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# Glossary

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Term	Description
Access Layer	Low level operating system infrastructure (plumbing) used for accessing the interconnect fabric (VPI <sup>TM</sup> , InfiniBand®, Ethernet, FCoE). It includes all basic transport services needed to support upper level network protocols, middleware, and management agents.
AH (Address Handle)	An object which describes the path to the remote side used in UD QP
CA (Channel Adapter)	A device which terminates an InfiniBand link, and executes transport level functions
CI (Channel Interface)	Presentation of the channel to the Verbs Consumer as implemented through the combination of the network adapter, associated firmware, and device driver software
CM (Communication Manager)	An entity responsible to establish, maintain, and release communication for RC and UC QP service types The Service ID Resolution Protocol enables users of UD service to locate QPs supporting their desired service. There is a CM in every IB port of the end nodes.
Compare & Swap	Instructs the remote QP to read a 64-bit value, compare it with the compare data provided, and if equal, replace it with the swap data, provided in the QP.
CQ (Completion Queue)	A queue (FIFO) which contains CQEs
CQE (Completion Queue Entry)	An entry in the CQ that describes the information about the completed WR (status size etc.)
DMA (Direct Memory Access)	Allowing Hardware to move data blocks directly to and from the memory, bypassing the CPU
Fetch & Add	Instructs the remote QP to read a 64-bit value and replace it with the sum of the 64-bit value and the added data value, provided in the QP.
GUID (Globally Unique IDentifier)	A 64 bit number that uniquely identifies a device or component in a subnet
GID (Global IDentifier)	A 128-bit identifier used to identify a Port on a network adapter, a port on a Router, or a Multicast Group.  A GID is a valid 128-bit IPv6 address (per RFC 2373) with additional properties / restrictions defined within IBA to facilitate efficient discovery, communication, and routing.
GRH (Global Routing Header)	A packet header used to deliver packets across a subnet boundary and also used to deliver Multicast messages This Packet header is based on IPv6 protocol.
Network Adapter	A hardware device that allows for communication between computers in a network.
Host	A computer platform executing an Operating System which may control one or more network adapters
IB	InfiniBand
Join operation	An IB port must explicitly join a multicast group by sending a request to the SA to receive multicast packets.
lkey	A number that is received upon registration of MR is used locally by the WR to identify the memory region and its associated permissions.

Term	Description					
LID (Local IDentifier)	A 16 bit address assigned to end nodes by the subnet manager.  Each LID is unique within its subnet.					
LLE (Low Latency Ethernet)	RDMA service over CEE (Converged Enhanced Ethernet) allowing IB transport over Ethernet.					
NA (Network Adapter)	A device which terminates a link, and executes transport level functions.					
MGID (Multicast Group ID)	IB multicast groups, identified by MGIDs, are managed by the SM. The SM associates a MLID with each MGID and explicitly programs the IB switches in the fabric to ensure that the packets are received by all the ports that joined the multicast group.					
MR (Memory Region)	A contiguous set of memory buffers which have already been registered with access permissions. These buffers need to be registered in order for the network adapter to make use of them. During registration an L_Key and R_Key are created and associated with the created memory region					
MTU (Maximum Transfer Unit)	The maximum size of a packet payload (not including headers) that can be sent / received from a port					
MW (Memory Window)	An allocated resource that enables remote access after being bound to a specified area within an existing Memory Registration. Each Memory Window has an associated Window Handle, set of access privileges, and current R_Key.					
Outstanding Work Request	WR which was posted to a work queue and its completion was not polled					
pkey (Partition key)	The pkey identifies a partition that the port belongs to. A pkey is roughly analogous to a VLAN ID in ethernet networking. It is used to point to an entry within the port's partition key (pkey) table. Each port is assigned at least one pkey by the subnet manager (SM).					
PD (Protection Domain)	Object whose components can interact with only each other. AHs interact with QPs, and MRs interact with WQs.					
QP (Queue Pair)	The pair (send queue and receive queue) of independent WQs packed together in one object for the purpose of transferring data between nodes of a network. Posts are used to initiate the sending or receiving of data.  There are three types of QP: UD Unreliable Datagram, Unreliable Connection, and Reliable Connection.					
RC (Reliable Connection)	A QP Transport service type based on a connection oriented protocol.  A QP (Queue pair) is associated with another single QP. The messages are sent in a reliable way (in terms of the correctness and order of the information.)					
RDMA (Remote Direct Memory Access)	Accessing memory in a remote side without involvement of the remote CPU					
RDMA_CM (Remote Direct Memory Access Communication Manager)	API used to setup reliable, connected and unreliable datagram data transfers. It provides an RDMA transport neutral interface for establishing connections. The API is based on sockets, but adapted for queue pair (QP) based semantics: communication must be over a specific RDMA device, and data transfers are message based.					
Requestor	The side of the connection that will initiate a data transfer (by posting a send request)					
Responder	The side of the connection that will respond to commands from the requestor which may include a request to write to the responder memory or read from the responder memory and finally a command requesting the responder to receive a message.					
rkey	A number that is received upon registration of MR is used to enforce permissions on incoming RDMA operations					

Term	Description
RNR (Receiver Not	The flow in an RC QP where there is a connection between the sides but a RR is not
Ready)	present in the Receive side
RQ (Receive Queue)	A Work Queue which holds RRs posted by the user
RR (Receive Request)	A WR which was posted to an RQ which describes where incoming data using a send opcode is going to be written. Also note that a RDMA Write with immediate will consume a RR.
RTR (Ready To Receive)	A QP state in which an RR can be posted and be processed
RTS (Ready To Send)	A QP state in which an SR can be posted and be processed
SA (Subnet Administrator)	The interface for querying and manipulating subnet management data
SGE (Scatter /Gather Elements)	An entry to a pointer to a full or a part of a local registered memory block. The element hold the start address of the block, size, and lkey (with its associated permissions).
S/G Array	An array of S/G elements which exists in a WR that according to the used opcode either collects data from multiple buffers and sends them as a single stream or takes a single stream and breaks it down to numerous buffers
SM (Subnet Manager)	An entity that configures and manages the subnet Discovers the network topology Assign LIDs Determines the routing schemes and sets the routing tables
	One master SM and possible several slaves (Standby mode) Administers switch routing tables thereby establishing paths through the fabric
SQ (Send Queue)	A Work Queue which holds SRs posted by the user
SR (Send Request)	A WR which was posted to an SQ which describes how much data is going to be transferred, its direction, and the way (the opcode will specify the transfer)
SRQ (Shared Receive Queue)	A queue which holds WQEs for incoming messages from any RC/UC/UD QP which is associated with it.  More than one QPs can be associated with one SRQ.
TCA (Target Channel Adapter)	A Channel Adapter that is not required to support verbs, usually used in I/O devices
UC (Unreliable Connection)	A QP transport service type based on a connection oriented protocol, where a QP (Queue pair) is associated with another single QP. The QPs do not execute a reliable Protocol and messages can be lost.
UD (Unreliable Datagram)	A QP transport service type in which messages can be one packet length and every UD QP can send/receive messages from another UD QP in the subnet Messages can be lost and the order is not guaranteed. UD QP is the only type which supports multicast messages. The message size of a UD packet is limited to the Path MTU
Verbs	An abstract description of the functionality of a network adapter. Using the verbs, any application can create / manage objects that are needed in order to use RDMA for data transfer.
VPI (Virtual Protocol Interface)	Allows the user to change the layer 2 protocol of the port.
WQ (Work Queue)	One of Send Queue or Receive Queue.
WQE (Work Queue Element)	A WQE, pronounced "wookie", is an element in a work queue.

Term	Description
WR (Work Request)	A request which was posted by a user to a work queue.

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# 1 RDMA Architecture Overview

# 1.1 InfiniBand

InfiniBand (IB) is a high-speed, low latency, low CPU overhead, highly efficient and scalable server and storage interconnect technology. One of the key capabilities of InfiniBand is its support for native Remote Direct Memory Access (RDMA). InfiniBand enables data transfer between servers and between server and storage without the involvement of the host CPU in the data path. InfiniBand uses I/O channels for data communication (up to 16 million per host), where each channel provides the semantics of a virtualized NIC or HCA (security, isolations etc). InfiniBand provides various technology or solution speeds ranging from 10Gb/s (SDR) up to 56Gb/s (FDR) per port, using copper and optical fiber connections. InfiniBand efficiency and scalability have made it the optimal performance and cost/performance interconnect solution for the world's leading high-performance computing, cloud, Web 2.0, storage, database and financial data centers and applications. InfiniBand is a standard technology, defined and specified by the IBTA organization.

# 1.2 Virtual Protocol Interconnect® (VPI)

The Mellanox Virtual Protocol Interconnect (VPI) architecture provides a high performance, low latency and reliable means for communication among network adapters and switches supporting both InfiniBand and Ethernet semantics. A VPI adapter or switch can be set to deliver either InfiniBand or Ethernet semantics per port. A dual-port VPI adapter, for example, can be configured to one of the following options:

- An adapter (HCA) with two InfiniBand ports
- A NIC with two Ethernet ports
- An adapter with one InfiniBand port and one Ethernet port at the same time

Similarly, a VPI switch can have InfiniBand-only ports, Ethernet-only ports, or a mix of both InfiniBand and Ethernet ports working at the same time.

Mellanox-based VPI adapters and switches support both the InfiniBand RDMA and the Ethernet RoCE solutions.

# 1.3 RDMA over Converged Ethernet (RoCE)

RoCE is a standard for RDMA over Ethernet that is also defined and specified by the IBTA organization. RoCE provides true RDMA semantics for Ethernet as it does not require the complex and low performance TCP transport (needed for iWARP, for example).

RoCE is the most efficient low latency Ethernet solution today. It requires a very low CPU overhead and takes advantage of Priority Flow Control in Data Center Bridging Ethernet for lossless connectivity. RoCE has been fully supported by the Open Fabrics Software since the release of OFED 1.5.1.

# 1.4 Comparison of RDMA Technologies

Currently, there are three technologies that support RDMA: InfiniBand, Ethernet RoCE and Ethernet iWARP. All three technologies share a common user API which is defined in this document, but have different physical and link layers.

When it comes to the Ethernet solutions, RoCE has clear performance advantages over iWARP—both for latency, throughput and CPU overhead. RoCE is supported by many leading solutions, and is incorporated within Windows Server software (as well as InfiniBand).

RDMA technologies are based on networking concepts found in a traditional network but there are differences them and their counterparts in IP networks. The key difference is that RDMA provides a messaging service which applications can use to directly access the virtual memory on remote computers. The messaging service can be used for Inter Process Communication (IPC), communication with remote servers and to communicate with storage devices using Upper Layer Protocols (ULPs) such as iSCSI Extensions for RDMA (ISER) and SCSI RDMA Protocol (SRP), Storage Message Block (SMB), Samba, Lustre, ZFS and many more.

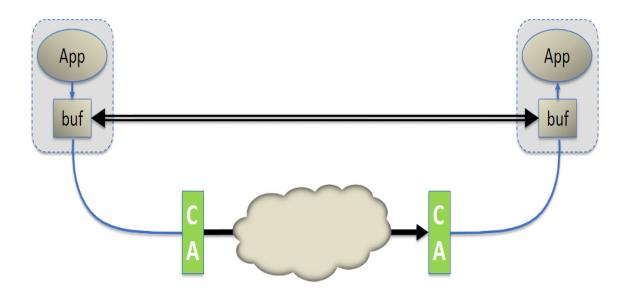
RDMA provides low latency through stack bypass and copy avoidance, reduces CPU utilization, reduces memory bandwidth bottlenecks and provides high bandwidth utilization. The key benefits that RDMA delivers accrue from the way that the RDMA messaging service is presented to the application and the underlying technologies used to transport and deliver those messages. RDMA provides Channel based IO. This channel allows an application using an RDMA device to directly read and write remote virtual memory.

In traditional sockets networks, applications request network resources from the operating system through an API which conducts the transaction on their behalf. However RDMA use the OS to establish a channel and then allows applications to directly exchange messages without further OS intervention. A message can be an RDMA Read, an RDMA Write operation or a Send/Receive operation. IB and RoCE also support Multicast transmission.

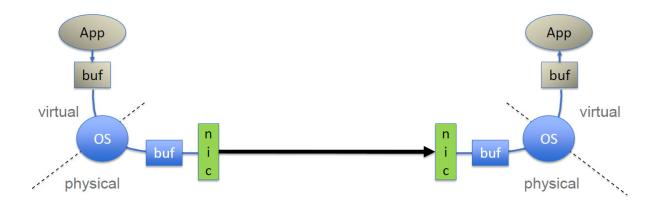
The IB Link layer offers features such as a credit based flow control mechanism for congestion control. It also allows the use of Virtual Lanes (VLs) which allow simplification of the higher layer level protocols and advanced Quality of Service. It guarantees strong ordering within the VL along a given path. The IB Transport layer provides reliability and delivery guarantees.

The Network Layer used by IB has features which make it simple to transport messages directly between applications' virtual memory even if the applications are physically located on different servers. Thus the combination of IB Transport layer with the Software Transport Interface is better thought of as a RDMA message transport service. The entire stack, including the Software Transport Interface comprises the IB messaging service.

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The most important point is that every application has direct access to the virtual memory of devices in the fabric. This means that applications do not need to make requests to an operating system to transfer messages. Contrast this with the traditional network environment where the shared network resources are owned by the operating system and cannot be accessed by a user application. Thus, an application must rely on the involvement of the operating system to move data from the application's virtual buffer space, through the network stack and out onto the wire. Similarly, at the other end, an application must rely on the operating system to retrieve the data on the wire on its behalf and place it in its virtual buffer space.



TCP/IP/Ethernet is a byte-stream oriented transport for passing bytes of information between sockets applications. TCP/IP is lossy by design but implements a reliability scheme using the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP). TCP/IP requires Operating System (OS) intervention for every operation which includes buffer copying on both ends of the wire. In a byte stream-ori-

ented network, the idea of a message boundary is lost. When an application wants to send a packet, the OS places the bytes into an anonymous buffer in main memory belonging to the operating system and when the byte transfer is complete, the OS copies the data in its buffer into the receive buffer of the application. This process is repeated each time a packet arrives until the entire byte stream is received. TCP is responsible for retransmitting any lost packets due to congestion.

In IB, a complete message is delivered directly to an application. Once an application has requested transport of an RDMA Read or Write, the IB hardware segments the outbound message as needed into packets whose size is determined by the fabric path maximum transfer unit. These packets are transmitted through the IB network and delivered directly into the receiving application's virtual buffer where they are re-assembled into a complete message. The receiving application is notified once the entire message has been received. Thus neither the sending nor the receiving application is involved until the entire message is delivered into the receiving application's buffer.

# 1.5 Key Components

These are being presented only in the context of the advantages of deploying IB and RoCE. We do not discuss cables and connectors.

#### **Host Channel Adapter**

HCAs provide the point at which an IB end node (for example, a server) connects to an IB network. These are the equivalent of the Ethernet (NIC) card but they do much more. HCAs provide address translation mechanism under the control of the operating system which allows an application to access the HCA directly. The same address translation mechanism is the means by which an HCA accesses memory on behalf of a user level application. The application refers to virtual addresses while the HCA has the ability to translate these addresses into physical addresses in order to affect the actual message transfer.

#### **Range Extenders**

InfiniBand range extension is accomplished by encapsulating the InfiniBand traffic onto the WAN link and extending sufficient buffer credits to ensure full bandwidth across the WAN.

#### **Subnet Manager**

The InfiniBand subnet manager assigns Local Identifiers (LIDs) to each port connected to the InfiniBand fabric and develops a routing table based on the assigned LIDs. The IB Subnet Manager is a concept of Software Defined Networking (SDN) which eliminates the interconnect complexity and enables the creation of very large scale compute and storage infrastructures.

#### **Switches**

IB switches are conceptually similar to standard networking switches but are designed to meet IB performance requirements. They implement flow control of the IB Link Layer to prevent packet dropping, and to support congestion avoidance and adaptive routing capabilities, and advanced Quality of Service. Many switches include a Subnet Manager. At least one Subnet Manager is required to configure an IB fabric.

# 1.6 Support for Existing Applications and ULPs

IP applications are enabled to run over an InfiniBand fabric using IP over IB (IPoIB) or Ethernet over IB (EoIB) or RDS ULPs. Storage applications are supported via iSER, SRP, RDS, NFS,

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ZFS, SMB and others. MPI and Network Direct are all supported ULPs as well, but are outside the scope of this document.

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# 2 RDMA-Aware Programming Overview

The VPI architecture permits direct user mode access to the hardware. Mellanox provides a dynamically loaded library, creating access to the hardware via the verbs API. This document contains verbs and their related inputs, outputs, descriptions, and functionality as exposed through the operating system programming interface.

**Note:** This programming manual and its verbs are valid only for user space. See header files for the kernel space verbs.

Programming with verbs allows for customizing and optimizing the RDMA-Aware network. This customizing and optimizing should be done only by programmers with advanced knowledge and experience in the VPI systems.

In order to perform RDMA operations, establishment of a connection to the remote host, as well as appropriate permissions need to be set up first. The mechanism for accomplishing this is the Queue Pair (QP). For those familiar with a standard IP stack, a QP is roughly equivalent to a socket. The QP needs to be initialized on both sides of the connection. Communication Manager (CM) can be used to exchange information about the QP prior to actual QP setup.

Once a QP is established, the verbs API can be used to perform RDMA reads, RDMA writes, and atomic operations. Serialized send/receive operations, which are similar to socket reads/writes, can be performed as well.

# 2.1 Available Communication Operations

#### 2.1.1 Send/Send With Immediate

The send operation allows you to send data to a remote QP's receive queue. The receiver must have previously posted a receive buffer to receive the data. The sender does not have any control over where the data will reside in the remote host.

Optionally, an immediate 4 byte value may be transmitted with the data buffer. This immediate value is presented to the receiver as part of the receive notification, and is not contained in the data buffer.

#### 2.1.2 Receive

This is the corresponding operation to a send operation. The receiving host is notified that a data buffer has been received, possibly with an inline immediate value. The receiving application is responsible for receive buffer maintenance and posting.

#### 2.1.3 RDMA Read

A section of memory is read from the remote host. The caller specifies the remote virtual address as well as a local memory address to be copied to. Prior to performing RDMA operations, the remote host must provide appropriate permissions to access its memory. Once these permissions are set, RDMA read operations are conducted with no notification whatsoever to the remote host. For both RDMA read and write, the remote side isn't aware that this operation being done (other than the preparation of the permissions and resources).

#### 2.1.4 RDMA Write / RDMA Write With Immediate

Similar to RDMA read, but the data is written to the remote host. RDMA write operations are performed with no notification to the remote host. RDMA write with immediate operations, however, do notify the remote host of the immediate value.

# 2.1.5 Atomic Fetch and Add / Atomic Compare and Swap

These are atomic extensions to the RDMA operations.

The atomic fetch and add operation atomically increments the value at a specified virtual address by a specified amount. The value prior to being incremented is returned to the caller.

The atomic compare and swap will atomically compare the value at a specified virtual address with a specified value and if they are equal, a specified value will be stored at the address.

# 2.2 Transport Modes

There are several different transport modes you may select from when establishing a QP. Operations available in each mode are shown below in the table below. RD is not supported by this API.

Operation	UD	UC	RC	RD
Send (with immediate)	X	X	X	X
Receive	X	X	X	X
RDMA Write (with immediate)		X	X	X
RDMA Read			X	X
Atomic: Fetch and Add/ Cmp and Swap			X	X
Max message size	MTU	1GB	1GB	1GB

# 2.2.1 Reliable Connection (RC)

Queue Pair is associated with only one other QP.

Messages transmitted by the send queue of one QP are reliably delivered to receive queue of the other QP.

Packets are delivered in order.

A RC connection is very similar to a TCP connection.

# 2.2.2 Unreliable Connection (UC)

A Queue Pair is associated with only one other QP.

The connection is not reliable so packets may be lost.

Messages with errors are not retried by the transport, and error handling must be provided by a higher level protocol.

# 2.2.3 Unreliable Datagram (UD)

A Queue Pair may transmit and receive single-packet messages to/from any other UD QP.

Ordering and delivery are not guaranteed, and delivered packets may be dropped by the receiver. Multicast messages are supported (one to many).

A UD connection is very similar to a UDP connection.

# 2.3 Key Concepts

# 2.3.1 Send Request (SR)

An SR defines how much data will be sent, from where, how and, with RDMA, to where. struct ibv send wr is used to implement SRs.

# 2.3.2 Receive Request (RR)

An RR defines buffers where data is to be received for non-RDMA operations. If no buffers are defined and a transmitter attempts a send operation or a RDMA Write with immediate, a receive not ready (RNR) error will be sent. struct ibv recv wr is used to implement RRs.

# 2.3.3 Completion Queue

A Completion Queue is an object which contains the completed work requests which were posted to the Work Queues (WQ). Every completion says that a specific WR was completed (both successfully completed WRs and unsuccessfully completed WRs).

A Completion Queue is a mechanism to notify the application about information of ended Work Requests (status, opcode, size, source).

CQs have n Completion Queue Entries (CQE). The number of CQEs is specified when the CQ is created

When a CQE is polled it is removed from the CQ.

CQ is a FIFO of CQEs.

CQ can service send queues, receive queues, or both.

Work queues from multiple QPs can be associated with a single CQ.

struct ibv cq is used to implement a CQ.

# 2.3.4 Memory Registration

Memory Registration is a mechanism that allows an application to describe a set of virtually contiguous memory locations or a set of physically contiguous memory locations to the network adapter as a virtually contiguous buffer using Virtual Addresses.

The registration process pins the memory pages (to prevent the pages from being swapped out and to keep physical <-> virtual mapping).

During the registration, the OS checks the permissions of the registered block.

The registration process writes the virtual to physical address table to the network adapter.

When registering memory, permissions are set for the region. Permissions are local write, remote read, remote write, atomic, and bind.

Every MR has a remote and a local key (r\_key, l\_key). Local keys are used by the local HCA to access local memory, such as during a receive operation. Remote keys are given to the remote HCA to allow a remote process access to system memory during RDMA operations.

The same memory buffer can be registered several times (even with different access permissions) and every registration results in a different set of keys.

struct ibv mr is used to implement memory registration.

# 2.3.5 Memory Window

An MW allows the application to have more flexible control over remote access to its memory. Memory Windows are intended for situations where the application:

- wants to grant and revoke remote access rights to a registered Region in a dynamic fashion with less of a performance penalty than using deregistration/registration or reregistration.
- wants to grant different remote access rights to different remote agents and/or grant those rights over different ranges within a registered Region.

The operation of associating an MW with an MR is called Binding.

Different MWs can overlap the same MR (event with different access permissions).

#### 2.3.6 Address Vector

An Address Vector is an object that describes the route from the local node to the remote node.

In every UC/RC QP there is an address vector in the QP context.

In UD QP the address vector should be defined in every post SR.

struct ibv ah is used to implement address vectors.

# 2.3.7 Global Routing Header (GRH)

The GRH is used for routing between subnets. When using RoCE, the GRH is used for routing inside the subnet and therefore is a mandatory. The use of the GRH is mandatory in order for an application to support both IB and RoCE.

When global routing is used on UD QPs, there will be a GRH contained in the first 40 bytes of the receive buffer. This area is used to store global routing information, so an appropriate address vector can be generated to respond to the received packet. If GRH is used with UD, the RR should always have extra 40 bytes available for this GRH.

struct ibv grh is used to implement GRHs.

#### 2.3.8 Protection Domain

Object whose components can interact with only each other. These components can be AH, QP, MR, and SRQ.

A protection domain is used to associate Queue Pairs with Memory Regions and Memory Windows, as a means for enabling and controlling network adapter access to Host System memory.

PDs are also used to associate Unreliable Datagram queue pairs with Address Handles, as a means of controlling access to UD destinations.

struct ibv pd is used to implement protection domains.

# 2.3.9 Asynchronous Events

The network adapter may send async events to inform the SW about events that occurred in the system.

There are two types of async events:

**Affiliated events:** events that occurred to personal objects (CQ, QP, SRQ). Those events will be sent to a specific process.

**Unaffiliated events:** events that occurred to global objects (network adapter, port error). Those events will be sent to all processes.

#### 2.3.10 Scatter Gather

Data is being gathered/scattered using scatter gather elements, which include:

Address: address of the local data buffer that the data will be gathered from or scattered to.

Size: the size of the data that will be read from / written to this address.

L key: the local key of the MR that was registered to this buffer.

struct ibv sge implements scatter gather elements.

# 2.3.11 **Polling**

Polling the CQ for completion is getting the details about a WR (Send or Receive) that was posted.

If we have completion with bad status in a WR, the rest of the completions will be all be bad (and the Work Queue will be moved to error state).

Every WR that does not have a completion (that was polled) is still outstanding.

Only after a WR has a completion, the send / receive buffer may be used / reused / freed.

The completion status should always be checked.

When a CQE is polled it is removed from the CQ.

Polling is accomplished with the ibv poll cq operation.

# 2.4 Typical Application

This documents provides two program examples:

- The first code, RDMA\_RC\_example, uses the VPI verbs API, demonstrating how to perform RC: Send, Receive, RDMA Read and RDMA Write operations.
- The second code, multicast example, uses RDMA\_CM verbs API, demonstrating Multicast UD.

The structure of a typical application is as follows. The functions in the programming example that implement each step are indicated in **bold.** 

1. Get the device list;

First you must retrieve the list of available IB devices on the local host. Every device in this list contains both a name and a GUID. For example the device names can be: mthca0, mlx4 1.

Implemented in programming example by 7.1.4 resources\_create

2. Open the requested device;

Iterate over the device list, choose a device according to its GUID or name and open it.

Implemented in programming example by 7.1.4 resources\_create.

#### 3. Query the device capabilities;

The device capabilities allow the user to understand the supported features (APM, SRQ) and capabilities of the opened device.

Implemented in programming example by 7.1.4 resources create.

#### 4. Allocate a Protection Domain to contain your resources;

A Protection Domain (PD) allows the user to restrict which components can interact with only each other. These components can be AH, QP, MR, MW, and SRQ.

Implemented in programming example by 7.1.4 resources create.

#### 5. Register a memory region;

VPI only works with registered memory. Any memory buffer which is valid in the process's virtual space can be registered. During the registration process the user sets memory permissions and receives local and remote keys (lkey/rkey) which will later be used to refer to this memory buffer.

Implemented in programming example by 7.1.4 resources\_create.

#### 6. Create a Completion Queue (CQ);

A CQ contains completed work requests (WR). Each WR will generate a completion queue entry (CQE) that is placed on the CQ. The CQE will specify if the WR was completed successfully or not.

Implemented in programming example by 7.1.4 resources create.

#### 7. Create a Oueue Pair (OP);

Creating a QP will also create an associated send queue and receive queue.

Implemented in programming example by 7.1.4 resources\_create.

# 8. Bring up a QP;

A created QP still cannot be used until it is transitioned through several states, eventually getting to Ready To Send (RTS). This provides needed information used by the QP to be able send / receive data.

Implemented in programming example by 7.1.6 connect\_qp, 7.1.7 modify\_qp\_to\_init, 7.1.8 post\_receive, 7.1.10 modify\_qp\_to\_rtr, and 7.1.11 modify\_qp\_to\_rts.

#### 9. Post work requests and poll for completion;

Use the created QP for communication operations.

Implemented in programming example by 7.1.12 post send and 7.1.13 poll completion.

#### 10. Cleanup;

Destroy objects in the reverse order you created them:

Delete OP

Delete CQ

Deregister MR

Deallocate PD

Close device

Implemented in programming example by 7.1.14 resources destroy.

# 3 VPI Verbs API

This chapter describes the details of the VPI verbs API.

# 3.1 Initialization

# 3.1.1 ibv fork init

#### **Template:**

int ibv fork init(void)

#### **Input Parameters:**

None

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_fork\_init** initializes libibverbs' data structures to handle the fork() function safely and avoid data corruption, whether fork() is called explicitly or implicitly such as in system() calls.

It is not necessary to call ibv\_fork\_init if all parent process threads are always blocked until all child processes end or change address space via an exec() operation.

This function works on Linux kernels supporting the MADV\_DONTFORK flag for madvise() (2.6.17 and higher).

Setting the environment variable RDMAV\_FORK\_SAFE or IBV\_FORK\_SAFE to any value has the same effect as calling ibv fork init().

Setting the environment variable RDMAV\_HUGEPAGES\_SAFE to any value tells the library to check the underlying page size used by the kernel for memory regions. This is required if an application uses huge pages either directly or indirectly via a library such as libhugetlbfs.

Calling ibv\_fork\_init() will reduce performance due to an extra system call for every memory registration, and the additional memory allocated to track memory regions. The precise performance impact depends on the workload and usually will not be significant.

Setting RDMAV\_HUGEPAGES\_SAFE adds further overhead to all memory registrations.

# 3.2 Device Operations

The following commands are used for general device operations, allowing the user to query information about devices that are on the system as well as opening and closing a specific device.

# 3.2.1 ibv\_get\_device\_list

#### **Template:**

```
struct ibv device **ibv get device list(int *num devices)
```

#### **Input Parameters:**

none

#### **Output Parameters:**

```
num_devices (optional) If non-null, the number of devices returned in
the array will be stored here
```

#### **Return Value:**

NULL terminated array of VPI devices or NULL on failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_get\_device\_list** returns a list of VPI devices available on the system. Each entry on the list is a pointer to a struct ibv device.

```
struct ibv device is defined as:
```

```
struct ibv_device
      struct ibv_device_ops
                                                ops;
      enum ibv_node_type
                                                node_type;
      enum ibv_transport_type
                                                transport_type;
      char
                                                name[IBV_SYSFS_NAME_MAX];
      char
                                                dev name[IBV SYSFS NAME MAX];
      char
                                                dev path[IBV SYSFS PATH MAX];
      char
                                                ibdev_path[IBV_SYSFS_PATH_MAX];
};
                    pointers to alloc and free functions
ops
                    IBV_NODE_UNKNOWN
node_type
                     IBV NODE CA
                     IBV NODE SWITCH
                    IBV_NODE_ROUTER
                     IBV NODE RNIC
transport type
                     IBV TRANSPORT UNKNOWN
                    IBV_TRANSPORT_IB
                    IBV TRANSPORT IWARP
name
                    kernel device name eg "mthca0"
                    uverbs device name eg "uverbs0"
dev_name
                    path to infiniband_verbs class device in sysfs
dev_path
ibdev_path
                    path to infiniband class device in sysfs
```

The list of ibv\_device structs shall remain valid until the list is freed. After calling ibv\_get\_device\_list, the user should open any desired devices and promptly free the list via the **ibv\_free\_device\_list** command.

# 3.2.2 ibv\_free\_device\_list

#### **Template:**

void ibv free device list(struct ibv device \*\*list)

#### **Input Parameters:**

list list of devices provided from ibv\_get\_device\_list command

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

none

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_free\_device\_list** frees the list of ibv\_device structs provided by **ibv\_get\_device\_list**. Any desired devices should be opened prior to calling this command. Once the list is freed, all ibv\_device structs that were on the list are invalid and can no longer be used.

# 3.2.3 ibv get device name

#### **Template:**

const char \*ibv\_get\_device\_name(struct ibv device \*device)

#### **Input Parameters:**

device struct ibv\_device for desired device

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

Pointer to device name char string or NULL on failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_get\_device\_name** returns a pointer to the device name contained within the ibv\_device struct.

# 3.2.4 ibv\_get\_device\_guid

#### **Template:**

uint64 t ibv get device guid(struct ibv device \*device)

#### **Input Parameters:**

device struct ibv\_device for desired device

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

64 bit GUID

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_get\_device\_guid** returns the devices 64 bit Global Unique Identifier (GUID) in network byte order.

# 3.2.5 ibv\_open\_device

#### **Template:**

struct ibv\_context \*ibv\_open\_device(struct ibv\_device \*device)

#### **Input Parameters:**

device struct ibv\_device for desired device

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

A verbs context that can be used for future operations on the device or NULL on failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_open\_device** provides the user with a verbs context which is the object that will be used for all other verb operations.

# 3.2.6 ibv\_close\_device

#### **Template:**

int ibv\_close\_device(struct ibv\_context \*context)

#### **Input Parameters:**

context struct ibv\_context from ibv\_open\_device

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_close\_device** closes the verb context previously opened with ibv\_open\_device. This operation does not free any other objects associated with the context. To avoid memory leaks, all other objects must be independently freed prior to calling this command.

# 3.2.7 ibv\_node\_type\_str

#### **Template:**

```
const char *ibv node type str (enum ibv node type node type)
```

#### **Input Parameters:**

```
node_type ibv_node_type enum value which may be an HCA, Switch,
Router, RNIC or Unknown
```

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

A constant string which describes the enum value node\_type

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_node\_type\_str** returns a string describing the node type enum value, node\_type. This value can be an InfiniBand HCA, Switch, Router, an RDMA enabled NIC or unknown

## 3.2.8 ibv port state str

#### **Template:**

```
const char *ibv_port_state_str (enum ibv port state port state)
```

#### **Input Parameters:**

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

A constant string which describes the enum value port\_state

#### **Description:**

ibv\_port\_state\_str returns a string describing the port state enum value, port state.

# 3.3 Verb Context Operations

The following commands are used once a device has been opened. These commands allow you to get more specific information about a device or one of its ports, create completion queues (CQ), completion channels (CC), and protection domains (PD) which can be used for further operations.

# 3.3.1 ibv query device

#### **Template:**

int ibv\_query\_device(struct ibv context \*context, struct ibv device attr \*device attr)

#### **Input Parameters:**

```
context struct ibv_context from ibv_open_device
```

#### **Output Parameters:**

```
device_attr struct ibv_device_attr containing device attributes
```

#### **Return Value:**

```
0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.
```

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_query\_device** retrieves the various attributes associated with a device. The user should malloc a struct ibv\_device\_attr, pass it to the command, and it will be filled in upon successful return. The user is responsible to free this struct.

struct ibv device attr is defined as follows:

```
struct ibv_device_attr
       char
                                                  fw ver[64];
       uint64_t
                                                  node_guid;
       uint64 t
                                                  sys_image_guid;
       uint64 t
                                                  max_mr_size;
       uint64 t
                                                  page size cap;
                                                  vendor id;
       uint32 t
       uint32 t
                                                  vendor_part_id;
       uint32_t
                                                  hw_ver;
       int
                                                  max_qp;
       int
                                                  max_qp_wr;
       int
                                                  device cap flags;
       int
                                                  max sqe;
       int
                                                  max_sge_rd;
       int
                                                  max_cq;
       int
                                                  max cqe;
       int
                                                  max_mr;
       int
                                                  max pd;
       int
                                                  max qp rd atom;
       int
                                                  max_ee_rd_atom;
       int
                                                  max_res_rd_atom;
       int
                                                  max_qp_init_rd_atom;
       int
                                                  max_ee_init_rd_atom;
       enum ibv_atomic_cap
                                                  atomic_cap;
```

```
int
                                                max ee;
      int
                                                max_rdd;
      int
                                                max mw;
      int
                                                max raw ipv6 qp;
      int
                                                max_raw_ethy_qp;
      int
                                                max_mcast_grp;
      int
                                                max_mcast_qp_attach;
      int
                                                max_total_mcast_qp_attach;
      int
                                                max ah;
      int
                                                max fmr;
                                                max_map_per_fmr;
      int
      int
                                                max_srq;
      int
                                                max_srq_wr;
      int
                                                max_srq_sge;
      uint16 t
                                                max pkeys;
      uint8 t
                                                local ca ack delay;
      uint8_t
                                                phys_port_cnt;
}
fw ver
                    Firmware version
                    Node global unique identifier (GUID)
node_guid
                    System image GUID
sys image guid
max_mr_size
                    Largest contiguous block that can be registered
page_size_cap
                    Supported page sizes
                    Vendor ID, per IEEE
vendor_id
                    Vendor supplied part ID
vendor_part_id
hw_ver
                    Hardware version
                    Maximum number of Queue Pairs (QP)
max_qp
                    Maximum outstanding work requests (WR) on any queue
max_qp_wr
device_cap_flags
                    IBV DEVICE RESIZE MAX WR
                    IBV DEVICE BAD PKEY CNTR
                    IBV DEVICE BAD QKEY CNTR
                    IBV DEVICE RAW MULTI
                    IBV_DEVICE_AUTO_PATH_MIG
                    IBV_DEVICE_CHANGE_PHY_PORT
                    IBV_DEVICE_UD_AV_PORT_ENFORCE
                    IBV DEVICE CURR QP STATE MOD
                    IBV_DEVICE_SHUTDOWN_PORT
                    IBV_DEVICE_INIT_TYPE
                    IBV DEVICE PORT ACTIVE EVENT
                    IBV_DEVICE_SYS_IMAGE_GUID
                    IBV_DEVICE_RC_RNR_NAK_GEN
                    IBV DEVICE SRQ RESIZE
                    IBV_DEVICE_N_NOTIFY_CQ
                    IBV_DEVICE_XRC
max sge
                    Maximum scatter/gather entries (SGE) per WR for non-RD QPs
max_sge_rd
                    Maximum SGEs per WR for RD QPs
                    Maximum supported completion queues (CQ)
max_cq
                    Maximum completion queue entries (CQE) per CQ
max_cqe
max_mr
                    Maximum supported memory regions (MR)
```

max pd Maximum supported protection domains (PD)

max\_qp\_rd\_atom Maximum outstanding RDMA read and atomic operations per QP max\_ee\_rd\_atom Maximum outstanding RDMA read and atomic operations per End

to End (EE) context (RD connections)

operations

max\_qp\_init\_rd\_atom Maximium RDMA read and atomic operations that may be

initiated per QP

max\_ee\_init\_atom Maximum RDMA read and atomic operations that may be

initiated per EE

IBV\_ATOMIC\_HCA - atomic guarantees within this device

IBV ATOMIC GLOB - global atomic guarantees

max\_ee Maximum supported EE contexts max\_rdd Maximum supported RD domains

max\_mw Maximum supported memory windows (MW)
max\_raw\_ipv6\_qp Maximum supported raw IPv6 datagram QPs
max\_raw\_ethy\_qp Maximum supported ethertype datagram QPs

max mcast grp Maximum supported multicast groups

max\_mcast\_qp\_attach Maximum QPs per multicast group that can be attached

max\_total\_mcast\_qp\_attach

Maximum total QPs that can be attached to multicast groups

max\_ah Maximum supported address handles (AH)
max fmr Maximum supported fast memory regions (FMR)

max\_map\_per\_fmr

\_fmr Maximum number of remaps per FMR before an unmap operation is

required

max\_srq Maximum supported shared receive queues (SRCQ)

max\_srq\_wr Maximum work requests (WR) per SRQ

max\_srq\_sge Maximum SGEs per SRQ

max\_pkeys Maximum number of partitions

local\_ca\_ack\_delay Local CA ack delay

## 3.3.2 ibv\_query\_port

#### **Template:**

int **ibv\_query\_port**(struct ibv\_context \*context, uint8\_t port\_num, struct ibv\_port\_attr \*port attr)

#### **Input Parameters:**

#### **Output Parameters:**

port\_attr struct ibv\_port\_attr containing port attributes

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_query\_port** retrieves the various attributes associated with a port. The user should allocate a struct ibv\_port\_attr, pass it to the command, and it will be filled in upon successful return. The user is responsible to free this struct.

struct ibv port attr is defined as follows:

```
struct ibv port attr
      enum ibv_port_state
                                                state;
      enum ibv mtu
                                                max mtu;
                                                active_mtu;
      enum ibv_mtu
      int
                                                gid tbl len;
                                                port_cap_flags;
      uint32 t
      uint32 t
                                                max_msg_sz;
      uint32 t
                                                bad_pkey_cntr;
      uint32_t
                                                qkey viol cntr;
                                                pkey_tbl_len;
      uint16 t
      uint16 t
                                                lid;
      uint16 t
                                                sm lid;
      uint8_t
                                                lmc;
      uint8_t
                                                max_vl_num;
      uint8 t
                                                sm sl;
      uint8_t
                                                subnet_timeout;
      uint8 t
                                                init type reply;
      uint8 t
                                                active width;
      uint8 t
                                                active_speed;
      uint8_t
                                                phys_state;
};
                    IBV PORT NOP
state
                    IBV PORT DOWN
                     IBV_PORT_INIT
                     IBV PORT ARMED
                     IBV PORT ACTIVE
                     IBV_PORT_ACTIVE_DEFER
max_mtu
                    Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) supported by port. Can be:
                     IBV MTU 256
                    IBV_MTU_512
                     IBV_MTU_1024
                     IBV MTU 2048
                     IBV_MTU_4096
active_mtu
                    Actual MTU in use
gid tbl len
                    Length of source global ID (GID) table
                    Supported capabilities of this port. There are currently no
port_cap_flags
enumerations/defines declared in verbs.h
max_msg_sz
                    Maximum message size
bad_pkey_cntr
                    Bad P_Key counter
```

```
qkey viol cntr
                    Q Key violation counter
pkey_tbl_len
                    Length of partition table
                    First local identifier (LID) assigned to this port
lid
sm lid
                    LID of subnet manager (SM)
lmc
                    LID Mask control (used when multiple LIDs are assigned to
port)
max_vl_num
                    Maximum virtual lanes (VL)
                    SM service level (SL)
sm_sl
subnet timeout
                    Subnet propagation delay
                    Type of initialization performed by SM
init_type_reply
active_width
                    Currently active link width
active_speed
                    Currently active link speed
phys_state
                    Physical port state
```

# 3.3.3 ibv\_query\_gid

#### **Template:**

int ibv\_query\_gid(struct ibv\_context \*context, uint8\_t port\_num, int index, union ibv\_gid \*gid)

#### **Input Parameters:**

```
context struct ibv_context from ibv_open_device

port_num physical port number (1 is first port)

index which entry in the GID table to return (0 is first)
```

#### **Output Parameters:**

```
gid union ibv_gid containing gid information
```

#### **Return Value:**

```
0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.
```

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_query\_gid** retrieves an entry in the port's global identifier (GID) table. Each port is assigned at least one GID by the subnet manager (SM). The GID is a valid IPv6 address composed of the globally unique identifier (GUID) and a prefix assigned by the SM. GID[0] is unique and contains the port's GUID.

The user should allocate a union ibv\_gid, pass it to the command, and it will be filled in upon successful return. The user is responsible to free this union. union ibv\_gid is defined as follows:

};

# 3.3.4 ibv\_query\_pkey

#### **Template:**

int ibv\_query\_pkey(struct ibv\_context \*context, uint8\_t port\_num, int index, uint16\_t \*pkey)

#### **Input Parameters:**

context struct ibv\_context from ibv\_open\_device
port\_num physical port number (1 is first port)

index which entry in the pkey table to return (0 is first)

#### **Output Parameters:**

pkey desired pkey

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_query\_pkey** retrieves an entry in the port's partition key (pkey) table. Each port is assigned at least one pkey by the subnet manager (SM). The pkey identifies a partition that the port belongs to. A pkey is roughly analogous to a VLAN ID in Ethernet networking.

The user passes in a pointer to a uint16 that will be filled in with the requested pkey. The user is responsible to free this uint16.

#### 3.3.5 ibv alloc pd

#### **Template:**

struct ibv pd \*ibv alloc pd(struct ibv context \*context)

#### **Input Parameters:**

context struct ibv\_context from ibv\_open\_device

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### Return Value:

Pointer to created protection domain or NULL on failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_alloc\_pd** creates a protection domain (PD). PDs limit which memory regions can be accessed by which queue pairs (QP) providing a degree of protection from unauthorized access. The user must create at least one PD to use VPI verbs.

# 3.3.6 ibv\_dealloc\_pd

#### **Template:**

int ibv dealloc pd(struct ibv pd \*pd)

#### **Input Parameters:**

pd struct ibv\_pd from ibv\_alloc\_pd

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_dealloc\_pd** frees a protection domain (PD). This command will fail if any other objects are currently associated with the indicated PD.

# 3.3.7 ibv create cq

#### **Template:**

struct ibv\_cq \*ibv\_create\_cq(struct ibv\_context \*context, int cqe, void \*cq\_context, struct ibv\_comp\_channel \*channel, int comp\_vector)

#### **Input Parameters:**

context struct ibv\_context from ibv\_open\_device

cqe Minimum number of entries CQ will support

cq context (Optional) User defined value returned with completion

events

channel (Optional) Completion channel comp vector (Optional) Completion vector

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

pointer to created CQ or NULL on failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_create\_cq** creates a completion queue (CQ). A completion queue holds completion queue entries (CQE). Each Queue Pair (QP) has an associated send and receive CQ. A single CQ can be shared for sending and receiving as well as be shared across multiple QPs.

The parameter cqe defines the minimum size of the queue. The actual size of the queue may be larger than the specified value.

The parameter cq\_context is a user defined value. If specified during CQ creation, this value will be returned as a parameter in **ibv\_get\_cq\_event** when using a completion channel (CC).

The parameter channel is used to specify a CC. A CQ is merely a queue that does not have a built in notification mechanism. When using a polling paradigm for CQ processing, a CC is unnecessary. The user simply polls the CQ at regular intervals. If, however, you wish to use a pend para-

digm, a CC is required. The CC is the mechanism that allows the user to be notified that a new CQE is on the CQ.

The parameter comp\_vector is used to specify the completion vector used to signal completion events. It must be >=0 and < context->num\_comp\_vectors.

# 3.3.8 ibv\_resize\_cq

### **Template:**

int ibv resize cq(struct ibv cq \*cq, int cqe)

#### **Input Parameters:**

cq CQ to resize

cqe Minimum number of entries CQ will support

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

### **Description:**

**ibv\_resize\_cq** resizes a completion queue (CQ).

The parameter cqe must be at least the number of outstanding entries on the queue. The actual size of the queue may be larger than the specified value. The CQ may (or may not) contain completions when it is being resized thus, it can be resized during work with the CQ.

# 3.3.9 ibv\_destroy\_cq

# **Template:**

int **ibv destroy cq**(struct ibv cq \*cq)

### **Input Parameters:**

cq CQ to destroy

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**ibv\_destroy\_cq** frees a completion queue (CQ). This command will fail if there is any queue pair (QP) that still has the specified CQ associated with it.

# 3.3.10 ibv\_create\_comp\_channel

### **Template:**

struct ibv comp channel \*ibv create comp channel(struct ibv context \*context)

#### **Input Parameters:**

context struct ibv\_context from ibv\_open\_device

## **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

pointer to created CC or NULL on failure.

### **Description:**

**ibv\_create\_comp\_channel** creates a completion channel. A completion channel is a mechanism for the user to receive notifications when new completion queue event (CQE) has been placed on a completion queue (CQ).

# 3.3.11 ibv\_destroy\_comp\_channel

## **Template:**

int ibv\_destroy\_comp\_channel(struct ibv\_comp\_channel \*channel)

#### **Input Parameters:**

channel struct ibv comp channel from ibv create comp channel

# **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

# **Description:**

**ibv\_destroy\_comp\_channel** frees a completion channel. This command will fail if there are any completion queues (CQ) still associated with this completion channel.

# 3.4 Protection Domain Operations

Once you have established a protection domain (PD), you may create objects within that domain. This section describes operations available on a PD. These include registering memory regions (MR), creating queue pairs (QP) or shared receive queues (SRQ) and address handles (AH).

# 3.4.1 ibv\_reg\_mr

### **Template:**

struct ibv\_mr \*ibv\_reg\_mr(struct ibv\_pd \*pd, void \*addr, size\_t length, enum ibv\_access\_flags access)

# **Input Parameters:**

```
pd protection domain, struct ibv_pd from ibv_alloc_pd
addr memory base address
length length of memory region in bytes
access flags
```

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### Return Value:

pointer to created memory region (MR) or NULL on failure.

### **Description:**

**ibv\_reg\_mr** registers a memory region (MR), associates it with a protection domain (PD), and assigns it local and remote keys (lkey, rkey). All VPI commands that use memory require the memory to be registered via this command. The same physical memory may be mapped to different MRs even allowing different permissions or PDs to be assigned to the same memory, depending on user requirements.

Access flags may be bitwise or one of the following enumerations:

```
IBV_ACCESS_LOCAL_WRITE Allow local host write access
IBV_ACCESS_REMOTE_WRITE Allow remote hosts write access
IBV_ACCESS_REMOTE_READ Allow remote hosts read access
IBV_ACCESS_REMOTE_ATOMIC Allow remote hosts atomic access
IBV_ACCESS_MW_BIND Allow memory windows on this MR
```

Local read access is implied and automatic.

Any VPI operation that violates the access permissions of the given memory operation will fail. Note that the queue pair (QP) attributes must also have the correct permissions or the operation will fail.

If IBV\_ACCESS\_REMOTE\_WRITE or IBV\_ACCESS\_REMOTE\_ATOMIC is set, then IBV\_ACCESS\_LOCAL\_WRITE must be set as well.

```
struct ibv_mr is defined as follows:
struct ibv_mr
```

```
struct ibv_context *context; struct ibv_pd *pd;
```

# 3.4.2 ibv\_dereg\_mr

#### **Template:**

```
int ibv dereg mr(struct ibv mr *mr)
```

### **Input Parameters:**

```
mr struct ibv_mr from ibv_reg_mr
```

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

```
0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.
```

## **Description:**

**ibv\_dereg\_mr** frees a memory region (MR). The operation will fail if any memory windows (MW) are still bound to the MR.

# 3.4.3 ibv\_create\_qp

#### **Template:**

```
struct ibv qp *ibv create qp(struct ibv pd *pd, struct ibv qp init attr *qp init attr)
```

# **Input Parameters:**

```
pd struct ibv_pd from ibv_alloc_pd 
qp_init_attr initial attributes of queue pair
```

### **Output Parameters:**

### **Return Value:**

pointer to created queue pair (QP) or NULL on failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv** create qp creates a QP. When a QP is created, it is put into the RESET state.

```
struct qp_init_attr is defined as follows:
```

```
struct ibv srq
                                               *srq;
      struct ibv_qp_cap
                                               cap;
      enum ibv_qp_type
                                               qp_type;
                                               sq_sig_all;
      struct ibv_xrc_domain
                                               *xrc_domain;
};
qp context
                    (optional) user defined value associated with QP.
                    send CQ. This must be created by the user prior to calling
send cq
ibv_create_qp.
                    receive CQ. This must be created by the user prior to calling
recv_cq
ibv create qp. It may be the same as send cq.
                    (optional) shared receive queue. Only used for SRQ QP's.
sra
                    defined below.
cap
                    must be one of the following:
qp_type
                    IBV QPT RC = 2,
                    IBV_QPT_UC,
                    IBV_QPT_UD,
                    IBV QPT XRC,
                    IBV_QPT_RAW_PACKET = 8,
                    IBV QPT RAW ETH = 8
                    If this value is set to 1, all send requests (WR) will
sq sig all
generate completion queue events (CQE). If this value is set to 0, only WRs that
are flagged will generate CQE's (see ibv_post_send).
                    (Optional) Only used for XRC operations.
xrc domain
struct ibv_qp_cap is defined as follows:
struct ibv_qp_cap
{
      uint32 t
                                               max send wr;
      uint32 t
                                               max_recv_wr;
      uint32_t
                                               max_send_sge;
      uint32 t
                                               max recv sge;
      uint32_t
                                               max_inline_data;
};
                    Maximum number of outstanding send requests in the send
max_send_wr
queue.
                    Maximum number of outstanding receive requests (buffers) in
max recv wr
the receive queue.
                    Maximum number of scatter/gather elements (SGE) in a WR on
max_send_sge
the send queue.
max_recv_sge
                    Maximum number of SGEs in a WR on the receive queue.
max_inline_data
                    Maximum size in bytes of inline data on the send queue.
```

# 3.4.4 ibv\_destroy\_qp

#### **Template:**

```
int ibv destroy qp(struct ibv qp *qp)
```

## **Input Parameters:**

qp struct ibv\_qp from ibv\_create\_qp

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### Return Value:

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

### **Description:**

ibv destroy qp frees a queue pair (QP).

# 3.4.5 ibv\_create\_srq

# **Template:**

struct ibv\_srq \*ibv\_create\_srq(struct ibv\_pd \*pd, struct ibv\_srq\_init\_attr \*srq\_init\_attr)

#### **Input Parameters:**

```
pd The protection domain associated with the shared receive queue (SRQ)
srq_init_attr A list of initial attributes required to create the SRQ
```

#### **Output Parameters:**

#### **Return Value:**

A pointer to the created SRQ or NULL on failure

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_create\_srq** creates a shared receive queue (SRQ). srq\_attr->max\_wr and srq\_attr->max\_sge are read to determine the requested size of the SRQ, and set to the actual values allocated on return. If ibv\_create\_srq succeeds, then max\_wr and max\_sge will be at least as large as the requested values.

struct ibv srq is defined as follows:

```
struct ibv_srq {
        struct ibv context
                                 *context; struct ibv context from ibv open device
        void
                                 *srq_context;
                                                 Protection domain
        struct ibv_pd
                                 *pd;
        uint32 t
                                 handle;
        pthread_mutex_t
                                  mutex;
        pthread_cond_t
                                  cond;
        uint32 t
                                  events completed;
 struct ibv_srq_init_attr is defined as follows:
struct ibv_srq_init_attr
       void
                                                  *srq_context;
```

```
struct ibv_srq_attr
                                                 attr;
};
srq context
                    struct ibv context from ibv open device
                    An ibv_srq_attr struct defined as follows:
attr
 struct ibv srq attr is defined as follows:
struct ibv srq attr
      uint32_t
                                                 max_wr;
      uint32 t
                                                 max sge;
      uint32_t
                                                 srq_limit;
};
                    Requested maximum number of outstanding WRs in the SRQ
max_wr
                    Requested number of scatter elements per WR
max_sge
srq limit;
                    The limit value of the SRQ (irrelevant for ibv create srq)
```

# 3.4.6 ibv\_modify\_srq

### **Template:**

int ibv\_modify\_srq (struct ibv\_srq \*srq, struct ibv\_srq\_attr \*srq\_attr, int srq\_attr\_mask)

#### **Input Parameters:**

```
srq The SRQ to modify

srq_attr Specifies the SRQ to modify (input)/the current values of
the selected SRQ attributes are returned (output)

srq_attr_mask A bit-mask used to specify which SRQ attributes are being
modified
```

### **Output Parameters:**

srq\_attr
The struct ibv\_srq\_attr is returned with the updated values

## **Return Value:**

 ${\tt 0}$  on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**ibv\_modify\_srq** modifies the attributes of the SRQ srq using the attribute values in srq\_attr based on the mask srq\_attr\_mask. srq\_attr is an ibv\_srq\_attr struct as defined above under the verb ibv\_create\_srq. The argument srq\_attr\_mask specifies the SRQ attributes to be modified. It is either 0 or the bitwise OR of one or more of the flags:

```
IBV_SRQ_MAX_WR Resize the SRQ IBV_SRQ_LIMIT Set the SRQ limit
```

If any of the attributes to be modified is invalid, none of the attributes will be modified. Also, not all devices support resizing SRQs. To check if a device supports resizing, check if the IBV\_DE-VICE\_SRQ\_RESIZE bit is set in the device capabilities flags.

Modifying the SRQ limit arms the SRQ to produce an IBV\_EVENT\_SRQ\_LIMIT\_REACHED 'low watermark' async event once the number of WRs in the SRQ drops below the SRQ limit.

# 3.4.7 ibv\_destroy\_srq

### **Template:**

int ibv destroy srq(struct ibv srq \*srq)

## **Input Parameters:**

srq The SRQ to destroy

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

### **Description:**

**ibv\_destroy\_srq** destroys the specified SRQ. It will fail if any queue pair is still associated with this SRQ.

# 3.4.8 ibv\_open\_xrc\_domain

#### Template:

struct ibv xrc domain \*ibv open xrc domain(struct ibv context \*context, int fd, int oflag)

### **Input Parameters:**

context struct ibv\_context from ibv\_open\_device

fd The file descriptor to be associated with the XRC domain

oflag The desired file creation attributes

#### **Output Parameters:**

A file descriptor associated with the opened XRC domain

#### **Return Value:**

A reference to an opened XRC domain or NULL

# **Description:**

**ibv\_open\_xrc\_domain** opens an eXtended Reliable Connection (XRC) domain for the RDMA device context. The desired file creation attributes oflag can either be 0 or the bitwise OR of O\_CREAT and O\_EXCL. If a domain belonging to the device named by the context is already associated with the inode, then the O\_CREAT flag has no effect. If both O\_CREAT and O\_XCL are set, open will fail if a domain associated with the inode already exists. Otherwise a new XRC domain will be created and associated with the inode specified by fd.

Please note that the check for the existence of the domain and creation of the domain if it does not exist is atomic with respect to other processes executing open with fd naming the same inode.

If fd equals -1, then no inode is associated with the domain, and the only valid value for oflag is O CREAT.

Since each ibv\_open\_xrc\_domain call increments the xrc\_domain object's reference count, each such call must have a corresponding ibv\_close\_xrc\_domain call to decrement the xrc\_domain object's reference count.

# 3.4.9 ibv\_create\_xrc\_srq

### **Template:**

```
struct ibv_srq *ibv_create_xrc_srq(struct ibv_pd *pd,
struct ibv_xrc_domain *xrc_domain,
struct ibv_cq *xrc_cq,
struct ibv srq init attr *srq init attr)
```

### **Input Parameters:**

```
pd The protection domain associated with the shared receive queue xrc_domain The XRC domain xrc_cq The CQ which will hold the XRC completion srq_init_attr A list of initial attributes required to create the SRQ (described above)
```

## **Output Parameters:**

### **Return Value:**

A pointer to the created SRQ or NULL on failure

#### **Description:**

 $ibv\_create\_xrc\_srq \ creates \ an \ XRC \ shared \ receive \ queue \ (SRQ) \ associated \ with \ the \ protection \ domain \ pd, \ the \ XRC \ domain \ domain\_xrc \ and \ the \ CQ \ which \ will \ hold \ the \ completion \ xrc\_cq$ 

struct ibv\_xrc\_domain is defined as follows:

# 3.4.10 ibv\_close\_xrc\_domain

#### **Template:**

```
int ibv close xrc domain(struct ibv xrc domain *d)
```

#### **Input Parameters:**

d A pointer to the XRC domain the user wishes to close

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_close\_xrc\_domain** closes the XRC domain, d. If this happens to be the last reference, then the XRC domain will be destroyed. This function decrements a reference count and may fail if any QP or SRQ are still associated with the XRC domain being closed.

# 3.4.11 ibv\_create\_xrc\_rcv\_qp

### **Template:**

int ibv create xrc rcv qp(struct ibv qp init attr \*init attr, uint32 t \*xrc rcv qpn)

### **Input Parameters:**

xrc\_rcv\_qpn The QP number associated with the receive QP to be created

#### **Output Parameters:**

init\_attr Populated with the XRC domain information the QP will be

associated with

xrc\_rcv\_qpn The QP number associated with the receive QP being created

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_create\_xrc\_rcv\_qp** creates an XRC queue pair (QP) to serve as a receive side only QP and returns the QP number through xrc\_rcv\_qpn. This number must be passed to the remote (sender) node. The remote node will use xrc\_rcv\_qpn in ibv\_post\_send when it sends messages to an XRC SRO on this host in the same xrc domain as the XRC receive OP.

The QP with number xrc\_rcv\_qpn is created in kernel space and persists until the last process registered for the QP called ibv\_unreg\_xrc\_rcv\_qp, at which point the QP is destroyed. The process which creates this QP is automatically registered for it and should also call ibv\_unreg\_xrc\_rcv\_qp at some point to unregister.

Any process which wishes to receive on an XRC SRQ via this QP must call ibv\_reg\_xrc\_rcv\_qp for this QP to ensure that the QP will not be destroyed while they are still using it.

Please note that because the QP xrc\_rcv\_qpn is a receive only QP, the send queue in the init\_attr struct is ignored.

# 3.4.12 ibv\_modify\_xrc\_rcv\_qp

#### **Template:**

int **ibv\_modify\_xrc\_rcv\_qp**(struct ibv\_xrc\_domain \*xrc\_domain, uint32\_t xrc\_qp\_num, struct ibv qp attr \*attr, int attr mask)

### **Input Parameters:**

xrc\_domain The XRC domain associated with this QP xrc\_qp\_num The queue pair number to identify this QP

attr The attributes to use to modify the XRC receive QP attr\_mask The mask to use for modifying the QP attributes

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_modify\_xrc\_rcv\_qp** modifies the attributes of an XRC receive QP with the number xrc\_qp\_num which is associated with the attributes in the struct attr according to the mask attr\_mask. It then moves the QP through the following transitions: Reset->Init->RTR

At least the following masks must be set (the user may add optional attributes as needed)

Next State Required attributes

Init IBV QP STATE, IBV QP PKEY INDEX, IBV QP PORT,

IBV QP ACCESS FLAGS

RTR IBV QP STATE, IBV QP AV, IBV QP PATH MTU,

IBV\_QP\_DEST\_QPN, IBV\_QP\_RQ\_PSN, IBV\_QP\_MAX-DEST\_RD\_ATOMIC, IBV\_QP\_MIN\_RNR\_TIMER

Please note that if any attribute to modify is invalid or if the mask as invalid values, then none of the attributes will be modified, including the QP state.

# 3.4.13 ibv\_reg\_xrc\_rcv\_qp

#### **Template:**

int ibv reg xrc rcv qp(struct ibv xrc domain \*xrc domain, uint32 t xrc qp num)

#### **Input Parameters:**

xrc domain The XRC domain associated with the receive QP

xrc\_qp\_num The number associated with the created QP to which the user

process is to be registered

# **Output Parameters:**

None

### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate

the reason for the failure.

### **Description:**

**ibv\_reg\_xrc\_rcv\_qp** registers a user process with the XRC receive QP whose number is xrc\_qp\_num associated with the XRC domain xrc\_domain.

This function may fail if the number xrc\_qp\_num is not the number of a valid XRC receive QP (for example if the QP is not allocated or it is the number of a non-XRC QP), or the XRC receive QP was created with an XRC domain other than xrc domain.

# 3.4.14 ibv unreg xrc rcv qp

## **Template:**

int ibv\_unreg\_xrc\_rcv\_qp(struct ibv\_xrc\_domain \*xrc\_domain, uint32\_t xrc\_qp\_num)

## **Input Parameters:**

 ${\tt xrc\_domain}$  The XRC domain associated with the XRC receive QP from which the user wishes to unregister

### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_unreg\_xrc\_rcv\_qp** unregisters a user process from the XRC receive QP number xrc\_qp\_num which is associated with the XRC domain xrc\_domain. When the number of user processes registered with this XRC receive QP drops to zero, the QP is destroyed.

# 3.4.15 ibv\_create\_ah

#### **Template:**

struct ibv ah \*ibv create ah(struct ibv pd \*pd, struct ibv ah attr \*attr)

### **Input Parameters:**

pd struct ibv\_pd from ibv\_alloc\_pd

attr attributes of address

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

pointer to created address handle (AH) or NULL on failure.

# **Description:**

**ibv\_create\_ah** creates an AH. An AH contains all of the necessary data to reach a remote destination. In connected transport modes (RC, UC) the AH is associated with a queue pair (QP). In the datagram transport modes (UD), the AH is associated with a work request (WR).

```
struct ibv ah attr is defined as follows:
```

```
struct ibv_ah_attr
       struct ibv_global_route
                                                 grh;
       uint16 t
                                                 dlid;
      uint8 t
                                                 sl;
      uint8 t
                                                 src_path_bits;
      uint8_t
                                                 static_rate;
      uint8_t
                                                 is_global;
      uint8_t
                                                 port_num;
};
                     defined below
grh
dlid
                     destination lid
                     service level
sl
src_path_bits
                     source path bits
static rate
                     static rate
is_global
                     this is a global address, use grh.
port_num
                     physical port number to use to reach this destination
 struct ibv global route is defined as follows:
struct ibv_global_route
                                                 dgid;
       union ibv gid
      uint32 t
                                                 flow label;
      uint8 t
                                                 sgid index;
      uint8 t
                                                 hop limit;
                                                 traffic_class;
      uint8_t
};
dgid
                     destination GID (see ibv_query_gid for definition)
flow_label
                     flow label
sgid index
                     index of source GID (see ibv query gid)
hop_limit
                     hop limit
traffic_class
                     traffic class
```

# 3.4.16 ibv\_destroy\_ah

## **Template:**

int ibv destroy ah(struct ibv ah \*ah)

#### **Input Parameters:**

ah struct ibv\_ah from ibv\_create\_ah

# **Output Parameters:**

none

## Return Value:

 ${\tt 0}$  on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

# **Description:**

ibv\_destroy\_ah frees an address handle (AH). Once an AH is destroyed, it can't be used anymore in UD QPs

# 3.5 Queue Pair Bringup (ibv\_modify\_qp)

Queue pairs (QP) must be transitioned through an incremental sequence of states prior to being able to be used for communication.

QP States:

```
RESET Newly created, queues empty.

INIT Basic information set. Ready for posting to receive queue.

RTR Ready to Receive. Remote address info set for connected QPs,
QP may now receive packets.

RTS Ready to Send. Timeout and retry parameters set, QP may now send packets.
```

These transitions are accomplished through the use of the **ibv\_modify\_qp** command.

# 3.5.1 ibv\_modify\_qp

### **Template:**

```
int ibv_modify_qp(struct ibv_qp *qp, struct ibv_qp_attr *attr, enum ibv_qp_attr_mask attr mask)
```

### **Input Parameters:**

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

```
O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.
```

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_modify\_qp** this verb changes QP attributes and one of those attributes may be the QP state. Its name is a bit of a misnomer, since you cannot use this command to modify qp attributes at will. There is a very strict set of attributes that may be modified during each transition, and transitions must occur in the proper order. The following subsections describe each transition in more detail.

struct ibv qp attr is defined as follows:

```
uint32 t
                                                  rq_psn;
       uint32_t
                                                  sq psn;
       uint32_t
                                                  dest_qp_num;
       int
                                                  qp access flags;
       struct ibv_qp_cap
                                                  cap;
       struct ibv_ah_attr
                                                  ah_attr;
       struct ibv_ah_attr
                                                  alt_ah_attr;
       uint16_t
                                                  pkey_index;
       uint16 t
                                                  alt_pkey_index;
       uint8 t
                                                  en_sqd_async_notify;
       uint8_t
                                                  sq_draining;
       uint8_t
                                                  max_rd_atomic;
       uint8 t
                                                  max_dest_rd_atomic;
       uint8_t
                                                  min_rnr_timer;
       uint8 t
                                                  port_num;
       uint8 t
                                                  timeout;
       uint8_t
                                                  retry_cnt;
       uint8_t
                                                  rnr_retry;
       uint8 t
                                                  alt_port_num;
       uint8_t
                                                  alt_timeout;
};
```

The following values select one of the above attributes and should be OR'd into the attr\_mask field:

```
IBV_QP_STATE
IBV_QP_CUR_STATE
IBV_QP_EN_SQD_ASYNC_NOTIFY
IBV QP ACCESS FLAGS
IBV_QP_PKEY_INDEX
IBV_QP_PORT
IBV_QP_QKEY
IBV_QP_AV
IBV_QP_PATH_MTU
IBV QP TIMEOUT
IBV QP RETRY CNT
IBV_QP_RNR_RETRY
IBV_QP_RQ_PSN
IBV_QP_MAX_QP_RD_ATOMIC
IBV_QP_ALT_PATH
IBV_QP_MIN_RNR_TIMER
IBV_QP_SQ_PSN
IBV_QP_MAX_DEST_RD_ATOMIC
IBV_QP_PATH_MIG_STATE
IBV_QP_CAP
IBV_QP_DEST_QPN
```

#### 3.5.2 RESET to INIT

When a queue pair (QP) is newly created, it is in the RESET state. The first state transition that needs to happen is to bring the QP in the INIT state.

# **Required Attributes:**

```
*** All QPs ***

qp_state / IBV_QP_STATEIBV_QPS_INIT
```

```
pkey_index / IBV_QP_PKEY_INDEXpkey index, normally 0
port_num / IBV_QP_PORTphysical port number (1...n)
qp_access_flags /
    IBV_QP_ACCESS_FLAGSaccess flags (see ibv_reg_mr)

*** Unconnected QPs only ***
qkey / IBV_QP_QKEY qkey (see ibv_post_send)
```

#### **Optional Attributes:**

none

#### **Effect of transition:**

Once the QP is transitioned into the INIT state, the user may begin to post receive buffers to the receive queue via the **ibv\_post\_recv** command. At least one receive buffer should be posted before the QP can be transitioned to the RTR state.

#### 3.5.3 INIT to RTR

Once a queue pair (QP) has receive buffers posted to it, it is now possible to transition the QP into the ready to receive (RTR) state.

### **Required Attributes:**

```
*** All QPs ***
qp_state / IBV_QP_STATEIBV_QPS_RTR
path_mtu / IBV_QP_PATH_MTUIB_MTU_256
                    IB MTU 512 (recommended value)
                    IB_MTU_1024
                    IB_MTU_2048
                    IB MTU 4096
*** Connected QPs only ***
ah attr / IBV QP AV an address handle (AH) needs to be created and filled in as
appropriate. Minimally, ah_attr.dlid needs to be filled in.
dest_qp_num / IBV_QP_DEST_QPNQP number of remote QP.
rq_psn / IBV_QP_RQ_PSNstarting receive packet sequence number (should match
remote QP's sq psn)
max dest rd atomic /
    IBV MAX DEST RD ATOMICmaximum number of resources for incoming RDMA requests
min_rnr_timer /
    IBV_QP_MIN_RNR_TIMERminimum RNR NAK timer (recommended value: 12)
```

#### **Optional Attributes:**

```
*** All QPs ***
qp_access_flags /
    IBV_QP_ACCESS_FLAGSaccess flags (see ibv_reg_mr)
```

```
pkey_index / IBV_QP_PKEY_INDEXpkey index, normally 0

*** Connected QPs only ***
alt_ah_attr / IBV_QP_ALT_PATHAH with alternate path info filled in

*** Unconnected QPs only ***
qkey / IBV_QP_QKEY qkey (see ibv_post_send)
```

#### Effect of transition:

Once the QP is transitioned into the RTR state, the QP begins receive processing.

## 3.5.4 RTR to RTS

Once a queue pair (QP) has reached ready to receive (RTR) state, it may then be transitioned to the ready to send (RTS) state.

#### **Required Attributes:**

```
*** All QPs ***
qp_state / IBV_QP_STATEIBV_QPS_RTS

*** Connected QPs only ***
timeout / IBV_QP_TIMEOUTlocal ack timeout (recommended value: 14)
retry_cnt / IBV_QP_RETRY_CNTretry count (recommended value: 7)
rnr_retry / IBV_QP_RNR_RETRYRNR retry count (recommended value: 7)
sq_psn / IBV_SQ_PSN send queue starting packet sequence number (should match remote QP's rq_psn)
max_rd_atomic
    / IBV_QP_MAX_QP_RD_ATOMICnumber of outstanding RDMA reads and atomic operations allowed.
```

## **Optional Attributes:**

```
*** All QPs ***
qp_access_flags /
    IBV_QP_ACCESS_FLAGSaccess flags (see ibv_reg_mr)

*** Connected QPs only ***
alt_ah_attr / IBV_QP_ALT_PATHAH with alternate path info filled in
min_rnr_timer /
    IBV_QP_MIN_RNR_TIMERminimum RNR NAK timer

*** Unconnected QPs only ***
qkey / IBV QP QKEY qkey (see ibv post send)
```

#### **Effect of transition:**

Once the QP is transitioned into the RTS state, the QP begins send processing and is fully operational. The user may now post send requests with the **ibv\_post\_send** command.

# 3.6 Active Queue Pair Operations

A QP can be queried staring at the point it was created and once a queue pair is completely operational, you may query it, be notified of events and conduct send and receive operations on it. This section describes the operations available to perform these actions.

# 3.6.1 ibv\_query\_qp

### **Template:**

int **ibv\_query\_qp**(struct ibv\_qp \*qp, struct ibv\_qp\_attr \*attr, enum ibv\_qp\_attr\_mask attr\_mask, struct ibv\_qp init attr \*init attr)

# **Input Parameters:**

qp struct ibv\_qp from ibv\_create\_qp

attr mask bitmask of items to query (see ibv modify qp)

#### **Output Parameters:**

attr struct ibv\_qp\_attr to be filled in with requested attributes init\_attr struct ibv\_qp\_init\_attr to be filled in with initial attributes

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_query\_qp** retrieves the various attributes of a queue pair (QP) as previously set through **ibv\_create\_qp** and **ibv\_modify\_qp**.

The user should allocate a struct ibv\_qp\_attr and a struct ibv\_qp\_init\_attr and pass them to the command. These structs will be filled in upon successful return. The user is responsible to free these structs.

struct ibv\_qp\_init\_attr is described in **ibv\_create\_qp** and struct ibv\_qp\_attr is described in **ibv\_-modify\_qp**.

# 3.6.2 ibv query srq

#### **Template:**

int ibv\_query\_srq(struct ibv\_srq \*srq, struct ibv\_srq\_attr \*srq\_attr)

## **Input Parameters:**

srq The SRQ to query

### **Output Parameters:**

srq\_attr The struct ibv\_srq\_attr is returned with the attributes of the specified SRQ

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate

the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**ibv\_query\_srq** returns the attributes list and current values of the specified SRQ. It returns the attributes through the pointer srq\_attr which is an ibv\_srq\_attr struct described above under ibv\_create\_srq. If the value of srq\_limit in srq\_attr is 0, then the SRQ limit reached ('low watermark') event is not or is no longer armed. No asynchronous events will be generated until the event is re-armed.

# 3.6.3 ibv\_query\_xrc\_rcv\_qp

## **Template:**

```
int ibv_query_xrc_rcv_qp(struct ibv_xrc_domain *xrc_domain, uint32_t xrc_qp_num, struct ibv_qp_attr *attr, int attr_mask, struct ibv_qp_init attr *init attr)
```

### **Input Parameters:**

-----

xrc_domain	The ARC domain associated with this QP
xrc_qp_num	The queue pair number to identify this QP
attr	The ibv_qp_attr struct in which to return the attributes
attr_mask	A mask specifying the minimum list of attributes to retrieve
init_attr	The ibv_qp_init_attr struct to return the initial attributes

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#### **Output Parameters:**

attr A pointer to the struct containing the QP attributes of

interest

init\_attr A pointer to the struct containing initial attributes

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success,  $\ -1$  on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

# **Description:**

**ibv\_query\_xrc\_rcv\_qp** retrieves the attributes specified in attr\_mask for the XRC receive QP with the number xrc\_qp\_num and domain xrc\_domain. It returns them through the pointers attr and init attr.

The attr\_mask specifies a minimal list to retrieve. Some RDMA devices may return extra attributes not requested. Attributes are valid if they have been set using the ibv\_modify\_xrc\_rcv\_qp. The exact list of valid attributes depends on the QP state. Multiple ibv\_query\_xrc\_rcv\_qp calls may yield different returned values for these attributes: qp\_state, path\_mig\_state, sq\_draining, ah attr (if automatic path migration (APM) is enabled).

# 3.6.4 ibv\_post\_recv

### **Template:**

int ibv post recv(struct ibv qp \*qp, struct ibv recv wr \*wr, struct ibv recv wr \*\*bad wr)

#### **Input Parameters:**

#### **Output Parameters:**

```
bad_wr pointer to first rejected WR
```

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**ibv\_post\_recv** posts a linked list of WRs to a queue pair's (QP) receive queue. At least one receive buffer should be posted to the receive queue to transition the QP to RTR. Receive buffers are consumed as the remote peer executes Send, Send with Immediate and RDMA Write with Immediate operations. Receive buffers are **NOT** used for other RDMA operations. Processing of the WR list is stopped on the first error and a pointer to the offending WR is returned in bad\_wr. struct ibv recv wr is defined as follows:

```
struct ibv_recv_wr
       uint64 t
                                                  wr id;
       struct ibv recv wr
                                                  *next;
       struct ibv_sge
                                                  *sg list;
                                                  num_sge;
};
                     user assigned work request ID
wr_id
next
                     pointer to next WR, NULL if last one.
sg_list
                     scatter array for this WR
num sge
                     number of entries in sg list
 struct ibv sge is defined as follows:
struct ibv sge
       uint64_t
                                                  addr;
       uint32 t
                                                  length;
       uint32_t
                                                  lkey;
};
                     address of buffer
addr
length
                     length of buffer
lkey
                     local key (lkey) of buffer from ibv reg mr
```

# 3.6.5 ibv\_post\_send

#### **Template:**

int ibv\_post\_send(struct ibv qp \*qp, struct ibv send wr \*wr, struct ibv send wr \*\*bad wr)

#### **Input Parameters:**

#### **Output Parameters:**

```
bad_wr pointer to first rejected WR
```

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_post\_send** posts a linked list of WRs to a queue pair's (QP) send queue. This operation is used to initiate all communication, including RDMA operations. Processing of the WR list is stopped on the first error and a pointer to the offending WR is returned in bad wr.

The user should not alter or destroy AHs associated with WRs until the request has been fully executed and a completion queue entry (CQE) has been retrieved from the corresponding completion queue (CQ) to avoid unexpected behaviour.

The buffers used by a WR can only be safely reused after the WR has been fully executed and a WCE has been retrieved from the corresponding CQ. However, if the IBV\_SEND\_INLINE flag was set, the buffer can be reused immediately after the call returns.

struct ibv send wr is defined as follows:

```
struct ibv_send_wr
                                                 wr id;
       uint64 t
       struct ibv_send_wr
                                                 *next;
       struct ibv sge
                                                 *sg list;
                                                 num sqe;
       enum ibv_wr_opcode
                                                 opcode;
       enum ibv_send_flags
                                                 send_flags;
       uint32 t
                                                 imm data;/* network byte order */
       union
       {
           struct
               uint64_t
                                                 remote_addr;
               uint32 t
                                                 rkey;
           } rdma;
           struct
               uint64 t
                                                 remote addr;
               uint64 t
                                                 compare_add;
               uint64 t
                                                 swap;
               uint32 t
                                                 rkey;
           } atomic;
           struct
               struct ibv_ah
                                                 *ah;
               uint32 t
                                                 remote qpn;
               uint32 t
                                                 remote_qkey;
           } ud;
       } wr;
       uint32 t
                                                 xrc_remote_srq_num;
};
wr id
                     user assigned work request ID
next
                     pointer to next WR, NULL if last one.
```

sg\_list scatter/gather array for this WR num sge number of entries in sg list

opcode IBV\_WR\_RDMA\_WRITE

IBV\_WR\_RDMA\_WRITE\_WITH\_IMM

IBV\_WR\_SEND

IBV\_WR\_SEND\_WITH\_IMM
IBV\_WR\_RDMA\_READ

IBV\_WR\_ATOMIC\_CMP\_AND\_SWP
IBV\_WR\_ATOMIC\_FETCH\_AND\_ADD

send flags (optional) - this is a bitwise OR of the flags. See the

details below.

rkey remote key (from ibv reg mr on remote) for RDMA/atomic

operations

compare add compare value for compare and swap operation

swap swap value

ah address handle (AH) for datagram operations remote\_qpn remote\_QP number for datagram operations

remote\_qkey Qkey for datagram operations

xrc\_remote\_srq\_num shared receive queue (SRQ) number for the destination
extended reliable connection (XRC). Only used for XRC operations.

send flags:

IBV SEND FENCE set fence indicator

IBV\_SEND\_SIGNALED send completion event for this WR. Only meaningful for QPs

that had the sq\_sig\_all set to 0

IBV\_SEND\_SOLICITED

set solicited event indicator

IBV\_SEND\_INLINE send data in sge\_list as inline data.

struct ibv\_sge is defined in ibv\_post\_recv.

# 3.6.6 ibv post srq recv

#### **Template:**

int **ibv\_post\_srq\_recv**(struct ibv\_srq \*srq, struct ibv\_recv\_wr \*recv\_wr, struct ibv\_recv\_wr \*\*bad recv wr)

## **Input Parameters:**

srq The SRQ to post the work request to

recv\_wr A list of work requests to post on the receive queue

# **Output Parameters:**

bad\_recv\_wr pointer to first rejected WR

# Return Value:

0 on success,  $\ -1$  on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_post\_srq\_recv** posts a list of work requests to the specified SRQ. It stops processing the WRs from this list at the first failure (which can be detected immediately while requests are being posted), and returns this failing WR through the bad\_recv\_wr parameter.

The buffers used by a WR can only be safely reused after WR the request is fully executed and a work completion has been retrieved from the corresponding completion queue (CQ).

If a WR is being posted to a UD QP, the Global Routing Header (GRH) of the incoming message will be placed in the first 40 bytes of the buffer(s) in the scatter list. If no GRH is present in the incoming message, then the first 40 bytes will be undefined. This means that in all cases for UD QPs, the actual data of the incoming message will start at an offset of 40 bytes into the buffer(s) in the scatter list

# 3.6.7 ibv\_req\_notify\_cq

### **Template:**

int ibv req notify cq(struct ibv cq \*cq, int solicited only)

### **Input Parameters:**

cq struct ibv\_cq from ibv\_create\_cq

solicited\_only only notify if WR is flagged as solicited

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

## **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_req\_notify\_cq** arms the notification mechanism for the indicated completion queue (CQ). When a completion queue entry (CQE) is placed on the CQ, a completion event will be sent to the completion channel (CC) associated with the CQ. If there is already a CQE in that CQ, an event won't be generated for this event. If the solicited\_only flag is set, then only CQEs for WRs that had the solicited flag set will trigger the notification.

The user should use the **ibv\_get\_cq\_event** operation to receive the notification.

The notification mechanism will only be armed for one notification. Once a notification is sent, the mechanism must be re-armed with a new call to **ibv\_req\_notify\_cq**.

# 3.6.8 ibv\_get\_cq\_event

#### **Template:**

int **ibv\_get\_cq\_event**(struct ibv\_comp\_channel \*channel, struct ibv\_cq \*\*cq, void \*\*cq\_context)

## **Input Parameters:**

channel struct ibv\_comp\_channel from ibv\_create\_comp\_channel

#### **Output Parameters:**

cq pointer to completion queue (CQ) associated with event

cq\_context user supplied context set in ibv\_create\_cq

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

### **Description:**

**ibv\_get\_cq\_event** waits for a notification to be sent on the indicated completion channel (CC). Note that this is a blocking operation. The user should allocate pointers to a struct ibv\_cq and a void to be passed into the function. They will be filled in with the appropriate values upon return. It is the user's responsibility to free these pointers.

Each notification sent MUST be acknowledged with the ibv\_ack\_cq\_events operation. Since the ibv\_destroy\_cq operation waits for all events to be acknowledged, it will hang if any events are not properly acknowledged.

Once a notification for a completion queue (CQ) is sent on a CC, that CQ is now "disarmed" and will not send any more notifications to the CC until it is rearmed again with a new call to the **ibv\_req\_notify\_cq** operation.

This operation only informs the user that a CQ has completion queue entries (CQE) to be processed, it does not actually process the CQEs. The user should use the **ibv\_poll\_cq** operation to process the CQEs.

# 3.6.9 ibv ack cq events

#### **Template:**

void ibv ack cq events(struct ibv cq \*cq, unsigned int nevents)

#### **Input Parameters:**

cq struct ibv\_cq from ibv\_create\_cq

nevents number of events to acknowledge (1...n)

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

None

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_ack\_cq\_events** acknowledges events received from **ibv\_get\_cq\_event**. Although each notification received from **ibv\_get\_cq\_event** counts as only one event, the user may acknowledge multiple events through a single call to **ibv\_ack\_cq\_events**. The number of events to acknowledge is passed in nevents and should be at least 1. Since this operation takes a mutex, it is somewhat expensive and acknowledging multiple events in one call may provide better performance.

See **ibv get cq event** for additional details.

# 3.6.10 ibv\_poll\_cq

## **Template:**

int **ibv poll cq**(struct ibv cq \*cq, int num entries, struct ibv wc \*wc)

#### **Input Parameters:**

```
cq struct ibv_cq from ibv_create_cq
num entries maximum number of completion queue entries (CQE) to return
```

#### **Output Parameters:**

wc CQE array

#### **Return Value:**

Number of CQEs in array wc or -1 on error

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_poll\_cq** retrieves CQEs from a completion queue (CQ). The user should allocate an array of struct ibv\_wc and pass it to the call in wc. The number of entries available in wc should be passed in num entries. It is the user's responsibility to free this memory.

The number of CQEs actually retrieved is given as the return value.

CQs must be polled regularly to prevent an overrun. In the event of an overrun, the CQ will be shut down and an async event IBV EVENT CQ ERR will be sent.

struct ibv\_wc is defined as follows:

```
struct ibv_wc
       uint64 t
                                                 wr id;
       enum ibv_wc_status
                                                 status;
       enum ibv wc opcode
                                                 opcode;
      uint32 t
                                                 vendor err;
      uint32 t
                                                 byte len;
      uint32_t
                                                 imm_data;/* network byte order */
      uint32 t
                                                 qp num;
      uint32_t
                                                 src_qp;
       enum ibv wc flags
                                                 wc flags;
      uint16 t
                                                 pkey index;
      uint16 t
                                                 slid;
      uint8_t
                                                 sl:
      uint8 t
                                                 dlid path bits;
};
                    user specified work request id as given in ibv_post_send or
wr id
ibv_post_recv
status
                     IBV_WC_SUCCESS
                     IBV_WC_LOC_LEN_ERR
                     IBV WC LOC QP OP ERR
                     IBV_WC_LOC_EEC_OP_ERR
                     IBV_WC_LOC_PROT_ERR
                     IBV WC WR FLUSH ERR
                     IBV_WC_MW_BIND_ERR
                     IBV_WC_BAD_RESP_ERR
```

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> IBV WC LOC ACCESS ERR IBV\_WC\_REM\_INV\_REQ\_ERR IBV\_WC\_REM\_ACCESS\_ERR IBV WC REM OP ERR IBV\_WC\_RETRY\_EXC\_ERR IBV\_WC\_RNR\_RETRY\_EXC\_ERR IBV\_WC\_LOC\_RDD\_VIOL\_ERR IBV\_WC\_REM\_INV\_RD\_REQ\_ERR IBV\_WC\_REM\_ABORT\_ERR IBV\_WC\_INV\_EECN\_ERR IBV\_WC\_INV\_EEC\_STATE\_ERR IBV\_WC\_FATAL\_ERR

IBV WC RESP TIMEOUT ERR

IBV\_WC\_GENERAL\_ERR

opcode IBV WC SEND,

> IBV WC RDMA WRITE, IBV\_WC\_RDMA\_READ, IBV\_WC\_COMP\_SWAP, IBV WC FETCH ADD, IBV\_WC\_BIND\_MW, IBV\_WC\_RECV= 1 << 7,</pre> IBV WC RECV RDMA WITH IMM

vendor\_err vendor specific error

byte\_len number of bytes transferred

imm data immediate data

local queue pair (QP) number qp\_num

remote QP number src\_qp

see below wc flags

index of pkey (valid only for GSI QPs) pkey\_index

slid source local identifier (LID)

ടി service level (SL)

dlid\_path\_bits destination LID path bits

flags:

IBV WC GRH global route header (GRH) is present in UD packet

IBV\_WC\_WITH\_IMM immediate data value is valid

# 3.6.11 ibv\_init\_ah\_from\_wc

### **Template:**

```
int ibv init ah from wc(struct ibv context *context, uint8 t port num,
                        struct ibv_wc *wc, struct ibv_grh *grh,
                        struct ibv ah attr *ah attr)
```

#### **Input Parameters:**

context struct ibv context from ibv open device. This should be the device the completion queue entry (CQE) was received on.

port num physical port number (1..n) that CQE was received on

wc received CQE from ibv poll cq

grh global route header (GRH) from packet (see description)

### **Output Parameters:**

ah\_attr address handle (AH) attributes

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

### **Description:**

**ibv\_init\_ah\_from\_wc** initializes an AH with the necessary attributes to generate a response to a received datagram. The user should allocate a struct ibv\_ah\_attr and pass this in. If appropriate, the GRH from the received packet should be passed in as well. On UD connections the first 40 bytes of the received packet may contain a GRH. Whether or not this header is present is indicated by the IBV\_WC\_GRH flag of the CQE. If the GRH is not present on a packet on a UD connection, the first 40 bytes of a packet are undefined.

When the function **ibv\_init\_ah\_from\_wc** completes, the ah\_attr will be filled in and the ah\_attr may then be used in the **ibv\_create\_ah** function. The user is responsible for freeing ah attr.

Alternatively, **ibv\_create\_ah\_from\_wc** may be used instead of this operation.

# 3.6.12 ibv\_create\_ah\_from\_wc

#### **Template:**

struct ibv\_ah \*ibv\_create\_ah\_from\_wc(struct ibv\_pd \*pd, struct ibv\_wc \*wc, struct ibv\_grh \*grh, uint8 t port num)

#### **Input Parameters:**

grh global route header (GRH) from packet

port\_num physical port number (1..n) that CQE was received on

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

Created address handle (AH) on success or -1 on error

## **Description:**

**ibv\_create\_ah\_from\_wc** combines the operations **ibv\_init\_ah\_from\_wc** and **ibv\_create\_ah**. See the description of those operations for details.

# 3.6.13 ibv\_attach\_mcast

# **Template:**

int ibv\_attach\_mcast(struct ibv qp \*qp, const union ibv gid \*gid, uint16 t lid)

#### **Input Parameters:**

qp QP to attach to the multicast group

gid The multicast group GID

lid The multicast group LID in host byte order

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**ibv\_attach\_mcast** attaches the specified QP, qp, to the multicast group whose multicast group GID is gid, and multicast LID is lid.

Only QPs of Transport Service Type IBV\_QPT\_UD may be attached to multicast groups.

In order to receive multicast messages, a join request for the multicast group must be sent to the subnet administrator (SA), so that the fabric's multicast routing is configured to deliver messages to the local port.

If a QP is attached to the same multicast group multiple times, the QP will still receive a single copy of a multicast message.

# 3.6.14 ibv\_detach\_mcast

#### **Template:**

int ibv detach meast(struct ibv qp \*qp, const union ibv gid \*gid, uint16 t lid)

#### **Input Parameters:**

qp QP to attach to the multicast group

gid The multicast group GID

lid The multicast group LID in host byte order

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### Return Value:

0 on success,  $\mbox{-1}$  on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_detach\_mcast** detaches the specified QP, qp, from the multicast group whose multicast group GID is gid, and multicast LID is lid.

# 3.7 Event Handling Operations

# 3.7.1 ibv\_get\_async\_event

### **Template:**

int ibv get async event(struct ibv context \*context, struct ibv async event \*event)

### **Input Parameters:**

```
context struct ibv_context from ibv_open_device
event A pointer to use to return the async event
```

### **Output Parameters:**

event A pointer to the async event being sought

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

### **Description:**

**ibv\_get\_async\_event** gets the next asynchronous event of the RDMA device context 'context' and returns it through the pointer 'event' which is an ibv\_async\_event struct. All async events returned by **ibv\_get\_async\_event** must eventually be acknowledged with **ibv\_ack\_async\_event**.

**ibv\_get\_async\_event()** is a blocking function. If multiple threads call this function simultaneously, then when an async event occurs, only one thread will receive it, and it is not possible to predict which thread will receive it.

struct ibv async event is defined as follows:

One member of the element union will be valid, depending on the event\_type member of the structure, event type will be one of the following events:

#### **QP** events:

```
IBV_EVENT_QP_FATAL Error occurred on a QP and it transitioned to error state
IBV_EVENT_QP_REQ_ERR Invalid Request Local Work Queue Error
IBV_EVENT_QP_ACCESS_ERR Local access violation error
IBV_EVENT_COMM_EST Communication was established on a QP
IBV_EVENT_SQ_DRAINED Send Queue was drained of outstanding messages in progress
IBV_EVENT_PATH_MIG A connection has migrated to the alternate path
IBV_EVENT_QP_LAST_WQE_REACHED Last_WQE_Reached on a QP associated with an SRQ
```

### CQ events:

IBV EVENT CQ ERR CQ is in error (CQ overrun)

#### **SRQ** events:

IBV\_EVENT\_SRQ\_ERR Error occurred on an SRQ IBV EVENT SRQ LIMIT REACHED SRQ limit was reached

#### **Port events:**

IBV\_EVENT\_PORT\_ACTIVE Link became active on a port IBV\_EVENT\_PORT\_ERR Link became unavailable on a port

IBV EVENT LID CHANGE LID was changed on a port

IBV\_EVENT\_PKEY\_CHANGE P\_Key table was changed on a port

IBV EVENT SM CHANGE SM was changed on a port

IBV\_EVENT\_CLIENT\_REREGISTER SM sent a CLIENT\_REREGISTER request to a port

IBV EVENT GID CHANGE GID table was changed on a port

**CA** events:

IBV EVENT DEVICE FATAL CA is in FATAL state

# 3.7.2 ib\_ack\_async\_event

### **Template:**

void ibv ack async event(struct ibv async event \*event)

### **Input Parameters:**

event A pointer to the event to be acknowledged

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

None

## **Description:**

All async events that ibv\_get\_async\_event() returns must be acknowledged using ibv\_ack\_async\_event(). To avoid races, destroying an object (CQ, SRQ or QP) will wait for all affiliated events for the object to be acknowledged; this avoids an application retrieving an affiliated event after the corresponding object has already been destroyed.

# 3.7.3 ibv event type str

## **Template:**

const char \*ibv\_event\_type\_str(enum ibv\_event\_type event\_type)

### **Input Parameters:**

event\_type ibv\_event\_type enum value

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

A constant string which describes the enum value event type

## **Description:**

**ibv\_event\_type\_str** returns a string describing the event type enum value, event\_type. event\_type may be any one of the 19 different enum values describing different IB events.

```
ibv event type {
      IBV_EVENT_CQ_ERR,
      IBV_EVENT_QP_FATAL,
      IBV_EVENT_QP_REQ_ERR,
      IBV EVENT QP ACCESS ERR,
      IBV EVENT COMM EST,
      IBV_EVENT_SQ_DRAINED,
      IBV_EVENT_PATH_MIG,
      IBV EVENT PATH MIG ERR,
      IBV EVENT DEVICE FATAL,
      IBV EVENT PORT ACTIVE,
      IBV EVENT PORT ERR,
      IBV EVENT LID CHANGE,
      IBV EVENT PKEY CHANGE,
      IBV EVENT SM CHANGE,
      IBV EVENT_SRQ_ERR,
      IBV EVENT SRQ LIMIT REACHED,
      IBV EVENT QP LAST WQE REACHED,
      IBV_EVENT_CLIENT_REREGISTER,
      IBV_EVENT_GID_CHANGE,
};
```

# 3.8 Experimental APIs

# 3.8.1 ibv\_exp\_query\_device

### **Template:**

int ibv exp query device(struct ibv context \*context, struct ibv exp device attr \*attr)

#### **Input Parameters:**

context

#### **Output Parameters:**

attr

#### **Return Value:**

returns 0 on success, or the value of errno on failure (which indicates the failure reason).

#### **Description:**

**ibv\_exp\_query\_device** returns the attributes of the device with context context. The argument attr is a pointer to an ibv\_exp\_device\_attr struct, as defined in <infiniband/verbs\_exp.h>.

```
struct ibv_exp_device_attr {
  char fw_ver[64];
  uint64_t node_guid;
  uint64_t sys_image_guid;
  uint64_t max_mr_size;
  uint64_t page_size_cap;
```

```
uint32_t
              vendor id;
  uint32_t
              vendor_part_id;
  uint32 t
              hw ver;
  int
         max_qp;
  int
         max_qp_wr;
  int
         reserved; /* place holder to align with ibv_device_attr */
  int
         max sge;
  int
         max_sge_rd;
 int
         max_cq;
  int
         max_cqe;
  int
         max_mr;
  int
         max_pd;
  int
        max_qp_rd_atom;
  int
         max_ee_rd_atom;
         max res rd atom;
  int
  int
         max qp init rd atom;
  int
          max_ee_init_rd_atom;
  enum ibv_exp_atomic_cap exp_atomic_cap;
 int
         max ee;
  int
         max_rdd;
  int
         max mw;
  int
         max_raw_ipv6_qp;
         max_raw_ethy_qp;
  int
  int
         max_mcast_grp;
  int
         max_mcast_qp_attach;
  int
        max_total_mcast_qp_attach;
        max ah;
  int
  int
        max fmr;
        max_map_per_fmr;
  int
  int
        max_srq;
        max_srq_wr;
  int
  int
         max_srq_sge;
  uint16 t
              max_pkeys;
  uint8 t
              local ca ack delay;
  uint8_t
              phys_port_cnt;
 uint32_t
                          comp_mask;
  struct ibv_exp_device_calc_cap calc_cap;
  uint64_t
             timestamp_mask;
  uint64 t
              hca core clock;
  uint64 t
              exp device cap flags; /* use ibv exp device cap flags */
         max_dc_req_rd_atom;
  int
  int
          max_dc_res_rd_atom;
          inline_recv_sz;
  int
  uint32_t
             max_rss_tbl_sz;
  struct ibv_exp_ext_atomics_params ext_atom;
  uint32 t
                          max mkey klm list size;
  uint32_t
                          max_send_wqe_inline_klms;
 uint32_t
                          max_umr_recursion_depth;
  uint32 t
                          max_umr_stride_dimension;
};
```

# 3.8.2 ibv\_exp\_create\_qp

#### **Template:**

ibv exp create qp(struct ibv context \*context, struct ibv exp qp init attr \*qp init attr)

# **Input Parameters:**

## **Output Parameters:**

#### Return Value:

Returns a pointer to the created QP, or NULL if the request fails. Check the QP number  $(qp\_num)$  in the returned QP.

### **Description:**

**ibv\_exp\_create\_qp** creates a queue pair (QP) associated with the protection domain pd. The argument init\_attr is an ibv\_exp\_qp\_init\_attr struct, as defined in <infiniband/verbs\_exp.h>.

```
struct ibv_exp_qp_init_attr {
 void
                *qp_context;
 struct ibv_cq
                      *send_cq;
 struct ibv_cq
                      *recv_cq;
 struct ibv_srq
                        *srq;
 struct ibv_qp_cap cap;
 enum ibv_qp_type qp_type;
 int
         sq_sig_all;
 uint32_t
             comp_mask; /* use ibv_exp_qp_init_attr_comp_mask */
 struct ibv_pd
                      *pd;
 struct ibv_xrcd
                       *xrcd;
 uint32_t exp_create_flags; /* use ibv_exp_qp_create_flags */
 uint32 t
           max_inl_recv;
 struct ibv_exp_qpg qpg;
 uint32_t max_atomic_arg;
 uint32 t
                         max inl send klms;
};
```

# 3.8.3 ibv\_exp\_post\_send

#### **Template:**

static inline int ibv\_exp\_post\_send(struct ibv\_qp \*qp, struct ibv\_exp\_send\_wr \*wr, struct ibv\_exp\_send\_wr \*bad\_wr)

#### **Input Parameters:**

# **Output Parameters:**

### **Return Value:**

returns 0 on success, or the value of errno on failure (which indicates the failure reason).

# **Description:**

**ibv\_exp\_post\_send** posts the linked list of work requests (WRs) starting with wr to the send queue of the queue pair qp. It stops processing WRs from this list at the first failure (that can be

detected immediately while requests are being posted), and returns this failing WR through bad\_wr.

```
struct ibv exp send wr {
 uint64_t wr_id;
 struct ibv_exp_send_wr *next;
 struct ibv sge
                      *sg list;
        num_sge;
 enum ibv_exp_wr_opcode exp_opcode; /* use ibv_exp_wr_opcode */
        reserved; /* place holder to align with ibv send wr */
 union {
   uint32_t imm_data; /* in network byte order */
   uint32 t invalidate rkey;
  } ex;
 union {
   struct {
     uint64_t remote_addr;
     uint32_t rkey;
    } rdma;
   struct {
     uint64_t remote_addr;
     uint64 t compare add;
     uint64_t swap;
     uint32_t rkey;
    } atomic;
    struct {
     struct ibv_ah *ah;
     uint32_t remote_qpn;
     uint32_t remote_qkey;
    } ud;
  } wr;
 union {
   union {
     struct {
       uint32_t
                  remote_srqn;
      } xrc;
    } qp_type;
   uint32_t
               xrc_remote_srq_num;
 };
 union {
   struct {
     uint64 t
                remote addr;
     uint32_t
                rkey;
    } rdma;
   struct {
     uint64_t
                remote_addr;
     uint64_t
                 compare_add;
     uint64 t
                 swap;
     uint32_t
                 rkey;
    } atomic;
    struct {
     struct ibv_cq *cq;
     int32 t cq count;
    } cqe_wait;
    struct {
     struct ibv_qp *qp;
     int32 t wge count;
    } wqe_enable;
```

```
} task;
union {
  struct {
   enum ibv exp calc op
                               calc op;
   enum ibv_exp_calc_data_type data_type;
   enum ibv_exp_calc_data_size data_size;
  } calc;
} op;
struct {
 struct ibv ah
                  *ah;
 uint64_t
                  dct_access_key;
 uint32_t
                  dct_number;
} dc;
struct {
 struct ibv_mw
                    *mw;
 uint32 t
              rkey;
 struct ibv_exp_mw_bind_info bind_info;
} bind_mw;
uint64_t exp_send_flags; /* use ibv_exp_send_flags */
uint32_t comp_mask; /* reserved for future growth (must be 0) */
union {
  struct {
    struct {
      enum mem_layout_type mkey_type;
      union {
         struct ibv_exp_mem_region *mem_reg_list; /* array, size corresponds to wr-
    >num sge */
        struct {
         struct ibv_exp_mem_repeat_block *mem_repeat_block_list; /* array, size cor-
    responds to wr->num_sge */
          size t *repeat count; /* array size corresponds to ndim */
         uint32_t ndim;
        } rb;
      } mem list;
     struct non_inline_data *memory_objects; /* used when IBV_EXP_SEND_INLINE is not
    set */
     int access;
      struct ibv_mr *modified_mr;
     void *region_base_addr;
   } memory key;
  } umr;
  struct {
   uint32 t
                    log_arg_sz;
   uint64_t remote_addr;
   uint32_t rkey;
   union {
      struct {
        /* For the next four fields:
        * If operand_size <= 8 then inline data is immediate
         * from the corresponding field; for small opernands,
         * ls bits are used.
         * Else the fields are pointers in the process's address space
         * where arguments are stored
         */
        union {
          struct ibv_exp_cmp_swap cmp_swap;
          struct ibv_exp_fetch_add fetch_add;
        } op;
                           /* IBV_EXP_SEND_EXT_ATOMIC_INLINE is set */
      } inline_data;
```

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For atomic operations, to support atomic responses in big-endian format (the only way to use atomics on Connect-IB® on little-endian machines) is:

- 1. Use experimental verbs.
- 2. Check to see if the atomics capabilities flag IBV\_EXP\_ATOMIC\_HCA\_REPLY\_BE in the exp\_atomic\_cap field of the struct ibv\_exp\_device\_attr returned by ibv\_exp\_query\_device().
- 3. Set the flag IBV\_EXP\_QP\_CREATE\_ATOMIC\_BE\_REPLY when opening the QP. This is what enables the use of atomic ops on Connect-IB.
- 4. Use the experimental post send verb.

# 4 RDMA\_CM API

# 4.1 Event Channel Operations

# 4.1.1 rdma\_create\_event\_channel

## **Template:**

struct rdma event channel \* rdma create event channel (void)

## **Input Parameters:**

void no arguments

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

A pointer to the created event channel, or NULL if the request fails. On failure, errno will be set to indicate the failure reason.

#### **Description:**

Opens an event channel used to report communication events. Asynchronous events are reported to users through event channels.

## **Notes:**

Event channels are used to direct all events on an rdma\_cm\_id. For many clients, a single event channel may be sufficient, however, when managing a large number of connections or cm\_ids, users may find it useful to direct events for different cm\_ids to different channels for processing.

All created event channels must be destroyed by calling rdma\_destroy\_event\_channel. Users should call rdma\_get\_cm\_event to retrieve events on an event channel.

Each event channel is mapped to a file descriptor. The associated file descriptor can be used and manipulated like any other fd to change its behavior. Users may make the fd non-blocking, poll or select the fd, etc.

#### See Also:

rdma cm, rdma get cm event, rdma destroy event channel

# 4.1.2 rdma\_destroy\_event\_channel

#### **Template:**

void rdma destroy event channel (struct rdma event channel \*channel)

## **Input Parameters:**

channel The communication channel to destroy.

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

## **Return Value:**

none

## **Description:**

Close an event communication channel. Release all resources associated with an event channel and closes the associated file descriptor.

## **Notes:**

All rdma\_cm\_id's associated with the event channel must be destroyed, and all returned events must be acked before calling this function.

## See Also:

rdma\_create\_event\_channel, rdma\_get\_cm\_event, rdma\_ack\_cm\_event

# 4.2 Connection Manager (CM) ID Operations

# 4.2.1 rdma\_create\_id

## **Template:**

int **rdma\_create\_id**(struct rdma\_event\_channel \*channel, struct rdma\_cm\_id \*\*id, void \*context, enum rdma port space ps)

#### **Input Parameters:**

channel The communication channel that events associated with the allocated rdma cm id will be reported on.

id A reference where the allocated communication identifier

will be returned.

context User specified context associated with the rdma cm id.

ps RDMA port space.

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

Creates an identifier that is used to track communication information.

#### **Notes:**

rdma\_cm\_ids are conceptually equivalent to a socket for RDMA communication. The difference is that RDMA communication requires explicitly binding to a specified RDMA device before communication can occur, and most operations are asynchronous in nature. Communication events on an rdma\_cm\_id are reported through the associated event channel. Users must release the rdma\_cm\_id by calling rdma\_destroy\_id.

PORT SPACES Details of the services provided by the different port spaces are outlined below.

RDMA\_PS\_TCP Provides reliable, connection-oriented QP communication. Unlike TCP, the RDMA port space provides message, not stream, based communication.

RDMA\_PS\_UDP Provides unreliable, connection less QP communication. Supports both datagram and multicast communication.

## See Also:

rdma\_cm, rdma\_create\_event\_channel, rdma\_destroy\_id, rdma\_get\_devices, rdma\_bind\_addr, rdma\_resolve\_addr, rdma\_connect, rdma\_listen, rdma\_set\_option

# 4.2.2 rdma\_destroy\_id

## **Template:**

int rdma destroy id (struct rdma cm id \*id)

## **Input Parameters:**

id The communication identifier to destroy.

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### Return Value:

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

Destroys the specified rdma cm id and cancels any outstanding asynchronous operation.

#### **Notes:**

Users must free any associated QP with the rdma\_cm\_id before calling this routine and ack an related events.

#### See Also:

rdma create id, rdma destroy qp, rdma ack cm event

# 4.2.3 rdma\_migrate\_id

## **Template:**

int rdma migrate id(struct rdma cm id \*id, struct rdma event channel \*channel)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id An existing RDMA communication identifier to migrate

channel The new event channel for rdma\_cm\_id events

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_migrate\_id** migrates a communication identifier to a different event channel and moves any pending events associated with the rdma\_cm\_id to the new channel.

No polling for events on the rdma\_cm\_id's current channel nor running of any routines on the rdma\_cm\_id should be done while migrating between channels. rdma\_migrate\_id will block while there are any unacknowledged events on the current event channel.

If the channel parameter is NULL, then the specified rdma\_cm\_id will be placed into synchronous operation mode. All calls on the id will block until the operation completes.

# 4.2.4 rdma set option

## **Template:**

int rdma set option(struct rdma cm id \*id, int level, int optname, void \*optval, size t optlen)

## **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA communication identifier level Protocol level of the option to set

optname Name of the option to set optval Reference to the option data

optlen The size of the option data (optval) buffer

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_set\_option** sets communication options for an rdma\_cm\_id. Option levels and details may be found in the enums in the relevant header files.

## 4.2.5 rdma create ep

## **Template:**

int **rdma\_create\_ep**(struct rdma\_cm\_id \*\*id, struct rdma\_addrinfo \*res, struct ibv\_pd \*pd, struct ibv qp init attr \*qp init attr)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id A reference where the allocated communication identifier will be returned

res Address information associated with the rdma\_cm\_id returned from rdma\_getaddrinfo

pd OPtional protection domain if a QP is associated with the

rdma\_cm\_id

#### **Output Parameters:**

id The communication identifier is returned through this reference

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure

#### **Description:**

**rdma create ep** creates an identifier and optional QP used to track communication information.

If qp\_init\_attr is not NULL, then a QP will be allocated and associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. If a protection domain (PD) is provided, then the QP will be created on that PD. Otherwise the QP will be allocated on a default PD.

The rdma\_cm\_id will be set to use synchronous operations (connect, listen and get\_request). To use asynchronous operations, rdma\_cm\_id must be migrated to a user allocated event channel using rdma migrate id.

rdm cm id must be released after use, using rdma destroy ep.

struct rdma addrinfo is defined as follows:

```
struct rdma_addrinfo {
      int
                                               ai_flags;
      int
                                               ai family;
      int
                                               ai_qp_type;
      int
                                               ai_port_space;
      socklen t
                                               ai src len;
      socklen t
                                               ai_dst_len;
                                               *ai src addr;
      struct sockaddr
      struct sockaddr
                                               *ai dst addr;
                                               *ai_src_canonname;
      char
      char
                                               *ai_dst_canonname;
      size t
                                               ai route len;
      void
                                               *ai_route;
      size t
                                               ai connect len;
      void
                                               *ai connect;
      struct rdma_addrinfo
                                               *ai_next;
};
ai flags
                    Hint flags which control the operation. Supported flags are:
RAI_PASSIVE, RAI_NUMERICHOST and RAI_NOROUTE
                    Address
                             family for
                                          the source and destination address
ai family
(AF_INET, AF_INET6, AF_IB)
ai_qp_type
                    The type of RDMA QP used
ai_port_space
                    RDMA port space used (RDMA PS UDP or RDMA PS TCP)
                    Length of the source address referenced by ai_src_addr
ai_src_len
ai_dst_len
                    Length of the destination address referenced by ai_dst_addr
                    Address of local RDMA device, if provided
*ai src addr
                    Address of destination RDMA device, if provided
*ai_dst_addr
*ai_src_canonname
                    The canonical for the source
*ai dst canonname
                    The canonical for the destination
ai route len
                    Size of
                             the routing information buffer referenced by
ai_route.
*ai route
                    Routing information for RDMA transports that require routing
data as part of connection establishment
ai_connect_len
                    Size of connection information referenced by ai_connect
*ai connect
                    Data exchanged as part of the connection establishment
process
*ai_next
                    Pointer to the next rdma_addrinfo structure in the list
```

# 4.2.6 rdma\_destroy\_ep

#### **Template:**

```
int rdma_destroy_ep (struct rdma cm id *id)
```

#### **Input Parameters:**

id The communication identifier to destroy

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure

## **Description:**

**rdma\_destroy\_ep** destroys the specified rdma\_cm\_id and all associated resources, including QPs associated with the id.

# 4.2.7 rdma\_resolve\_addr

## **Template:**

int rdma\_resolve\_addr (struct rdma\_cm\_id \*id, struct sockaddr \*src\_addr, struct sockaddr \*dst addr, int timeout ms)

## **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA identifier.

src addr Source address information. This parameter may be NULL.

dst\_addr Destination address information.

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_resolve\_addr** resolves destination and optional source addresses from IP addresses to an RDMA address. If successful, the specified rdma\_cm\_id will be bound to a local device.

#### Notes:

This call is used to map a given destination IP address to a usable RDMA address. The IP to RDMA address mapping is done using the local routing tables, or via ARP. If a source address is given, the rdma\_cm\_id is bound to that address, the same as if rdma\_bind\_addr were called. If no source address is given, and the rdma\_cm\_id has not yet been bound to a device, then the rdma\_cm\_id will be bound to a source address based on the local routing tables. After this call, the rdma\_cm\_id will be bound to an RDMA device. This call is typically made—from—the active side of a connection before calling rdma—resolve—route and rdma—connect.

## InfiniBand Specific

This call maps the destination and, if given, source IP addresses to GIDs. In order to perform the mapping, IPoIB must be running on both the local and remote nodes.

#### See Also:

rdma\_create\_id, rdma\_resolve\_route, rdma\_connect, rdma\_create\_qp, rdma\_get\_cm\_event, rdma\_bind\_addr, rdma\_get\_src\_port, rdma\_get\_dst\_port, rdma\_get\_local\_addr, rdma\_get\_peer\_addr

# 4.2.8 rdma\_bind\_addr

#### **Template:**

int rdma bind addr (struct rdma cm id \*id, struct sockaddr \*addr)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA identifier.

addr Local address information. Wildcard values are permitted.

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_bind\_addr** associates a source address with an rdma\_cm\_id. The address may be wild carded. If binding to a specific local address, the rdma\_cm\_id will also be bound to a local RDMA device.

#### **Notes:**

Typically, this routine is called before calling rdma\_listen to bind to a specific port number, but it may also be called on the active side of a connection before calling rdma\_resolve\_addr to bind to a specific address. If used to bind to port 0, the rdma\_cm will select an available port, which can be retrieved with rdma\_get\_src\_port.

#### See Also:

rdma\_create\_id, rdma\_listen, rdma\_resolve\_addr, rdma\_create\_qp, rdma\_get\_local\_addr, rdma\_get\_src\_port

# 4.2.9 rdma\_resolve\_route

#### **Template:**

int rdma resolve route (struct rdma cm id \*id, int timeout ms)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA identifier.

addr Local address information. Wildcard values are permitted.

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_resolve\_route** resolves an RDMA route to the destination address in order to establish a connection. The destination must already have been resolved by calling rdma\_resolve\_addr. Thus this function is called on the client side after rdma\_resolve\_addr but before calling rdma\_connect. For InfiniBand connections, the call obtains a path record which is used by the connection.

# 4.2.10 rdma\_listen

## **Template:**

int rdma listen(struct rdma cm id \*id, int backlog)

## **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA communication identifier

backlog The backlog of incoming connection requests

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_listen** initiates a listen for incoming connection requests or datagram service lookup. The listen is restricted to the locally bound source address.

Please note that the rdma\_cm\_id must already have been bound to a local address by calling rdma\_bind\_addr before calling rdma\_listen. If the rdma\_cm\_id is bound to a specific IP address, the listen will be restricted to that address and the associated RDMA device. If the rdma\_cm\_id is bound to an RDMA port number only, the listen will occur across all RDMA devices.

# 4.2.11 rdma\_connect

## **Template:**

int rdma\_connect(struct rdma cm id \*id, struct rdma conn param \*conn param)

#### **Input Parameters:**

## **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_connect** initiates an active connection request. For a connected rdma\_cm\_id, id, the call initiates a connection request to a remote destination. or an unconnected rdma\_cm\_id, it initiates a lookup of the remote QP providing the datagram service. The user must already have resolved a route to the destination address by having called rdma\_resolve\_route or rdma\_create\_ep before calling this method.

For InfiniBand specific connections, the QPs are configured with minimum RNR NAK timer and local ACK values. The minimum RNR NAK timer value is set to 0, for a delay of 655 ms. The local ACK timeout is calculated based on the packet lifetime and local HCA ACK delay. The packet lifetime is determined by the InfiniBand Subnet Administrator and is part of the resolved route (path record) information. The HCA ACK delay is a property of the locally used HCA. Retry count and RNR retry count values are 3-bit values.

Connections established over iWarp RDMA devices currently require that the active side of the connection send the first message.

struct rdma\_conn\_param is defined as follows:

Here is a more detailed description of the rdma conn param structure members:

private\_data References a user-controlled data buffer. The contents of the buffer are copied and transparently passed to the remote side as part of the communication request. May be NULL if private\_data is not required.

private\_data\_len Specifies the size of the user-controlled data buffer. Note that the actual amount of data transferred to the remote side is transport dependent and may be larger than that requested.

responder\_resources The maximum number of outstanding RDMA read and atomic operations that the local side will accept from the remote side. Applies only to RDMA\_PS\_TCP. This value must be less than or equal to the local RDMA device attribute max\_qp\_rd\_atom and remote RDMA device attribute max\_qp\_init\_rd\_atom. The remote endpoint can adjust this value when accepting the connection.

initiator\_depth The maximum number of outstanding RDMA read and atomic operations that the local side will have to the remote side. Applies only to RDMA\_PS\_TCP. This value must be less than or equal to the local RDMA device attribute max\_qp\_init\_rd\_atom and remote RDMA device attribute max\_qp\_rd\_atom. The remote endpoint can adjust this value when accepting the connection.

flow\_control Specifies if hardware flow control is available. This value is exchanged with the remote peer and is not used to configure the QP. Applies only to RDMA PS TCP.

rnr\_retry\_count The maximum number of times that a send operation from the remote peer should be retried on a connection after receiving a receiver not ready (RNR) error. RNR errors are generated when a send request arrives before a buffer has been posted to receive the incoming data. Applies only to RDMA PS TCP.

srq Specifies if the QP associated with the connection is using a shared receive queue. This field is ignored by the library if a QP has been created on the rdma\_cm\_id. Applies only to RDMA\_PS\_TCP.

qp\_num Specifies the QP number associated with the connection. This field is ignored by the library if a QP has been created on the rdma\_cm\_id. Applies only to RDMA\_PS\_TCP.

# 4.2.12 rdma\_get\_request

#### **Template:**

int rdma get request (struct rdma cm id \*listen, struct rdma cm id \*\*id)

## **Input Parameters:**

listen Listening rdma cm id

id rdma\_cm\_id associated with the new connection

#### **Output Parameters:**

id A pointer to rdma\_cm\_id associated with the request

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_get\_request** retrieves the next pending connection request event. The call may only be used on listening rdma\_cm\_ids operating synchronously. If the call is successful, a new rdma\_cm\_id (id) representing the connection request will be returned to the user. The new rdma\_cm\_id will reference event information associated with the request until the user calls rdma\_reject, rdma\_accept, or rdma\_destroy\_id on the newly created identifier. For a description of the event data, see rdma\_get\_cm\_event.

If QP attributes are associated with the listening endpoint, the returned rdma\_cm\_id will also reference an allocated QP.

# 4.2.13 rdma\_accept

## **Template:**

int rdma accept(struct rdma cm id \*id, struct rdma conn param \*conn param)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA communication identifier

conn\_param Optional connection parameters (described under

rdma\_connect)

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_accept** is called from the listening side to accept a connection or datagram service lookup request.

Unlike the socket accept routine, rdma\_accept is not called on a listening rdma\_cm\_id. Instead, after calling rdma\_listen, the user waits for an RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_CONNECT\_REQUEST event to occur. Connection request events give the user a newly created rdma\_cm\_id, similar to a new socket, but the rdma\_cm\_id is bound to a specific RDMA device. rdma\_accept is called on the new rdma\_cm\_id.

# 4.2.14 rdma\_reject

## **Template:**

int rdma reject(struct rdma cm id \*id, const void \*private data, uint8 t private data len)

## **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA communication identifier

private\_data Optional private data to send with the reject message

private\_data\_len Size (in bytes) of the private data being sent

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success,  $\ -1$  on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_reject** is called from the listening side to reject a connection or datagram service lookup request.

After receiving a connection request event, a user may call rdma\_reject to reject the request. The optional private data will be passed to the remote side if the underlying RDMA transport supports private data in the reject message.

# 4.2.15 rdma\_notify

#### **Template:**

int rdma notify(struct rdma cm id \*id, enum ibv event type event)

## **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA communication identifier

event Asynchronous event

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_notify** is used to notify the librdmacm of asynchronous events which have occurred on a QP associated with the rdma cm id, id.

Asynchronous events that occur on a QP are reported through the user's device event handler. This routine is used to notify the librdmacm of communication events. In most cases, use of this routine is not necessary, however if connection establishment is done out of band (such as done through InfiniBand), it is possible to receive data on a QP that is not yet considered connected. This routine forces the connection into an established state in this case in order to handle the rare situation where the connection never forms on its own. Calling this routine ensures the delivery of the RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_ESTABLISHED event to the application. Events that should be reported to the CM are: IB EVENT COMM EST.

## 4.2.16 rdma disconnect

#### **Template:**

int rdma disconnect(struct rdma cm id \*id)

## **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA communication identifier

## **Output Parameters:**

None

## Return Value:

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_disconnect** disconnects a connection and transitions any associated QP to the error state. This action will result in any posted work requests being flushed to the completion queue. rdma\_disconnect may be called by both the client and server side of the connection. After successfully disconnecting, an RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_DISCONNECTED event will be generated on both sides of the connection.

# 4.2.17 rdma get src port

## **Template:**

uint16 t rdma\_get\_src\_port(struct rdma cm id \*id)

## **Input Parameters:**

id

RDMA communication identifier

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

Returns the 16-bit port number associated with the local endpoint of 0 if the rdma cm id, id, is not bound to a port

## **Description:**

**rdma\_get\_src\_port** retrieves the local port number for an rdma\_cm\_id (id) which has been bound to a local address. If the id is not bound to a port, the routine will return 0.

# 4.2.18 rdma\_get\_dst\_port

#### **Template:**

```
uint16 t rdma_get_dst_port(struct rdma cm id *id)
```

## **Input Parameters:**

id

RDMA communication identifier

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### Return Value:

Returns the 16-bit port number associated with the peer endpoint of 0 if the  $rdma\_cm\_id$ , id, is not connected

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_get\_dst\_port** retrieves the port associated with the peer endpoint. If the rdma\_cm\_id, id, is not connected, then the routine will return 0.

# 4.2.19 rdma\_get\_local\_addr

#### **Template:**

struct sockaddr \*rdma\_get\_local\_addr(struct rdma\_cm\_id \*id)

## **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA communication identifier

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### Return Value:

Returns a pointer to the local sockaddr address of the rdma\_cm\_id, id. If the id is not bound to an address, then the contents of the sockaddr structure will be set to all zeros

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_get\_local\_addr** retrieves the local IP address for the rdma\_cm\_id which has been bound to a local device.

# 4.2.20 rdma\_get\_peer\_addr

## **Template:**

struct sockaddr \* rdma get peer addr (struct rdma cm id \*id)

## **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA communication identifier

## **Output Parameters:**

None

## **Return Value:**

A pointer to the sockaddr address of the connected peer. If the rdma\_cm\_id is not connected, then the contents of the sockaddr structure will be set to all zeros

## **Description:**

rdma\_get\_peer\_addr retrieves the remote IP address of a bound rdma cm id.

# 4.2.21 rdma\_get\_devices

## **Template:**

struct ibv\_context \*\* rdma\_get\_devices (int \*num\_devices)

## **Input Parameters:**

#### **Output Parameters:**

#### **Return Value:**

Array of available RDMA devices on success or NULL if the request fails

## **Description:**

**rdma\_get\_devices** retrieves an array of RDMA devices currently available. Devices remain opened while librdmacm is loaded and the array must be released by calling rdma free devices.

# 4.2.22 rdma\_free\_devices

#### **Template:**

void rdma\_free\_devices (struct ibv context \*\*list)

#### **Input Parameters:**

list List of devices returned from rdma get devices

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

None

## **Description:**

rdma\_free\_devices frees the device array returned by the rdma get devices routine.

## 4.2.23 rdma getaddrinfo

## **Template:**

int **rdma\_getaddrinfo**(char \*node, char \*service, struct rdma\_addrinfo \*hints, struct rdma\_addrinfo \*\*res)

#### **Input Parameters:**

node Optional: name, dotted-decimal IPv4 or IPv6 hex address to

resolve

service The service name or port number of the address

hints Reference to an rmda\_addrinfo structure containing hints about the type of service the caller supports resA pointer to a linked list of rdma\_addrinfo structures containing response information

#### **Output Parameters:**

res An rdma\_addrinfo structure which returns information needed to establish communication

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_getaddrinfo** provides transport independent address translation. It resolves the destination node and service address and returns information required to establish device communication. It is the functional equivalent of getaddrinfo.

Please note that either node or service must be provided. If hints are provided, the operation will be controlled by hints.ai\_flags. If RAI\_PASSIVE is specified, the call will resolve address information for use on the passive side of a connection.

The rdma\_addrinfo structure is described under the rdma\_create\_ep routine.

# 4.2.24 rdma\_freeaddrinfo

## **Template:**

void rdma freeaddrinfo(struct rdma addrinfo \*res)

## **Input Parameters:**

res The rdma\_addrinfo structure to free

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

None

## **Description:**

**rdma\_freeaddrinfo** releases the rdma\_addrinfo (res) structure returned by the rdma\_getaddrinfo routine. Note that if ai\_next is not NULL, rdma\_freeaddrinfo will free the entire list of addrinfo structures.

# 4.2.25 rdma\_create\_qp

## **Template:**

```
int rdma_create_qp (struct rdma_cm_id *id, struct ibv_pd *pd, struct ibv_qp_init_attr *qp init attr)
```

## **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA identifier.

pd protection domain for the QP.

qp\_init\_attr initial QP attributes.

## **Output Parameters:**

 $qp\_init\_attr$  The actual capabilities and properties of the created QP are returned through this structure

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_create\_qp** allocates a QP associated with the specified rdma\_cm\_id and transitions it for sending and receiving. The actual capabilities and properties of the created QP will be returned to the user through the qp\_init\_attr parameter.

## **Notes:**

The rdma\_cm\_id must be bound to a local RDMA device before calling this function, and the protection domain must be for that same device. QPs allocated to an rdma\_cm\_id are automati-

cally transitioned by the librdmacm through their states. After being allocated, the QP will be ready to handle posting of receives. If the QP is unconnected, it will be ready to post sends.

#### See Also:

rdma bind addr, rdma resolve addr, rdma destroy qp, ibv create qp, ibv modify qp

# 4.2.26 rdma\_destroy\_qp

#### **Template:**

void rdma destroy qp (struct rdma cm id \*id)

## **Input Parameters:**

id RDMA identifier.

## **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

none

## **Description:**

**rdma\_destroy\_qp** destroys a QP allocated on the rdma\_cm\_id.

#### **Notes:**

Users must destroy any QP associated with an rdma\_cm\_id before destroying the ID.

#### See Also:

rdma create qp, rdma destroy id, ibv destroy qp

# 4.2.27 rdma\_join\_multicast

## **Template:**

int rdma\_join\_multicast (struct rdma cm id \*id, struct sockaddr \*addr, void \*context)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id Communication identifier associated with the request.

addr Multicast address identifying the group to join.

context User-defined context associated with the join request.

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

rdma\_join\_multicast joins a multicast group and attaches an associated QP to the group.

#### **Notes:**

Before joining a multicast group, the rdma\_cm\_id must be bound to an RDMA device by calling rdma\_bind\_addr or rdma\_resolve\_addr. Use of rdma\_resolve\_addr requires the local routing tables to resolve the multicast address to an RDMA device, unless a specific source address is provided. The user must call rdma\_leave\_multicast to leave the multicast group and release any multicast resources. After the join operation completes, any associated QP is automatically attached to the multicast group, and the join context is returned to the user through the private\_data field in the rdma\_cm\_event.

#### See Also:

rdma\_leave\_multicast, rdma\_bind\_addr, rdma\_resolve\_addr, rdma\_create\_qp, rdma\_get\_c-m event

# 4.2.28 rdma\_leave\_multicast

#### **Template:**

int rdma\_leave\_multicast (struct rdma cm id \*id, struct sockaddr \*addr)

## **Input Parameters:**

id Communication identifier associated with the request.

addr Multicast address identifying the group to leave.

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

rdma\_leave\_multicast leaves a multicast group and detaches an associated QP from the group.

#### Notes:

Calling this function before a group has been fully joined results in canceling the join operation. Users should be aware that messages received from the multicast group may stilled be queued for completion processing immediately after leaving a multicast group. Destroying an rdma\_cm\_id will automatically leave all multicast groups.

#### See Also:

rdma join multicast, rdma destroy qp

# 4.3 Event Handling Operations

## 4.3.1 rdma\_get\_cm\_event

## **Template:**

int rdma get cm event (struct rdma event channel \*channel, struct rdma cm event \*\*event)

## **Input Parameters:**

channel Event channel to check for events.

event Allocated information about the next communication event.

#### **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

Retrieves a communication event. If no events are pending, by default, the call will block until an event is received.

#### **Notes:**

The default synchronous behavior of this routine can be changed by modifying the file descriptor associated with the given channel. All events that are reported must be acknowledged by calling rdma\_ack\_cm\_event. Destruction of an rdma\_cm\_id will block until related events have been acknowledged.

## **Event Data**

Communication event details are returned in the rdma\_cm\_event structure. This structure is allocated by the rdma\_cm and released by the rdma\_ack\_cm\_event routine. Details of the rdma\_cm event structure are given below.

id The rdma cm identifier associated with the event.

If the event type is RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_CONNECT\_REQUEST, then this references a new id for that communication.

listen\_id For RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_CONNECT\_REQUEST event types, this references the corresponding listening request identifier.

event Specifies the type of communication event which occurred. See EVENT TYPES below.

status Returns any asynchronous error information associated with an event. The status is zero unless the corresponding operation failed.

param Provides additional details based on the type of event. Users should select the conn or ud subfields based on the rdma\_port\_space of the rdma\_cm\_id associated with the event. See UD EVENT DATA and CONN EVENT DATA below.

## **UD Event Data**

Event parameters related to unreliable datagram (UD) services:

# RDMA\_PS\_UDP and RDMA\_PS\_IPOIB. The UD event data is valid for RDMA\_C-M\_EVENT\_ESTABLISHED and RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_MULTICAST\_JOIN events, unless stated otherwise.

private\_data References any user-specified data associated with RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_CONNECT\_REQUEST or RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_ESTABLISHED events. The data referenced by this field matches that specified by the remote side when calling rdma\_connect or rdma\_accept. This field is NULL if the event does not include private data. The buffer referenced by this pointer is deallocated when calling rdma\_ack\_cm\_event.

private\_data\_len The size of the private data buffer. Users should note that the size of the private data buffer may be larger than the amount of private data sent by the remote side. Any additional space in the buffer will be zeroed out.

ah\_attr Address information needed to send data to the remote end-point(s). Users should use this structure when allocating their address handle.

#### **Conn Event Data**

Event parameters related to connected QP services: RDMA\_PS\_TCP. The connection related event data is valid for RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_CONNECT\_REQUEST and RDMA\_C-M\_EVENT\_ESTABLISHED events, unless stated otherwise.

private\_data References any user-specified data associated with the event. The data referenced by this field matches that specified by the remote side when calling rdma\_connect or rdma\_accept. This field is MULL if the event does not include private data. The buffer referenced by this pointer is deallocated when calling rdma\_ack\_cm\_event.

private\_data\_len The size of the private data buffer. Users should note that the size of the private data buffer may be larger than the amount of private data sent by the remote side. Any additional space in the buffer will be zeroed out.

responder\_resources The number of responder resources requested of the recipient. This field matches the initiator depth specified by the remote node when calling rdma\_connect and rdma\_accept.

initiator\_depth The maximum number of outstanding RDMA read/atomic operations that the recipient may have outstanding. This field matches the responder resources specified by the remote node when calling rdma\_connect and rdma\_accept.

flow\_control Indicates if hardware level flow control is provided by the sender.

retry\_count For RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_CONNECT\_REQUEST events only, indicates the number of times that the recipient should retry send operations.

srq Specifies if the sender is using a shared-receive queue.

qp\_num Indicates the remote QP number for the connection.

#### **Event Types**

The following types of communication events may be reported.

RDMA CM EVENT ADDR RESOLVED

Address resolution (rdma resolve addr) completed successfully.

## RDMA CM EVENT ADDR ERROR

Address resolution (rdma resolve addr) failed.

## RDMA CM EVENT ROUTE RESOLVED

Route resolution (rdma resolve route) completed successfully.

## RDMA CM EVENT ROUTE ERROR

Route resolution (rdma resolve route) failed.

## RDMA CM EVENT CONNECT REQUEST

Generated on the passive side to notify the user of a new connection request.

## RDMA CM EVENT CONNECT RESPONSE

Generated on the active side to notify the user of a successful response to a connection request. It is only generated on rdma cm id's that do not have a QP associated with them.

## RDMA CM EVENT CONNECT ERROR

Indicates that an error has occurred trying to establish or a connection. May be generated on the active or passive side of a connection.

## RDMA CM EVENT UNREACHABLE

Generated on the active side to notify the user that the remote server is not reachable or unable to respond to a connection request.

## RDMA CM EVENT REJECTED

Indicates that a connection request or response was rejected by the remote end point.

## RDMA CM EVENT ESTABLISHED

Indicates that a connection has been established with the remote end point.

# RDMA CM EVENT DISCONNECTED

The connection has been disconnected.

## RDMA CM EVENT DEVICE REMOVAL

The local RDMA device associated with the rdma\_cm\_id has been removed. Upon receiving this event, the user must destroy the related rdma\_cm\_id.

## RDMA CM EVENT MULTICAST JOIN

The multicast join operation (rdma join multicast) completed successfully.

## RDMA CM EVENT MULTICAST ERROR

An error either occurred joining a multicast group, or, if the group had already been joined, on an existing group. The specified multicast group is no longer accessible and should be rejoined, if desired.

## RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_ADDR\_CHANGE

The network device associated with this ID through address resolution changed its HW address, eg following of bonding failover. This event can serve as a hint for applications who want the links used for their RDMA sessions to align with the network stack.

## RDMA CM EVENT TIMEWAIT EXIT

The QP associated with a connection has exited its timewait state and is now ready to be re-used. After a QP has been disconnected, it is maintained in a timewait state to allow any in flight packets to exit the network. After the timewait state has completed, the rdma\_cm will report this event.

#### See Also:

rdma\_ack\_cm\_event, rdma\_create\_event\_channel, rdma\_resolve\_addr, rdma\_resolve\_route, rdma connect, rdma listen, rdma join multicast, rdma destroy id, rdma event str

# 4.3.2 rdma\_ack\_cm\_event

## **Template:**

int rdma ack cm event (struct rdma cm event \*event)

#### **Input Parameters:**

event

Event to be released.

## **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_ack\_cm\_event** frees a communication event. All events which are allocated by rdma\_get\_cm\_event must be released, there should be a one-to-one correspondence between successful gets and acks. This call frees the event structure and any memory that it references.

#### See Also:

rdma get cm event, rdma destroy id

# 4.3.3 rdma\_event\_str

# **Template:**

char \*rdma event str (enum rdma cm event type event)

## **Input Parameters:**

event

Asynchronous event.

## **Output Parameters:**

none

#### **Return Value:**

A pointer to a static character string corresponding to the event

## **Description:**

rdma\_event\_str returns a string representation of an asynchronous event.

#### See Also:

rdma get cm event

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# 5.1 Protection Domain Operations

# 5.1.1 rdma\_reg\_msgs

## **Template:**

struct ibv mr \*rdma reg msgs(struct rdma cm id \*id, void \*addr, size t length)

## **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the

message buffer(s) will be used

addr The address of the memory buffer(s) to register length The total length of the memory to register

## **Output Parameters:**

 $ibv_mr$  A reference to an  $ibv_mr$  struct of the registered memory region

#### **Return Value:**

A reference to the registered memory region on success or NULL on failure

## **Description:**

**rdma\_reg\_msgs** registers an array of memory buffers for sending or receiving messages or for RDMA operations. The registered memory buffers may then be posted to an rdma\_cm\_id using rdma\_post\_send or rdma\_post\_recv. They may also be specified as the target of an RDMA read operation or the source of an RDMA write request.

The memory buffers are registered with the protection domain associated with the rdma\_cm\_id. The start of the data buffer array is specified through the addr parameter and the total size of the array is given by the length.

All data buffers must be registered before being posted as a work request. They must be deregistered by calling rdma dereg mr.

# 5.1.2 rdma\_reg\_read

## **Template:**

struct ibv mr \* rdma reg read(struct rdma cm id \*id, void \*addr, size t length)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the

message buffer(s) will be used

addr The address of the memory buffer(s) to register length The total length of the memory to register

## **Output Parameters:**

 $ibv_mr$  A reference to an  $ibv_mr$  struct of the registered memory region

#### **Return Value:**

A reference to the registered memory region on success or NULL on failure. If an error occurs, errno will be set to indicate the failure reason.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_reg\_read** Registers a memory buffer that will be accessed by a remote RDMA read operation. Memory buffers registered using rdma\_reg\_read may be targeted in an RDMA read request, allowing the buffer to be specified on the remote side of an RDMA connection as the remote\_addr of rdma\_post\_read, or similar call.

rdma\_reg\_read is used to register a data buffer that will be the target of an RDMA read operation on a queue pair associated with an rdma\_cm\_id. The memory buffer is registered with the protection domain associated with the identifier. The start of the data buffer is specified through the addr parameter, and the total size of the buffer is given by length.

All data buffers must be registered before being posted as work requests. Users must deregister all registered memory by calling the rdma dereg mr.

#### See Also

rdma\_cm(7), rdma\_create\_id(3), rdma\_create\_ep(3), rdma\_reg\_msgs(3), rdma\_reg\_write(3), ibv reg\_mr(3), ibv dereg\_mr(3), rdma\_post\_read(3)

# 5.1.3 rdma\_reg\_write

#### **Template:**

struct ibv mr \*rdma reg write(struct rdma cm id \*id, void \*addr, size t length)

## **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the message buffer(s) will be used

addr The address of the memory buffer(s) to register length The total length of the memory to register

## **Output Parameters:**

 $ibv_mr$  A reference to an  $ibv_mr$  struct of the registered memory region

#### **Return Value:**

A reference to the registered memory region on success or NULL on failure. If an error occurs, errno will be set to indicate the failure reason.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_reg\_write** registers a memory buffer which will be accessed by a remote RDMA write operation. Memory buffers registered using this routine may be targeted in an RDMA write request, allowing the buffer to be specified on the remote side of an RDMA connection as the remote\_addr of an rdma\_post\_write or similar call.

The memory buffer is registered with the protection domain associated with the rdma\_cm\_id. The start of the data buffer is specified through the addr parameter, and the total size of the buffer is given by the length.

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All data buffers must be registered before being posted as work requests. Users must deregister all registered memory by calling the rdma dereg mr.

#### See Also

rdma\_cm(7), rdma\_create\_id(3), rdma\_create\_ep(3), rdma\_reg\_msgs(3), rdma\_reg\_read(3), ibv reg\_mr(3), ibv dereg\_mr(3), rdma\_post\_write(3)

# 5.1.4 rdma\_dereg\_mr

## Template:

int rdma\_dereg\_mr(struct ibv mr \*mr)

## **Input Parameters:**

mr

A reference to a registered memory buffer

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_dereg\_mr** deregisters a memory buffer which has been registered for RDMA or message operations. This routine must be called for all registered memory associated with a given rdma cm id before destroying the rdma cm id.

## 5.1.5 rdma create srq

#### **Template:**

int rdma\_create\_srq(struct rdma\_cm\_id \*id, struct ibv\_pd \*pd, struct ibv\_srq\_init\_attr \*attr)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id The RDMA communication identifier

pd Optional protection domain for the shared request queue

(SRQ)

attr Initial SRQ attributes

## **Output Parameters:**

attr  $\,$  The actual capabilities and properties of the created SRQ are returned through this structure

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_create\_srq** allocates a shared request queue associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. The id must be bound to a local RMDA device before calling this routine. If the protection domain, pd,

is provided, it must be for that same device. After being allocated, the SRQ will be ready to handle posting of receives. If a pd is NULL, then the rdma\_cm\_id will be created using a default protection domain. One default protection domain is allocated per RDMA device. The initial SRQ attributes are specified by the attr parameter.

If a completion queue, CQ, is not specified for the XRC SRQ, then a CQ will be allocated by the rdma\_cm for the SRQ, along with corresponding completion channels. Completion channels and CQ data created by the rdma\_cm are exposed to the user through the rdma\_cm\_id structure. The actual capabilities and properties of the created SRQ will be returned to the user through the attr parameter.

An rdma cm id may only be associated with a single SRQ.

# 5.1.6 rdma\_destroy\_srq

## **Template:**

void rdma destroy srq(struct rdma cm id \*id)

## **Input Parameters:**

id The RDMA communication identifier whose associated SRQ we wish to destroy.

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

none

## **Description:**

**rdma\_destroy\_srq** destroys an SRQ allocated on the rdma\_cm\_id, id. Any SRQ associated with an rdma\_cm\_id must be destroyed before destroying the rdma\_cm\_id, id.

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# 5.2 Active Queue Pair Operations

# 5.2.1 rdma post recvv

## **Template:**

int rdma post recvv(struct rdma cm id \*id, void \*context, struct ibv sge \*sgl, int nsge)

## **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the message buffer(s) will be posted

context A user-defined context associated with the request

sgl A scatter-gather list of memory buffers posted as a single

request

nsge The number of scatter-gather entries in the sql array

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_post\_recvv** posts a single work request to the receive queue of the queue pair associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. The posted buffers will be queued to receive an incoming message sent by the remote peer.

Please note that this routine supports multiple scatter-gather entries. The user is responsible for ensuring that the receive is posted, and the total buffer space is large enough to contain all sent data before the peer posts the corresponding send message. The message buffers must have been registered before being posted, and the buffers must remain registered until the receive completes.

Messages may be posted to an rdma\_cm\_id only after a queue pair has been associated with it. A queue pair is bound to an rdma\_cm\_id after calling rdma\_create\_ep or rdma\_create\_qp, if the rdma\_cm\_id is allocated using rdma\_create\_id.

The user-defined context associated with the receive request will be returned to the user through the work completion work request identifier (wr id) field.

## 5.2.2 rdma post sendv

#### **Template:**

int **rdma\_post\_sendv**(struct rdma\_cm\_id \*id, void \*context, struct ibv\_sge \*sgl, int nsge, int flags)

## **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the message buffer will be posted context A user-defined context associated with the request

sgl A scatter-gather list of memory buffers posted as a single

request

nsge The number of scatter-gather entries in the sgl array flags Optional flags used to control the send operation

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### Return Value:

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_post\_sendv** posts a work request to the send queue of the queue pair associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. The contents of the posted buffers will be sent to the remote peer of the connection.

The user is responsible for ensuring that the remote peer has queued a receive request before issuing the send operations. Also, unless the send request is using inline data, the message buffers must already have been registered before being posted. The buffers must remain registered until the send completes.

This routine supports multiple scatter-gather entries.

Send operations may not be posted to an rdma\_cm\_id or the corresponding queue pair until a connection has been established.

The user-defined context associated with the send request will be returned to the user through the work completion work request identifier (wr id) field.

# 5.2.3 rdma\_post\_readv

## **Template:**

int **rdma\_post\_readv**(struct rdma\_cm\_id \*id, void \*context, struct ibv\_sge \*sgl, int nsge, int flags, uint64 t remote addr, uint32 t rkey)

## **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the request will be posted

context A user-defined context associated with the request

sgl A scatter-gather list of the destination buffers of the read

nsge The number of scatter-gather entries in the sgl array

flags Optional flags used to control the read operation

remote\_addr The address of the remote registered memory to read from rkey The registered memory key associated with the remote address

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

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## **Description:**

**rdma\_post\_readv** posts a work request to the send queue of the queue pair associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. The contents of the remote memory region at remote\_addr will be read into the local data buffers given in the sgl array.

The user must ensure that both the remote and local data buffers have been registered before the read is issued. The buffers must remain registered until the read completes.

Read operations may not be posted to an rdma\_cm\_id or the corresponding queue pair until a connection has been established.

The user-defined context associated with the read request will be returned to the user through the work completion work request identifier (wr id) field.

# 5.2.4 rdma\_post\_writev

## **Template:**

int **rdma\_post\_writev**(struct rdma\_cm\_id \*id, void \*context, struct ibv\_sge \*sgl, int nsge, int flags, uint64 t remote addr, uint32 t rkey)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the request will be posted

context A user-defined context associated with the request sgl A scatter-gather list of the source buffers of the write nsge The number of scatter-gather entries in the sgl array flags Optional flags used to control the write operation

remote\_addr The address of the remote registered memory to write into rkey The registered memory key associated with the remote address

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_post\_writev** posts a work request to the send queue of the queue pair associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. The contents of the local data buffers in the sgl array will be written to the remote memory region at remote\_addr.

Unless inline data is specified, the local data buffers must have been registered before the write is issued, and the buffers must remain registered until the write completes. The remote buffers must always be registered.

Write operations may not be posted to an rdma\_cm\_id or the corresponding queue pair until a connection has been established.

The user-defined context associated with the write request will be returned to the user through the work completion work request identifier (wr id) field.

# 5.2.5 rdma\_post\_recv

## **Template:**

int **rdma\_post\_recv**(struct rdma\_cm\_id \*id, void \*context, void \*addr, size\_t length, struct ibv mr \*mr)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the

message buffer will be posted

context A user-defined context associated with the request

addr The address of the memory buffer to post

length The length of the memory buffer

mr A registered memory region associated with the posted buffer

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_post\_recv** posts a work request to the receive queue of the queue pair associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. The posted buffer will be queued to receive an incoming message sent by the remote peer.

The user is responsible for ensuring that receive buffer is posted and is large enough to contain all sent data before the peer posts the corresponding send message. The buffer must have already been registered before being posted, with the mr parameter referencing the registration. The buffer must remain registered until the receive completes.

Messages may be posted to an rdma\_cm\_id only after a queue pair has been associated with it. A queue pair is bound to an rdma\_cm\_id after calling rdma\_create\_ep or rdma\_create\_qp, if the rdma\_cm\_id is allocated using rdma\_create\_id.

The user-defined context associated with the receive request will be returned to the user through the work completion request identifier (wr\_id) field.

Please note that this is a simple receive call. There are no scatter-gather lists involved here.

## 5.2.6 rdma post send

## **Template:**

int **rdma\_post\_send**(struct rdma\_cm\_id \*id, void \*context, void \*addr, size\_t length, struct ibv mr \*mr, int flags)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the

message buffer will be posted

context A user-defined context associated with the request

addr The address of the memory buffer to post

length The length of the memory buffer

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mr Optional registered memory region associated with the posted

buffer

flags Optional flags used to control the send operation

#### **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_post\_send** posts a work request to the send queue of the queue pair associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. The contents of the posted buffer will be sent to the remote peer of the connection.

The user is responsible for ensuring that the remote peer has queued a receive request before issuing the send operations. Also, unless the send request is using inline data, the message buffer must already have been registered before being posted, with the mr parameter referencing the registration. The buffer must remain registered until the send completes.

Send operations may not be posted to an rdma\_cm\_id or the corresponding queue pair until a connection has been established.

The user-defined context associated with the send request will be returned to the user through the work completion work request identifier (wr id) field.

# 5.2.7 rdma post read

## **Template:**

int **rdma\_post\_read**(struct rdma\_cm\_id \*id, void \*context, void \*addr, size\_t length, struct ibv mr \*mr, int flags, uint64 t remote addr, uint32 t rkey)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the

request will be posted

context A user-defined context associated with the request

addr The address of the local destination of the read request

length The length of the read operation

mr Registered memory region associated with the local buffer

flags Optional flags used to control the read operation

remote\_addr The address of the remote registered memory to read from rkey The registered memory key associated with the remote address

## **Output Parameters:**

None

## **Return Value:**

O on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

## **Description:**

**rdma\_post\_read** posts a work request to the send queue of the queue pair associated with the rdma\_cm\_id. The contents of the remote memory region will be read into the local data buffer.

For a list of supported flags, see ibv\_post\_send. The user must ensure that both the remote and local data buffers must have been registered before the read is issued, and the buffers must remain registered until the read completes.

Read operations may not be posted to an rdma\_cm\_id or the corresponding queue pair until it has been connected.

The user-defined context associated with the read request will be returned to the user through the work completion wr id, work request identifier, field.

# 5.2.8 rdma\_post\_write

## **Template:**

int **rdma\_post\_write**(struct rdma\_cm\_id \*id, void \*context, void \*addr, size\_t length, struct ibv mr \*mr, int flags, uint64 t remote addr, uint32 t rkey)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the request will be posted

context A user-defined context associated with the request addr The local address of the source of the write request

length The length of the write operation

mr Optional registered memory region associated with the local

buffer

flags Optional flags used to control the write operation

remote\_addr The address of the remote registered memory to write into rkey The registered memory key associated with the remote address

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_post\_write** posts a work request to the send queue of the queue pair associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. The contents of the local data buffer will be written into the remote memory region.

Unless inline data is specified, the local data buffer must have been registered before the write is issued, and the buffer must remain registered until the write completes. The remote buffer must always be registered.

Write operations may not be posted to an rdma\_cm\_id or the corresponding queue pair until a connection has been established.

The user-defined context associated with the write request will be returned to the user through the work completion work request identifier (wr id) field.

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# 5.2.9 rdma\_post\_ud\_send

## **Template:**

int **rdma\_post\_ud\_send**(struct rdma\_cm\_id \*id, void \*context, void \*addr, size\_t length, struct ibv mr \*mr, int flags, struct ibv ah \*ah, uint32 t remote qpn)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier where the

request will be posted

context A user-defined context associated with the request

addr The address of the memory buffer to post

length The length of the memory buffer

mr Optional registered memory region associated with the posted

buffer

flags Optional flags used to control the send operation

ah An address handle describing the address of the remote node

remote\_qpn The destination node's queue pair number

## **Output Parameters:**

None

#### **Return Value:**

0 on success, -1 on error. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_post\_ud\_send** posts a work request to the send queue of the queue pair associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. The contents of the posted buffer will be sent to the specified destination queue pair, remote qpn.

The user is responsible for ensuring that the destination queue pair has queued a receive request before issuing the send operations. Unless the send request is using inline data, the message buffer must have been registered before being posted, with the mr parameter referencing the registration. The buffer must remain registered until the send completes.

The user-defined context associated with the send request will be returned to the user through the work completion work request identifier (wr\_id) field.

# 5.2.10 rdma\_get\_send\_comp

#### **Template:**

int rdma get send comp(struct rdma cm id \*id, struct ibv wc \*wc)

## **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier to check for

completions

wc A reference to a work completion structure to fill in

#### **Output Parameters:**

wc A reference to a work completion structure. The structure will contain information about the completed request when routine returns

#### **Return Value:**

A non-negative value (0 or 1) equal to the number of completions found on success, or -1 on failure. If the call fails, errno will be set to indicate the reason for the failure.

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_get\_send\_comp** retrieves a completed work request for a send, RDMA read or RDMA write operation. Information about the completed request is returned through the ibv\_wc, wc parameter, with the wr\_id set to the context of the request. Please see ibv\_poll\_cq for details on the work completion structure, ibv\_wc.

Please note that this call polls the send completion queue associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. If a completion is not found, the call blocks until a request completes. This means, therefore, that the call should only be used on rdma\_cm\_ids which do not share CQs with other rdma\_cm\_ids, and maintain separate CQs for sends and receive completions.

### 5.2.11 rdma\_get\_recv\_comp

#### **Template:**

int rdma get recv comp(struct rdma cm id \*id, struct ibv wc \*wc)

#### **Input Parameters:**

id A reference to the communication identifier to check for

completions

wc A reference to a work completion structure to fill in

#### **Output Parameters:**

wc A reference to a work completion structure. The structure will contain information about the completed request when routine returns

#### **Return Value:**

A non-negative value equal to the number of completions found on success, or errno on failure

#### **Description:**

**rdma\_get\_recv\_comp** retrieves a completed work request a receive operation. Information about the completed request is returned through the ibv\_wc, wc parameter, with the wr\_id set to the context of the request. Please see ibv\_poll\_cq for details on the work completion structure, ibv\_wc.

Please note that this call polls the receive completion queue associated with the rdma\_cm\_id, id. If a completion is not found, the call blocks until a request completes. This means, therefore, that the call should only be used on rdma\_cm\_ids which do not share CQs with other rdma\_cm\_ids, and maintain separate CQs for sends and receive completions.

# 6 Events

This chapter describes the details of the events that occur when using the VPI API

### 6.1 IBV Events

### 6.1.1 IBV EVENT CQ ERR

This event is triggered when a Completion Queue (CQ) overrun occurs or (rare condition) due to a protection error. When this happens, there are no guarantees that completions from the CQ can be pulled. All of the QPs associated with this CQ either in the Read or Send Queue will also get the IBV\_EVENT\_QP\_FATAL event. When this event occurs, the best course of action is for the user to destroy and recreate the resources.

# 6.1.2 IBV\_EVENT\_QP\_FATAL

This event is generated when an error occurs on a Queue Pair (QP) which prevents the generation of completions while accessing or processing the Work Queue on either the Send or Receive Queues. The user must modify the QP state to Reset for recovery. It is the responsibility of the software to ensure that all error processing is completed prior to calling the modify QP verb to change the QP state to Reset.

If the problem that caused this event is in the CQ of that Work Queue, the appropriate CQ will also receive the IBV\_EVENT\_CQ\_ERR event. In the event of a CQ error, it is best to destroy and recreate the resources

# 6.1.3 IBV\_EVENT\_QP\_REQ\_ERR

This event is generated when the transport layer of the RDMA device detects a transport error violation on the responder side. The error may be caused by the use of an unsupported or reserved opcode, or the use of an out of sequence opcode.

These errors are rare but may occur when there are problems in the subnet or when an RDMA device sends illegal packets.

When this happens, the QP is automatically transitioned to the IBV\_QPS\_ERR state by the RDMA device. The user must modify the states of any such QPs from the error state to the Reset state for recovery

This event applies only to RC QPs.

# 6.1.4 IBV\_EVENT\_QP\_ACCESS\_ERR

This event is generated when the transport layer of the RDMA device detects a request error violation on the responder side. The error may be caused by

Misaligned atomic request

Too many RDMA Read or Atomic requests

R Key violation

Length errors without immediate data

These errors usually occur because of bugs in the user code.

When this happens, the QP is automatically transitioned to the IBV\_QPS\_ERR state by the RDMA device. The user must modify the QP state to Reset for recovery.

This event is relevant only to RC QPs.

# 6.1.5 IBV\_EVENT\_COMM\_EST

This event is generated when communication is established on a given QP. This event implies that a QP whose state is IBV\_QPS\_RTR has received the first packet in its Receive Queue and the packet was processed without error.

This event is relevant only to connection oriented QPs (RC and UC QPs). It may be generated for UD QPs as well but that is driver implementation specific.

### 6.1.6 IBV EVENT SQ DRAINED

This event is generated when all outstanding messages have been drained from the Send Queue (SQ) of a QP whose state has now changed from IBV\_QPS\_RTS to IBV\_QPS\_SQD. For RC QPs, this means that all the messages received acknowledgements as appropriate.

Generally, this event will be generated when the internal QP state changes from SQD.draining to SQD.drained. The event may also be generated if the transition to the state IBV\_QPS\_SQD is aborted because of a transition, either by the RDMA device or by the user, into the IBV QPS SQE, IBV QPS ERR or IBV QPS RESET QP states.

After this event, and after ensuring that the QP is in the IBV\_QPS\_SQD state, it is safe for the user to start modifying the Send Queue attributes since there aren't are no longer any send messages in progress. Thus it is now safe to modify the operational characteristics of the QP and transition it back to the fully operational RTS state.

# 6.1.7 IBV\_EVENT\_PATH\_MIG

This event is generated when a connection successfully migrates to an alternate path. The event is relevant only for connection oriented QPs, that is, it is relevant only for RC and UC QPs.

When this event is generated, it means that the alternate path attributes are now in use as the primary path attributes. If it is necessary to load attributes for another alternate path, the user may do that after this event is generated.

# 6.1.8 IBV EVENT PATH MIG ERR

This event is generated when an error occurs which prevents a QP which has alternate path attributes loaded from performing a path migration change. The attempt to effect the path migration may have been attempted automatically by the RDMA device or explicitly by the user.

This error usually occurs if the alternate path attributes are not consistent on the two ends of the connection. It could be, for example, that the DLID is not set correctly or if the source port is invalid.CQ The event may also occur if a cable to the alternate port is unplugged.

# 6.1.9 IBV\_EVENT\_DEVICE\_FATAL

This event is generated when a catastrophic error is encountered on the channel adapter. The port and possibly the channel adapter becomes unusable.

When this event occurs, the behavior of the RDMA device is undetermined and it is highly recommended to close the process immediately. Trying to destroy the RDMA resources may fail and thus the device may be left in an unstable state.

### 6.1.10 IBV EVENT PORT ACTIVE

This event is generated when the link on a given port transitions to the active state. The link is now available for send/receive packets.

This event means that the port attr.state has moved from one of the following states

```
IBV_PORT_DOWN
IBV_PORT_INIT
IBV_PORT_ARMED
to either
IBV_PORT_ACTIVE
IBV_PORT_ACTIVE DEFER
```

This might happen for example when the SM configures the port.

The event is generated by the device only if the IBV\_DEVICE\_PORT\_ACTIVE\_EVENT attribute is set in the dev cap.device cap flags.

### 6.1.11 IBV\_EVENT\_PORT\_ERR

This event is generated when the link on a given port becomes inactive and is thus unavailable to send/receive packets.

The port\_attr.state must have been in either in either IBV\_PORT\_ACTIVE or IBV\_PORT\_ACTIVE DEFER state and transitions to one of the following states:

```
IBV_PORT_DOWN
IBV_PORT_INIT
IBV_PORT_ARMED
```

This can happen when there are connectivity problems within the IB fabric, for example when a cable is accidentally pulled.

This will not affect the QPs associated with this port, although if this is a reliable connection, the retry count may be exceeded if the link takes a long time to come back up.

# 6.1.12 IBV\_EVENT\_LID\_CHANGE

The event is generated when the LID on a given port changes. This is done by the SM. If this is not the first time that the SM configures the port LID, it may indicate that there is a new SM on the subnet or that the SM has reconfigured the subnet. If the user cached the structure returned from ibv\_query\_port(), then these values must be flushed when this event occurs.

# 6.1.13 IBV\_EVENT\_PKEY\_CHANGE

This event is generated when the P\_Key table changes on a given port. The PKEY table is configured by the SM and this also means that the SM can change it. When that happens, an IBV\_EVENT\_PKEY\_CHANGE event is generated.

Since QPs use GID table indexes rather than absolute values (as the source GID), it is suggested for clients to check that the GID indexes used by the client's QPs are not changed as a result of this event.

If a user caches the values of the P\_Key table, then these must be flushed when the IBV EVENT PKEY CHANGE event is received.

# 6.1.14 IBV\_EVENT\_SM\_CHANGE

This event is generated when the SM being used at a given port changes. The user application must re-register with the new SM. This means that all subscriptions previously registered from the given port, such as one to join a multicast group, must be reregistered.

# 6.1.15 IBV\_EVENT\_SRQ\_ERR

This event is generated when an error occurs on a Shared Receive Queue (SRQ) which prevents the RDMA device from dequeuing WRs from the SRQ and reporting of receive completions.

When an SRQ experiences this error, all the QPs associated with this SRQ will be transitioned to the IBV\_QPS\_ERR state and the IBV\_EVENT\_QP\_FATAL asynchronous event will be generated for them. Any QPs which have transitioned to the error state must have their state modified to Reset for recovery.

# 6.1.16 IBV\_EVENT\_SRQ\_LIMIT\_REACHED

This event is generated when the limit for the SRQ resources is reached. This means that the number of SRQ Work Requests (WRs) is less than the SRQ limit. This event may be used by the user as an indicator that more WRs need to be posted to the SRQ and rearm it.

# 6.1.17 IBV\_EVENT\_QP\_LAST\_WQE\_REACHED

This event is generated when a QP which is associated with an SRQ is transitioned into the IBV\_QPS\_ERR state either automatically by the RDMA device or explicitly by the user. This may have happened either because a completion with error was generated for the last WQE, or the QP transitioned into the IBV\_QPS\_ERR state and there are no more WQEs on the Receive Queue of the QP.

This event actually means that no more WQEs will be consumed from the SRQ by this QP.

If an error occurs to a QP and this event is not generated, the user must destroy all of the QPs associated with this SRQ as well as the SRQ itself in order to reclaim all of the WQEs associated with the offending QP. At the minimum, the QP which is in the error state must have its state changed to Reset for recovery.

# 6.1.18 IBV\_EVENT\_CLIENT\_REREGISTER

This event is generated when the SM sends a request to a given port for client reregistration for all subscriptions previously requested for the port. This could happen if the SM suffers a failure and as a result, loses its own records of the subscriptions. It may also happen if a new SM becomes operational on the subnet.

The event will be generated by the device only if the bit that indicates a client reregister is supported is set in port\_attr.port\_cap\_flags.

### 6.1.19 IBV EVENT GID CHANGE

This event is generated when a GID changes on a given port. The GID table is configured by the SM and this also means that the SM can change it. When that happens, an IBV\_EVENT\_GID\_CHANGE event is generated. If a user caches the values of the GID table, then these must be flushed when the IBV\_EVENT\_GID\_CHANGE event is received.

### 6.2 IBV WC Events

# 6.2.1 IBV\_WC\_SUCCESS

The Work Request completed successfully.

# 6.2.2 IBV\_WC\_LOC\_LEN\_ERR

This event is generated when the receive buffer is smaller than the incoming send. It is generated on the receiver side of the connection.

### 6.2.3 IBV WC LOC QP OP ERR

This event is generated when a QP error occurs. For example, it may be generated if a user neglects to specify responder\_resources and initiator\_depth values in struct rdma\_conn\_param before calling rdma\_connect() on the client side and rdma\_accept() on the server side.

# 6.2.4 IBV\_WC\_LOC\_EEC\_OP\_ERR

This event is generated when there is an error related to the local EEC's receive logic while executing the request packet. The responder is unable to complete the request. This error is not caused by the sender.

# 6.2.5 IBV\_WC\_LOC\_PROT\_ERR

This event is generated when a user attempts to access an address outside of the registered memory region. For example, this may happen if the Lkey does not match the address in the WR.

# 6.2.6 IBV\_WC\_WR\_FLUSH\_ERR

This event is generated when an invalid remote error is thrown when the responder detects an invalid request. It may be that the operation is not supported by the request queue or there is insufficient buffer space to receive the request.

# 6.2.7 IBV WC MW BIND ERR

This event is generated when a memory management operation error occurs. The error may be due to the fact that the memory window and the QP belong to different protection domains. It may also be that the memory window is not allowed to be bound to the specified MR or the access permissions may be wrong.

# 6.2.8 IBV WC BAD RESP ERR

This event is generated when an unexpected transport layer opcode is returned by the responder.

### 6.2.9 IBV WC LOC ACCESS ERR

This event is generated when a local protection error occurs on a local data buffer during the process of an RDMA Write with Immediate Data operation sent from the remote node.

### 6.2.10 IBV WC REM INV REQ ERR

This event is generated when the receive buffer is smaller than the incoming send. It is generated on the sender side of the connection. It may also be generated if the QP attributes are not set correctly, particularly those governing MR access.

# 6.2.11 IBV\_WC\_REM\_ACCESS\_ERR

This event is generated when a protection error occurs on a remote data buffer to be read by an RDMA Read, written by an RDMA Write or accessed by an atomic operation. The error is reported only on RDMA operations or atomic operations.

### 6.2.12 IBV WC REM OP ERR

This event is generated when an operation cannot be completed successfully by the responder. The failure to complete the operation may be due to QP related errors which prevent the responder from completing the request or a malformed WQE on the Receive Queue.

### 6.2.13 IBV WC RETRY EXC ERR

This event is generated when a sender is unable to receive feedback from the receiver. This means that either the receiver just never ACKs sender messages in a specified time period, or it has been disconnected or it is in a bad state which prevents it from responding.

### 6.2.14 IBV\_WC\_RNR\_RETRY\_EXC\_ERR

This event is generated when the RNR NAK retry count is exceeded. This may be caused by lack of receive buffers on the responder side.

### 6.2.15 IBV\_WC\_LOC\_RDD\_VIOL\_ERR

This event is generated when the RDD associated with the QP does not match the RDD associated with the EEC.

### 6.2.16 IBV\_WC\_REM\_INV\_RD\_REQ\_ERR

This event is generated when the responder detects an invalid incoming RD message. The message may be invalid because it has in invalid Q\_Key or there may be a Reliable Datagram Domain (RDD) violation.

# 6.2.17 IBV\_WC\_REM\_ABORT\_ERR

This event is generated when an error occurs on the responder side which causes it to abort the operation.

### 6.2.18 IBV WC INV EECN ERR

This event is generated when an invalid End to End Context Number (EECN) is detected.

# 6.2.19 IBV WC INV EEC STATE ERR

This event is generated when an illegal operation is detected in a request for the specified EEC state.

### 6.2.20 IBV WC FATAL ERR

This event is generated when a fatal transport error occurs. The user may have to restart the RDMA device driver or reboot the server to recover from the error.

### 6.2.21 IBV\_WC\_RESP\_TIMEOUT\_ERR

This event is generated when the responder is unable to respond to a request within the timeout period. It generally indicates that the receiver is not ready to process requests.

# 6.2.22 IBV\_WC\_GENERAL\_ERR

This event is generated when there is a transport error which cannot be described by the other specific events discussed here.

# 6.3 RDMA\_CM Events

# 6.3.1 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_ADDR\_RESOLVED

This event is generated on the client (active) side in response to rdma\_resolve\_addr(). It is generated when the system is able to resolve the server address supplied by the client.

# 6.3.2 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_ADDR\_ERROR

This event is generated on the client (active) side. It is generated in response to rdma\_resolve\_addr() in the case where an error occurs. This may happen, for example, if the device cannot be found such as when a user supplies an incorrect device. Specifically, if the remote device has both ethernet and IB interfaces, and the client side supplies the ethernet device name instead of the IB device name of the server side, an RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_ADDR\_ERROR will be generated.

# 6.3.3 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_ROUTE\_RESOLVED

This event is generated on the client (active) side in response to rdma\_resolve\_route(). It is generated when the system is able to resolve the server address supplied by the client.

# 6.3.4 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_ROUTE\_ERROR

This event is generated when rdma resolve route() fails.

# 6.3.5 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_CONNECT\_REQUEST

This is generated on the passive side of the connection to notify the user of a new connection request. It indicates that a connection request has been received.

### 6.3.6 RDMA CM EVENT CONNECT RESPONSE

This event may be generated on the active side of the connection to notify the user that the connection request has been successful. The event is only generated on rdma\_cm\_ids which do not have a QP associated with them.

# 6.3.7 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_CONNECT\_ERROR

This event may be generated on the active or passive side of the connection. It is generated when an error occurs while attempting to establish a connection.

# 6.3.8 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_UNREACHABLE

This event is generated on the active side of a connection. It indicates that the (remote) server is unreachable or unable to respond to a connection request.

### 6.3.9 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_REJECTED

This event may be generated on the client (active) side and indicates that a connection request or response has been rejected by the remote device. This may happen for example if an attempt is made to connect with the remote end point on the wrong port.

### 6.3.10 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_ESTABLISHED

This event is generated on both sides of a connection. It indicates that a connection has been established with the remote end point.

# 6.3.11 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_DISCONNECTED

This event is generated on both sides of the connection in response to rdma\_disconnect(). The event will be generated to indicate that the connection between the local and remote devices has been disconnected. Any associated QP will transition to the error state. All posted work requests are flushed. The user must change any such QP's state to Reset for recovery.

# 6.3.12 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_DEVICE\_REMOVAL

This event is generated when the RDMA CM indicates that the device associated with the rdma\_cm\_id has been removed. Upon receipt of this event, the user must destroy the related rdma\_cm\_id.

# 6.3.13 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_MULTICAST\_JOIN

This event is generated in response to rdma\_join\_multicast(). It indicates that the multicast join operation has completed successfully.

# 6.3.14 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_MULTICAST\_ERROR

This event is generated when an error occurs while attempting to join a multicast group or on an existing multicast group if the group had already been joined. When this happens, the multicast group will no longer be accessible and must be rejoined if necessary.

# 6.3.15 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_ADDR\_CHANGE

This event is generated when the network device associated with this ID through address resolution changes its hardware address. For example, this may happen following bonding fail over. This event may serve to aid applications which want the links used for their RDMA sessions to align with the network stack.

# 6.3.16 RDMA\_CM\_EVENT\_TIMEWAIT\_EXIT

This event is generated when the QP associated with the connection has exited its timewait state and is now ready to be re-used. After a QP has been disconnected, it is maintained in a timewait state to allow any in flight packets to exit the network. After the timewait state has completed, the rdma\_cm will report this event.

# 7 Programming Examples Using IBV Verbs

This chapter provides code examples using the IBV Verbs

# 7.1 Synopsis for RDMA\_RC Example Using IBV Verbs

The following is a synopsis of the functions in the programming example, in the order that they are called.

#### 7.1.1 Main

Parse command line. The user may set the TCP port, device name, and device port for the test. If set, these values will override default values in config. The last parameter is the server name. If the server name is set, this designates a server to connect to and therefore puts the program into client mode. Otherwise the program is in server mode.

Call print\_config.

Call resources init.

Call resources create.

Call connect qp.

If in server mode, do a call post\_send with IBV\_WR\_SEND operation.

Call poll\_completion. Note that the server side expects a completion from the SEND request and the client side expects a RECEIVE completion.

If in client mode, show the message we received via the RECEIVE operation, otherwise, if we are in server mode, load the buffer with a new message.

Sync client<->server.

At this point the server goes directly to the next sync. All RDMA operations are done strictly by the client.

\*\*\*Client only \*\*\*

Call post\_send with IBV\_WR\_RDMA\_READ to perform a RDMA read of server's buffer.

Call poll completion.

Show server's message.

Setup send buffer with new message.

Call post\_send with IBV\_WR\_RDMA\_WRITE to perform a RDMA write of server's buffer.

Call poll completion.

\*\*\* End client only operations \*\*\*

Sync client<->server.

If server mode, show buffer, proving RDMA write worked.

Call resources destroy.

Free device name string.

Done.

# 7.1.2 print\_config

Print out configuration information.

# 7.1.3 resources\_init

Clears resources struct.

### 7.1.4 resources\_create

Call sock connect to connect a TCP socket to the peer.

Get the list of devices, locate the one we want, and open it.

Free the device list.

Get the port information.

Create a PD.

Create a CQ.

Allocate a buffer, initialize it, register it.

Create a QP.

# 7.1.5 sock\_connect

If client, resolve DNS address of server and initiate a connection to it.

If server, listen for incoming connection on indicated port.

# 7.1.6 connect\_qp

Call modify qp to init.

Call post receive.

Call sock sync data to exchange information between server and client.

Call modify\_qp\_to\_rtr.

Call modify qp to rts.

Call sock sync data to synchronize client<->server

# 7.1.7 modify\_qp\_to\_init

Transition QP to INIT state.

### 7.1.8 post receive

Prepare a scatter/gather entry for the receive buffer.

Prepare an RR.

Post the RR.

# 7.1.9 sock\_sync\_data

Using the TCP socket created with sock\_connect, synchronize the given set of data between client and the server. Since this function is blocking, it is also called with dummy data to synchronize the timing of the client and server.

# 7.1.10 modify\_qp\_to\_rtr

Transition QP to RTR state.

# 7.1.11 modify\_qp\_to\_rts

Transition QP to RTS state.

# 7.1.12 post\_send

Prepare a scatter/gather entry for data to be sent (or received in RDMA read case).

Create an SR. Note that IBV SEND SIGNALED is redundant.

If this is an RDMA operation, set the address and key.

Post the SR.

### 7.1.13 poll\_completion

Poll CQ until an entry is found or MAX POLL CQ TIMEOUT milliseconds are reached.

# 7.1.14 resources\_destroy

#include <getopt.h>

Release/free/deallocate all items in resource struct.

# 7.2 Code for Send, Receive, RDMA Read, RDMA Write

```
* BUILD COMMAND:
         * gcc -Wall -I/usr/local/ofed/include -O2 -o RDMA RC example -L/usr/local/ofed/lib64 -L/usr/local/ofed/lib -
libverbs RDMA RC example.c
                                ********************
               RDMA Aware Networks Programming Example
         * This code demonstrates how to perform the following operations using the * VPI Verbs API:
               Send
               Receive
               RDMA Read
               RDMA Write
         #include <stdio.h>
         #include <stdlib.h>
         #include <string.h>
         #include <unistd.h>
         #include <stdint.h>
         #include <inttypes.h>
         #include <endian.h>
         #include <byteswap.h>
```

```
#include <sys/time.h>
          #include <arpa/inet.h>
          #include <infiniband/verbs.h>
          #include <sys/types.h>
          #include <sys/socket.h>
          #include <netdb.h>
          /* poll CQ timeout in millisec (2 seconds) */
          #define MAX POLL CQ TIMEOUT 2000
          #define MSG
                          "SEND operation
          #define RDMAMSGR "RDMA read operation"
          #define RDMAMSGW "RDMA write operation"
          #define MSG_SIZE (strlen(MSG) + 1)
          #if BYTE ORDER == LITTLE ENDIAN
          static inline uint64 t htonll(uint64_t x) { return bswap_64(x); }
          static inline uint64 t ntohll(uint64 t x) { return bswap 64(x); }
          #elif __BYTE_ORDER == __BIG_ENDIAN
          static inline uint64_t htonll(uint64_t x) { return x; }
          static inline uint64 t ntohll(uint64 t x) { return x; }
          #else
          #error __BYTE_ORDER is neither __LITTLE_ENDIAN nor __BIG_ENDIAN
          #endif
          /* structure of test parameters */
          struct config t
Command 1 -
                                                            /* IB device name */
         const char
                                *dev name;
         char
                                *server_name;
                                                            /* server host name */
                                                            /* server TCP port */
         u int32 t
                                tcp port;
         int
                                ib_port;
                                                            /* local IB port to work with */
         int
                                gid idx;
                                                            /* gid index to use */
          };
          /* structure to exchange data which is needed to connect the QPs */
          struct cm con data t
        Table 1 -
                                           /* Buffer address */
         uint64 t
                          addr;
         uint32 t
                          rkey;
                                           /* Remote key */
                                           /* QP number */
         uint32 t
                          qp num;
         uint16 t
                          lid;
                                           /* LID of the IB port */
         uint8 t
                          gid[16];
                                           /* gid */
          } attribute ((packed));
```

```
/* structure of system resources */
 struct resources
Table 2 -
struct ibv_device_attr
                                 /* Device attributes */
device_attr;
struct ibv port attr
                                 port_attr;
                                                        /* IB port attributes */
                                                        /* values to connect to remote side */
struct cm con data t
                                 remote props;
                                                        /* device handle */
struct ibv_context
                                 *ib_ctx;
                                                        /* PD handle */
struct ibv pd
                                 *pd;
struct ibv cq
                                 *cq;
                                                        /* CQ handle */
                                                        /* QP handle */
struct ibv_qp
                                 *qp;
                                                        /* MR handle for buf */
struct ibv mr
                                 *mr;
char
                                 *buf;
                                                        /* memory buffer pointer, used for RDMA and send
                                                        ops */
                                                        /* TCP socket file descriptor */
int
                                 sock;
 };
 struct config t config =
Table 3 -
NULL,
                             /* dev name */
NULL,
                             /* server name */
19875,
                             /* tcp port */
                             /* ib port */
1,
-1
                             /* gid idx */
 };
  Socket operations
  For simplicity, the example program uses TCP sockets to exchange control
  information. If a TCP/IP stack/connection is not available, connection manager
  (CM) may be used to pass this information. Use of CM is beyond the scope of
  this example
 * Function: sock_connect
```

```
* Input
    servername URL of server to connect to (NULL for server mode)
              port of service
 * Output
    none
 * Returns
    socket (fd) on success, negative error code on failure
 * Description
 * Connect a socket. If servername is specified a client connection will be
    initiated to the indicated server and port. Otherwise listen on the
    indicated port for an incoming connection.
 static int sock connect(const char *servername, int port)
Tàble 4 -
struct addrinfo
                             *resolved_addr = NULL;
struct addrinfo
                              *iterator;
char
                             service[6];
int
                             sockfd = -1;
                             listenfd = 0;
int
int
                             tmp;
   struct addrinfo hints =
      .ai flags = AI PASSIVE,
      .ai family = AF INET,
      .ai socktype = SOCK STREAM
   };
   if (sprintf(service, "%d", port) < 0)
      goto sock connect exit;
   /* Resolve DNS address, use sockfd as temp storage */
   sockfd = getaddrinfo(servername, service, &hints, &resolved addr);
   if (\operatorname{sockfd} < 0)
   {
      fprintf(stderr, "%s for %s:%d\n", gai_strerror(sockfd), servername, port);
      goto sock connect exit;
   /* Search through results and find the one we want */
   for (iterator = resolved_addr; iterator ; iterator = iterator->ai_next)
```

```
sockfd = socket(iterator->ai_family, iterator->ai_socktype, iterator->ai_protocol);
     if (\operatorname{sockfd} \ge 0)
       if (servername)
          /* Client mode. Initiate connection to remote */
          if((tmp=connect(sockfd, iterator->ai_addr, iterator->ai_addrlen)))
             fprintf(stdout, "failed connect \n");
            close(sockfd);
            sockfd = -1;
       else
          /* Server mode. Set up listening socket an accept a connection */
          listenfd = sockfd;
          sockfd = -1;
          if(bind(listenfd, iterator->ai_addr, iterator->ai_addrlen))
            goto sock connect exit;
          listen(listenfd, 1);
          sockfd = accept(listenfd, NULL, 0);
     }
sock_connect_exit:
  if(listenfd)
     close(listenfd);
  if(resolved addr)
     freeaddrinfo(resolved addr);
  if (sockfd < 0)
     if(servername)
       fprintf(stderr, "Couldn't connect to %s:%d\n", servername, port);
     else
       perror("server accept");
       fprintf(stderr, "accept() failed\n");
return sockfd;
* Function: sock_sync_data
```

# \* Input **Table 5 -**

```
* sock
                      socket to transfer data on
* xfer size
                      size of data to transfer
* local data
                      pointer to data to be sent to remote
 * Output
   remote data
                       pointer to buffer to receive remote data
* Returns
  0 on success, negative error code on failure
 * Description
 * Sync data across a socket. The indicated local data will be sent to the
   remote. It will then wait for the remote to send its data back. It is
   assumed that the two sides are in sync and call this function in the proper
   order. Chaos will ensue if they are not. :)
   Also note this is a blocking function and will wait for the full data to be
   received from the remote.
int sock sync data(int sock, int xfer size, char *local data, char *remote data)
   int
                  rc;
   int
                  read bytes = 0;
   int
                  total read bytes = 0;
   rc = write(sock, local_data, xfer_size);
   if(rc < xfer size)
     fprintf(stderr, "Failed writing data during sock sync data\n");
   else
     rc = 0;
   while(!rc && total read bytes < xfer size)
     read bytes = read(sock, remote data, xfer size);
     if(read bytes > 0)
       total_read_bytes += read_bytes;
       rc = read bytes;
   return rc;
End of socket operations
```

```
/* poll completion */
 * Function: poll completion
 * Input
                    pointer to resources structure
 * Output
    none
 * Returns
    0 on success, 1 on failure
 * Description
 * Poll the completion queue for a single event. This function will continue to
    poll the queue until MAX POLL CQ TIMEOUT milliseconds have passed.
 static int poll completion(struct resources *res)
Table 6 -
struct ibv_wc
                    wc;
unsigned long
                    start time msec;
unsigned long
                    cur time msec;
struct timeval
                    cur time;
int
                    poll_result;
int
                    rc = 0;
    /* poll the completion for a while before giving up of doing it .. */
    gettimeofday(&cur time, NULL);
    start time msec = (cur time.tv sec * 1000) + (cur time.tv usec / 1000);
    do
      poll result = ibv poll cq(res->cq, 1, \&wc);
      gettimeofday(&cur time, NULL);
      cur time msec = (cur time.tv sec * 1000) + (cur time.tv usec / 1000);
    } while ((poll result == 0) && ((cur time msec - start time msec) < MAX POLL CQ TIMEOUT));
    if(poll result < 0)
      /* poll CQ failed */
      fprintf(stderr, "poll CQ failed\n");
      rc = 1;
    else if (poll_result == 0)
```

```
/* the CQ is empty */
                fprintf(stderr, "completion wasn't found in the CQ after timeout\n");
                        rc = 1;
                else
                /* CQE found */
                fprintf(stdout, "completion was found in CQ with status 0x%x\n", wc.status);
                /* check the completion status (here we don't care about the completion opcode */
                if (wc.status != IBV_WC_SUCCESS)
                         fprintf(stderr, "got bad completion with status: 0x%x, vendor syndrome: 0x%x\n", wc.status,
wc.vendor err);
                        rc = 1;
           return rc;
         }
         * Function: post_send
         * Input
                  pointer to resources structure
            opcode IBV WR SEND, IBV WR RDMA READ or IBV WR RDMA WRITE
         * Output
            none
         * Returns
           0 on success, error code on failure
         * Description
         * This function will create and post a send work request
         *******************************
         static int post send(struct resources *res, int opcode)
        Table 7 -
        struct ibv_send_wr
                                   sr;
        struct ibv sge
                                   sge;
        struct ibv_send_wr
                                   *bad_wr = NULL;
        int
                                   rc;
           /* prepare the scatter/gather entry */
           memset(&sge, 0, sizeof(sge));
           sge.addr = (uintptr t)res->buf;
```

```
sge.length = MSG SIZE;
  sge.lkey = res->mr->lkey;
  /* prepare the send work request */
  memset(&sr, 0, sizeof(sr));
  sr.next = NULL;
  sr.wr id = 0;
  sr.sg list = &sge;
  sr.num sge = 1;
  sr.opcode = opcode;
  sr.send flags = IBV SEND SIGNALED;
  if(opcode != IBV WR SEND)
    sr.wr.rdma.remote addr = res->remote props.addr;
    sr.wr.rdma.rkey = res->remote props.rkey;
  /* there is a Receive Request in the responder side, so we won't get any into RNR flow */
  rc = ibv post send(res->qp, &sr, &bad wr);
  if (rc)
    fprintf(stderr, "failed to post SR\n");
  else
    switch(opcode)
      case IBV WR SEND:
        fprintf(stdout, "Send Request was posted\n");
        break;
      case IBV WR RDMA READ:
        fprintf(stdout, "RDMA Read Request was posted\n");
        break;
      case IBV WR RDMA WRITE:
        fprintf(stdout, "RDMA Write Request was posted\n");
        break;
      default:
        fprintf(stdout, "Unknown Request was posted\n");
        break;
  return rc;
/**********************
* Function: post_receive
* Input
      pointer to resources structure
  res
```

```
* Output
   none
 * Returns
  0 on success, error code on failure
 * Description
 ***********************
 static int post_receive(struct resources *res)
Table 8 -
struct ibv_recv_wr
                        rr;
struct ibv sge
                        sge;
struct ibv_recv_wr
                        *bad wr;
int
                        rc;
   /* prepare the scatter/gather entry */
   memset(&sge, 0, sizeof(sge));
   sge.addr = (uintptr_t)res->buf;
   sge.length = MSG SIZE;
   sge.lkey = res->mr->lkey;
   /* prepare the receive work request */
   memset(&rr, 0, sizeof(rr));
   rr.next = NULL;
   rr.wr id = 0;
   rr.sg list = &sge;
   rr.num sge = 1;
   /* post the Receive Request to the RQ */
   rc = ibv post recv(res->qp, &rr, &bad wr);
     fprintf(stderr, "failed to post RR\n");
     fprintf(stdout, "Receive Request was posted\n");
   return rc;
 }
 * Function: resources_init
   res pointer to resources structure
 * Output
   res
       is initialized
```

```
* Returns
   none
 * Description
 * res is initialized to default values
 ******************************
 static void resources init(struct resources *res)
   memset(res, 0, sizeof *res);
   res->sock = -1;
 * Function: resources_create
 * Input
   res pointer to resources structure to be filled in
 * Output
   res
       filled in with resources
 * Returns
  0 on success, 1 on failure
 * Description
 * This function creates and allocates all necessary system resources. These
 * are stored in res.
 static int resources create(struct resources *res)
   struct ibv_device **dev_list = NULL;
   struct ibv qp init attr qp init attr;
   struct ibv device *ib dev = NULL;
Table 9 -
  size_t
           size;
  int
           i;
           mr_flags = 0;
  int
  int
           cq_size = 0;
  int
           num devices;
  int
           rc = 0;
   /* if client side */
   if (config.server name)
     res->sock = sock connect(config.server name, config.tcp port);
     if (res->sock < 0)
```

```
fprintf(stderr, "failed to establish TCP connection to server %s, port %d\n",
       config.server_name, config.tcp_port);
     rc = -1;
     goto resources_create_exit;
else
  fprintf(stdout, "waiting on port %d for TCP connection\n", config.tcp port);
  res->sock = sock_connect(NULL, config.tcp_port);
  if (res->sock < 0)
     fprintf(stderr, "failed to establish TCP connection with client on port %d\n",
       config.tcp port);
     rc = -1;
     goto resources_create_exit;
fprintf(stdout, "TCP connection was established\n");
fprintf(stdout, "searching for IB devices in host\n");
/* get device names in the system */
dev list = ibv get device list(&num devices);
if (!dev list)
  fprintf(stderr, "failed to get IB devices list\n");
  rc = 1;
  goto resources create exit;
/* if there isn't any IB device in host */
if (!num_devices)
  fprintf(stderr, "found %d device(s)\n", num devices);
  rc = 1;
  goto resources_create_exit;
fprintf(stdout, "found %d device(s)\n", num devices);
/* search for the specific device we want to work with */
for (i = 0; i < num devices; i ++)
  if(!config.dev name)
     config.dev name = strdup(ibv get device name(dev list[i]));
     fprintf(stdout, "device not specified, using first one found: %s\n", config.dev name);
  if (!strcmp(ibv get device name(dev list[i]), config.dev name))
     ib dev = dev list[i];
```

```
break;
/* if the device wasn't found in host */
if (!ib dev)
  fprintf(stderr, "IB device %s wasn't found\n", config.dev_name);
  goto resources create exit;
/* get device handle */
res->ib ctx = ibv open device(ib dev);
if (!res->ib ctx)
  fprintf(stderr, "failed to open device %s\n", config.dev_name);
  rc = 1;
  goto resources_create_exit;
/* We are now done with device list, free it */
ibv_free_device_list(dev_list);
dev list = NULL;
ib dev = NULL;
/* query port properties */
if (ibv_query_port(res->ib_ctx, config.ib_port, &res->port_attr))
  fprintf(stderr, "ibv query port on port %u failed\n", config.ib port);
  goto resources_create_exit;
/* allocate Protection Domain */
res > pd = ibv alloc pd(res > ib ctx);
if (!res->pd)
  fprintf(stderr, "ibv_alloc_pd failed\n");
  rc = 1;
  goto resources create exit;
/* each side will send only one WR, so Completion Queue with 1 entry is enough */
cq size = 1;
res->cq = ibv create cq(res->ib ctx, cq size, NULL, NULL, 0);
if (!res->cq)
  fprintf(stderr, "failed to create CQ with %u entries\n", cq_size);
  rc = 1;
  goto resources_create_exit;
```

```
/* allocate the memory buffer that will hold the data */
            size = MSG SIZE;
            res->buf = (char *) malloc(size);
            if (!res->buf)
               fprintf(stderr, "failed to malloc %Zu bytes to memory buffer\n", size);
               rc = 1;
               goto resources_create_exit;
            memset(res->buf, 0, size);
            /* only in the server side put the message in the memory buffer */
            if (!config.server_name)
             {
               strcpy(res->buf, MSG);
               fprintf(stdout, "going to send the message: '%s'\n", res->buf);
            else
               memset(res->buf, 0, size);
            /* register the memory buffer */
            mr flags = IBV ACCESS LOCAL WRITE | IBV ACCESS REMOTE READ | IBV ACCESS RE-
MOTE WRITE;
            res->mr = ibv reg mr(res->pd, res->buf, size, mr flags);
            if (!res->mr)
               fprintf(stderr, "ibv reg mr failed with mr flags=0x%x\n", mr flags);
               rc = 1:
               goto resources create exit;
            fprintf(stdout, "MR was registered with addr=%p, lkey=0x%x, rkey=0x%x, flags=0x%x\n",
                     res->buf, res->mr->lkey, res->mr->rkey, mr flags);
            /* create the Queue Pair */
            memset(&qp init attr, 0, sizeof(qp init attr));
            qp_init_attr.qp_type = IBV_QPT_RC;
            qp init attr.sq sig all = 1;
            qp_init_attr.send_cq = res->cq;
            qp init attr.recv cq = res->cq;
            qp init attr.cap.max send wr = 1;
            qp init attr.cap.max recv wr = 1;
            qp init attr.cap.max send sge = 1;
            qp init attr.cap.max recv sge = 1;
            res->qp = ibv create qp(res->pd, &qp init attr);
            if (!res->qp)
```

```
fprintf(stderr, "failed to create QP\n");
    rc = 1;
    goto resources_create_exit;
  fprintf(stdout, "QP was created, QP number=0x%x\n", res->qp->qp_num);
resources_create_exit:
  if(rc)
    /* Error encountered, cleanup */
    if(res->qp)
       ibv_destroy_qp(res->qp);
       res->qp = NULL;
    if(res->mr)
       ibv_dereg_mr(res->mr);
       res->mr = NULL;
    if(res->buf)
       free(res->buf);
       res->buf = NULL;
    if(res->cq)
       ibv_destroy_cq(res->cq);
       res->cq = NULL;
    if(res->pd)
       ibv_dealloc_pd(res->pd);
       res->pd = NULL;
    if(res->ib_ctx)
       ibv_close_device(res->ib_ctx);
       res->ib ctx = NULL;
    if(dev_list)
       ibv free device list(dev list);
       dev list = NULL;
```

if (res->sock >= 0)

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if (close(res->sock))
                   fprintf(stderr, "failed to close socket\n");
                res->sock = -1;
            return rc;
         * Function: modify_qp_to_init
          * Input
            qp
                 QP to transition
         * Output
            none
         * Returns
         * 0 on success, ibv modify qp failure code on failure
         * Description
          * Transition a QP from the RESET to INIT state
         static int modify_qp_to_init(struct ibv_qp *qp)
        Table 10 -
        struct ibv_qp_attr
                            attr;
        int
                            flags;
        int
                            rc;
            memset(&attr, 0, sizeof(attr));
            attr.qp state = IBV QPS INIT;
            attr.port num = config.ib port;
            attr.pkey index = 0;
            attr.qp access flags = IBV ACCESS LOCAL WRITE | IBV ACCESS REMOTE READ | IBV AC-
CESS REMOTE WRITE;
            flags = IBV_QP_STATE | IBV_QP_PKEY_INDEX | IBV_QP_PORT | IBV_QP_ACCESS_FLAGS;
            rc = ibv_modify_qp(qp, &attr, flags);
            if (rc)
              fprintf(stderr, "failed to modify QP state to INIT\n");
            return rc;
```

```
/*********************
 * Function: modify_qp_to_rtr
 * Input
Table 11 -
                   OP to transition
  qp
                   remote QP number
  remote_qpn
  dlid
                   destination LID
  dgid
                   destination GID (mandatory for RoCEE)
 * Output
   none
 * Returns
  0 on success, ibv_modify_qp failure code on failure
 * Description
 * Transition a QP from the INIT to RTR state, using the specified QP number
 *******************************
 static int modify qp to rtr(struct ibv qp *qp, uint32 t remote qpn, uint16 t dlid, uint8 t *dgid)
Table 12 -
struct ibv_qp_attr
                      attr;
int
                      flags;
int
                      rc;
   memset(&attr, 0, sizeof(attr));
   attr.qp state = IBV QPS RTR;
   attr.path mtu = IBV MTU 256;
   attr.dest qp num = remote qpn;
   attr.rq psn = 0;
   attr.max dest rd atomic = 1;
   attr.min\_rnr\_timer = 0x12;
   attr.ah attr.is global = 0;
   attr.ah attr.dlid = dlid;
   attr.ah attr.sl = 0;
   attr.ah attr.src path bits = 0;
   attr.ah_attr.port_num = config.ib_port;
   if (config.gid idx \geq = 0)
     attr.ah attr.is global = 1;
     attr.ah attr.port num = 1;
     memcpy(&attr.ah attr.grh.dgid, dgid, 16);
     attr.ah_attr.grh.flow_label = 0;
```

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attr.ah attr.grh.hop limit = 1;
     attr.ah_attr.grh.sgid_index = config.gid_idx;
     attr.ah attr.grh.traffic class = 0;
   flags = IBV_QP_STATE | IBV_QP_AV | IBV_QP_PATH_MTU | IBV_QP_DEST_QPN |
     IBV_QP_RQ_PSN | IBV_QP_MAX_DEST_RD_ATOMIC | IBV_QP_MIN_RNR_TIMER;
  rc = ibv modify qp(qp, &attr, flags);
   if (rc)
     fprintf(stderr, "failed to modify QP state to RTR\n");
  return rc;
 * Function: modify_qp_to_rts
 * Input
       QP to transition
   qp
 * Output
   none
 * Returns
  0 on success, ibv modify qp failure code on failure
 * Description
 * Transition a QP from the RTR to RTS state
 *******************************
 static int modify qp to rts(struct ibv qp *qp)
Table 13 -
struct ibv_qp_attr
int
                flags;
int
                rc;
   memset(&attr, 0, sizeof(attr));
               = IBV QPS RTS;
   attr.qp state
               = 0x12:
   attr.timeout
   attr.retry cnt
               = 6;
   attr.rnr_retry
               = 0;
   attr.sq psn
               = 0;
   attr.max rd atomic = 1;
   flags = IBV QP STATE | IBV QP TIMEOUT | IBV QP RETRY CNT |
     IBV_QP_RNR_RETRY | IBV_QP_SQ_PSN | IBV_QP_MAX_QP_RD_ATOMIC;
```

```
rc = ibv modify qp(qp, &attr, flags);
  if (rc)
    fprintf(stderr, "failed to modify QP state to RTS\n");
  return rc;
}
* Function: connect qp
* Input
  res pointer to resources structure
* Output
  none
* Returns
 0 on success, error code on failure
* Description
* Connect the QP. Transition the server side to RTR, sender side to RTS
***************************
static int connect_qp(struct resources *res)
  struct cm con data t local con data;
  struct cm con data t remote con data;
  struct cm con data t tmp con data;
  int rc = 0;
  char temp char;
  union ibv gid my gid;
  if (config.gid idx \geq = 0)
    rc = ibv query gid(res->ib ctx, config.ib port, config.gid idx, &my gid);
    if (rc)
      fprintf(stderr, "could not get gid for port %d, index %d\n", config.ib port, config.gid idx);
      return rc;
  } else
    memset(&my gid, 0, sizeof my gid);
  /* exchange using TCP sockets info required to connect QPs */
  local con data.addr = htonll((uintptr t)res->buf);
  local con data.rkey = htonl(res->mr->rkey);
  local con data.qp num = htonl(res->qp->qp num);
  local con data.lid = htons(res->port attr.lid);
  memcpy(local con data.gid, &my gid, 16);
  fprintf(stdout, "\nLocal LID
                                = 0x\%x\n'', res->port attr.lid);
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if (sock sync data(res->sock, sizeof(struct cm con data t), (char *) &local con data, (char *) &tmp con data)
< 0)
              fprintf(stderr, "failed to exchange connection data between sides\n");
              goto connect_qp_exit;
            remote con data.addr = ntohll(tmp con data.addr);
            remote con data.rkey = ntohl(tmp con data.rkey);
            remote con data.qp num = ntohl(tmp con data.qp num);
            remote con data.lid = ntohs(tmp con data.lid);
            memcpy(remote_con_data.gid, tmp_con_data.gid, 16);
            /* save the remote side attributes, we will need it for the post SR */
            res->remote props = remote con data;
            fprintf(stdout, "Remote address = 0x\%"PRIx64"\n", remote con data.addr);
            fprintf(stdout, "Remote rkey = 0x\%x\n", remote_con_data.rkey);
            fprintf(stdout, "Remote QP number = 0x\%x\n", remote con data.qp num);
            fprintf(stdout, "Remote LID = 0x\%x\n", remote con data.lid);
            if (config.gid idx \geq = 0)
              uint8 t *p = remote con data.gid;
              fprintf(stdout, "Remote GID =
p[0], p[1], p[2], p[3], p[4], p[5], p[6], p[7], p[8], p[9], p[10], p[11], p[12], p[13], p[14], p[15]);
            /* modify the QP to init */
            rc = modify qp to init(res->qp);
            if (rc)
            {
              fprintf(stderr, "change QP state to INIT failed\n");
              goto connect qp exit;
            /* let the client post RR to be prepared for incoming messages */
            if (config.server name)
            {
              rc = post receive(res);
              if (rc)
                fprintf(stderr, "failed to post RR\n");
                goto connect_qp_exit;
            /* modify the QP to RTR */
            rc = modify_qp_to_rtr(res->qp, remote_con_data.qp_num, remote_con_data.lid, remote_con_data.gid);
            if (rc)
```

```
fprintf(stderr, "failed to modify QP state to RTR\n");
    goto connect_qp_exit;
  rc = modify qp to rts(res->qp);
  if (rc)
    fprintf(stderr, "failed to modify QP state to RTR\n");\\
    goto connect qp exit;
  fprintf(stdout, "QP state was change to RTS\n");
  /* sync to make sure that both sides are in states that they can connect to prevent packet loose */
  if (sock sync data(res->sock, 1, "Q", &temp char)) /* just send a dummy char back and forth */
    fprintf(stderr, "sync error after QPs are were moved to RTS\n");
    rc = 1;
      connect_qp_exit:
  return rc;
/**********************************
* Function: resources_destroy
* Input
  res
      pointer to resources structure
* Output
  none
* Returns
 0 on success, 1 on failure
* Description
* Cleanup and deallocate all resources used
static int resources destroy(struct resources *res)
  int rc = 0;
  if (res->qp)
       if (ibv_destroy_qp(res->qp))
       fprintf(stderr, "failed to destroy QP\n");
       rc = 1;
  if (res->mr)
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if (ibv_dereg_mr(res->mr))
       fprintf(stderr, "failed to deregister MR\n");
       rc = 1;
  if (res->buf)
     free(res->buf);
  if (res->cq)
       if (ibv_destroy_cq(res->cq))
       fprintf(stderr, "failed to destroy CQ\n");
       rc = 1;
  if (res->pd)
       if (ibv_dealloc_pd(res->pd))
       fprintf(stderr, "failed to deallocate PD\n");
       rc = 1;
  if (res->ib_ctx)
       if (ibv close device(res->ib ctx))
       fprintf(stderr, "failed to close device context\n");
       rc = 1;
  if (res->sock >= 0)
       if (close(res->sock))
       fprintf(stderr, "failed to close socket\n");
       rc = 1;
  return rc;
* Function: print_config
* Input
  none
* Output
  none
* Returns
   none
* Description
* Print out config information
```

```
static void print config(void)
   fprintf(stdout,
                    " -----\n");
Table 14 -
  fprintf(stdout,
                   " Device name
                                       : \"%s\"\n", config.dev_name);
  fprintf(stdout,
                   " IB port
                                       : %u\n", config.ib port);
   if (config.server_name)
Table 15 -
     fprintf(stdout, "IP
                                      : %s\n", config.server name);
Table 16 -
  fprintf(stdout,
                   " TCP port
                                       : %u\n", config.tcp port);
   if (config.gid idx \geq = 0)
Table 17 -
      fprintf(stdout, " GID index
                                      : %u\n", config.gid idx);
 * Function: usage
 * Input
   argv0 command line arguments
 * Output
    none
 * Returns
    none
 * Description
    print a description of command line syntax
 static void usage(const char *argv0)
   fprintf(stdout, "Usage:\n");
   fprintf(stdout, " %s start a server and wait for connection\n", argv0);
   fprintf(stdout, " %s <host> connect to server at <host>\n", argv0);
   fprintf(stdout, "\n");
   fprintf(stdout, "Options:\n");
   fprintf(stdout, "-p, --port <port> listen on/connect to port <port> (default 18515)\n");
   fprintf(stdout, " -d, --ib-dev <dev> use IB device <dev> (default first device found)\n");
   fprintf(stdout, " -i, --ib-port <port> use port <port> of IB device (default 1)\n");
   fprintf(stdout, " -g, --gid_idx <git index> gid index to be used in GRH (default not used)\n");
 /*****************
 * Function: main
```

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* Input
    arge number of items in argy
    argy command line parameters
 * Output
    none
 * Returns
   0 on success, 1 on failure
 * Description
    Main program code
 int main(int argc, char *argv[])
Table 18 -
     struct resources
                         res;
     int
                         rc = 1;
     char
                         temp_char;
   /* parse the command line parameters */
    while (1)
      int c;
      static struct option long_options[] =
Table 19 -
      {name = "port"}
                          has_arg = 1, val = 'p' },
      name = "ib-dev",
                          has_arg = 1, val = 'd' \},
      {name = "ib-port", has arg = 1, val = 'i'},
      {name = "gid-idx", has\_arg = 1, val = 'g'},
                          has\_arg = 0, val = '\0'
      {name = NULL},
      };
      c = getopt_long(argc, argv, "p:d:i:g:", long_options, NULL);
      if(c == -1)
        break;
      switch (c)
        case 'p':
           config.tcp_port = strtoul(optarg, NULL, 0);
           break;
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```
case 'd':
       config.dev_name = strdup(optarg);
       break;
     case 'i':
     config.ib_port = strtoul(optarg, NULL, 0);
     if (config.ib port < 0)
     usage(argv[0]);
     return 1;
     break;
     case 'g':
     config.gid idx = strtoul(optarg, NULL, 0);
     if (config.gid idx < 0)
     usage(argv[0]);
     return 1;
       break;
     default:
       usage(argv[0]);
       return 1;
/* parse the last parameter (if exists) as the server name */
if (optind == argc - 1)
  config.server name = argv[optind];
else if (optind < argc)
  usage(argv[0]);
  return 1;
/* print the used parameters for info*/
print_config();
/* init all of the resources, so cleanup will be easy */
resources init(&res);
/* create resources before using them */
if (resources create(&res))
  fprintf(stderr, "failed to create resources\n");
  goto main_exit;
/* connect the QPs */
if (connect_qp(&res))
  fprintf(stderr, "failed to connect QPs\n");
```

```
goto main exit;
}
/* let the server post the sr */
if (!config.server_name)
  if (post_send(&res, IBV_WR_SEND))
     fprintf(stderr, "failed to post sr\n");
     goto main exit;
/* in both sides we expect to get a completion */
if (poll_completion(&res))
   fprintf(stderr, "poll completion failed\n");
   goto main exit;
/* after polling the completion we have the message in the client buffer too */
if (config.server name)
  fprintf(stdout, "Message is: '%s'\n", res.buf);
else
  /* setup server buffer with read message */
  strcpy(res.buf, RDMAMSGR);
/* Sync so we are sure server side has data ready before client tries to read it */
if (sock_sync_data(res.sock, 1, "R", &temp_char)) /* just send a dummy char back and forth */
  fprintf(stderr, "sync error before RDMA ops\n");
  rc = 1;
  goto main_exit;
/* Now the client performs an RDMA read and then write on server.
  Note that the server has no idea these events have occured */
if (config.server name)
{
  /* First we read contens of server's buffer */
  if (post_send(&res, IBV_WR_RDMA_READ))
     fprintf(stderr, "failed to post SR 2\n");
     rc = 1;
     goto main exit;
  if (poll completion(&res))
     fprintf(stderr, "poll completion failed 2\n");
     rc = 1;
```

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goto main exit;
     fprintf(stdout, "Contents of server's buffer: '%s'\n", res.buf);
     /* Now we replace what's in the server's buffer */
     strcpy(res.buf, RDMAMSGW);
     fprintf(stdout, "Now replacing it with: '%s'\n", res.buf);
     if (post_send(&res, IBV_WR_RDMA_WRITE))
       fprintf(stderr, "failed to post SR 3\n");
       rc = 1;
       goto main exit;
     if (poll completion(&res))
       fprintf(stderr, "poll completion failed 3\n");
       rc = 1;
       goto main_exit;
  /* Sync so server will know that client is done mucking with its memory */
  if (sock_sync_data(res.sock, 1, "W", &temp_char)) /* just send a dummy char back and forth */
     fprintf(stderr, "sync error after RDMA ops\n");
     goto main exit;
  if(!config.server_name)
     fprintf(stdout, "Contents of server buffer: '%s'\n", res.buf);
  rc = 0;
main exit:
  if (resources_destroy(&res))
     fprintf(stderr, "failed to destroy resources\n");
     rc = 1;
  if(config.dev name)
     free((char *) config.dev name);
  fprintf(stdout, "\ntest result is %d\n", rc);
  return rc;
```

#### 7.3 Synopsis for Multicast Example Using RDMA CM and IBV Verbs

This code example for Multicast, uses RDMA-CM and VPI (and hence can be run both over IB and over LLE).

### Notes:

- 1. In order to run the multicast example on either IB or LLE, no change is needed to the test's code. However if RDMA CM is used, it is required that the network interface will be configured and up (whether it is used over RoCE or over IB).
- 2. For the IB case, a join operation is involved, yet it is performed by the rdma cm kernel code.
- 3. For the LLE case, no join is required. All MGIDs are resolved into MACs at the host.
- 4. To inform the multicast example which port to use, you need to specify "-b <IP address>" to bind to the desired device port.

#### 7.3.1 Main

- 1. Get command line parameters.
  - m MC address, destination port
  - M unmapped MC address, requires also bind address (parameter "b")
  - s sender flag.
  - b bind address.
  - c connections amount.
  - C message count.
  - S message size.
  - p port space (UDP default; IPoIB)
- 2. Create event channel to receive asynchronous events.
- 3. Allocate Node and creates an identifier that is used to track communication information
- 4. Start the "run" main function.
- 5. On ending release and free resources.

API definition files: rdma/rdma cma.h and infiniband/verbs.h

#### 7.3.2 Run

- 1. Get source (if provided for binding) and destination addresses convert the input addresses to socket presentation.
- 2. Joining:
  - A. For all connections:

if source address is specifically provided, then bind the rdma cm object to the corresponding network interface. (Associates a source address with an rdma cm identifier).

if unmapped MC address with bind address provided, check the remote address and then bind.

- B. Poll on all the connection events and wait that all rdma cm objects joined the MC group.
- 3. Send & receive:
  - A. If sender: send the messages to all connection nodes (function "post sends").
  - B. If receiver: poll the completion queue (function "poll cqs") till messages arrival.

On ending – release network resources (per all connections: leaves the multicast group and detaches its associated QP from the group)

### 7.4 Code for Multicast Using RDMA\_CM and IBV Verbs

Multicast Code Example

```
/*
* BUILD COMMAND:
* gcc -g -Wall -D_GNU_SOURCE -g -O2 -o examples/mckey examples/mckey.c -libverbs -lrdmacm
* $Id$
*/
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <netinet/in.h>
#include <arpa/inet.h>
#include <sys/socket.h>
#include <netdb.h>
#include <byteswap.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <getopt.h>
#include <rdma/rdma_cma.h>
struct cmatest node
       int
                        id;
       struct rdma_cm_id*cma id;
                        connected;
       struct ibv pd*pd;
       struct ibv_cq*cq;
       struct ibv mr*mr;
       struct ibv_ah*ah;
       uint32 t
                        remote_qpn;
       uint32_t
                        remote_qkey;
       void
                        *mem;
};
struct cmatest
       struct rdma event channel *channel;
       struct cmatest node *nodes;
       int conn index;
       int connects_left;
       struct sockaddr_in6dst_in;
       struct sockaddr
                       *dst addr;
       struct sockaddr in6src in;
       struct sockaddr *src_addr;
```

```
};
          static struct cmatest test;
          static int connections = 1;
          static int message size = 100;
          static int message count = 10;
          static int is sender;
          static int unmapped_addr;
          static char *dst addr;
          static char *src addr;
          static enum rdma_port_space port_space = RDMA_PS_UDP;
          static int create_message(struct cmatest_node *node)
          {
                 if (!message size)
                 message count = 0;
                 if (!message count)
                 return 0;
                 node->mem = malloc(message size + sizeof(struct ibv grh));
                 if (!node->mem)
                 printf("failed message allocation\n");
                          return -1;
                 node->mr = ibv reg mr(node->pd, node->mem, message size + sizeof(struct ibv grh),
                 IBV ACCESS LOCAL WRITE);
                 if (!node->mr)
                 printf("failed to reg MR\n");
                 goto err;
                 return 0;
          err:
                 free(node->mem);
                 return -1;
          }
          static int verify test params(struct cmatest node *node)
                 struct ibv port attr port attr;
                 int ret;
                 ret = ibv query port(node->cma id->verbs, node->cma id->port num, &port attr);
                 if (ret)
                 return ret;
                 if (message count && message size > (1 << (port attr.active mtu + 7)))
                 printf("mckey: message_size %d is larger than active mtu %d\n", message_size, 1 << (port_attr.active_mtu
+7));
                 return -EINVAL;
```

```
return 0;
static int init node(struct cmatest node *node)
       struct ibv_qp_init_attr init_qp_attr;
       int cqe, ret;
       node->pd = ibv alloc pd(node->cma id->verbs);
       if (!node->pd)
       ret = -ENOMEM;
       printf("mckey: unable to allocate PD\n");
       goto out;
       }
       cqe = message count ? message count * 2 : 2;
       node->cq = ibv_create_cq(node->cma_id->verbs, cqe, node, 0, 0);
       if (!node->cq)
       ret = -ENOMEM;
       printf("mckey: unable to create CQ\n");
       goto out;
       memset(&init qp attr, 0, sizeof init qp attr);
       init qp attr.cap.max send wr = message count ? message count : 1;
       init_qp_attr.cap.max_recv_wr = message_count ? message_count : 1;
       init qp attr.cap.max send sge = 1;
       init qp attr.cap.max recv sge = 1;
       init qp attr.qp context = node;
       init_qp_attr.sq_sig_all = 0;
       init qp attr.qp type = IBV QPT UD;
       init_qp_attr.send_cq = node->cq;
       init qp attr.recv cq = node - cq;
       ret = rdma_create_qp(node->cma_id, node->pd, &init_qp_attr);
       printf("mckey: unable to create QP: %d\n", ret);
       goto out;
       ret = create message(node);
       if (ret)
       printf("mckey: failed to create messages: %d\n", ret);
       goto out;
out:
       return ret;
static int post recvs(struct cmatest node *node)
```

```
{
       struct ibv_recv_wr recv_wr, *recv_failure;
       struct ibv sge sge;
       int i, ret = 0;
       if (!message count)
       return 0;
       recv wr.next = NULL;
       recv wr.sg list = &sge;
       recv_wr.num_sge = 1;
       recv wr.wr id = (uintptr t) node;
       sge.length = message size + sizeof(struct ibv grh);
       sge.lkey = node->mr->lkey;
       sge.addr = (uintptr t) node->mem;
       for (i = 0; i < message count & !ret; i++)
       ret = ibv post recv(node->cma id->qp, &recv wr, &recv failure);
       if (ret)
       printf("failed to post receives: %d\n", ret);
       break;
       return ret;
}
static int post_sends(struct cmatest_node *node, int signal_flag)
       struct ibv send wr send wr, *bad send wr;
       struct ibv_sge sge;
       int i, ret = 0;
       if (!node->connected || !message count)
       return 0;
       send wr.next = NULL;
       send wr.sg list = &sge;
       send_wr.num_sge = 1;
       send wr.opcode = IBV WR SEND WITH IMM;
       send wr.send flags = signal flag;
       send_wr.wr_id = (unsigned long)node;
       send wr.imm data = htonl(node->cma id->qp->qp num);
       send wr.wr.ud.ah = node->ah;
       send wr.wr.ud.remote qpn = node->remote qpn;
       send wr.wr.ud.remote qkey = node->remote qkey;
       sge.length = message size;
       sge.lkey = node->mr->lkey;
       sge.addr = (uintptr t) node->mem;
```

```
for (i = 0; i < message count && !ret; i++)
       ret = ibv post send(node->cma id->qp, &send wr, &bad send wr);
       if (ret)
       printf("failed to post sends: %d\n", ret);
       return ret;
}
static void connect error(void)
{
       test.connects left--;
static int addr handler(struct cmatest node *node)
       int ret;
       ret = verify_test_params(node);
       if (ret)
       goto err;
       ret = init node(node);
       if (ret)
       goto err;
       if (!is sender)
       ret = post_recvs(node);
       if (ret)
       goto err;
       ret = rdma join multicast(node->cma id, test.dst addr, node);
       if (ret)
       printf("mckey: failure joining: %d\n", ret);
       goto err;
       return 0;
err:
       connect error();
       return ret;
}
static int join_handler(struct cmatest_node *node, struct rdma_ud_param *param)
       char buf[40];
       inet_ntop(AF_INET6, param->ah_attr.grh.dgid.raw, buf, 40);
       printf("mckey: joined dgid: %s\n", buf);
       node->remote qpn = param->qp num;
       node->remote qkey = param->qkey;
```

```
node->ah = ibv create ah(node->pd, &param->ah attr);
      if (!node->ah)
      printf("mckey: failure creating address handle\n");
      goto err;
      node->connected = 1;
      test.connects left--;
      return 0;
err:
      connect error();
      return -1;
static int cma handler(struct rdma cm id *cma id, struct rdma cm event *event)
      int ret = 0;
      switch (event->event)
      case RDMA_CM_EVENT_ADDR_RESOLVED:
      ret = addr handler(cma id->context);
      case RDMA CM EVENT MULTICAST JOIN:
      ret = join handler(cma id->context, &event->param.ud);
      break;
      case RDMA_CM_EVENT_ADDR_ERROR:
      case RDMA_CM_EVENT_ROUTE_ERROR:
      case RDMA_CM_EVENT_MULTICAST_ERROR:
      printf("mckey: event: %s, error: %d\n", rdma event str(event->event), event->status);
      connect error();
      ret = event->status;
      break;
      case RDMA_CM_EVENT_DEVICE_REMOVAL:
      /* Cleanup will occur after test completes. */
      break;
      default:
      break;
      return ret;
}
static void destroy node(struct cmatest node *node)
      if (!node->cma_id)
      return;
      if (node->ah)
      ibv_destroy_ah(node->ah);
      if (node->cma id->qp)
      rdma destroy qp(node->cma id);
```

```
if (node->cq)
       ibv_destroy_cq(node->cq);
       if (node->mem)
       ibv_dereg_mr(node->mr);
       free(node->mem);
       if (node->pd)
       ibv_dealloc_pd(node->pd);
       /* Destroy the RDMA ID after all device resources */
       rdma destroy id(node->cma id);
}
static int alloc_nodes(void)
       int ret, i;
       test.nodes = malloc(sizeof *test.nodes * connections);
       if (!test.nodes)
       printf("mckey: unable to allocate memory for test nodes\n");
       return -ENOMEM;
       memset(test.nodes, 0, sizeof *test.nodes * connections);
       for (i = 0; i < connections; i++)
       test.nodes[i].id = i;
       ret = rdma create id(test.channel, &test.nodes[i].cma id, &test.nodes[i], port space);
       if (ret)
       goto err;
       return 0;
err:
       while (--i \ge 0)
       rdma_destroy_id(test.nodes[i].cma_id);
       free(test.nodes);
       return ret;
}
static void destroy_nodes(void)
       int i;
       for (i = 0; i < connections; i++)
       destroy node(&test.nodes[i]);
       free(test.nodes);
static int poll_cqs(void)
```

```
struct ibv_wc wc[8];
       int done, i, ret;
       for (i = 0; i < connections; i++)
       if (!test.nodes[i].connected)
       continue;
       for (done = 0; done < message count; done += ret)
       ret = ibv_poll_cq(test.nodes[i].cq, 8, wc);
       if (ret < 0)
       printf("mckey: failed polling CQ: %d\n", ret);
       return ret;
       return 0;
}
static int connect_events(void)
       struct rdma_cm_event *event;
       int ret = 0;
       while (test.connects left && !ret)
                ret = rdma_get_cm_event(test.channel, &event);
                if (!ret)
                 {
                         ret = cma handler(event->id, event);
                         rdma_ack_cm_event(event);
       return ret;
}
static int get_addr(char *dst, struct sockaddr *addr)
       struct addrinfo *res;
       int ret;
       ret = getaddrinfo(dst, NULL, NULL, &res);
       printf("getaddrinfo failed - invalid hostname or IP address\n");
       return ret;
       memcpy(addr, res->ai_addr, res->ai_addrlen);
       freeaddrinfo(res);
       return ret;
```

```
static int run(void)
       int i, ret;
       printf("mckey: starting %s\n", is_sender ? "client" : "server");
       if (src addr)
       ret = get addr(src addr, (struct sockaddr *) &test.src in);
       if (ret)
       return ret;
       ret = get addr(dst addr, (struct sockaddr *) &test.dst in);
       if (ret)
       return ret;
       printf("mckey: joining\n");
       for (i = 0; i < connections; i++)
                 if (src addr)
                 {
                          ret = rdma bind addr(test.nodes[i].cma id, test.src addr);
                          if (ret)
                          {
                          printf("mckey: addr bind failure: %d\n", ret);
                          connect error();
                          return ret;
                          }
                 }
                 if (unmapped addr)
                          ret = addr_handler(&test.nodes[i]);
                else
                          ret = rdma_resolve_addr(test.nodes[i].cma_id, test.src_addr, test.dst_addr, 2000);
                 if (ret)
                 {
                          printf("mckey: resolve addr failure: %d\n", ret);
                          connect_error();
                          return ret;
       ret = connect events();
       if (ret)
                 goto out;
        * Pause to give SM chance to configure switches. We don't want to
        * handle reliability issue in this simple test program.
        */
       sleep(3);
       if (message count)
```

```
{
                 if (is_sender)
                          printf("initiating data transfers\n");
                          for (i = 0; i < connections; i++)
                          ret = post_sends(&test.nodes[i], 0);
                          if (ret)
                          goto out;
       else
        {
                 printf("receiving data transfers\n");
                 ret = poll_cqs();
                 if (ret)
                          goto out;
       printf("data transfers complete\n");
out:
       for (i = 0; i < connections; i++)
                 ret = rdma_leave_multicast(test.nodes[i].cma_id, test.dst_addr);
                 if (ret)
                          printf("mckey: failure leaving: %d\n", ret);
       return ret;
}
int main(int argc, char **argv)
       int op, ret;
       while ((op = getopt(argc, argv, "m:M:sb:c:C:S:p:")) != -1)
                 switch (op)
                 case 'm':
                          dst_addr = optarg;
                          break;
                 case 'M':
                          unmapped_addr = 1;
                          dst addr = optarg;
                          break;
                 case 's':
                          is sender = 1;
                          break;
                 case 'b':
                          src_addr = optarg;
                          test.src_addr = (struct sockaddr *) &test.src_in;
                          break;
                 case 'c':
```

```
connections = atoi(optarg);
                                    break;
                           case 'C':
                                    message count = atoi(optarg);
                                    break;
                           case 'S':
                                    message size = atoi(optarg);
                                    break;
                           case 'p':
                                    port space = strtol(optarg, NULL, 0);
                                    break;
                           default:
                                    printf("usage: %s\n", argv[0]);
                                    printf("\t-m multicast address\n");
                                    printf("\t[-M unmapped multicast address]\n"
                                        "\t replaces -m and requires -b\n");
                                    printf("\t[-s(ender)]\n");
                                    printf("\t[-b bind address]\n");
                                    printf("\t[-c connections]\n");
                                    printf("\t[-C message count]\n");
                                    printf("\t[-S message size]\n");
                                    printf("\t[-p port_space - \%#x for UDP (default), \%#x for IPOIB]\n", RDMA_PS_UDP,
RDMA PS IPOIB);
                                    exit(1);
                  }
                  test.dst addr = (struct sockaddr *) &test.dst in;
                  test.connects left = connections;
                  test.channel = rdma create event channel();
                  if (!test.channel)
                  {
                           printf("failed to create event channel\n");
                           exit(1);
                  if (alloc nodes())
                           exit(1);
                  ret = run();
                  printf("test complete\n");
                  destroy nodes();
                  rdma destroy event channel(test.channel);
                  printf("return status %d\n", ret);
                  return ret;
          }
```

# 8 Programming Examples Using RDMA Verbs

This chapter provides code examples using the RDMA Verbs

## 8.1 Automatic Path Migration (APM)

```
//*
 * Compile Command:
  gcc apm.c -o apm -libverbs -lrdmacm
* Description:
* This example demonstrates Automatic Path Migration (APM). The basic flow is
* as follows:
* 1. Create connection between client and server
* 2. Set the alternate path details on each side of the connection
* 3. Perform send operations back and forth between client and server
* 4. Cause the path to be migrated (manually or automatically)
* 5. Complete sends using the alternate path
* There are two ways to cause the path to be migrated.
* 1. Use the ibv_modify_qp verb to set path_mig_state = IBV MIG MIGRATED
* 2. Assuming there are two ports on at least one side of the connection, and
    each port has a path to the other host, pull out the cable of the original
    port and watch it migrate to the other port.
 * Running the Example:
* This example requires a specific IB network configuration to properly
* demonstrate APM. Two hosts are required, one for the client and one for the
* server. At least one of these two hosts must have a IB card with two ports.
* Both of these ports should be connected to the same subnet and each have a
* route to the other host through an IB switch.
* The executable can operate as either the client or server application. Start
* the server side first on one host then start the client on the other host. With default parameters, the
* client and server will exchange 100 sends over 100 seconds. During that time,
 * manually unplug the cable connected to the original port of the two port
* host, and watch the path get migrated to the other port. It may take up to
 * a minute for the path to migrated. To see the path get migrated by software,
  use the -m option on the client side.
* Server:
* ./apm -s
 * Client (-a is IP of remote interface):
 * ./apm -a 192.168.1.12
*/
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include <getopt.h>
#include <rdma/rdma verbs.h>
```

```
#define VERB_ERR(verb, ret) \
    fprintf(stderr, "%s returned %d errno %d\n", verb, ret, errno)
/* Default parameter values */
#define DEFAULT PORT "51216"
#define DEFAULT_MSG_COUNT 100
#define DEFAULT_MSG_LENGTH 1000000
#define DEFAULT MSEC DELAY 500
/* Resources used in the example */
struct context
  /* User parameters */
  int server;
  char *server name;
  char *server port;
  int msg count;
  int msg_length;
  int msec delay;
  uint8 t alt srcport;
  uint16 talt dlid;
  uint16 t my alt dlid;
  int migrate after;
  /* Resources */
  struct rdma cm id *id;
  struct rdma cm id *listen id;
  struct ibv mr *send mr;
  struct ibv mr *recv mr;
  char *send buf;
  char *recv buf;
  pthread t async event thread;
};
* Function: async event thread
* Input:
         The context object
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     NULL
* Description:
     Reads any Asynchronous events that occur during the sending of data
     and prints out the details of the event. Specifically migration
     related events.
static void *async event thread(void *arg)
```

```
struct ibv async event event;
  int ret;
  struct context *ctx = (struct context *) arg;
  while (1) {
    ret = ibv_get_async_event(ctx->id->verbs, &event);
    if (ret) {
       VERB_ERR("ibv_get_async_event", ret);
       break;
    switch (event.event_type) {
    case IBV EVENT PATH MIG:
       printf("QP path migrated\n");
       break;
    case IBV_EVENT_PATH_MIG_ERR:
       printf("QP path migration error\n");
       break;
    default:
       printf("Async Event %d\n", event.event type);
       break;
    ibv ack async event(&event);
  return NULL;
* Function: get_alt_dlid_from_private_data
* Input:
     event The RDMA event containing private data
* Output:
     dlid The DLID that was sent in the private data
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Takes the private data sent from the remote side and returns the
     destination LID that was contained in the private data
int get alt dlid from private data(struct rdma cm event *event, uint16 t *dlid)
  if (event->param.conn.private data len < 4) {
    printf("unexpected private data len: %d",
         event->param.conn.private data len);
    return -1;
```

```
*dlid = ntohs(*((uint16 t *) event->param.conn.private data));
  return 0;
* Function: get_alt_port_details
* Input:
     ctx
           The context object
 * Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     First, query the device to determine if path migration is supported.
     Next, queries all the ports on the device to determine if there is
     different port than the current one to use as an alternate port. If so,
     copy the port number and dlid to the context so they can be used when
     the alternate path is loaded.
* Note:
     This function assumes that if another port is found in the active state,
     that the port is connected to the same subnet as the initial port and
     that there is a route to the other hosts alternate port.
int get alt port details(struct context *ctx)
  int ret, i;
  struct ibv qp attr qp attr;
  struct ibv qp init attr qp init attr;
  struct ibv device attr dev attr;
  /* This example assumes the alternate port we want to use is on the same
   * HCA. Ports from other HCAs can be used as alternate paths as well. Get
   * a list of devices using ibv get device list or rdma get devices.*/
  ret = ibv query device(ctx->id->verbs, &dev attr);
     VERB_ERR("ibv_query_device", ret);
     return ret;
  /* Verify the APM is supported by the HCA */
  if (!(dev attr.device cap flags | IBV DEVICE AUTO PATH MIG)) {
     printf("device does not support auto path migration!\n");
     return -1;
  /* Query the QP to determine which port we are bound to */
  ret = ibv_query_qp(ctx->id->qp, &qp_attr, 0, &qp_init_attr);
  if (ret) {
     VERB ERR("ibv query qp", ret);
```

```
return ret;
  }
  for (i = 1; i \le dev attr.phys port cnt; i++) {
     /* Query all ports until we find one in the active state that is
     * not the port we are currently connected to. */
     struct ibv_port_attr port_attr;
     ret = ibv query port(ctx->id->verbs, i, &port attr);
     if (ret) {
       VERB_ERR("ibv_query_device", ret);
       return ret;
     }
     if (port attr.state == IBV PORT ACTIVE) {
       ctx->my alt dlid = port attr.lid;
       ctx->alt_srcport = i;
       if (qp_attr.port_num != i)
          break;
  return 0;
* Function: load alt path
* Input:
     ctx
           The context object
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Uses ibv_modify_qp to load the alternate path information and set the
     path migration state to rearm.
int load alt path(struct context *ctx)
  int ret;
  struct ibv qp attr qp attr;
  struct ibv_qp_init_attr qp_init_attr;
  /* query to get the current attributes of the qp */
  ret = ibv query qp(ctx->id->qp, &qp attr, 0, &qp init attr);
  if (ret) {
     VERB_ERR("ibv_query_qp", ret);
     return ret;
  }
```

```
/* initialize the alternate path attributes with the current path
   * attributes */
  memcpy(&qp attr.alt ah attr, &qp attr.ah attr, sizeof (struct ibv ah attr));
  /* set the alt path attributes to some basic values */
  qp_attr.alt_pkey_index = qp_attr.pkey_index;
  qp attr.alt timeout = qp attr.timeout;
  qp attr.path mig state = IBV MIG REARM;
  /* if an alternate path was supplied, set the source port and the dlid */
  if (ctx->alt sreport)
    qp attr.alt port num = ctx->alt srcport;
  else
    qp attr.alt port num = qp attr.port num;
  if (ctx->alt dlid)
    qp attr.alt ah attr.dlid = ctx->alt dlid;
  printf("loading alt path - local port: %d, dlid: %d\n",
      qp attr.alt port num, qp attr.alt ah attr.dlid);
  ret = ibv_modify_qp(ctx->id->qp, &qp_attr,
              IBV QP ALT PATH | IBV QP PATH MIG STATE);
  if (ret) {
    VERB_ERR("ibv_modify_qp", ret);
    return ret;
* Function: reg mem
 * Input:
           The context object
* Output:
     none
 * Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
     Registers memory regions to use for our data transfer
int reg mem(struct context *ctx)
  ctx->send buf = (char *) malloc(ctx->msg length);
  memset(ctx->send buf, 0x12, ctx->msg length);
  ctx->recv buf = (char *) malloc(ctx->msg length);
  memset(ctx->recv buf, 0x00, ctx->msg length);
  ctx->send mr = rdma reg msgs(ctx->id, ctx->send buf, ctx->msg length);
  if (!ctx->send mr) {
```

```
VERB ERR("rdma reg msgs", -1);
    return -1;
  ctx->recv mr = rdma reg msgs(ctx->id, ctx->recv buf, ctx->msg length);
  if (!ctx->recv mr) {
    VERB ERR("rdma reg msgs", -1);
    return -1;
  }
  return 0;
* Function: getaddrinfo and create ep
* Input:
           The context object
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Gets the address information and creates our endpoint
int getaddrinfo_and_create_ep(struct context *ctx)
  int ret;
  struct rdma addrinfo *rai, hints;
  struct ibv_qp_init_attr qp_init_attr;
  memset(&hints, 0, sizeof (hints));
  hints.ai port space = RDMA PS TCP;
  if (ctx->server == 1)
    hints.ai flags = RAI PASSIVE; /* this makes it a server */
  printf("rdma getaddrinfo\n");
  ret = rdma_getaddrinfo(ctx->server_name, ctx->server_port, &hints, &rai);
  if (ret) {
    VERB ERR("rdma getaddrinfo", ret);
    return ret;
  }
  memset(&qp_init_attr, 0, sizeof (qp_init_attr));
  qp init attr.cap.max send wr = 1;
  qp_init_attr.cap.max_recv_wr = 1;
  qp init attr.cap.max send sge = 1;
  qp_init_attr.cap.max_recv_sge = 1;
  printf("rdma create ep\n");
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ret = rdma_create_ep(&ctx->id, rai, NULL, &qp_init_attr);
  if (ret) {
    VERB ERR("rdma create ep", ret);
    return ret;
  rdma freeaddrinfo(rai);
  return 0;
* Function: get_connect_request
* Input:
           The context object
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Wait for a connect request from the client
int get connect request(struct context *ctx)
  int ret;
  printf("rdma listen\n");
  ret = rdma listen(ctx->id, 4);
  if (ret) {
    VERB ERR("rdma listen", ret);
    return ret;
  ctx->listen id = ctx->id;
  printf("rdma get request\n");
  ret = rdma_get_request(ctx->listen_id, &ctx->id);
    VERB ERR("rdma get request", ret);
    return ret;
  if (ctx->id->event->event != RDMA CM EVENT CONNECT REQUEST) {
    printf("unexpected event: %s",
         rdma event str(ctx->id->event->event));
    return ret;
  /* If the alternate path info was not set on the command line, get
   * it from the private data */
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if(ctx->alt_dlid == 0 \&\& ctx->alt_srcport == 0) {
     ret = get_alt_dlid_from_private_data(ctx->id->event, &ctx->alt_dlid);
     if (ret) {
       return ret;
  return 0;
 * Function: establish connection
* Input:
           The context object
     ctx
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Create the connection. For the client, call rdma_connect. For the
     server, the connect request was already received, so just do
     rdma accept to complete the connection.
int establish connection(struct context *ctx)
  int ret;
  uint16 t private data;
  struct rdma conn param conn param;
  /* post a receive to catch the first send */
  ret = rdma_post_recv(ctx->id, NULL, ctx->recv_buf, ctx->msg_length,
               ctx->recv mr);
  if (ret) {
     VERB ERR("rdma post recv", ret);
     return ret;
  /* send the dlid for the alternate port in the private data */
  private data = htons(ctx->my alt dlid);
  memset(&conn param, 0, sizeof (conn param));
  conn_param.private_data_len = sizeof (int);
  conn param.private data = &private data;
  conn param.responder resources = 2;
  conn param.initiator depth = 2;
  conn param.retry count = 5;
  conn param.rnr retry count = 5;
  if (ctx->server) {
     printf("rdma accept\n");
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ret = rdma accept(ctx->id, &conn param);
    if (ret) {
       VERB ERR("rdma accept", ret);
       return ret;
  else {
    printf("rdma_connect\n");
    ret = rdma connect(ctx->id, &conn param);
    if (ret) {
       VERB_ERR("rdma_connect", ret);
       return ret;
    }
    if (ctx->id->event->event != RDMA CM EVENT ESTABLISHED) {
       printf("unexpected event: %s",
           rdma_event_str(ctx->id->event->event));
       return -1;
    /* If the alternate path info was not set on the command line, get
     * it from the private data */
    if (ctx->alt dlid == 0 \&\& ctx->alt srcport == 0) {
       ret = get_alt_dlid_from_private_data(ctx->id->event,
                              &ctx->alt dlid);
       if (ret)
         return ret;
  return 0;
* Function: send_msg
* Input:
           The context object
     ctx
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Performs an Send and gets the completion
int send_msg(struct context *ctx)
  int ret;
  struct ibv_wc wc;
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ret = rdma post send(ctx->id, NULL, ctx->send buf, ctx->msg length,
              ctx->send_mr, IBV_SEND_SIGNALED);
  if (ret) {
    VERB_ERR("rdma_send_recv", ret);
    return ret;
  ret = rdma_get_send_comp(ctx->id, &wc);
  if (ret < 0) {
    VERB ERR("rdma get send comp", ret);
    return ret;
  return 0;
* Function: recv_msg
* Input:
           The context object
     ctx
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Waits for a receive completion and posts a new receive buffer
int recv msg(struct context *ctx)
  int ret;
  struct ibv_wc wc;
  ret = rdma_get_recv_comp(ctx->id, &wc);
  if (ret < 0) {
    VERB_ERR("rdma_get_recv_comp", ret);
    return ret;
  ret = rdma post recv(ctx->id, NULL, ctx->recv buf, ctx->msg length,
              ctx->recv_mr);
  if (ret) {
    VERB_ERR("rdma_post_recv", ret);
    return ret;
  return 0;
* Function: main
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* Input:
     ctx
           The context object
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
int main(int argc, char** argv)
  int ret, op, i, send cnt, recv cnt;
  struct context ctx;
  struct ibv_qp_attr qp_attr;
  memset(&ctx, 0, sizeof (ctx));
  memset(&qp attr, 0, sizeof (qp attr));
  ctx.server = 0;
  ctx.server_port = DEFAULT_PORT;
  ctx.msg count = DEFAULT MSG COUNT;
  ctx.msg length = DEFAULT MSG LENGTH;
  ctx.msec delay = DEFAULT MSEC DELAY;
  ctx.alt dlid = 0;
  ctx.alt srcport = 0;
  ctx.migrate_after = -1;
  while ((op = getopt(argc, argv, "sa:p:c:l:d:r:m:")) != -1) {
     switch (op) {
    case 's':
       ctx.server = 1;
       break;
    case 'a':
       ctx.server name = optarg;
       break;
     case 'p':
       ctx.server_port = optarg;
       break;
    case 'c':
       ctx.msg_count = atoi(optarg);
       break;
     case 'l':
       ctx.msg length = atoi(optarg);
       break;
     case 'd':
       ctx.alt_dlid = atoi(optarg);
       break;
     case 'r':
       ctx.alt srcport = atoi(optarg);
       break;
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case 'm':
     ctx.migrate_after = atoi(optarg);
     break;
  case 'w':
     ctx.msec delay = atoi(optarg);
     break;
  default:
     printf("usage: %s [-s or -a required]\n", argv[0]);
     printf("\t[-s[erver mode]\n");
     printf("\t[-a ip address]\n");
     printf("\t[-p port_number]\n");
     printf("\t[-c msg count]\n");
     printf("\t[-l\ msg\_length]\n");
     printf("\t[-d alt dlid] (requires -r)\n");
     printf("\t[-r alt srcport] (requires -d)\n");
     printf("\t[-m num iterations then migrate] (client only)\n");
     printf("\t[-w msec wait between sends]\n");
     exit(1);
}
printf("mode:
                  %s\n", (ctx.server)? "server": "client");
printf("address: %s\n", (!ctx.server name)? "NULL": ctx.server name);
printf("port:
                 %s\n", ctx.server_port);
                 %d\n", ctx.msg count);
printf("count:
printf("length:
                 %d\n", ctx.msg length);
printf("alt dlid: %d\n", ctx.alt dlid);
printf("alt port: %d\n", ctx.alt srcport);
printf("mig after: %d\n", ctx.migrate after);
printf("msec_wait: %d\n", ctx.msec_delay);
printf("\n");
if (!ctx.server && !ctx.server name) {
  printf("server address must be specified for client mode\n");
  exit(1);
/* both of these must be set or neither should be set */
if (!((ctx.alt dlid > 0 && ctx.alt srcport > 0) \parallel
  (\text{ctx.alt dlid} == 0 \&\& \text{ctx.alt srcport} == 0))) {
  printf("-d and -r must be used together\n");
  exit(1);
if (ctx.migrate after > ctx.msg count) {
  printf("num_iterations_then_migrate must be less than msg_count\n");
  exit(1);
ret = getaddrinfo_and_create_ep(&ctx);
if (ret)
  goto out;
if (ctx.server) {
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ret = get connect request(&ctx);
  if (ret)
     goto out;
/* only query for alternate port if information was not specified on the
* command line */
if (ctx.alt_dlid == 0 && ctx.alt_srcport == 0) {
  ret = get alt port details(&ctx);
  if (ret)
     goto out;
/* create a thread to handle async events */
pthread create(&ctx.async event thread, NULL, async event thread, &ctx);
ret = reg mem(\&ctx);
if (ret)
  goto out;
ret = establish connection(&ctx);
/* load the alternate path after the connection was created. This can be
* done at connection time, but the connection must be created and
* established using all ib verbs */
ret = load alt path(&ctx);
if (ret)
  goto out;
send_cnt = recv_cnt = 0;
for (i = 0; i < ctx.msg count; i++) {
  if (ctx.server) {
     if (recv msg(&ctx))
       break;
     printf("recv: %d\n", ++recv cnt);
  if (ctx.msec delay > 0)
     usleep(ctx.msec_delay * 1000);
  if (send msg(&ctx))
     break;
  printf("send: %d\n", ++send_cnt);
  if (!ctx.server) {
     if (recv msg(&ctx))
       break;
     printf("recv: %d\n", ++recv_cnt);
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/* migrate the path manually if desired after the specified number of
     * sends */
    if (!ctx.server && i == ctx.migrate after) {
       qp attr.path mig state = IBV MIG MIGRATED;
       ret = ibv modify qp(ctx.id->qp, &qp attr, IBV QP PATH MIG STATE);
       if (ret) {
          VERB_ERR("ibv_modify_qp", ret);
         goto out;
  rdma disconnect(ctx.id);
out:
  if (ctx.send mr)
    rdma dereg mr(ctx.send mr);
  if (ctx.recv mr)
    rdma dereg mr(ctx.recv mr);
  if (ctx.id)
    rdma destroy ep(ctx.id);
  if (ctx.listen id)
    rdma destroy ep(ctx.listen id);
  if (ctx.send buf)
    free(ctx.send buf);
  if (ctx.recv buf)
    free(ctx.recv buf);
  return ret;
}
```

## 8.2 Multicast Code Example Using RDMA CM

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* Compile Command:

* gcc mc.c -o mc -libverbs -lrdmacm

* Description:

* Both the sender and receiver create a UD Queue Pair and join the specified

* multicast group (ctx.mcast_addr). If the join is successful, the sender must

* create an Address Handle (ctx.ah). The sender then posts the specified

* number of sends (ctx.msg_count) to the multicast group. The receiver waits

* to receive each one of the sends and then both sides leave the multicast

* group and cleanup resources.

* Running the Example:

* The executable can operate as either the sender or receiver application. It
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\* can be demonstrated on a simple fabric of two nodes with the sender \* application running on one node and the receiver application running on the

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* other. Each node must be configured to support IPoIB and the IB interface
* (ex. ib0) must be assigned an IP Address. Finally, the fabric must be
* initialized using OpenSM.
* Receiver (-m is the multicast address, often the IP of the receiver):
* ./mc -m 192.168.1.12
* Sender (-m is the multicast address, often the IP of the receiver):
* ./mc -s -m 192.168.1.12
*/
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include <getopt.h>
#include <netinet/in.h>
#include <arpa/inet.h>
#include <rdma/rdma_verbs.h>
#define VERB ERR(verb, ret) \
    fprintf(stderr, "%s returned %d errno %d\n", verb, ret, errno)
/* Default parameter values */
#define DEFAULT PORT "51216"
#define DEFAULT MSG COUNT 4
#define DEFAULT MSG LENGTH 64
/* Resources used in the example */
struct context
  /* User parameters */
  int sender:
  char *bind addr;
  char *mcast addr;
  char *server port;
  int msg count;
  int msg length;
  /* Resources */
  struct sockaddr meast sockaddr;
  struct rdma cm id *id;
  struct rdma event channel *channel;
  struct ibv pd *pd;
  struct ibv cq *cq;
  struct ibv mr *mr;
  char *buf;
  struct ibv ah *ah;
  uint32 t remote qpn;
  uint32 t remote qkey;
  pthread t cm thread;
};
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* Function: cm thread
* Input:
     arg
           The context object
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     NULL
* Description:
     Reads any CM events that occur during the sending of data
     and prints out the details of the event
*/
static void *cm thread(void *arg)
  struct rdma cm event *event;
  int ret;
  struct context *ctx = (struct context *) arg;
  while (1) {
    ret = rdma_get_cm_event(ctx->channel, &event);
    if (ret) {
       VERB ERR("rdma get cm event", ret);
       break;
    }
    printf("event %s, status %d\n",
         rdma event str(event->event), event->status);
    rdma_ack_cm_event(event);
  return NULL;
* Function: get_cm_event
* Input:
     channel The event channel
     type The event type that is expected
* Output:
     out ev The event will be passed back to the caller, if desired
          Set this to NULL and the event will be acked automatically
          Otherwise the caller must ack the event using rdma ack cm event
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
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Waits for the next CM event and check that is matches the expected
     type.
int get cm event(struct rdma event channel *channel,
          enum rdma cm event type type,
          struct rdma cm event **out ev)
  int ret = 0;
  struct rdma cm event *event = NULL;
  ret = rdma get cm event(channel, &event);
    VERB_ERR("rdma_resolve_addr", ret);
    return -1;
  /* Verify the event is the expected type */
  if (event->event != type) {
    printf("event: %s, status: %d\n",
         rdma event str(event->event), event->status);
    ret = -1;
  /* Pass the event back to the user if requested */
  if (!out ev)
    rdma ack cm event(event);
  else
     *out ev = event;
  return ret;
* Function: resolve addr
* Input:
           The context structure
* Output:
     none
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Resolves the multicast address and also binds to the source address
     if one was provided in the context
int resolve addr(struct context *ctx)
  int ret;
  struct rdma_addrinfo *bind_rai = NULL;
  struct rdma_addrinfo *mcast_rai = NULL;
  struct rdma addrinfo hints;
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memset(&hints, 0, sizeof (hints));
hints.ai port space = RDMA PS UDP;
if (ctx->bind addr) {
  hints.ai flags = RAI PASSIVE;
  ret = rdma_getaddrinfo(ctx->bind_addr, NULL, &hints, &bind_rai);
  if (ret) {
     VERB ERR("rdma getaddrinfo (bind)", ret);
    return ret;
}
hints.ai flags = 0;
ret = rdma getaddrinfo(ctx->mcast addr, NULL, &hints, &mcast rai);
if (ret) {
  VERB_ERR("rdma_getaddrinfo (mcast)", ret);
  return ret;
if (ctx->bind addr) {
  /* bind to a specific adapter if requested to do so */
  ret = rdma bind addr(ctx->id, bind rai->ai src addr);
     VERB ERR("rdma bind addr", ret);
    return ret;
  /* A PD is created when we bind. Copy it to the context so it can
   * be used later on */
  ctx->pd = ctx->id->pd;
ret = rdma resolve addr(ctx->id, (bind rai)? bind rai->ai src addr: NULL,
              meast rai->ai dst addr, 2000);
if (ret) {
  VERB_ERR("rdma_resolve_addr", ret);
  return ret;
ret = get cm event(ctx->channel, RDMA CM EVENT ADDR RESOLVED, NULL);
if (ret) {
  return ret;
}
memcpy(&ctx->mcast sockaddr,
    mcast rai->ai dst addr,
    sizeof (struct sockaddr));
return 0;
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* Function: create_resources
* Input:
     ctx
           The context structure
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Creates the PD, CQ, QP and MR
int create resources(struct context *ctx)
  int ret, buf size;
  struct ibv_qp_init_attr attr;
  memset(&attr, 0, sizeof (attr));
  /* If we are bound to an address, then a PD was already allocated
   * to the CM ID */
  if (!ctx->pd) {
    ctx->pd = ibv alloc pd(ctx->id->verbs);
    if (!ctx->pd)
       VERB_ERR("ibv_alloc_pd", -1);
       return ret;
    }
  }
  ctx->cq = ibv\_create\_cq(ctx->id->verbs, 2, 0, 0, 0);
  if (!ctx->cq) {
    VERB_ERR("ibv_create_cq", -1);
    return ret;
  }
  attr.qp_type = IBV_QPT_UD;
  attr.send_cq = ctx->cq;
  attr.recv_cq = ctx->cq;
  attr.cap.max send wr = ctx->msg count;
  attr.cap.max recv wr = ctx->msg count;
  attr.cap.max_send_sge = 1;
  attr.cap.max recv sge = 1;
  ret = rdma create qp(ctx-id, ctx-pd, &attr);
  if (ret) {
    VERB ERR("rdma create qp", ret);
    return ret;
  /* The receiver must allow enough space in the receive buffer for
   * the GRH */
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buf_size = ctx->msg_length + (ctx->sender ? 0 : sizeof (struct ibv_grh));
  ctx->buf = calloc(1, buf size);
  memset(ctx->buf, 0x00, buf size);
  /* Register our memory region */
  ctx->mr = rdma_reg_msgs(ctx->id, ctx->buf, buf_size);
  if (!ctx->mr) {
    VERB_ERR("rdma_reg_msgs", -1);
    return -1;
  return 0;
* Function: destroy_resources
* Input:
     ctx
           The context structure
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Destroys AH, QP, CQ, MR, PD and ID
void destroy resources(struct context *ctx)
  if (ctx->ah)
    ibv_destroy_ah(ctx->ah);
  if (ctx->id->qp)
    rdma_destroy_qp(ctx->id);
  if (ctx->cq)
    ibv_destroy_cq(ctx->cq);
  if (ctx->mr)
    rdma dereg mr(ctx->mr);
  if (ctx->buf)
    free(ctx->buf);
  if (ctx-pd \&\& ctx-id-pd == NULL)
    ibv_dealloc_pd(ctx->pd);
  rdma_destroy_id(ctx->id);
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* Function: post_send
* Input:
           The context structure
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Posts a UD send to the multicast address
int post send(struct context *ctx)
  int ret;
  struct ibv_send_wr wr, *bad_wr;
  struct ibv_sge sge;
  memset(ctx->buf, 0x12, ctx->msg length); /* set the data to non-zero */
  sge.length = ctx->msg length;
  sge.lkey = ctx->mr->lkey;
  sge.addr = (uint64 t) ctx->buf;
  /* Multicast requires that the message is sent with immediate data
  * and that the QP number is the contents of the immediate data */
  wr.next = NULL;
  wr.sg_list = &sge;
  wr.num sge = 1;
  wr.opcode = IBV WR SEND WITH IMM;
  wr.send_flags = IBV_SEND_SIGNALED;
  wr.wr id = 0;
  wr.imm_data = htonl(ctx->id->qp->qp_num);
  wr.wr.ud.ah = ctx->ah;
  wr.wr.ud.remote qpn = ctx->remote qpn;
  wr.wr.ud.remote qkey = ctx->remote qkey;
  ret = ibv post send(ctx->id->qp, &wr, &bad wr);
  if (ret) {
    VERB ERR("ibv post send", ret);
    return -1;
  }
  return 0;
* Function: get_completion
* Input:
           The context structure
     ctx
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* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Waits for a completion and verifies that the operation was successful
int get completion(struct context *ctx)
  int ret;
  struct ibv_wc wc;
  do {
     ret = ibv poll cq(ctx->cq, 1, &wc);
     if (ret < 0) {
       VERB_ERR("ibv_poll_cq", ret);
       return -1;
  while (ret == 0);
  if (wc.status != IBV_WC_SUCCESS) {
     printf("work completion status %s\n",
         ibv wc status str(wc.status));
     return -1;
  return 0;
* Function: main
* Input:
            The number of arguments
     argv
            Command line arguments
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Main program to demonstrate multicast functionality.
     Both the sender and receiver create a UD Queue Pair and join the
     specified multicast group (ctx.mcast addr). If the join is successful,
     the sender must create an Address Handle (ctx.ah). The sender then posts
     the specified number of sends (ctx.msg_count) to the multicast group.
     The receiver waits to receive each one of the sends and then both sides
     leave the multicast group and cleanup resources.
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int main(int argc, char** argv)
  int ret, op, i;
  struct context ctx;
  struct ibv port_attr port_attr;
  struct rdma cm event *event;
  char buf[40];
  memset(&ctx, 0, sizeof (ctx));
  ctx.sender = 0;
  ctx.msg count = DEFAULT MSG COUNT;
  ctx.msg_length = DEFAULT_MSG_LENGTH;
  ctx.server port = DEFAULT PORT;
  // Read options from command line
  while ((op = getopt(argc, argv, "shb:m:p:c:l:")) != -1) {
     switch (op) {
    case 's':
       ctx.sender = 1;
       break;
    case 'b':
       ctx.bind addr = optarg;
       break;
     case 'm':
       ctx.mcast addr = optarg;
       break;
     case 'p':
       ctx.server port = optarg;
       break;
     case 'c':
       ctx.msg count = atoi(optarg);
       break;
     case 'l':
       ctx.msg_length = atoi(optarg);
       break;
     default:
       printf("usage: %s -m mc address\n", argv[0]);
       printf("\t[-s[ender mode]\n");
       printf("\t[-b bind address]\n");
       printf("\t[-p port_number]\n");
       printf("\t[-c msg count]\n");
       printf("\t[-l msg length]\n");
       exit(1);
  }
  if(ctx.mcast addr == NULL) {
     printf("multicast address must be specified with -m\n");
     exit(1);
  ctx.channel = rdma create event channel();
  if (!ctx.channel) {
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VERB ERR("rdma create event channel", -1);
  exit(1);
ret = rdma create id(ctx.channel, &ctx.id, NULL, RDMA PS UDP);
if (ret) {
  VERB ERR("rdma create id", -1);
  exit(1);
}
ret = resolve_addr(&ctx);
if (ret)
  goto out;
/* Verify that the buffer length is not larger than the MTU */
ret = ibv query port(ctx.id->verbs, ctx.id->port num, &port attr);
if (ret) {
  VERB_ERR("ibv_query_port", ret);
  goto out;
}
if (ctx.msg length > (1 << port attr.active mtu + 7)) {
  printf("buffer length %d is larger then active mtu %d\n",
      ctx.msg_length, 1 << (port_attr.active_mtu + 7));
  goto out;
ret = create resources(&ctx);
if (ret)
  goto out;
if (!ctx.sender) {
  for (i = 0; i < ctx.msg\_count; i++) {
    ret = rdma post recv(ctx.id, NULL, ctx.buf,
                 ctx.msg_length + sizeof (struct ibv_grh),
                  ctx.mr);
    if (ret) {
       VERB ERR("rdma post recv", ret);
       goto out;
  }
/* Join the multicast group */
ret = rdma join multicast(ctx.id, &ctx.mcast sockaddr, NULL);
if (ret) {
  VERB ERR("rdma join multicast", ret);
  goto out;
/* Verify that we successfully joined the multicast group */
ret = get cm event(ctx.channel, RDMA CM EVENT MULTICAST JOIN, &event);
if (ret)
  goto out;
```

```
inet_ntop(AF_INET6, event->param.ud.ah_attr.grh.dgid.raw, buf, 40);
  printf("joined dgid: %s, mlid 0x%x, sl %d\n", buf,
      event->param.ud.ah attr.dlid, event->param.ud.ah attr.sl);
  ctx.remote qpn = event->param.ud.qp num;
  ctx.remote qkey = event->param.ud.qkey;
  if (ctx.sender) {
    /* Create an address handle for the sender */
    ctx.ah = ibv_create_ah(ctx.pd, &event->param.ud.ah_attr);
    if (!ctx.ah) {
       VERB_ERR("ibv_create_ah", -1);
       goto out;
  }
  rdma ack cm event(event);
  /* Create a thread to handle any CM events while messages are exchanged */
  pthread create(&ctx.cm thread, NULL, cm thread, &ctx);
  if (!ctx.sender)
    printf("waiting for messages...\n");
  for (i = 0; i < ctx.msg count; i++) {
    if (ctx.sender) {
       ret = post send(\&ctx);
       if (ret)
         goto out;
    ret = get completion(&ctx);
    if (ret)
       goto out;
    if (ctx.sender)
       printf("sent message %d\n", i + 1);
    else
       printf("received message %d\n", i + 1);
out:
  ret = rdma leave multicast(ctx.id, &ctx.mcast sockaddr);
    VERB_ERR("rdma_leave_multicast", ret);
  destroy resources(&ctx);
  return ret;
```

## 8.3 Shared Received Queue (SRQ)

```
* Compile Command:
 * gcc srq.c -o srq -libverbs -lrdmacm
* Description:
* Both the client and server use an SRQ. A number of Queue Pairs (QPs) are
* created (ctx.qp count) and each QP uses the SRQ. The connection between the
* client and server is established using the IP address details passed on the
* command line. After the connection is established, the client starts
* blasting sends to the server and stops when the maximum work requests
* (ctx.max wr) have been sent. When the server has received all the sends, it
* performs a send to the client to tell it to continue. The process repeats
 * until the number of requested number of sends (ctx.msg count) have been
 * performed.
* Running the Example:
* The executable can operate as either the client or server application. It
* can be demonstrated on a simple fabric of two nodes with the server
* application running on one node and the client application running on the
* other. Each node must be configured to support IPoIB and the IB interface
* (ex. ib0) must be assigned an IP Address. Finally, the fabric must be
* initialized using OpenSM.
 * Server (-a is IP of local interface):
 * ./srq -s -a 192.168.1.12
* Client (-a is IP of remote interface):
* ./srq -a 192.168.1.12
*/
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include <getopt.h>
#include <rdma/rdma_verbs.h>
#define VERB ERR(verb, ret) \
    fprintf(stderr, "%s returned %d errno %d\n", verb, ret, errno)
/* Default parameters values */
#define DEFAULT PORT "51216"
#define DEFAULT MSG COUNT 100
#define DEFAULT MSG LENGTH 100000
#define DEFAULT QP COUNT 4
#define DEFAULT MAX WR 64
/* Resources used in the example */
struct context
  /* User parameters */
```

```
int server;
  char *server_name;
  char *server port;
  int msg count;
  int msg length;
  int qp_count;
  int max wr;
  /* Resources */
  struct rdma cm id *srq id;
  struct rdma cm id *listen id;
  struct rdma cm id **conn id;
  struct ibv mr *send mr;
  struct ibv mr *recv mr;
  struct ibv srq *srq;
  struct ibv cq *srq cq;
  struct ibv_comp_channel *srq_cq_channel;
  char *send buf;
  char *recv_buf;
};
* Function: init resources
* Input:
           The context object
     ctx
           The RDMA address info for the connection
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     This function initializes resources that are common to both the client
     and server functionality.
     It creates our SRQ, registers memory regions, posts receive buffers
     and creates a single completion queue that will be used for the receive
     queue on each queue pair.
int init resources(struct context *ctx, struct rdma addrinfo *rai)
  int ret, i;
  struct rdma cm id *id;
  /* Create an ID used for creating/accessing our SRQ */
  ret = rdma create id(NULL, &ctx->srq id, NULL, RDMA PS TCP);
    VERB ERR("rdma create id", ret);
    return ret;
  /* We need to bind the ID to a particular RDMA device
```

```
* This is done by resolving the address or binding to the address */
if (ctx->server == 0) {
  ret = rdma resolve addr(ctx->srq id, NULL, rai->ai dst addr, 1000);
  if (ret) {
     VERB ERR("rdma resolve addr", ret);
    return ret;
  }
else {
  ret = rdma bind addr(ctx->srq id, rai->ai src addr);
  if (ret) {
     VERB ERR("rdma bind addr", ret);
    return ret;
}
/* Create the memory regions being used in this example */
ctx->recv mr = rdma reg msgs(ctx->srq id, ctx->recv buf, ctx->msg length);
if (!ctx->recv mr) {
  VERB ERR("rdma reg msgs", -1);
  return -1;
ctx->send_mr = rdma_reg_msgs(ctx->srq_id, ctx->send_buf, ctx->msg_length);
if (!ctx->send mr) {
  VERB ERR("rdma reg msgs", -1);
  return -1;
}
/* Create our shared receive queue */
struct ibv srq init attr srq attr;
memset(&srq attr, 0, sizeof (srq attr));
srq attr.attr.max wr = ctx->max wr;
srq attr.attr.max sge = 1;
ret = rdma create srq(ctx->srq id, NULL, &srq attr);
if (ret) {
  VERB ERR("rdma create srq", ret);
  return -1;
/* Save the SRQ in our context so we can assign it to other QPs later */
ctx->srq = ctx->srq id->srq;
/* Post our receive buffers on the SRQ */
for (i = 0; i < ctx->max_wr; i++) {
  ret = rdma post recv(ctx->srq id, NULL, ctx->recv buf, ctx->msg length,
               ctx->recv mr);
  if (ret) {
     VERB_ERR("rdma_post_recv", ret);
    return ret;
}
```

```
/* Create a completion channel to use with the SRQ CQ */
  ctx->srq_cq_channel = ibv_create_comp_channel(ctx->srq_id->verbs);
  if (!ctx->srq cq channel) {
    VERB ERR("ibv create comp channel", -1);
    return -1;
  /* Create a CQ to use for all connections (QPs) that use the SRQ */
  ctx->srq cq = ibv create cq(ctx->srq id->verbs, ctx->max wr, NULL,
                   ctx->srq cq channel, 0);
  if (!ctx->srq cq) {
    VERB ERR("ibv create cq", -1);
    return -1;
  /* Make sure that we get notified on the first completion */
  ret = ibv_req_notify_cq(ctx->srq_cq, 0);
  if (ret) {
    VERB_ERR("ibv_req_notify_cq", ret);
    return ret;
  return 0;
* Function: destroy resources
* Input:
     ctx
           The context object
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     This function cleans up resources used by the application
void destroy_resources(struct context *ctx)
  int i;
  if (ctx->conn id) {
    for (i = 0; i < ctx->qp_count; i++) {
       if (ctx->conn id[i]) {
         if (ctx->conn id[i]->qp &&
            ctx->conn id[i]->qp->state == IBV QPS RTS) {
            rdma disconnect(ctx->conn id[i]);
         rdma destroy qp(ctx->conn id[i]);
         rdma destroy id(ctx->conn id[i]);
```

```
free(ctx->conn id);
  if (ctx->recv_mr)
    rdma_dereg_mr(ctx->recv_mr);
  if (ctx->send mr)
    rdma dereg mr(ctx->send mr);
  if (ctx->recv buf)
    free(ctx->recv_buf);
  if (ctx->send buf)
    free(ctx->send buf);
  if (ctx->srq_cq)
    ibv_destroy_cq(ctx->srq_cq);
  if (ctx->srq cq channel)
    ibv_destroy_comp_channel(ctx->srq_cq_channel);
  if (ctx->srq_id) {
    rdma destroy srq(ctx->srq id);
    rdma_destroy_id(ctx->srq_id);
* Function: await_completion
* Input:
     ctx
           The context object
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Waits for a completion on the SRQ CQ
*/
int await_completion(struct context *ctx)
  int ret;
  struct ibv_cq *ev_cq;
  void *ev_ctx;
  /* Wait for a CQ event to arrive on the channel */
  ret = ibv_get_cq_event(ctx->srq_cq_channel, &ev_cq, &ev_ctx);
  if (ret) {
```

```
VERB_ERR("ibv_get_cq_event", ret);
     return ret;
  ibv_ack_cq_events(ev_cq, 1);
  /* Reload the event notification */
  ret = ibv_req_notify_cq(ctx->srq_cq, 0);
  if (ret) {
     VERB ERR("ibv req notify cq", ret);
     return ret;
  return 0;
* Function: run_server
* Input:
           The context object
     ctx
           The RDMA address info for the connection
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Executes the server side of the example
int run_server(struct context *ctx, struct rdma_addrinfo *rai)
  int ret, i;
  uint64 t send count = 0;
  uint64 t recv count = 0;
  struct ibv wc wc;
  struct ibv_qp_init_attr qp_attr;
  ret = init_resources(ctx, rai);
     printf("init resources returned %d\n", ret);
     return ret;
  /* Use the srq id as the listen id since it is already setup */
  ctx->listen id = ctx->srq id;
  ret = rdma_listen(ctx->listen_id, 4);
  if (ret) {
     VERB_ERR("rdma_listen", ret);
     return ret;
```

```
printf("waiting for connection from client...\n");
for (i = 0; i < ctx - p count; i++) {
  ret = rdma get request(ctx->listen id, &ctx->conn id[i]);
    VERB_ERR("rdma_get_request", ret);
    return ret;
  /* Create the queue pair */
  memset(&qp_attr, 0, sizeof (qp_attr));
  qp_attr.qp_context = ctx;
  qp_attr.qp_type = IBV_QPT_RC;
  qp attr.cap.max send wr = ctx->max wr;
  qp attr.cap.max recv wr = ctx->max wr;
  qp_attr.cap.max_send_sge = 1;
  qp_attr.cap.max_recv_sge = 1;
  qp_attr.cap.max_inline_data = 0;
  qp attr.recv cq = ctx - srq cq;
  qp attr.srq = ctx->srq;
  qp_attr.sq_sig_all = 0;
  ret = rdma_create_qp(ctx->conn_id[i], NULL, &qp_attr);
  if (ret) {
    VERB ERR("rdma create qp", ret);
    return ret;
  }
  /* Set the new connection to use our SRQ */
  ctx->conn id[i]->srq = ctx->srq;
  ret = rdma_accept(ctx->conn_id[i], NULL);
  if (ret) {
    VERB_ERR("rdma_accept", ret);
    return ret;
  }
}
while (recv count < ctx->msg count) {
  i = 0;
  while (i < ctx->max wr && recv count < ctx->msg count) {
    int ne;
    ret = await completion(ctx);
    if (ret) {
       printf("await completion %d\n", ret);
       return ret;
     }
       ne = ibv_poll_cq(ctx->srq_cq, 1, &wc);
       if (ne < 0) {
         VERB ERR("ibv poll cq", ne);
```

```
return ne;
        else if (ne == 0)
          break;
        if (wc.status != IBV_WC_SUCCESS) {
          printf("work completion status %s\n",
               ibv_wc_status_str(wc.status));
          return -1;
        recv count++;
        printf("recv count: %d, qp_num: %d\n", recv_count, wc.qp_num);
        ret = rdma_post_recv(ctx->srq_id, (void *) wc.wr_id,
                     ctx->recv buf, ctx->msg length,
                     ctx->recv_mr);
        if (ret) {
          VERB_ERR("rdma_post_recv", ret);
          return ret;
        i++;
      while (ne);
   ret = rdma_post_send(ctx->conn_id[0], NULL, ctx->send_buf,
                ctx->msg_length, ctx->send_mr, IBV_SEND_SIGNALED);
   if (ret) {
      VERB ERR("rdma post send", ret);
      return ret;
   ret = rdma_get_send_comp(ctx->conn_id[0], &wc);
   if (ret \le 0) {
      VERB_ERR("rdma_get_send_comp", ret);
      return -1;
   send count++;
   printf("send count: %d\n", send count);
 return 0;
* Function: run client
* Input:
          The context object
    ctx
         The RDMA address info for the connection
    rai
```

```
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Executes the client side of the example
int run client(struct context *ctx, struct rdma addrinfo *rai)
  int ret, i, ne;
  uint64_t send_count = 0;
  uint64 t recv count = 0;
  struct ibv wc wc;
  struct ibv qp init attr attr;
  ret = init resources(ctx, rai);
  if (ret) {
     printf("init resources returned %d\n", ret);
     return ret;
  for (i = 0; i < ctx->qp\_count; i++) {
     memset(&attr, 0, sizeof (attr));
     attr.qp context = ctx;
     attr.cap.max_send_wr = ctx->max_wr;
     attr.cap.max_recv_wr = ctx->max_wr;
     attr.cap.max\_send\_sge = 1;
     attr.cap.max recv sge = 1;
     attr.cap.max inline data = 0;
     attr.recv_cq = ctx->srq_cq;
     attr.srq = ctx->srq;
     attr.sq\_sig\_all = 0;
     ret = rdma create ep(&ctx->conn id[i], rai, NULL, &attr);
       VERB_ERR("rdma_create_ep", ret);
       return ret;
     ret = rdma connect(ctx->conn id[i], NULL);
     if (ret) {
       VERB ERR("rdma connect", ret);
       return ret;
  }
  while (send count < ctx->msg count) {
     for (i = 0; i < ctx->max wr && send count < ctx->msg count; i++) {
       /* perform our send to the server */
       ret = rdma post send(ctx->conn id[i % ctx->qp count], NULL,
                    ctx->send buf, ctx->msg length, ctx->send mr,
```

```
IBV_SEND_SIGNALED);
    if (ret) {
       VERB_ERR("rdma_post_send", ret);
       return ret;
    }
    ret = rdma get send comp(ctx->conn id[i % ctx->qp count], &wc);
    if (ret \le 0) {
       VERB ERR("rdma get send comp", ret);
       return ret;
    send_count++;
    printf("send count: %d, qp num: %d\n", send count, wc.qp num);
  /* wait for a recv indicating that all buffers were processed */
  ret = await completion(ctx);
  if (ret) {
    VERB ERR("await completion", ret);
    return ret;
  do {
    ne = ibv poll cq(ctx->srq cq, 1, &wc);
    if (ne < 0) {
       VERB_ERR("ibv_poll_cq", ne);
       return ne;
    else if (ne == 0)
       break;
    if (wc.status != IBV_WC_SUCCESS) {
       printf("work completion status %s\n",
           ibv_wc_status_str(wc.status));
       return -1;
     }
    recv count++;
    printf("recv count: %d\n", recv_count);
    ret = rdma post recv(ctx->srq id, (void *) wc.wr id,
                 ctx->recv buf, ctx->msg length, ctx->recv mr);
    if (ret) {
       VERB ERR("rdma post recv", ret);
       return ret;
  while (ne);
return ret;
```

```
* Function: main
* Input:
           The number of arguments
            Command line arguments
* Output:
     none
* Returns:
     0 on success, non-zero on failure
* Description:
     Main program to demonstrate SRQ functionality.
     Both the client and server use an SRQ. ctx.qp count number of QPs are
     created and each one of them uses the SRQ. After the connection, the
     client starts blasting sends to the server upto ctx.max wr. When the
     server has received all the sends, it performs a send to the client to
     tell it that it can continue. Process repeats until ctx.msg count
     sends have been performed.
int main(int argc, char** argv)
  int ret, op;
  struct context ctx;
  struct rdma addrinfo *rai, hints;
  memset(&ctx, 0, sizeof (ctx));
  memset(&hints, 0, sizeof (hints));
  ctx.server = 0;
  ctx.server port = DEFAULT PORT;
  ctx.msg count = DEFAULT MSG COUNT;
  ctx.msg_length = DEFAULT_MSG_LENGTH;
  ctx.qp count = DEFAULT QP COUNT;
  ctx.max wr = DEFAULT MAX WR;
  /* Read options from command line */
  while ((op = getopt(argc, argv, "sa:p:c:l:q:w:")) != -1) {
    switch (op) {
    case 's':
       ctx.server = 1;
       break;
    case 'a':
       ctx.server_name = optarg;
       break;
    case 'p':
       ctx.server port = optarg;
       break;
    case 'c':
       ctx.msg_count = atoi(optarg);
       break;
    case 'l':
```

```
ctx.msg length = atoi(optarg);
    break;
  case 'q':
    ctx.qp count = atoi(optarg);
    break;
  case 'w':
    ctx.max wr = atoi(optarg);
    break;
  default:
    printf("usage: %s -a server address\n", argv[0]);
    printf("\t[-s server mode]\n");
    printf("\t[-p port number]\n");
    printf("\t[-c msg_count]\n");
    printf("\t[-1 msg length]\n");
    printf("\t[-q qp count]\n");
    printf("\t[-w max wr]\n");
    exit(1);
if (ctx.server name == NULL) {
  printf("server address required (use -a)!\n");
  exit(1);
hints.ai port space = RDMA PS TCP;
if (ctx.server == 1)
  hints.ai flags = RAI PASSIVE; /* this makes it a server */
ret = rdma_getaddrinfo(ctx.server_name, ctx.server_port, &hints, &rai);
  VERB ERR("rdma getaddrinfo", ret);
  exit(1);
/* allocate memory for our QPs and send/recv buffers */
ctx.conn_id = (struct rdma_cm_id **) calloc(ctx.qp_count,
                           sizeof (struct rdma cm id *));
memset(ctx.conn id, 0, sizeof (ctx.conn id));
ctx.send_buf = (char *) malloc(ctx.msg_length);
memset(ctx.send buf, 0, ctx.msg length);
ctx.recv buf = (char *) malloc(ctx.msg length);
memset(ctx.recv buf, 0, ctx.msg length);
if (ctx.server)
  ret = run server(&ctx, rai);
else
  ret = run client(&ctx, rai);
destroy resources(&ctx);
free(rai);
return ret;
```

}

# **Appendix A: Experimental APIs**

# A.1 Dynamically Connected Transport

The Dynamically Connected (DC) transport provides reliable transport services from a DC Initiator (DCI) to a DC Target (DCT). A DCI can send data to multiple targets on the same or different subnet, and a DCT can simultaneously service traffic from multiple DCIs. No explicit connections are setup by the user, with the target DCT being identified by an address vector similar to that used in UD transport, DCT number, and DC access key.

### A.1.1 DC Usage Model

- Query device is used to detect if the DC transport is supported, and if so what are it's characteristics
- User creates DCI's. The number of DCI's depends on the user's strategy for handling concurrent data transmissions.
- User defines a DC Access Key, and initializes a DCT using this access key
- User can query the DCI with the routine ibv\_exp\_query\_qp(), and can query the DCT with the ibv\_exp\_query\_dct() routine.
- User can arm the DCT, so that an event is generated when a DC Access Key violation occurs.
- Send work requests are posted to the DCI's. Data can be sent to a different DCT only
  after all previous sends complete, so send CQE's can be used to detect such completions.
- The CQ associated with the DCT is used to detect data arrival.
- Destroy resources when done

## A.1.2 Query Device

The function

```
int ibv_exp_query_device(struct ibv_context *context, struct ibv_exp_device_attr
*attr)
```

is used to query for device capabilities. The flag IBV\_EXP\_DEVICE\_DC\_TRANSPORT in the field exp\_atomic\_cap of the struct ibv\_exp\_device\_attr defines if the DC transport is supported. The fields,

```
int max_dc_req_rd_atom;
int max dc res rd atom;
```

in the same structure describe DC's atomic support characteristics.

#### A.1.3 Create DCT

- context Context to the InfiniBand device as returned from ibv open device.
- attr Defines attributes of the DCT and include
  - Struct ibv pd \*pd The PD to verify access validity with respect to protection domains

- struct ibv\_cq \*cq CQ used to report receive completions
- Struct ibv\_srq \*srq The SRQ that will provide the received buffers.
   Note that the PD is not checked against the PD of the scatter entry. This check is done with the PD
- dc key A 64 bit key associated with the DCT.
- port The port number this DCT is bound to
- access flags Semantics similar to RC QPs
  - remote read

of the DC target.

- remote write
- · remote atomics
- min\_rnr\_timer Minimum rnr nak time required from the requester between successive requests of a message that was previously rejected due to insufficient receive buffers. IB spec 9.7.5.2.8
- tclass- Used by packets sent by the DCT in case GRH is used
- flow label Used by packets sent by the DCT in case GRH is used
- mtu MTU
- pkey index pkey index used by the DC target
- gid\_index Gid (e.g., all caps) index associated with the DCT. Used to verify incoming packets if GRH is used. This field in mandatory
- hop\_limit Used by packets sent by the DCT in case GRH is used
- Create flags

### A.1.4 Destroy DCT

```
/* destroy a DCT object */
int ibv_exp_destroy_dct(struct ibv_exp_dct *dct);
```

Destroy a DC target. This call may take some time till all DCRs are disconnected.

## A.1.5 Query DCT

```
/* query DCT attributes */
int ibv_exp_query_dct(struct ibv_exp_dct *dct, struct ibv_exp_dct_attr *attr);
```

Attributes queried are:

- state
- cq
- · access\_flags
- min rnr flags
- pd
- tclass
- flow label
- dc\_key
- mtu
- port

- pkey\_index
- · gid index
- · hop limit
- · key violations
- pd
- srq
- cq

### A.1.6 Arm DCT

A DC target can be armed to request notification when DC key violations occur. After return from a call to ibv\_exp\_arm\_dct, the DC target is moved into the "ARMED" state. If a packet targeting this DCT with a wrong key is received, the DCT moves to the "FIRED" state and the event IBV\_EXP\_EVENT\_DCT\_KEY\_VIOLATION is generated. The user can read these events by calling ibv get async event. Events must be acked with ibv ack async event.

- dct Pointer to a previously create DC target
- attr Pointer to arm DCT attributes. This struct has a single comp\_mask field that must be zero in this version

### A.1.7 Create DCI

A DCI is created by calling ibv\_exp\_create\_qp() with a new QP type, IBV\_EXP\_QPT\_DC\_INI The semantics is similar to regular QPs. A DCI is an initiator endpoint which connects to DC targets. Matching rules are identical to those of QKEY for UD. However, the key is 64 bits. A DCI is not a responder, it's only an initiator.

The following are the valid state transitions for DCI with required and optional params

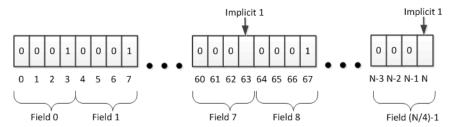
From	То	Required	Optional
Reset	Init	IBV_QP_PKEY_INDEX, IBV_QP_PORT, IBV_QP_DC_KEY	
Init	Init	IBV_QP_PKEY_INDEX, IBV_QP_PORT, IBV_QP_ACCESS_FLAGS	
Init	RTR	IBV_QP_AV, IBV_QP_PATH_MTU	IBV_QP_PKEY_INDEX, IBV_QP_DC_KEY
RTR	RTS	IBV_QP_TIMEOUT, IBV_QP_RETRY_CNT, IBV_QP_RNR_RETRY, IBV_QP_MAX_QP_RD_ATOMIC	IBV_QP_ALT_PATH, IBV_QP_MIN_RNR_TIMER, IBV_QP_PATH_MIG_STATE

From	То	Required	Optional
RTS	RTS		IBV_QP_ALT_PATH, IBV_QP_PATH_MIG_STATE, IBV_QP_MIN_RNR_TIMER

# Appendix B: Verbs API for Extended Atomics Support

The extended atomics capabilities provide support for performing Fetch&Add and masked Compare&Swap atomic operations on multiple fields. <u>Figure 1</u> shows how the individual fields within the user-supplied-data field are specified.

Figure 1: The Mask for a Multi-Field Fetc & Add Operation



In <u>Figure 1</u>, the total operand size is N bits, with the length of each data field being four bits. The 1's in the mask indicate the termination of a data field. With ConnectX® family of HCA's and Connect-IB®, there is always an implicit 1 in the mask.

## **B.1** Supported Hardware

The extended atomic operations are supported by ConnectX®-2 and subsequent hardware. ConnectX-2/ConnectX®-3 devices employ read-modify-write operations on regions that are sized as multiples of 64 bits with 64 bit alignment. Therefore, when operations are performed on user buffers that are smaller than 64 bits, the unmodified sections of such regions will be written back unmodified when the results are committed to user memory. Connect-IB® and subsequent devices operate on memory regions that are multiples of 32 or 64 bits, with natural alignment.

# **B.2** Verbs Interface Changes

Usage model:

- Query device to see if
  - Atomic Operations are supported
  - Endieness of atomic response
  - Extended atomics are supported, and the data sizes supported
- Initialize QP for use with atomic operations, taking device capabilities into account
- Use the atomic operations
- Destroy QP after finishing to use it

## **B.2.1 Query Device Capabilities**

The device capabilities flags enumeration is updated to reflect the support for extended atomic operations by adding the flag:

+ IBV EXP DEVICE EXT ATOMICS,

and the device attribute comp mask enumeration ibv\_exp\_device\_attr\_comp\_mask is updated with:

+ IBV EXP DEVICE ATTR EXT ATOMIC ARGS,

The device attributes struct, ibv\_exp\_device\_attr, is modified by adding struct ibv\_exp\_ext\_-atomics params ext atom

```
struct ibv_exp_ext_atomics_params {
  uint64_t    atomic_arg_sizes; /* bit-mask of supported sizes */
    uint32_t    max_fa_bit_boundary;
    uint32_t    log_max_atomic_inline;
};
```

Atomic fetch&add operations on subsections of the operands are also supported, with max\_fa\_bit\_boundary being the log-base-2 of the largest such subfield, in bytes. Log\_max\_atomic\_inline is the log of the largest amount of atomic data, in bytes, that can be put in the work request and includes the space for all required fields. -For ConnectX and Connect-IB the largest subsection supported is eight bytes.

The returned data is formatted in units that correspond to the host's natural word size. For example, if extended atomics are used for a 16 byte field, and returned in big-endian format, each eight byte portion is arranged in big-endian format, regardless of the size the fields used in an association in a multi-field fetch-and-add operation.

### **B.2.2** Response Format

The returned data is formatted in units that correspond to the host's natural word size. For example, if extended atomics are used for a 16 byte field, and returned in big-endian format, each eight byte portion is arranged in big-endian format, regardless of the size the fields used in an association in a multi-field fetch-and-add operation.

#### **B.2.3** QP Initialization

QP initialization needs additional information with respect to the sizes of atomic operations that will be supported inline. This is needed to ensure the QP is provisioned with sufficient send resources to support the number of support WQE's.

The QP attribute enumeration comp-mask, ibv\_exp\_qp\_init\_attr\_comp\_mask, is expanded by adding

+ IBV\_EXP\_QP\_INIT\_ATTR\_ATOMICS\_ARG,

### **Send Work Request Changes**

The send op codes are extended to include

```
+ IBV_EXP_WR_EXT_MASKED_ATOMIC_CMP_AND_SWP,
+ IBV_EXP_WR_EXT_MASKED_ATOMIC_FETCH_AND_ADD
```

ibv exp send flags

The send flags, ibv\_exp\_send\_flags, are expanded to include inline support for extended atomic operations with the flag

```
+ IBV EXP SEND EXT ATOMIC INLINE
```

The send work request is extended by appending

```
union {
  struct {
    /* Log base-2 of total operand size
```

```
*/
    uint32 t
                 log_arg_sz;
    uint64 t remote addr;
    uint32 t rkey; /* remote memory key */
    union {
       struct {
         /* For the next four fields:
          * If operand_size < 8 bytes then inline data is in
          * the corresponding field; for small operands,
          * LSBs are used.
          * Else the fields are pointers in the process's
          * address space to
          * where the arguments are stored
          */
         union {
           struct ibv exp cmp swap cmp swap;
           struct ibv_exp_fetch_add fetch_add;
                     } inline_data;
         } op;
               /* in the future add support for non-inline
       * argument provisioning
    } wr data;
  } masked_atomics;
} ext_op;
To the end of work request, ibv exp send wr,
with
struct ibv exp cmp swap {
 uint64_t compare_mask;
 uint64_t compare_val;
 uint64_t swap_val;
 uint64_t swap_mask;
};
and
struct ibv_exp_fetch_add {
 uint64_t add_val;
 uint64_t field_boundary;
};
```

# **Appendix C: User-Mode Memory Registration (UMR)**

This section describes User-Mode Memory Registration (UMR) which supports the creation of memory keys for non-contiguous memory regions. This includes the concatenation of arbitrary contiguous regions of memory, as well as regions with regular structure.

Three examples of non-contiguous regions of memory that are used to form new contiguous regions of memory are described below. Figure 2 shows an example where portions of three separate contiguous regions of memory are combined to create a single logically contiguous region of memory. The base address of the new memory region is defined by the user when the new memory key is defined.

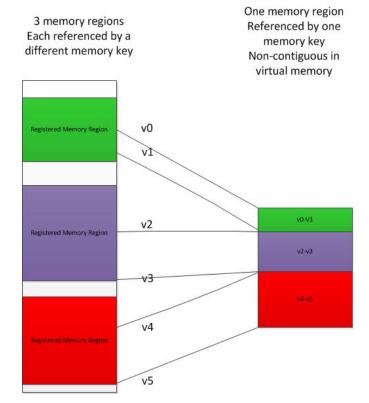


Figure 2: Memory region described by Indirect Memory key (KLM)

Figure 3 shows a non-contiguous memory region with regular. This region is defined by a base address, stride between adjacent elements, the extent of each element, and a repeat count.

Figure 3: Non-contiguous memory region

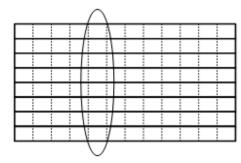
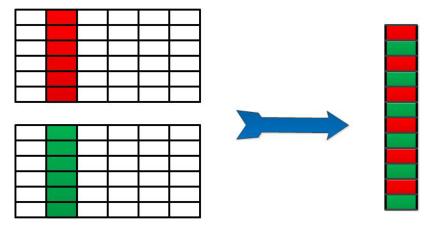


Figure 4 shows an example where two non-contiguous memory regions are interleaved, using the repeat structure UMR.

Figure 4: Interleaving data from two separate non-contiguous regions of memory



### C.1 Interfaces

The usage model for the UMR includes:

- Ability to with ibv exp query device if UMR is supported.
- If UMR is supported, checking struct ibv exp device attr for it's characteristics
- Using ibv exp create mr() to create an uninitialized memory key for future UMR use
- Using ibv\_exp\_post\_send() to define the new memory key. This can be posted to the same send queue that will use the memory key in future operations.
- Using the UMR defined as one would use any other memory keys
- Using ibv exp post send() to invalidate the UMR memory key
- Releasing the memory key with the ibv dereg mr()

### C.1.1 Device Capabilities

The query device capabilities is queried to see if the UMR capability is supported, and if so, what are it's characteristics. The routine used is:

int ibv\_exp\_query\_device(struct ibv\_context \*context, struct ibv\_exp\_device\_attr \*attr)

struct ibv\_exp\_umr\_caps umr\_caps field describes the UMR capabilities. This structure
is defined as:

The fields added to the struct struct ibv exp device attr to support UMR include:

- exp\_device\_cap\_flags UMR support available if the flag IBV\_EXP\_DEVICE\_AT-TR UMR is set.
- max\_mkey\_klm\_list\_size maximum number of memory keys that may be input to UMR
- max\_send\_wqe\_inline\_klms the largest number of KLM's that can be provided inline in the work request. When the list is larger than this, a buffer allocated via the struct ibv\_mr \*ibv\_exp\_reg\_mr(struct ibv\_exp\_reg\_mr\_in \*in) function, and provided to the driver as part of the memory key creation
- max\_umr\_recursion\_depth memory keys created by UMR operations may be input to UMR memory key creation. This specifies the limit on how deep this recursion can be.
- max\_umr\_stride\_dimension The maximum number of independent dimensions that may be used with the regular structure UMR operations. The current limit is one.

### C.1.2 QP Creation

To configure QP UMR support the routine

```
ibv_qp * ibv_exp_create_qp(struct ibv_context *context, struct ibv_exp_qp_init_attr *qp_init_attr)
```

is to be used. When the attribute IBV\_EXP\_QP\_CREATE\_UMR is set in the exp\_create\_flags field of struct ibv\_exp\_qp\_init\_attr enables UMR support. The attribute IBV\_ IBV\_EX-P\_QP\_INIT\_ATTR\_MAX\_INL\_KLMS is set in the field comp\_mask struct ibv\_exp\_qp\_init\_attr, with the field max\_inl\_send\_klms defining this number.

# C.1.3 Memory Key Manipulation

```
To create an uninitialized memory key for future use the routine
```

```
struct ibv_mr *ibv_exp_create_mr(struct ibv_exp_create_mr_in *create_mr_in)
is used with
struct ibv_exp_create_mr_in {
    struct ibv_pd *pd;
    struct ibv_exp_mr_init_attr attr;
};
and
struct ibv_exp_mr_init_attr {
    uint64_t max_reg_descriptors; /* maximum number of entries */
    uint32_t create_flags; /* enum ibv_mr_create_flags */
    uint64_t access_flags; /* region's access rights */
    uint32_t comp_mask;
};
```

```
To query the resources associated with the memory key, the routine int ibv_exp_query_mkey(struct ibv_mr *mr, struct ibv_exp_mkey_attr *query_mkey_in) is used with struct ibv_exp_mkey_attr { int n_mkey_entries; /* the maximum number of memory keys that can be supported */ uint32_t comp_mask; };
```

### C.1.4 Non-inline memory objects

When the list of memory keys input into the UMR memory key createion is too large to fit into the work request, a hardware accessible buffer needs to be provided in the posted send request. This buffer will be populated by the driver with the relevant memory objects.

```
We will define the enum
```

```
enum memory_reg_type{
   IBV_MEM_REG_MKEY
};
```

The memory registration function is defined as:

```
struct non inline data *ibv exp alloc mkey list memory
       (struct ibv exp mkey list container attr*attr)
where
struct ibv exp mkey list container attr {
 struct ibv pd *pd;
 uint32 t mkey list type; /* use ibv exp mkey list type */
 uint32 t max klm list size;
 uint32 t comp mask; /*use ibv exp alloc mkey list comp mask */
};
This memory is freed with
int ibv exp dealloc mkey list memory(struct ibv exp mkey list container *mem)
where
struct ibv exp mkey list container {
 uint32 t max klm list size;
 struct ibv context *context;
}; (NOTE - Need to check with Eli Cohen here - just reading the code).
```

# C.1.5 Memory Key Initialization

The memory key is manipulated with the ibv\_exp\_post\_send() routine. The opcodes IBV\_EX-P\_WR\_UMR\_FILL and IBV\_EXP\_WR\_UMR\_INVALIDATE are used to define and invalidate, respectively, the memory key.

```
The struct ibv_exp_send_wr contains the following fields to support the UMR capabilities: union { struct {
```

```
uint32 t umr type; /* use ibv exp umr wr type */
   struct ibv_exp_mkey_list_container *memory_objects; /* used when IBV_EXP_SEND_INLINE is not set */
   uint64 t exp access; /* use ibv exp access flags */
   struct ibv mr *modified mr;
   uint64 t base addr;
   uint32 t num mrs; /* array size of mem repeat block list or mem reg list */
    struct ibv_exp_mem_region *mem_reg_list; /* array, size corresponds to num_mrs */
    struct {
     struct ibv exp mem repeat block *mem repeat block list; /* array, size corresponds to num mr */
     size t *repeat count; /* array size corresponds to stride dim */
     uint32 t stride dim;
    } rb;
   } mem list;
  } umr;
where
enum ibv exp umr wr type {
 IBV EXP UMR MR LIST,
 IBV EXP UMR REPEAT
};
and
struct ibv exp mkey list container {
 uint32 t max klm list size;
 struct ibv context *context;
};
struct ibv_exp_mem_region {
 uint64 t base addr;
 struct ibv mr *mr;
 size t length;
};
and
struct ibv exp mem repeat block {
 uint64 t base addr; /* array, size corresponds to ndim */
 struct ibv mr *mr;
 size_t *byte_count; /* array, size corresponds to ndim */
 size t *stride; /* array, size corresponds to ndim */
};
```

# Appendix D: Core-Direct Support

The Cross-Channel Synchronization adds support for work requests that are used for synchronizing communication between separate QP's and support for data reductions. This functionality, for example, is sufficient for implementing MPI collective communication with a single post of work requests, with the need to check only of full communication completion, rather than on completion of individual work requests.

Terms relevant to the Cross-Channel Synchronization are defined in the following table:

Term	Description
Cross Channel supported QP	QP that allows send_enable, recv_enable, wait, and reduction tasks.
Managed send QP	Work requests in the corresponding send queues must be explicitly enabled before they can be executed.
Managed receive QP	Work requests in the corresponding receive queues must be explicitly enabled before they can be executed.
Master Queue	Queue that uses send_enable and/or recv_enable work requests to enable tasks in managed QP. A QP can be both master and managed QP.
Wait task (n)	Task the completes when n completion tasks appear in the specified completion queue
Send Enable task (n)	Enables the next n send tasks in the specified send queue to be executable.
Receive Enable task	Enables the next n send tasks in the specified receive queue to be executable.
Reduction operation	Data reduction operation to be executed by the HCA on specified data.

# D.1 Usage Model

- Creating completion queues, setting the ignore-overrun bit for the CQ's that only hardware will monitor.
- Creating and configuring the relevant QP's, setting the flags indicating that Cross-Channel Synchronization work requests are supported, and the appropriate master and managed flags (based on planned QP usage). For example, this may happen when an MPI library creates a new communicator.
- Posting tasks list for the compound operations.
- Checking the appropriate queue for compound operation completion (need to request completion notification from the appropriate work request). For example, a user may setup a CQ that receives completion notification for the work-request whose completion indicates the entire collective operation has completed locally.
- Destroying the QP's and CQ's created for Cross-Channel Synchronization operations, once the application is done using them. For example, an MPI library may destroy these resources after it frees all the communicator using these resources.

### D.2 Resource Initialization

### D.2.1 Device Capabilities

```
The device query function,
int ibv exp query device(struct ibv context *context,
        struct ibv exp device attr *attr);
is used to query for device capabilities.
A value of
IBV_EXP_DEVICE_CROSS_CHANNEL
in exp device cap flags indicates support for Cross-Channel capabilities.
In addition, the struct calc cap is used to define what reduction capabilities are supported
struct ibv exp device attr {
  struct ibv exp device calc cap calc cap;
};
where,
struct ibv exp device calc cap {
 uint64_t data_types;
 uint64_t data_sizes;
 uint64 t int ops;
 uint64 t uint ops;
 uint64_t fp_ops;
};
Where the operation types are given by:
IBV_EXP_CALC_OP_ADD, /* addition */
IBV EXP CALC OP BAND, /* bit-wise and */
IBV_EXP_CALC_OP_BXOR, /*bit wise xor */
IBV_EXP_CALC_OP_BOR, /* bit-wise or */
and data types supported are described by
IBV EXP CALC DATA SIZE 64 BIT
```

### D.2.2 Completion Queue

Completion queue (CQ) that will be used with Cross Channel Synchronization operations needs to be marked as such as CQ at creation time. This CQ needs to be initialized with

```
where the new parameter is defined as:
struct ibv_exp_cq_init_attr{
  uint32_t comp_mask;
  unit32 t flags;
The appropriate flag to set is:
IBV EXP CQ CREATE CROSS CHANNEL
The comp mask needs to set the bit,
IBV EXP CQ INIT ATTR FLAGS
To avoid the CQ's entering the error state due to lack of CQ processing, the overrun ignore (OI)
bit of the Completion Queue Context table must be set.
To set these bit the function
/**
* ibv exp modify_cq - Modifies the attributes for the specified CQ.
* @cq: The CQ to modify.
* @cq attr: Specifies the CQ attributes to modify.
* @cq attr mask: A bit-mask used to specify which attributes of the CQ
  are being modified.
*/
static inline int ibv_exp_modify_cq(struct ibv_cq *cq,
      struct ibv exp cq attr *cq attr,
      int cq attr mask)
The bit IBV EXP CQ CAP FLAGS in cq attr mask needs to be set, as does the bit IBV EXP C-
Q ATTR CQ CAP FLAGS in cq attr mask's comp mask.
                                                                Finally, the bit IBV EXP C-
Q IGNORE OVERRUN needs to be set in the field cq cap flags.
QP Creation
To configure the QP for Cross-Channel use following function is used
struct ibv qp *ibv exp create qp(struct ibv context *context,
  struct ibv exp qp init attr*qp init attr)
where
struct ibv exp qp init attr {
 void
           *qp context;
                 *send cq;
 struct ibv cq
 struct ibv cq
                 *recv cq;
 struct ibv srq
                  *srq;
 struct ibv qp cap cap;
 enum ibv_qp_type qp_type;
 int sq_sig_all;
```

uint32 t comp mask; /\* use ibv\_exp\_qp\_init\_attr\_comp\_mask \*/

uint32\_t exp\_create\_flags; /\* use ibv\_exp\_qp\_create\_flags \*/

**D.3** 

struct ibv pd

struct ibv xrcd

\*pd;

\*xrcd;

```
uint32_t max_inl_recv;
struct ibv_exp_qpg qpg;
uint32_t max_atomic_arg;
uint32_t max_inl_send_klms;
};
```

The exp create flags that are available are

IBV\_EXP\_QP\_CREATE\_CROSS\_CHANNEL - This must be set for any QP to which cross-channel-synchronization work requests will be posted.

IBV\_EXP\_QP\_CREATE\_MANAGED\_SEND - This is set for a managed send QP, e.g. one for which send-enable operations are used to activate the posted send requests.

IBV\_EXP\_QP\_CREATE\_MANAGED\_RECV - This is set for a managed receive QP, e.g. one for which send-enable operations are used to activate the posted receive requests.

## D.4 Posting Request List

A single operation is defined with by a set of work requests posted to multiple QP's, as described in the figure bellow.

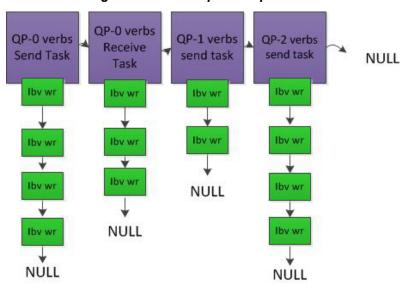


Figure 5: Work Requests Operation

The lists are of tasks are NULL terminated.

#### The routine

int ibv\_exp\_post\_task(struct ibv\_context \*context, struct ibv\_exp\_task \*task, struct ibv\_exp\_task \*\*bad\_task) is used to post the list of work requests, with

```
struct ibv_exp_task {
  enum ibv_exp_task_type task_type;
```

```
struct {
  struct ibv_qp *qp;
  union {
   struct ibv_exp_send_wr *send_wr;
   struct ibv recv wr *recv wr;
  };
 } item;
 struct ibv_exp_task *next;
 uint32 t
                  comp mask; /* reserved for future growth (must be 0) */
};
The task type is defined by:
IBV EXP TASK SEND
 IBV_EXP_TASK_RECV
To support the new work requests, the struct ibv_exp_send_wr is expanded with
union {
  struct {
   uint64_t remote_addr;
   uint32_t rkey;
  } rdma;
  struct {
   uint64 t remote addr;
   uint64_t compare_add;
   uint64 t swap;
   uint32 t rkey;
  } atomic;
  struct {
   struct ibv_cq *cq;
   int32_t cq_count;
  } cqe wait;
  struct {
   struct ibv_qp *qp;
   int32 t wge count;
  } wqe_enable;
 } task;
The calc operation is also defined in ibv exp send wr by the union:
union {
  struct {
   enum ibv exp calc op
                             calc op;
   enum ibv exp calc data type data type;
   enum ibv_exp_calc_data_size data_size;
  } calc;
```

} op;

In addition, in the field exp\_send\_flags in ibv\_exp\_send\_wr the flag IBV\_EXP\_SEND\_WITH\_-CALC indicates the presence of a reduction operation, and IBV\_EXP\_SEND\_WAIT\_EN\_LAST is used to signal the last wait task posted for a given CQ in the current task list.

For ibv\_exp\_calc\_data\_type the types

IBV\_EXP\_CALC\_DATA\_TYPE\_INT,

IBV\_EXP\_CALC\_DATA\_TYPE\_UINT,

IBV\_EXP\_CALC\_DATA\_TYPE\_FLOA

are supported.

The supported data size for ibv exp data size is IBV EXP CALC DATA SIZE 64 BIT.

New send opcodes are defined for the new work requests. These include:

IBV EXP WR SEND ENABLE

IBV EXP WR RECV ENABLE

IBV\_EXP\_WR\_CQE\_WAIT

### ConnectX-3/Connect-IB Data Endianess

The ConnectX-3 and Connect-IB HCA's expect to get the data in network order.