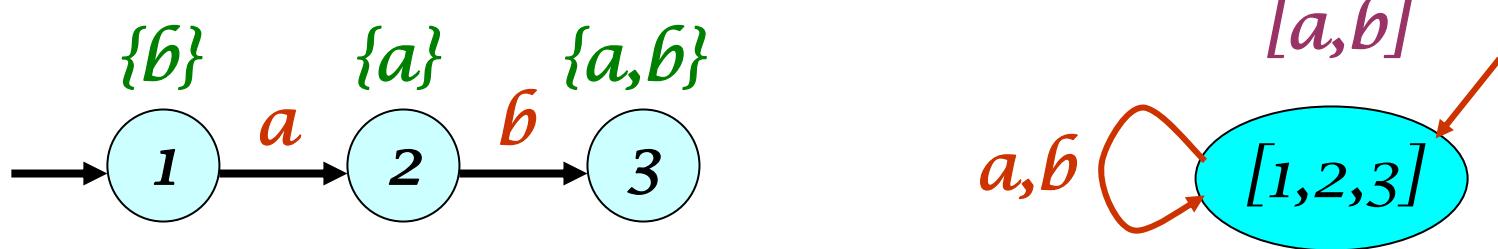
- $\text{Ref}(s)$  = set of actions  $s$  cannot perform



- $\mathcal{M}$  deadlocks iff there is a reachable state  $s$  such that  $\text{Ref}(s) = \Sigma$ 
  - Denote by  $\mathcal{DLock}(\mathcal{M})$
- $\text{Ref}([s_1 .. s_n]) = \text{Ref}(s_1) \cap .. \cap \text{Ref}(s_n)$

# Abstract Refusal

- $\mathcal{AR}([s_1 \dots s_n]) = \text{Ref}(s_1) \cup \dots \cup \text{Ref}(s_n)$



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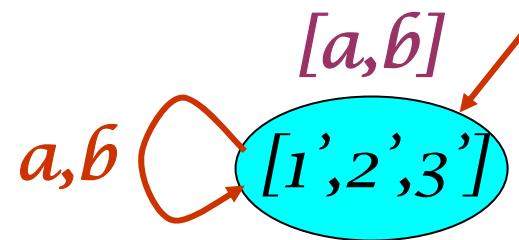
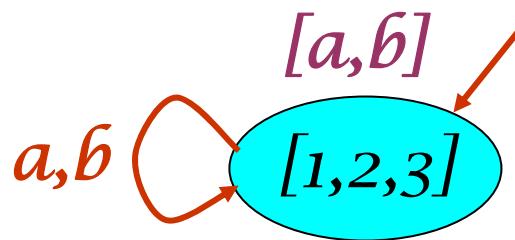
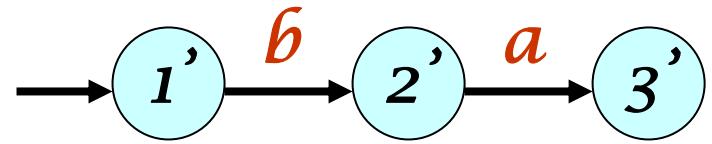
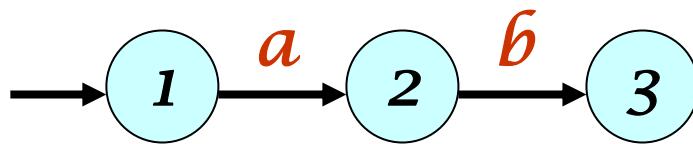
- $\mathcal{M}$  abstractly deadlocks iff there is a reachable state  $s$  such that  $\mathcal{AR}(s) = \Sigma$ 
  - Denote by  $\mathcal{ADLock}(\mathcal{M})$

$\neg \mathcal{ADLock}([\mathcal{M}_1] \parallel \dots \parallel [\mathcal{M}_n])$

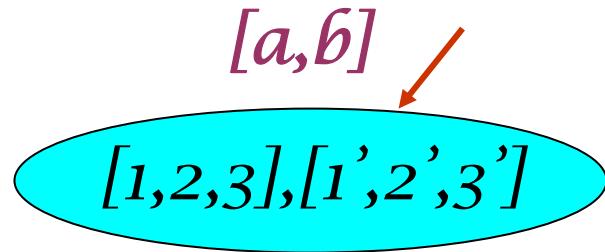
$$\Rightarrow$$

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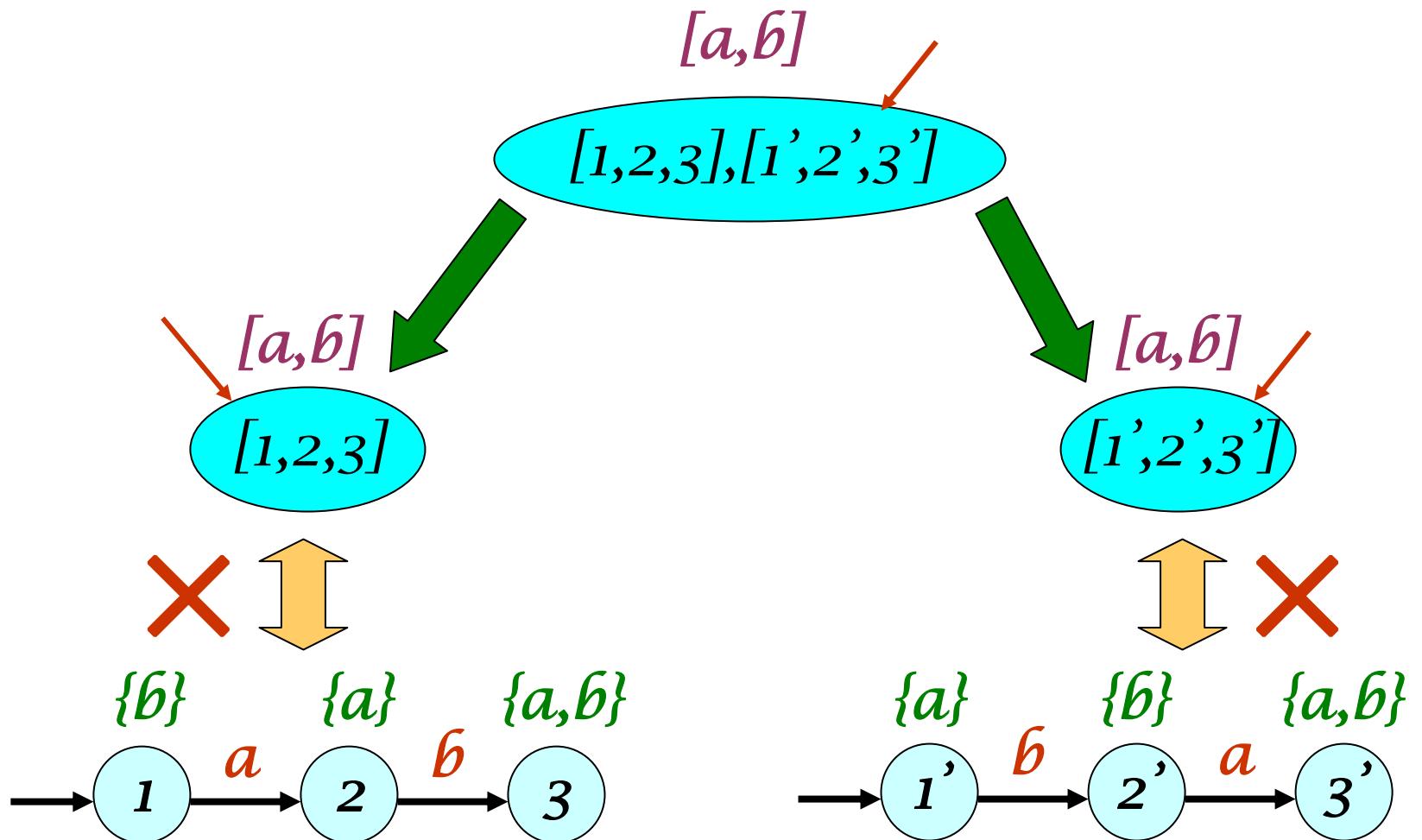
# Iterative Deadlock Detection



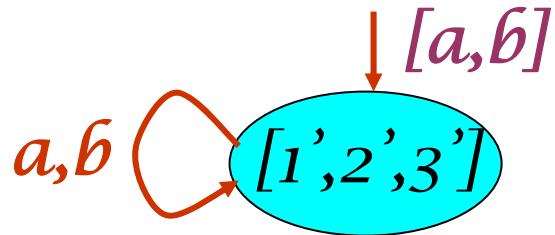
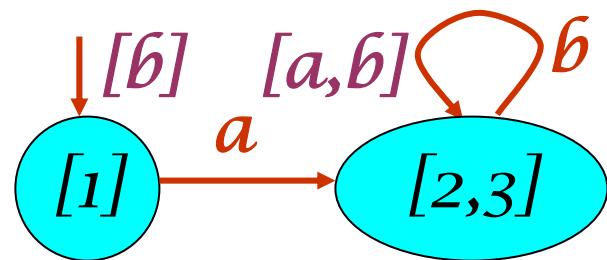
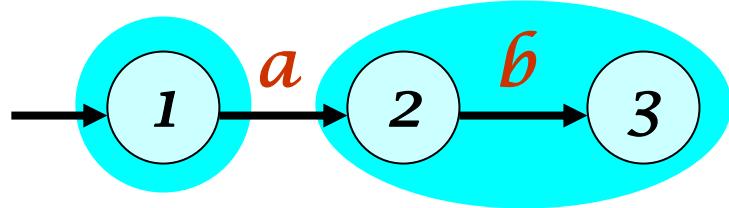
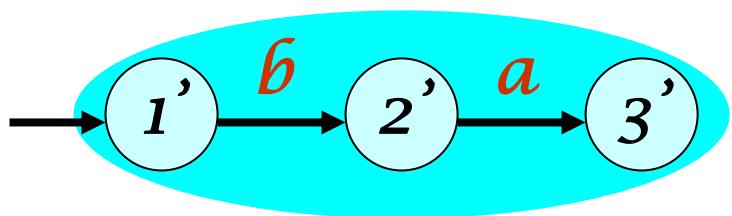
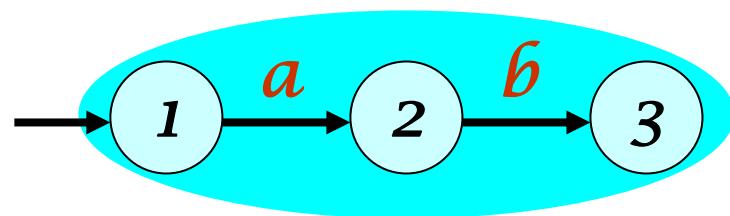
Counterexample to  
Abstract  
Deadlock



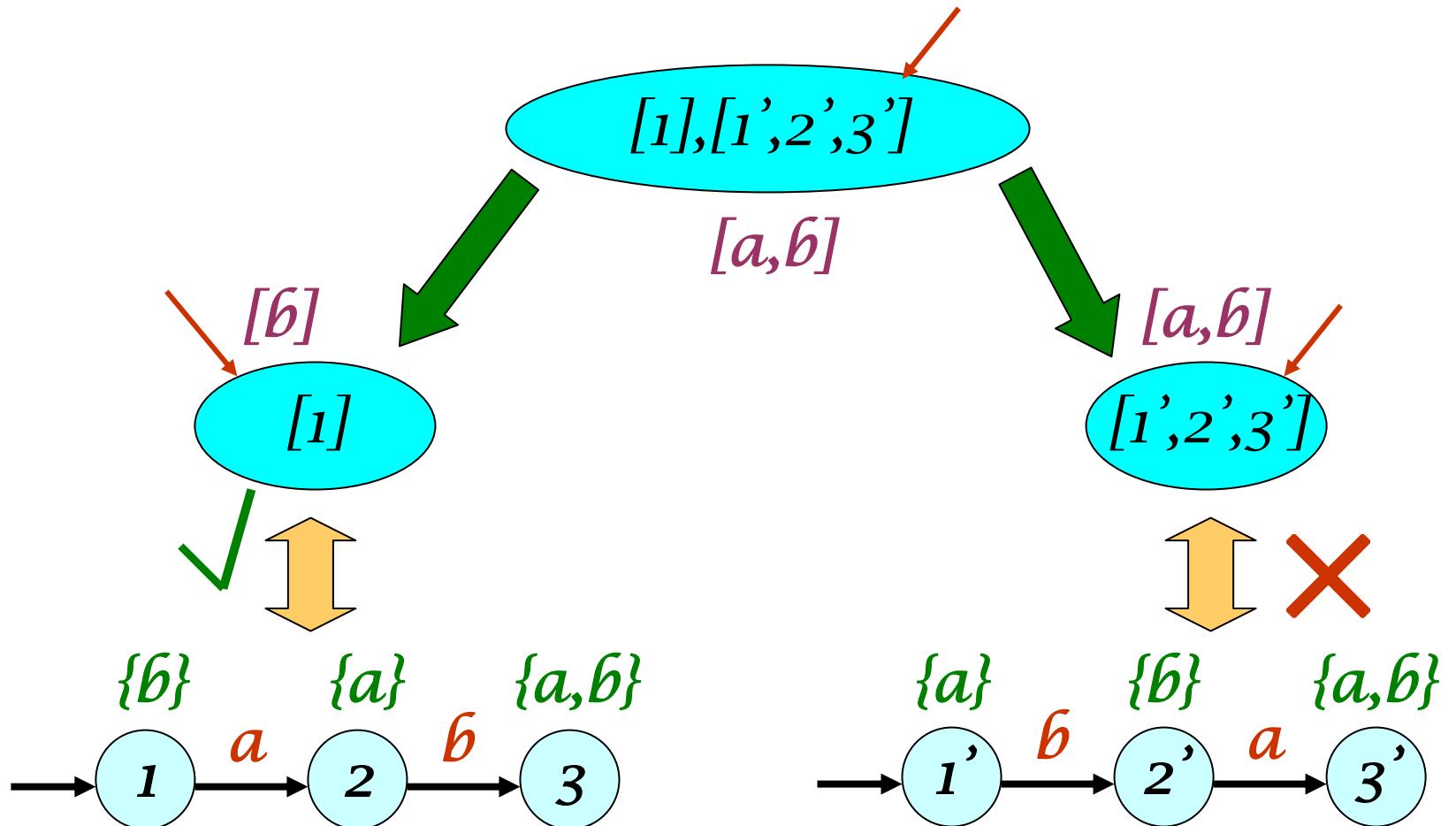
# Counterexample Validation



# Refinement

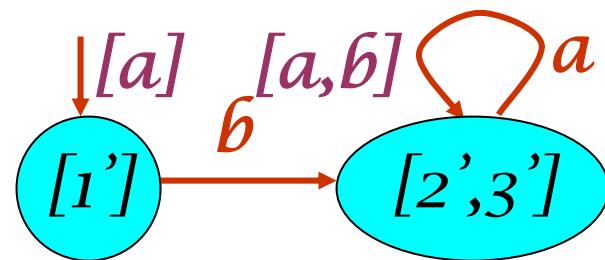
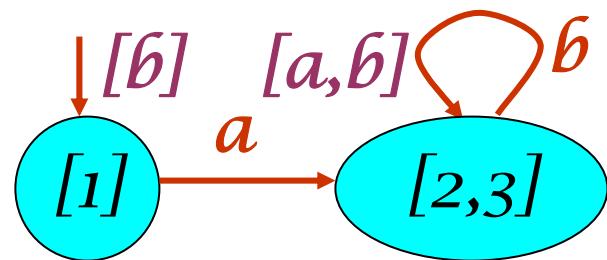
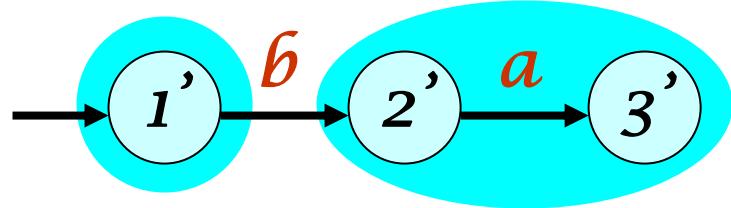
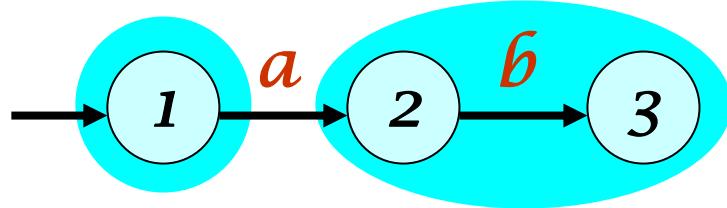
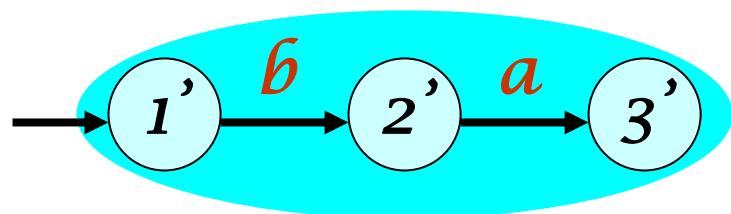
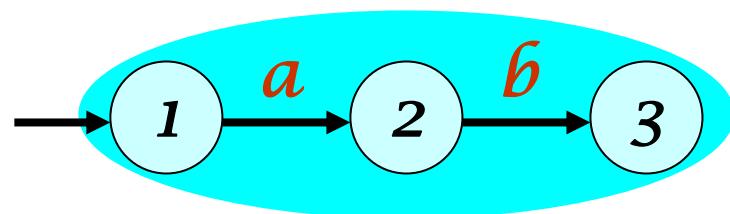


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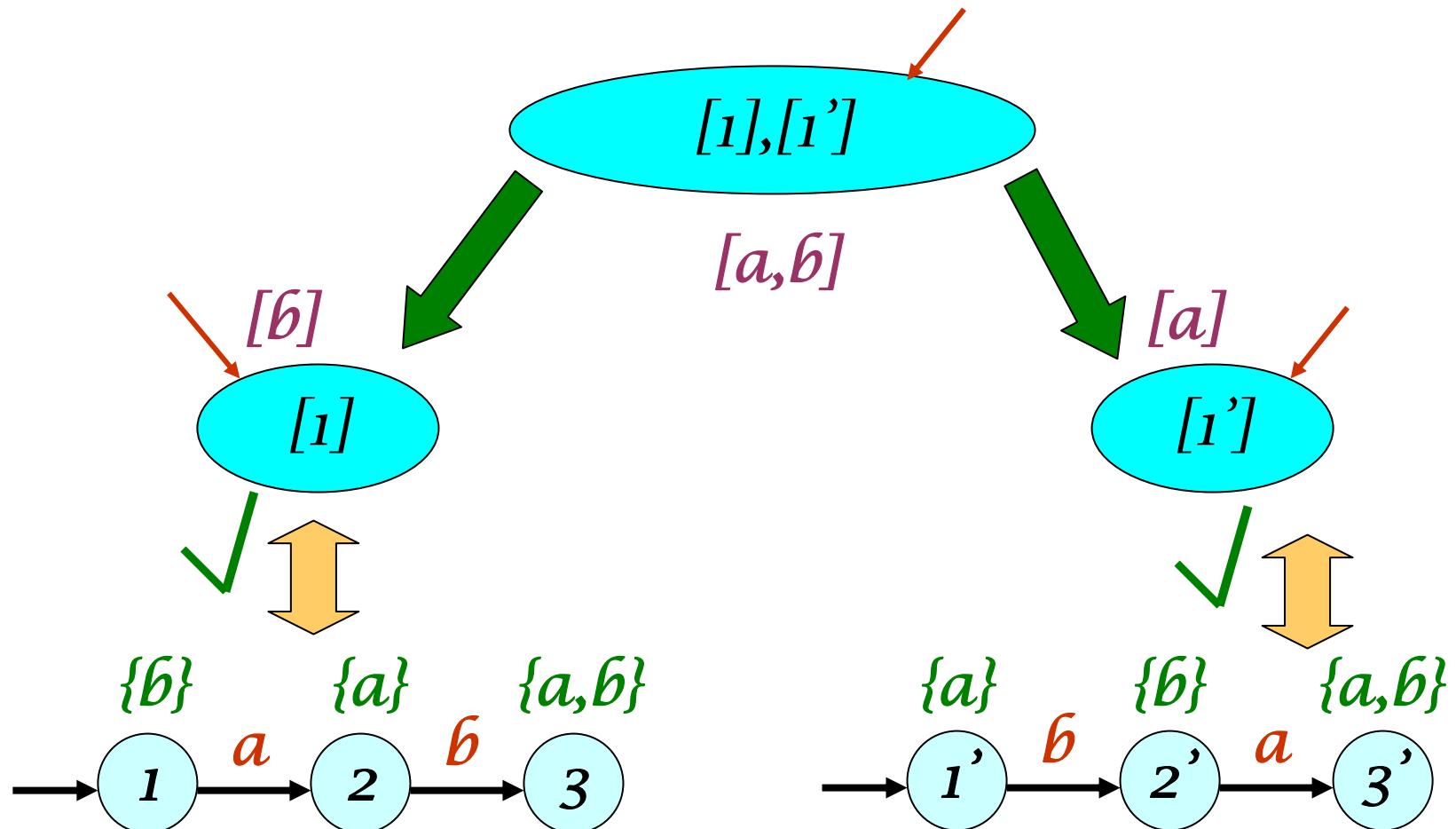


Another spurious counterexample

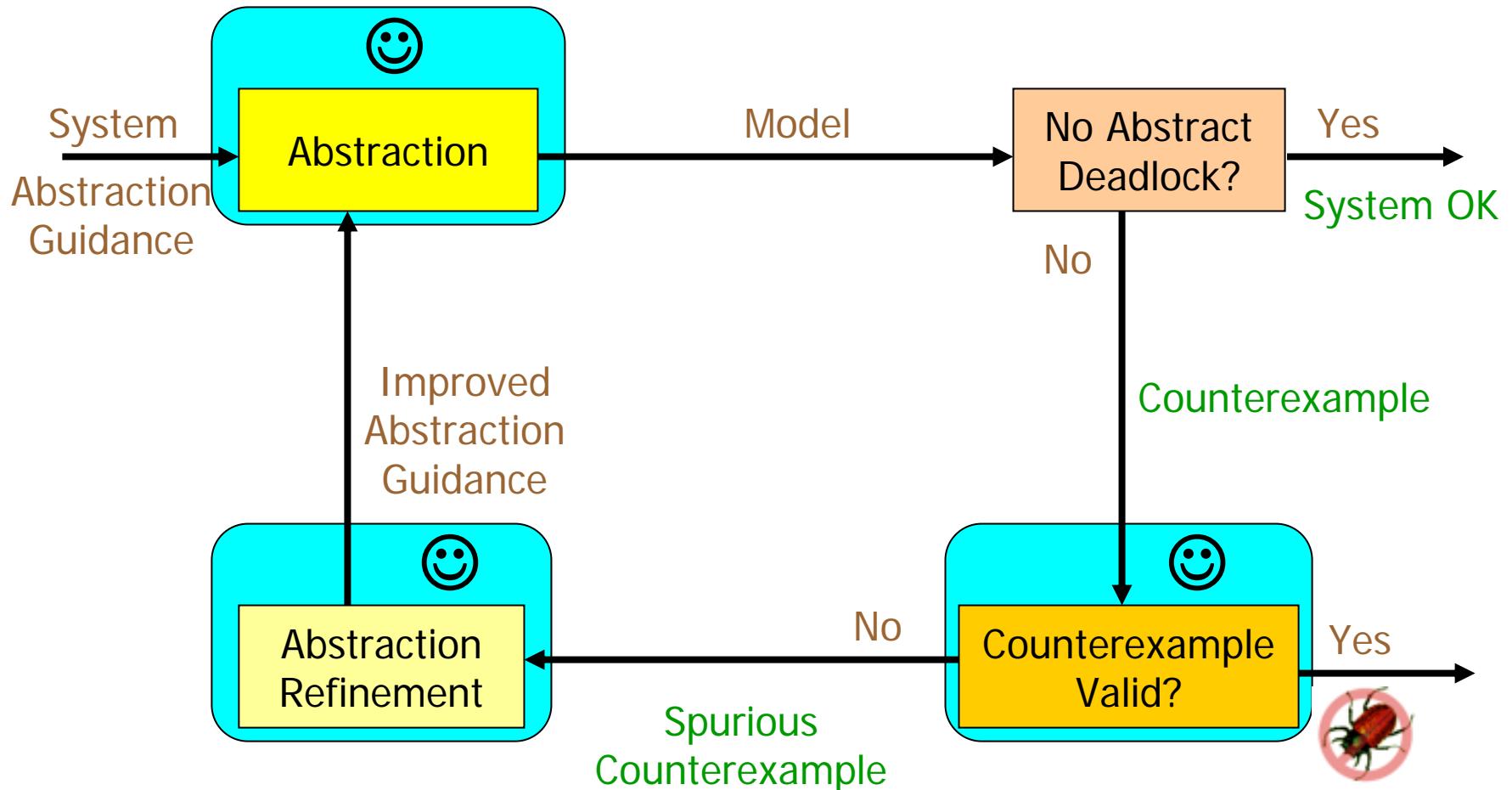
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# Iterative Deadlock



# Case Studies

- **MicroC/OS-II**
  - Real-time OS for **embedded applications**
  - Widely used (cell phones, medical devices, routers, washing machines...)
  - **6000+ LOC**
- ABB IPC Module
  - Deployed by a world leader in robotics
  - 15000+ LOC
  - 4 components
  - Over 30 billion states after predicate abstraction

# Results

	Plain			IterDeadlock				
	Name	St	T	Mem	St	It	T	Mem
ABB	*	*		162	1973	861	1446	33.3
SSL	25731	44		43.5	16	16	31.9	40.8
$\mu$ CD-3	*	*		58.6	4930	120	221.8	15
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