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Session 1: Introduction to MPI (this invitation)

Monday, January 24th 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Mountain

The first session will introduce MPI. We will give a background, show some sources of Documentation. We will show the classic "Hello world" program in MPI running on multiple processors. We will discuss Basic communications and show a simple send and receive program where messages are passed between processors. We will be running examples in the official languages supported by MPI, C and Fortran. Also, we will briefly discuss support for Python, R, and Java. Source code and scripts will be provided that can be run on Eagle.

Session 2: Expansion to Higher-level MPI Calls

Monday, January 31st 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Mountain

The second session will expand on the first, showing many of the higher-level MPI calls commonly used to write parallel programs. Examples will be provided that can run on Eagle. We will look at: using the various predefined data types, broadcast, wildcards, asynchronous communications, and using probes and status information to control flow.

Session 3: Additional Collective Operations

Monday, February 7th 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Mountain

In the third MPI session, we will look at additional collective operations including scatter, gather, and reductions. We'll also show examples of the "variable" versions of these calls where the amount of information shared is processor-dependent. We'll look at creating derived data types and managing subsets of processes using communicators.

Session 4: Finite Difference Model

Monday, February 14th 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Mountain

In the fourth session, we will introduce a finite difference model that will demonstrate what a computational scientist needs to do to take advantage of computers using MPI. The model we are using is a two-dimensional finite-difference code. After discussing the serial code, we will show the modifications necessary to turn it into a parallel program using MPI. We will look at domain decomposition, initialization, data distribution, message passing, reduction operations, and multiple methods for data output. We will also look at the performance of the application on various numbers of processors to illustrate Amdahl's parallel program scaling law.

Examples and Slides

Examples:

```
git clone https://github.com/timkphd/examples
cd examples/mpi
```

Slides:

https://github.com/timkphd/slides

Review

Outline

- Types
- Broadcast
- Wildcards
- Using Status and Probing
- Asynchronous Communication, first cut
- More Global communications
- Advanced topics
 - "V" operations
 - Derived types
 - Communicators

Six basic MPI calls

MPI_INIT Initialize MPI MPI COMM RANK

Get the processor rank

MPI COMM SIZE

Get the number of processors

MPI Send

Send data to another processor

MPI Recv

Get data from another processor

MPI FINALIZE

Finish MPI

Send and Receive Program Fortran

```
program send receive
include "mpif.h"
integer myid, ierr, numprocs, tag, source, destination, count
integer buffer
integer status(MPI STATUS SIZE)
call MPI INIT( ierr )
call MPI COMM RANK ( MPI COMM WORLD, myid, ierr )
call MPI COMM SIZE ( MPI COMM WORLD, numprocs, ierr )
tag=1234; source=0; destination=1; count=1
if(myid .eq. source)then
   buffer=5678
   Call MPI Send(buffer, count, MPI INTEGER, destination, &
   tag, MPI COMM WORLD, ierr)
   write(*,*)"processor ",myid," sent ",buffer
endif
if (myid .eq. destination) then
   Call MPI Recv(buffer, count, MPI INTEGER, source, &
    tag, MPI COMM WORLD, status, ierr)
   write(*,*)"processor ",myid," got ",buffer
endif
call MPI FINALIZE(ierr)
stop
end
```

Send and Receive Program C

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include "mpi.h"
int main(int argc,char *argv[])
  int myid, numprocs, tag, source, destination, count, buffer;
 MPI Status status;
  MPI Init(&argc,&argv);
 MPI Comm size (MPI COMM WORLD, & numprocs);
 MPI Comm rank (MPI COMM WORLD, & myid);
  tag=1234; source=0; destination=1; count=1;
  if(myid == source){
   buffer=5678;
   MPI Send(&buffer, count, MPI INT, destination, tag, MPI COMM WORLD);
    printf("processor %d sent %d\n", myid, buffer);
  if(myid == destination){
    MPI Recv(&buffer, count, MPI INT, source, tag, MPI COMM WORLD, &status);
    printf("processor %d got %d\n", myid, buffer);
 MPI Finalize();
```

MPI Types

- MPI has many different predefined data types
- Can be used in any communication operation

Predefined types in C

C MPI Types				
MPI_CHAR	signed char			
MPI_SHORT	signed short int			
MPI_INT	signed int			
MPI_LONG	signed long int			
MPI_UNSIGNED_CHAR	unsigned char			
MPI_UNSIGNED_SHORT	unsigned short int			
MPI_UNSIGNED	unsigned int			
MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG	unsigned long int			
MPI_FLOAT	float			
MPI_DOUBLE	double			
MPI_LONG_DOUBLE	long double			
MPI_BYTE	-			
MPI_PACKED	-			

Predefined types in Fortran

Fortran MPI Types				
MPI_INTEGER	INTEGER			
MPI_REAL	REAL			
MPI_DOUBLE PRECISION	DOUBLE PRECISION			
MPI_COMPLEX	COMPLEX			
MPI_LOGICAL	LOGICAL			
MPI_CHARACTER	CHARACTER(1)			
MPI_BYTE	_			
MPI_PACKED	_			

MPI Broadcast call: MPI_Bcast

- All nodes call MPI_Bcast
- One node (root) sends a message all others receive the message
- C
 - MPI_Bcast(&buffer, count, datatype,
 root, communicator);
- Fortran
 - call MPI_Bcast(buffer, count,
 datatype, root, communicator, ierr)
- Root is node that sends the message

Exercise 4: Broadcast

- Write a parallel program to broadcast data using MPI_Bcast
 - Initialize MPI
 - Have processor 0 broadcast an integer
 - Have all processors print the data
 - Quit MPI

Wildcards

- Allow you to not necessarily specify a tag or source
- Example

- MPI_ANY_SOURCE and MPI_ANY_TAG are wild cards
- Status structure is used to get wildcard values

c_ex02.c f_ex02.f90 c_ex10.c f_ex10.f90

Status

- The status parameter returns additional information for some MPI routines
 - Additional Error status information
 - Additional information with wildcard parameters
- C declaration: a predefined struct
 - MPI_Status status;
- Fortran declaration: an array is used instead
 - INTEGER STATUS (MPI_STATUS_SIZE)

c ex02.c f ex02.f90

c ex10.c

f ex10.f90

Accessing status information

- The tag of a received message
 - C: status.MPI_TAG
 - Fortran : STATUS(MPI_TAG)
- The source of a received message
 - C:status.MPI_SOURCE
 - Fortran : STATUS(MPI_SOURCE)
- The error code of the MPI call
 - C:status.MPI_ERROR
 - Fortran: STATUS(MPI_ERROR)
- Other uses...

MPI_Probe

- MPI_Probe allows incoming messages to be checked without actually receiving.
 - The user can then decide how to receive the data.
 - Useful when different action needs to be taken depending on the "who, what, and how much" information of the message.

MPI Probe

- (
 - int MPI_Probe(source, tag, comm,
 &status)
- Fortran
- Parameters
 - Source: source rank, or MPI_ANY_SOURCE
 - Tag: tag value, or MPI_ANY_TAG
 - Comm: communicator
 - Status: status object

MPI_Probe example (part I) f_ex02.f

```
! Program shows how to use probe and get count to find the size
! of an incomming message
     program hello
      include "mpif.h"
      integer myid, numprocs
      integer status(MPI STATUS SIZE)
      integer mytag,icount,ierr,j
      integer,allocatable :: i(:)
      call MPI INIT( ierr )
      call MPI_COMM_RANK( MPI_COMM_WORLD, myid, ierr )
      call MPI_COMM_SIZE( MPI_COMM_WORLD, numprocs, ierr )
     write (*,*) "Hello from fortran process: ",myid," Numprocs is ",numprocs
     mytag=123
      if(myid .eq. 0)then
           i = 100
           icount=1
           call MPI_SEND(j,icount,MPI_INTEGER,1,mytag,MPI_COMM_WORLD,ierr)
      endif
```

MPI_Probe example (part 2)

```
if(myid .eq. 1)then
call mpi_probe(MPI_ANY_SOURCE, mytag, MPI_COMM_WORLD, status, ierr)
call mpi_get_count(status, MPI_INTEGER, icount, ierr)
write(*,*)"getting ", icount," from ", STATUS(MPI_SOURCE)
allocate(i(icount))
call mpi_recv(i,icount, MPI_INTEGER, 0, mytag, MPI_COMM_WORLD, status, ierr)
write(*,*)"i=",i
endif
call mpi_finalize(ierr)
stop
end
```

MPI_Probe example (part I) c_ex02.c

```
/* Shows how to use probe & get_count to find the size of an */
/* incomming message
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <mpi.h>
#include <math.h>
int main(int argc, char **argv)
    int myid, numprocs;
    MPI_Status status;
    int mytag,ierr,icount,j,*i;
    MPI_Init(&argc,&argv);
    MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&numprocs);
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&myid);
    printf(" Hello from c process: %d Numprocs is %d\n", myid, numprocs);
    mytag=123;
    if(myid == 0) {
      i = 200:
      icount=1:
      ierr=MPI_Send(&j,icount,MPI_INT,1,mytag,MPI_COMM_WORLD);
```

MPI_Probe example (part 2)

```
if(myid == 1){
    ierr=MPI_Probe(MPI_ANY_SOURCE, mytag, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &status);
    ierr=MPI_Get_count(&status, MPI_INT, &icount);
    i=(int*)malloc(icount*sizeof(int));
    printf("getting %d from %d\n", icount, status.MPI_SOURCE);
        ierr = MPI_Recv(i, icount, MPI_INT, 0, mytag, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &status);
    printf("i= ");
    for(j=0;j<icount;j++)
        printf("%d ",i[j]);
    printf("\n");
}
MPI_Finalize();</pre>
```

MPI_BARRIER

- Blocks the caller until all members in the communicator have called it.
- Used as a synchronization tool.
- C
 - MPI_Barrier(comm)
- Fortran
 - Call MPI_BARRIER(COMM, IERROR)
- Parameter
 - Comm communicator (MPI_COMM_WORLD)

Asynchronous Communication

- Asynchronous send: send call returns immediately, send actually occurs later
- Asynchronous receive: receive call returns immediately. When received data is needed, call a wait subroutine
- Asynchronous communication used in attempt to overlap communication with computation (usually doesn't work)
- Can help prevent deadlock (not advised)

Asynchronous Send with MPI_Isend

- C
 - MPI_Request request
 - int MPI_Isend(&buffer, count, datatype,
 dest,tag, comm, &request)
- Fortran
 - Integer REQUEST
 - MPI_ISEND(BUFFER, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG,
 COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
- Request is a new output Parameter
- Don't change data until communication is complete

Asynchronous Receive with MPI_Irecv

- C
 - MPI_Request request;
 - int MPI_Irecv(&buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, &request)
- Fortran
 - Integer request
 - MPI_IRECV(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
- Parameter Changes
 - Request: communication request
 - Status parameter is missing
- Don't use data until communication is complete

MPI_Wait used to complete communication

- Request from Isend or Irecv is input
- The completion of a send operation indicates that the sender is now free to update the data in the send buffer
- The completion of a receive operation indicates that the receive buffer contains the received message
- MPI_Wait blocks until message specified by "request" completes

MPI Wait used to complete communication

```
- MPI Request request;
- MPI Status status;
- MPI_Wait(&request, &status)
Fortran
```

- - Integer request
 - Integer status (MPI STATUS SIZE)
 - MPI WAIT (REQUEST, STATUS, IERROR)
- MPI Wait blocks until message specified by "request" completes

MPI_Test

- Similar to MPI_Wait, but does not block
- Value of flags signifies whether a message has been delivered
- C
 - int flag
 - int MPI_Test(&request,&flag, &status)
- Fortran
 - LOGICAL FLAG
 - MPI_TEST(REQUEST, FLAG, STATUS, IER)

Non blocking send example

Do other work ...

```
call MPI_Test (request, flag, status, ierr)
if (.not. flag) goto 10
```

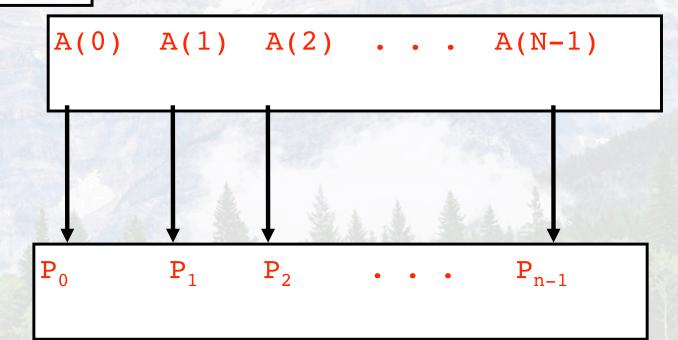
Exercise 3: Asynchronous Send and Receive

- Write a parallel program to send and receive data using MPI_Isend and MPI_Irecv
 - Initialize MPI
 - Have processor 0 send an integer to processor
 - Have processor I receive and integer from processor 0
 - Both processors check on message completion
 - Quit MPI

Scatter Operation using MPI_Scatter

 Similar to Broadcast but sends a section of an array to each processors

Data in an array on root node:



Goes to processors:

MPI_Scatter

C

- int MPI_Scatter(&sendbuf, sendcnts, sendtype,
&recvbuf, recvcnts, recvtype, root, comm);

Fortran

- MPI_Scatter(sendbuf, sendcnts, sendtype,
recvbuf, recvcnts, recvtype, root, comm, ierror)

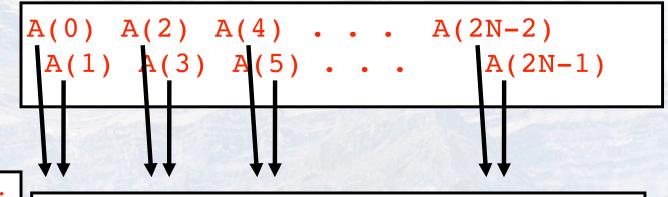
Parameters

- Sendbuf is an array of size (number processors*sendcnts)
- Sendents number of elements sent to each processor
- Recvents number of elements obtained from the root processor
- Recybuf elements obtained from the root processor, may be an array

Scatter Operation using MPI_Scatter

Scatter with Sendents = 2

Data in an array on root node:



Goes to processors:

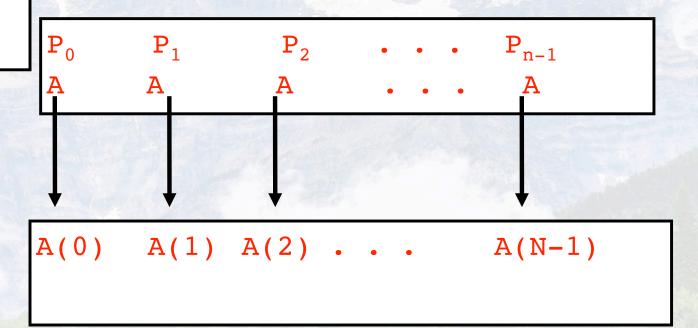
P_0	P ₁ B(O) B(1)	P_2	•	•	•	P_{n-1}
B(0)	B(O)	B(0)				B(0)
B(1)	B(1)	B(1)				B(1)

Gather Operation using MPI_Gather

- Used to collect data from all processors to the root, inverse of scatter
- Data is collected into an array on root processor

Data from various Processors:

Goes to an array on root node:



MPI Gather

C

- int MPI_Gather(&sendbuf,sendcnts, sendtype, &recvbuf,
 recvcnts,recvtype,root, comm);

Fortran

- MPI_Gather(sendbuf, sendcnts, sendtype,
recvbuf, recvcnts, recvtype, root, comm, ierror)

Parameters

- Sendents # of elements sent from each processor
- Sendbuf is an array of size sendents
- Recvents # of elements obtained from each processor
- Recvbuf of size Recvcnts*number of processors

Exercise 5: Scatter and Gather

- Write a parallel program to scatter real data using MPI_Scatter
- Each processor sums the data
- Use MPI_Gather to get the data back to the root processor
- Root processor sums and prints the data

Reduction Operations

- Used to combine partial results from all processors
- Result returned to root processor
- Several types of operations available
- Works on single elements and arrays

MPI routine is MPI_Reduce

- C
- int MPI_Reduce(&sendbuf, &recvbuf,
 count, datatype, operation,root,
 communicator)
- Fortran
- call MPI_Reduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, operation, root, communicator, ierr)
- Parameters

Operations for MPI_Reduce

MPI MAX Maximum

MPI MIN Minimum

MPI PROD Product

MPI SUM Sum

MPI_LAND Logical and

MPI_LOR Logical or

MPI_LXOR Logical exclusive or

MPI_BAND Bitwise and

MPI BOR Bitwise or

MPI BXOR Bitwise exclusive or

MPI_MAXLOC Maximum value and location

MPI_MINLOC Minimum value and location

Global Sum with MPI_Reduce

```
double sum partial, sum global;
  sum partial = ...;
      ierr = MPI Reduce(&sum partial, &sum global,
                         1, MPI DOUBLE PRECISION,
                        MPI SUM, root,
                        MPI COMM WORLD);
Fortran
  double precision sum partial, sum global
      sum partial = ...
      call MPI_Reduce(sum_partial, sum_global,
                      1, MPI DOUBLE PRECISION,
                      MPI SUM, root,
                      MPI COMM WORLD, ierr)
```

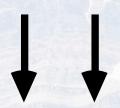
Exercise 6 : Global Sum with MPI_Reduce

Write a program to sum data from all processors

Global Sum with MPI_Reduce

2d array spread across processors

	X(0)	X(1)	X(2)
NODE 0	A0	B0	C0
NODE 1	A1	B1	C1
NODE 2	A2	B2	C2



	X(0)	X(1)	X(2)
NODE 0	A0+A1+A2	B0+B1+B2	C0+C1+C2
NODE 1 NODE 2			
INODL Z			

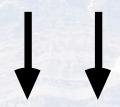
All Gather and All Reduce

- Gather and Reduce come in an "ALL" variation
- Results are returned to all processors
- The root parameter is missing from the call
- Similar to a gather or reduce followed by a broadcast

Global Sum with MPI_AllReduce

2d array spread across processors

	X(0)	X(1)	X(2)
NODE 0	A0	B0	C0
NODE 1	A1	B1	C1
NODE 2	A2	B2	C2



	Y(0)	Y(I)	Y(2)
NODE 0	A0+A1+A2	B0+B1+B2	C0+C1+C2
NODE 1	A0+A1+A2	B0+B1+B2	C0+C1+C2
NODE 2	A0+A1+A2	B0+B1+B2	C0+C1+C2

All to All communication with MPI_Alltoall

- Each processor sends and receives data to/from all others
- C
 - int MPI_Alltoall(&sendbuf, sendcnts, sendtype, &recvbuf, recvcnts, recvtype, comm);
- Fortran
 - call MPI_Alltoall(sendbuf, sendcnts, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcnts, recvtype, comm, ierror)

All to All with MPI_Alltoall

Parameters

- Sendents # of elements sent to each processor
- Sendbuf is an array of size sendents
- Recvents # of elements obtained from each processor
- Recvbuf of size Recvcnts*number of processors
- Note that both send buffer and receive buffer must be an array of size of the number of processors

Things Left

- "V" operations
- Communicators
- Derived typed
- Some nontrivial examples
 - Pass a token with a new communicator
 - Implementation of all to all communication
 - Bag of Tasks

The dreaded "V" or variable or operators

- A collection of very powerful but difficult to setup global communication routines
- MPI_Gatherv: Gather different amounts of data from each processor to the root processor
- MPI_Alltoallv: Send and receive different amounts of data form all processors
- MPI_Allgatherv: Gather different amounts of data from each processor and send all data to each
- MPI_Scatterv: Send different amounts of data to each processor from the root processor
- We discuss MPI_Gatherv and MPI_Alltoallv

MPI_Gatherv

C

- int MPI_Gatherv (&sendbuf, sendcnts,
 sendtype, &recvbuf, &recvcnts,
 &rdispls,recvtype,root,comm);
- Fortran
- MPI_Gatherv (sendbuf, sendcnts, sendtype,
 recvbuf, recvcnts, rdispls, recvtype,
 root,comm, ierror)
- Parameters:
 - Recvents is now an array
 - Rdispls is a displacement

MPI_Gatherv

Recvents

 An array of extent Recvents(0:N-I) where Recvents(N) is the number of elements to be received from processor N

Rdispls

 An array of extent Rdispls(0:N-1) where Rdispls(N) is the offset, in elements, from the beginning address of the receive buffer to place the data from processor N

Typical usage

```
recvcnts=...
rdispls(0)=0
do I=1,n-1
  rdispls(I) = rdispls(I-1) + recvcnts(I-1)
enddo
```

MPI_Gatherv Example

- This program shows how to use MPI_Gatherv.
 Each processor sends a different amount of data to the root processor.
- We use MPI_Gather first to tell the root how much data is going to be sent.

MPI_Alltoallv

- Send and receive different amounts of data form all processors
- C
 - int MPI_Alltoallv (&sendbuf, &sendcnts,
 &sdispls, sendtype, &recvbuf, &recvcnts,
 &rdispls, recvtype, comm);
- Fortran
- Call MPI_Alltoallv(sendbuf, sendcnts,
 sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcnts,
 rdispls,recvtype, comm,ierror);

MPI_Alltoallv

- We add sdispls parameter
 - An array of extent sdispls(0:N-I) where sdispls(N) is the offset, in elements, from the beginning address of the send buffer to get the data for processor N
- Typical usage

```
recvcnts=...
Sendcnts=...
rdispls(0)=0
Sdispls(0)=0
do I=1,n-1
  rdispls(I) = rdispls(I-1) + recvcnts(I-1)
  sdispls(I) = sdispls(I-1) + sendcnts(I-1)
Enddo
```

MPI_Alltoallv example

- Each processor send/rec a different and random amount of data to/from otherprocessors.
- We use MPI_Alltoall first to tell how much data is going to be sent.

Derived types

- C and Fortran 90 have the ability to define arbitrary data types that encapsulate reals, integers, and characters.
- MPI allows you to define message data types corresponding to your data types
- Can use these data types just as default types

Derived types, Three main classifications:

- Contiguous Vectors: enable you to send contiguous blocks of the same type of data lumped together
- Noncontiguous Vectors: enable you to send noncontiguous blocks of the same type of data lumped together
- Abstract types: enable you to (carefully) send C or Fortran 90 structures, don't send pointers

Derived types, how to use them

- Three step process
 - Define the type using
 - MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS for contiguous vectors
 - MPI_TYPE_VECTOR for noncontiguous vectors
 - MPI_TYPE_STRUCT for structures
 - Commit the type using
 - MPI_TYPE_COMMIT
 - Use in normal communication calls
 - MPI_Send(buffer, count, MY_TYPE, destination, tag, MPI_COMM_WORLD, ierr)

MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS

- Defines a new data type of length count elements from your old data type
- C
 - MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS(int count, old_type, &new_type)
- Fortran
 - Call MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS(count, old_type,
 new_type, ierror)
- Parameters
- Old_type: your base type
- New_type: a type count elements of Old_type

MPI_TYPE_VECTOR

- Defines a datatype which consists of count blocks each of length blocklength and stride displacement between blocks
- C
 - MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(count, blocklength, stride,
 old_type, *new_type)
- Fortran
 - Call MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(count, blocklength, stride, old_type, new_type, ierror)
- We will see examples later

MPI_TYPE_STRUCT

- Defines a MPI datatype which maps to a user defined derived datatype
- C
 - int MPI_TYPE_STRUCT(count,
 &array_of_blocklengths,
 &array_of_displacement, &array_of_types,
 &newtype);
- Fortran
 - Call MPI_TYPE_STRUCT(count,
 array_of_blocklengths,
 array_of_displacement, array_of_types,
 newtype,ierror)

MPI_TYPE_STRUCT

Parameters:

- [IN count] # of old types in the new type (integer)
- [IN array_of_blocklengths] how many of each type in new structure (integer)
- [IN array_of_types] types in new structure (integer)
- [IN array_of_displacement] offset in bytes for the beginning of each group of types (integer)
- [OUT newtype] new datatype (handle)
- Call MPI_TYPE_STRUCT(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacement,array_of_types, newtype,ierror)

MPI_Type_commit

- Before we use the new data type we call MPI_Type_commit
- C
 - MPI_Type_commit(MPI_CHARLES)
- Fortran
 - Call MPI_Type_commit(MPI_CHARLES,ierr)

Derived Data type Example

```
Consider the data type or structure consisting of
```

3 MPI_DOUBLE_PRECISION

10 MPI INTEGER

2 MPI LOGICAL

Creating the MPI data structure matching this C/Fortran structure is a three step process

Fill the descriptor arrays:

B - blocklengths

T - types

D - displacements

Call MPI_TYPE_STRUCT to create the MPI data structure Commit the new data type using MPI TYPE COMMIT

Derived Data type Example

- Consider the data type or structure consisting of
 - 3 MPI_DOUBLE_PRECISION
 - I0 MPI_INTEGER
 - 2 MPI_LOGICAL
- To create the MPI data structure matching this C/ Fortran structure
 - Fill the descriptor arrays:
 - B blocklengths
 - T types
 - D displacements
 - Call MPI_TYPE_STRUCT

Derived Data type Example (continued)

```
! t contains the types that
! make up the structure
 t(1)=MPI DOUBLE PRECISION
 t(2)=MPI INTEGER
 t(3)=MPI LOGICAL
! b contains the number of each type
 b(1)=3;b(2)=10;b(3)=2
! d contains the byte offset of
! the start of each type
 d(1)=0;d(2)=24;d(3)=64
 call MPI TYPE STRUCT(3,b,d,t,
          MPI CHARLES, mpi err)
MPI CHARLES is our new data type
```

Communicators

- A communicator is a parameter in all MPI message passing routines
- A communicator is a collection of processors that can engage in communication
- MPI_COMM_WORLD is the default communicator that consists of all processors
- MPI allows you to create subsets of communicators

Why Communicators?

- Isolate communication to a small number of processors
- Useful for creating libraries
- Different processors can work on different parts of the problem
- Useful for communicating with "nearest neighbors"

MPI_Comm_split

- Provides a short cut method to create a collection of communicators
- All processors with the "same color" will be in the same communicator
- Index gives rank in new communicator
- Fortran
 - call MPI_COMM_SPLIT(OLD_COMM, color, index,
 NEW_COMM, mpi_err)
- C
 - MPI_Comm_split(OLD_COMM, color, index, &NEW_COMM)

MPI_Comm_split

Split odd and even processors into 2 communicators

```
Program comm_split
include "mpif.h"
Integer color, zero one
call MPI INIT( mpi err )
call MPI_COMM_SIZE( MPI_COMM_WORLD, numnodes, mpi_err )
call MPI_COMM_RANK( MPI_COMM_WORLD, myid, mpi_err )
color=mod(myid,2) !color is either 1 or 0
call MPI COMM SPLIT(MPI COMM WORLD, color, myid, NEW COMM, mpi err)
call MPI COMM RANK( NEW COMM, new id, mpi err )
call MPI_COMM_SIZE( NEW_COMM, new_nodes, mpi_err )
Zero one = -1
If(new id==0)Zero one = color
Call MPI_Bcast(Zero_one,1,MPI_INTEGER,0, NEW_COMM,mpi err)
If(zero_one==0)write(*,*)"part of even processor communicator"
If(zero one==1)write(*,*)"part of odd processor communicator"
Write(*,*)"old_id=", myid, "new_id=", new_id
Call MPI FINALIZE(mpi error)
                                                          f ex12.f90
                                                  c ex12.c
End program
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MPI_Comm_split example output

Note, I have sorted the output

```
[mbpro:~] tkaiser% mpiexec -np 8 split.exe | sort
old id= 0 new id= 0
old id= 1 new_id= 0
old id= 2 new id= 1
old id= 3 new id= 1
old id= 4 new id= 2
old id= 5 new id= 2
old id= 6 new id= 3
old id= 7 new id= 3
part of even processor communicator
part of odd processor communicator
[mbpro:~] tkaiser%
```

MPI_Comm_split output with task labels

- Split odd and even processors into 2 communicators
 - 0: part of even processor communicator
 - 0: old_id= 0 new_id= 0
 - 2: part of even processor communicator
 - 2: old_id= 2 new_id= 1
 - 1: part of odd processor communicator
 - 1: old_id= 1 new_id= 0
 - 3: part of odd processor communicator
 - 3: old_id= 3 new_id= 1

MPI_Comm_create

- MPI_Comm_create creates a new communicator newcomm with group members defined by a group data structure.
- C
 - int MPI_Comm_create(old_comm, group,
 &newcomm)
- Fortran
 - Call MPI_COMM_CREATE(COMM, GROUP,
 NEWCOMM, IERROR)
- How do you define a group?

MPI_Comm_group

- Given a communicator, MPI_Comm_group returns in group associated with the input communicator
- C
 - int MPI_Comm_group(comm, &group)
- Fortran
 - Call MPI_COMM_GROUP(COMM, GROUP,
 IERROR)
- MPI provides several functions to manipulate existing groups.

MPI_Group_incl

- MPI_Group_incl creates a group new_group that consists of the n processes in old_group with ranks rank[0],..., rank[n-1]
- C
 - int MPI_Group_incl(group,
 n,&ranks,&new_group)
- Fortran
 - Call MPI_GROUP_INCL(GROUP, N, RANKS,
 NEW_GROUP, IERROR)

MPI_Group_incl

- Fortran
 - Call MPI_GROUP_INCL(old_GROUP, N,
 RANKS, NEW_GROUP, IERROR)
- Parameters
 - old_group: your old group
 - N: number of elements in array ranks (and size of new_group) (integer)
 - Ranks: ranks of processes in group to appear in new_group (array of integers)
 - New_group:new group derived from above, in the order defined by ranks

MPI_Group_excl

- MPI_Group_excl creates a group of processes new_group that is obtained by deleting from old_group those processes with ranks ranks[0], ..., ranks[n-1]
- C
- Fortran
 - Call MPI_GROUP_EXCL(OLD_GROUP, N, RANKS,
 NEW GROUP, IERROR)

Pass Token

- c_ex10.c & f_ex10.f90
- Set up a new communicator
 - All but one task is in the new communicator
 - These tasks pass a token
- Remaining task reads data and
- Injects it into the "token" communicator via MPI_COM_WORLD

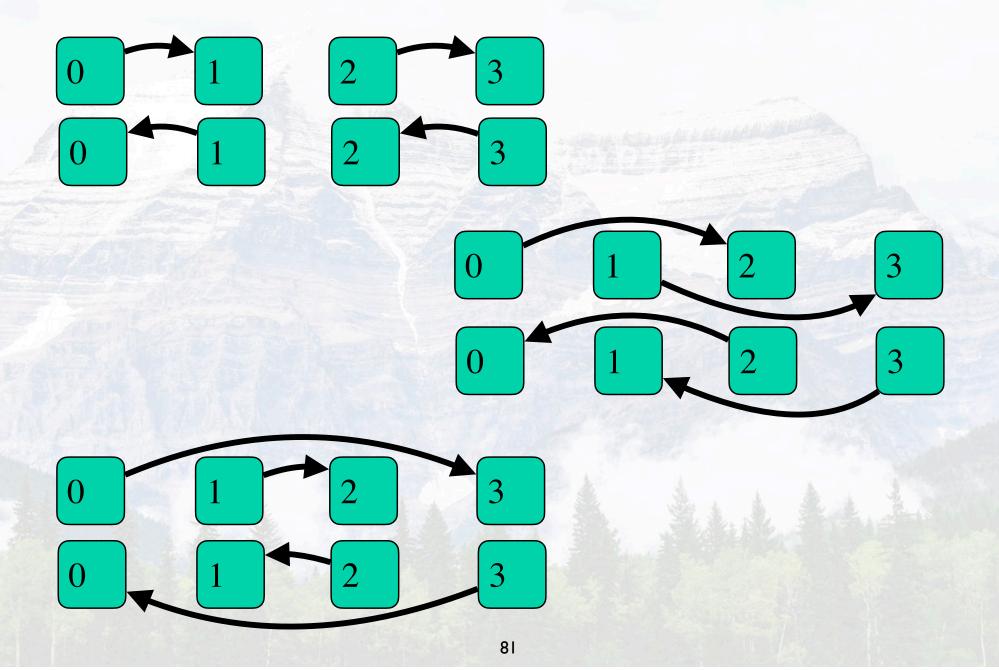
My All to All Personalized Communication

- testall2all.f90
- My algorithm is based on a Hypercube algorithm
 - Does not require power of 2 processors
 - Base algorithm assumes power of 2 processors
 - Check to see if you are sending to a valid processor
 - Uses simple trick to avoid nonblocking send/receive
 - Lower processor sends first
 - If Myid < partner send first
 - If Myid > partner recv first

My ALLtoALLv Algorithm

```
### find n2, the power of two >= numnodes
do i=1, n2-1
  ### do xor to find the processor xchng
  xchng=xor(i,myid)
  ### are we sending to a valid processor, else skip
   if (xchng <= (numnodes-1)) then
     ### lower processor sends first
     if (myid < xchng) then
        send from myid to xchng
        recv from xchng to myid
     else
        recv from xchng to myid
        send from myid to xchng
     endif
  else
     skip this stage
  endif
enddo
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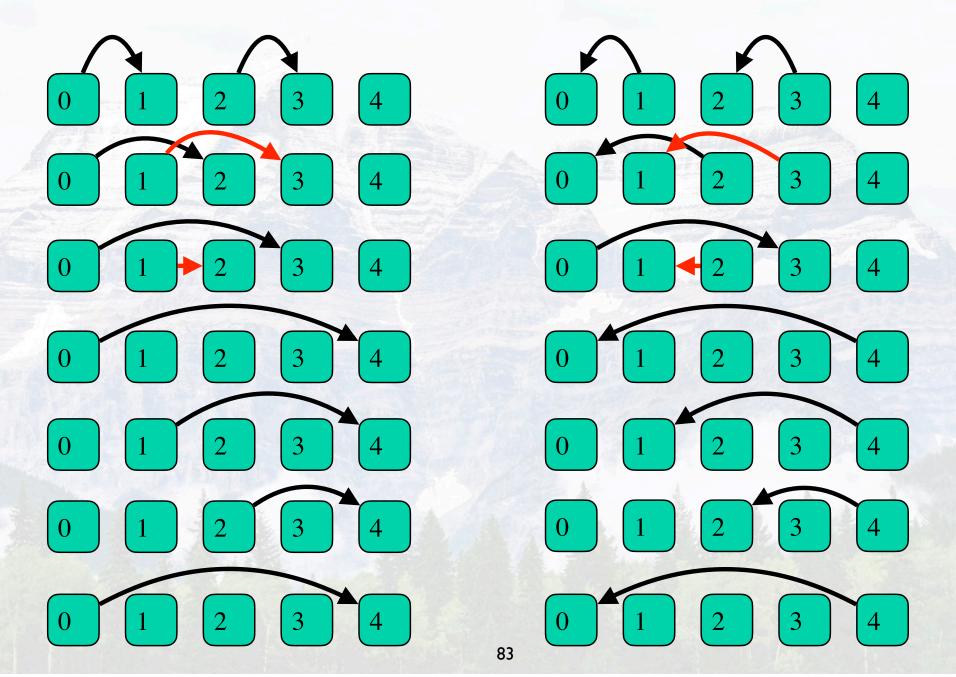
Algorithm with 4 nodes



Algorithm with 4 nodes

Stage	Node 0	Node 1	Node 2	Node 3
1a	0 to 1	0 to 1	2 to 3	3 to 2
1b	1 to 0	1 to 0	3 to 2	2 to 3
2a	0 to 2	1 to 3	0 to 2	1 to 3
2b	2 to 0	3 to 1	2 to 0	3 to 1
3a	0 to 3	1 to 2	1 to 2	0 to 3
3b	3 to 0	2 to 1	2 to 1	3 to 0

Algorithm with 5 nodes



Algorithm with 5 nodes

Stage	Node 0	Node 1	Node 2	Node 3	Node 4
1a	0 to 1	0 to 1	2 to 3	3 to 2	skip
1b	1 to 0	1 to 0	3 to 2	2 to 3	skip
2a	0 to 2	1 to 3	0 to 2	1 to 3	skip
2b	2 to 0	3 to 1	2 to 0	3 to 1	skip
3a	0 to 3	1 to 2	1 to 2	0 to 3	skip
3b	3 to 0	2 to 1	2 to 1	3 to 0	skip
4a	0 to 4	skip	skip	skip	0 to 4
4b	4 to 0	skip	skip	skip	4 to 0
5a	skip	1 to 4	skip	skip	1 to 4
5b	skip	4 to 1	skip	skip	4 to 1
6a	skip	skip	2 to 4	skip	2 to 4
6b	skip	skip	4 to 2	skip	4 to 2
7a	skip	skip	skip	3 to 4	3 to 4
7b	skip	skip	skip	4 to 3	4 to 3

Python code to create previous chart

```
from math import log2
numnodes=3
procs=list(range(0, numnodes))
#find n2 such that it is a power of 2**n2 is equal to or greater than numnodes
j=round(math.log2(numnodes))
n2=int(log2(numnodes))
if((2**n2) < numnodes) : n2=n2+1
n2=2**n2
#subtract 1 because nodes are numbered from 0 to n-1
n2=n2-1
print(n2)
  3
for myid in procs:
   print("myid=",myid)
    for i in range(1,n2+1):
       xchng=i^myid
       if xchnq <= numnodes-1:
           print("stage ",i," task ",myid," exchanges with ",xchng)
       else:
           print("stage ",i," task ",myid," skips ",xchng)
  myid= 0
  stage 1 task 0 exchanges with 1
  stage 2 task 0 exchanges with 2
  stage 3 task 0 skips 3
  myid= 1
  stage 1 task 1 exchanges with 0
  stage 2 task 1 skips 3
  stage 3 task 1 exchanges with 2
  myid= 2
  stage 1 task 2 skips 3
  stage 2 task 2 exchanges with 0
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stage 3 task 2 exchanges with 1