

Ibis

Communication Library and Programming Models

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Overview

- Philosophy / design / implementation
 - Why Ibis ?
 - Design
 - Communication Library Model
 - Cool features
 - Programming Models
 - Satin
 - MPJ
 - GMI





We are interested in...

- Parallel applications on "the Grid"
 - Single site runs
 - Grid == big collection of clusters
 - Only communicate within cluster
 - Use fast local network (Myrinet/Infiniband/...)
 - Multi site runs
 - Grid == big processor pool
 - Communicate between clusters
 - Use regular network & internet





So why Ibis?

- Ideally, grid computing should be "fire and forget"
 - Develop application locally
 - Submit to some grid (using GAT)
 - Finds some suitable site(s)
 - Transfers your application and data to the sites, and runs it.
 - Returns the result





Problems

- Lots of problems
 - Resource selection
 - Data transfer
 - Security and authentication
 - •
 - Heterogeneity
- GAT and SAGA solve part of this





Problems

- Grids are heterogeneous:
 - Intel / PowerPC / Mips / Arm / ...
 - Windows / Linux / Unix / OSX / ...
 - Different OS/library/tool versions
 - Different networks
- Compiled (C/MPI) apps. huge pain:
 - Need executable for every combination of CPU/network/OS/libraries etc.
 - Hard to connect sites together.
 - Makes 'fire & forget' runs really hard...





Solution (partly)

- So, we use Java instead C or Fortran
 - No recompilation required
 - Runs (almost) anywhere
 - Doesn't work on supercomputers such as Hitachi SR8000, IBM BlueGene ...
 - ... but most sites have clusters anyway!
 - Acceptable performance
- But ... only part of the solution!





How about 'portable' communication?

- Class libraries are portable, but ...
 - Sockets are too low-level
 - RMI model/performance is limited
- Most parallel libraries not suited ...
 - Example: MPIJava requires native code
 - needs recompilation
 - only supports static (fixed size) runs
 - multi-cluster MPI is a bit hard
 - not all applications are SPMD





Ibis

- Solution: Ibis Communication Library!
 - A "run-anywhere" communication library
 - Just send it along with your application!
- Plus: flexible communication models
 - Malleability & Fault-Tolerance
 - Change number of machines during the run
 - More than just unicast communication
 - More about this later





Ibis 2.0

- In this tutorial we describe Ibis 2.0
 - Ideas are the same, but interface is cleaned-up
 - Ibis 1.x interface stable for 4 years
 - Ibis 2.0 inteface changed according to the lessons we learned from the previous versions





Ibis

- Portability vs. performance
 - On a single site run you often want to use the fast local network
 - Ibis allows specialized implementation
 - Designed for Myrinet, Infiniband, etc.
 - Usually use native code
 - Installed in advance
 - not portable
 - cannot be shipped with application





Ibis

- As a result, there may be multiple Ibis' available on a site
 - Automatically choose 'best' at startup
 - Based on requirements specified by
 - Application & user (using properties)
- Not every appl. needs all features
 - Pick one at startup that suits your needs....









Ibis Portability Layer (IPL)





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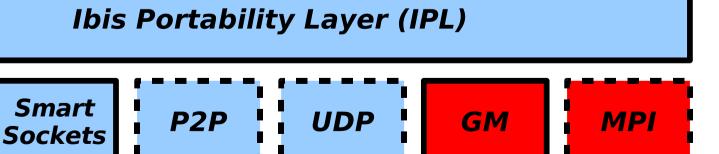
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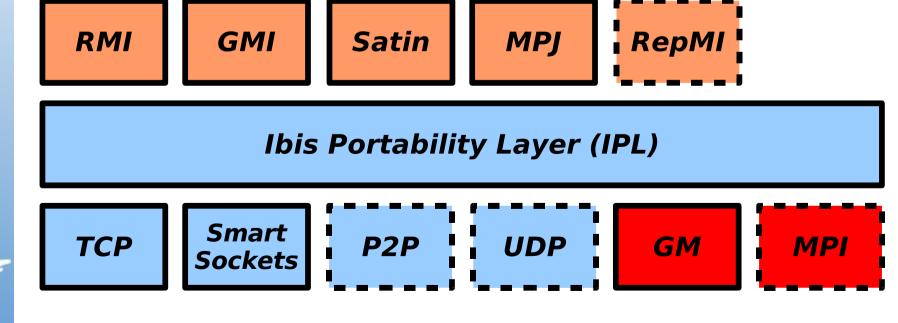
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UDP



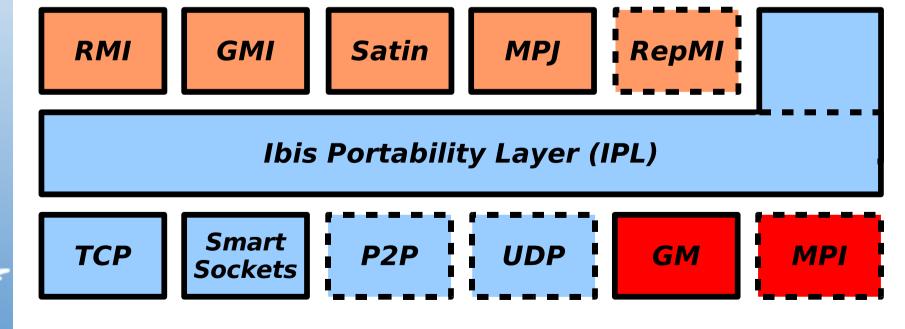
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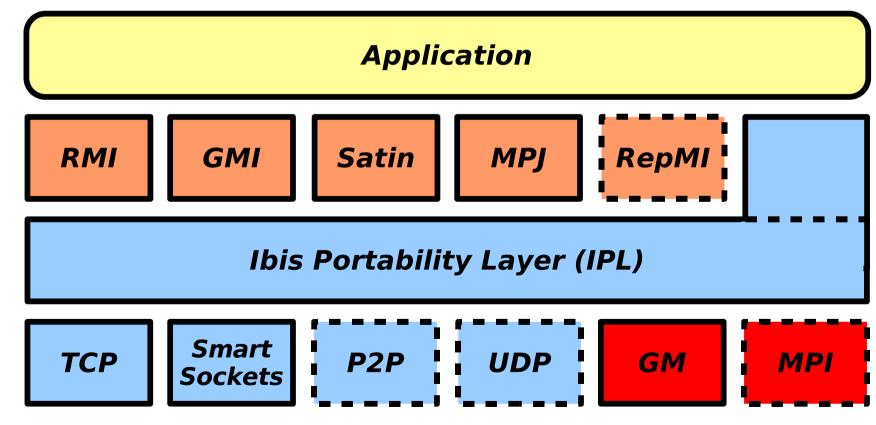


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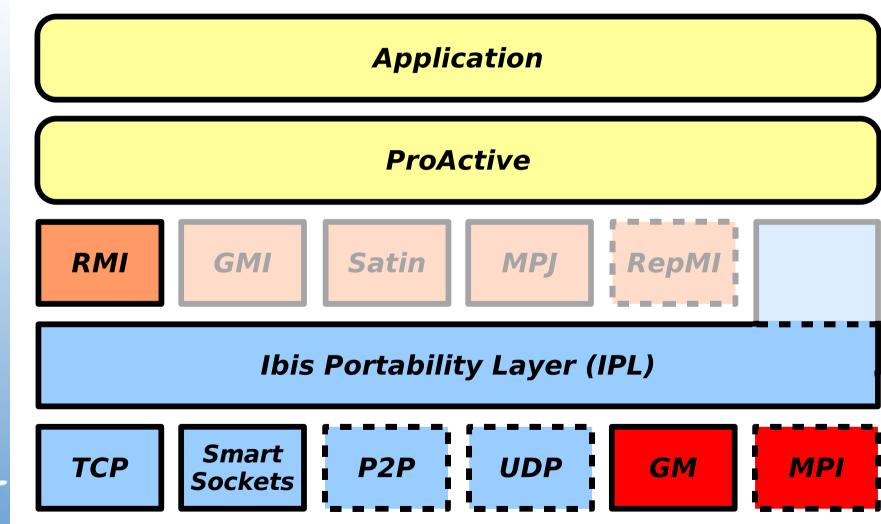


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Ibis Portability Layer

- Basic Ibis programming interface
 - Reasonably simple (5 classes, 16 interfaces, 10 exceptions)
- Contains methods for
 - Loading an Ibis
 - Malleability/Membership
 - adding & removing machines
 - Connection handling
 - Communication primitives (low-level)





Basic Idea

- Abstract away from implementation
 - use abstract addressing scheme
 - hides real network addressing
 - use abstract communication primitives
 - hides real communication primitives
- Results in more portable applications
 - same application runs on sockets and MPI without changing any code





IbisIdentifiers

- In a parallel/distributed application
 - Each process has an Ibis instance
 - Each instance has an <u>IbisIdentifier</u>
- IbisIdentifier:
 - Uniquely identifies an Ibis instance
 - Abstracts away from the implementation
 - e.g. hostnames, IP addresses, MPI-ranks, etc.
 - Makes your application a bit more portable





Communication

- 'Low-level' communication model
- Unidirectional pipes
- Two end points
- Connection oriented (allows streaming)







Can be connected in arbitrary ways



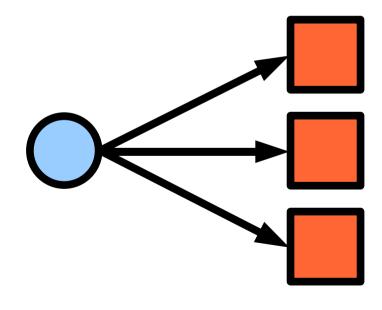
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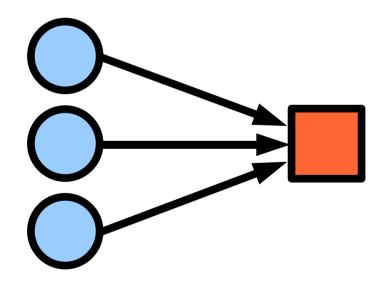
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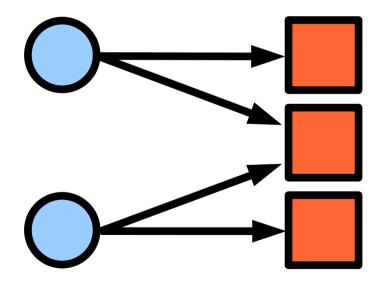
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- Can be connected in arbitrary ways
- ... or some combination!





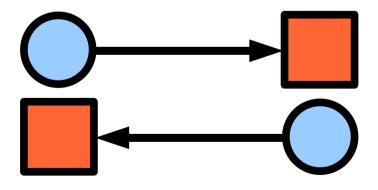


- Advantages:
 - Very simple & abstract model
 - Easy to implement using TCP/UDP/MPI/etc.
 - Allows multicast, many-to-one, etc.
 - Useful for parallel programs
 - Allows efficient implementation
 - Can be implemented using efficient low-level primitives (i.e., mpi-broadcast)
 - Other models do prevent this (e.g., RMI)





- Disadvantage:
 - Simplicity may cause some overhead...
 - Example: need two pairs for RPC / RMI







- All ports have a <u>type</u>
 - Consists of a set of required capabilities:
 - Connection patterns
 - Unicast, many-to-one, one-to-many, many-to-many.
 - Communication properties:
 - Fifo ordering, numbering, reliability.
 - Serialization properties:
 - bytes, data, object
 - Message delivery:
 - Explicit receipt, automatic upcalls, polling

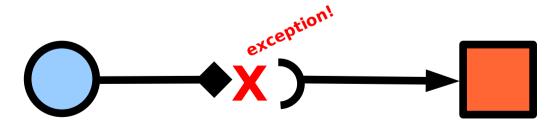




- Defined at runtime
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- Forces programmer to specify how each communication channel is used
 - Prevents bugs
 - Exception when contract is breached
 - Allows efficient impl. to be selected
 - Unicast only ?
 - Bytes only?
 - Can save a lot complexity!





Connection setup

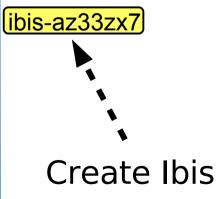
- Two options:
 - 1) Using a IbisIdentifier and a name
 - Name specifies the receiveport
 - Unique per Ibis instance
 - Human-readable (usually)
 - 2) Using a ReceivePortIdentifier
 - Uniquely identifies a receiveport
 - Created when ReceivePort is created
 - Can be passed around between Ibis instances.

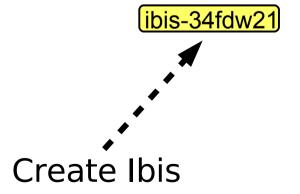


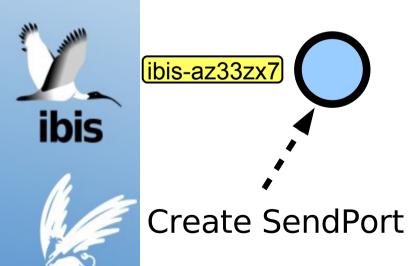


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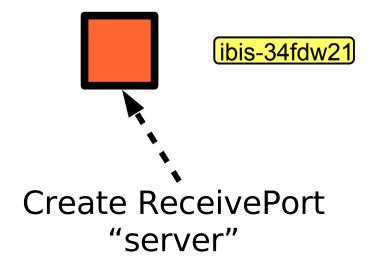






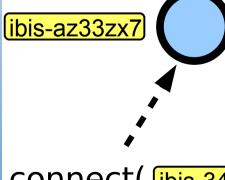


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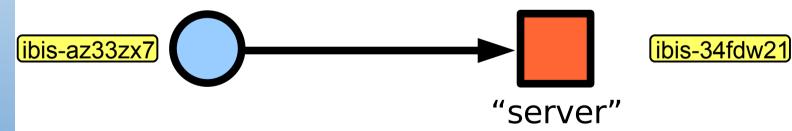


ibis-34fdw21

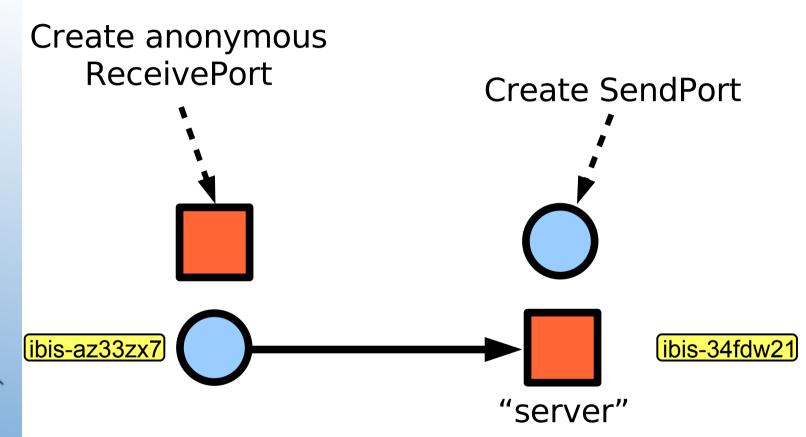
connect(ibis-34fdw21, "server")

(How do you get this? Explained later!)



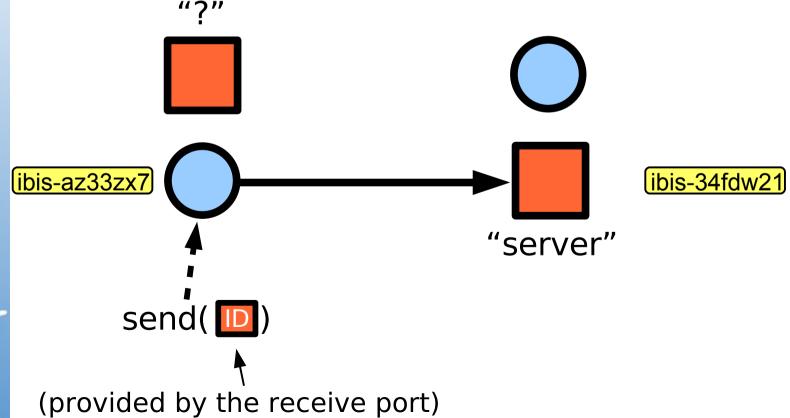






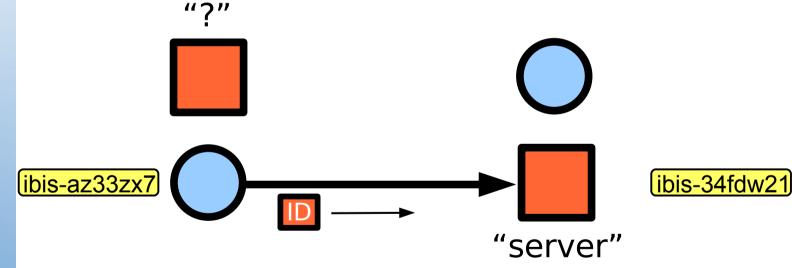


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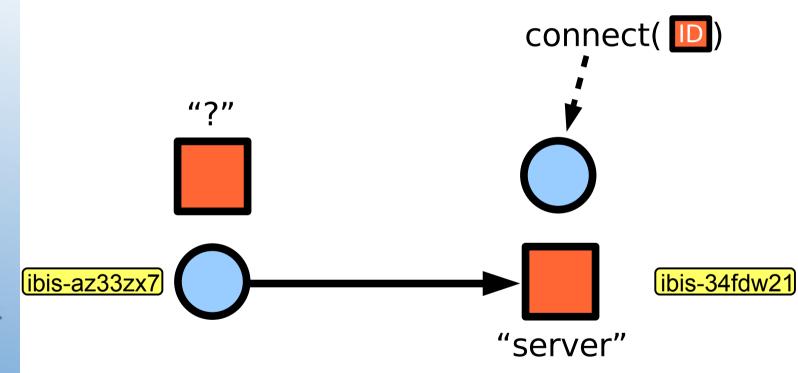






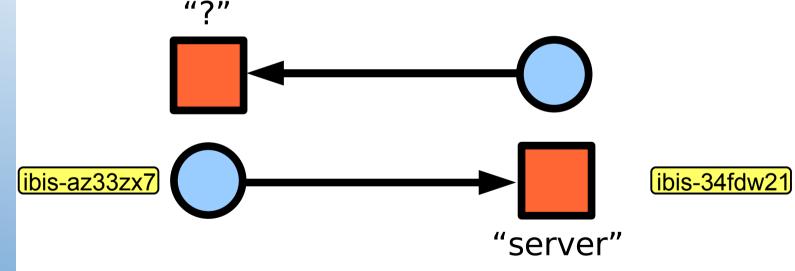
















Ports communicate using 'messages'

- Contain read or write methods for
 - Primitive types (byte, int, ...)
 - Object
 - Arrays slices (partial write / read in place)
- Unlimited message size

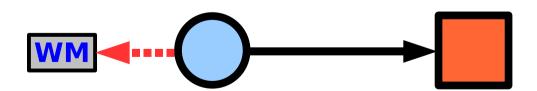




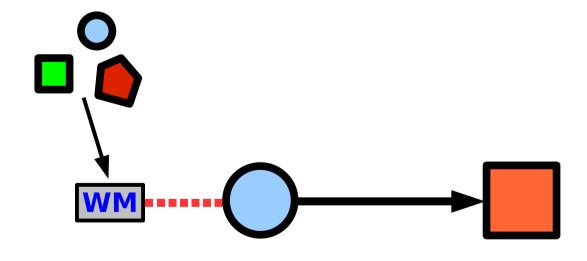
Get WriteMessage from SendPort



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Write data into WriteMessage

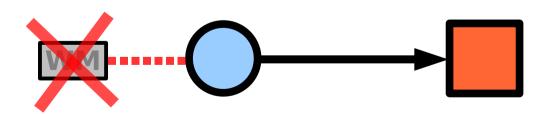






Finish the WriteMessage

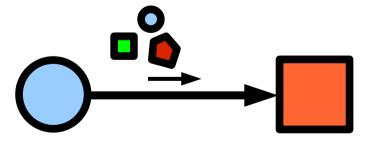




Data is send to ReceivePort

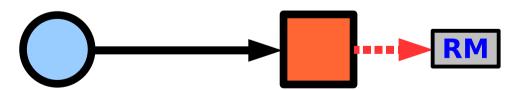




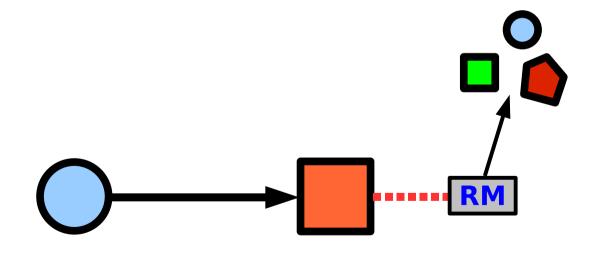


- ReceivePort produces ReadMessage
 - Explicit receive or callback (upcall)





Read data from ReadMessage



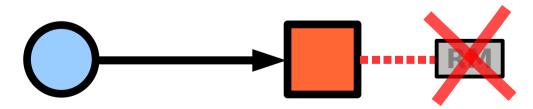




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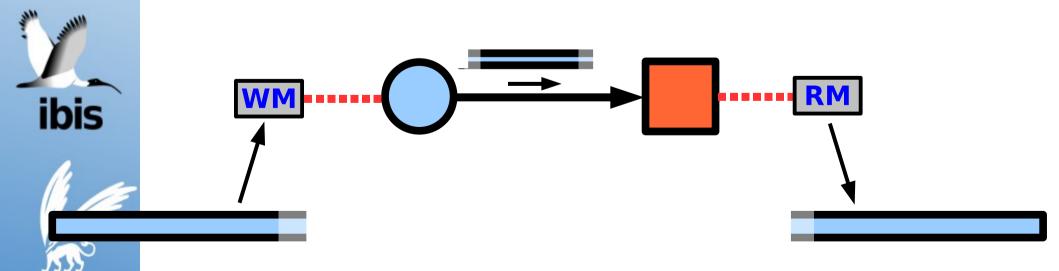
Done!





Messages or streams?

- Message size is unlimited
 - Data may be forwarded at any time
 - Both S. & R. messages alive at same time
 - There's streaming!



Restrictions

- Must write and read data in same order
- A port can have only one message 'alive' at a time
- Messages are not thread safe (but ports are)
- The sender may block if the receiver is too slow (there may be flow-control)





Serialization

- Ibis supports 3/4 types of serialization
 - Bytes (no serialization at all)
 - Data (only primitive types/arrays)
 - Object (graphs of object + previous)
 - Sun (standard Sun serialization)
 - Ibis (efficient Ibis serialization)





Ibis Serialization

- Based on bytecode-rewriting
 - Adds serialization and deserialization code to serializable types
 - Prevents reflection overhead during (de-)serialization
 - Has fallback mechanism for non-rewritten classes
- Experimented with runtime rewriting





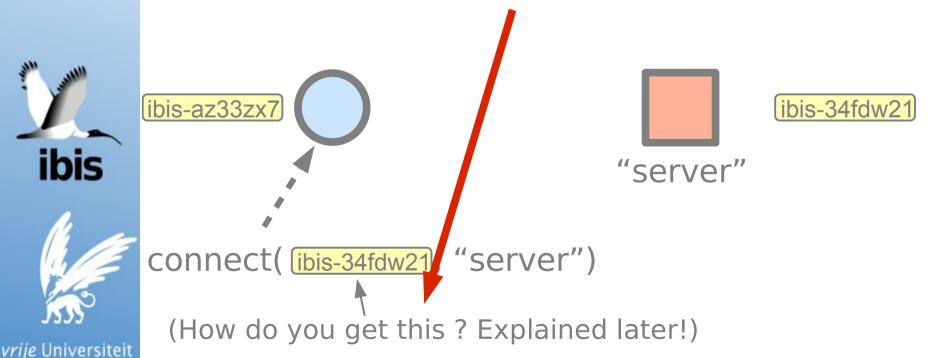
Short Recap

- First create PortType
- PortType creates Send & ReceivePort
 - Type is checked when connecting
- Several ways to connect
 - Abstact addressing
- Use Messages to communicate
 - Allows streaming
 - 3/4 types of serialization





Remember this question?



ibis

- Ibis instances are part of a pool
 - Either variable size or fixed (create-once)
 - Fixed used by 'legacy' MPI-type applications
- Membership information
 - Can subscribe to pool information
 - Updates when Ibis instances join or leave pool
 - Useful for determining who's participating
 - Also used for fault-tolerance



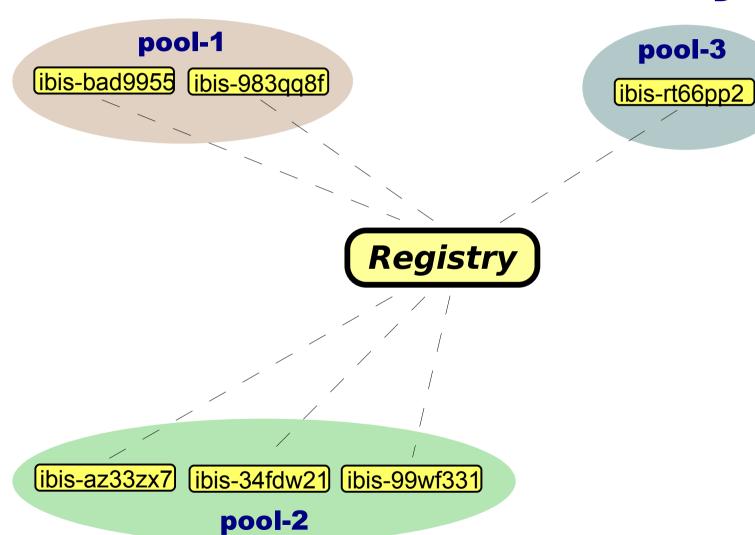


Membership updates

- Callbacks or explicit calls
 - If required, they can be delivered in the same order on all Ibis instances
- Uses external server (Registry)
 - Registry can handle multiple pools
 - No communication between pools

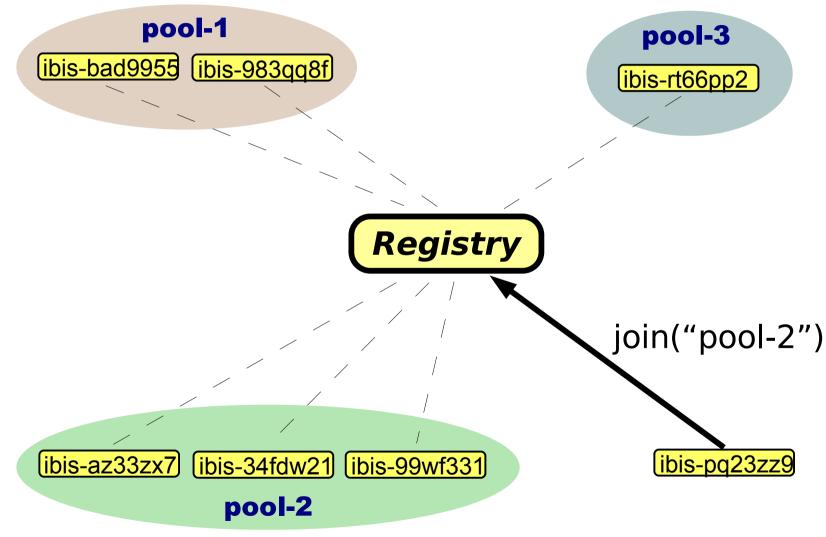






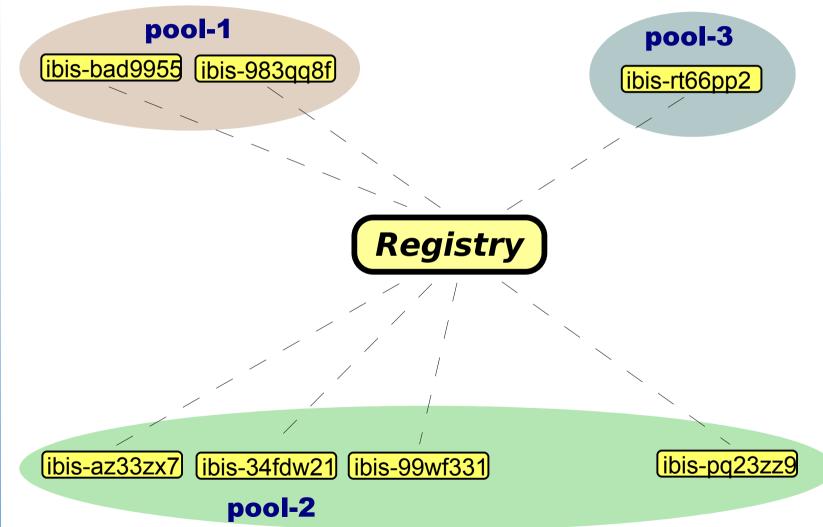






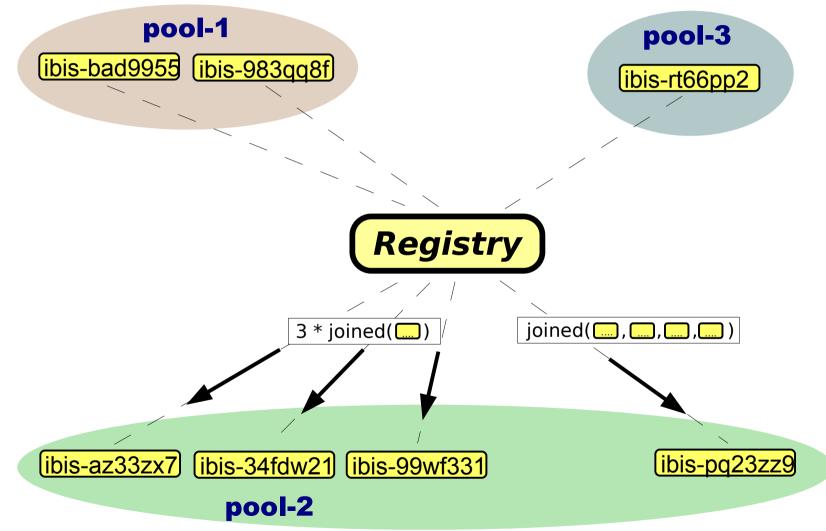






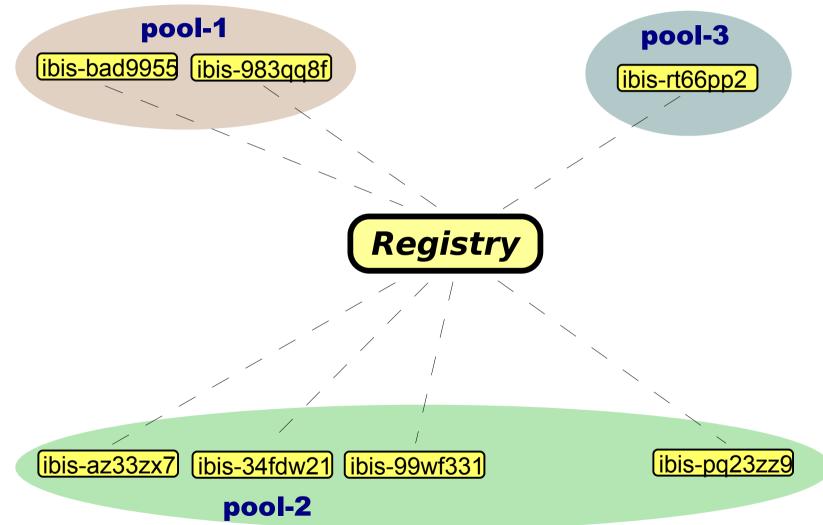






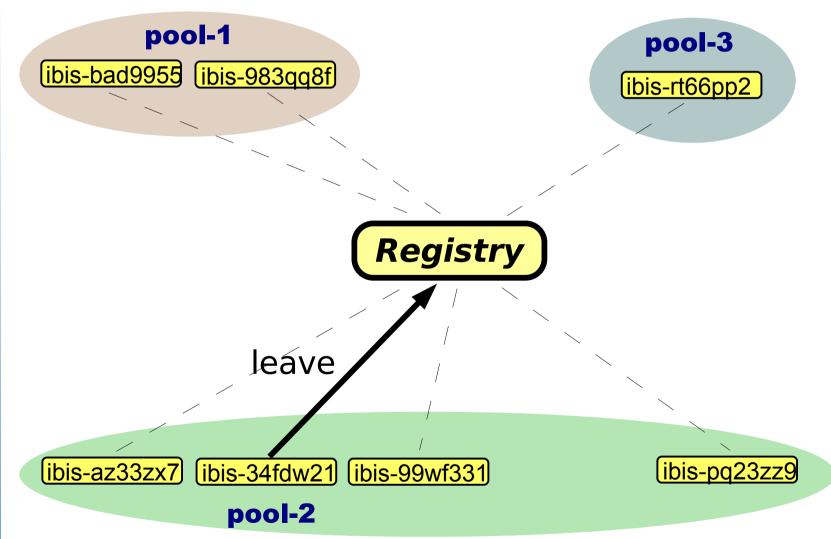






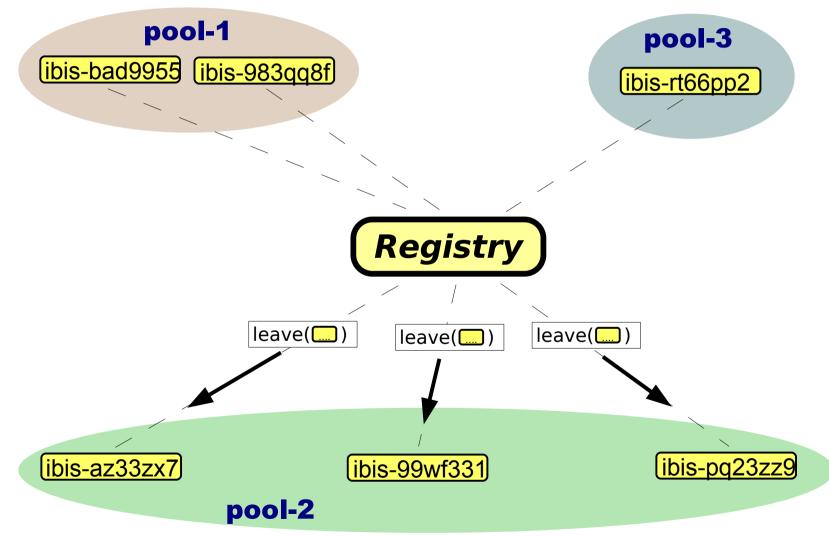






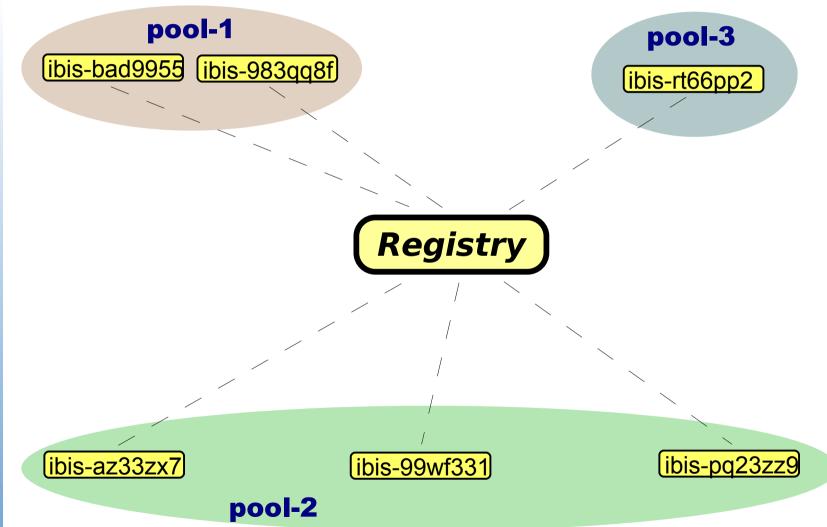






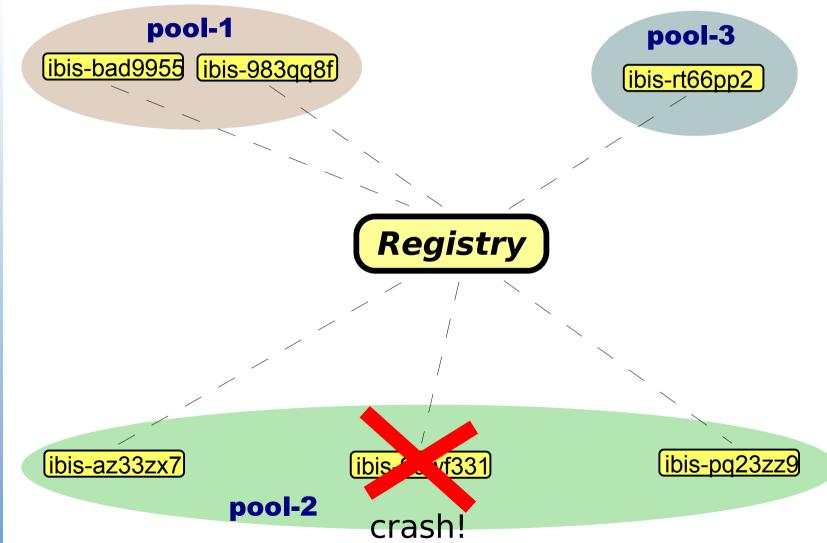






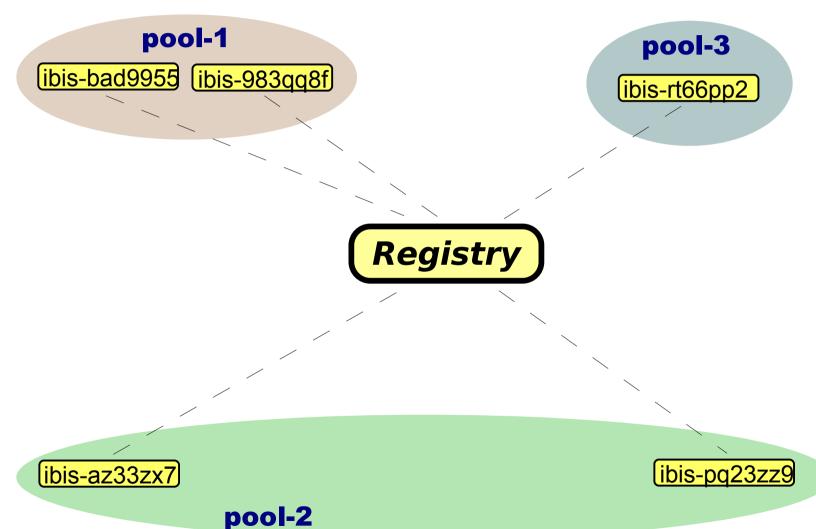






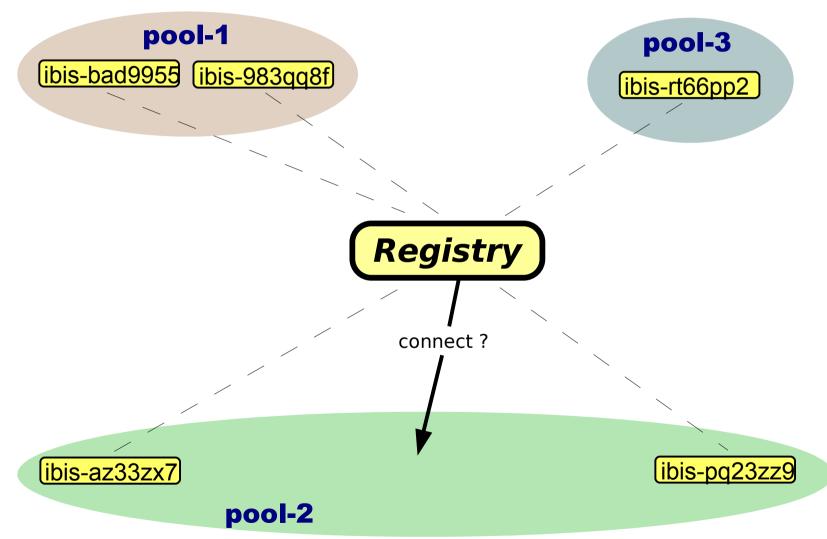








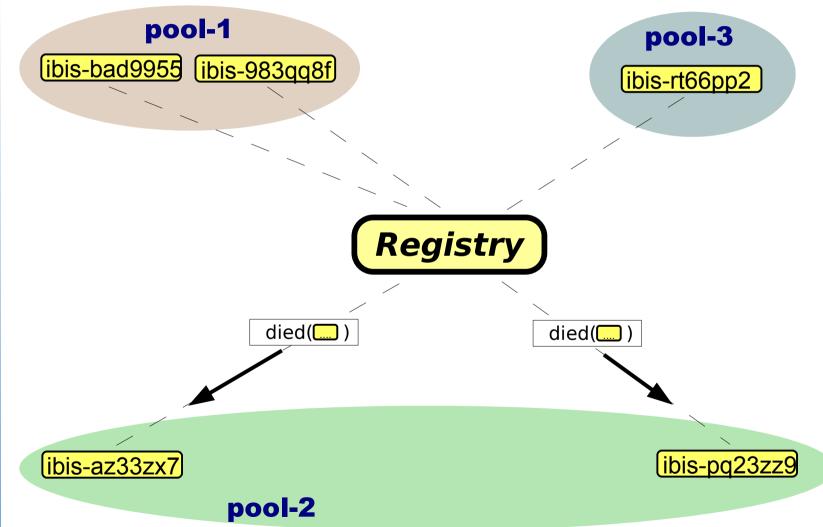








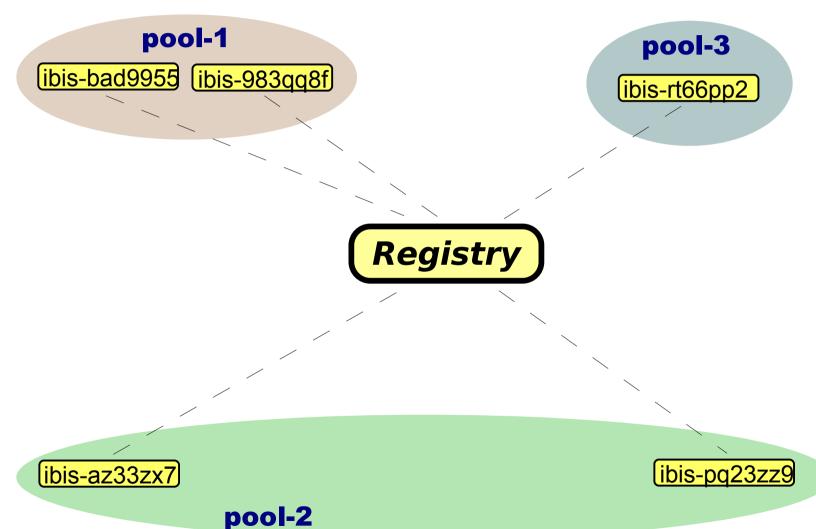
Pools & Malleability







Pools & Malleability







Elections

- Registry offers an 'election' mechanism
 - Allows a group of Ibisses to determine who's in charge
- Each election
 - Has a name (String)
 - Produces IbisIdentifier of the winner
 - Is not democratic
 - You can also be 'an observer'





Pools & Malleability

- This is just one example of a registry
 - Centralized implementation
 - Other implementations exist
 - none of them are interesting at the moment
 - Ongoing research
 - scalability issues
 - peer-to-peer techniques
 - distributed election mechanisms



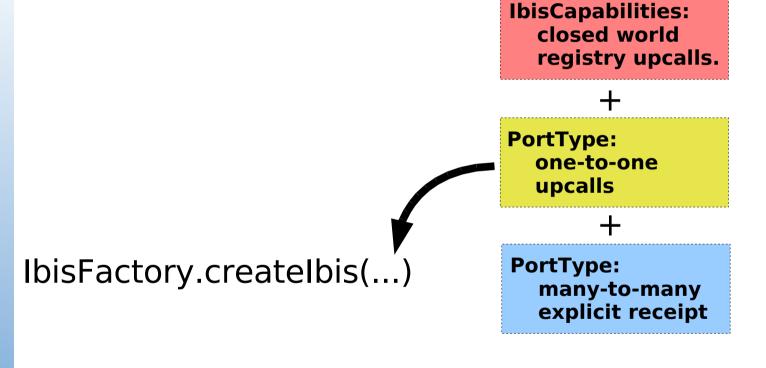


Creating an Ibis

- First step in application
 - IPL is only abstract classes & interfaces
- Ibis selects implementation for you
 - Multiple may be available
 - Selected on the basis of required capabilities and port types
 - Specify the needs of the application

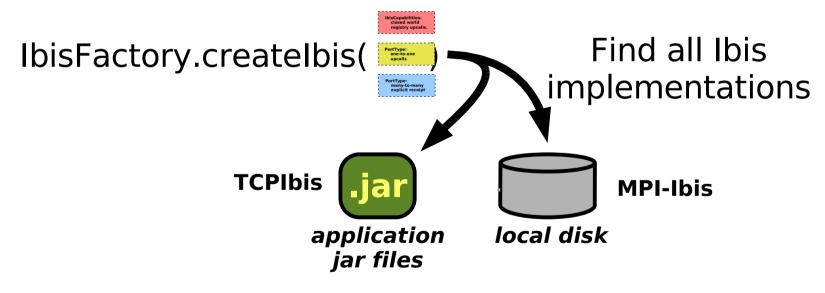






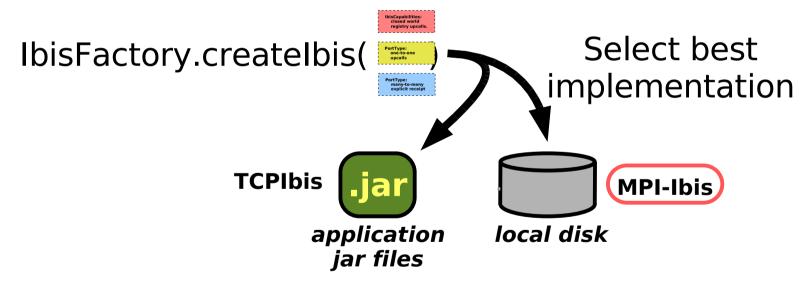






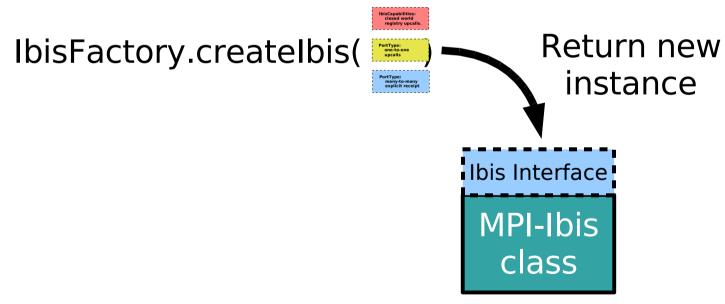
















Capabilities

- Similar to Java properties
 - Set of boolean properties
 - "serialization.object"
 - "communication.reliable"
 - "connection.onetoone"
 - Act as <u>switches</u>
 - Select which features in the API are required by the application





Capabilities

- Extensible
 - Introduce features without IPL changes
 - Just add more capabilities
 - Allows impl. specific capabilities
- Pitfalls
 - No compile time checks (only runtime)
 - Just strings
 - Sensitive to typos





PortType Capabilities

Capability

connection.onetoone connection.manytoone connection.manytomany

communication.reliable communication.fifo communication.numbered

receive.explicit receive.autoupcalls receive.pollupcalls

serialization.byte serialization.data serialization.object serialization.object.ibis serialization.object.sun

Description

Unicast Multicast Many to one Multicast + many to one

Reliable messages Fifo ordered messages Numbered messages

Explicit receipt
Callback on receipt
Callback on receipt (polling required)

Only send (arrays of) bytes
Only send (arrays of) primitive types
Send objects, don't care how
Send objects using Ibis serialization
Send objects using standard ser.





Ibis Capabilities

Capability

Description

registry.elections registry.worldmodel.closed registry.membership Support elections

Fixed set of machines (fixed pool)

Support membership updates

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ibis.malleable

Malleability support





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package demo.ipl;
import ibis.ipl.*;
public class Example {
   public static void main(String args[]) throws Exception {
              // Step 1: create ibis
              PortType type = new PortType(
               PortType.COMMUNICATION RELIABLE,
               PortType.SERIALIZATION OBJECT,
               PortType.RECEIVE_EXPLICIT,
               PortType.CONNECTION_ONE_TO_ONE);
              IbisCapabilities cap = new IbisCapabilities(
               IbisCapabilities.ELECTIONS.
               IbisCapabilities.MALLEABLE);
              Ibis ibis = IbisFactory.createIbis(cap, null, null, type);
              // Step 2: elect server
              Registry reg = ibis.registry();
              IbisIdentifier server = reg.elect("Server");
              boolean amServer = server.equals(ibis.identifier());
              if (amServer) {
                       // Step 3, create port
                        ReceivePort rp = ibis.createReceivePort(type, "server");
                       rp.enableConnections();
                        // Step 4, receive message and read data
                       ReadMessage rm = rp.receive();
                        String tmp = (String) rm.readObject();
                        rm.finish();
                        System.out.println("Client says: " + tmp);
                        // Step 5, close port
                        rp.close();
             } else {
                        // Step 3, create send port and connect
                        SendPort sp = ibis.createSendPort(type);
                        sp.connect(server, "server");
                        // Step 4, get message and write data
                        WriteMessage wm = sp.newMessage();
                       wm.writeObject("Hello World");
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Live demo



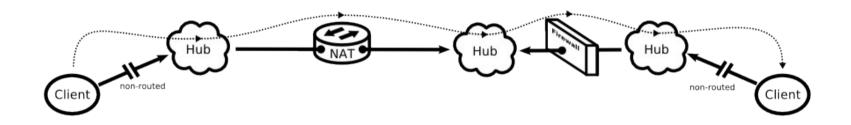
Other cool features

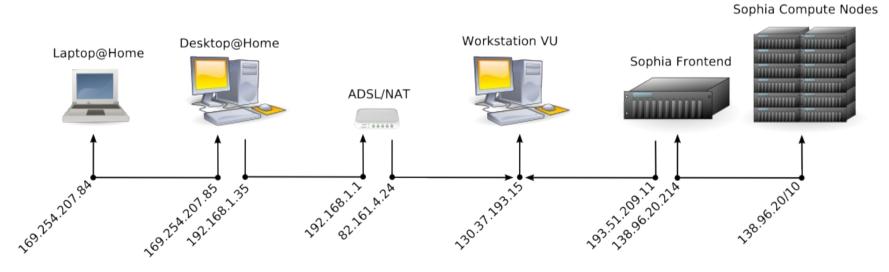
- Ibis can handle 'complicated network setups' using SmartSockets
- Real-world examples:
 - Multiple networks
 - Mix local and global IPs depending on target
 - NAT / firewalls
 - Using UPnP, STUN, TCP splicing, etc.
 - Routing messages through external points
 - Non-routed networks
 - Routing messages through external points





Example









Programming models

- Remote Method Invocation (RMI)
- Group Method Invocation (GMI)
- Satin (Divide & Conquer)
- MPJ (MPI Java 'standard')
- Others are being developed
 - Balutek (data parallel)
 - Replicated Method Invocation (RepMI)





Satin

- Parallel Divide-and-conquer
 - Divide work into independent parts
 - Spawn sub-jobs
 - Combine sub-results
 - Repeat recursively
- Master-Worker is a subset of this
 - Only one level of recursion
- Targeted at the grid (and clusters)





Sequential Fibonacci

```
public long fib(int n) {
    if (n < 2) return n;

long x = fib(n - 1);
    long y = fib(n - 2);

return x + y;</pre>
```





Parallel Fibonacci

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Wait until spawned methods are done.





Satin features

- Satin distributes jobs across machines
- Load-balancing is done automatically
 - Uses random stealing
 - Algorithm has been proven to be optimal on homogeneous systems
 - Additional highly-efficient grid-aware algorithms





Satin features

- Malleability
 - Add/remove machines on the fly
- Fault-tolerance
 - When a machine leave suddenly (crashes) the others continue the computation and automatically recompute the lost work
- Shared Objects (added recently)
 - Allows machines to share 'global data'





Satin Applications

- More interesting applications
 - Satisfiability solver
 - Gene sequencing
 - N-body simulations
 - Grammar-based text analysis
 - Game-tree search
 - Raytracing
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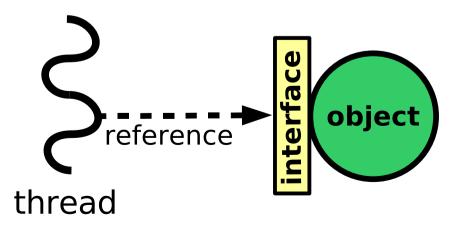
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 - Used different stub compiler (rmic)
 - Generates Ibis specific stubs/skeletons

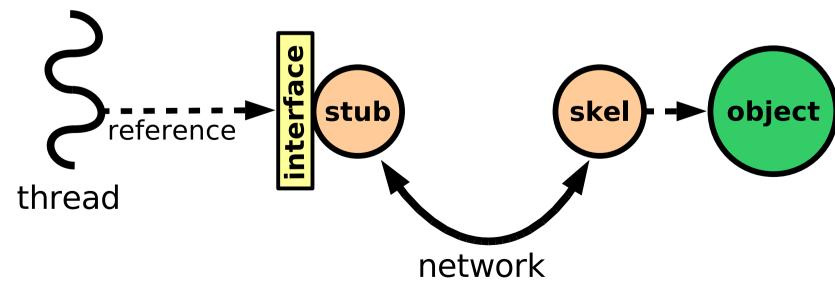






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Ibis RMI

- Not interoperable with Sun RMI
 - uses a different protocol
- No socket factories
 - Ibis doesn't have to use sockets!
- No activatable objects





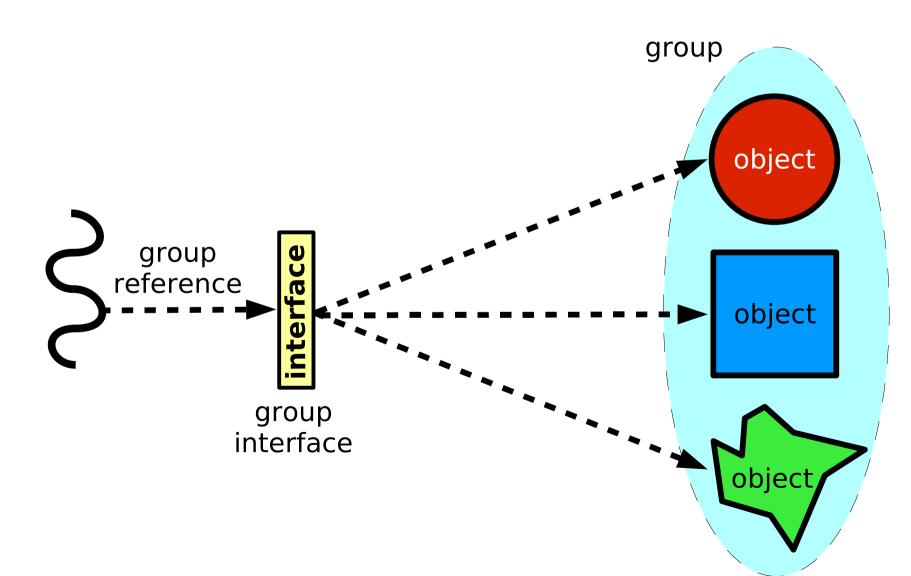
GMI

- Generalized RMI model
 - Allows communication with groups
 - A single stub refers to an entire group
 - Allows more 'advanced' communication
 - By offering different ways of forwarding a method invocation and handling the reply





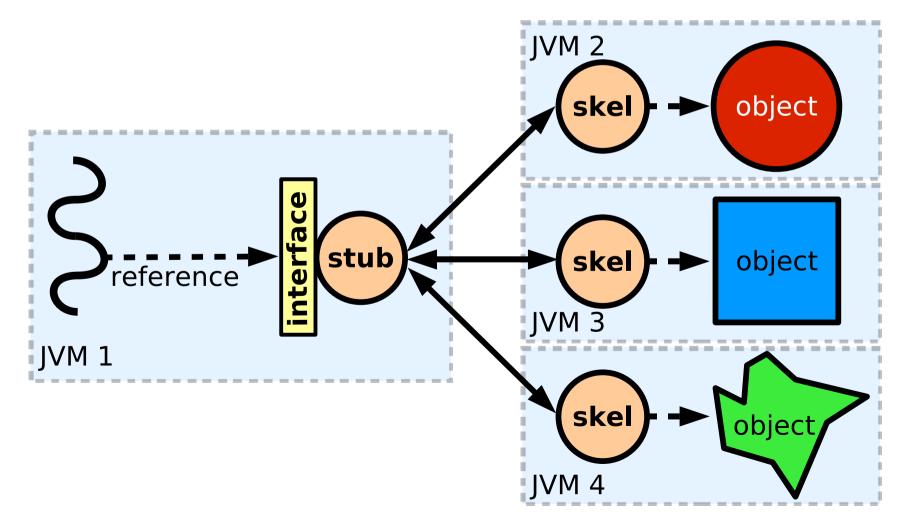
GMI Example







GMI Implementation







Group operations

- The group reference can be configured
 - How is a method invocation handled
 - How is the method result handled
 - Configuration per method





 Implemented by selecting different communication code in the generated stubs and skeletons

Invocation Schemes

Single

- Forward to 1 object in group
- Group
 - Forward to all objects in group
- Personalized
 - Forward to all objects, but personalize parameters for each target

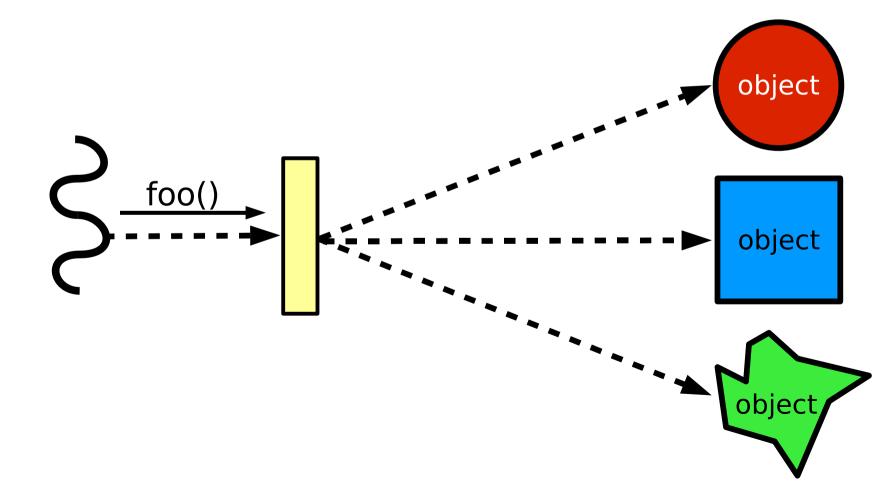
Combined

 Combine several invocation into one, then foward to the group using one of the above





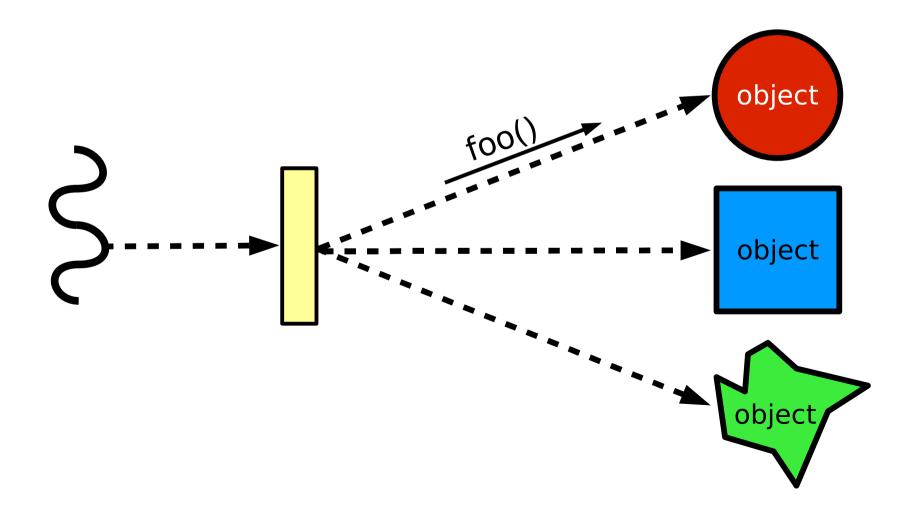
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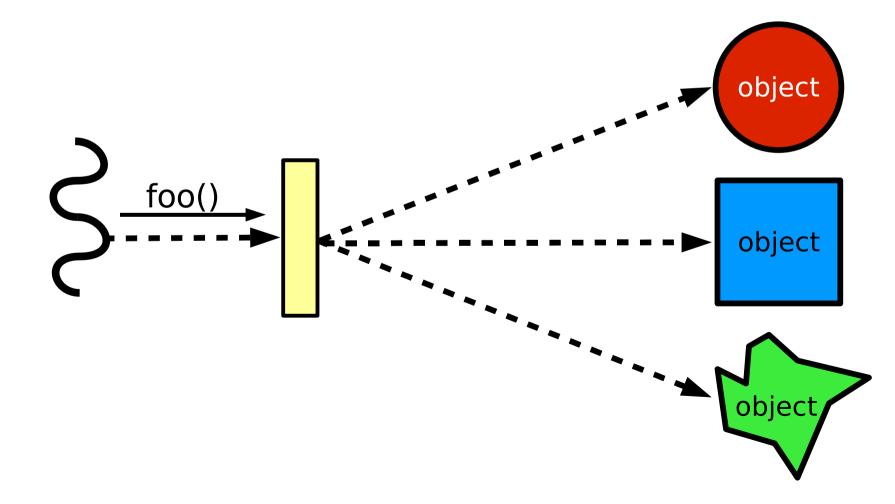
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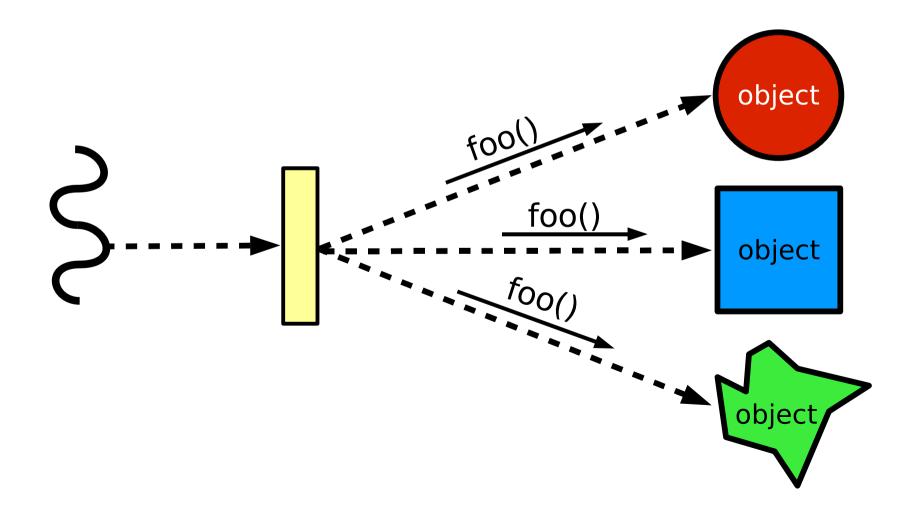
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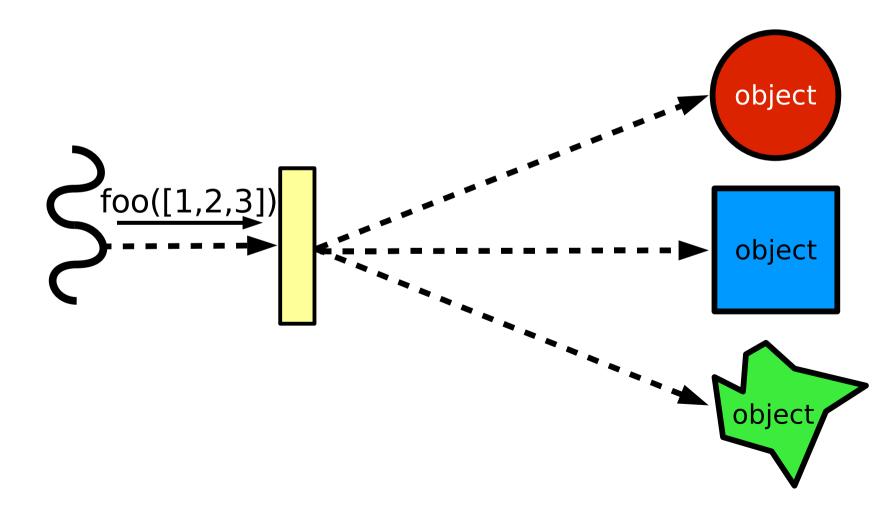
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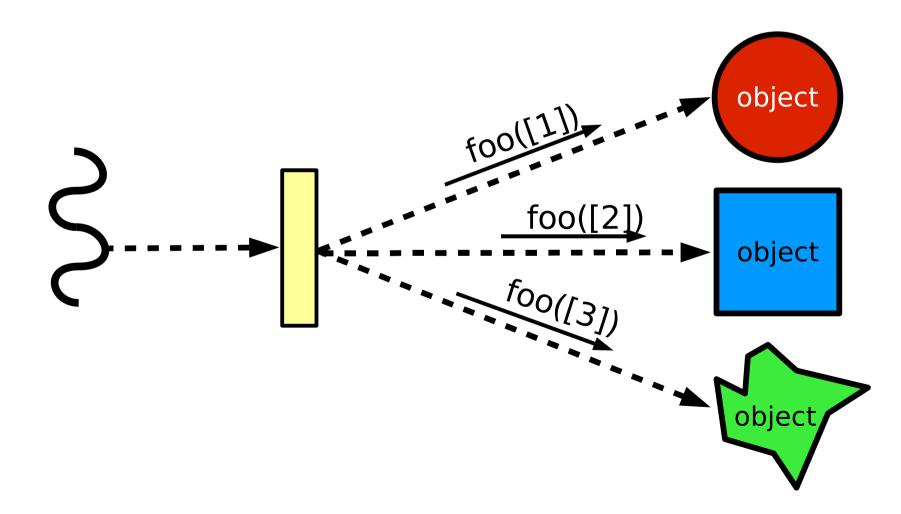
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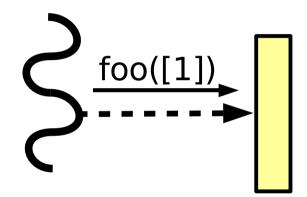
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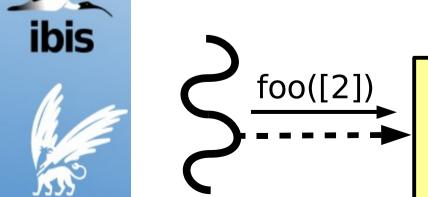






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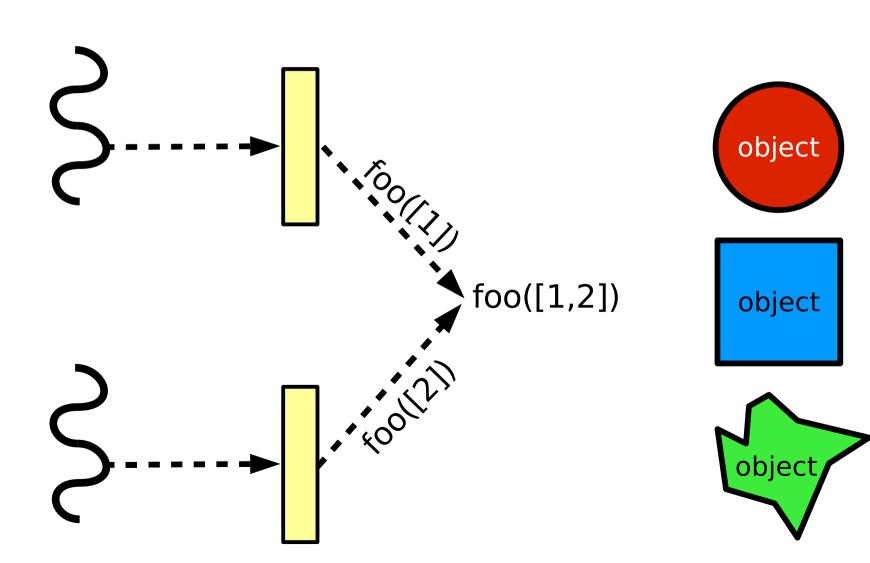








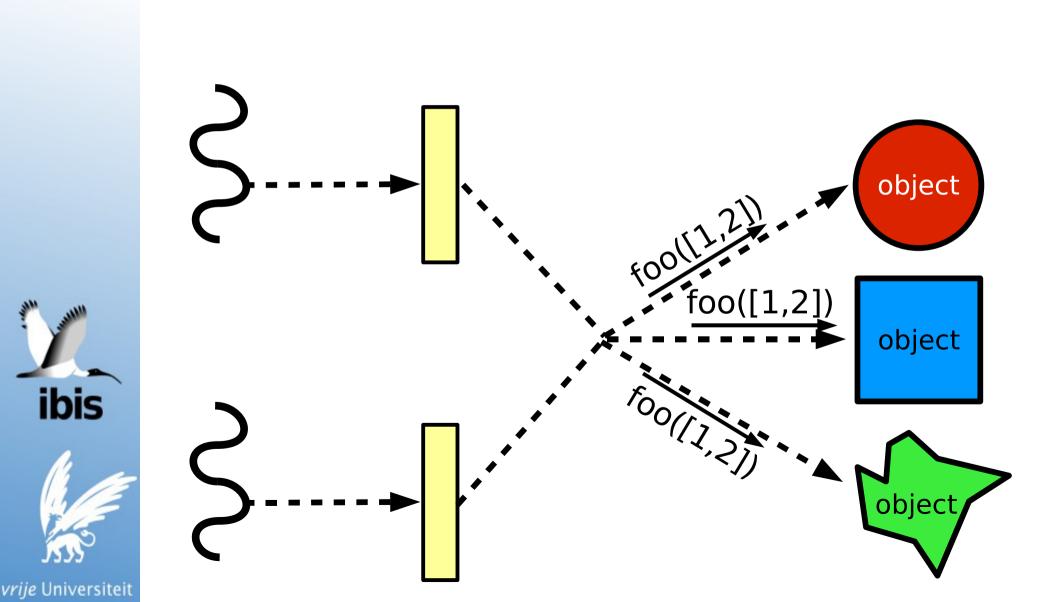
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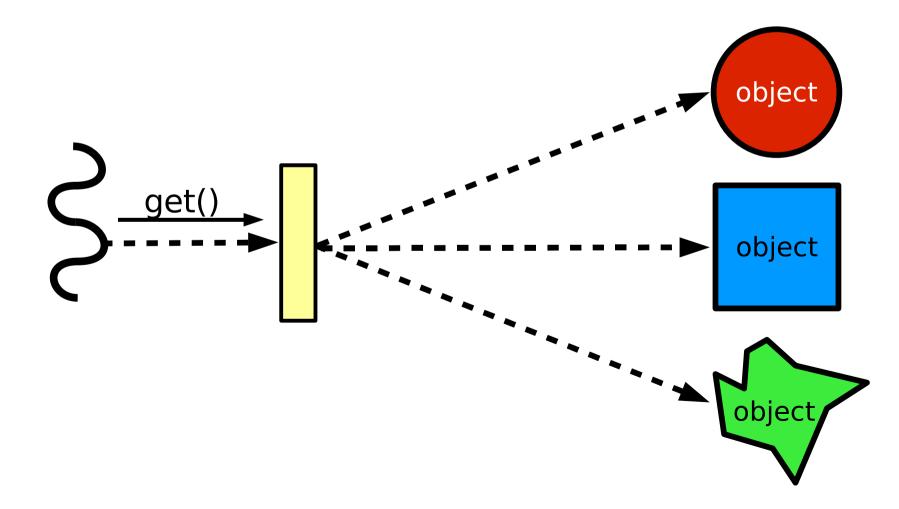


Reply handling schemes

- Discard
- Return
- Forward
 - Reply is forwarded to a seperate object
- Combine
 - Multiple replies are combined into one
- Personalize
 - A personalized result is returned to each participant of a combined invocation

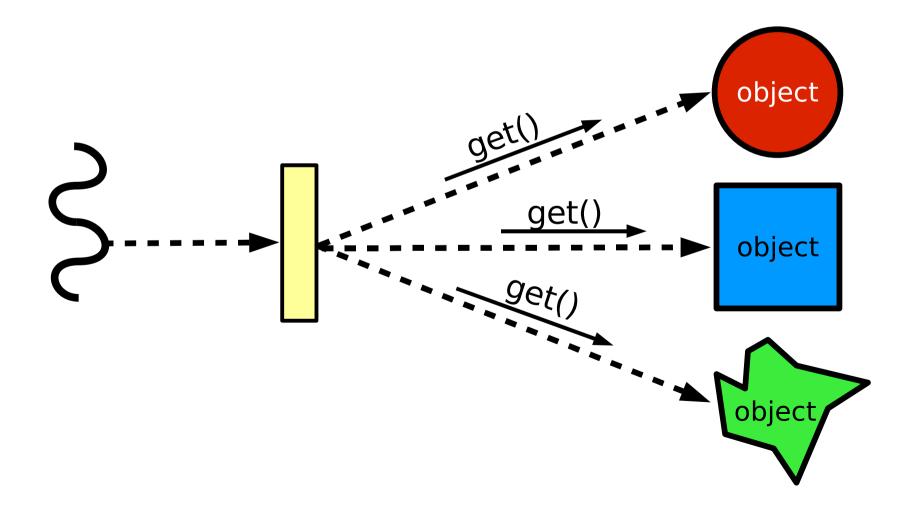






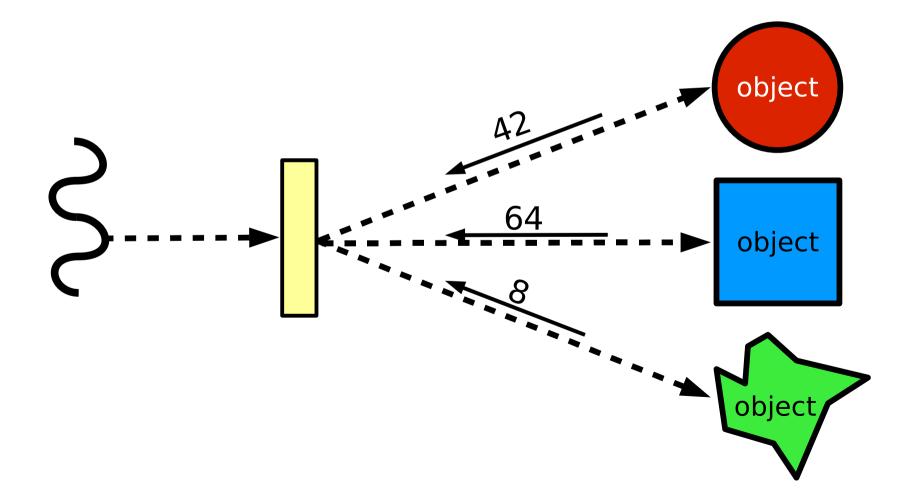






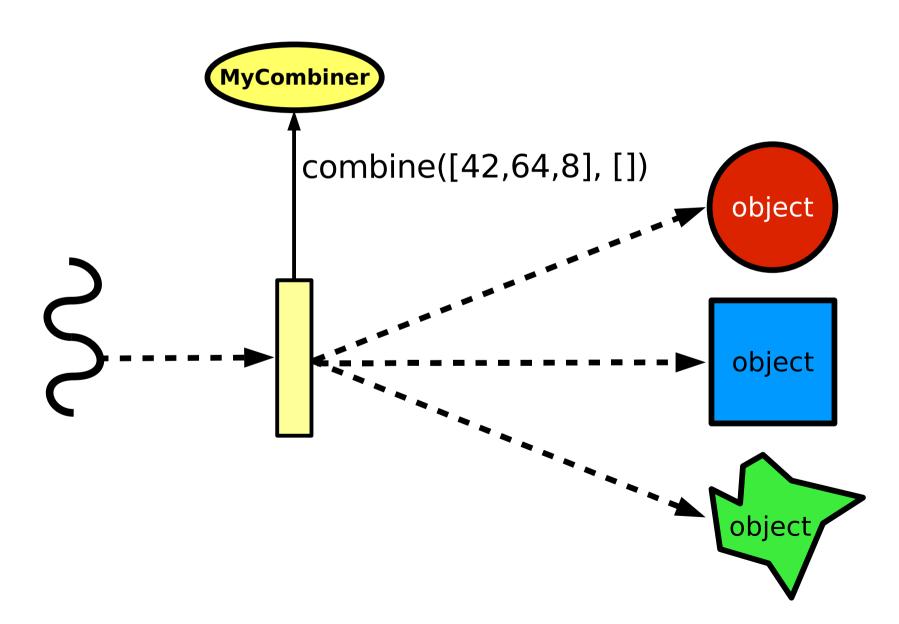






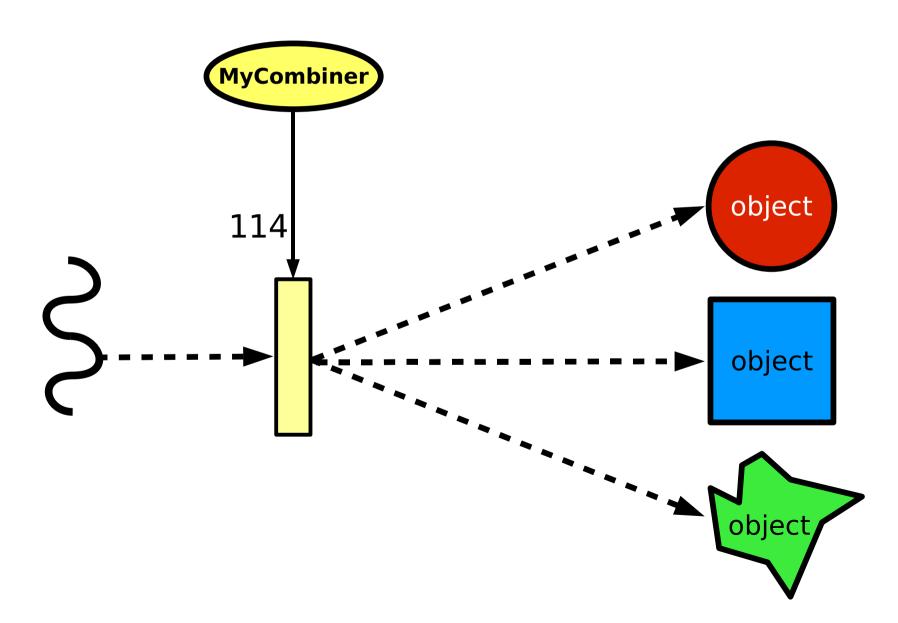






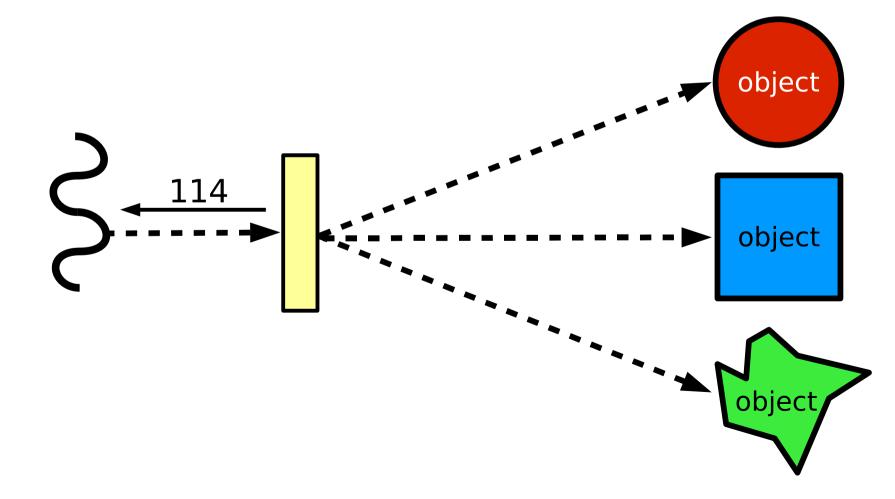
















GMI Communication

Operation	Invocation	Reply
RMI	Single	Return
Async. RMI	Single	Discard
Future	Single	Forward
Broadcast	Group	Discard
Scatter	Personalized	Discard
Reduce results	Group	Combine (binomial)
Gather results	Group	Combine (flat)
Reduce inv.	Combine + Single	Discard
Gather inv.	Combine + Single	Discard





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public interface i SimpleGroup extends GroupInterface {
  void ping();
public class SimpleGroup extends GroupMember implements i_SimpleGroup {
  public SimpleGroup() {
    super();
  public void ping() {
    System.out.println("ping");
public class MulticastNoReply {
  public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
    int rank = Group.rank();
    int size = Group.size();
    // Create the group
    if (rank == 0) {
       Group.create("GroupNoReply", i_SimpleGroup.class, size);
    // Everyone adds an object
    SimpleGroup s = new SimpleGroup();
    Group.join("GroupNoReply", s);
    if (rank == 0) {
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       // Configure reference to perform group invocation
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       // Perform the invocation
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    // Done
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Live demo



GMI

- MPI-style programming
- But not necessarily SPMD
 - Can also do client-server style applications
- Does not have Grid optimizations yet
 - Can be done
- Fault-tolerance support is harder
 - Model isn't as 'clean' as Satin





After the Break

Hands-on session

- Installing Ibis.
- Running applications
- Writing your own applications









Function Objects

- Some operations need user defined functions
 - Personalizing a method invocation
 - Combining a result or invocation
 - Forwarding of results
- GMI uses function objects
 - Extend a class from the GMI package





Result Combiners

- Use 'combiner' to merge the results of an invocation
- FlatCombiner
 - Combines all results in one go
 - Similar to 'gather' operation of MPI
- BinomialCombiner
 - Pairwise combines results
 - Similar to 'reduce' operation of MPI





FlatCombiner

```
public class FlatCombiner {
  public boolean combine(boolean[] results, Exception[] ex)
  public byte combine(byte[] results, Exception[] ex)
  public char combine(char[] results, Exception[] ex)
  public short combine(short[] results, Exception[] ex)
  public int combine(int[] results, Exception[] ex)
  public long combine(long[] results, Exception[] ex)
  public float combine(float[] results, Exception[] ex)
  public double combine(double[] results, Exception[] ex)
  public Object combine(Object[] results, Exception[] ex)
  public void combine(Exception[] exceptions)
```



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FlatCombiner

```
public class MyCombiner extends FlatCombiner {
  public int combine(int[] results, Exception[] ex) {
    intsum = 0;
    for (int i=0;i<results.length;i++) {</pre>
       sum += results[i];
    return sum;
```





FlatCombiner

```
// Get a group reference
X g = (X) Group.lookup("your group");
```



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// Perform the invocation
int result = g.get();

FlatCombiner Demo

Live demo



Overview

- Programming models
 - IPL (bare bones)
 - RMI (remote invocation)
 - GMI (group communication)
 - Satin (divide and conquer)
 - MPJ (MPI to Java binding)
- Hands-on session
 - How to roll your own Ibis applications





Connection setup

- Ibis- and ReceivePortIdentifiers
 - Hide implementation details
 - Independent of
 - IP-addresses
 - Host names
 - Port numbers
 - MPI-ranks, etc...
 - Abstract way of addressing machines and connection endpoints





GMI

Group

- Contains 1 or more objects
 - Fixed size (set when it is created)
- All objects must implement the same group interface
 - But objects may have different type!
- Unique name
 - Used in lookup (produces group reference)
- Group members have rank
 - Ranks are 'per-group'



