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PART I

FUNDAMENTALS OF PARALLEL COMPUTING

1 MOTIVATION

PARALLEL COMPUTING

Parallel computing is a type of computation in which many calculations or the execution of processes are carried out simultaneously. (Wikipedia¹)

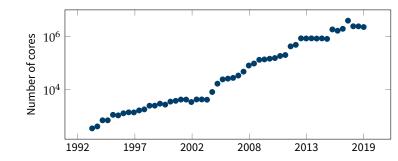
WHY AM I HERE?

The Way Forward

- Frequency scaling has stopped
- Performance increase through more parallel hardware
- Treating scientific problems
 - of larger scale
 - in higher accuracy
 - of a completely new kind

PARALLELISM IN THE TOP 500 LIST

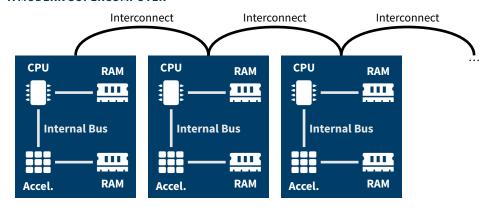
Average Number of Cores of the Top 10 Systems



 $^1\mbox{Wikipedia}.$ Parallel computing — Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia. 2017. URL: https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Parallel_computing&oldid=787466585 (visited on 06/28/2017).

2 HARDWARE

A MODERN SUPERCOMPUTER



JURECA

Compute Nodes:

- 1872 compute nodes = 44 928 cores + 150 GPUs
- 2 Intel Haswell, 12 cores each, 2.5 GHz, SMT (HT)
- Memory (DDR4, 2133 MHz)
 - 1605 nodes with 128 GiB
 - 128 nodes with 256 GiB
 - 64 nodes with 512 GiB
- GPUs:
 - 75 nodes with 2 NVIDIA K80 each
 - K80: 4992 CUDA cores, 24 GiB GDDR5
- CentOS 7
- 2.24 PFLOP/s peak performance

Network:

- Mellanox EDR InfiniBand
- nonblocking fat tree topology
- 100 GiB/s to file system server

File System:

- Global Parallel File System (GPFS)
- 16 PB online disk capacity
- 90 PB offline disk capacity

Booster Nodes:

- 1640 compute nodes = 111 520 cores
- 1 Intel Knights Landing, 68 cores each, 1.4 GHz, SMT (HT)
- 96 GiB memory plus 16 GiB of high-bandwidth MCDRAM each
- 5 PFLOP/s peak performance
- Intel Omni-Path Architecture high-speed network with non-blocking fat tree topology

Visualization Nodes:

- 12 nodes
- 2 Intel Haswell, 12 cores each, 2.5 GHz, SMT (HT)
- Memory (DDR4, 2133 MHz):
 - 10 nodes with 512 GiB
 - 2 nodes with 1024 GiB
- · GPUs:
 - 2 NVIDIA K40 GPUs per node
 - K40: 12 GiB GDDR5
- CentOS 7

Login Nodes:

- Same hardware as compute nodes
- 256 GiB DDR4
- · CentOS 7

PARALLEL COMPUTATIONAL UNITS

Implicit Parallelism

- Parallel execution of different (parts of) processor instructions
- Happens automatically
- · Can only be influenced indirectly by the programmer

Multi-core / Multi-CPU

- Found in commodity hardware today
- · Computational units share the same memory

Cluster

- Found in computing centers
- Independent systems linked via a (fast) interconnect
- · Each system has its own memory

Accelerators

- Strive to perform certain tasks faster than is possible on a general purpose CPU
- · Make different trade-offs
- · Often have their own memory
- Often not autonomous

Vector Processors / Vector Units

- Perform same operation on multiple pieces of data simultaneously
- Making a come-back as SIMD units in commodity CPUs (AVX-512) and GPGPU

MEMORY DOMAINS

Shared Memory

- · All memory is directly accessible by the parallel computational units
- Single address space
- · Programmer might have to synchronize access

Distributed Memory

- · Memory is partitioned into parts which are private to the different computational units
- "Remote" parts of memory are accessed via an interconnect
- · Access is usually nonuniform

3 SOFTWARE

PROCESSES & THREADS & TASKS

Abstractions for the independent execution of (part of) a program.

Process

Usually, multiple processes, each with their own associated set of resources (memory, file descriptors, etc.), can coexist

Thread

- Typically "smaller" than processes
- Often, multiple threads per one process
- Threads of the same process can share resources

Task

- Typically "smaller" than threads
- · Often, multiple tasks per one thread
- Here: user-level construct

DISTRIBUTED STATE & MESSAGE PASSING

Distributed State

Program state is partitioned into parts which are private to the different processes.

Message Passing

- Parts of program state are transferred from one process to another for coordination
- Primitive operations are active send and active receive

MPI

- Implements a form of Distributed State and Message Passing
- (But also Shared State and Synchronization)

SHARED STATE & SYNCHRONIZATION

Shared State

The whole program state is directly accessible by the parallel threads.

Synchronization

- Threads can manipulate shared state using common loads and stores
- Establish agreement about progress of execution using synchronization primitives, e.g. barriers, critical sections, ...

OpenMP

- Implements Shared State and Synchronization
- (But also higher level constructs)

4 EXERCISES

Exercise 1 - Access to JURECA

- 1.1 Generate an SSH authentication key
 - 1. Log in to the PC in front of you (see paper slip for credentials)
 - 2. Open a terminal and enter the following command into your shell:

```
$ ssh-keygen -t rsa
Generating public/private rsa key pair.
Enter file in which to save the key
- (/home/trainXXX/.ssh/id_rsa):
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
Enter same passphrase again:
Your identification has been saved in
- /home/trainXXX/.ssh/id_rsa.
Your public key has been saved in
- /home/trainXXX/.ssh/id_rsa.pub.
The key fingerprint is:
SHA256:7JG38qQM5cFtJ9LCdbZxhYtKZAfFfFZ4+AjVqTzmR+s
- trainXXX@zamYYYY
```

1.2 Upload the key to JuDoor

1. Print your public key to the terminal then select it and copy it to the clipboard (Ctrl-C):

```
$ cat ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub
```

- Login to JuDoor (https://judoor.fz-juelich.de/).
- 3. Click "Manage SSH-keys" next to the entry "jureca" in the list of systems.
- 4. Paste your public key into the text field and submit (Ctrl-V).
- 1.3 Add the key to the key agent

Enter the following command into your shell:

```
$ ssh-add
Enter passphrase for /home/trainXXX/.ssh/id_rsa:
Identity added: /home/trainXXX/.ssh/id_rsa (trainXXX@zamYYYY)
```

PART II

FIRST STEPS WITH MPI

5 WHAT IS MPI?

MPI (Message-Passing Interface) is a message-passing library interface specification. [...] MPI addresses primarily the message-passing parallel programming model, in which data is moved from the address space of one process to that of another process through cooperative operations on each process. (MPI Forum²)

- · Industry standard for a message-passing programming model
- Provides specifications (no implementations)
- Implemented as a library with language bindings for Fortran and C
- Portable across different computer architectures

Current version of the standard: 3.1 (June 2015)

BRIEF HISTORY

- <1992 several message-passing libraries were developed, PVM, P4, ...
- 1992 At SC92, several developers for message-passing libraries agreed to develop a standard for message-passing
- 1994 MPI-1.0 standard published
- **1997** MPI-2.0 standard adds process creation and management, one-sided communication, extended collective communication, external interfaces and parallel I/O
- **2008** MPI-2.1 combines MPI-1.3 and MPI-2.0
- **2009** MPI-2.2 corrections and clarifications with minor extensions
- **2012** MPI-3.0 nonblocking collectives, new one-sided operations, Fortran 2008 bindings
- 2015 MPI-3.1 nonblocking collective I/O, current version of the standard

COVERAGE

- 1. Introduction to MPI ✓
- 2. MPI Terms and Conventions ✓
- 3. Point-to-Point Communication ✓
- Datatypes ✓

- 5. Collective Communication ✓
- 6. Groups, Contexts, Communicators and Caching (✓)
- 7. Process Topologies (✓)
- 8. MPI Environmental Management (✓)
- 9. The Info Object
- 10. Process Creation and Management
- 11. One-Sided Communications
- 12. External interfaces (✓)
- 13. I/O ✓
- 14. Tool Support
- 15. ...

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6 TERMINOLOGY

PROCESS ORGANIZATION [MPI-3.1, 6.2]

²Message Passing Interface Forum. *MPI: A Message-Passing Interface Standard*. Version 3.1. June 4, 2015. URL: https://mpi-forum.org/docs/mpi-3.1/mpi31-report.pdf.

Terminology: Process

An MPI program consists of autonomous processes, executing their own code, in an MIMD style.

Terminology: Rank

A unique number assigned to each process within a group (start at 0)

Terminology: Group

An ordered set of process identifiers

Terminology: Context

A property that allows the partitioning of the communication space

Terminology: Communicator

Scope for communication operations within or between groups, combines the concepts of group and context

OBJECTS [MPI-3.1, 2.5.1]

Terminology: Opaque Objects

Most objects such as communicators, groups, etc. are opaque to the user and kept in regions of memory managed by the MPI library. They are created and marked for destruction using dedicated routines. Objects are made accessible to the user via handle values.

Terminology: Handle

Handles are references to MPI objects. They can be checked for referential equality and copied, however copying a handle does not copy the object it refers to.

Destroying an object that has operations pending will not disrupt those operations.

Terminology: Predefined Handles

MPI defines several constant handles to certain objects, e.g. MPI_COMM_WORLD a communicator containing all processes initially partaking in a parallel execution of a program.

7 INFRASTRUCTURE

COMPILING & LINKING [MPI-3.1, 17.1.7]

MPI libraries or system vendors usually ship compiler wrappers that set search paths and required libraries, e.g.:

C Compiler Wrappers

```
$ # Generic compiler wrapper shipped with e.g. OpenMPI
$ mpicc foo.c -o foo
$ # Vendor specific wrapper for IBM's XL C compiler on BG/Q
$ bgxlc foo.c -o foo
```

Fortran Compiler Wrappers

```
$ # Generic compiler wrapper shipped with e.g. OpenMPI
$ mpifort foo.f90 -o foo
$ # Vendor specific wrapper for IBM's XL Fortran compiler on BG/Q
$ bgxlf90 foo.f90 -o foo
```

However, neither the existence nor the interface of these wrappers is mandated by the standard.

PROCESS STARTUP [MPI-3.1, 8.8]

The MPI standard does not mandate a mechanism for process startup. It suggests that a command mpiexec with the following interface should exist:

Process Startup

LANGUAGE BINDINGS [MPI-3.1, 17, A]

C Language Bindings

```
ل #include <mpi.h>
```

Fortran Language Bindings

Consistent with F08 standard; good type-checking; highly recommended

```
⊗ use mpi_f08
```

Not consistent with standard; so-so type-checking; not recommended

```
မြို့ use mpi
```

Not consistent with standard; no type-checking; strongly discouraged

: include 'mpif.h'

FORTRAN HINTS [MPI-3.1, 17.1.2 – 17.1.4]

This course uses the Fortran 2008 MPI interface (**use** mpi_f08) which is not available in all MPI implementations. The Fortran 90 bindings differ from the Fortran 2008 bindings in the following points:

- All derived type arguments are instead integer (some are arrays of integer or have a non-default kind)
- Argument intent is not mandated by the Fortran 90 bindings
- The ierror argument is mandatory instead of optional
- Further details can be found in [MPI-3.1, 17.1]

OTHER LANGUAGE BINDINGS

Besides the official bindings for C and Fortran mandated by the standard, unofficial bindings for other programming languages exist:

C++ Boost.MPI

MATLAB Parallel Computing Toolbox

Python pyMPI, mpi4py, pypar, MYMPI, ...

R Rmpi, pdbMPI

julia MPI.jl

.NET MPI.NET

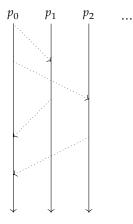
Java mpiJava, MPJ, MPJ Express

And many others, ask your favorite search engine.

8 BASIC PROGRAM STRUCTURE

WORLD ORDER IN MPI

- Program starts as N distinct processes.
- Stream of instructions might be different for each process.
- Each process has access to its own private memory.
- Information is exchanged between processes via messages.
- Processes may consist of multiple threads (see OpenMP part on day 4).



INITIALIZATION [MPI-3.1, 8.7]

Initialize MPI library, needs to happen before most other MPI functions can be used

```
o int MPI_Init(int *argc, char ***argv)
```

```
MPI_Init(ierror)
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Exception (can be used before initialization)

```
o int MPI_Initialized(int* flag)
```

```
MPI_Initialized(flag, ierror)
  logical, intent(out) :: flag
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

FINALIZATION [MPI-3.1, 8.7]

Finalize MPI library when you are done using its functions

```
∪ int MPI_Finalize(void)
```

```
MPI_Finalize(ierror)
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Exception (can be used after finalization)

```
o int MPI_Finalized(int *flag)
```

```
MPI_Finalized(flag, ierror)
logical, intent(out) :: flag
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

PREDEFINED COMMUNICATORS

After MPI_Init has been called, MPI_COMM_WORLD is a valid handle to a predefined communicator that includes all processes available for communication. Additionally, the handle MPI_COMM_SELF is a communicator that is valid on each process and contains only the process itself.

```
MPI_Comm MPI_COMM_WORLD;

MPI_Comm MPI_COMM_SELF;
```

```
type(MPI_Comm) :: MPI_COMM_WORLD
type(MPI_Comm) :: MPI_COMM_SELF
```

COMMUNICATOR SIZE [MPI-3.1, 6.4.1]

Determine the total number of processes in a communicator

```
o int MPI_Comm_size(MPI_Comm comm, int *size)
```

```
MPI_Comm_size(comm, size, ierror)
  type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
  integer, intent(out) :: size
  integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Examples

```
int size;
o int ierror = MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &size);
```

```
integer :: size

call MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, size)
```

PROCESS RANK [MPI-3.1, 6.4.1]

Determine the rank of the calling process within a communicator

```
int MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_Comm comm, int *rank)
```

```
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, rank, ierror)
type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
integer, intent(out) :: rank
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Examples

```
int rank;
o int ierror = MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);
```

```
integer :: rank

call MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, rank)
```

ERROR HANDLING [MPI-3.1, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5]

- Flexible error handling through error handlers which can be attached to
 - Communicators
 - Files
 - Windows (not part of this course)
- Error handlers can be

MPI_ERRORS_ARE_FATAL Errors encountered in MPI routines abort execution
MPI_ERRORS_RETURN An error code is returned from the routine
Custom error handler A user supplied function is called on encountering an error

- By default
 - Communicators use MPI_ERRORS_ARE_FATAL
 - Files use MPI ERRORS RETURN
 - Windows use MPI_ERRORS_ARE_FATAL

9 FIRST STEPS ON A SUPERCOMPUTER

LOGIN & PROGRAMMING ENVIRONMENT

JURECA Login

1. In a terminal on your PC, enter:

```
$ ssh name1@jureca.fz-juelich.de
```

2. Load modules and activate the training project:

```
$ module load intel-para
$ jutil env activate -p training1918 -A training1918
```

Course Material

Copy the course material by running:

```
$ $PROJECT/material/copy.sh
```

MPI Infrastructure

С

\$ mpicc

Fortran

\$ mpif90

C++

\$ mpicxx

Process startup

\$ srun -n <numprocs> program>

RUNNING PARALLEL PROGRAMS ON JURECA

Interactive Mode

1. Start an interactive session

```
$ salloc --reservation=mpi_omp --nodes=1 --time=08:00:00
```

- 2. Wait for the prompt...
- 3. Start applications with n processes

```
$ srun --ntasks=<n> <application>
```

Batch Mode

To start an application with n processes, submit the following job script with

```
sbatch --reservation=mpi_omp <script>
```

```
#!/bin/bash
#SBATCH --nodes=1
#SBATCH --ntasks=<n>
#SBATCH --ntasks-per-node=<n>
#SBATCH --time=00:05:00
module load intel-para
srun <application>
```

USEFUL COMMANDS ON JURECA

Command	Description
squeue -u <user-id></user-id>	Shows the status of jobs
scancel <job-id></job-id>	Aborts the job with ID < job-id>
scontrol show job <job-id></job-id>	Show detailed information about a pending, running or recently completed job
watch <command/>	Executes <command/> every 2 seconds and shows the output

10 EXERCISES

EXERCISE STRATEGIES

Solving

- Do not have to solve all exercises, one per section would be good
- Exercise description tells you what MPI functions/OpenMP directives to use
- Work in pairs on harder exercises
- If you get stuck
 - ask us
 - work on the half solution
 - peek at solution
- Makefile is included

Solutions

- Skeletons in exercises/{C|C++|Fortran}/: Almost empty, you add MPI/OpenMP and most of the algorithm
- Half solutions in exercises/{C|C++|Fortran}/half-solutions: Most of the solution is there, you add MPI/OpenMP
- Solutions in exercises/{C|C++|Fortran}/solutions: Fully solved exercises, if you are completely stuck or for comparison

EXERCISES

Exercise 2 - First Steps

2.1 Output of Ranks

Write a program $print_rank.\{c | c++| f90\}$ in C/C++ or Fortran that has each process printing its rank.

```
I am process 0
I am process 1
I am process 2
I am process 3
```

Use: MPI_Init, MPI_Finalize, MPI_Comm_rank

2.2 Output of ranks and total number of processes

Write a program print_rank_conditional. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ in such a way that process 0 writes out the total number of processes

```
I am process 0 of 4
I am process 1
I am process 2
I am process 3
```

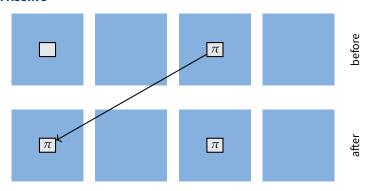
Use: MPI Comm size

PART III

BLOCKING POINT-TO-POINT COMMUNICATION

11 INTRODUCTION

MESSAGE PASSING



BLOCKING & NONBLOCKING PROCEDURES

Terminology: Blocking

A procedure is blocking if return from the procedure indicates that the user is allowed to reuse resources specified in the call to the procedure.

Terminology: Nonblocking

If a procedure is nonblocking it will return as soon as possible. However, the user is not allowed to reuse resources specified in the call to the procedure before the communication has been completed using an appropriate completion procedure.

Examples:

- Blocking: Telephone call 🥒
- Nonblocking: Email @

PROPERTIES

- Communication between two processes within the same communicator
 Caution: A process can send messages to itself.
- A source process sends a message to a destination process using an MPI send routine
- A destination process needs to post a receive using an MPI receive routine
- The source process and the destination process are specified by their ranks in the communicator
- Every message sent with a point-to-point operation needs to be matched by a receive operation

12 SENDING

SENDING MESSAGES [MPI-3.1, 3.2.1]

```
MPI_Send( <buffer>, <destination> )

int MPI_Send(const void* buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
    int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm)
```

```
MPI_Send(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror)
type(*), dimension(..), intent(in) :: buf
integer, intent(in) :: count, dest, tag
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: datatype
type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

MESSAGES [MPI-3.1, 3.2.2, 3.2.3]

A message consists of two parts:

Terminology: Envelope

- Source process source
- Destination process dest
- Tag tag
- Communicator comm

Terminology: Data

Message data is read from/written to buffers specified by:

- Address in memory buf
- · Number of elements found in the buffer count
- Structure of the data datatype

DATA TYPES [MPI-3.1, 3.2.2, 3.3, 4.1]

Terminology: Data Type

Describes the structure of a piece of data

Terminology: Basic Data Types

Named by the standard, most correspond to basic data types of C or Fortran

C type	MPI basic data type
signed int	MPI_INT
float	MPI_FLOAT
char	MPI_CHAR
Fortran type	MPI basic data type

integer MPI_INTEGER
real MPI_REAL
character MPI_CHARACTER

Terminology: Derived Data Type

Data types which are not basic datatypes. These can be constructed from other (basic or derived) datatypes.

DATA TYPE MATCHING [MPI-3.1, 3.3]

Terminology: Untyped Communication

- Contents of send and receive buffers are declared as MPI_BYTE.
- Actual contents of buffers can be any type (possibly different).
- Use with care.

Terminology: Typed Communication

- Type of buffer contents must match MPI data type (e.g. in C int and MPT TNT)
- Data type on send must match data type on receive operation.
- · Allows data conversion when used on heterogeneous systems.

Terminology: Packed data

See [MPI-3.1, 4.2]

L3 RECEIVING

RECEIVING MESSAGES [MPI-3.1, 3.2.4]

```
* MPI_Recv( <buffer>, <source> ) -> <status>
```

- count specifies the capacity of the buffer
- Wildcard values are permitted (MPI_ANY_SOURCE & MPI_ANY_TAG)

THE MPI_STATUS TYPE [MPI-3.1, 3.2.5]

Contains information about received messages

```
MPI_Status status;
status.MPI_SOURCE
status.MPI_TAG
status.MPI_ERROR
```

```
type(MPI_status) :: status
status%MPI_SOURCE
status%MPI_TAG
status%MPI_ERROR
```

```
int MPI_Get_count(const MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype
    datatype, int *count)
```

```
MPI_Get_count(status, datatype, count, ierror)
type(MPI_Status), intent(in) :: status
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: datatype
integer, intent(out) :: count
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Pass MPI_STATUS_IGNORE to MPI_Recv if not interested.

PROBE [MPI-3.1, 3.8.1]

```
* MPI_Probe( <source> ) -> <status>
```

```
MPI_Probe(source, tag, comm, status, ierror)
integer, intent(in) :: source, tag
type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
type(MPI_Status), intent(out) :: status
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Returns after a matching message is ready to be received.

- Same rules for message matching as receive routines
- Wildcards permitted for source and tag
- status contains information about message (e.g. number of elements)

14 COMMUNICATION MODES

SEND MODES [MPI-3.1, 3.4]

Synchronous send: MPI_Ssend

Only completes when the receive has started.

Buffered send: MPI Bsend

- May complete before a matching receive is posted
- Needs a user-supplied buffer (see MPI_Buffer_attach)

Standard send: MPI_Send

- Either synchronous or buffered, leaves decision to MPI
- If buffered, an internal buffer is used

Ready send: MPI_Rsend

- Asserts that a matching receive has already been posted
- Might enable more efficient communication

RECEIVE MODES [MPI-3.1, 3.4]

Only one receive routine for all send modes:

Receive: MPI Recv

- Completes when a message has arrived and message data has been stored in the buffer
- Same routine for all communication modes

All blocking routines, both send and receive, guarantee that buffers can be reused after control returns.

15 **SEMANTICS**

POINT-TO-POINT SEMANTICS [MPI-3.1, 3.5]

Order

In singlethreaded programs, messages are nonovertaking. Between any pair of processes, messages will be received in the order they were sent.

Progress

Out of a pair of matching send and receive operations, at least one is guaranteed to complete.

Fairness

Fairness is not guaranteed by the MPI standard.

Resource limitations

Resource starvation may lead to deadlock, e.g. if progress relies on availability of buffer space for standard mode sends.

16 PITFALLS

DEADLOCK

Structure of program prevents blocking routines from ever completing, e.g.:

```
Process 0

call MPI_Ssend(..., 1, ...)

call MPI_Recv(..., 1, ...)
```

```
Process 1

call MPI_Ssend(..., 0, ...)

call MPI_Recv(..., 0, ...)
```

Mitigation Strategies

- Changing communication structure (e.g. checkerboard)
- Using MPI_Sendrecv
- Using nonblocking routines

17 EXERCISES

Exercise 3 - Point-to-Point Communication

3.1 Global Summation – Sequential

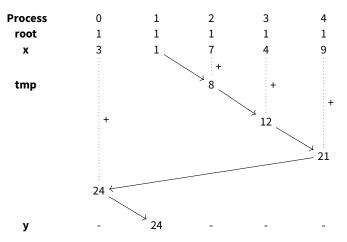
In the file $global_sum.\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ implement the function/subroutine $global_sum_sequential(x, y, root, comm)$. It will be called by all processes on the communicator comm and on each one accepts an integer x. It should compute the global sum of all values of x across all processes and return the result in y only on the process with rank root.

Use the following strategy:

- 1. The process with rank root starts by sending its value of x to the process with the next higher rank (wrap around to rank 0 on the process with the highest rank).
- 2. All other processes start by receiving the partial sum from the process with the next lower rank (or from the process with the highest rank on process 0)
- 3. Next, they add their value of x to the partial result and send it to the next process.
- 4. The root process eventually receives the global result which it will return in y.

The file contains a small main() function / **program** that can be used to test whether your implementation works.

Use: MPI_Send, MPI_Recv (and maybe MPI_Sendrecv)



PART IV

NONBLOCKING POINT-TO-POINT COMMUNICATION

18 INTRODUCTION

RATIONALE [MPI-3.1, 3.7]

Premise

Communication operations are split into *start* and *completion*. The *start* routine produces a *request handle* that represents the in-flight operation and is used in the *completion* routine. The user promises to refrain from accessing the contents of message buffers while the operation is in flight.

Benefit

A single process can have multiple nonblocking operations in flight at the same time. This enables communication patterns that would lead to deadlock if programmed using blocking variants of the same operations. Also, the additional leeway given to the MPI library *may* be utilized to, e.g.:

- overlap computation and communication
- overlap communication
- pipeline communication
- elide usage of buffers

19 START

INITIATION ROUTINES [MPI-3.1, 3.7.2]

Send

Synchronous MPI_Issend

Standard MPI_Isend

Buffered MPI_Ibsend

Ready MPI_Irsend

Receive

MPI_Irecv

Probe

MPI Iprobe

- "I" is for immediate.
- Signature is similar to blocking counterparts with additional request object.

· Initiate operations and relinquish access rights to any buffer involved.

NONBLOCKING SEND [MPI-3.1, 3.7.2]

```
MPI_Isend( <buffer>, <destination> ) -> <request>
```

NONBLOCKING RECEIVE [MPI-3.1, 3.7.2]

```
MPI_Irecv( <buffer>, <source> ) -> <request>
```

NONBLOCKING PROBE [MPI-3.1, 3.8.1]

```
* MPI_Iprobe( <source> ) -> <status>?
```

```
MPI_Iprobe(source, tag, comm, flag, status, ierror)
integer, intent(in) :: source, tag
type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
logical, intent(out) :: flag
type(MPI_Status) :: status
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Does not follow start/completion model.
- Uses true/false flag to indicate availability of a message.

20 COMPLETION

WAIT [MPI-3.1, 3.7.3]

```
MPI_Wait( <request> ) -> <status>

int MPI_Wait(MPI_Request *request, MPI_Status *status)

MPI_Wait(request, status, ierror)
    type(MPI_Request), intent(inout) :: request
    type(MPI_Status) :: status
    integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Blocks until operation associated with request is completed
- To wait for the completion of several pending operations

MPI_Waitall All events complete
MPI_Waitsome At least one event completes

MPI_Waitany Exactly one event completes

TEST [MPI-3.1, 3.7.3]

```
MPI_Test( <request> ) -> <status>?
```

```
MPI_Test(request, flag, status, ierror)
type(MPI_Request), intent(inout) :: request
logical, intent(out) :: flag
type(MPI_Status) :: status
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- · Does not block
- · flag indicates whether the associated operation has completed
- Test for the completion of several pending operations

MPI_Testall All events complete

MPI_Testsome At least one event completes

MPI_Testany Exactly one event completes

FREE [MPI-3.1, 3.7.3]

```
* MPI_Request_free( <request> )

(, int MPI_Request_free(MPI_Request *request)
```

```
MPI_Request_free(request, ierror)
   type(MPI_Request), intent(inout) :: request
   integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Marks the request for deallocation
- · Invalidates the request handle
- · Operation is allowed to complete
- Completion cannot be checked for

CANCEL [MPI-3.1, 3.8.4]

```
MPI_Cancel( <request> )

o int MPI_Cancel(MPI_Request *request)

MPI_Cancel(request, ierror)
    type(MPI_Request), intent(in) :: request
    integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Marks an operation for cancellation
- Request still has to be completed via MPI_Wait, MPI_Test or MPI_Request_free
- Operation is either cancelled completely or succeeds (indicated in status value)

21 REMARKS

BLOCKING VS. NONBLOCKING OPERATIONS

- A blocking send can be paired with a nonblocking receive and vice versa
- Nonblocking sends can use any mode, just like the blocking counterparts
 - Synchronization of MPI_Issend is enforced at completion (wait or test)
 - Asserted readiness of MPI_Irsend must hold at start of operation
- A nonblocking operation immediately followed by a matching wait is equivalent to the blocking operation

The Fortran Language Bindings and nonblocking operations

- Arrays with subscript triplets (e.g. a (1:100:5)) can only be reliably used as buffers if the
 compile time constant MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED equals .true. [MPI-3.1, 17.1.12]
- Arrays with vector subscripts must not be used as buffers [MPI-3.1, 17.1.13]
- Fortran compilers may optimize your program beyond the point of being correct.
 Communication buffers should be protected by the asynchronous attribute (make sure MPI_ASYNC_PROTECTS_NONBLOCKING is .true.) [MPI-3.1, 17.1.16-17.1.20]

OVERLAPPING COMMUNICATION

- Main benefit is overlap of communication with communication
- · Overlap with computation
 - Progress may only be done inside of MPI routines
 - Not all platforms perform significantly better than well placed blocking communication
 - If hardware support is present, application performance may significantly improve due to overlap
- · General recommendation
 - Initiation of operations should be placed as early as possible
 - Completion should be placed as late as possible

22 EXERCISES

Exercise 4 - Nonblocking P2P Communication

4.1 Global Summation - Tree

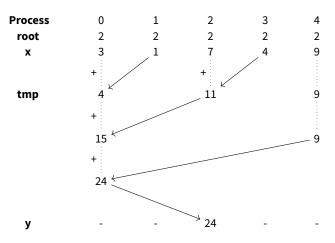
In the file $global_sum.\{c|c++|f90\}$, implement a function/subroutine $global_sum_tree(x, y, root, comm)$ that performs the same operation as the solution to exercise 3.1.

Use the following strategy:

- 1. On all processes, initialize the partial result for the sum to the local value of x.
- 2. Now proceed in rounds until only a single process remains:
 - (a) Group processes into pairs let us call them the left and the right process.
 - (b) The right process sends its partial result to the left process.
 - (c) The left process receives the partial result and adds it to its own one.
 - (d) The left process continues on into the next round, the right one does not.
- 3. The process that made it to the last round now has the global result which it sends to the process with rank root.
- 4. The root process receives the global result and returns it in y.

Modify the main() function / **program** so that the new function/subroutine global_sum_tree() is also tested and check your implementation.

Use: MPI_Irecv, MPI_Wait



PART V

BLOCKING COLLECTIVE COMMUNICATION

23 INTRODUCTION

COLLECTIVE [MPI-3.1, 2.4, 5.1]

Terminology: Collective

A procedure is collective if all processes in a group need to invoke the procedure.

- Collective communication implements certain communication patterns that involve all processes in a group
- Synchronization may or may not occur (except for MPI_Barrier)
- · No tags are used
- No MPI_Status values are returned
- Receive buffer size must match the total amount of data sent (c.f. point-to-point communication where receive buffer capacity is allowed to exceed the message size)
- Point-to-point and collective communication do not interfere

CLASSIFICATION [MPI-3.1, 5.2.2]

```
One-to-all
MPI_Bcast, MPI_Scatter, MPI_Scatterv

All-to-one
MPI_Gather, MPI_Gatherv, MPI_Reduce

All-to-all
MPI_Allgather, MPI_Allgatherv, MPI_Alltoall, MPI_Alltoallv,
MPI_Alltoallw, MPI_Allreduce, MPI_Reduce_scatter, MPI_Barrier

Other
MPI_Scan, MPI_Exscan
```

24 SYNCHRONIZATION

BARRIER [MPI-3.1, 5.3]

```
* MPI_Barrier( <comm> )
```

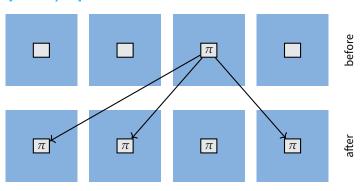
```
o int MPI_Barrier(MPI_Comm comm)
```

```
MPI_Barrier(comm, ierror)
    type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
    integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Explicitly synchronizes all processes in the group of a communicator by blocking until all processes have entered the procedure.

25 DATA MOVEMENT

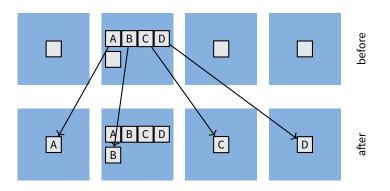
BROADCAST [MPI-3.1, 5.4]



MPI_Bcast(<buffer>, <root>)

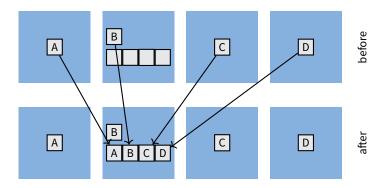
```
MPI_Bcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, ierror)
type(*), dimension(..) :: buffer
integer, intent(in) :: count, root
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: datatype
type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

SCATTER [MPI-3.1, 5.6]



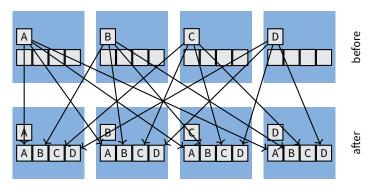
MPI_Scatter(<send buffer>, <receive buffer>, <root>)

GATHER [MPI-3.1, 5.5]



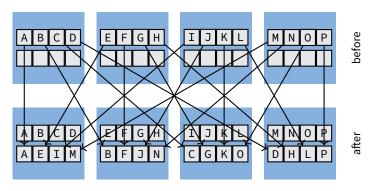
```
* MPI_Gather( <send buffer>, <receive buffer>, <root> )
```

GATHER-TO-ALL [MPI-3.1, 5.7]



int MPI_Allgather(const void* sendbuf, int sendcount,
 MPI_Datatype sendtype, void* recvbuf, int recvcount,
 MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

ALL-TO-ALL SCATTER/GATHER [MPI-3.1, 5.8]



26 REDUCTIONS

GLOBAL REDUCTION OPERATIONS [MPI-3.1, 5.9]

Associative operations over distributed data

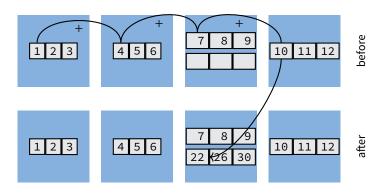
 $d_0 \oplus d_1 \oplus d_2 \oplus \ldots \oplus d_{n-1}$, where d_i , data of process with rank $i \oplus$, associative operation

Examples for ⊕:

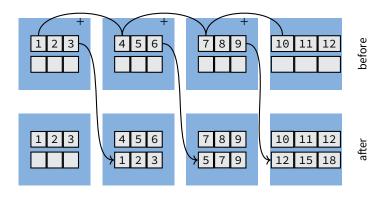
- Sum + and product ×
- Maximum max and minimum min
- User-defined operations

Caution: Order of application is not defined, watch out for floating point rounding.

REDUCE [MPI-3.1, 5.9.1]



EXCLUSIVE SCAN [MPI-3.1, 5.11.2]



```
MPI_Exscan(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm,
        ierror)
type(*), dimension(..), intent(in) :: sendbuf
type(*), dimension(..) :: recvbuf
integer, intent(in) :: count
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: datatype
type(MPI_Op), intent(in) :: op
type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

PREDEFINED OPERATIONS [MPI-3.1, 5.9.2]

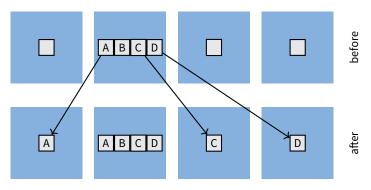
Name	Meaning
MPI_MAX	Maximum
MPI_MIN	Minimum
MPI_SUM	Sum
MPI_PROD	Product
MPI_LAND	Logical and
MPI_BAND	Bitwise and
MPI_LOR	Logical or
MPI_BOR	Bitwise or
MPI_LXOR	Logical exclusive or
MPI_BXOR	Bitwise exclusive or
MPI_MAXLOC	Maximum and the first rank that holds it [MPI-3.1, 5.9.4]
MPI_MINLOC	Minimum and the first rank that holds it [MPI-3.1, 5.9.4]

27 IN PLACE MODE

IN PLACE MODE

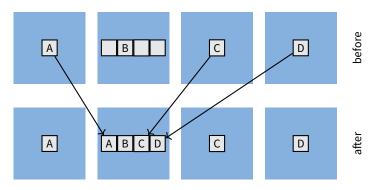
- Collectives can be used in in place mode with only one buffer to conserve memory
- The special value MPI_IN_PLACE is used in place of either the send or receive buffer address
- count and datatype of that buffer are ignored

IN PLACE SCATTER



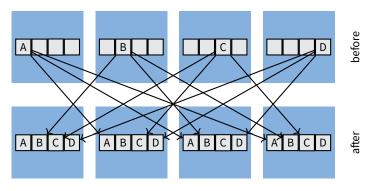
If MPI_IN_PLACE is used for recvbuf on the root process, recvcount and recvtype are ignored and the root process does not send data to itself

IN PLACE GATHER



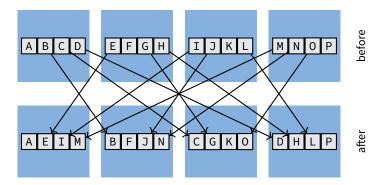
If MPI_IN_PLACE is used for sendbuf on the root process, sendcount and sendtype are ignored on the root process and the root process will not send data to itself.

IN PLACE GATHER-TO-ALL



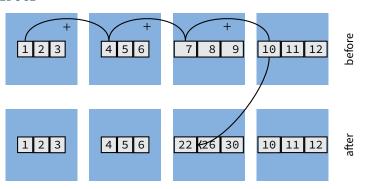
If MPI_IN_PLACE is used for sendbuf on all processes, sendcount and sendtype are ignored and the input data is assumed to already be in the correct position in recvbuf.

IN PLACE ALL-TO-ALL SCATTER/GATHER



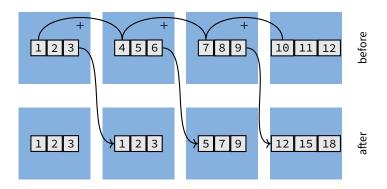
If MPI_IN_PLACE is used for sendbuf on all processes, sendcount and sendtype are ignored and the input data is assumed to already be in the correct position in recvbuf.

IN PLACE REDUCE



If MPI_IN_PLACE is used for sendbuf on the root process, the input data for the root process is taken from recybuf.

IN PLACE EXCLUSIVE SCAN



If MPI_IN_PLACE is used for sendbuf on all the processes, the input data is taken from recvbuf and replaced by the results.

28 VARIANTS

VARIANTS [MPI-3.1, 5.5 - 5.11]

Routines with variable counts (and datatypes):

- MPI_Scatterv: scatter into parts of variable length
- MPI_Gatherv: gather parts of variable length
- MPI_Allgatherv: gather parts of variable length onto all processes
- MPI_Alltoallv: exchange parts of variable length between all processes
- MPI_Alltoallw: exchange parts of variable length and datatype between all processes

Routines with extended or combined functionality:

- MPI_Allreduce: perform a global reduction and replicate the result onto all ranks
- MPI_Reduce_scatter: perform a global reduction then scatter the result onto all ranks
- MPI_Scan: perform a global prefix reduction, include own data in result

PART VI

NONBLOCKING COLLECTIVE COMMUNICATION

29 INTRODUCTION

PROPERTIES

Properties similar to nonblocking point-to-point communication

- 1. Initiate communication
 - Routine names: MPI_I... (I for immediate)
 - Nonblocking routines return before the operation has completed.
 - Nonblocking routines have the same arguments as their blocking counterparts plus an extra request argument.
- 2. User-application proceeds with something else
- 3. Complete operation
 - Same completion routines (MPI_Test, MPI_Wait, ...)

Caution: Nonblocking collective operations cannot be matched with blocking collective operations.

Nonblocking Barrier

Barrier is entered through MPI_Ibarrier (which returns immediately). Completion (e.g. MPI_Wait) blocks until all processes have entered.

30 EXAMPLES

NONBLOCKING BROADCAST [MPI-3.1, 5.12.2]

Blocking operation

```
int MPI_Bcast(void* buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
    int root, MPI_Comm comm)
```

Nonblocking operation

```
int MPI_Ibcast(void* buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
    int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request* request)
```

```
MPI_Bcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, ierror)
type(*), dimension(..) :: buffer
integer, intent(in) :: count, root
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: datatype
type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

31 EXERCISES

EXERCISES

Exercise 5 – Collective Communication 5.1 Global Summation – MPI Reduce

In the file global_sum. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ implement the function/subroutine global_sum_reduce(x, y, root, comm) that performs the same operation as the solution to exercise 3.1.

Since global_sum_... is a specialization of MPI_Reduce, it can be implemented by calling MPI_Reduce, passing on the function arguments in the correct way and selecting the correct MPI datatype and reduction operation.

Use: MPI Reduce

5.2 Monte Carlo Calculation of π

Write a program monte_carlo. {c|c++|f90} that calculates π using the Monte Carlo method. The program should print the number of processes used, the difference to the exact value of π (can be computed as $\pi = 2 \arccos(0)$) and the time needed for the calculation in seconds (use MPI_Wtime() [MPI-3.1, 8.6]).

Hints:

- Inscribe a circle in a square.
- Sample a number of points n_{total} from a random uniform distribution inside the square.
- Count the number of points that lie inside the circle n_{circle}.
- For a large number of samples, the ratio between the two numbers should be roughly equal to the ratio between the area of the two shapes $n_{\text{circle}}/n_{\text{total}} \simeq A_{\text{circle}}/A_{\text{square}}$.

Some geometry:

$$A_{
m circle} = \pi r^2$$
 $A_{
m square} = 4r^2$
 $\pi = 4 \frac{A_{
m circle}}{A_{
m square}}$

Random numbers:

```
#include <stdlib.h>
o int rand(void);
```

```
real :: x call random_number(x)
```

Use: MPI_Wtime, MPI_Reduce

5.3 Redistribution of Points with Collectives

Write a program redistribute. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ that redistributes point data among the processes. Proceed as follows:

- 1. Every process draws npoints random numbers the points from a uniform random distribution on [0,1).
- 2. Partition [0,1) among the nranks processes: process i gets partition [i/nranks, (i+1)/nranks).
- 3. Redistribute the points, so that every process is left with only those particles that lie inside its partition.

Guidelines:

- Use collectives, either MPI_Gather and MPI_Scatter or MPI_Alltoall(v) (see below)
- It helps to partition the points so that consecutive blocks can be sent to other processes
- MPI_Alltoall can be used to distribute the information that is needed to call MPI_Alltoallv
- Dynamic memory management could be necessary
- Check that all points lie in the desired partition after redistribution
- Check that no points spontaneously vanish or emerge

Use: MPI_Alltoall, MPI_Alltoallv

ALL-TO-ALL WITH VARYING COUNTS

PART VII

DERIVED DATATYPES

32 INTRODUCTION

MOTIVATION [MPI-3.1, 4.1]

Reminder: Buffer

- Message buffers are defined by a triple (address, count, datatype).
- Basic data types restrict buffers to homogeneous, contiguous sequences of values in memory.

Scenario A

Problem: Want to communicate data describing particles that consists of a position (3 double) and a particle species (encoded as an int).

Solution(?): Communicate positions and species in two separate operations.

Scenario B

Problem: Have an array **real ::** a(:), want to communicate only every second entry a(1:n:2).

Solution(?): Copy data to a temporary array.

Derived datatypes are a mechanism for describing arrangements of data in buffers. Gives the MPI library the opportunity to employ the optimal solution.

TYPE MAP & TYPE SIGNATURE [MPI-3.1, 4.1]

Terminology: Type map

A *general datatype* is described by its *type map*, a sequence of pairs of *basic datatype* and *displacement*:

$$Typemap = \{(type_0, disp_0), \dots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1})\}$$

Terminology: Type signature

A *type signature* describes the contents of a message read from a buffer with a *general datatype*:

$$Typesig = \{type_0, \dots, type_{n-1}\}$$

Type matching is done based on type signatures alone.

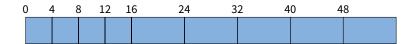
EXAMPLE

```
struct heterogeneous {
   int i[4];
   double d[5];
   }
```

```
type, bind(C) :: heterogeneous
   integer :: i(4)
   real(real64) :: d(5)
end type
```

Basic Datatype

```
0 MPI_INT MPI_INTEGER
4 MPI_INT MPI_INTEGER
8 MPI_INT MPI_INTEGER
12 MPI_INT MPI_INTEGER
16 MPI_DOUBLE MPI_REAL8
24 MPI_DOUBLE MPI_REAL8
32 MPI_DOUBLE MPI_REAL8
40 MPI_DOUBLE MPI_REAL8
40 MPI_DOUBLE MPI_REAL8
48 MPI_DOUBLE MPI_REAL8
```



33 CONSTRUCTORS

TYPE CONSTRUCTORS [MPI-3.1, 4.1]

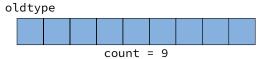
A new derived type is constructed from an existing type oldtype (basic or derived) using type constructors. In order of increasing generality/complexity:

- 1. MPI_Type_contiguous *n* consecutive instances of oldtype
- 2. MPI_Type_vector n blocks of m instances of oldtype with stride s
- 3. MPI_Type_indexed n blocks of m_i instances of oldtype with displacement d_i for each $i=1,\ldots,n$
- 4. MPI_Type_indexed_block n blocks of m instances of oldtype with displacement d_i for each $i=1,\ldots,n$
- 5. MPI_Type_create_struct n blocks of m_i instances of oldtype $_i$ with displacement d_i for each i = 1, ..., n
- 6. MPI_Type_create_subarray *n* dimensional subarray out of an array with elements of type oldtype
- 7. MPI_Type_create_darray distributed array with elements of type oldtype

CONTIGUOUS DATA [MPI-3.1, 4.1.2]

```
MPI_Type_contiguous(count, oldtype, newtype, ierror)
integer, intent(in) :: count
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: oldtype
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(out) :: newtype
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Simple concatenation of oldtype
- Results in the same access pattern as using oldtype and specifying a buffer with count greater than one.



STRUCT DATA [MPI-3.1, 4.1.2]

Caution: Fortran derived data types must be declared **sequence** or **bind**(C), see [MPI-3.1, 17.1.15].

EXAMPLE

```
struct heterogeneous {
   int i[4];
   double d[5];
}

count = 2;
array_of_blocklengths[0] = 4;
array_of_displacements[0] = 0;
array_of_types[0] = MPI_INT;
array_of_blocklengths[1] = 5;
array_of_displacements[1] = 16;
array_of_types[1] = MPI_DOUBLE;
```

```
type, bind(C) :: heterogeneous
   integer :: i(4)
   real(real64) :: d(5)
   end type

count = 2;
   array_of_blocklengths(1) = 4
   array_of_displacements(1) = 0
   array_of_types(1) = MPI_INTEGER
   array_of_blocklengths(2) = 5
   array_of_displacements(2) = 16
   array_of_types(2) = MPI_REAL8

0     4     8     12     16     24     32     40     48
```

0 4 8 12 16 24 32 40 48

SUBARRAY DATA [MPI-3.1, 4.1.3]

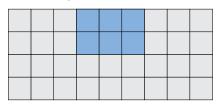
```
int MPI_Type_create_subarray(int ndims, const int
    array_of_sizes[], const int array_of_subsizes[], const int
    array_of_starts[], int order, MPI_Datatype oldtype,
    MPI_Datatype* newtype)
```

EXAMPLE

```
ndims = 2;
array_of_sizes[] = { 4, 9 };
array_of_subsizes[] = { 2, 3 };
array_of_starts[] = { 0, 3 };
order = MPI_ORDER_C;
oldtype = MPI_INT;
```

```
ndims = 2
array_of_sizes(:) = (/ 4, 9 /)
array_of_subsizes(:) = (/ 2, 3 /)
array_of_starts(:) = (/ 0, 3 /)
order = MPI_ORDER_FORTRAN
oldtype = MPI_INTEGER
```

An array with global size 4×9 containing a subarray of size 2×3 at offsets 0, 3:



COMMIT & FREE [MPI-3.1, 4.1.9]

Before using a derived datatype in communication it needs to be committed

```
int MPI_Type_commit(MPI_Datatype* datatype)
MPI_Type_commit(datatype__ierror)
```

```
MPI_Type_commit(datatype, ierror)
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(inout) :: datatype
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Marking derived datatypes for deallocation

```
o int MPI_Type_free(MPI_Datatype *datatype)
```

```
MPI_Type_free(datatype, ierror)
   type(MPI_Datatype), intent(inout) :: datatype
   integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

34 ADDRESS CALCULATION

ALIGNMENT & PADDING

```
struct heterogeneous {
    int i[3];
    double d[5];
}

count = 2;
array_of_blocklengths[0] = 3;
array_of_displacements[0] = 0;
array_of_types[0] = MPI_INT;
array_of_blocklengths[1] = 5;
array_of_displacements[1] = 16;
orray_of_types[1] = MPI_DOUBLE;
```

```
type, bind(C) :: heterogeneous
   integer :: i(3)
   real(real64) :: d(5)
end type

count = 2;
array_of_blocklengths(1) = 3
array_of_displacements(1) = 0
array_of_types(1) = MPI_INTEGER
array_of_blocklengths(2) = 5
array_of_displacements(2) = 16
array_of_types(2) = MPI_REAL8
```



ADDRESS CALCULATION [MPI-3.1, 4.1.5]

Displacements are calculated as the difference between the addresses at the start of a buffer and at a particular piece of data in the buffer. The address of a location in memory is found using:

```
o int MPI_Get_address(const void* location, MPI_Aint* address)
```

```
MPI_Get_address(location, address, ierror)
  type(*), dimension(..), asynchronous :: location
  integer(kind=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), intent(out) :: address
  integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Using the C operator & to determine addresses is discouraged, since it returns a pointer which is not necessarily the same as an address.

ADDRESS ARITHMETIC [MPI-3.1, 4.1.5]

Addition

```
∪ MPI_Aint MPI_Aint_add(MPI_Aint a, MPI_Aint b)
```

```
integer(kind=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) MPI_Aint_add(a, b)
integer(kind=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), intent(in) :: a, b
```

Subtraction

```
∪ MPI_Aint MPI_Aint_diff(MPI_Aint a, MPI_Aint b)
```

```
integer(kind=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) MPI_Aint_diff(a, b)
integer(kind=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), intent(in) :: a, b
```

EXAMPLE

```
struct heterogeneous h;
MPI_Aint base, displ[2];
MPI_Datatype newtype;
MPI_Datatype types[2] = { MPI_INT, MPI_DOUBLE };
int blocklen[2] = { 3, 5 };

MPI_Get_address(&h, &base);
MPI_Get_address(&h.i, &displ[0]);
displ[0] = MPI_Aint_diff(displ[0], base);
MPI_Get_address(&h.d, &displ[1]);
displ[1] = MPI_Aint_diff(displ[1], base);
MPI_Type_create_struct(2, blocklen, displ, types, &newtype);
OMPI_Type_commit(&newtype);
```

35 PADDING

TYPE EXTENT [MPI-3.1, 4.1]

Terminology: Extent

The extent of a type is determined from its *lower bounds* and *upper bounds*:

```
\begin{split} &\textit{Typemap} = \{(\textit{type}_0, \textit{disp}_0), \dots, (\textit{type}_{n-1}, \textit{disp}_{n-1})\} \\ &\textit{lb Typemap} = \min_{j} \textit{disp}_j \\ &\textit{ub Typemap} = \max_{j} (\textit{disp}_j + \textit{sizeof type}_j) + \epsilon \\ &\textit{extent Typemap} = \textit{ub Typemap} - \textit{lb Typemap} \end{split}
```

Extent and spacing

```
Let t be a type with type map \{(MPI\_CHAR, 1)\} and b an array of char, b = \{ 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f' \}, then MPI_Send(b, 3, t, ...) will result in a message \{ 'b', 'c', 'd' \} and not \{ 'b', 'd', 'f' \}.
```

Explicit padding can be added by resizing the type.

RESIZE [MPI-3.1, 4.1.7]

```
MPI_Type_create_resized(oldtype, lb, extent, newtype, ierror)
integer(kind=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), intent(in) :: lb, extent
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: oldtype
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(out) :: newtype
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Creates a new derived type newtype with the same type map as oldtype but explicit lower bound lb and explicit upper bound lb + extent.

Extent and true extent of a type can be queried using MPI_Type_get_extent and MPI_Type_get_true_extent. The size of resulting messages can be queried with MPI_Type_size.

36 EXERCISES

Exercise 6 - Derived Datatypes

6.1 Structs

Given a definition of a datatype that represents a point in three-dimensional space with additional properties:

- 3 color values $(r, g, b, \in [0, 255])$
- 3 coordinates (x, y, z, double precision)
- 1 tag (1 character)

write a program $struct.\{c|c++|f90\}$ in which process 0 initializes a point with meaningful values and broadcasts it to all other processes using a derived datatype. Print the received point on any process but 0.

Modification: Change the order of the components of the point structure. Does your program still produce correct results?

```
Use: MPI_Get_address, MPI_Aint_diff, MPI_Type_create_struct,
MPI_Type_commit, MPI_Type_free, MPI_Bcast
```

6.2 Matrix Access - Diagonal

In the file matrix_access. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ implement the function/subroutine get_diagonal that extracts the elements on the diagonal of an $N \times N$ matrix into a vector:

```
vector_i = matrix_{i,i}, i = 1...N.
```

Do not access the elements of either the matrix or the vector directly. Rather, use MPI datatypes for accessing your data. Assume that the matrix elements are stored in row-major order in C (all elements of the first row, followed by all elements of the second row, etc.), column-major order in Fortran.

Hint: MPI_Sendrecv on the MPI_COMM_SELF communicator can be used for copying the data.

Use: MPI_Type_vector

6.3 Matrix Access - Upper Triangle

In the file matrix_access. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ implement the function/subroutine get_upper that copies all elements on or above the diagonal of an $N \times N$ matrix to a second matrix and leaves all other elements untouched.

$$upper_{i,j} = matrix_{i,j}, \quad i = 1 \dots N, j = i \dots N$$

As in the previous exercise, do not access the matrix elements directly and assume row-major layout of the matrices in C, column-major order in Fortran. Make sure to un-comment the call to test_get_upper() to have your solution tested.

Hint: MPI_Sendrecv on the MPI_COMM_SELF communicator can be used for copying the data.

Use: MPI_Type_indexed

PART VIII

INPUT/OUTPUT

37 INTRODUCTION

MOTIVATION

I/O on HPC Systems

- "This is not your parents' I/O subsystem"
- File system is a shared resource
 - Modification of metadata might happen sequentially
 - File system blocks might be shared among processes
- File system access might not be uniform across all processes
- Interoperability of data originating on different platforms

MPI I/O

- MPI already defines a language that describes data layout and movement
- Extend this language by I/O capabilities
- More expressive/precise API than POSIX I/O affords better chances for optimization

COMMON I/O STRATEGIES

Funnelled I/O

- + Simple to implement
- I/O bandwidth is limited to the rate of this single process
- Additional communication might be necessary
- Other processes may idle and waste resources during I/O operations

All or several processes use one file

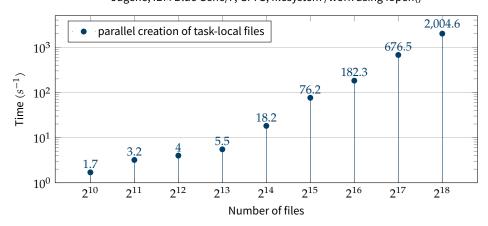
- + Number of files is independent of number of processes
- + File is in canonical representation (no post-processing)
- Uncoordinated client requests might induce time penalties
- File layout may induce false sharing of file system blocks

Task-Local Files

- + Simple to implement
- + No explicit coordination between processes needed
- + No false sharing of file system blocks
- Number of files quickly becomes unmanageable
- Files often need to be merged to create a canonical dataset (post-processing)
- File system might introduce implicit coordination (metadata modification)

SEQUENTIAL ACCESS TO METADATA

Jugene, IBM Blue Gene/P, GPFS, filesystem /work using fopen()



38 FILE MANIPULATION

FILE, FILE POINTER & HANDLE [MPI-3.1, 13.1]

Terminology: File

An MPI file is an ordered collection of typed data items.

Terminology: File Pointer

A file pointer is an implicit offset into a file maintained by MPI.

Terminology: File Handle

An opaque MPI object. All operations on an open file reference the file through the file handle.

OPENING A FILE [MPI-3.1, 13.2.1]

```
MPI_File_open(comm, filename, amode, info, fh, ierror)
type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
character(len=*), intent(in) :: filename
integer, intent(in) :: amode
type(MPI_Info), intent(in) :: info
type(MPI_File), intent(out) :: fh
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Collective operation on communicator comm
- Filename must reference the same file on all processes
- Process-local files can be opened using MPI_COMM_SELF
- info object specifies additional information (MPI INFO NULL for empty)

ACCESS MODE [MPI-3.1, 13.2.1]

amode denotes the access mode of the file and must be the same on all processes. It *must* contain exactly one of the following:

MPI_MODE_RDONLY read only access

MPI MODE RDWR read and write access

MPI_MODE_WRONLY write only access

and may contain some of the following:

MPI_MODE_CREATE create the file if it does not exist

MPI_MODE_EXCL error if creating file that already exists

MPI_MODE_DELETE_ON_CLOSE delete file on close

MPI_MODE_UNIQUE_OPEN file is not opened elsewhere

MPI_MODE_SEQUENTIAL access to the file is sequential

MPI_MODE_APPEND file pointers are set to the end of the file

Combine using bit-wise or (| operator in C, ior intrinsic in Fortran).

CLOSING A FILE [MPI-3.1, 13.2.2]

```
o int MPI_File_close(MPI_File∗ fh)
```

```
MPI_File_close(fh, ierror)
   type(MPI_File), intent(out) :: fh
   integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- · Collective operation
- User must ensure that all outstanding nonblocking and split collective operations associated with the file have completed

DELETING A FILE [MPI-3.1, 13.2.3]

```
int MPI_File_delete(const char* filename, MPI_Info info)
```

```
MPI_File_delete(filename, info, ierror)
character(len=*), intent(in) :: filename
type(MPI_Info), intent(in) :: info
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Deletes the file identified by filename
- File deletion is a local operation and should be performed by a single process
- If the file does not exist an error is raised
- If the file is opened by any process
 - all further and outstanding access to the file is implementation dependent
 - it is implementation dependent whether the file is deleted; if it is not, an error is raised

FILE PARAMETERS

Setting File Parameters

```
MPI_File_set_size Set the size of a file [MPI-3.1, 13.2.4]
MPI_File_preallocate Preallocate disk space [MPI-3.1, 13.2.5]
MPI_File_set_info Supply additional information [MPI-3.1, 13.2.8]
Inspecting File Parameters
MPI_File_get_size Size of a file [MPI-3.1, 13.2.6]
MPI_File_get_amode Acess mode [MPI-3.1, 13.2.7]
MPI_File_get_group Group of processes that opened the file [MPI-3.1, 13.2.7]
MPI_File_get_info Additional information associated with the file [MPI-3.1, 13.2.8]
```

I/O ERROR HANDLING [MPI-3.1, 8.3, 13.7]

Caution: Communication, by default, aborts the program when an error is encountered. I/O operations, by default, return an error code.

```
MPI_File_set_errhandler(file, errhandler, ierror)
   type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: file
   type(MPI_Errhandler), intent(in) :: errhandler
   integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- The default error handler for files is MPI_ERRORS_RETURN
- Success is indicated by a return value of MPI_SUCCESS
- MPI_ERRORS_ARE_FATAL aborts the program
- Can be set for each file individually or for all files by using MPI_File_set_errhandler
 on a special file handle, MPI_FILE_NULL

39 FILE VIEWS

FILE VIEW [MPI-3.1, 13.3]

Terminology: File View

A file view determines what part of the contents of a file is visible to a process. It is defined by a *displacement* (given in bytes) from the beginning of the file, an *elementary datatype* and a *file type*. The view into a file can be changed multiple times between opening and closing.

File Types and Elementary Types are Data Types

- Can be predefined or derived
- The usual constructors can be used to create derived file types and elementary types, e.g.
 - MPI_Type_indexed,
 - MPI_Type_create_struct,
 - MPI_Type_create_subarray
- Displacements in their typemap must be non-negative and monotonically nondecreasing
- · Have to be committed before use

DEFAULT FILE VIEW [MPI-3.1, 13.3]

When newly opened, files are assigned a default view that is the same on all processes:

- Zero displacement
- File contains a contiguous sequence of bytes
- All processes have access to the entire file

File	0: byte	1: byte	2: byte	3: byte	• • •
Process 0	0: byte	1: byte	2: byte	3: byte	• • •
Process 1	0: byte	1: byte	2: byte	3: byte	• • •
•••	0: byte	1: byte	2: byte	3: byte	• • •

ELEMENTARY TYPE [MPI-3.1, 13.3]

Terminology: Elementary Type

An elementary type (or *etype*) is the unit of data contained in a file. Offsets are expressed in multiples of etypes, file pointers point to the beginning of etypes. Etypes can be basic or derived.

Changing the Elementary Type

E.g. etype = MPI_INT:

File	0: int	1: int	2: int	3: int	• • •
Process 0	0: int	1: int	2: int	3: int	• • •
Process 1	0: int	1: int	2: int	3: int	• • •
•••	0: int	1: int	2: int	3: int	• • •

FILE TYPE [MPI-3.1, 13.3]

Terminology: File Type

A file type describes an access pattern. It can contain either instances of the *etype* or holes with an extent that is divisible by the extent of the etype.

Changing the File Type

 $\mathsf{E.g.} \ \mathit{Filetype}_0 = \{(\mathsf{int}, 0), (\mathit{hole}, 4), (\mathit{hole}, 8)\}, \mathit{Filetype}_1 = \{(\mathit{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathit{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_1 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_1 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_1 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_1 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_1 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_1 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_1 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_1 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_1 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_2 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_2 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_2 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_2 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_2 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_3 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_3 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_3 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_3 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_3 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_3 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_3 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_3 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_3 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{int}, 4), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_3 = \{(\mathsf{hole}, 0), (\mathsf{hole}, 8)\}, \ldots : \mathsf{filetype}_3$



CHANGING THE FILE VIEW [MPI-3.1, 13.3]

· Collective operation

- datarep and extent of etype must match
- disp, filetype and info can be distinct
- File pointers are reset to zero
- May not overlap with nonblocking or split collective operations

DATA REPRESENTATION [MPI-3.1, 13.5]

- · Determines the conversion of data in memory to data on disk
- Influences the interoperability of I/O between heterogeneous parts of a system or different systems

"native"

Data is stored in the file exactly as it is in memory

- + No loss of precision
- + No overhead
- On heterogeneous systems loss of transparent interoperability

"internal"

Data is stored in implementation-specific format

- + Can be used in a homogeneous and heterogeneous environment
- + Implementation will perform conversions if necessary
- Can incur overhead
- Not necessarily compatible between different implementations

"external32"

Data is stored in standardized data representation (big-endian IEEE)

- + Can be read/written also by non-MPI programs
- Precision and I/O performance may be lost due to type conversions between native and external32 representations
- Not available in all implementations

40 DATA ACCESS

Three orthogonal aspects

- 1. Synchronism
 - (a) Blocking
 - (b) Nonblocking
 - (c) Split collective

- 2. Coordination
 - (a) Noncollective
 - (b) Collective
- 3. Positioning
 - (a) Explicit offsets
 - (b) Individual file pointers
 - (c) Shared file pointers

POSIX read() and write()

These are blocking, noncollective operations with individual file pointers.

SYNCHRONISM

Blocking I/O

Blocking I/O routines do not return before the operation is completed.

Nonblocking I/O

- Nonblocking I/O routines do not wait for the operation to finish
- A separate completion routine is necessary [MPI-3.1, 3.7.3, 3.7.5]
- The associated buffers must not be used while the operation is in flight Split Collective
 - "Restricted" form of nonblocking collective
 - Buffers must not be used while in flight
 - Does not allow other collective accesses to the file while in flight
 - begin and end must be used from the same thread

COORDINATION

Noncollective

The completion depends only on the activity of the calling process.

Collective

- Completion may depend on activity of other processes
- · Opens opportunities for optimization

POSITIONING [MPI-3.1, 13.4.1 – 13.4.4]

Explicit Offset

- No file pointer is used
- File position for access is given directly as function argument

Individual File Pointers

- · Each process has its own file pointer
- After access, pointer is moved to first *etype* after the last one accessed

Shared File Pointers

- All processes share a single file pointer
- · All processes must use the same file view
- Individual accesses appear as if serialized (with an unspecified order)
- Collective accesses are performed in order of ascending rank

Combine the prefix MPI_File_ with any of the following suffixes:

		coordination	
positioning	synchronism	noncollective	collective
explicit offsets	blocking	read_at,write_at	read_at_all, write_at_all
	nonblocking	iread_at,iwrite_at	iread_at_all, iwrite_at_all
	split collective	N/A	read_at_all_begin, read_at_all_end, write_at_all_begin, write_at_all_end
individual file pointers	blocking	read,write	read_all,write_all
	nonblocking	iread,iwrite	iread_all,iwrite_all
	split collective	N/A	read_all_begin, read_all_end, write_all_begin, write_all_end
shared file pointers	blocking	read_shared, write_shared	read_ordered, write_ordered
	nonblocking	iread_shared, iwrite_shared	N/A
	split collective	N/A	read_ordered_begin, read_ordered_end, write_ordered_begin, write_ordered_end

WRITING

blocking, noncollective, explicit offset [MPI-3.1, 13.4.2]

```
int MPI_File_write_at(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, const
    void* buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status
    *status)
```

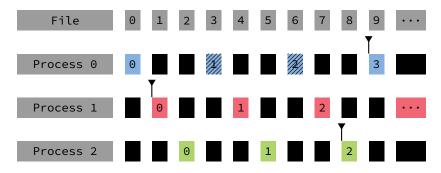
· Starting offset for access is explicitly given

- No file pointer is updated
- Writes count elements of datatype from memory starting at buf
- Typesig datatype = Typesig etype ... Typesig etype
- Writing past end of file increases the file size

EXAMPLE

blocking, noncollective, explicit offset [MPI-3.1, 13.4.2]

Process 0 calls MPI_File_write_at(offset = 1, count = 2):



WRITING

blocking, noncollective, individual [MPI-3.1, 13.4.3]

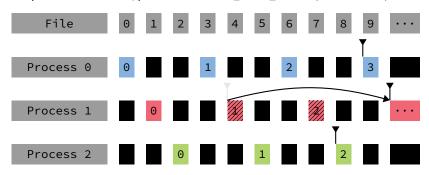
```
MPI_File_write(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: fh
type(*), dimension(..), intent(in) :: buf
integer, intent(in) :: count
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: datatype
type(MPI_Status) :: status
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- · Starts writing at the current position of the individual file pointer
- Moves the individual file pointer by the count of *etypes* written

EXAMPLE

blocking, noncollective, individual [MPI-3.1, 13.4.3]

With its file pointer at element 1, process 1 calls MPI_File_write(count = 2):



WRITING

nonblocking, noncollective, individual [MPI-3.1, 13.4.3]

```
MPI_File_iwrite(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
    type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: fh
    type(*), dimension(..), intent(in) :: buf
    integer, intent(in) :: count
    type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: datatype
    type(MPI_Request), intent(out) :: request
    integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Starts the same operation as MPI_File_write but does not wait for completion
- Returns a request object that is used to complete the operation

WRITING

blocking, collective, individual [MPI-3.1, 13.4.3]

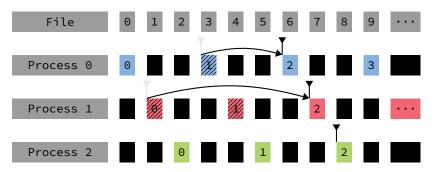
```
MPI_File_write_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
    type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: fh
    type(*), dimension(..), intent(in) :: buf
    integer, intent(in) :: count
    type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: datatype
    type(MPI_Status) :: status
    integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Same signature as MPI_File_write, but collective coordination
- · Each process uses its individual file pointer
- MPI can use communication between processes to funnel I/O

EXAMPLE

blocking, collective, individual [MPI-3.1, 13.4.3]

- With its file pointer at element 1, process 0 calls MPI_File_write_all(count = 1),
- With its file pointer at element 0, process 1 calls MPI_File_write_all(count = 2),
- With its file pointer at element 2, process 2 calls MPI_File_write_all(count = 0):



WRITING

split-collective, individual [MPI-3.1, 13.4.5]

```
MPI_File_write_all_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
    type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: fh
    type(*), dimension(..), intent(in) :: buf
    integer, intent(in) :: count
    type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: datatype
    integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Same operation as MPI_File_write_all, but split-collective
- status is returned by the corresponding end routine

WRITING

split-collective, individual [MPI-3.1, 13.4.5]

```
MPI_File_write_all_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)
type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: fh
type(*), dimension(..), intent(in) :: buf
type(MPI_Status) :: status
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

• buf argument must match corresponding begin routine

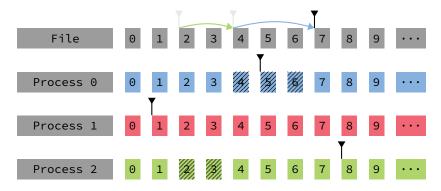
EXAMPLE

blocking, noncollective, shared [MPI-3.1, 13.4.4]

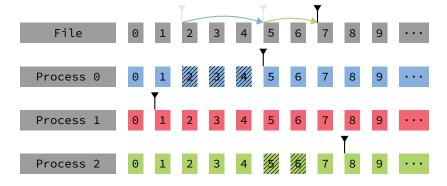
With the shared pointer at element 2,

- process 0 calls MPI_File_write_shared(count = 3),
- process 2 calls MPI_File_write_shared(count = 2):

Scenario 1:



Scenario 2:

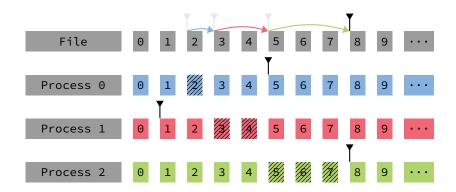


EXAMPLE

blocking, collective, shared [MPI-3.1, 13.4.4]

With the shared pointer at element 2,

- process 0 calls MPI_File_write_ordered(count = 1),
- process 1 calls MPI_File_write_ordered(count = 2),
- process 2 calls MPI_File_write_ordered(count = 3):



READING

blocking, noncollective, individual [MPI-3.1, 13.4.3]

```
MPI_File_read(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: fh
type(*), dimension(..) :: buf
integer, intent(in) :: count
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: datatype
type(MPI_Status) :: status
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Starts reading at the current position of the individual file pointer
- Reads up to count elements of datatype into the memory starting at buf
- status indicates how many elements have been read
- If status indicates less than count elements read, the end of file has been reached

FILE POINTER POSITION [MPI-3.1, 13.4.3]

```
o int MPI_File_get_position(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset* offset)
```

```
MPI_File_get_position(fh, offset, ierror)
   type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: fh
   integer(kind=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), intent(out) :: offset
   integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Returns the current position of the individual file pointer in units of etype
- Value can be used for e.g.
 - return to this position (via seek)
 - calculate a displacement
- MPI_File_get_position_shared queries the position of the shared file pointer

SEEKING TO A FILE POSITION [MPI-3.1, 13.4.3]

```
o int MPI_File_seek(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, int whence)
```

```
MPI_File_seek(fh, offset, whence, ierror)
type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: fh
integer(kind=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), intent(in) :: offset
integer, intent(in) :: whence
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- whence controls how the file pointer is moved:
 - MPI_SEEK_SET sets the file pointer to offset
 - MPI_SEEK_CUR offset is added to the current value of the pointer
 - MPI SEEK END offset is added to the end of the file
- offset can be negative but the resulting position may not lie before the beginning of the file
- MPI_File_seek_shared manipulates the shared file pointer

CONVERTING OFFSETS [MPI-3.1, 13.4.3]

```
MPI_File_get_byte_offset(fh, offset, disp, ierror)
type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: fh
integer(kind=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), intent(in) :: offset
integer(kind=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), intent(out) :: disp
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

• Converts a view relative offset (in units of *etype*) into a displacement in bytes from the beginning of the file

41 CONSISTENCY

CONSISTENCY [MPI-3.1, 13.6.1]

Terminology: Sequential Consistency

If a set of operations is sequentially consistent, they behave as if executed in some serial order. The exact order is unspecified.

- To guarantee sequential consistency, certain requirements must be met
- Requirements depend on access path and file atomicity

Caution: Result of operations that are not sequentially consistent is implementation dependent.

ATOMIC MODE [MPI-3.1, 13.6.1]

Requirements for sequential consistency

Same file handle: always sequentially consistent

File handles from same open: always sequentially consistent

File handles from different open: not influenced by atomicity, see nonatomic mode

- Atomic mode is not the default setting
- Can lead to overhead, because MPI library has to uphold guarantees in general case

```
o int MPI_File_set_atomicity(MPI_File fh, int flag)
```

```
MPI_File_set_atomicity(fh, flag, ierror)
  type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: fh
  logical, intent(in) :: flag
  integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

NONATOMIC MODE [MPI-3.1, 13.6.1]

Requirements for sequential consistency

Same file handle: operations must be either nonconcurrent, nonconflicting, or both

File handles from same open: nonconflicting accesses are sequentially consistent, conflicting accesses have to be protected using MPI File sync

File handles from different open: all accesses must be protected using MPI_File_sync Terminology: Conflicting Accesses

Two accesses are conflicting if they touch overlapping parts of a file and at least one is writing.

```
o int MPI_File_sync(MPI_File fh)
```

```
MPI_File_sync(fh, ierror)
    type(MPI_File), intent(in) :: fh
    integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

The Sync-Barrier-Sync construct

```
// writing access sequence through one file handle
MPI_File_sync(fh0);
MPI_Barrier(MPI_COMM_WORLD);
MPI_File_sync(fh0);
// ...
```

- MPI_File_sync is used to delimit sequences of accesses through different file handles
- Sequences that contain a write access may not be concurrent with any other access sequence

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Exercise 7 - Data Access

7.1 Writing and Reading Data

Write a program write_rank. $\{c | c++ | f90\}$:

- Each process writes its own rank to the common file rank.dat
- The ranks should be in order in the file $0 \dots n-1$
- Process 0 reads the whole file and prints the contents to screen

```
Use: MPI_File_open, MPI_File_set_errhandler, MPI_File_set_view,
MPI_File_write_ordered, MPI_File_sync, MPI_File_read, MPI_File_close
```

7.2 Accessing Parts of Files

Take the file rank.dat from the previous exercise and write a program read_rank. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ where:

- The processes read the integers in the file in reverse order, i.e. process 0 reads the last entry, process 1 reads the one before, ...
- Each process prints its rank and the integer it read to the screen

Careful: This program might be run on a different number of processes

```
Use: MPI_File_seek, MPI_File_get_position
```

7.3 Phone Book

The file phonebook.dat contains several records of the following form:

```
struct dbentry {
   int key;
   int room_number;
   int phone_number;
   char name[200];
   }
```

```
type :: dbentry
   integer :: key
   integer :: room_number
   integer :: phone_number
   character(len=200) :: name
end type
```

Write a program phonebook. {c|c++|f90} and use MPI I/O to find out who sits in room 234.

Note: This exercise can be solved by either a serial or a parallel program. Try a serial solution first.

```
Use: MPI_File_read
```

PART IX

TOOLS

43 MUST

MUST

Marmot Umpire Scalable Tool



```
https://doc.itc.rwth-aachen.de/display/CCP/Project+MUST
```

MUST checks for correct usage of MPI. It includes checks for the following classes of mistakes:

- · Constants and integer values
- · Communicator usage
- Datatype usage
- · Group usage
- Operation usage
- · Request usage
- Leak checks (MPI resources not freed before calling MPI_Finalize)
- · Type mismatches
- · Overlapping buffers passed to MPI
- Deadlocks resulting from MPI calls
- Basic checks for thread level usage (MPI_Init_thread)

MUST USAGE

On JURECA, load the MUST module:

```
$ module load MUST
```

Build your application:

```
$ mpicc -o application.x application.c
$ # or
$ mpif90 -o application.x application.f90
```

Replace the MPI starter (e.g. srun) with MUST's own mustrun:

```
$ mustrun -n 4 --must:mpiexec srun --must:np -n ./application.x
```

Different modes of operation (for improved scalability or graceful handling of application crashes) are available via command line switches.

Caution: MUST is not compatible with MPI's Fortran 2008 interface.

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Exercise 8 - MPI Tools

8.1 Must

Have a look at the file must. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$. It contains a variation of the solution to exercise 3.1 – it should calculate the sum of all ranks and make the result available on all processes.

- 1. Compile the program and try to run it.
- 2. Use MUST to discover what is wrong with the program.
- 3. If any mistakes were found, fix them and go back to 1.

Note: must. f90 uses the MPI Fortran 90 interface.

PART X

COMMUNICATORS

45 INTRODUCTION

MOTIVATION

Communicators are a scope for communication within or between groups of processes. New communicators with different scope or topological properties can be used to accommodate certain needs.

- Separation of communication spaces: A software library that uses MPI underneath is used in an application that directly uses MPI itself. Communication due to the library should not conflict with communication due to the application.
- Partitioning of process groups: Parts of your software exhibit a collective communication pattern, but only across a subset of processes.
- Exploiting inherent topology: Your application uses a regular cartesian grid to discretize the problem and this translates into certain nearest neighbor communication patterns.

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DUPLICATE [MPI-3.1, 6.4.2]

```
int MPI_Comm_dup(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Comm *newcomm)
```

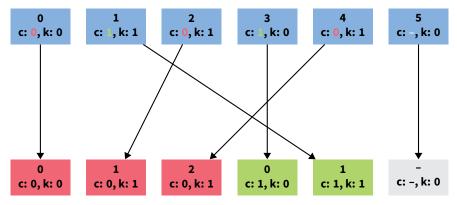
```
MPI_Comm_dup(comm, newcomm, ierror)
   type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
   type(MPI_Comm), intent(out) :: newcomm
   integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Duplicates an existing communicator comm
- New communicator has the same properties but a new context

SPLIT [MPI-3.1, 6.4.2]

```
MPI_Comm_split(comm, color, key, newcomm, ierror)
type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
integer, intent(in) :: color, key
type(MPI_Comm), intent(out) :: newcomm
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Splits the processes in a communicator into disjoint subgroups
- Processes are grouped by color, one new communicator per distinct value
- Special color value MPI_UNDEFINED does not create a new communicator (MPI COMM NULL is returned in newcomm)
- Processes are ordered by ascending value of key in new communicator



CARTESIAN TOPOLOGY [MPI-3.1, 7.5.1]

```
int MPI_Cart_create(MPI_Comm comm_old, int ndims, const int
    dims[], const int periods[], int reorder, MPI_Comm
    *comm_cart)
```

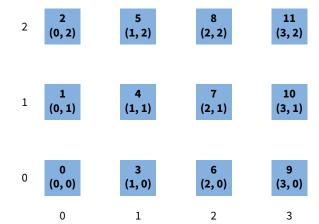
- Creates a new communicator with processes arranged on a (possibly periodic) Cartesian grid
- The grid has ndims dimensions and dims [i] points in dimension i
- If reorder is true, MPI is free to assign new ranks to processes

Input:

```
comm_old contains 12 processes (or more)
ndims = 2,dims = [ 4, 3 ],periods = [ .false., .false. ] reorder =
.false.
```

Output:

process 0–11: new communicator with topology as shown process 12–: MPI_COMM_NULL



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RANK TO COORDINATE [MPI-3.1, 7.5.5]

```
MPI_Cart_coords(comm, rank, maxdims, coords, ierror)
type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
integer, intent(in) :: rank, maxdims
integer, intent(out) :: coords(maxdims)
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Translates the rank of a process into its coordinate on the Cartesian grid.

COORDINATE TO RANK [MPI-3.1, 7.5.5]

```
MPI_Cart_rank(comm, coords, rank, ierror)
  type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
  integer, intent(in) :: coords(*)
  integer, intent(out) :: rank
  integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Translates the coordinate on the Cartesian grid of a process into its rank.

CARTESIAN SHIFT [MPI-3.1, 7.5.6]

- Calculates the ranks of source and destination processes in a shift operation on a Cartesian grid
- direction gives the number of the axis (starting at 0)
- disp gives the displacement

Input: direction = 0, disp = 1, not periodic

Output:



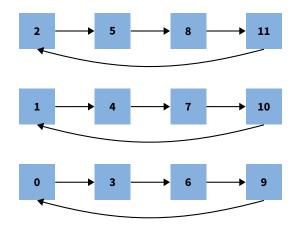




Input: direction = 0, disp = 1, periodic

Output:

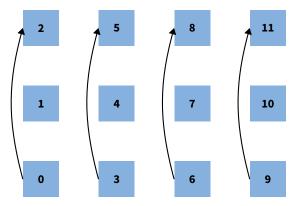
```
process 0: rank_source = 9, rank_dest = 3
...
process 3: rank_source = 0, rank_dest = 6
...
process 9: rank_source = 6, rank_dest = 0
...
```



Input: direction = 1, disp = 2, not periodic

Output:

process 0: rank_source = MPI_PROC_NULL, rank_dest = 2
process 1: rank_source = MPI_PROC_NULL, rank_dest = MPI_PROC_NULL
process 2: rank_source = 0, rank_dest = MPI_PROC_NULL



NULL PROCESSES [MPI-3.1, 3.11]

```
o int MPI_PROC_NULL = /* implementation defined */
```

integer, parameter :: MPI_PROC_NULL = ! implementation defined

• Can be used as source or destination for point-to-point communication

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- Communication with MPI_PROC_NULL has no effect
- May simplify code structure (communication with special source/destination instead of branch)
- MPI_Cart_shift returns MPI_PROC_NULL for out of range shifts

COMPARISON [MPI-3.1, 6.4.1]

```
MPI_Comm_compare(comm1, comm2, result, ierror)
    type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm1, comm2
    integer, intent(out) :: result
    integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Compares two communicators. The result is one of:

MPI_IDENT The two communicators are the same.

MPI_CONGRUENT The two communicators consist of the same processes in the same order but communicate in different contexts.

MPI_SIMILAR The two communicators consist of the same processes in a different order.

MPI_UNEQUAL Otherwise.

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FREE [MPI-3.1, 6.4.3]

```
o int MPI_Comm_free(MPI_Comm *comm)
```

```
MPI_Comm_free(comm, ierror)
type(MPI_Comm), intent(inout) :: comm
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Marks a communicator for deallocation.

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Exercise 9 – Communicators 9.1 Cartesian Topology In global_sum_with_communicators . $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$, redo exercise 3.1 using a Cartesian communicator.

Use: MPI_Cart_create, MPI_Cart_shift, MPI_Comm_free

9.2 Split

In global_sum_with_communicators. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$, redo exercise 4.1 using a new split communicator per communication round.

Use: MPI_Comm_split

PART XI

THREAD COMPLIANCE

50 INTRODUCTION

THREAD COMPLIANCE [MPI-3.1, 12.4]

- An MPI library is thread compliant if
 - Concurrent threads can make use of MPI routines and the result will be as if they were executed in some order.
 - 2. Blocking routines will only block the executing thread, allowing other threads to make progress.
- MPI libraries are not required to be thread compliant
- Alternative initialization routines to request certain levels of thread compliance
- These functions are always safe to use in a multithreaded setting: MPI_Initialized, MPI_Finalized, MPI_Query_thread, MPI_Is_thread_main, MPI_Get_version, MPI_Get_library_version

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THREAD SUPPORT LEVELS [MPI-3.1, 12.4.3]

The following predefined values are used to express all possible levels of thread support:

MPI_THREAD_SINGLE program is single threaded

MPI_THREAD_FUNNELED MPI routines are only used by the main thread

MPI_THREAD_SERIALIZED MPI routines are used by multiple threads, but not concurrently

MPI THREAD MULTIPLE MPI is thread compliant, no restrictions

MPI_THREAD_SINGLE < MPI_THREAD_FUNNELED < MPI_THREAD_SERIALIZED < MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE

INITIALIZATION [MPI-3.1, 12.4.3]

```
MPI_Init_thread(required, provided, ierror)
  integer, intent(in) :: required
  integer, intent(out) :: provided
  integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- required and provided specify thread support levels
- If possible, provided = required
- Otherwise, if possible, provided > required
- Otherwise, provided < required
- MPI_Init is equivalent to required = MPI_THREAD_SINGLE

INQUIRY FUNCTIONS [MPI-3.1, 12.4.3]

Query level of thread support:

```
MPI_Query_thread(int *provided)

MPI_Query_thread(provided, ierror)
   integer, intent(out) :: provided
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

Check whether the calling thread is the *main thread*:

```
MPI_Is_thread_main(int* flag)

MPI_Is_thread_main(flag, ierror)
    logical, intent(out) :: flag
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

52 MATCHING PROBE AND RECEIVE

MATCHING PROBE [MPI-3.1, 3.8.2]

```
int MPI_Mprobe(int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm,

MPI_Message* message, MPI_Status* status)
```

```
MPI_Mprobe(source, tag, comm, message, status, ierror)
integer, intent(in) :: source, tag
type(MPI_Comm), intent(in) :: comm
type(MPI_Message), intent(out) :: message
type(MPI_Status) :: status
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Works like MPI_Probe, except for the returned MPI_Message value which may be used to receive exactly the probed message
- Nonblocking variant MPI_Improbe exists

MATCHED RECEIVE [MPI-3.1, 3.8.3]

```
int MPI_Mrecv(void* buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,

MPI_Message* message, MPI_Status* status)
```

```
MPI_Mrecv(buf, count, datatype, message, status, ierror)
type(*), dimension(..) :: buf
integer, intent(in) :: count
type(MPI_Datatype), intent(in) :: datatype
type(MPI_Message), intent(inout) :: message
type(MPI_Status) :: status
integer, optional, intent(out) :: ierror
```

- Receives the previously probed message message
- Sets the message handle to MPI_MESSAGE_NULL
- Nonblocking variant MPI_Imrecv exists

53 REMARKS

CLARIFICATIONS [MPI-3.1, 12.4.2]

Initialization and Completion

Initialization and finalization of MPI should occur on the same thread, the main thread.

Request Completion

Multiple threads must not try to complete the same request (e.g. MPI_Wait).

Probe

In multithreaded settings, MPI_Probe might match a different message as a subsequent MPI_Recv.

PART XII

FIRST STEPS WITH OPENMP

54 WHAT IS OPENMP?

OpenMP is a specification for a set of compiler directives, library routines, and environment variables that can be used to specify high-level parallelism in Fortran and C/C++ programs. (*OpenMP FAQ*³)

- Initially targeted SMP systems, now also DSPs, accelerators, etc.
- Provides specifications (not implementations)
- Portable across different platforms

Current version of the specification: 5.0 (November 2018)

BRIEF HISTORY

1997 FORTRAN version 1.0

1998 C/C++ version 1.0

1999 FORTRAN version 1.1

2000 FORTRAN version 2.0

2002 C/C++ version 2.0

2005 First combined version 2.5, memory model, internal control variables, clarifications

2008 Version 3.0, tasks

2011 Version 3.1, extended task facilities

2013 Version 4.0, thread affinity, SIMD, devices, tasks (dependencies, groups, and cancellation), improved Fortran 2003 compatibility

2015 Version 4.5, extended SIMD and devices facilities, task priorities

2018 Version 5.0, memory model, base language compatibility, allocators, extended task and devices facilities

COVERAGE

- Directives
 - Directive Format √
 - Conditional Compilation ✓
 - Variant Directives
 - requires Directive
 - Internal Control Variables ✓
 - parallel Construct√
 - teams Construct
 - Worksharing Constructs ✓
 - Loop-Related Directives (✓)
 - Tasking Constructs ✓
 - Memory Management Directives
 - Device Directives
 - Combined Constructs & Clauses on Combined and Composite Constructs (✓)
 - if Clause√
 - master Construct
 - Synchronization Constructs and Clauses ✓
 - Cancellation Constructs
 - Data Environment √
 - Nesting of Regions
- Runtime Library Routines
 - Runtime Library Definitions (✓)
 - Execution Environment Routines (✓)
 - Lock Routines ✓
 - Timing Routines
 - Event Routine
 - Device Memory Routines

 $^{^3}$ Matthijs van Waveren et al. OpenMP FAQ. version 3.0. June 6, 2018. URL: http://www.openmp.org/about/openmp-faq/ (visited on 01/30/2019).

- Memory Management Routines
- Tool Control Routine

- ...

Environment Variables (√)

• ...

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55 TERMINOLOGY

THREADS & TASKS

Terminology: Thread

An execution entity with a stack and associated static memory, called *threadprivate memory*.

Terminology: OpenMP Thread

A thread that is managed by the OpenMP runtime system.

Terminology: Team

A set of one or more threads participating in the execution of a parallel region.

Terminology: Task

A specific instance of executable code and its data environment that the OpenMP imlementation can schedule for execution by threads.

LANGUAGE

Terminology: Base Language

A programming language that serves as the foundation of the OpenMP specification.

The following base languages are given in [OpenMP-5.0, 1.7]: C90, C99, C++98, Fortran 77, Fortran 90, Fortran 95, Fortran 2003, and subsets of C11, C++11, C++14, C++17, and Fortran 2008

Terminology: Base Program

A program written in the base language.

Terminology: OpenMP Program

A program that consists of a base program that is annotated with OpenMP directives or that calls OpenMP API runtime library routines.

Terminology: Directive

In C/C++, a #pragma, and in Fortran, a comment, that specifies OpenMP program behavior.

56 INFRASTRUCTURE

COMPILING & LINKING

Compilers that conform to the OpenMP specification usually accept a command line argument that turns on OpenMP support, e.g.:

Intel C Compiler OpenMP Command Line Switch

\$ icc -qopenmp ...

GNU Fortran Compiler OpenMP Command Line Switch

\$ gfortran -fopenmp ...

The name of this command line argument is not mandated by the specification and differs from one compiler to another.

Naturally, these arguments are then also accepted by the MPI compiler wrappers:

Compiling Programs with Hybrid Parallelization

\$ mpicc -qopenmp ...

RUNTIME LIBRARY DEFINITIONS [OpenMP-5.0, 3.1]

C/C++ Runtime Library Definitions

Runtime library routines and associated types are defined in the omp. h header file.

, #include <omp.h>

Fortran Runtime Library Definitions

Runtime library routines and associated types are defined in either a Fortran **include** file

include "omp_lib.h"

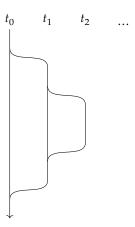
or a Fortran 90 module

e use omp_lib

57 BASIC PROGRAM STRUCTURE

WORLD ORDER IN OPENMP

- Program starts as one single-threaded process.
- Forks into teams of multiple threads when appropriate.
- Stream of instructions might be different for each thread.
- Information is exchanged via shared parts of memory.
- OpenMP threads may be nested inside MPI processes.



C AND C++ DIRECTIVE FORMAT [OpenMP-5.0, 2.1]

In C and C++, OpenMP directives are written using the #pragma method:

o #pragma omp directive-name [clause[[,] clause]...]

- Directives are case-sensitive
- Applies to the next statement which must be a structured block

Terminology: Structured Block

An executable statement, possibly compound, with a single entry at the top and a single exit at the bottom, or an OpenMP *construct*.

FORTRAN DIRECTIVE FORMAT [OpenMP-5.0, 2.1.1, 2.1.2]

∞ sentinel directive-name [clause[[,] clause]...]

Directives are case-insensitive

Fixed Form Sentinels

sentinel = !\$omp | c\$omp | *\$omp

- · Must start in column 1
- The usual line length, white space, continuation and column rules apply
- Column 6 is blank for first line of directive, non-blank and non-zero for continuation

Free Form Sentinel

```
sentinel = !$omp
```

• The usual line length, white space and continuation rules apply

CONDITIONAL COMPILATION [OpenMP-5.0, 2.2]

C Preprocessor Macro

```
თ #define _OPENMP yyyymm
```

yyyy and mm are the year and month the OpenMP specification supported by the compiler was published.

Fortran Fixed Form Sentinels

8 !\$ | *\$ | c\$

- · Must start in column 1
- Only numbers or white space in columns 3–5
- · Column 6 marks continuation lines

Fortran Free Form Sentinel

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- Must only be preceded by white space
- Can be continued with ampersand

CONSTRUCTS & REGIONS

Terminology: Construct

An OpenMP executable directive (and for Fortran, the paired end directive, if any) and the associated statement, loop or structured block, if any, not including the code in any called routines. That is, the lexical extent of an executable directive.

Terminology: Region

All code encountered during a specific instance of the execution of a given *construct* or of an OpenMP library routine.

Terminology: Executable Directive

An OpenMP *directive* that is not declarative. That is, it may be placed in an executable context.

THE PARALLEL CONSTRUCT [OpenMP-5.0, 2.6]

```
!$omp parallel [clause[[,] clause]...]
structured-block
일 !$omp end parallel
```

- Creates a team of threads to execute the parallel region
- Each thread executes the code contained in the structured block
- · Inside the region threads are identified by consecutive numbers starting at zero
- Optional clauses (explained later) can be used to modify behavior and data environment of the parallel region

THREAD COORDINATES [OpenMP-5.0, 3.2.2, 3.2.4]

Team size

```
int omp_get_num_threads(void);
```

```
integer function omp_get_num_threads()
```

Returns the number of threads in the current team

Thread number

```
o int omp_get_thread_num(void);
```

```
integer function omp_get_thread_num()
```

Returns the number that identifies the calling thread within the current team (between zero and omp_get_num_threads())

A FIRST OPENMP PROGRAM

Program Output \$ gcc -fopenmp -o hello_openmp.x hello_openmp.c \$./hello_openmp.x Hello from your main thread. Hello from thread 1 of 8. Hello from thread 0 of 8. Hello from thread 3 of 8. Hello from thread 4 of 8. Hello from thread 6 of 8. Hello from thread 7 of 8. Hello from thread 2 of 8. Hello from thread 5 of 8. Hello from thread 5 of 8. Hello again from your main thread.

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Exercise 10 - Warm Up

10.1 Generalized Vector Addition (axpy)

In the file axpy. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$, fill in the missing body of the function/subroutine axpy_serial(a, x, y, z[, n]) so that it implements the generalized vector addition (in serial, without making use of OpenMP):

$$z = ax + y$$
.

Compile the file into a program and run it to test your implementation.

10.2 Dot Product

In the file $dot.\{c|c++|f90\}$, fill in the missing body of the function/subroutine $dot_serial(x, y[, n])$ so that it implements the dot product (in serial, without making use of OpenMP):

$$\mathsf{dot}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{i} x_i y_i.$$

Compile the file into a program and run it to test your implementation.

PART XIII

LOW-LEVEL OPENMP CONCEPTS

59 INTRODUCTION

MAGIC

Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic. (Arthur C. Clarke⁴)

INTERNAL CONTROL VARIABLES [OpenMP-5.0, 2.5]

Terminology: Internal Control Variable (ICV)

A conceptual variable that specifies runtime behavior of a set of *threads* or *tasks* in an *OpenMP program*.

- Set to an initial value by the OpenMP implementation
- Some can be modified through either environment variables (e.g. OMP_NUM_THREADS) or API routines (e.g. omp_set_num_threads())

⁴Arthur C. Clarke. *Profiles of the future: an inquiry into the limits of the possible*. London: Pan Books, 1973. ISBN: 9780330236195.

- Some can be read through API routines (e.g. omp_get_max_threads())
- Some are inaccessible to the user
- Might have different values in different scopes (e.g. data environment, device, global)
- Some can be overridden by clauses (e.g. the num_threads() clause)
- Use OMP_DISPLAY_ENV=TRUE to inspect the value of ICVs that correspond to environment variables [OpenMP-5.0, 6.12]

PARALLELISM CLAUSES [OpenMP-5.0, 2.6, 2.15]

if Clause

```
υ if([parallel :] scalar-expression)
```

```
ထို if([parallel :] scalar-logical-expression)
```

If false, the region is executed only by the encountering thread(s) and no additional threads are forked.

num_threads Clause

```
o num_threads(integer-expression)
```

```
num_threads(scalar-integer-expression)
```

Requests a team size equal to the value of the expression (overrides the nthreads-var ICV)

EXAMPLE

A parallel directive with an if clause and associated structured block in C:

```
#pragma omp parallel if( length > threshold )
{
    statement0;
    statement1;
    statement2;
}
```

A parallel directive with a num_threads clause and associated structured block in Fortran:

```
!$omp parallel num_threads( 64 )
statement1
statement2
statement3

2 !$omp end parallel
```

CONTROLLING THE nthreads-var ICV

omp_set_num_threads API Routine [OpenMP-5.0, 3.2.1]

```
o void omp_set_num_threads(int num_threads);
```

```
subroutine omp_set_num_threads(num_threads)
integer num_threads
```

Sets the ICV that controls the number of threads to fork for parallel regions (without num_threads clause) encountered subsequently.

omp_get_max_threads API Routine [OpenMP-5.0, 3.2.3]

```
o int omp_get_max_threads(void);
```

```
integer function omp_get_max_threads()
```

Queries the ICV that controls the number of threads to fork.

THREAD LIMIT & DYNAMIC ADJUSTMENT

omp_get_thread_limit API Routine [OpenMP-5.0, 3.2.14]

```
o int omp_get_thread_limit(void);
```

```
integer function omp_get_thread_limit()
```

Upper bound on the number of threads used in a program.

omp_get_dynamic and omp_set_dynamic API Routines [OpenMP-5.0, 3.2.7, 3.2.8]

```
int omp_get_dynamic(void);
ovoid omp_set_dynamic(int dynamic);
```

```
logical function omp_get_dynamic()
subroutine omp_set_dynamic(dynamic)
logical dynamic
```

Enable or disable dynamic adjustment of the number of threads.

INSIDE OF A PARALLEL REGION?

omp_in_parallel API Routine [OpenMP-5.0, 3.2.6]

```
o int omp_in_parallel(void);
```

```
\stackrel{\infty}{\square} logical function omp_in_parallel()
```

Is this code being executed as part of a parallel region?

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Exercise 11 - Controlling parallel

11.1 Controlling the Number of Threads

Use $hello_openmp. \{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ to play around with the various ways to set the number of threads forked for a parallel region:

- The OMP_NUM_THREADS environment variable
- The omp_set_num_threads API routine
- The num_threads clause
- The if clause

Inspect the number of threads that are actually forked using omp_get_num_threads.

11.2 Limits of the OpenMP Implementation

Determine the maximum number of threads allowed by the OpenMP implementation you are using and check whether it supports dynamic adjustment of the number of threads.

61 DATA ENVIRONMENT

DATA-SHARING ATTRIBUTES [OpenMP-5.0, 2.19.1]

Terminology: Variable

A named data storage block, for which the value can be defined and redefined during the execution of a program.

Terminology: Private Variable

With respect to a given set of *task regions* that bind to the same parallel *region*, a *variable* for which the name provides access to a **different** block of storage for each *task region*.

Terminology: Shared Variable

With respect to a given set of *task regions* that bind to the same parallel *region*, a *variable* for which the name provides access to the **same** block of storage for each *task region*.

DATA-SHARING ATTRIBUTE RULES I [OpenMP-5.0, 2.19.1.1]

The rules that determine the data-sharing attributes of variables referenced from the inside of a construct fall into one of the following categories:

Pre-determined

- Variables with automatic storage duration declared inside the construct are private (C and C++)
- Objects with dynamic storage duration are shared (C and C++)
- Variables with static storage duration declared in the construct are shared (C and C++)
- Static data members are shared (C++)
- Loop iteration variables are private (Fortran)
- Implied-do indices and **forall** indices are private (Fortran)
- Assumed-size arrays are shared (Fortran)

Explicit

Data-sharing attributes are determined by explicit clauses on the respective constructs.

Implicit

If the data-sharing attributes are neither pre-determined nor explicitly determined, they fall back to the attribute determined by the default clause, or shared if no default clause is present.

DATA-SHARING ATTRIBUTE RULES II [OpenMP-5.0, 2.19.1.2]

The data-sharing attributes of variables inside regions, not constructs, are governed by simpler rules:

- Static variables (C and C++) and variables with the **save** attribute (Fortran) are shared
- File-scope (C and C++) or namespace-scope (C++) variables and common blocks or variables accessed through use or host association (Fortran) are shared
- Objects with dynamic storage duration are shared (C and C++)

- Static data members are shared (C++)
- Arguments passed by reference have the same data-sharing attributes as the variable they
 are referencing (C++ and Fortran)
- Implied-do indices, **forall** indices are private (Fortran)
- · Local variables are private

THE SHARED CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.19.4.2]

- shared(list)
 - Declares the listed variables to be shared.
 - The programmer must ensure that shared variables are alive while they are shared.
 - Shared variables must not be part of another variable (i.e. array or structure elements).

THE PRIVATE CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.19.4.3]

- private(list)
 - Declares the listed variables to be private.
 - All threads have their own new versions of these variables.
 - Private variables must not be part of another variable.
 - If private variables are of class type, a default constructor must be accessible. (C++)
 - The type of a private variable must not be const-qualified, incomplete or reference to incomplete. (C and C++)
 - Private variables must either be definable or allocatable. (Fortran)
 - Private variables must not appear in namelist statements, variable format expressions or expressions for statement function definitions. (Fortran)
 - Private variables must not be pointers with **intent**(in). (Fortran)

FIRSTPRIVATE CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.19.4.4]

firstprivate(list)

Like private, but initialize the new versions of the variables to have the same value as the variable that exists before the construct.

• Non-array variables are initialized by copy assignment (C and C++)

- Arrays are initialize by element-wise assignment (C and C++)
- Copy constructors are invoked if present (C++)
- Non-pointer variables are initialized by assignment or not associated if the original variable is not associated (Fortran)
- **pointer** variables are initialized by pointer assignment (Fortran)

DEFAULT CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.19.4.1]

C and C++

... default(shared | none)

Fortran

default(private | firstprivate | shared | none)

Determines the data-sharing attributes for all variables referenced from inside of a region that have neither pre-determined nor explicit data-sharing attributes.

Caution: default(none) forces the programmer to make data-sharing attributes explicit if they are not pre-determined. This can help clarify the programmer's intentions to someone who does not have the implicit data-sharing rules in mind.

REDUCTION CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.19.5.4]

- reduction(reduction-identifier : list)
 - Listed variables are declared private.
 - At the end of the construct, the original variable is updated by combining the private copies using the operation given by reduction-identifier.
 - reduction-identifier may be +, -, *, &, |, ^, &&, | |, min or max (C and C++) or an identifier (C) or an id-expression (C++)
 - reduction-identifier may be a base language identifier, a user-defined operator, or one of +, -, *, . and ., . or ., . eqv., . neqv., max, min, i and, i or or i eor (Fortran)
 - Private versions of the variable are initialized with appropriate values

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Exercise 12 – Data-sharing Attributes 12.1 Generalized Vector Addition (axpy) In the file axpy. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ add a new function/subroutine axpy_parallel(a, x, y, z[, n]) that uses multiple threads to perform a generalized vector addition. Modify the main part of the program to have your function/subroutine tested.

Hints:

- Use the parallel construct and the necessary clauses to define an appropriate data environment.
- Use omp_get_thread_num() and omp_get_num_threads() to decompose the work.

63 THREAD SYNCHRONIZATION

- In MPI, exchange of data between processes implies synchronization through the message metaphor.
- In OpenMP, threads exchange data through shared parts of memory.
- Explicit synchronization is needed to coordinate access to shared memory.

Terminology: Data Race

A data race occurs when

- · multiple threads write to the same memory unit without synchronization or
- at least one thread writes to and at least one thread reads from the same memory unit without synchronization.
- Data races result in unspecified program behavior.
- OpenMP offers several synchronization mechanism which range from high-level/general to low-level/specialized.

THE BARRIER CONSTRUCT [OpenMP-5.0, 2.17.2]

o #pragma omp barrier

% !\$omp barrier

- Threads are only allowed to continue execution of code after the barrier once all threads in the current team have reached the barrier.
- A barrier region must be executed by all threads in the current team or none.

THE CRITICAL CONSTRUCT [OpenMP-5.0, 2.17.1]

```
#pragma omp critical [(name)]
o structured-block
```

```
!$omp critical [(name)]
structured-block
은 !$omp end critical [(name)]
```

- Execution of critical regions with the same name are restricted to one thread at a time.
- name is a compile time constant.
- In C, names live in their own name space.
- In Fortran, names of critical regions can collide with other identifiers.

LOCK ROUTINES [OpenMP-5.0, 3.3]

```
void omp_init_lock(omp_lock_t* lock);
void omp_destroy_lock(omp_lock_t* lock);
void omp_set_lock(omp_lock_t* lock);
void omp_unset_lock(omp_lock_t* lock);
```

```
subroutine omp_init_lock(svar)
subroutine omp_destroy_lock(svar)
subroutine omp_set_lock(svar)
subroutine omp_unset_lock(svar)
integer(kind = omp_lock_kind) :: svar
```

- Like critical sections, but identified by runtime value rather than global name
- Locks must be shared between threads
- Initialize a lock before first use
- Destroy a lock when it is no longer needed
- Lock and unlock using the set and unset routines
- set blocks if lock is already set

THE ATOMIC AND FLUSH CONSTRUCTS [OpenMP-5.0, 2.17.7, 2.17.8]

- barrier, critical, and locks implement synchronization between general blocks of code
- If blocks become very small, synchronization overhead could become an issue

- The atomic and flush constructs implement low-level, fine grained synchronization for certain limited operations on scalar variables:
 - read
 - write
 - update, writing a new value based on the old value
 - capture, like update and the old or new value is available in the subsequent code
- Correct use requires knowledge of the OpenMP Memory Model [OpenMP-5.0, 1.4]
- See also: C11 and C++11 Memory Models

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Exercise 13 - Thread Synchronization

13.1 Dot Product

In the file $dot.\{c|c++|f90\}$ add a new function/subroutine $dot_parallel(x, y[, n])$ that uses multiple threads to perform the dot product. Do not use the reduction clause. Modify the main part of the program to have your function/subroutine tested.

Hint:

- Decomposition of the work load should be similar to the last exercise
- Partial results of different threads should be combined in a shared variable
- · Use a suitable synchronization mechanism to coordinate access

Bonus

Use the reduction clause to simplify your program.

PART XIV

WORKSHARING

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WORKSHARING CONSTRUCTS

- Decompose work for concurrent execution by multiple threads
- Used inside parallel regions
- Available worksharing constructs:

- single and sections construct
- loop construct
- workshare construct
- task worksharing

66 THE SINGLE CONSTRUCT

THE SINGLE CONSTRUCT [OpenMP-5.0, 2.8.2]

```
#pragma omp single [clause[[,] clause]...]
o structured-block
```

```
      !$omp single [clause[[,] clause]...]

      structured-block

      !$omp end single [end_clause[[,] end_clause]...]
```

- The *structured block* is executed by a single thread in the encountering team.
- Permissible clauses are firstprivate, private, copyprivate and nowait.
- nowait and copyprivate are end_clauses in Fortran.

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IMPLICIT BARRIERS & THE NOWAIT CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.8]

- Worksharing constructs (and the parallel construct) contain an implied barrier at their exit.
- The nowait clause can be used on worksharing constructs to disable this implicit barrier.

THE COPYPRIVATE CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.19.6.2]

- copyprivate(list)
- list contains variables that are private in the enclosing parallel region.
- At the end of the single construct, the values of all list items on the single thread are copied to all other threads.
- · E.g. serial initialization
- copyprivate cannot be combined with nowait.

68 THE LOOP CONSTRUCT

WORKSHARING-LOOP CONSTRUCT [OpenMP-5.0, 2.9.2]

```
#pragma omp for [clause[[,] clause]...]
o for-loops
```

```
!$omp do [clause[[,] clause]...]
do-loops
인 [!$omp end do [nowait]]
```

Declares the iterations of a loop to be suitable for concurrent execution on multiple threads.

Data-environment clauses

- private
- firstprivate
- lastprivate
- reduction

Worksharing-Loop-specific clauses

- schedule
- collapse

CANONICAL LOOP FORM [OpenMP-5.0, 2.9.1]

In C and C++ the for-loops must have the following form:

```
for ([type] var = lb; var relational-op b; incr-expr)

structured-block
```

```
† for (range-decl: range-expr) structured-block
```

- var can be an integer, a pointer, or a random access iterator
- incr-exprincrements (or decrements) var, e.g. var = var + incr
- The increment incr must not change during execution of the loop
- For nested loops, the bounds of an inner loop (b and lb) may depend at most linearly on the iteration variable of an outer loop, i.e. a0 + a1 * var-outer
- var must not be modified by the loop body
- The beginning of the range has to be a random access iterator

· The number of iterations of the loop must be known beforehand

In Fortran the do-loops must have the following form:

```
^{\infty}_{
m L} do [label] var = lb, b[, incr]
```

- var must be of integer type
- incr must be invariant with respect to the outermost loop
- The loop bounds b and lb of an inner loop may depend at most linearly on the iteration variable of an outer loop, i.e. a0 + a1 * var-outer
- The number of iterations of the loop must be known beforehand

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THE COLLAPSE CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.9.2]

```
collapse(n)
```

- The loop directive applies to the outermost loop of a set of nested loops, by default
- collapse(n) extends the scope of the loop directive to the n outer loops
- All associated loops must be perfectly nested, i.e.:

```
for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i) {
   for (int j = 0; j < M; ++j) {
      // ...
}</pre>
```

THE SCHEDULE CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.9.2]

```
schedule(kind[, chunk_size])
```

Determines how the iteration space is divided into chunks and how these chunks are distributed among threads.

static Divide iteration space into chunks of chunk_size iterations and distribute them in a round-robin fashion among threads. If chunk_size is not specified, chunk size is chosen such that each thread gets at most one chunk.

dynamic Divide into chunks of size chunk_size (defaults to 1). When a thread is done processing a chunk it acquires a new one.

guided Like dynamic but chunk size is adjusted, starting with large sizes for the first chunks and decreasing to chunk_size (default 1).

auto Let the compiler and runtime decide.

runtime Schedule is chosen based on ICV run-sched-var.

If no schedule clause is present, the default schedule is implementation defined.

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Exercise 14 – Loop Worksharing

14.1 Generalized Vector Addition (axpy)

In the file axpy. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ add a new function/subroutine axpy_parallel_for(a, x, y, z[, n]) that uses loop worksharing to perform the generalised vector addition.

14.2 Dot Product

In the file dot. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ add a new function/subroutine dot_parallel_for(x, y[, n]) that uses loop worksharing to perform the dot product.

Caveat: Make sure to correctly synchronize access to the accumulator variable.

71 WORKSHARE CONSTRUCT

WORKSHARE (FORTRAN ONLY) [OpenMP-5.0, 2.8.3]

```
!$omp workshare
structured-block
⊖ !$omp end workshare [nowait]
```

The structured block may contain:

- array assignments
- · scalar assignments
- forall constructs
- · where statements and constructs
- atomic, critical and parallel constructs

Where possible, these are decomposed into independent units of work and executed in parallel.

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Exercise 15 - workshare Construct

15.1 Generalized Vector Addition (axpy)

In the file axpy.f90 add a new subroutine $axpy_parallel_workshare(a, x, y, z)$ that uses the workshare construct to perform the generalized vector addition.

15.2 Dot Product

In the file dot.f90 add a new function $dot_parallel_workshare(x, y)$ that uses the workshare construct to perform the dot product.

Caveat: Make sure to correctly synchronize access to the accumulator variable.

73 COMBINED CONSTRUCTS

COMBINED CONSTRUCTS [OpenMP-5.0, 2.13]

Some constructs that often appear as nested pairs can be combined into one construct, e.g.

```
#pragma omp parallel
#pragma omp for
for (...; ...; ...) {
...
...
```

can be turned into

```
#pragma omp parallel for for (...; ...; ...) {
    ...
    ...
```

Similarly, parallel and workshare can be combined.

Combined constructs usually accept the clauses of either of the base constructs.

PART XV

TASK WORKSHARING

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TASK TERMINOLOGY

Terminology: Task

A specific instance of executable code and its *data environment*, generated when a *thread* encounters a task, taskloop, parallel, target or teams *construct*.

Terminology: Child Task

A task is a child task of its generating task region. A child task region is not part of its generating task region.

Terminology: Descendent Task

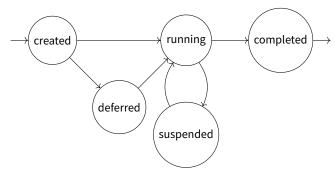
A task that is the child task of a task region or of one of its descendent task regions.

Terminology: Sibling Task

Tasks that are child tasks of the same task region.

TASK LIFE-CYCLE

- Execution of tasks can be deferred and suspended
- Scheduling is done by the OpenMP runtime system at scheduling points
- Scheduling decisions can be influenced by e.g. task dependencies and task priorities



75 THE TASK CONSTRUCT

THE TASK CONSTRUCT [OpenMP-5.0, 2.10.1]

```
#pragma omp task [clause[[,] clause]...]
    structured-block
```

```
!$omp task [clause[[,] clause]...]
structured-block
은 !$omp end task
```

Creates a task. Execution of the task may commence immediately or be deferred.

Data-environment clauses

- private
- firstprivate
- shared

Task-specific clauses

- if
- final
- untied
- mergeable
- depend
- priority

TASK DATA-ENVIRONMENT [OpenMP-5.0, 2.19.1.1]

The rules for implicitly determined data-sharing attributes of variables referenced in task generating constructs are slightly different from other constructs:

If no default clause is present and

- the variable is shared by all implicit tasks in the enclosing context, it is also shared by the generated task,
- otherwise, the variable is firstprivate.

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THE IF CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.10.1]

```
if([task: ] scalar-expression)
```

If the scalar expression evaluates to *false*:

- · Execution of the current task
 - is suspended and

- may only be resumed once the generated task is complete
- Execution of the generated task may commence immediately

Terminology: Undeferred Task

A *task* for which execution is not deferred with respect to its generating *task region*. That is, its generating *task region* is suspended until execution of the *undeferred task* is completed.

THE FINAL CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.10.1]

final(scalar-expression)

If the scalar expression evaluates to true all descendent tasks of the generated task are

- · undeferred and
- · executed immediately.

Terminology: Final Task

A task that forces all of its child tasks to become final and included tasks.

Terminology: Included Task

A *task* for which execution is sequentially included in the generating *task region*. That is, an *included task* is *undeferred* and executed immediately by the *encountering thread*.

THE UNTIED CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.10.1]

- untied
 - The generated task is *untied* meaning it can be suspended by one thread and resume execution on another.
 - By default, tasks are generated as tied tasks.

Terminology: Untied Task

A *task* that, when its *task region* is suspended, can be resumed by any *thread* in the team. That is, the *task* is not tied to any *thread*.

Terminology: Tied Task

A *task* that, when its *task region* is suspended, can be resumed only by the same *thread* that suspended it. That is, the *task* is tied to that *thread*.

THE PRIORITY CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.10.1]

- priority(priority-value)
- priority-value is a scalar non-negative numerical value
- · Priority influences the order of task execution
- Among tasks that are ready for execution, those with a higher priority are more likely to be executed next

THE DEPEND CLAUSE [OpenMP-5.0, 2.17.11]

```
depend(in: list)
  depend(out: list)
   depend(inout: list)
```

- list contains storage locations
- A task with a dependence on x, depend (in: x), has to wait for completion of previously generated sibling tasks with depend (out: x) or depend (inout: x)
- A task with a dependence depend (out: x) or depend (inout: x) has to wait for completion of previously generated sibling tasks with any kind of dependence on x
- in, out and inout correspond to intended read and/or write operations to the listed variables.

Terminology: Dependent Task

A *task* that because of a *task dependence* cannot be executed until its *predecessor tasks* have completed.

77 TASK SCHEDULING

TASK SCHEDULING POLICY [OpenMP-5.0, 2.10.6]

The task scheduler of the OpenMP runtime environment becomes active at *task scheduling points*. It may then

- begin execution of a task or
- resume execution of untied tasks or tasks tied to the current thread.

Task scheduling points

- generation of an explicit task
- task completion
- taskyield regions
- taskwait regions
- the end of taskgroup regions
- implicit and explicit barrier regions

THE TASKYIELD CONSTRUCT [OpenMP-5.0, 2.10.4]

ل #pragma omp taskyield

- Notifies the scheduler that execution of the current task may be suspended at this point in favor of another task
- Inserts an explicit scheduling point

78 TASK SYNCHRONIZATION

THE TASKWAIT & TASKGROUP CONSTRUCTS [OpenMP-5.0, 2.17.5, 2.17.6]

, #pragma omp taskwait

° !\$omp taskwait

Suspends the current task until all child tasks are completed.

#pragma omp taskgroup
, structured-block

!\$omp taskgroup structured-block E !\$omp end taskgroup

The current task is suspended at the end of the taskgroup region until all *descendent tasks* generated within the region are completed.

79 EXERCISES

Exercise 16 - Task worksharing

16.1 Generalized Vector Addition (axpy)

In the file axpy. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ add a new function/subroutine axpy_parallel_task(a, x, y, z[, n]) that uses task worksharing to perform the generalized vector addition.

16.2 Dot Product

In the file dot. $\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ add a new function/subroutine dot_parallel_task(x, y[, n]) that uses task worksharing to perform the dot product.

Caveat: Make sure to correctly synchronize access to the accumulator variable.

16.3 Bitonic Sort

The file $bsort.\{c \mid c++ \mid f90\}$ contains a serial implementation of the bitonic sort algorithm. Use OpenMP task worksharing to parallelize it.

PART XVI

WRAP-UP

ALTERNATIVES

Horizontal Alternatives

Parallel languages Fortran Coarrays, UPC; Chapel, Fortress, X10

Parallel frameworks Charm++, HPX, StarPU

Shared memory tasking Cilk, TBB

Accelerators CUDA, OpenCL, OpenACC, OmpSs

Platform solutions PLINQ, GCD, java.util.concurrent

Vertical Alternatives

Applications Gromacs, CP2K, ANSYS, OpenFOAM

Numerics libraries PETSc, Trilinos, DUNE, FEniCS

Big data frameworks Hadoop, Spark

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- Introduction to GPU programming using OpenACC, 28 29 October
- Introduction to the usage and programming of supercomputer resources in Jülich, 28 29
 November
- Advanced Parallel Programming with MPI and OpenMP, 2 4 December
- And more, see http://www.fz-juelich.de/ias/jsc/EN/Expertise/ Workshops/Courses/courses_node.html

PART XVII

TUTORIAL

N-BODY SIMULATIONS

Dynamics of the N-body problem:

$$\mathbf{a}_{i,j} = \frac{q_i q_j}{\sqrt{\left(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\right) \cdot \left(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\right)}} \left(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\right)$$
$$\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_i = \mathbf{a}_i = \sum_{j \neq i} \mathbf{a}_{i,j}$$

Velocity Verlet integration:

$$\mathbf{v}^* \left(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \right) = \mathbf{v} (t) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathbf{a} (t)$$

$$\mathbf{x} (t + \Delta t) = \mathbf{x} (t) + \mathbf{v}^* \left(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \right) \Delta t$$

$$\mathbf{v} (t + \Delta t) = \mathbf{v}^* \left(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \right) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathbf{a} (t + \Delta t)$$

Program structure:

```
read initial state from file
calculate accelerations
for number of time steps:
  write state to file
  calculate helper velocities v*
  calculate new positions
  calculate new accelerations
  calculate new velocities

write final state to file
```

A SERIAL N-BODY SIMULATION PROGRAM

Compiling nbody.x

...

\$./nbody.x
Usage: nbody <input file>

\$./nbody.x ../input/kaplan_10000.bin
Working on step 1...

Visualizing the results

Invoking nbody.x

\$ paraview --state=kaplan.pvsm

Initial conditions based on: A. E. Kaplan, B. Y. Dubetsky, and P. L. Shkolnikov. "Shock Shells in Coulomb Explosions of Nanoclusters". In: *Physical Review Letters* 91 (14 Oct. 3, 2003), p. 143401. DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevLett.91.143401

SOME SUGGESTIONS

Distribution of work

Look for loops with a number of iterations that scales with the problem size N. If the individual loop iterations are independent, they can be run in parallel. Try to distribute iterations evenly among the threads / processes.

Distribution of data

What data needs to be available to which process at what time? Having the entire problem in the memory of every process will not scale. Think of particles as having two roles: targets (i index) that experience acceleration due to sources (j index). Make every process responsible for a group of either target particles or source particles and communicate the same particles in the other role to other processes. What particle properties are important for targets and sources?

Input / Output

You have heard about different I/O strategies during the MPI I/O part of the course. Possible solutions include:

- Funneled I/O: one process reads then scatters or gathers then writes
- MPI I/O: every process reads or writes the particles it is responsible for

Scalability

Keep an eye on resource consumption. Ideally, the time it takes for your program to finish should be inversely proportional to the number of threads or processes running it $O(N^2/p)$. Similarly, the amount of memory consumed by your program should be independent of the number of processes O(N).

EXERCISES

Exercise 17 – N-body simulation program

17.1 OpenMP parallel version

Write a version of nbody.x that is parallelized using OpenMP. Look for suitable parts of the program to annotate with OpenMP directives.

17.2 MPI parallel version

Write a version of nbody.x that is parallelized using MPI. The distribution of work might be similar to the previous exercise. Ideally, the entire system state is not stored on every process, thus particle data has to be communicated. Communication could be point-to-point or collective. Input and output functions might have to be adapted as well.

17.3 Hybrid parallel version

Write a version of nbody.x that is parallelized using both MPI and OpenMP. This might just be a combination of the previous two versions.

Bonus

A clever solution is described in: M. Driscoll et al. "A Communication-Optimal N-Body Algorithm for Direct Interactions". In: 2013 IEEE 27th International Symposium on Parallel and Distributed Processing. 2013, pp. 1075–1084. DOI: 10.1109/IPDPS.2013.108. Implement Algorithm 1 from the paper.

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