MPI – Message Passing Interface

Program starts as a set of parallel processes

Initializing MPI environment

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if(MPI_Init(argc,argv) != MPI_SUCCESS) crash("MPI_Init fail!\n");
if(MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&id) != MPI_SUCCESS)
crash("MPI_Comm_rank fail!\n"); communicator – ID of the group of processes
if(MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&np)!= MPI_SUCCESS)
crash("MPI_Comm_size fail!\n");
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Finishing MPI environment

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MPI_Finalize(); // normal finishing – will wait on barrier
MPI_Abort(MPI_COMM_WORLD,-1); // crash – stops all processes
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Point-to-point communications

Blocking communication

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

buf - initial address of send buffer

count - number of elements in send buffer

datatype - datatype of each send buffer element

dest - rank of destination

tag - message tag comm - communicator

int MPI_Recv(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Status *status)

Input Parameters

count - maximum number of elements in receive buffer (integer)

datatype - datatype of each receive buffer element (handle)

source - rank of source (integer)

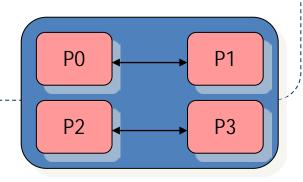
tag - message tag (integer)

comm - communicator (handle)

Output Parameters

buf - initial address of receive buffer

status - status object



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Non-blocking communication

int MPI_Isend(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

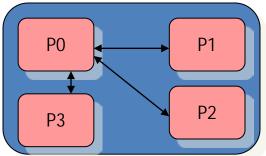
int MPI_Irecv(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Wait(MPI_Request *request, MPI_Status *status)
int MPI_Waitall(int count, MPI_Request requests[], MPI_Status statuses[])

Reduction group communications

Operations with O(log(P)) exchanges – P data sets of size N joined into one data set of size N

• Example of summation over all processes



Gather and scatter communications

P data sets of size N joined into a data set of size N*P

int MPI_Gather(void *sendbuf, int sendcnt, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcnt, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Gatherv(void *sendbuf, int sendcnt, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int *recvcnts, int *displs, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)

Inverse operation

int MPI_Scatter(void *sendbuf, int sendcnt, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcnt, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Scatterv(void *sendbuf, int *sendcnts, int *displs, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcnt, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)

Combined operation

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

int MPI_Allgatherv(void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int *recvcounts, int *displs, MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)