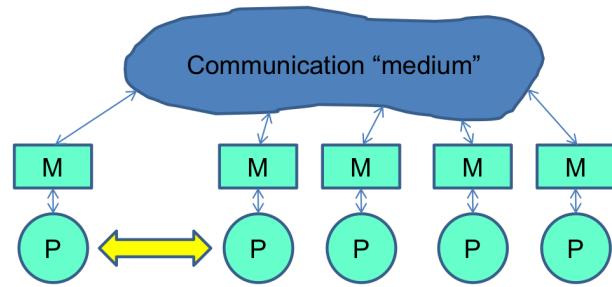


Message Passing Model

→ Merk mal: habe Prozesse der aktive ist einer

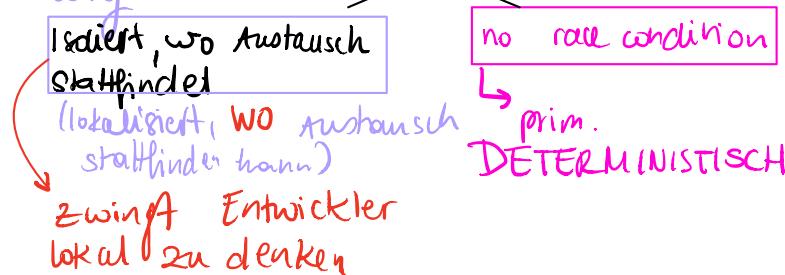
- Gekapselt
 - Arbeit lokal
 - eigener Speicher, Adressraum → eig. Prog.
 - ASYNCHRON
 - verwenden explizite Komm
 - Send, Recv
- Message Passing
wenn sie was voneinander wollen
- ~~SYNCHRONISATION~~ zw. Prozesse



P. = Endlich Abhängig
→ Komm. über medium↑ impl.
Keine Imp. Synchronisation
↳ Nur Komm

Fokus: Korrektheit

Locality



Lokalität oft ↑ Performance

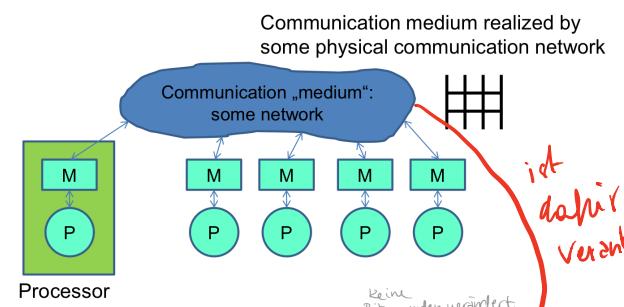
Performance model:

my comm. 5c local comp.

↓ so wenig wie möglich

↳ besser 1 große msg als viele kleine msg

Keine andere Komm. → SHARED Nothing



Routing protocol (algorithm) implements correct, reliable, deadlock-free communication between message passing processes. Not part of model but handled by "lower layers"

Keine Bits wurden verändert

Message Passing Interface

- Am häufigsten benutzte Schnittstelle für Message Passing
- Kann sehr nah an d. HW programmieren
- Verwendet für:
 - Einzelanwendungen mit ~~triviel~~ komm. Anforderungen für HPC-Sys. & Cluster mit ~~triviel~~ Komm. fkt
 - HPC (fast exclusively)
 - Parallele Realisierung von message model
 - Vielle zu lernen für andere Interfaces

Design Prinzipien, Ziele, etc.

- High-Performance → wegen HW Nähe (low protocol stack overhead)
- Portability + Scalability (gab viele Portabilitätsprobleme)
- Memory efficient
- Kann Koexistieren mit anderen Interfaces
- Unterstützt
 - Konstruktions= tools
 - heterogene Systeme
 - SPMD
 - MIMD
 - library
 - Bauen
 - läuft in Bibliotheken
- Nur Spezifikation einer Bibliothek

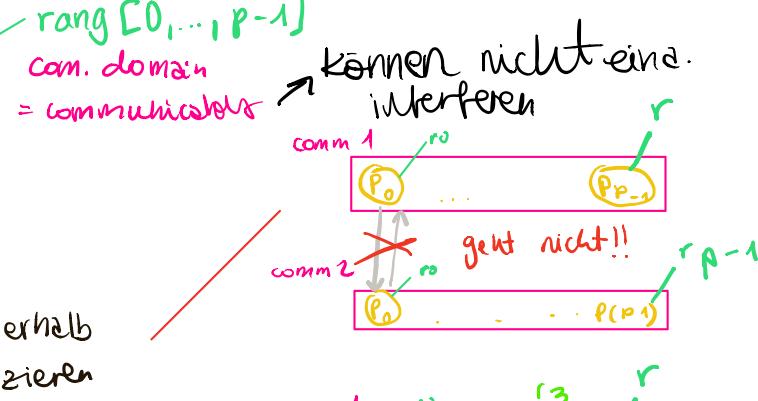
meistes im Userspace ↓
plattformspezifisch ↓
allozieren (buffers)

Kann SEHR GROSS skaliert

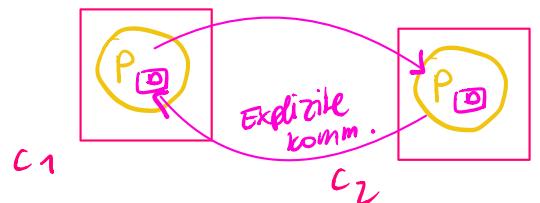
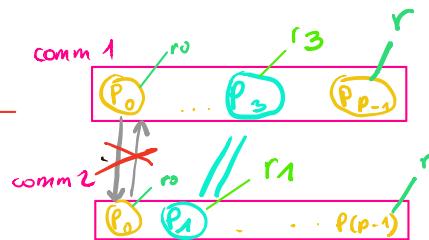
⊕	⊖
Kann unabhängig von Compiler support entwickelt werden	Umfänglich zu nutzen → was Compiler weiß bzw. Bibliotheke nicht → muss bib. selber sagen

Programmier Model

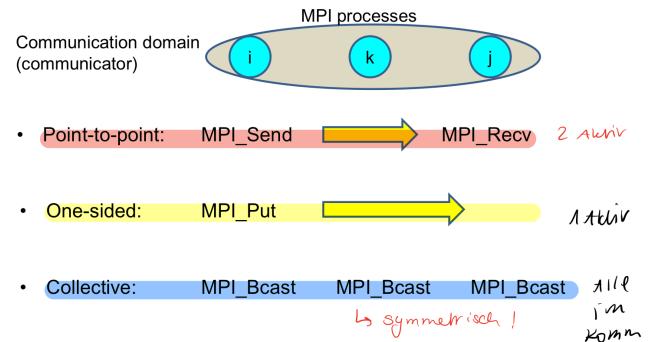
- **Set of processes** rang $[0, \dots, p-1]$
identifiziert durch Rang
können **NUR** innerhalb von **comm.** kommunizieren



- Kann mehrere **comms** geben
↳ P. kann in **1+** comms sein
→ mit anderem Rank
- P. hat **lokale** Daten



- Point to Point 1-sided
2 Prozesse
nicht-blockierend
→ bis operation lokal abgeschlossen ist
- 1 Prozess
Blockierend
→ bis operation lokal abgeschlossen ist
- **Kommunikation**
zuverlässig
geordnet
- **Collectiv**
ooo
alle P. in einer Domain
Local = abgeschlossen
→ unabh. von anderen P.
nicht-local
→ abhängig von anderen P.



- Struktur von Daten \perp (comm. modellen)
- Comm. reflektiert physische topology
- Kein Kosten modell \rightarrow Sagt nicht aus wie viel Ops kosten
MPI = rein semantisch
- **Nicht sehr fehler tolerant!!**

library building \rightarrow Neue comms aus alten!

- Communicator management: creating/freeing communicators
Komm. Verhältnis
e.g., MPI_Comm_create
Communication domains!
- Attributes: Additional information attached to MPI objects
wird Daten Kommunikation
e.g., MPI_Type_vector
Beschreibung / Layout d. Dat

Beschreiben Layout / Struktur von Daten, die Komm. werden

MPI Programm

First MPI program

```
#include <mpi.h>

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int rank, size;

    MPI_Init(&argc,&argv); Init
    MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&size);
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&rank); } Build

    fprintf(stdout,"Here is %d out of %d\n",rank,size);

    MPI_Finalize(); Ende
    return 0;
}
```

The 6 basic functions (plus two)...

Get time (in micro-seconds with suitably high resolution) since some time in the past:

```
double point_in_time = MPI_Wtime();
```

Synchronize the processes (really: only semantically); often used for benchmarking applications

```
MPI_Barrier(MPI_COMM_WORLD);
```

Good SPMD practice: Write programs to work correctly for any number of processes

```
MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&size);
MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&rank);
if (size<10||size>1000000) MPI_Abort(comm,errcode);
if (rank==0) {
    // code for rank 0; may be special
} else if (rank%2==0) {
    // remainder even ranks
} else if (rank==7) {
    // another special one
} else {
    // all other (odd) processes...
}
```

Explicit assignment of work (code) to each process based on rank

Dangerous C practice (type error): Don't rely on C convention for Boolean expressions if (rank) { ... }

The 6 basic functions

```
MPI_Init(&argc,&argv);
MPI_Finalize();
```

First and last call in MPI part of application; can only be called once

"Who/where am I?" in communication context/set of processes. Processes numbered (ranked) from 0 to size-1

```
MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&rank);
MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&size);
```

Point - to - Point

Process rank i:

```
int a[N];
float area;
MPI_Send(a,N,MPI_INT,j,TAG1,MPI_COMM_WORLD);
MPI_Send(&area,1,MPI_FLOAT,j,TAG2,MPI_COMM_WORLD);
```

Process rank j:

```
int b[N];
float area;
MPI_Recv(b,N,MPI_INT,i,TAG1,MPI_COMM_WORLD,&status);
MPI_Recv(&area,1,MPI_FLOAT,i,TAG2,MPI_COMM_WORLD,
&status);
```



Good practice for writing libraries

```
int my_library_init(comm,&libcomm)
{
    MPI_Comm_dup(comm,&libcomm); // store somewhere
    // library communication wrt. libcomm
    // initialize other library data structures
    // could be cached with libcomm (attributes)
}
```

Communication inside library uses libcomm, and will never interfere with communication using other communicators

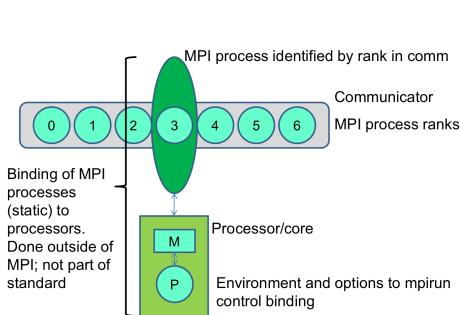
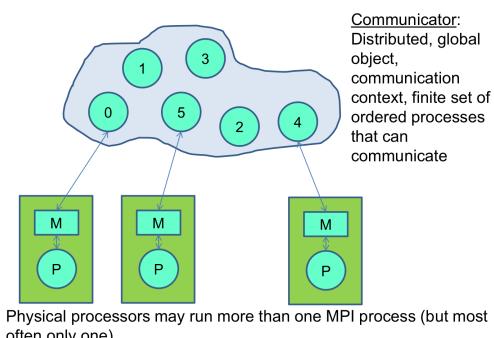
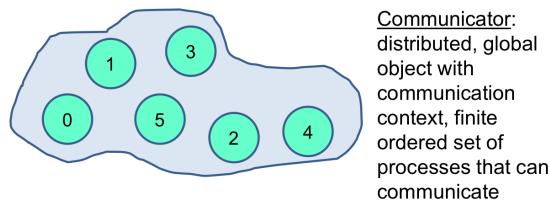
`MPI_Comm_dup`:
Collective operation, MUST be called by all processes in `comm`

Communicators

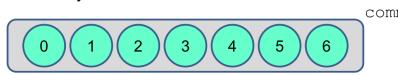
<program> executes

```
MPI_Init(&argc,&argv);
// sets up internal data structures, incl:
...
MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&size);
```

MPI_COMM_WORLD: Initial communicator containing all started processes. **Static, never changes!**



Communicator object:



- All processes in a communicator can communicate
- All models (point-to-point, one-sided, collective; all other functionality)
- Has a **size**: number of processes
- Each process has a **rank** ($0 \leq \text{rank} < \text{size}$)

```
MPI_Comm_size(comm,&size);
MPI_Comm_rank(comm,&rank);
```

MPI process: (normally) statically bound to some processor; can have different ranks in different communicators; canonically identified by rank in **MPI_COMM_WORLD**

MPI_COMM_WORLD, comm1, comm2, ...:

An MPI (predefined) **handle** used to access and perform operations on MPI objects (communicators, windows, datatypes, attributes)

un durchsichtig → können nicht rein

- Handles are (almost always) **opaque**: Internal MPI data structures cannot be accessed; but only manipulated through the operations defined on them
- MPI does not define how handles are represented (index into table, or pointer, or ...)
- Handles in C and Fortran may be different

Example: **MPI_Comm_f2c(comm):**

Returns C handle of Fortran communicator (**no error code here**)

können keine neuen comms. erstellen bzw. ändern



→ Also aus alter
comm. neue machen

P. sind bestimmten cores
zugewiesen

↪ wie Zuordnung von Tasken

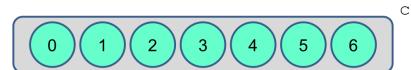
1 MPI P. ○○○ 1 physischen Prozessor

at MPI P.
ausführen

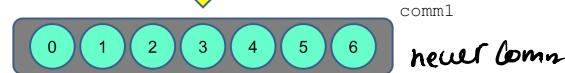
meist fix

1. Duplikat machen

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- A process can belong to several communicators at the same time



neuer Comm.

```
MPI_Comm_dup(comm,&comm1);
```

für bbs.

- MPI_Comm:** Communicators (distributed object)
- MPI_Group:** Process groups (local object)
- MPI_Win:** Windows for one-sided communication (distributed)
- MPI_Datatype:** Description of data layouts (basic/primitive – or user-defined/derived; local)
- MPI_Op:** Binary operators (built-in or user-defined)
- MPI_Request:** Request handle for point-to-point
- MPI_Status:** Communication status
- MPI_Errhandler:**
- ...

NUR → aus all machen

Splitting communicators

Partition set of MPI processes (communicator) into disjoint sets (communicators) that can communicate independently

```
MPI_Comm_split(comm1, color, key, &comm2);
MPI_Comm_create(comm1, group, &comm2);
...
```

gibt noch beim Aufruf einen Key

Calling MPI process may have different ranks in comm1 and comm2

- **color, key**: integers determine subsets and relative order, processes in comm2 will be in key order
- **group**: MPI_Group of ordered processes

```
MPI_Comm_rank(comm1, &rank);
MPI_Comm_split(comm1, color, key, &comm2);
// process' role in comm2
MPI_Comm_size(comm2, &newsize;
MPI_Comm_rank(comm2, &newrank)
```

MPI_Comm_split (collective operation):
All processes with same **color** are grouped, order determined by **key**

- Calling processes are sorted into groups of same color
- In each group, processes are sorted according to key, ties broken by rank in calling communicator

Example: Even-odd split

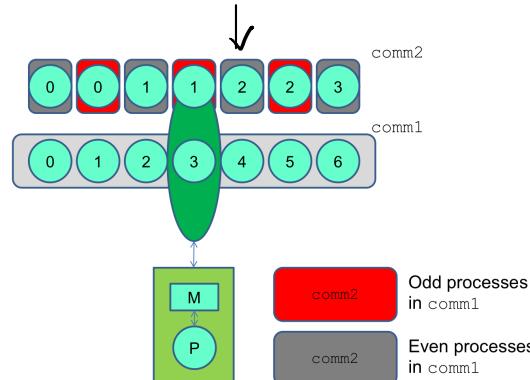
Even-numbered processes (in communicator comm1) shall work together, independently of the odd-numbered processes

General use: Divide-and-conquer type algorithms (Quicksort-like, see later)

```
MPI_Comm_rank(comm1, &rank);
MPI_Comm_split(comm1, rank%2, 0, &comm2);
// find process' new role in comm2
MPI_Comm_size(comm2, &newsize);
MPI_Comm_rank(comm2, &newrank);
```

In even & odd aufteilen

Even numbered processes (in comm1) have color==0, odd processes color==1



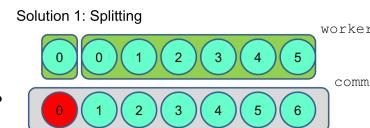
Example: Master-worker (non-scalable) pattern



- **Master** distributes work to individual workers, workers send results/new work to master
- **Workers** want to synchronize etc. independently of master

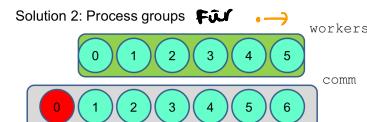
For workers: `MPI_BARRIER(comm), MPI_ALLGATHER(comm), ...` (collective operations, see later) would deadlock, if master is doing something else

Solution: Split communicator, workers only communicator



```
MPI_Comm_split(comm, (rank>0 ? 1 : 0), 0, &workers);
// workers for rank>0 in comm: all workers
// workers for rank=0 in comm: only master
```

`MPI_COMM_SELF`: Communicator with only process itself, size==1
`MPI_COMM_NULL`: No or invalid communicator



```
MPI_Comm_group(comm, &group); // get processes in comm
ranklist[0] = 0; // rank 0 to be excluded
MPI_Group_excl(group, 1, ranklist, &workgroup);
MPI_Comm_create(comm, workgroup, &workers);
// rank 0 (in comm) not in workers
// workers==MPI_COMM_NULL for rank 0 in comm
```

one-sided communication

Communicator (MPI_Comm): A distributed, global object that can be manipulated through collective operations (`MPI_Comm_split`, `MPI_Comm_dup`, ...)

Process group (MPI_Group): A process local object, ordered set of processes that can be manipulated locally by an MPI process

- `MPI_Group_union`,
- `MPI_Group_intersection`
- `MPI_Group_incl`, `MPI_Group_excl`
- `MPI_Group_translate_ranks`
- `MPI_Group_compare`
- ...

See later, one-sided communication

Use: Building special communicators, one-sided communication

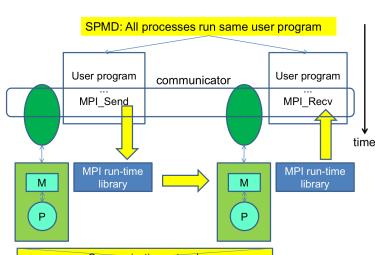
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```
MPI_Comm_free(&comm);
```

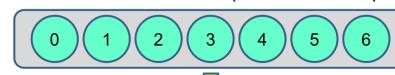
frees created communicator comm

Note:
`MPI_COMM_WORLD` and `MPI_COMM_SELF` cannot be freed

Good MPI practice:
Free any allocated MPI object after use (communicator, window, datatype, ...)



What is in a communicator (hidden in the implementation)?



Each process locally maintains:

1. List of processes (ordered set): The process group
2. Mapping from rank to process to processor (implicit or explicit)
3. Communication context: A tag to identify communication on this communicator

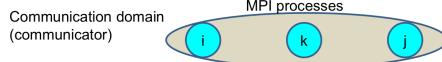
msg zuordnen

welcher Prozess kann damit komm. differenzieren

Point to Point

(2 Prozesse)

Point-to-point communication



- Point-to-point: `MPI_Send` → `MPI_Recv`

→ **Nicht lokale Semantik** (kann nicht davon ausgehen, dass Send abgeschlossen werden kann, ohne dass Recv, was gemacht hat)

Communication between two processes. Both explicitly involved in communication, one as sender, one as receiver

Point-to-point communication **succeeds** if

1. Sender specifies a valid rank within **communicator** (`0 < rank < size`) – and a valid (allocated) send buffer!
2. A receive with a **matching** source rank and tag is **eventually** posted on the **same communicator**
3. The amount of data sent is smaller or equal to the amount to be received (**Note**: collective operations have different rule)
4. The type signature of the data sent **matches** the type signature of the data to be received

Comments:

1. Mistakes normally caught by `MPI_Send`: error (abort)
2. If not, **deadlock**
3. Otherwise, `MPI_ERR_TRUNCATE` or **memory corruption (big trouble)** at receiver!
4. `MPI_INT` matches `MPI_INT`, and so forth... rarely checked/enforced, user's responsibility

→ Does not work:

Process rank i:

```
double a;
MPI_Send(&a, 1, MPI_DOUBLE, j, 1111, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
```

Communication would likely take place, but **violates 4.**

Process rank j:

```
double a;
MPI_Recv(a, sizeof(double), MPI_BYTE, i, 1111,
         MPI_COMM_WORLD, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
```

Very **bad practice**: Type information (double) lost (process i and j could be on different types of processors, little/big endian)

Programmierfehler

MPI macht KEINE Typkonversion / Datentypkonversion

Message in transit identified by "envelope" (meta-information):



1. Communication context (identifier): Distinguishes communication on different communicators
2. Source (implicit)
3. Destination
4. Tag
5. Message type information (header, data block, error, ...)

Implementation: The "envelope" is **not** accessible to application programmer (and **not** specified by MPI standard)

Performance: MPI is designed to allow small message envelope

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Not part of envelope: **TYPE-Information**

- Type and structure of message: What is being sent is a sequence of basic datatypes (int, double, char, ...); and it is expected that receiving process has space for exactly the same sequence of basic datatypes

Properties

DEADLOCK FREE

→ **Blockieren**
Send & Recv
⇒ wenn zurück kommt Op aus lokaler Sicht abgeschlossen
⇒ Puffer leer (Ressourcen frei)

Point - to - Point

NON-LOCAL TAKING

Prozesse können sich nicht überholen
→ ORDERED

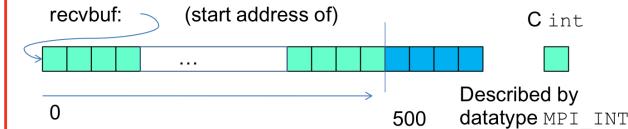
RELIABLE

verlässlich kommen

Kann Deadlocks prog. !!

```
int recvbuf[600]; // large enough
count = 600; // equal or larger to what is being sent
MPI_Status status;
success =
MPI_Recv(recvbuf, count, MPI_INT, 2, THISMSG, comm, &status);
```

Returns when a message from rank 2 has been received; information about data in status object. Takes forever (**deadlock**), if nothing is sent from 2



Point-to-point semantics

`MPI_Send(sendbuf, ..., rank, tag, comm):`

Initiates and completes send to designated process rank:

- Completion is **non-local**: Call return may depend on receiving rank having initiated receive operation(*)
- Operation is **blocking**: When call returns all of buffer can be reused
- Sent messages to same rank with same tag are **non-overtaking** (*)but **may** also buffer message

`MPI_Recv(recvbuf, ..., rank, tag, comm, &status):`

Completes receive operation from specific rank, or ANY

- Operation is **blocking**: Call returns when full message has been received

Status object (half opaque): Information on communication

```
MPI_Status status; // status handle
MPI_Recv(..., &status);
```

Status contains information on what was received:

Fixed fields in C:

status.MPI_SOURCE:
status.MPI_TAG
status.MPI_ERROR

Why?
Don't we know this??

Fixed fields in FORTRAN:

status(MPI_SOURCE)
status(MPI_TAG)
status(MPI_ERROR)

If so: Consider
MPI_STATUS_IGNORE as status argument in MPI_Recv

Reasoning about point-to-point communication

Deterministic messages are non-overtaking:

Messages sent to the same destination (rank) arrive in sent order at destination



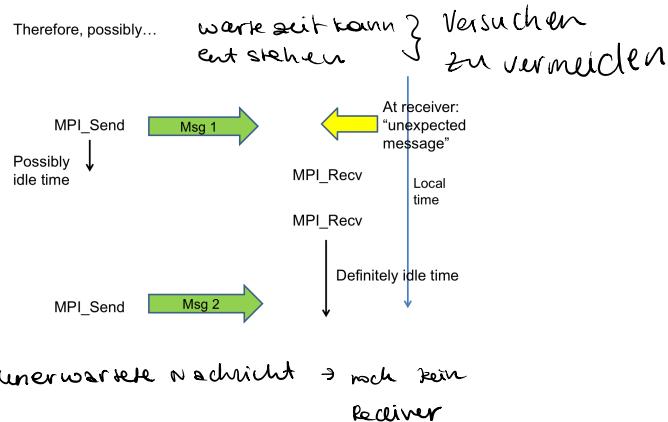
Example: Synchronization with 0-count message



Can be used for process synchronization: Receiving process (with rank dest) cannot proceed before sending process (rank source) has reached send operation. For pairwise synchronization, send 0-message back

Alternative: MPI_Ssend Briefly, later

But MPI processes are not synchronized



MPI_Send `MPI_Send(sendbuf, ..., rank, tag, comm);`
 Determinate: Message always sent to specific rank (in comm) with specific tag

MPI_Recv `MPI_Recv(recvbuf, ..., rank/MPI_ANY_SOURCE, tag/MPI_ANY_TAG, comm, &status);`
} kann nicht -det. werden
 receives from specific rank or some non-determined (ANY) rank, with specific or non-determined (ANY) tag

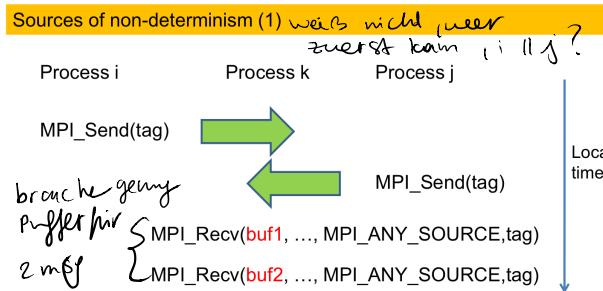
Um Puffer richtig zu nutzen

`MPI_Probe(source, tag, comm, &status);`

Return when a message with given source (or MPI_ANY_SOURCE) and tag (or MPI_ANY_TAG) in comm has arrived and is ready for reception; the count for message (and error code etc.) in status

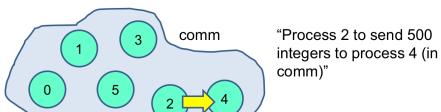
After probe:
 Receive message with `MPI_Recv(buffer, count, ..., comm);`

Advanced note:
 Can cause problems in multi-threaded MPI applications, not "thread safe" (fix in MPI 3.0)



Either message may be received first. Problems if messages have different count and/or type

Deterministisch



Send (B)

```
MPI_Recv(recvbuf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, &status);

int recvbuf[600]; // large enough
count = 600; // equal or larger to what is being sent
MPI_Status status;
success = MPI_Recv(recvbuf, count, MPI_INT, 2, THISMSG, comm, &status);
"Start reception of message THISMSG from rank 2 in comm, store result in recvbuf, at most 600 consecutive integers (otherwise success==MPI_ERR_TRUNCATE)
recvbuf: (start address of) ... Described by datatype MPI_INT
```

Recv (B)

```
int THISMSG = 777; // message TAG
int count = 500;
if (rank==2) {
  int sendbuf[500] = (<the data>);
  MPI_Send(sendbuf, count, MPI_INT, 4, THISMSG, comm);
} else if (rank==4) {
  int recvbuf[600]; // as large as send count
  MPI_Status status;
  MPI_Recv(recvbuf, count, MPI_INT, 2, THISMSG, comm,
           &status);
}
```

Recv (B)

```
MPI_Send(sendbuf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm);

int sendbuf[500] = (<the data>); → obere schranke
count = 500;
MPI_Send(sendbuf, count, MPI_INT, 4, THISMSG, comm);

"Get message THISMSG stored in array sendbuf of 500 consecutive integers on the road to rank 4 in comm"
```

sendbuf: (start address of) ... Described by datatype MPI_INT

Only rank 4 in comm can ever receive this message

lokal abgeschlossen
 können neuem reinschreiben
 → ! muss nicht empfangen werden sein!

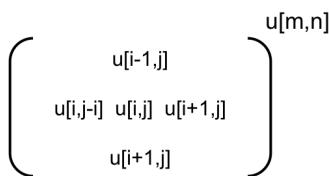
Blockierende operation
 ⇒ nicht lokall semantik

Lokal / Ange schlossen

Example: 2d-stencil, 5-point stencil müssen alle Werte aktualisieren über 10p

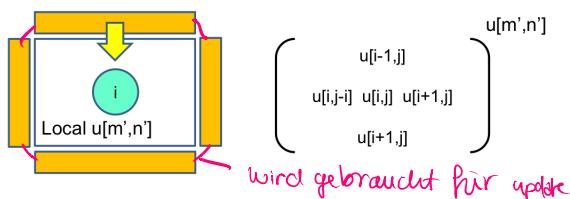
Given mxn matrix u, for all $0 \leq i < m$, $0 \leq j < n$, update repeatedly

$$u[i,j] \leftarrow \frac{1}{4}(u[i,j-1] + u[i,j+1] + u[i-1,j] + u[i+1,j] - h^2 f(i,j))$$



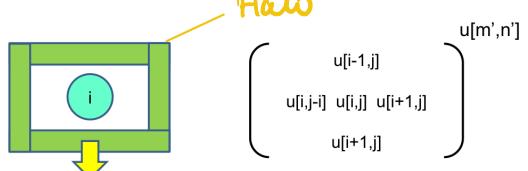
Special conditions on borders, $i=0$, $i=m-1$, $j=0$, $j=n-1$

Per process (rank i) view of the parallelization



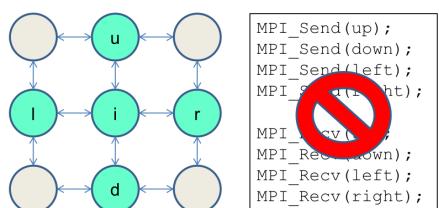
Before iteration, process needs to receive rows and columns of elements from the 4 neighboring processes

Per process (rank i) view of the parallelization



By symmetry, before iteration, process needs to send rows and columns of elements to the 4 neighboring processes

May **deadlock**: MPI_Send has non-local completion semantics, each send may block until receive operation starts, and this may never happen



By symmetry, all processes (except processes on the border of the process mesh) need to send/receive rows/columns with all four neighbor processes

Für jeden Nachbarn / Elem wird d. gleiche Op verwendet Anwendungsfall: Bildverarbeitung → Gitter

Idee:

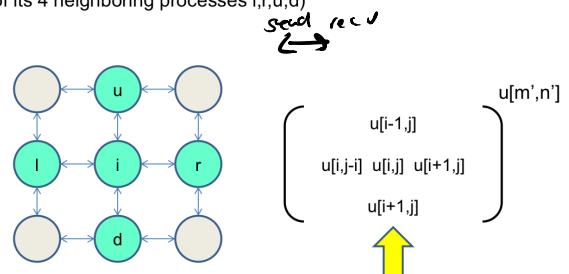
① Teile mxn matrix in ca. gleich große $m' \times n'$ Matrizen über p Prozesse

② Jeder Prozess hat eine Submatrix zum Update

↳ Problem: Bei Grenzen müssen 2 P. miteinander kommunizieren

Komm

Arrange processes as a 2d mesh (process i needs to calculate ranks of its 4 neighboring processes l,r,u,d)



To update last row, values from first row of process d needed

↳ Problem: nicht lokal senden auf.

Können NICHT annehmen, dass send abgeschlossen sein kann, bevor Recv gestartet worden ist

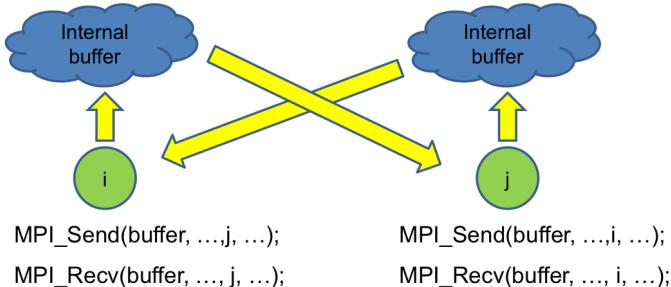
Send eigenständig
⇒ Non-lokal completion

MPI-Send

<input type="checkbox"/> short msg	<input type="checkbox"/> Medium msg	<input type="checkbox"/> Large msg
Buffered at Sender	May be buffered locally	participation of receiving process needed
Receiver	Sent when rec. has been posted	MPI_Send cannot return before MPI_Recv becomes active
→ Processed later	NMPI_Send can return fast	
IMMEDIATELY		

Probleme: Bei kleinem Datensatz gehts → bei großem Problem

Template MPI_Send implementation, short messages



Drawback: Extra copy – costly for large buffers

MPI design principle: Library should not allocate unbounded buffers

→ deadlock

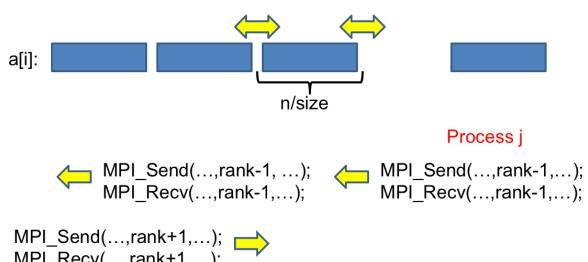
```

float *a = malloc((n/p+2)*sizeof(float));
a += 1; // offset, such that -1 and n/p can be addressed

if (rank>0) {
    MPI_Recv(&a[-1],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank-1,999,comm,&status);
    MPI_Send(&a[0],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank-1,999,comm);
}
if (rank<size-1) {
    MPI_Recv(&a[n/p],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank+1,999,comm,&status);
    MPI_Send(&a[n/p-1],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank+1,999,comm);
}
for (i=0; i<n/p; i++) {
    b[i] = a[i-1]+a[i]+a[i+1];
}

```

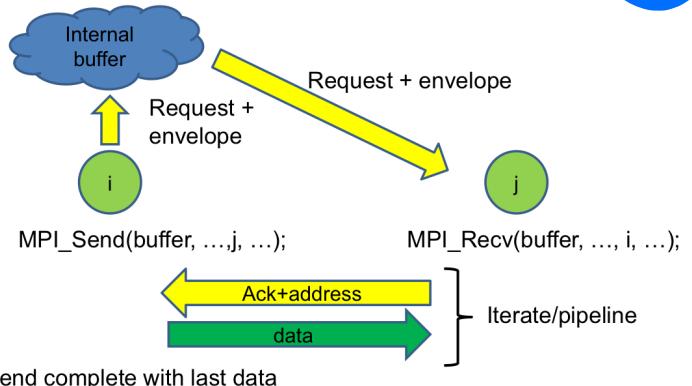
DEADLOCK! All processes attempt to receive, no progress, since receive operations cannot complete



All processes trying to send, looks like deadlock

In MPI: Unsafe programming, if behavior (deadlock) depends on concrete implementation of send in MPI library.

Template MPI_Send implementation, long messages



```

float *a = malloc((n/p+2)*sizeof(float));
a += 1; // offset, such that -1 and n/p can be addressed

if (rank>0) {
    MPI_Send(&a[0],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank-1,999,comm);
    MPI_Recv(&a[-1],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank-1,999,comm,&status);
}
if (rank<size-1) {
    MPI_Send(&a[n/p-1],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank+1,999,comm);
    MPI_Recv(&a[n/p],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank+1,999,comm,&status);
}
for (i=0; i<n/p; i++) {
    b[i] = a[i-1]+a[i]+a[i+1];
}

```

DEADLOCK? All processes attempt to send. Can a send complete without a matching receive operation? Depends on semantics and implementation of send operation

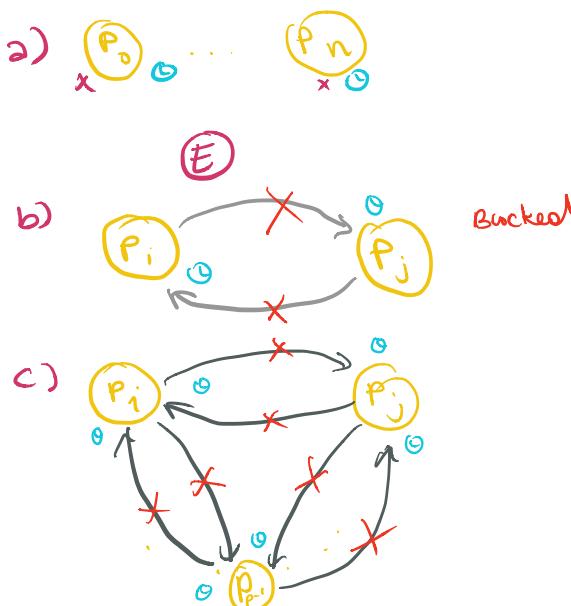
DEADLOCK:

- a. All processes waiting for event that cannot happen
 - b. Process i waiting for action by process j, process j waiting for action by process i
 - c. Process i0 waiting for action by process i1, process i1 waiting for action by process i2, ... process i(p-1) waiting for action by process ip

All deadlock forms are possible with MPI programs

Particularly problematic: Some deadlocks are context and MPI library implementation dependent. Such programs are called **unsafe**.

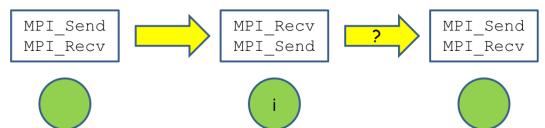
Definition: MPI program is **unsafe** if termination depends on whether messages are internally buffered by MPI_Send (or other MPI implementation properties).



Problem: What if the number of processes is odd?

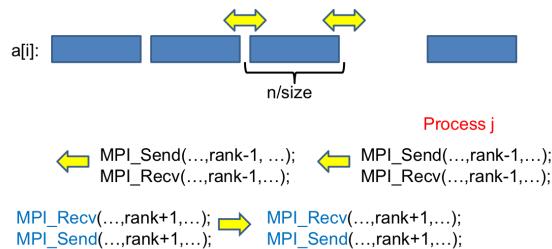
Example: Hillis-Steele prefix-sums algorithm

Recall from algorithms lecture



Round k:
Each process i receives partial sum from process $i-2^k$, and sends partial result to process $i+2^k$

Is process i odd or even in round k ?



Unfortunate even-odd scheduling leads to **serialization**. Last process size-1 receives after $p=\text{size}$ steps!

Next attempt to parallelize data parallel loop

```
float *a = malloc((n/p)*sizeof(float));
a += 1;
if (rank>0) {
    MPI_Send(&a[0],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank-1,999,comm);
    MPI_Recv(&a[-1],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank-1,999,comm,&status);
}
if (rank<size-1) {
    MPI_Recv(&a[n/p],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank+1,999,comm);
    MPI_Send(&a[n/p-1],1,MPI_FLOAT,rank+1,999,comm,
            &status);
}
for (i=0; i<n/p; i++) {
    b[i] = a[i-1]+a[i]+a[i+1];
}
```

Symmetry breaking: Processes 0 and size-1 are special

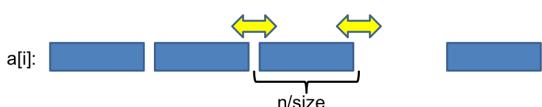
Safe(r) programming

Process 0	Process 1
MPI_Send	MPI_Send
MPI_Recv	MPI_Recv

Unsafe. Can be made safe by combined send-receive

Process 0	Process 1
MPI_Sendrecv	MPI_Sendrecv

Keine Deadlocks!



MPI_Sendrecv(...,rank+1,...,rank-1,...);
MPI_Sendrecv(...,rank-1,...,rank+1,...);

```
MPI_Ssendrecv(void *sendbuf,
              int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
              int dest, int sendtag,
              void *recvbuf,
              int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype,
              int source, int recvtag,
              MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Status *status);
```

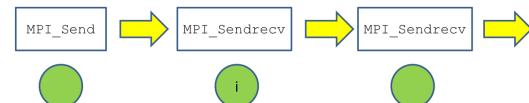
Combined send-receive operation, in one operation send to some process and receive from some (possibly different) process

Requirement: sendbuf and recvbuf must be disjoint

Performance advantage:

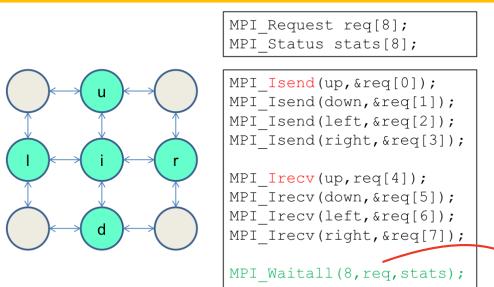
Can possibly better utilize (fully) bidirectional communication network

Example: Hillis-Steele prefix-sums algorithm (solution)



Round k:
Each process i receives partial sum from process $i-2^k$, and sends partial result to process $i+2^k$

Safe programming: Non-blocking communication



Safe: I(mmediate), non-blocking operations with local completion semantics

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Point-to-point semantics: Immediate operations

MPI_Isend(sendbuf,...,rank,tag,comm,request):

Locally initiates send to designated process rank

- Completion is **local**: Returns immediately, send has been initiated
- Operation is **non-blocking**: Buffers cannot be reused before completion has been checked/enforced
- Sent messages to same rank with same tag are **non-overtaking**

MPI_Irecv(recvbuf,...,rank,tag,comm,request):

Initiates receive operation from specific rank, or ANY

- Operation is **non-blocking**: Call returns immediately, message received after completion

```

MPI_Status status;
MPI_Request request;
MPI_Isend(sendbuf,...,comm,&request);

```

starts ("posts") send operation, returns **immediately – local** completion semantics, independent of receiving side – sendbuf must **NOT** be modified before operation is complete

"progress" information in **request** object:

```
MPI_Test(&request, flag, &status);
```

If flag==1 operation has completed, information in status

```
MPI_Wait(&request, &status);
```

Wait: Returns when operation has completed, information in status

```

MPI_Sndrecv(sendbuf,sendcount,sendtype,dest,sendtag,
recvbuf,recvcount,recvtype,source,recvtag,
comm,&status);

```

is equivalent to

```

MPI_Request request;
MPI_Irecv(recvbuf,recvcount,recvtype,source,recvtag,
comm,&request);
MPI_Send(sendbuf,sendcount,sendtype,dest,sendtag,
comm);
MPI_Wait(&request,&status);

```

Test and completion calls

Completion checked/enforced for all non-blocking operations by

- MPI_Wait
- MPI_Test
- MPI_Waitall(number,array_of_requests,array_of_statuses)
- MPI_Testall
- MPI_Waitany
- MPI_Testany
- MPI_Waitsome
- MPI_Testsome

Details, see MPI Standard

Summary: Send modes, send semantics

Mode		Remark	Semantics
MPI_Send	Standard Returns when sendbuf can be reused		Non-local (potentially)
MPI_Ssend	Synchronous Returns when sendbuf can be reused AND receiver has started reception		Strictly non-local
MPI_Bsend	Buffered , returns immediately, data may be copied into intermediate buffer	Intermediate buffer from user space must have been attached with MPI_Buffer_attach	local
MPI_Rsend	Ready, standard	Precondition: matching receive MUST have been posted	Non-local

Only one receive mode (blocking and nonblocking)

MPI_Recv/MPI_Irecv

Blocking/non-blocking and modes are orthogonal, and can be arbitrarily combined

*+tag
→ kann leihen von msg
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```
MPI_Iprobe(source,tag,comm,&flag,&status);
```

Non-blocking probe, flag==1 means message with source and tag ready for reception in comm

Information in status only when flag==1

Point-to-point communication performance rules

Send operations: Creating envelope in local buffer, initiating communication (e.g., $\alpha + \beta m$ transfer time)

Latency!

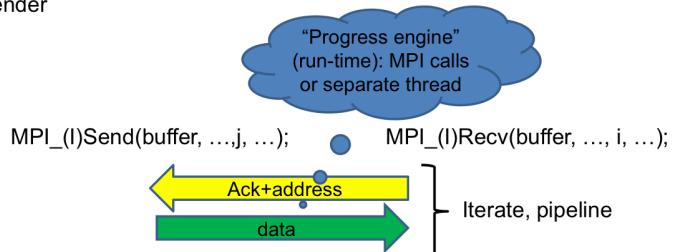
Rule-of-thumb: Avoid many small messages, group into fewer, larger messages (α may be large)

Performance: MPI_Send may or may not have to wait for acknowledgement; can sometimes be faster than other send operations

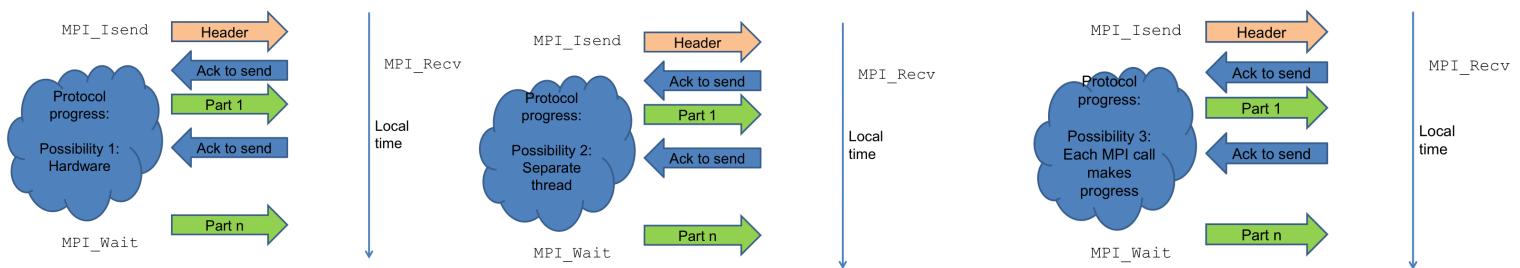
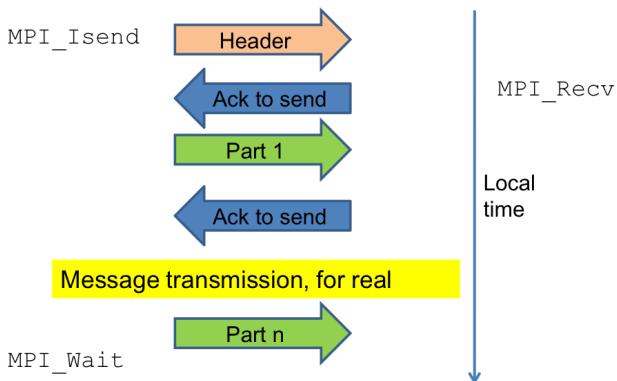
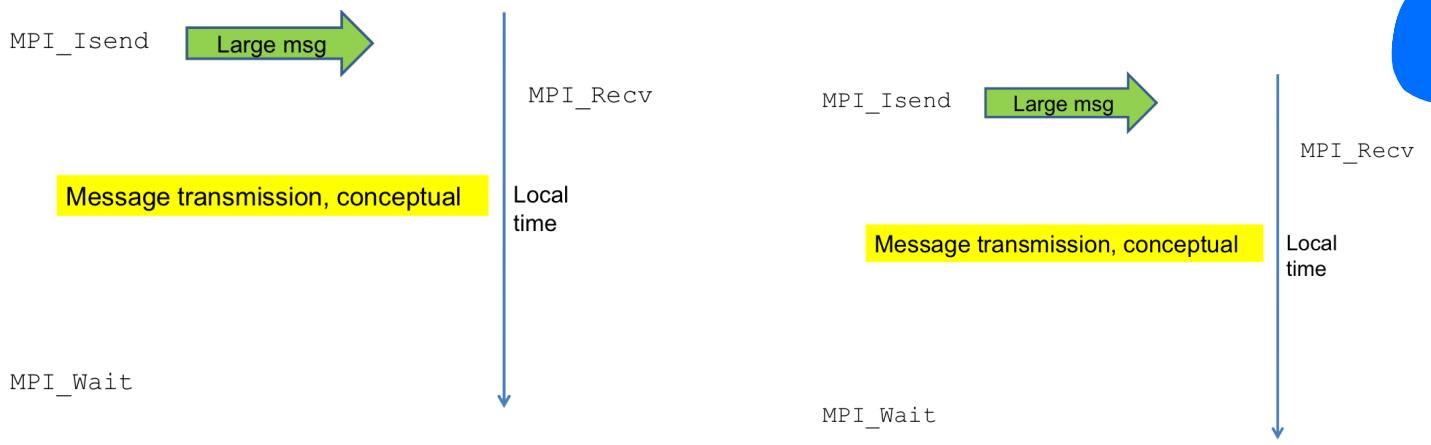
Semantics: MPI_Send may (for large messages) depend on activity of receiving process

Point-to-point communication performance rules

MPI_Isend: Can return immediately; progress and completion depends on activity of receiver AND often on activity/MPI calls by sender



Again: Completion of MPI_Send and MPI_Isend does not imply anything about receiving process



Other point-to-point communication features

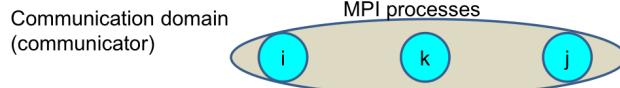
- **MPI_PROC_NULL** – “empty” process to send to and receive from
- (**MPI_Ssend**, **MPI_Bsend**)
- Persistent requests
- **MPI_Cancel** – dangerous!
- **MPI_Sendrecv_replace**

MPI_Send → **MPI_PROC_NULL**
Always succeeds

MPI_PROC_NULL → **MPI_Recv**
Always succeeds, nothing received

1 sided (1 process) → synchronous

One-sided communication

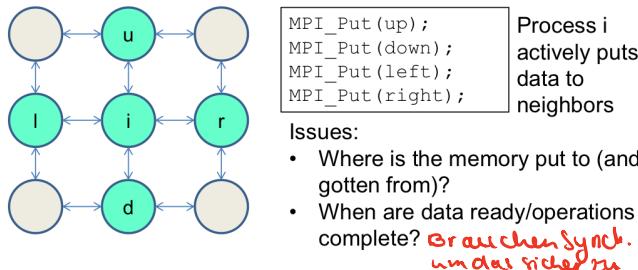


- One-sided: `MPI_Put` `MPI_Get`

Communication between two processes, but only one process is explicitly involved with communication calls

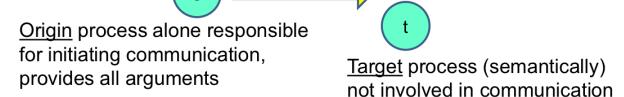
One-sided communication by example

Safe neighbor exchange with one-sided (put) communication



One-sided communication decouples communication and synchronization

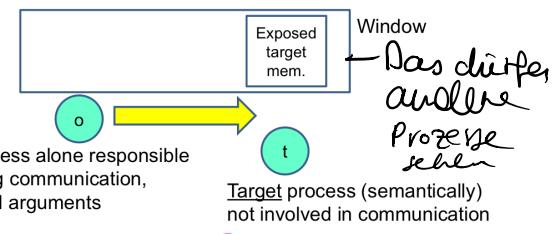
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- `MPI_Put(obuf, ocount, otype, ..., win)`
- `MPI_Get(obuf, ocount, otype, ..., win)`
- `MPI_Accumulate(obuf, ocount, otype, ..., op, win);`

Communication calls are **non-blocking, local completion semantics**: no guarantee that data have arrived before **synchronization operation**

Origin puts/get data from standard MPI buffer (buf, count, type)



- `MPI_Put(..., target, tdisp, tcount, ttype, win);`
 - `MPI_Get(..., target, tdisp, tcount, ttype, win);`
 - `MPI_Accumulate(..., target, tdisp, tcount, ttype, op, win);`
- rel. displacement

Data on target exposed in window structure, addressed with **relative displacement**

x window wie komm.
↳ hat zusätzlich Speicherfunk

`MPI_Put(obuf, ..., target, targetdisp, ..., win);`

Data from **obuf** into target **base+targetdisplunit*targetdisp**

NB: displunit at target

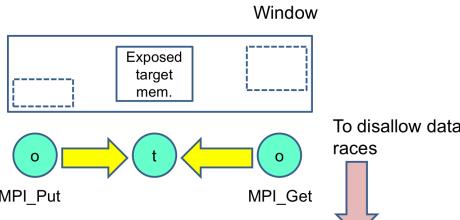
Requirements: Origin data must fit into target buffer, type signatures must match, i.e., length of origin data at most length of target data, same sequence of basic types

Note:

Same rules as for point-to-point communication, `MPI_PROC_NULL` is a valid target process (nothing happens)

Vermieden von Deadlock

2 × Put → disjunkt t. adressen



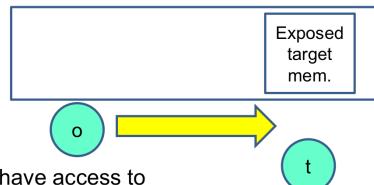
Rules:

Concurrent gets/puts must access **disjoint target addresses**. Very strict rules, violation is undefined (and usually not checked)

`MPI_Accumulate`: Atomic (at level of basic datatype) update at target, concurrent accumulates allowed (*ehaus wie sendrecv*)

Synchronisierungsfraage

Communication epoch model



Origin must have access to target: Access epoch

Target must expose memory:

Exposure epoch

→ Zugriff möglich → welche P.

End of epoch:

Access/exposure completed, data at origin processed (put or gotten), data on target arrived/accumulates complete

Teile P. in Epochen
→ darf bestimmte Dinge machen

Globale Synchronisation / Kollektiv

Synchronization, epochs

Active (global) synchronization, both origin and target processes involved

Alle müssen d. durchführen
↳ gleich oft iterieren

```
MPI_Win_fence(assert,win);
```

Collective operation, all processes in comm of win must call.
Closes previous epoch, opens access epoch to all processes, opens exposure epoch for all processes

Assertion can control opening/closure behavior, use for tuning

Synchronization, epochs

Active (dedicated) synchronization, both origin and target processes involved

Daarwerk Sync.

Sagt explizit, welcher Prozesse für Access & welche zum exponieren

```
MPI_Win_start(...,group);  
MPI_Win_complete();
```

```
MPI_Win_post(...,group);  
MPI_Win_wait();
```

Opens/closes access epoch,
targets as process group
(MPI_Group)

Opens/closes exposure
epoch, origins as process
group (MPI_Group)

Rin Schram

können manipuliert werden

Sagt, welche Gruppe exposet ist &
an welcher wir Access haben

"generalized" pairwise synchronization...

keine "lock" perse →

→ hat Access & exponiert
→ schließt beide Epochen

Wieso?

keine critical section,
schwer MUTEX

Synchronization, epochs Pami

Passive synchronization, only origin process (logically) involved

```
MPI_Win_lock(locktype,target,assertion,win);  
MPI_Win_unlock(target,win);
```

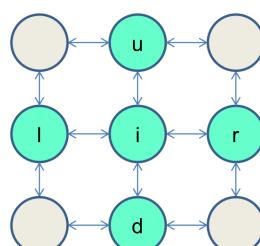
Opens/closes exposure epoch at origin, access epoch at target

Note 1: Not a lock (critical section), difficult to use for mutual exclusion (read-modify-write), weak mechanism

Target sieht nie was

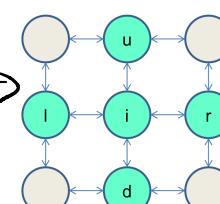
Note 2: Data at target may not be visible before target performs MPI_Win_lock on itself (and other weirdness)

Active, global synchronization with MPI_Win_fence



```
// prepare neighbor data  
MPI_Win_fence(win);  
MPI_Put(up);  
MPI_Put(down);  
MPI_Put(left);  
MPI_Put(right);  
MPI_Win_fence(win);  
// data from neighbors ready
```

Active, dedicated synchronization with MPI_Win_start-post



```
// prepare neighbor data  
MPI_Win_start([l,u,r,d],win);  
MPI_Win_post ([l,u,r,d],win);  
MPI_Put(up);  
MPI_Put(down);  
MPI_Put(left);  
MPI_Put(right);  
MPI_Win_wait(win);  
MPI_Win_complete(win);  
// data from neighbors ready
```

brauchen Access zu Nach.
Exponieren für nach

```
MPI_Win_free(win);
```

Free after use... (like other MPI objects); freeing the memory per process is **NOT** handled by MPI

```

base = (void*)malloc(size);
// or: MPI_Alloc_mem(size,MPI_INFO_NULL,&base);
MPI_Win_create(base,size,disposition,info,comm,&win);

... // one sided communication epochs

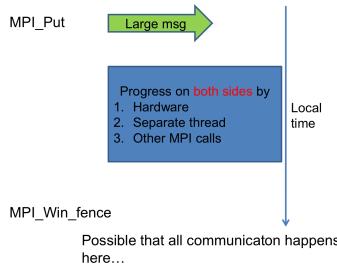
MPI_Win_free(&win);
free(base);
// or: MPI_free_mem(base);

```

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- Speicher

A note on progress



Schauen, dass Epochen nicht zu lang sind

Example: Binary search with one-sided communication

```

l= -1; u = n;
do {
    m = (l+u)/2;
    if (x<A[m]) u= m; else l = m;
} while (l+1<u);
i = l;

```

Binary search for key x in array A[0,...,n-1] in at most $\text{ceil}(\log n)$ steps. Upon termination $A[i]\leq x < A[i+1]$

Task: Implement sequential binary search in MPI (distributed memory, message passing), many processes search simultaneously

Side note: Binary search cannot be sped up (much) by parallel processing (Snir lower bound)

A[i]:  $\approx n/p$

```
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &p);
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &r);
```

Array A distributed (roughly) evenly over p MPI processes, process r, $0 \leq r < p$, has block of (roughly) n/p elements

A[0]: 

Process r:

```

l = -1; u = n;
do {
    m = (l+u)/2;
    mB = <Read A[m]>
    if (x <= mB) l = m; else u = m;
} while (l < u);
i = 1;

```

Where is the middle element, and how to get it?

A[i]: 

Process r can compute where A[m] is, but this process cannot
that r want to read an element: Fits one-sided model

All processes make their block of A accessible to other processes in communication window

```
A = (int*)malloc(n*p*sizeof(int));
... // init block (see later)

MPI_Win_create(A, (n/p)*sizeof(int), sizeof(int),
                MPI_INFO_NULL, comm, &win);
```

```

    tix = m%p
    t = m/p
    ==n/p

Process r:
l = -1; u = m;
do {
    m = (l+u)/2;
    t = m/p; // target process
    tix = m%p; // index at target
    MPI_Get(&m, 1, MPI_INT,
            t, tix, 1, MPI_INT, win);

    if (x < m) u = m; else l = m;
} while (l+1 < u);
i = 1;

```

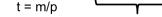
Problem:
Need to make sure
that data have
been received

```

Alj: [tix = m%p] [t = m/p] [en/p]
      ↓
      t = m/p

Process r:
l= -l; u = n;
do {
    m = (l+u)/2;
    MPI_Win_fence(0,win);
    t = m/p; // target process
    tix = m%p; // index at target
    MPI_Get(m+1,MPI_INT,
            &tix,MPI_INT,win);
    MPI_Win_fence(0,win);
    if ((xcm&M) == m - e) l = m;
} while (l<u);
i = l;

```

A[i]:		tix = m % p
	$t = m/p$	$\approx n/p$
Process r:		
<code>l = -1; u = n;</code>		
<code>do {</code>		
<code>m = (l+u)/2;</code>		
<code>MPI_Win_fence(MPI_NO_PRECEDE, win);</code>		
<code>t = m/p; // target process</code>		
<code>tix = m%p; // index at target</code>		
<code>MPI_Get(&mA[1], MPI_INT,</code>		
<code>t, tix, 1, MPI_INT);</code>		
<code>MPI_Win_fence(MPI_NO_SUCCCEED, win);</code>		
<code>if ((x < mA) u = m; else l = m;</code>		
<code>} while (!l < u);</code>		
<code>i = 1;</code>		
		Tuning:
		Use assertions.
		<code>MPI_NO_PRECED</code>
		asserts that fence
		call does not
		complete any loca
		Get/Put's
		<code>MPI_NO_SUCCEE</code>
		asserts that fence
		does not start any
		local Put/Get's

The diagram shows a sequence of four boxes representing memory locations. The first box is blue and labeled $A[i:j]$. An arrow points from the first box to the second box, which is also blue and labeled $tix = m \% p$. Another arrow points from the second box to the third box, which is blue and labeled $t = m / p$. A final arrow points from the third box to the fourth box, which is blue and labeled $=n/p$.

Process r:

```

l= -1; u = n;
do {
    m = (l+one)/2;
    t = m/p; // target process
    MPI_Win_lock(MPI_LOCK_SHARED, t, 0,
                 MPI_Win_get_attr(t, win));
    tix = m/p; // index at target
    MPI_IGet(&m_A[1], MPI_INT,
             t, tix+1, MPI_INT, win);
    MPI_Win_unlock(t, win);
    if (xSmaller) u = m; else l = m;
} while (l+1 < u);
    
```

Solution 2:
Open/close access and exposure epochs with passive lock

Drawback:
probably slow(er)?

But, recall that $\#log n$

Convenience functionality: d-dimensional MPI process naming

MPI functionality: Cartesian communicators

```
MPI_Cart_create(comm,d,dim,period,reorder,&newcomm);
```

creates new communicator with helper functionality for d-dimensional Cartesian coordinate addressing. Collective operation, all processes in comm must call

d: number of dimensions (1, 2, 3, ...)

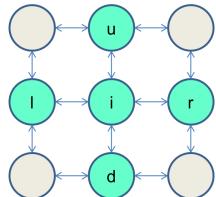
dim: d-element array, dim[i] is size in i'th dimension, must hold that $\prod_{i=0}^d \dim[i] \leq p$

period: d-dimensional flag-array, if period[i]==1 (true) the Cartesian grid is periodic in the i'th dimension

grid \neq P. in
Bimension
Periodisch

Vmordnen

Here: Let reorder=0 (false), otherwise MPI library may attempt to rerank processes to let virtual, Cartesian topology fit better with communication network topology

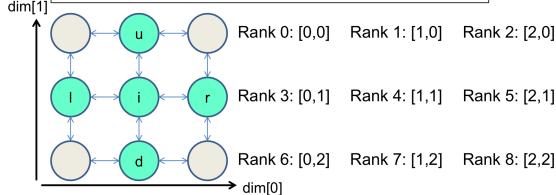


For d-dimensional stencil computation:

MPI processes are organized into a d-dimensional mesh: Each process rank needs to be able to compute efficiently in O(1) operations its $2d$ neighbor ranks

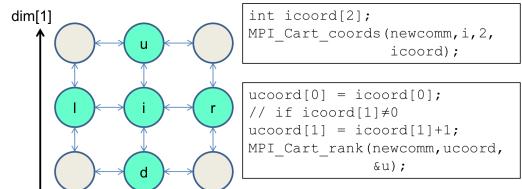
By-hand solution: Row-order numbering. Assume $d=2$, let $p=rc$ (row-column), rank i , $0 \leq i < p$, has coordinate $(i/c, i \% c)$, coordinate (a, b) , $0 \leq a < r$, $0 \leq b < c$, has rank $a * c + b$

```
MPI_Comm_size(comm,&p);
r = sqrt(p); c = p/r; // or try MPI_Dims_create
dim[0] = c; dim[1] = r;
period[0] = 0; period[1] = 0;
```



```
reorder = 0;
MPI_Cart_create(comm,d,dim,period,reorder,&newcomm);
```

Computing coordinates of u, d, l, r (Solution 1)

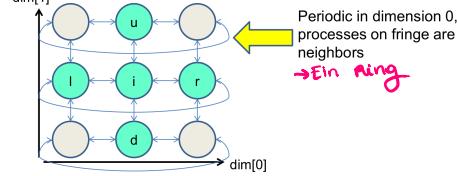


```
int icoord[2];
MPI_Cart_coords(newcomm, i, 2,
                 icoord);
```

```
ucoord[0] = icoord[0];
// if icoord[1]#0
ucoord[1] = icoord[1]+1;
MPI_Cart_rank(newcomm,ucoord,
              &u);
```

Etc. MPI_Cart_rank requires coordinate in dimension i to be in range, when period[i]==0

```
MPI_Comm_size(comm,&p);
r = sqrt(p); c = p/r; // or try MPI_Dims_create
dim[0] = c; dim[1] = r;
period[0] = 1; period[1] = 0;
```



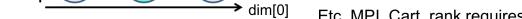
```
reorder = 0;
MPI_Cart_create(comm,d,dim,period,reorder,&newcomm);
```

Computing coordinates of u, d, l, r (Solution 2)

```
MPI_Cart_shift(newcomm,0,1,&l,&l1);
MPI_Cart_shift(newcomm,1,1,&u,&u1);
```

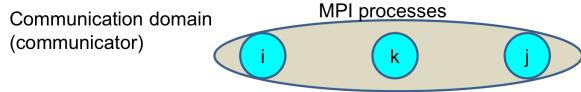
Compute neighbor ranks for one hop in each dimension

r, l, u, d will be MPI_PROC_NULL when shifting out of range



Collective Komm 800 Alle Prozesse sind involviert

Collective communication



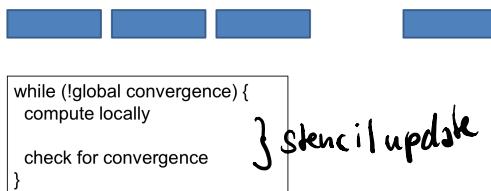
- Collective: MPI_Bcast MPI_Bcast MPI_Bcast

Communication among many (all) processes in communicator, all processes in communicator are explicitly involved, and must invoke same collective communication operation

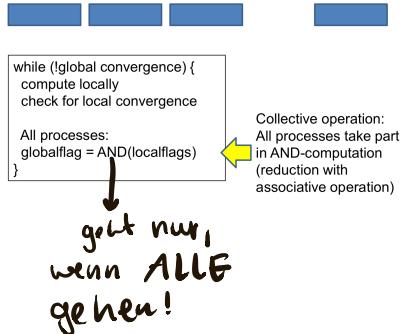
Worin?

Collective operations: Motivation

Distributed data structure



Distributed data structure



Jeder P. in comm. muss Operation ausführen

- Daten austausch
- Symmetrisch
- über Algo Rolle bestimmen
- z.B.: root

Behauptung 1: Solche Operation kommen in Alg. öfters vor

→ Deswegen gut Vorrat zu haben

Bsp.: Stencil

Lokaler Konvergenzcheck

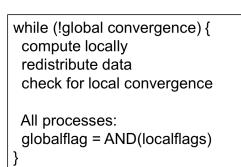
→ Checken, ob konvergiert

↳ Ist 1P. nicht fertig
→ Noch mal eine Runde

Daten Umverteilen

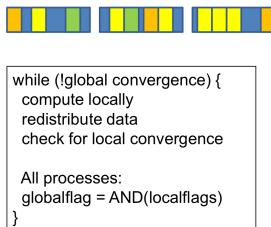
Rechnen lokal → Kann sein, dass gewisse Ergebnisse, wo anders hin gehören

Distributed data structure



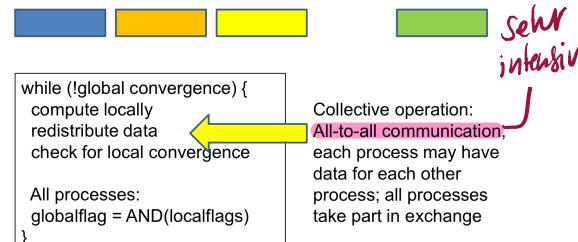
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Distributed data structure: Compute

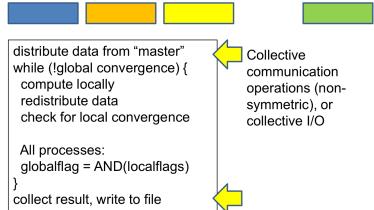


All Daten mit gleicher Farbe gehen zum gleichen Prozess

Distributed data structure: Redistribute



Distributed data structure: Initial distribution



Aufpassen mit Amdahl
Sammlung verteilen

COLLECTIVE OPERATIONS

MPI_Bcast: Data from root $\xrightarrow{\text{all}}$ all
 not evenly \rightarrow **MPI_Scatter:** Indiv. data root $\xrightarrow{\text{all}}$
MPI_Gather: Indiv. data $\xrightarrow{\text{all}} \text{root}$

MPI_Alltoall: Indiv. all \rightarrow all

MPI_Reduce: Apply ass. function ($+, \times, \dots$)
 to data from each process
MPI_Allreduce: res to all
MPI_Reduce-Scatter: res scattered/
 distributed.

P_i (non-root)
 R(sbuf, rbuf,
 ...root, count);
 P_j (root);
 R(sbuf, rbuf,
 root, count);
 only sig.
 for root

MPI_Scan: Prefix sum (reduction)

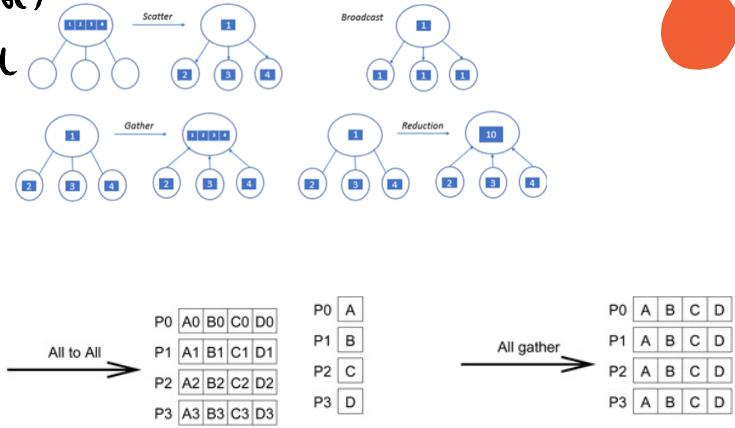
MPI_Exscan: value of process
 not used in reduction

MPI_Barrier: Sync. (waits until
 have reached routine)

Blockiert /
 Nicht
 local

Symm.

Nicht
 Synch.



Nützlich für Lastverteilung

Collective operations: Motivation, why these?

Fit many applications (MPI_Allreduce for convergence tests, MPI_Scan for load balancing, MPI_Bcast for initialization, ...)

Parallel, dense linear algebra (matrices, vectors) algorithms can be constructed from exactly these operations

Good symmetry and completeness properties (MPI_Gather, MPI_Scatter)

viele typ. für diskrete Algorithmen

Reduce

Example: MPI_Reduce

```
MPI_Reduce(void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
           int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
           MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm);
```

- **MPI_Op:** different operators ($+, -, *, \dots$ even user-defined), must be associative (but not necessarily commutative)
- **MPI_Datatype:** Many different basic datatypes (`MPI_INT`, `MPI_DOUBLE`, ...), even user-defined for user-defined op
- Any process can be root, communicator arbitrary
- **count:** Input per process is a vector, operation applied element-wise

Better idea: Use properties of " $+$ " to improve performance

Since " $+$ " is associative

$$x_0 + x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{p-1} = y$$

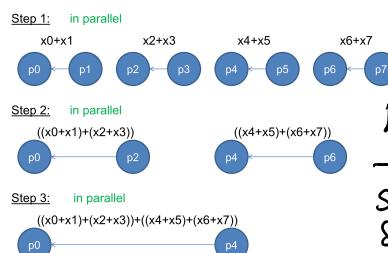
can be computed as

$$(x_0 + x_1) + (x_2 + x_3) + \dots + x_{p-1} = y$$

and

$$((x_0 + x_1) + (x_2 + x_3)) + \dots + ((x_{p-2} + x_{p-1}) = y$$

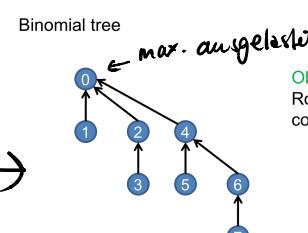
etc.



Set of numbers werden durch
 Fkt. reduziert

kommt

Sieht so aus



Observation:
 Root node 0 active in each communication round

Same idea as round-optimal broadcast: "divide processes in two equal-sized sets, local reduction to local root in each, send result from one set to the set in which the global root is..."

Complexity of collective operations (fully connected network)

MPI Collective

Complexity

MPI_Barrier	$O(\log p)$
MPI_Bcast	$O(n \log p)$
MPI_Gather/Scatter	$O(n \log p)$
MPI_Allgather	$O(n \log p)$
MPI_Alltoall	$O(n^2 p)$ (*)
MPI_Reduce	$O(n \log p)$
MPI_Allreduce	$O(n \log p)$
MPI_Scan/Exscan	$O(n \log p)$

- p MPI processes (on p processors), n is total amount of data per process
- Strong (fully connected) network, linear communication cost

Complexity of collective operations (general)

MPI Collective

Complexity

MPI_Barrier	$O(d)$
MPI_Bcast	$O(n+d)$
MPI_Gather/Scatter	$O(n+d)$
MPI_Allgather	$O(n+d)$
MPI_Alltoall	$O(n^2 p)$ (*)
MPI_Reduce	$O(n+d)$
MPI_Allreduce	$O(n+d)$
MPI_Scan/Exscan	$O(n+d)$

- p MPI processes (on p processors), n is total amount of data per process
- d = $\max(\log p, \text{diameter of network})$, determines latency

Collective operation semantics

Requirement:

If a process calls collective MPI_<A> on communicator C, then eventually all other processes in C must call MPI_<A> and no other collective inbetween (on that communicator)

Collective operations are **safe**: Collective communication on communicator C will not interfere with other communication on C

Requirement:

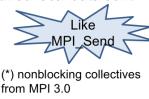
Collective operations **must** be called with **consistent arguments**: same root, same op, exactly matching amounts of data (see individual functions)

Collective operation semantics

If a process calls collective MPI_<A> on communicator C, then eventually all other processes in C must call MPI_<A> and no other collective inbetween (on that communicator)

Collective functions are **blocking**. A process returns when locally complete, buffers etc. can be reused. Completion semantics are **non-local** (most likely dependent on what other processes do) (*)

Collective functions are **not synchronizing**. A process **may** leave MPI_<A> as soon as it is locally complete (required local data sent and received)



Exception: MPI_Barrier(comm);

(*) nonblocking collectives from MPI 3.0

Incorrect:

Process i:
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm);
MPI_Reduce(sbuf, rbuf, ..., root, comm);

Process j:
MPI_Reduce(sbuf, rbuf, ..., root, comm);
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm);

Process local time

Note:

"incorrect" means that MPI may crash, deadlock, give wrong results! Or even work (for small counts): **unsafe**

Unsafe:

Process i:
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm2);
MPI_Gather(sbuf, ..., root, comm1);

comm1: {i,j}
comm2: {i,j,k}

Process k:
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm2);

Process local time

Unsafe:
May work for small counts, hang for large

Kollektiv mit anderen kann ops Arten

Safe:

Process i:
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm);
MPI_Recv(recvbuf, ..., j, SOMETAG, comm, &status);

Process j:
MPI_Isend(sendbuf, ..., i, SOMETAG, comm);
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm);

Process local time

Point-to-point and one-sided and collective communication does not interfere

gleiche root operation

blockt end

→ muss umdrehen

können nicht sicher sein, dass Bcast abgeschlossen ist bevor wir to Gather op Kommunikator von Pj?

Correct:

Process i:
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm);

Process j:
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm);

Process local time

MPI_Bcast is blocking:
root: does not return before data have left buffer
Non-root: does not return before data from root have been received in buffer

Correct:

Process i:
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm);

Process j:
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm);

Process local time

MPI_Bcast is not synchronizing:
root: may return as soon as data have left buffer (independent of non-roots)
Non-root: may return as soon as data from root have been received in buffer (independent of other non-roots)

Correct:

Process i:
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm2);
MPI_Gather(sendbuf, ..., comm1);

Process k:
MPI_Bcast(buffer, ..., root, comm2);

Process local time

Process j:
MPI_Gather(sendbuf, ..., comm1);

comm1: {i,j}
comm2: {i,k}

Process involvement in/blocking behavior of collective call MPI_<A> is implementation dependent

Unsafe collective programming: Relying on synchronization properties

Observation:

Explicit MPI_Barrier calls are never (should never be) needed for correctness of MPI programs

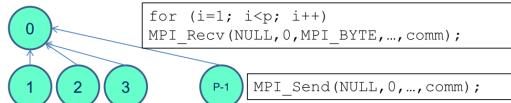
If it seems so, there's probably something wrong

Bcast mit 0 → 0 ungesetzt

Example: A (legal) barrier implementation

Not suitable for timing.
MPI libraries do something better...

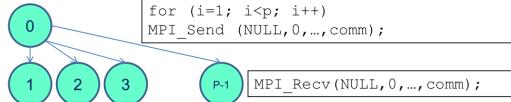
Phase 1: "gather"



```
for (i=1; i<p; i++)
MPI_Recv(NULL, 0, MPI_BYTE, ..., comm);
```

```
for (i=1; i<p; i++)
MPI_Send(NULL, 0, ..., comm);
```

Phase 2: "scatter"



```
MPI_Recv(NULL, 0, ..., comm);
```

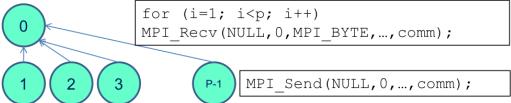
```
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```

...

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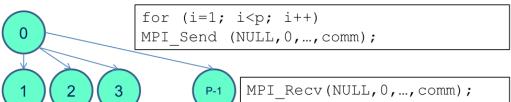
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Phase 2: "scatter"



```
for (i=1; i<p; i++)
MPI_Send(NULL, 0, ..., comm);
```

```
MPI_Recv(NULL, 0, ..., comm);
```

MPI "collectives" classification

Class	regular	Irregular, vector
Symmetric, no data	MPI_Barrier	
Rooted	MPI_Bcast	
Rooted	MPI_Scatter	MPI_Scatterv
Rooted	MPI_Gather	MPI_Gatherv
Symmetric, non-rooted	MPI_Algather	MPI_Algatherv
Symmetric, non-rooted	MPI_Alltoall	MPI_Alltoallv, MPI_Alltoallw
Rooted	MPI_Reduce	
Non-rooted	MPI_Reduce_scatter_block	MPI_Reduce_scatter
Symmetric, non-rooted	MPI_Allreduce	
Non-rooted	MPI_Scan	
Non-rooted	MPI_Exscan	

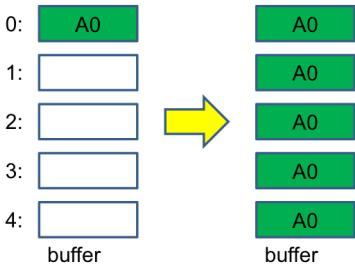
(*) MPI_Reduce_scatter_block: MPI 2.2 extension

Symmetric vs. non-symmetric: all processes have the same role in collective vs. one/some process (root) is special

Regular vs. irregular: each process contributes or receives the same amount of data from/to each other process vs. different pairs of processes may exchange different amounts of data

Bcast

```
MPI_Bcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm);
```

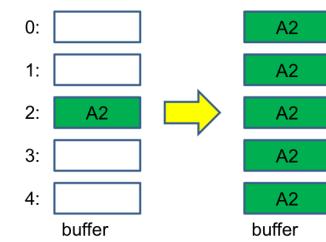


Example: root==0

Semantics: Data from root buffer is transferred to buffer of all non-root processes

Use: All processes broadcast with same root, buffer with same type signature (e.g., same count for basic datatypes like MPI_FLOAT)

```
MPI_Bcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm);
```



Example: root==2

Semantics: Data from root buffer is transferred to buffer of all non-root processes

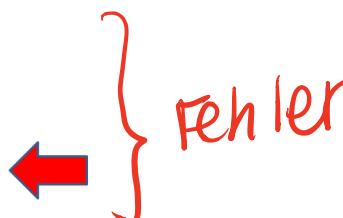
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MPI requirement

Collective functions MUST be called with consistent arguments:

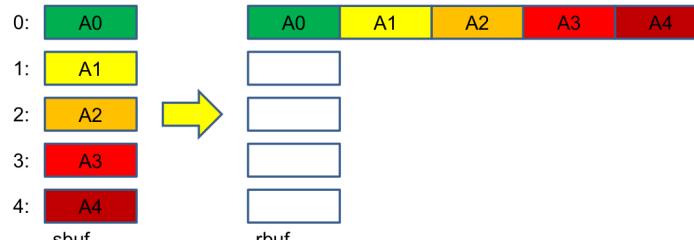
- Same root
- Matching type signatures (in particular: pairwise same size)
- Note: Number of elements sent and received must match exactly (unlike Send-Recv: sent≤recv and Get/Put)
- Same op (MPI_Reduce etc.)

```
int matrixdims[3]; // 3 dimensional matrix
if (rank==0) {
    MPI_Bcast(matrixdims, 3, MPI_INT, 0, comm);
} else {
    // do something on non-root first
    MPI_Bcast(matrixdims, 2, MPI_INT, 0, comm);
    // uhuh, Bcast probably works, but later...
}
```



Gather

```
MPI_Gather(sbuf, scount, stype, rbuf, rcount, rtype, root, comm);
```

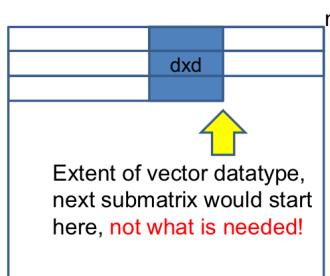


Semantics: Each process contributes a block of data to rbuf at root, blocks end up stored consecutively in rank order at root

Block from process i is stored at rbuf+i*rcount*extent(rtype)

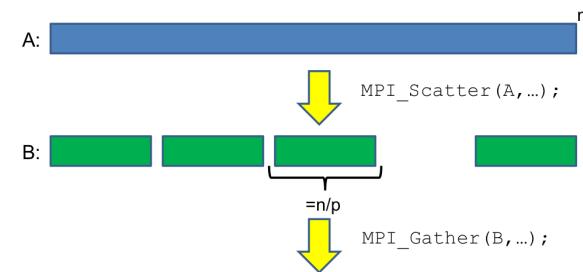
Note: rcount is count of one block, not of whole rbuf

Challenge: Scattering submatrices of large input matrix



1. Describe submatrix as vector, block of d elements, stride n
2. MPI_Scatter will not work... (why?)
3. MPI_Type_create_resize with MPI_Scatterv can solve this problem

Example: Distributing initial array, collecting result



MPI_Gather/MPI_Scatter: All blocks same size

Further differences to point-to-point communication:

- Collective communication functions do not have tag argument
- Amount of data from process i to process j must equal amount of data expected by process j from process i
- Buffers of size 0 do not have to be sent

Process i:

```
MPI_Bcast(buffer, 0, MPI_CHAR, ..., root, comm);
```

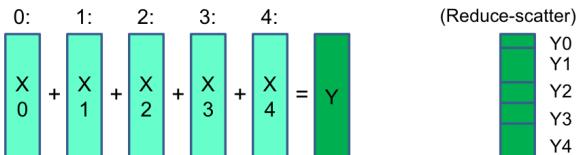
Process j:

```
MPI_Bcast(buffer, 0, MPI_CHAR, ..., root, comm);
```

Correct! May be implemented as no-op, nothing broadcast

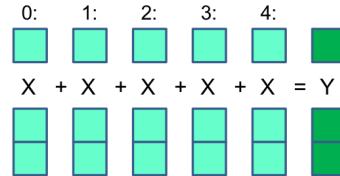
Zusammenispiel

Reduction collectives

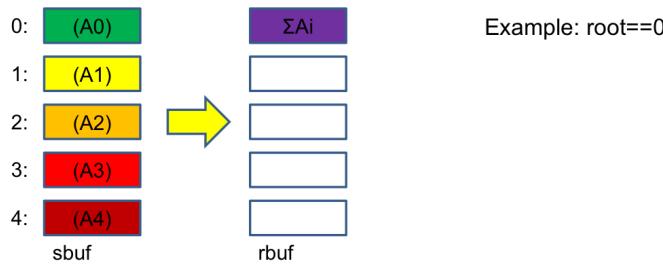


- Each process has vector of data X (same size, same type)
 - Associative operation $+$ (MPI builtin, MPI_SUM,..., user def)
 - Element-wise reduction result $Y = X_0 + X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{(p-1)}$ is stored at
1. Root: MPI_Reduce
 2. All processes: MPI_Allreduce
 3. Scattered in blocks (Y_0 to 0, Y_1 to 1, ...):
MPI_Reduce_Scatter

Reductions are performed elementwise on the input vectors

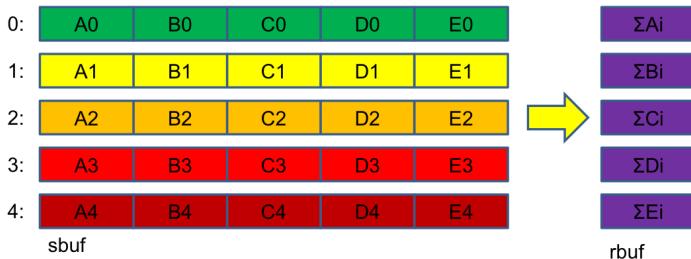


```
MPI_Reduce(sbuf, rbuf, count, type, op, root, comm);
```



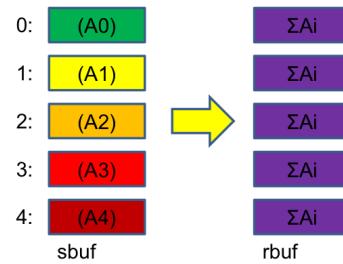
Semantics: All processes contribute sbuf (vector) of same size, elementwise result stored in rbuf at root. With MPI_IN_PLACE as sbuf, input is taken from rbuf

```
MPI_Reduce_scatter_block(sbuf, rbuf, count, type, op, comm);
```



Semantics: All processes contribute sbuf (vector) of same size, elementwise result is scattered in same sized blocks and stored in rbuf at each process. With MPI_IN_PLACE as sbuf, input is taken from rbuf

```
MPI_Allreduce(sbuf, rbuf, count, type, op, comm);
```



Semantics: All processes contribute sbuf (vector) of same size, elementwise result stored in rbuf at all processes. With MPI_IN_PLACE as sbuf, input is taken from rbuf

```
MPI_Reduce_scatter(sbuf, rbuf, counts, type, op, comm);
```



Semantics: All processes contribute sbuf (vector) of same size, elementwise result is scattered in blocks and stored in rbuf at each process. With MPI_IN_PLACE as sbuf, input is taken from rbuf. Since rbuf may have different size at different processes, counts[] is a vector. All processes provide same counts[] vector

MPI_Op	function	Operand type
MPI_MAX	max	Integer, Floating
MPI_MIN	min	Integer, Floating
MPI_SUM	sum	Integer, Floating
MPI_PROD	product	Integer, Floating
MPI LAND	logical and	Integer, Logical
MPI_BAND	bitwise and	Integer, Byte
MPI_LOR	logical or	Integer, Logical
MPI_BOR	bitwise or	Integer, Byte
MPI_LXOR	logical exclusive or	Integer, Logical
MPI_BXOR	bitwise exclusive or	Integer, Byte
MPI_MAXLOC	max value and location of max	Special pair type
MPI_MINLOC	min value and location of min	Special pair type

```
MPI_Op_create(MPI_User_function *function,  
int commutative, MPI_Op *op);
```

makes it possible to define/register own, “user-defined”, binary, associative operators that can even work on derived datatypes

```
MPI_Op_free(MPI_Op *op);
```

Free it again after use...

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Solution 2: Matrix-vector multiplication

Assume p divides n, distribute M column-wise, each process has n/p columns of M, n/p elements of V

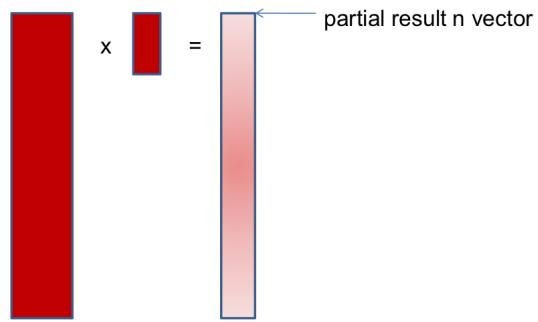
For process k, $0 \leq k < p$, columns $c_i \leq j < c_{i+1}$, where $c_i = k(n/p)$

$$W[j] = \sum_{c_0 \leq i < c_1} M'[j][i] * V'[i] + \sum_{c_1 \leq i < c_2} M'[j][i] * V'[i] + \dots + \sum_{c_{(p-1)} \leq i < c_p} M'[j][i] * V'[i]$$

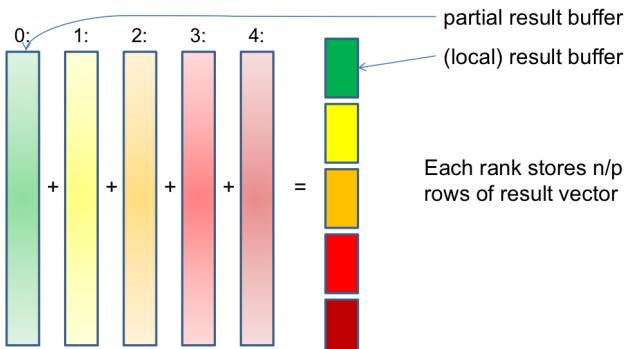
Correct since “+” is associative. Here i is index in global matrix, i-ck index in local column-matrix M' and local vector V'

Solution: distribute M column-wise, perform local $M'V$, sum partial results

1. Locally compute ($n \times n/p$) matrix n/p vector product, $M'V'$

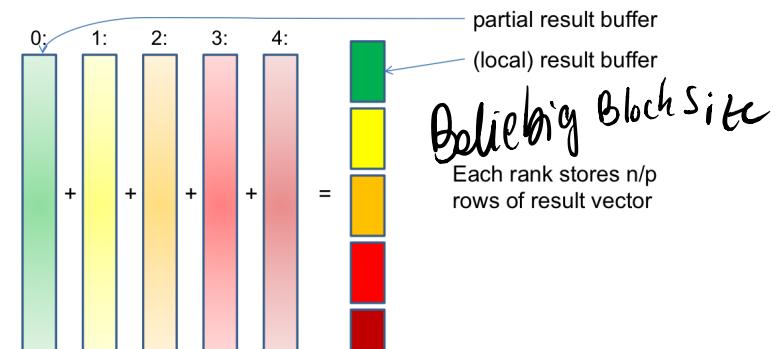


2. Sum partial result n vectors and scatter n/p blocks



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MPI_Reduce_scatter_block(partial, result, n/p, MPI_FLOAT,
                           MPI_SUM, comm);
```

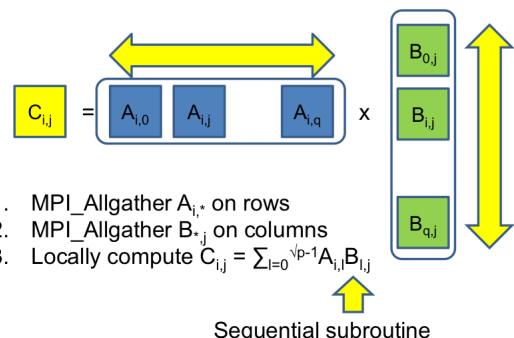
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for (i=0; i<p; i++) counts[i] = n/p;
MPI_Reduce_scatter(partial, result, counts, MPI_FLOAT,
                    MPI_SUM, comm);
```

Folklore: Blockwise algorithm

Process (i,j) computes $C_{i,j}$ as $(A_{i,0}, A_{i,1}, \dots, A_{i,q})x(B_{0,j}, B_{1,j}, \dots, B_{q,j})$, notation $q = \sqrt{p}-1$



1. MPI_Allgather $A_{i,*}$ on rows
2. MPI_Allgather $B_{*,j}$ on columns
3. Locally compute $C_{i,j} = \sum_{l=0}^{\sqrt{p}-1} A_{i,l} B_{l,j}$

Main algorithm

```
C = 0
for  $\sqrt{p}$  rounds,  $i=0, \dots, \sqrt{p}-1$ 
  1. Broadcast  $A_{i,j}$  to all processes on row  $i$  from process  $(i,i)$ 
  2. Broadcast  $B_{i,j}$  to all processes on column  $j$  from process  $(i,i)$ 
  3. Update  $C = C + AB$ 
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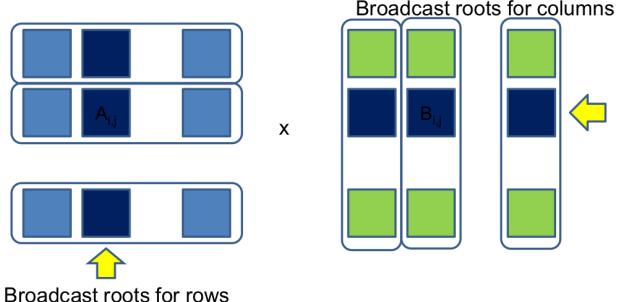
SUMMA: Scalable Universal Matrix-Multiplication Algorithm

Idea: Pipeline allgather (Recall: allgather = “p times bcast”)

To compute $C_{i,j} = \sum_{l=0}^{\sqrt{p}-1} A_{i,l} B_{l,j}$, \sqrt{p} communication rounds, in round i , $0 \leq i < \sqrt{p}$, broadcast of $A_{i,j}$ on row communicator, broadcast of $B_{l,j}$ on column communicator

Note: This algorithm performs all sums in order, does not exploit commutativity of matrix addition

Main algorithm, round 1



Step 4: Split communicator and recurse

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Use MPI_Comm_split with color=(rank<middle ? 0 : 1) to divide the processes into those with smaller than and those with larger than pivot elements

After $\log_2 p$ steps, each process is in communicator by itself: Sort locally

Same analysis applies, but good better balance irrespective of pivot choice

Example: Integer (bucket, counting) sorting

Given n integers in range [0,R[(=0,1,2,...,R-1]) stored in array A

Bucket sort:

1. Count number of elements of each magnitude ("key")

```
for (i=0; i<R; i++) bucket[i] = 0;
for (i=0; i<n; i++) bucket[A[i]]++;
```

2. Compute start index of each bucket: exclusive prefix-sums operation

```
for (i=1; i<R; i++) bucket[i] += bucket[i-1];
for (i=R-1; i>0; i--) bucket[i] = bucket[i-1];
bucket[0] = 0;
```

Given n integers in range [0,R[(=0,1,2,...,R-1]) stored in array A

3. Distribute elements of A into buckets (in new array B)

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++) B[bucket[A[i]]++] = A[i];
```

4. Copy B back to A, if needed

Note:

As implemented, this bucket-sort is stable: Relative order of elements in A with same key is preserved

n integers in a given range [0,R[, distributed evenly across p MPI processes: m= n/p integers per process

$$A = \boxed{0} \ 1 \ 3 \ 0 \ 0 \ 2 \ 0 \ 1 \dots \quad \boxed{} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Step 1: Bucket sort locally, B[i] number of elements with key i

Step 2: MPI_Allreduce(B, AllB, R, MPI_INT, MPI_SUM, comm);

Step 3: MPI_Exscan(B, RelB, R, MPI_INT, MPI_SUM, comm);

Now:

Vector AllB contains the sizes of all buckets over all processes; RelB is for process rank the relative position of rank's elements in the buckets

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Step 5: compute number of elements to be sent to each other process, sendelts[i], i=0,...,p-1

Step 6:

MPI_Alltoall(sendelts, 1, MPI_INT, recvelts, 1, MPI_INT, comm);

Step 7: redistribute elements

MPI_Alltoallv(A, sendelts, sdispls, MPI_INT, C, recvelts, ..., comm);

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Input array distributed over p processes, A and B process local arrays of input elements and bucket sizes

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Step 7: Redistribute elements

MPI_Alltoallv(A, sendelts, sdispls, MPI_INT, C, recvelts, ..., comm);

Step 8: Reorder elements from C back to A

Possible optimization: Replace MPI_Allreduce by MPI_Bcast

Example: Integer (bucket, counting) sorting in parallel

The algorithm is stable

 Radixsort

Choice of radix R depends on properties of network (fully connected, fat tree, mesh/torus, ...) and quality of reduction/scan-algorithms

The algorithm is portable (by virtue of the MPI collectives), but tuning depends on systems: Concrete performance model needed, but analysis outside scope of MPI

Note: On strong network $T(\text{MPI_Allreduce}(m)) = O(m + \log p)$

NOT: $O(m \log p)$

Quicksort and bucketsort data redistribution

In both cases, the redistribution has special structure, and it may be possible to do better with special algorithm than with MPI_Alltoallv

Worth trying:

- MPI_Exscan over block sizes; compute where data goes
- MPI_Win_lock(MPI_LOCK_SHARED); MPI_Put;
MPI_Win_unlock to deliver data