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This document describes the Message-Passing Interface (MPI) standard, version 4.1.

The MPI standard includes point-to-point message-passing, collective communications, group and communicator concepts, process topologies, environmental management, process creation and management, one-sided communications, extended collective operations, external interfaces, I/O, some miscellaneous topics, and multiple tool interfaces. Language bindings for C and Fortran are defined.

Historically, the evolution of the standard is:

- **MPI-1.0** (May 5, 1994): Initial release.
- **MPI-1.1** (June 12, 1995): Minor updates and bug fixes.
- **MPI-1.2** (July 18, 1997): Several clarifications and additions.
- **MPI-2.0** (July 18, 1997): New functionality and all the clarifications and additions from MPI-1.2.
- **MPI-1.3** (May 30, 2008): For historical reasons, combining the MPI-1.1, MPI-1.2, and several errata documents into one combined document.
- **MPI-2.1** (June 23, 2008): Combining the previous documents.
- **MPI-2.2** (September 4, 2009): Additional clarifications and seven new routines.
- **MPI-3.0** (September 21, 2012): Extension of MPI-2.2.
- **MPI-3.1** (June 4, 2015): Clarifications and minor extensions to MPI-3.0.
- **MPI-4.0** (June 9, 2021): Significant new features beyond MPI-3.1.
- **MPI-4.1** (XX X, 2023): Clarifications and minor extensions to MPI-4.0.

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Version 4.1: XXXX, 2023. This version of the MPI-4.1 standard contains mostly corrections and clarifications to the MPI-4.0 document. Several routines, the attribute key MPI_HOST, and the mpif.h Fortran include file are deprecated.

Version 4.0: June 9, 2021. This version of the MPI-4 standard is a major update and includes significant new functionality. The largest changes are the addition of large-count versions of many routines to address the limitations of using an int or INTEGER for the count parameter, persistent collectives, partitioned communications, an alternative way to initialize MPI, application info assertions, and improvements to the definitions of error handling. In addition, there are a number of smaller improvements and corrections.

Version 3.1: June 4, 2015. This document contains mostly corrections and clarifications to the MPI-3.0 document. The largest change is a correction to the Fortran bindings introduced in MPI-3.0. Additionally, new functions added include routines to manipulate MPI_Aint values in a portable manner, nonblocking collective I/O routines, and routines to get the index value by name for MPI_T performance and control variables.

Version 3.0: September 21, 2012. Coincident with the development of MPI-2.2, the MPI Forum began discussions of a major extension to MPI. This document contains the MPI-3 standard. This version of the MPI-3 standard contains significant extensions to MPI functionality, including nonblocking collectives, new one-sided communication operations, and Fortran 2008 bindings. Unlike MPI-2.2, this standard is considered a major update to the MPI standard. As with previous versions, new features have been adopted only when there were compelling needs for the users. Some features, however, may have more than a minor impact on existing MPI implementations.

Version 2.2: September 4, 2009. This document contains mostly corrections and clarifications to the MPI-2.1 document. A few extensions have been added; however all correct MPI-2.1 programs are correct MPI-2.2 programs. New features were adopted only when there were compelling needs for users, open source implementations, and minor impact on existing MPI implementations.

Version 2.1: June 23, 2008. This document combines the previous documents MPI-1.3 (May 30, 2008) and MPI-2.0 (July 18, 1997). Certain parts of MPI-2.0, such as some sections of Chapter 4, Miscellany, and Chapter 7, Extended Collective Operations, have been merged into the chapters of MPI-1.3. Additional errata and clarifications collected by the MPI Forum are also included in this document.

Version 1.3: May 30, 2008. This document combines the previous documents MPI-1.1 (June 12, 1995) and the MPI-1.2 chapter in MPI-2 (July 18, 1997). Additional errata collected by the MPI Forum referring to MPI-1.1 and MPI-1.2 are also included in this document.

Version 2.0: July 18, 1997. Beginning after the release of MPI-1.1, the MPI Forum began meeting to consider corrections and extensions. MPI-2 has been focused on process creation and management, one-sided communications, extended collective communications, external
interfaces and parallel I/O. A miscellany chapter discusses items that do not fit elsewhere, in particular language interoperability.

Version 1.2: July 18, 1997. The MPI-2 Forum introduced MPI-1.2 as Chapter 3 in the standard “MPI-2: Extensions to the Message-Passing Interface”, July 18, 1997. This section contains clarifications and minor corrections to Version 1.1 of the MPI standard. The only new function in MPI-1.2 is one for identifying to which version of the MPI standard the implementation conforms. There are small differences between MPI-1 and MPI-1.1. There are very few differences between MPI-1.1 and MPI-1.2, but large differences between MPI-1.2 and MPI-2.

Version 1.1: June, 1995. Beginning in March, 1995, the Message-Passing Interface Forum reconvened to correct errors and make clarifications in the MPI document of May 5, 1994, referred to below as Version 1.0. These discussions resulted in Version 1.1. The changes from Version 1.0 are minor. A version of this document with all changes marked is available.

Version 1.0: May, 1994. The Message-Passing Interface Forum, with participation from over 40 organizations, has been meeting since January 1993 to discuss and define a set of library interface standards for message passing. The Message-Passing Interface Forum is not sanctioned or supported by any official standards organization.

The goal of the Message-Passing Interface, simply stated, is to develop a widely used standard for writing message-passing programs. As such the interface should establish a practical, portable, efficient, and flexible standard for message-passing.

This is the final report, Version 1.0, of the Message-Passing Interface Forum. This document contains all the technical features proposed for the interface. This copy of the draft was processed by L\LaTeX\ on May 5, 1994.
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Chapter 1

Introduction to MPI

1.1 Overview and Goals

MPI (Message-Passing Interface) is a message-passing library interface specification. All parts of this definition are significant. MPI addresses primarily the message-passing parallel programming model, in which data is moved from the address space of one process to that of another process through cooperative operations on each process. Extensions to the “classical” message-passing model are provided in collective operations, remote-memory access operations, dynamic process creation, and parallel I/O. MPI is a specification, not an implementation; there are multiple implementations of MPI. This specification is for a library interface; MPI is not a language, and all MPI operations are expressed as functions, subroutines, or methods, according to the appropriate language bindings that, for C and Fortran, are part of the MPI standard. The standard has been defined through an open process by a community of parallel computing vendors, computer scientists, and application developers. The next few sections provide an overview of the history of MPI’s development.

The main advantages of establishing a message-passing standard are portability and ease of use. In a distributed memory communication environment in which the higher level routines and/or abstractions are built upon lower level message-passing routines, the benefits of standardization are particularly apparent. Furthermore, the definition of a message-passing standard, such as that proposed here, provides vendors with a clearly defined base set of routines that they can implement efficiently, or in some cases for which they can provide hardware support, thereby enhancing scalability.

The goal of the Message-Passing Interface, simply stated, is to develop a widely used standard for writing message-passing programs. As such the interface should establish a practical, portable, efficient, and flexible standard for message passing.

A complete list of goals follows.

- Design an application programming interface (not necessarily for compilers or a system implementation library).
- Allow efficient communication: Avoid memory-to-memory copying, allow overlap of computation and communication, and offload to communication co-processors, where available.
- Allow for implementations that can be used in a heterogeneous environment.
- Allow convenient C and Fortran bindings for the interface.
- Assume a reliable communication interface: the user need not cope with communication failures. Such failures are dealt with by the underlying communication subsystem.
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- Define an interface that can be implemented on many vendor’s platforms, with no significant changes in the underlying communication and system software.
- Semantics of the interface should be language independent.
- The interface should be designed to allow for thread safety.

1.2 Background of MPI-1.0

MPI sought to make use of the most attractive features of a number of existing message-passing systems, rather than selecting one of them and adopting it as the standard. Thus, MPI was strongly influenced by work at the IBM T. J. Watson Research Center [3, 4], Intel’s NX/2 [58], Express [15], nCUBE’s Vertex [54], p4 [10, 11], and PARMACS [7, 12]. Other important contributions have come from Zipcode [61, 62], Chimpi [21, 22], PVM [6, 19], Chameleon [32], and PICL [27].

The MPI standardization effort involved about 60 people from 40 organizations mainly from the United States and Europe. Most of the major vendors of concurrent computers were involved in MPI, along with researchers from universities, government laboratories, and industry. The standardization process began with the Workshop on Standards for Message-Passing in a Distributed Memory Environment, sponsored by the Center for Research on Parallel Computing, held April 29–30, 1992, in Williamsburg, Virginia [70]. At this workshop the basic features essential to a standard message-passing interface were discussed, and a working group established to continue the standardization process.

A preliminary draft proposal, known as MPI-1, was put forward by Dongarra, Hempel, Hey, and Walker in November 1992, and a revised version was completed in February 1993 [20]. MPI-1 embodied the main features that were identified at the Williamsburg workshop as being necessary in a message passing standard. Since MPI-1 was primarily intended to promote discussion and “get the ball rolling,” it focused mainly on point-to-point communications. MPI-1 brought to the forefront a number of important standardization issues, but did not include any collective communication routines and was not thread-safe.

In November 1992, a meeting of the MPI working group was held in Minneapolis, at which it was decided to place the standardization process on a more formal footing, and to generally adopt the procedures and organization of the High Performance Fortran Forum. Subcommittees were formed for the major component areas of the standard, and an email discussion service established for each. In addition, the goal of producing a draft MPI standard by the Fall of 1993 was set. To achieve this goal the MPI working group met every 6 weeks for two days throughout the first 9 months of 1993, and presented the draft MPI standard at the Supercomputing 93 conference in November 1993. These meetings and the email discussion together constituted the MPI Forum, membership of which has been open to all members of the high performance computing community.

1.3 Background of MPI-1.1, MPI-1.2, and MPI-2.0

Beginning in March 1995, the MPI Forum began meeting to consider corrections and extensions to the original MPI standard document [24]. The first product of these deliberations was Version 1.1 of the MPI specification, released in June of 1995 [25] (see http://www.mpi-forum.org for official MPI document releases). At that time, effort focused in five areas.
1.4 Background of MPI-1.3 and MPI-2.1

1. Further corrections and clarifications for the MPI-1.1 document.

2. Additions to MPI-1.1 that do not significantly change its types of functionality (new datatype constructors, language interoperability, etc.).

3. Completely new types of functionality (dynamic processes, one-sided communication, parallel I/O, etc.) that are what everyone thinks of as “MPI-2 functionality.”

4. Bindings for Fortran 90 and C++. MPI-2 specifies C++ bindings for both MPI-1 and MPI-2 functions, and extensions to the Fortran 77 binding of MPI-1 and MPI-2 to handle Fortran 90 issues.

5. Discussions of areas in which the MPI process and framework seem likely to be useful, but where more discussion and experience are needed before standardization (e.g., zero-copy semantics on shared-memory machines, real-time specifications).

Corrections and clarifications (items of type 1 in the above list) were collected in Chapter 3 of the MPI-2 document: “Version 1.2 of MPI.” That chapter also contains the function for identifying the version number. Additions to MPI-1.1 (items of types 2, 3, and 4 in the above list) are in the remaining chapters of the MPI-2 document, and constitute the specification for MPI-2. Items of type 5 in the above list have been moved to a separate document, the “MPI Journal of Development” (JOD), and are not part of the MPI-2 standard.

This structure makes it easy for users and implementors to understand what level of MPI compliance a given implementation has:

- **MPI-1 compliance** will mean compliance with MPI-1.3. This is a useful level of compliance. It means that the implementation conforms to the clarifications of MPI-1.1 function behavior given in Chapter 3 of the MPI-2 document. Some implementations may require changes to be MPI-1 compliant.

- **MPI-2 compliance** will mean compliance with all of MPI-2.1.

- The MPI Journal of Development is not part of the MPI standard.

It is to be emphasized that forward compatibility is preserved. That is, a valid MPI-1.1 program is both a valid MPI-1.3 program and a valid MPI-2.1 program, and a valid MPI-1.3 program is a valid MPI-2.1 program.

1.4 Background of MPI-1.3 and MPI-2.1

After the release of MPI-2.0, the MPI Forum kept working on errata and clarifications for both standard documents (MPI-1.1 and MPI-2.0). The short document “Errata for MPI-1.1” was released October 12, 1998. On July 5, 2001, a first ballot of errata and clarifications for MPI-2.0 was released, and a second ballot was voted on May 22, 2002. Both votes were done electronically. Both ballots were combined into one document: “Errata for MPI-2,” May 15, 2002. This errata process was then interrupted, but the Forum and its e-mail reflectors kept working on new requests for clarification.

Restarting regular work of the MPI Forum was initiated in three meetings, at EuroPVM/MPI’06 in Bonn, at EuroPVM/MPI’07 in Paris, and at SC’07 in Reno. In December 2007, a steering committee started the organization of new MPI Forum meetings at regular 8-weeks intervals. At the January 14–16, 2008 meeting in Chicago, the MPI Forum
decided to combine the existing and future MPI documents to one document for each version of the MPI standard. For technical and historical reasons, this series was started with MPI-1.3. Additional Ballots 3 and 4 solved old questions from the errata list started in 1995 up to new questions from the last years. After all documents (MPI-1.1, MPI-2, Errata for MPI-1.1 (Oct. 12, 1998), and MPI-2.1 Ballots 1–4) were combined into one draft document, for each chapter, a chapter author and review team were defined. They cleaned up the document to achieve a consistent MPI-2.1 document. The final MPI-2.1 standard document was finished in June 2008, and finally released with a second vote in September 2008 in the meeting at Dublin, just before EuroPVM/MPI’08.

1.5 Background of MPI-2.2

MPI-2.2 is a minor update to the MPI-2.1 standard. This version addresses additional errors and ambiguities that were not corrected in the MPI-2.1 standard as well as a small number of extensions to MPI-2.1 that met the following criteria:

- Any correct MPI-2.1 program is a correct MPI-2.2 program.
- Any extension must have significant benefit for users.
- Any extension must not require significant implementation effort. To that end, all such changes are accompanied by an open source implementation.

The discussions of MPI-2.2 proceeded concurrently with the MPI-3 discussions; in some cases, extensions were proposed for MPI-2.2 but were later moved to MPI-3.

1.6 Background of MPI-3.0

MPI-3.0 is a major update to the MPI standard. The updates include the extension of collective operations to include nonblocking versions, extensions to the one-sided operations, and a new Fortran 2008 binding. In addition, the deprecated C++ bindings have been removed, as well as many of the deprecated routines and MPI objects (such as the MPI_UB datatype). Any valid MPI-2.2 program not using any of these removed MPI procedures or objects is a valid MPI-3.0 program.

1.7 Background of MPI-3.1

MPI-3.1 is a minor update to the MPI standard. Most of the updates are corrections and clarifications to the standard, especially for the Fortran bindings. New functions added include routines to manipulate MPI_Aint values in a portable manner, nonblocking collective I/O routines, and routines to get the index value by name for MPI_T performance and control variables. A general index was also added. Any valid MPI-3.0 program is a valid MPI-3.1 program.

1.8 Background of MPI-4.0

MPI-4.0 is a major update to the MPI standard. The largest changes are the addition of large-count versions of many routines to address the limitations of using an int or INTEGER
for the count parameter, persistent collectives, partitioned communications, an alternative way to initialize MPI, application info assertions, and improvements to the definitions of error handling. In addition, there are a number of smaller improvements and corrections. Any valid MPI-3.1 program is a valid MPI-4.0 program with the exception of semantic changes listed in Chapter 18.

1.9 Background of MPI-4.1

MPI-4.1 is a minor update to the MPI standard. It contains mostly corrections and clarifications to the MPI-4.0 document. Several routines, the attribute key MPI_HOST, and the mpif.h Fortran include file are deprecated. A new routine provides a way to inquire about the hardware on which the MPI program is running. Any valid MPI-4.0 program is a valid MPI-4.1 program with the exception of semantic changes listed in Chapter 18.

1.10 Who Should Use This Standard?

This standard is intended for use by all those who want to write portable message-passing programs in Fortran and C (and access the C bindings from C++). This includes individual application programmers, developers of software designed to run on parallel machines, and creators of environments and tools. In order to be attractive to this wide audience, the standard must provide a simple, easy-to-use interface for the basic user while not semantically precluding the high-performance message-passing operations available on advanced machines.

1.11 What Platforms Are Targets for Implementation?

The attractiveness of the message-passing paradigm at least partially stems from its wide portability. Programs expressed this way may run on distributed-memory multiprocessors, networks of workstations, and combinations of all of these. In addition, shared-memory implementations, including those for multi-core processors and hybrid architectures, are possible. The paradigm will not be made obsolete by architectures combining the shared- and distributed-memory views, or by increases in network speeds. It thus should be both possible and useful to implement this standard on a great variety of machines, including those “machines” consisting of collections of other machines, parallel or not, connected by a communication network.

The interface is suitable for use by fully general MIMD (Multiple Instruction, Multiple Data) programs, as well as those written in the more restricted style of SPMD (Single Program, Multiple Data). MPI provides many features intended to improve performance on scalable parallel computers with specialized interprocessor communication hardware. Thus, we expect that native, high-performance implementations of MPI will be provided on such machines. At the same time, implementations of MPI on top of standard Unix interprocessor communication protocols will provide portability to workstation clusters and heterogenous networks of workstations.
1.12 What Is Included in the Standard?

The standard includes:

- Point-to-point communication,
- Partitioned communication,
- Datatypes,
- Collective operations,
- Process groups,
- Communication contexts,
- Virtual Topologies for MPI Processes,
- Environmental management and inquiry,
- The Info object,
- Process initialization, creation, and management,
- One-sided communication,
- External interfaces,
- Parallel file I/O,
- Tool support,
- Language bindings for Fortran and C, and
- Additional topics in side-documents.

1.13 Side-documents

Side-documents extend and/or modify features, semantics, language bindings, and other aspects covered in this document. Side-documents shall not modify any aspects defined in the MPI Standard without providing a mechanism that explicitly enables these deviations. Execution of a program that does not explicitly enable deviations from the MPI Standard will comply with the MPI Standard, even when using an MPI implementation that implements a side-document that modifies any aspects.

Each side-document is versioned with a scheme that is independent from the MPI Standard version and from other side-documents. All side-documents specify compatibility and interoperability with versions of the MPI Standard and may define interoperability with features and semantics from other side-documents. Side-documents are not required to provide full coverage of all MPI concepts, but shall document which MPI concepts are affected. A compliant implementation is not required to comply with any side-documents. However, if compliance with a particular version of a side-document is claimed, the implementation must comply with the entire side-document. Side-documents will be found at the same location as the MPI Standard[1].
1.14 Organization of This Document

The following is a list of the remaining chapters in this document, along with a brief description of each.

- **Chapter 2, MPI Terms and Conventions**, explains notational terms and conventions used throughout the MPI document.

- **Chapter 3, Point-to-Point Communication**, defines the basic, pairwise communication subset of MPI. *Send* and *receive* are found here, along with many associated functions designed to make basic communication powerful and efficient.

- **Chapter 4, Partitioned Point-to-Point Communication**, defines a method of performing partitioned communication in MPI. Partitioned communication allows multiple contributions of data to be made, potentially, from multiple actors (e.g., threads or tasks) in an MPI process to a single message.

- **Chapter 5, Datatypes**, defines a method to describe any data layout, e.g., an array of structures.

- **Chapter 6, Collective Communication**, defines process-group collective communication operations. Well known examples of this are barrier and broadcast over a group of processes (not necessarily all the processes).

- **Chapter 7, Groups, Contexts, Communicators, and Caching**, shows how groups of processes are formed and manipulated, how unique communication contexts are obtained, and how the two are bound together into a communicator.

- **Chapter 8, Virtual Topologies for MPI Processes**, explains a set of utility functions meant to assist in the mapping of MPI process groups (a linearly ordered set) to richer topological structures such as multi-dimensional grids.

- **Chapter 9, MPI Environmental Management**, explains how the programmer can manage and make inquiries of the current MPI environment. These functions are needed for the writing of correct, robust programs, and are especially important for the construction of highly-portable message-passing programs.

- **Chapter 10, The Info Object**, defines an opaque object that is used as input in several MPI routines.

- **Chapter 11, Process Initialization, Creation, and Management**, defines several approaches to MPI initialization, process creation, and process management while placing minimal restrictions on the execution environment.

- **Chapter 12, One-Sided Communications**, defines communication routines that can be completed by a single process. These include shared-memory operations (put/get) and remote accumulate operations.

- **Chapter 13, External Interfaces**, defines routines designed to allow developers to layer on top of MPI.

- **Chapter 14, I/O**, defines MPI support for parallel I/O.
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• Chapter 15, Tool Support, covers interfaces that allow debuggers, performance analyzers, and other tools to obtain data about the operation of MPI processes.

• Chapter 16, Deprecated Interfaces, describes routines that are kept for reference. However usage of these functions is discouraged, as they may be deleted in future versions of the standard.

• Chapter 17, Removed Interfaces, describes routines and constructs that have been removed from MPI.

• Chapter 18, Semantic Changes and Warnings, describes semantic changes from previous versions of MPI.

• Chapter 19, Language Bindings, discusses Fortran issues, and describes language interoperability aspects between C and Fortran.

The Appendices are:

• Annex A, Language Bindings Summary, gives specific syntax in C and Fortran, for all MPI functions, constants, and types.

• Annex B, Change-Log, summarizes some changes since the previous version of the standard.

• Several Index pages show the locations of general terms and definitions, examples, constants and predefined handles, declarations of C and Fortran types, callback routine prototypes, and all MPI functions.

MPI provides various interfaces to facilitate interoperability of distinct MPI implementations. Among these are the canonical data representation for MPI I/O and for MPI_PACK_EXTERNAL and MPI_UNPACK_EXTERNAL. The definition of an actual binding of these interfaces that will enable interoperability is outside the scope of this document.

A separate document consists of ideas that were discussed in the MPI Forum during the MPI-2 development and deemed to have value, but were not included in the MPI standard. They are part of the “Journal of Development” (JOD), which was created to capture these ideas and discussions. The JOD is available at https://www.mpi-forum.org/docs.
Chapter 2

MPI Terms and Conventions

This chapter explains notational terms and conventions used throughout the MPI document, some of the choices that have been made, and the rationale behind those choices.

2.1 Document Notation

Rationale. Throughout this document, the rationale for the design choices made in the interface specification is set off in this format. Some readers may wish to skip these sections, while readers interested in interface design may want to read them carefully. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. Throughout this document, material aimed at users and that illustrates usage is set off in this format. Some readers may wish to skip these sections, while readers interested in programming in MPI may want to read them carefully. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. Throughout this document, material that is primarily commentary to implementors is set off in this format. Some readers may wish to skip these sections, while readers interested in MPI implementations may want to read them carefully. (End of advice to implementors.)

2.2 Naming Conventions

In many cases MPI names for C functions are of the form MPI_class_action_subset. This convention originated with MPI-1. Since MPI-2 an attempt has been made to standardize the names of MPI functions according to the following rules.

1. In C and the Fortran mpi_f08 module, all routines associated with a particular type of MPI object should be of the form MPI_class_action_subset or, if no subset exists, of the form MPI_class_action. In the Fortran mpi module and (deprecated) mpif.h file, all routines associated with a particular type of MPI object should be of the form MPI_CLASS_ACTION_SUBSET or, if no subset exists, of the form MPI_CLASS_ACTION.

2. If the routine is not associated with a class, the name should be of the form MPI_Action_subset or MPI_ACTION_SUBSET in C and Fortran.

3. The names of certain actions have been standardized. In particular, create creates a new object, get retrieves information about an object, set sets this information, delete deletes information, is asks whether or not an object has a certain property.
C and Fortran names for some MPI functions (that were defined during the MPI-1 process) violate these rules in several cases. The most common exceptions are the omission of the Class name from the routine and the omission of the Action where one can be inferred.

2.3 Procedure Specification

MPI procedures are specified using a language-independent notation. The arguments of procedure calls are marked as IN, OUT, or INOUT. The meanings of these are:

IN: the call may use the input value but does not update the argument from the perspective of the caller at any time during the call’s execution,

OUT: the call may update the argument but does not use its input value,

INOUT: the call may both use and update the argument.

There is one special case—if an argument is a handle to an opaque object (these terms are defined in Section 2.5.1), and the object is updated by the procedure call, then the argument is marked INOUT or OUT. It is marked this way even though the handle itself is not modified—we use the INOUT or OUT attribute to denote that what the handle references is updated.

Rationale. The definition of MPI tries to avoid, to the largest possible extent, the use of INOUT arguments, because such use is error-prone, especially for scalar arguments. (End of rationale.)

MPI’s use of IN, OUT, and INOUT is intended to indicate to the user how an argument is to be used, but does not provide a rigorous classification that can be translated directly into all language bindings (e.g., INTENT in Fortran 90 bindings or const in C bindings). For instance, the “constant” MPI_BOTTOM can usually be passed to OUT buffer arguments. Similarly, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE can be passed as the OUT status argument.

A common occurrence for MPI functions is an argument that is used as IN by some processes and OUT by other processes. Such an argument is, syntactically, an INOUT argument and is marked as such, although, semantically, it is not used in one call both for input and for output on a single process.

Another frequent situation arises when an argument value is needed only by a subset of the processes. When an argument is not significant at a process then an arbitrary value can be passed as an argument.

Unless specified otherwise, an argument of type OUT or type INOUT cannot be aliased with any other argument passed to an MPI procedure. An example of argument aliasing in C appears below. If we define a C procedure like this,

```c
void copyIntBuffer(int *pin, int *pout, int len)
{
    int i;
    for (i=0; i<len; ++i) *pout++ = *pin++;
}
```

then a call to it in the following code fragment has aliased arguments.

```c
int a[10];
copyIntBuffer(a, a+3, 7);
```
Although the C language allows this, such usage of MPI procedures is forbidden unless otherwise specified. Note that Fortran prohibits aliasing of arguments.

All MPI functions are first specified in the language-independent notation. Immediately below this, language dependent bindings follow:

- The ISO C version(s) of the function.
- The Fortran version(s) used with USE mpi_f08.
- The Fortran version of the same function used with USE mpi or (deprecated) INCLUDE ‘mpif.h’.

Some MPI procedures have two interfaces for a given language support; see Sections 2.5.6 and 2.5.8.

An exception is Section 15.3 “The MPI Tool Information Interface”, which only provides ISO C interfaces.

“Fortran” in this document refers to Fortran 90 or later; see Section 2.6.

The words function, routine, procedure, procedure call, and call are often used as synonyms within this standard.

2.4 Semantic Terms

When discussing MPI procedures the following semantic terms are used. The term message data buffer refers to the send/receive buffer used in a communication procedure. The term file data buffer refers to the data buffers used by MPI I/O procedures. In this section we use the term data buffer and depending on the MPI procedure it will refer to message data buffer or file data buffer. Annex A.2 shows how the terms defined in this section apply to all operation-related MPI procedures.

2.4.1 MPI Operations

MPI operation: An MPI operation is a sequence of steps performed by the MPI library to establish and enable data transfer and/or synchronization. It consists of four stages: initialization, starting, completion, and freeing, and it is implemented as a set of one or more MPI procedures, see Section 2.4.2.

Initialization hands over the argument list to the operation but not the content of the data buffers, if any. The specification of an operation may state that array arguments must not be changed until the operation is freed.

Starting hands over control of the data buffers, if any, to the associated operation.

Note that initiation refers to the combination of the initialization and starting stages.

Completion returns control of the content of the data buffers and indicates that output buffers and arguments, if any, have been updated.

Note that an MPI operation is complete when the MPI procedure implementing the completion stage returns.

Freeing returns control of the rest of the argument list (e.g., the data buffer address and array arguments).
MPI operations are available in one or more of these forms: blocking, nonblocking, and persistent.

**Blocking operation:** For a **blocking operation**, all four stages are combined in a single procedure call (as shown in Figure 2.1 and defined in Section 2.4.2).

**Nonblocking operation:** For a **nonblocking operation**, the initialization and starting stages are combined into a single nonblocking procedure call and the completion and freeing stages are combined into a separate, single procedure call, which can be blocking or nonblocking (as shown in Figure 2.2 and defined in Section 2.4.2).

**Persistent operation:** For a **persistent operation**, there is a separate procedure for each of the four stages (as shown in Figure 2.3 and defined in Section 2.4.2). Each of these procedures may be blocking or nonblocking.

For a partitioned send operation, an additional call to activate each partition of the send buffer (see Section 4.2.1) is required to finish the starting stage. For a partitioned receive operation, before the operation is complete the user is allowed to access a partition of the output buffer after verifying that it has arrived (see Section 4.2.2).

These four stages lead to the **operation states** **initialized**, **started**, **complete**, and **freed**. A **started operation** is also named **active**, and the states **initialized** and **complete** are also named **inactive**.

**Active** communication and I/O operations are also named **pending** operations. Note that a **pending** operation can be a nonblocking or persistent operation that is started and not yet complete (even if the request handle has been freed), or a blocking operation that is not yet complete, such as a receive operation that is waiting for a message to be received.
Additionally, an MPI operation can be collective or noncollective.

**Collective operation:** A set of related operations, one per MPI process in a group or groups of MPI processes. For collective operations the completion stage may or may not finish before all processes in the group have started the operation.

Collective MPI operations are also available as blocking, nonblocking, or persistent operations.

**Noncollective operation:** Noncollective operations are defined as operations that are not collective.

Many MPI operations coordinate activities at multiple MPI processes: the semantics of such an operation require one or more other specific semantically-related operations to be started before it is guaranteed that the operation can transition to the complete operation state. For example, a receive operation requires a related send operation to be started before the receive can complete; or a collective operation might not complete before such operations are also started in all MPI processes of the respective group.

**Enabled:** An MPI operation is enabled at a particular MPI process when all specific semantically-related operations required to guarantee completion at that MPI process have been started.

*Rationale.* MPI implementations may include optimizations (for example, automatic buffering) that allow an MPI operation to complete before it is enabled. *(End of rationale.)*

Some MPI operations are a priori enabled, i.e., they do not require any other specific semantically-related operation for completion. For example, a buffered send operation completes independently of the related receive operation.

Once an MPI operation is enabled, the operation must eventually complete. An operation may already be enabled before it is started. For example, a receive operation is already enabled if it is started after the matching send operation was started.

*Rationale.* The definition of an operation $A$ being enabled is asymmetric: *enabled* includes that all specific semantically-related operations $A'$ required to guarantee completion have been started, but does not include that the operation $A$ itself is already started.

Examples:
- A receive is enabled exactly when the related send is started.
- A standard mode send operation is enabled exactly when the related receive is started. If an MPI implementation chooses to use internal buffering, the send operation may be already completed before it is enabled, i.e., the receive is started.
- A synchronous mode send operation is enabled exactly when the related receive is started and must not complete before it is enabled.
- A buffered mode send operation is a priori enabled.
• A ready mode send can be started only when it is already enabled, i.e., the related receive is started.

• For a collective broadcast, the operation at a particular MPI process is enabled exactly when all other MPI processes in the group have started their related broadcast operation.

Specifically, for the set of related operations on a group of MPI processes that constitute a collective operation that may synchronize, the operation on a particular MPI process $p$ is enabled when all other MPI processes $p_i \neq p$ in the group have started their related operation, while the operation on $p$ need not have started yet. (*End of rationale.*)

2.4.2 MPI Procedures

All MPI procedures can either be local or nonlocal—defined as follows:

**Nonlocal procedure:** An MPI procedure is nonlocal if returning may require, during its execution, some specific semantically-related MPI procedure to be called on another MPI process.

**Local procedure:** An MPI procedure is local if it is not nonlocal.

An MPI operation is implemented as a set of one or more MPI procedures. An MPI operation-related procedure implements at least a part of a stage of an MPI operation as described in Section 2.4.1. An MPI operation-related procedure may also implement one or more stages of one or several MPI operations. In certain cases, more than one MPI operation-related procedure may be needed to implement a single stage.

There are also other MPI procedures that do not implement any stage of any MPI operation.

The semantics of MPI operation-related procedures are described using two orthogonal (independent) concepts: completeness (depends on which stages are included) and locality. Such procedures can be either incomplete, or completing, or freeing, or completing and freeing based on the status of the associated operation at the time the procedure returns. Also, all such procedures can be described as either blocking or nonblocking, but these latter two terms refer to combinations of the completeness and locality concepts. Additionally, all MPI operation-related procedures can be collective or noncollective.

The following are properties of MPI operation-related procedures:

**Initialization procedure:** An MPI procedure is an initialization procedure if return from the procedure indicates that the associated operation has completed its initialization stage, which implies that the user has handed over control of the argument list (but not contents of the data buffers) to MPI. The user is still allowed to read or modify the contents of the data buffers. If an initializing procedure is not also the freeing procedure of the associated operation (see below) then the user is not permitted to deallocate the data buffers or to modify the array arguments.

**Starting procedure:** An MPI procedure is a starting procedure if return from the procedure indicates that the associated operation has completed its starting stage, which implies that the user has handed over control of the data buffers to MPI. If a starting procedure is not also a completing procedure of the associated operation (see
below) then the user is not permitted to modify input data buffers or to read output data buffers.

**Initiation procedure:** An MPI procedure is an **initiation procedure** if return from the procedure indicates that both the initialization and the starting stage have completed, which implies control of the entire argument list is handed over to MPI.

**Completing procedure:** An MPI procedure is called **completing** if return from the procedure indicates that at least one associated operation has finished its completion stage, which implies that the user can rely on the content of the output data buffers and modify the content of input and output data buffers of such operation(s). If a completing procedure is not also a freeing procedure (see below) then the user is not permitted to deallocate the data buffers or to modify the array arguments.

**Incomplete procedure:** An MPI procedure is called **incomplete** if it is not a completing procedure.

**Freeing procedure:** An MPI procedure is **freeing** if return from the procedure indicates that at least one associated operation has finished its freeing stage, which implies that the user can reuse all parameters specified when initializing such associated operation(s).

**Nonblocking procedure:** An MPI procedure is **nonblocking** if it is incomplete and local.

**Blocking procedure:** An MPI procedure is **blocking** if it is not nonblocking.

*Advice to users.* Note that for operation-related MPI procedures, in most cases incomplete procedures are local and completing procedures are nonlocal. Exceptions are noted where such procedures are defined. In many cases an additional prefix letter I as an abbreviation of the words **incomplete** and **immediate** marks nonblocking procedures in the procedure name.

Some categorization examples are listed below.

Nonblocking procedures:

- incomplete and local: MPI_ISEND, MPI_IRecv, MPI_IBCAST, MPI_IMPROBE, MPI_SEND_INIT, MPI_RECV_INIT, . . .

Blocking procedures:

- completing and nonlocal: MPI_SEND, MPI_RECV, MPI_BCAST, . . .
- incomplete and nonlocal: MPI_MPROBE, MPI_BCAST_INIT, . . ., MPI_FILE_{READ|WRITE}_{AT\_ALL\_ALL\_ORDERED}_BEGIN.
- completing and local: MPI_BSEND, MPI_RSEND, MPI_MRECV.

MPI procedures that are not MPI operation-related:

- MPI\_COMM\_RANK, MPI\_WTIME, MPI\_PROBE, MPI\_IPROBE, . . .

*(End of advice to users.)*

**Collective procedure:** An MPI procedure is **collective** if all processes in a group or groups of MPI processes need to invoke the procedure.
Initialization procedures of collective operations over the same process group must be executed in the same order by all members of the process group.

An MPI collective procedure is **synchronizing** if it will only return once all processes in the associated group or groups of MPI processes have called the appropriate matching MPI procedure.

The initiation procedures for nonblocking collective operations and the starting procedures for persistent collective operations are local and shall not be synchronizing.

All other procedures for collective operations, such as for blocking collective operations and the initialization procedures for persistent collective operations, may or may not be synchronizing.

*Advice to users.* Calling any synchronizing function is erroneous when there is no possibility of corresponding calls at all other processes in the associated process group.

Waiting for completion of any collective operation is erroneous when there is no possibility that all other processes in the associated group will be able to start the corresponding operation. *(End of advice to users.)*

**Noncollective procedure:** Noncollective procedures are defined as procedures that are not collective.

The definition of **local** and **nonlocal** MPI procedures can also be applied to a specific procedure invocation or to procedure calls under certain constraints. For example, a call to a completing receive procedure that happens after the related send operation was already started may be described as local, even though the completing receive procedure without the constraint is nonlocal. More generally, a call to any completing procedure that happens after the operation was already enabled is local, even if the completing procedure without the constraint is nonlocal. Another example, a call to a blocking collective procedure using a process group of size one is local, even if the blocking collective procedure without the constraint is nonlocal.

### 2.4.3 MPI Datatypes

For datatypes, the following terms are defined:

**predefined:** A predefined datatype is a datatype with a predefined (constant) name (such as `MPI_INT`, `MPI_FLOAT`, `MPI_PACKED`) or a datatype constructed with `MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_INTEGER`, `MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL`, or `MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_COMPLEX`. The former are named whereas the latter are unnamed.

**derived:** A derived datatype is any datatype that is not predefined.

**portable:** A datatype is portable if it is a predefined datatype, or it is derived from a portable datatype using only the type constructors `MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS`, `MPI_TYPE_VECTOR`, `MPI_TYPE_INDEXED`, `MPI_TYPE_CREATE_INDEXED_BLOCK`, `MPI_TYPE_CREATE_SUBARRAY`, `MPI_TYPE_DUP`, and `MPI_TYPE_CREATE_DARRAY`. Such a datatype is portable because all displacements in the datatype are in terms of extents of one predefined
2.5 Datatypes

2.5.1 Opaque Objects

MPI manages system memory that is used for buffering messages and for storing internal representations of various MPI objects such as groups, communicators, datatypes, etc. This memory is not directly accessible to the user, and objects stored there are opaque: their size and shape is not visible to the user. Opaque objects are accessed via handles, which exist in user space. MPI procedures that operate on opaque objects are passed handle arguments to access these objects. In addition to their use by MPI calls for object access, handles can participate in assignments and comparisons.

In Fortran with USE mpi or (deprecated) INCLUDE 'mpif.h', all handles have type INTEGER. In Fortran with USE mpi_f08, and in C, a different handle type is defined for each category of objects. With Fortran USE mpi_f08, the handles are defined as Fortran BIND(C) derived types that consist of only one element INTEGER :: MPI_VAL. The internal handle value is identical to the Fortran INTEGER value used in the mpi module and (deprecated) mpif.h. The operators .EQ., .NE., .EQ. and /= are overloaded to allow the comparison of these handles. The type names are identical to the names in C, except that they are not case sensitive. For example:

```
TYPE, BIND(C) :: MPI_Comm
   INTEGER :: MPI_VAL
END TYPE MPI_Comm
```

The C types must support the use of the assignment and equality operators.

Advice to implementors. In Fortran, the handle can be an index into a table of opaque objects in a system table; in C it can be such an index or a pointer to the object. (End of advice to implementors.)

Rationale. Since the Fortran integer values are equivalent, applications can easily convert MPI handles between all three supported Fortran methods. For example, an integer communicator handle COMM can be converted directly into an exactly equivalent mpi_f08 communicator handle named comm_f08 by comm_f08%MPI_VAL=COMM, and vice versa. The use of the INTEGER defined handles and the BIND(C) derived type handles...
is different: Fortran 2003 (and later) define that BIND(C) derived types can be used within user defined common blocks, but it is up to the rules of the companion C compiler how many numerical storage units are used for these BIND(C) derived type handles. Most compilers use one unit for both, the INTEGER handles and the handles defined as BIND(C) derived types. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. If a user wants to substitute the mpi module or the (deprecated) mpif.h by the mpi_f08 module and the application program stores a handle in a Fortran common block then it is necessary to change the Fortran support method in all application routines that use this common block, because the number of numerical storage units of such a handle can be different in the two modules. (End of advice to users.)

Opaque objects are allocated and deallocated by calls that are specific to each object type. These are listed in the sections where the objects are described. The calls accept a handle argument of matching type. In an allocate call this is an OUT argument that returns a valid reference to the object. In a call to deallocate this is an INOUT argument that returns with an “invalid handle” value. MPI provides an “invalid handle” constant for each object type. Comparisons to this constant are used to test for validity of the handle.

A call to a deallocate routine invalidates the handle and marks the object for deallocation. The object is not accessible to the user after the call. However, MPI need not deallocate the object immediately. Any operation pending (at the time of the deallocate) and decoupled MPI activity (see Section 2.9) that involves this object will complete normally; the object will be deallocated afterwards.

An opaque object and its handle are significant only at the process where the object was created and cannot be transferred to another process.

MPI provides certain predefined opaque objects and predefined, static handles to these objects. The user must not free such objects.

Rationale. This design hides the internal representation used for MPI data structures, thus allowing similar calls in C and Fortran. It also avoids conflicts with the typing rules in these languages, and easily allows future extensions of functionality. The mechanism for opaque objects used here loosely follows the POSIX Fortran binding standard.

The explicit separation of handles in user space and objects in system space allows space-reclaiming and deallocation calls to be made at appropriate points in the user program. If the opaque objects were in user space, one would have to be very careful not to go out of scope before any pending operation requiring that object completed. The specified design allows an object to be marked for deallocation, the user program can then go out of scope, and the object itself still persists until any pending operations are complete.

The requirement that handles support assignment/comparison is made since such operations are common. This restricts the domain of possible implementations. The alternative in C would have been to allow handles to have been an arbitrary, opaque type. This would force the introduction of routines to do assignment and comparison, adding complexity, and was therefore ruled out. In Fortran, the handles are defined such that assignment and comparison are available through the operators of the language or overloaded versions of these operators. (End of rationale.)
Advice to users. A user may accidentally create a dangling reference by assigning to a handle the value of another handle, and then deallocating the object associated with these handles. Conversely, if a handle variable is deallocated before the associated object is freed, then the object becomes inaccessible (this may occur, for example, if the handle is a local variable within a subroutine, and the subroutine is exited before the associated object is deallocated). It is the user’s responsibility to avoid adding or deleting references to opaque objects, except as a result of MPI calls that allocate or deallocate such objects. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. The intended semantics of opaque objects is that opaque objects are separate from one another; each call to allocate such an object copies all the information required for the object. Implementations may avoid excessive copying by substituting referencing for copying. For example, a derived datatype may contain references to its components, rather than copies of its components; a call to MPI_COMM_GROUP may return a reference to the group associated with the communicator, rather than a copy of this group. In such cases, the implementation must maintain reference counts, and allocate and deallocate objects in such a way that the visible effect is as if the objects were copied. (End of advice to implementors.)

2.5.2 Array Arguments

An MPI call may need an argument that is an array of opaque objects, or an array of handles. The array-of-handles is a regular array with entries that are handles to objects of the same type in consecutive locations in the array. Whenever such an array is used, an additional len argument is required to indicate the number of valid entries (unless this number can be derived otherwise). The valid entries are at the beginning of the array; len indicates how many of them there are, and need not be the size of the entire array. The same approach is followed for other array arguments. In some cases NULL handles are considered valid entries. When a NULL argument is desired for an array of statuses, one uses MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE.

2.5.3 State

MPI procedures use at various places arguments with state types. The values of such a datatype are all identified by names, and no operation is defined on them. For example, the MPI_TYPE_CREATE_SUBARRAY routine has a state argument order with values MPI_ORDER_C and MPI_ORDER_FORTRAN.

2.5.4 Named Constants

MPI procedures sometimes assign a special meaning to a special value of a basic type argument; e.g., tag is an integer-valued argument of point-to-point communication operations, with a special wild-card value, MPI_ANY_TAG. Such arguments will have a range of regular values, which is a proper subrange of the range of values of the corresponding basic type; special values (such as MPI_ANY_TAG) will be outside the regular range. The range of regular values, such as tag, can be queried using environmental inquiry functions, see Chapter 9. The range of other values, such as source, depends on values given by other MPI routines (in the case of source it is the communicator size).

MPI also provides predefined named constant handles, such as MPI_COMM_WORLD.
All named MPI constants, with the exceptions noted below for Fortran, can be used in initialization expressions or assignments. Opaque objects accessed by constant handles are defined and do not change value between MPI initialization (e.g., with MPI_INIT) and MPI finalization (e.g., with MPI_FINALIZE). The handles themselves are constants and can be also used in initialization expressions or assignments.

In C, all named MPI constants that are described as “integer constant expression” in Section A.1.1 must be implemented as C integer constant expressions of the specified integer type. All other MPI constants in C are not required to be C integer constant expressions but must be usable in initialization expressions and assignments. Thus, they are not guaranteed to be usable in array declarations or as case-labels in switch statements.

In Fortran, all named MPI constants (with the exceptions below) must be declared with the PARAMETER attribute. The constants that cannot be used in initialization expressions or assignments in Fortran are as follows:

- MPI_BOTTOM
- MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC
- MPI_STATUS_IGNORE
- MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE
- MPI_ERRCODES_IGNORE
- MPI_IN_PLACE
- MPI_ARGV_NULL
- MPI_ARGVS_NULL
- MPI_UNWEIGHTED
- MPI_WEIGHTS_EMPTY

Advice to implementors. In Fortran the implementation of these special constants may require the use of language constructs that are outside the Fortran standard. Using special values for the constants (e.g., by defining them through PARAMETER statements) is not possible because an implementation cannot distinguish these values from valid data. Typically, these constants are implemented as predefined static variables (e.g., a variable in an MPI-declared COMMON block), relying on the fact that the target compiler passes data by address. Inside the subroutine, this address can be extracted by some mechanism outside the Fortran standard (e.g., by Fortran extensions or by implementing the function in C). (End of advice to implementors.)

2.5.5 Choice

MPI functions sometimes use arguments with a choice (or union) data type. Distinct calls to the same routine may pass by reference actual arguments of different types. The mechanism for providing such arguments will differ from language to language. For Fortran with the (deprecated) include file mpif.h or the mpi module, the document uses <type> to represent a choice variable; with the Fortran mpi_f08 module, such arguments are declared with the Fortran 2018 syntax TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..); for C, we use void*.

Advice to implementors. Implementors can freely choose how to implement choice arguments in the mpi module, e.g., with a nonstandard compiler-dependent method that has the quality of the call mechanism in the implicit Fortran interfaces, or with the method defined for the mpi_f08 module. See details in Section 19.1.1. (End of advice to implementors.)
2.5.6 Absolute Addresses and Relative Address Displacements

Some MPI procedures use address arguments that represent an absolute address in the calling program, or relative displacement arguments that represent differences of two absolute addresses. The datatype of such arguments is MPI_Aint in C and INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) in Fortran. These types must have the same width and encode address values in the same manner such that address values in one language may be passed directly to another language without conversion. There is the MPI constant MPI_BOTTOM to indicate the start of the address range. For retrieving absolute addresses or any calculation with absolute addresses, one should use the routines and functions provided in Section 5.1.5. Section 5.1.12 provides additional rules for the correct use of absolute addresses. For expressions with relative displacements or other usage without absolute addresses, intrinsic operators (e.g., +, -, *) can be used.

Rationale. Byte displacement values need to be large enough to encode any value used for expressing absolute or relative memory addresses. Prior to MPI-4.0, some MPI routines used int in C and INTEGER in Fortran as the type for byte displacement arguments. To avoid breaking backward compatibility, this version of the standard continues to support int in C as well as INTEGER in Fortran in such routines. In addition, this version of the standard supports using MPI_Aint in C (via separate “_c” suffixed procedures) as well as INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) in Fortran (via polymorphic interfaces in newer MPI Fortran bindings (USE mpi_f08)) in such routines. See Section 19.2 for a full explanation. (End of rationale.)

2.5.7 File Offsets

For I/O there is a need to give the size, displacement, and offset into a file. These quantities can easily be larger than 32 bits, which can be the default size of a Fortran integer. To overcome this, these quantities are declared to be INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) in Fortran. In C one uses MPI_Offset. These types must have the same width and encode address values in the same manner such that offset values in one language may be passed directly to another language without conversion.

2.5.8 Counts

As described above, MPI defines types (e.g., MPI_Aint) to address locations within memory and other types (e.g., MPI_Offset) to address locations within files. In addition, some MPI procedures use count arguments that represent a number of MPI datatypes on which to operate. Furthermore, timestamps in the context of the MPI Tool Information Interface are a count of clock ticks elapsed since some time in the past. At times, one needs a single type that can be used to address locations within either memory or files as well as express count values, and that type is MPI_Count in C and INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) in Fortran. These types must have the same width and encode values in the same manner such that count values in one language may be passed directly to another language without conversion. The size of the MPI_Count type is determined by the MPI implementation with the restriction that it must be minimally capable of encoding any value that may be stored in a variable of type int, MPI_Aint, or MPI_Offset in C and of type INTEGER, INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), or INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) in Fortran. Even
though the MPI_Count type is large enough to encode address locations, the MPI_Count type shall not be used to represent an absolute address.

**Rationale.** Count values need to be large enough to encode any value used for expressing element counts, strides, offsets, indexes, displacements, typemaps in memory, typemaps in file views, etc. Prior to MPI-4.0, many MPI routines used int in C and INTEGER in Fortran as the type for count arguments. To avoid breaking backward compatibility, this version of the standard continues to support int in C as well as INTEGER in Fortran in such routines. In addition, this version of the standard supports using MPI_Count in C (via separate "_c" suffixed procedures) as well as INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) in Fortran (via polymorphic interfaces in newer MPI Fortran bindings (USE mpi_f08)) in such routines. See Section 19.2 for a full explanation. (*End of rationale.*)

The phrase **large count** refers to the use of MPI_Count and INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) parameter types.

There are cases where MPI_UNDEFINED can be returned in a large count OUT parameter. Per Table A.1.1 (page 851), the MPI_UNDEFINED constant is defined to be a C int (or unnamed enum) and a Fortran INTEGER. Implementations shall therefore choose the underlying types for MPI_Count and INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) such that they can be compared to MPI_UNDEFINED.

**Advice to implementors.** The comparison of MPI_UNDEFINED to an MPI_Count or INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) may need to be via a casting operation. (*End of advice to implementors.*)

### 2.6 Language Binding

This section defines the rules for MPI language binding in general and for Fortran, and ISO C, in particular. (Note that ANSI C has been replaced by ISO C.) Defined here are various object representations, as well as the naming conventions used for expressing this standard. The actual calling sequences are defined elsewhere.

MPI bindings are for Fortran 90 or later, though they were originally designed to be usable in Fortran 77 environments. With the mpi_f08 module, two new Fortran features, *assumed type* (i.e., TYPE(*)) and *assumed rank* (i.e., DIMENSION(.)), are also required, see Section 2.5.5.

Since the word `PARAMETER` is a keyword in the Fortran language, we use the word “argument” to denote the arguments to a subroutine. These are normally referred to as parameters in C, however, we expect that C programmers will understand the word “argument” (which has no specific meaning in C), thus allowing us to avoid unnecessary confusion for Fortran programmers.

Since Fortran is case insensitive, linkers may use either lower case or upper case when resolving Fortran names. Users of case sensitive languages should avoid any prefix of the form “MPI_” and “PMPI_”, where any of the letters are either upper or lower case.

#### 2.6.1 Deprecated and Removed Interfaces

A number of chapters refer to deprecated or replaced MPI constructs. These are constructs that continue to be part of the MPI standard, as documented in Chapter 16, but that users
are recommended not to continue using, since better solutions were provided with newer
versions of MPI. For example, the Fortran binding for MPI-1 functions that have address
arguments uses INTEGER. This is not consistent with the C binding, and causes problems on
machines with 32 bit INTEGERs and 64 bit addresses. In MPI-2, these functions were given
new names with new bindings for the address arguments. The use of the old functions was
declared as deprecated. For consistency, here and in a few other cases, new C functions are
also provided, even though the new functions are equivalent to the old functions. The old
names are deprecated.

Some of the previously deprecated constructs are now removed, as documented in
Chapter 17. They may still be provided by an implementation for backwards compatibility,
but are not required.

Table 2.1 shows a list of all of the deprecated and removed constructs. Note that some
C typedefs and Fortran subroutine names are included in this list; they are the types of
callback functions.

2.6.2 Fortran Binding Issues
Originally, MPI-1.1 provided bindings for Fortran 77. These bindings are retained, but they
are now interpreted in the context of the Fortran 90 standard. MPI can still be used with
most Fortran 77 compilers, as noted below. When the term “Fortran” is used it means
Fortran 90 or later; it means Fortran 2008 with TS 29113, which is now an integral part of
Fortran 2018 and later if the mpi_f08 module is used.

All Fortran MPI names have an MPI_ prefix. Although Fortran is not case sensitive, if
the mpi_f08 module is used, the first character after the MPI_ prefix is capital and all others
are lower case. If the mpi_f08 module is not used, all characters are capitals. Programs
must not declare names, e.g., for variables, subroutines, functions, parameters, derived
types, abstract interfaces, or modules, beginning with the prefix MPI_. To avoid conflicting
with the profiling interface, programs must also avoid subroutines and functions with the
prefix PMPI_. This is mandated to avoid possible name collisions.

All MPI Fortran subroutines have an error code in the last argument. With USE mpi_f08,
this last argument is declared as OPTIONAL, except for user-defined callback functions (e.g.,
COMM_COPY_ATTR_FUNCTION) and their predefined callbacks (e.g.,
MPI_COMM_NULL_COPY_FN). A few MPI operations that are functions do not have the
error code argument. The error code value for successful completion is MPI_SUCCESS. Other
error codes are implementation dependent; see the error codes in Chapter 9 and Annex A.

Constants representing the maximum length of a string are one smaller in Fortran than
in C as discussed in Section 19.3.9.

Handles are represented in Fortran as INTEGERs, or as a BIND(C) derived type with the
mpi_f08 module; see Section 2.5.1. Binary-valued variables are of type LOGICAL.

Array arguments are indexed from one.

The older MPI Fortran bindings—USE mpi and (deprecated) mpif.h—are inconsistent
with the Fortran standard in several respects. These inconsistencies, such as register op-
timization problems, have implications for user codes that are discussed in detail in Sec-
tion 19.1.16.

The support for large count and displacement in Fortran is only available when using
newer MPI Fortran bindings (USE mpi_f08). For better readability, all Fortran large count
procedure declarations are marked with a comment “!(_c)”.

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Table 2.1: Deprecated and removed constructs

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* Predefined datatype.
* 2 Predefined callback routine.
* 3 Predefined callback routine.
* 4 Constant.
* 5 Fortran intrinsic. **storage_size()** returns the size in bits instead of bytes; see Section 16.3.
* 6 in C / Fortran with the mpi_f08 module. No substitute for the mpi module and mpi_f08.h.

Other entries are regular MPI routines.

2.6.3 C Binding Issues

We use the ISO C declaration format. All MPI names have an **MPI** prefix, defined constants are in all capital letters, and defined types and functions have one capital letter after the prefix. Programs must not declare names (identifiers), e.g., for variables, functions, constants, types, or macros, beginning with any prefix of the form **MPI**, where any of the letters are either upper or lower case. To support the profiling interface, programs must not declare functions with names beginning with any prefix of the form **PMPI**, where any
of the letters are either upper or lower case.

The definition of named constants, function prototypes, and type definitions must be supplied in an include file `mpi.h`.

Almost all C functions return an error code. The successful return value will be `MPI_SUCCESS`, but error codes raised after a failure are implementation dependent.

Type declarations are provided for handles to each category of opaque objects.

Array arguments are indexed from zero.

Logical flags are integers with value 0 meaning “false” and a nonzero value meaning “true.”

Choice arguments are pointers of type `void*`.

2.6.4 Functions and Macros

An implementation is allowed to implement `MPI_AINT_ADD`, `PMPI_AINT_ADD`, `MPI_AINT_DIFF`, and `PMPI_AINT_DIFF`, and no others, as macros in C.

Advice to implementors. Implementors should document which routines are implemented as macros. (End of advice to implementors.)

Advice to users. If these routines are implemented as macros, they will not work with the MPI profiling interface. (End of advice to users.)

2.7 Processes

An MPI program consists of autonomous processes, executing their own code, in an MIMD style. The codes executed by each process need not be identical. The processes communicate via calls to MPI communication primitives. Typically, each process executes in its own address space, although shared-memory implementations of MPI are possible.

This document specifies the behavior of a parallel program assuming that only MPI calls are used. The interaction of an MPI program with other possible means of communication, I/O, and process management is not specified. Unless otherwise stated in the specification of the standard, MPI places no requirements on the result of its interaction with external mechanisms that provide similar or equivalent functionality. This includes, but is not limited to, interactions with external mechanisms for process control, shared and remote memory access, file system access and control, interprocess communication, process signaling, and terminal I/O. High quality implementations should strive to make the results of such interactions intuitive to users, and attempt to document restrictions where deemed necessary.

Advice to implementors. Implementations that support such additional mechanisms for functionality supported within MPI are expected to document how these interact with MPI. (End of advice to implementors.)

The interaction of MPI and threads is defined in Section 11.6.

MPI processes reside in the same shared memory domain if it is possible to share a segment of memory between them, i.e., to make a segment of memory (shared memory segment) concurrently accessible from all of those MPI processes through load/store accesses. For a group of processes belonging to more than one shared memory domain the creation of a subgroup of processes belonging to the same shared memory domain is defined in Section 7.4.2.
2.8 Error Handling

MPI provides the user with reliable message transmission. A message sent is always received correctly, and the user does not need to check for transmission errors, time-outs, or other error conditions. In other words, MPI does not provide mechanisms for dealing with transmission failures in the communication system. If the MPI implementation is built on an unreliable underlying mechanism, then it is the job of the implementor of the MPI subsystem to insulate the user from this unreliability, and to reflect only unrecoverable transmission failures. Whenever possible, such failures will be reflected as errors in the relevant communication call.

Similarly, MPI itself provides no mechanisms for handling MPI process failures, that is, when an MPI process unexpectedly and permanently stops communicating (e.g., a software or hardware crash results in an MPI process terminating unexpectedly).

Of course, MPI programs may still be erroneous. A program error can occur when an MPI call is made with an incorrect argument (nonexisting destination in a send operation, buffer too small in a receive operation, etc.). This type of error would occur in any implementation. In addition, a resource error may occur when a program exceeds the amount of available system resources (number of pending messages, system buffers, etc.). The occurrence of this type of error depends on the amount of available resources in the system and the resource allocation mechanism used; this may differ from system to system. A high-quality implementation will provide generous limits on the important resources so as to alleviate the portability problem this represents.

In C and Fortran, almost all MPI calls return a code that indicates successful completion of the operation. Whenever possible, MPI calls return an error code if an error occurred during the call. By default, an error detected during the execution of the MPI library causes the parallel computation to abort, except for file operations. However, MPI provides mechanisms for users to change this default and to handle recoverable errors. The user may specify that no error is fatal, and handle error codes returned by MPI calls by themselves. Also, the user may provide user-defined error-handling routines, which will be invoked whenever an MPI call returns abnormally. The MPI error handling facilities are described in Section 9.3.

Several factors limit the ability of MPI calls to return with meaningful error codes when an error occurs. MPI may not be able to detect some errors; other errors may be too expensive to detect in normal execution mode; some faults (e.g., memory faults) may corrupt the state of the MPI library and its outputs; finally some errors may be “catastrophic” and may prevent MPI from returning control to the caller.

In addition, some errors may be detected in operations that do not refer to an MPI object from which the associated error handler can be obtained. Error handler associations are further described in Section 9.3. In such cases, these errors will be raised on the communicator MPI_COMM_SELF when using the World Model (see Section 11.2). When MPI_COMM_SELF is not initialized (i.e., before MPI_INIT / MPI_INIT_THREAD, after MPI_FINALIZE, or when using the Sessions Model exclusively) the error raises the initial error handler (set during the launch operation, see 11.8.4). The Sessions Model is described in Section 11.3.

Lastly, some errors may be detected after the associated operation has completed locally. An example of such a case arises because of the nature of asynchronous communications: MPI calls may initiate operations that continue asynchronously after the call returned. Thus, the operation may return with a code indicating successful completion,
yet later cause an error to be raised. If there is a subsequent call that relates to the same operation (e.g., a call that verifies that an asynchronous operation has completed) then the error argument associated with this call will be used to indicate the nature of the error. In a few cases, the error may occur after all calls that relate to the operation have returned, so that no error value can be used to indicate the nature of the error (e.g., an erroneous program on the receiver in a send with the ready mode).

This document does not specify the state of a computation after an erroneous MPI call has occurred. The desired behavior is that a relevant error code be returned, and the effect of the error be localized to the greatest possible extent. E.g., it is highly desirable that an erroneous receive call will not cause any part of the receiver’s memory to be overwritten, beyond the area specified for receiving the message.

Implementations may go beyond this document in supporting in a meaningful manner MPI calls that are defined here to be erroneous. For example, MPI specifies strict type matching rules between matching send and receive operations: it is erroneous to send a floating point variable and receive an integer. Implementations may go beyond these type matching rules, and provide automatic type conversion in such situations. It will be helpful to generate warnings for such nonconforming behavior.

MPI defines a way for users to create new error codes as defined in Section 9.5.

2.9 Progress

MPI communication operations or parallel I/O patterns typically comprise several related operations executed in one or multiple MPI processes. Examples are the point-to-point communications with one MPI process executing a send operation and another (or the same) MPI process executing a receive operation, or all MPI processes of a group executing a collective operation.

Within each MPI process parts of the communication or parallel I/O pattern are executed within the MPI procedure calls that belong to the operation in that MPI process, whereas other parts are **decoupled MPI activities**, i.e., they may be executed within an additional progress thread, offloaded to the network interface controller (NIC), or executed within other MPI procedure calls that are not semantically related to the given communication or parallel I/O pattern.

An MPI procedure invocation is **blocked** if it delays its return until some specific activity or state-change has occurred in another MPI process. An MPI procedure call that is **blocked** can be

- a **nonlocal** MPI procedure call that delays its return until a specific semantically-related MPI call on another MPI process, or

- a **local** MPI procedure call that delays its return until some unspecific MPI call in another MPI process causes a specific state-change in that other MPI process, or

- an MPI finalization procedure (MPI_FINALIZE or MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE) that delays its return or exit because this MPI finalization must guarantee that all decoupled MPI activities that are related to that MPI finalization call in the calling MPI process will be executed before this MPI finalization is finished. Note that an MPI finalization procedure may execute attribute deletion callback functions prior to the finalization (see Section 11.2.4); these callback functions may generate additional decoupled MPI activities.
Some examples of a nonlocal blocked MPI procedure call:

- **MPI_SSEND** delays its return until the matching receive operation is started at the destination MPI process (for example, by a call to MPI_RECV or to MPI_IRECV).
- **MPI_RECV** delays its return until the matching send operation is started at the source MPI process (for example, by a call to MPI_SEND or to MPI_ISEND).

Some examples of a local blocked MPI procedure call:

- **MPI_RSEND**, if the message data cannot be entirely buffered, delays its return until the destination MPI process has received the portion of message data that cannot be buffered, which may require one or more unspecified MPI procedure call(s) at the destination MPI process.
- **MPI_RECV**, in case the message was buffered at the sending MPI process (e.g. with MPI_BSEND), delays its return until the message is received, which may require one or more unspecified MPI procedure calls at the sending MPI process to send the buffered data.

All MPI processes are required to guarantee progress, i.e., all decoupled MPI activities will eventually be executed. This guarantee is required to be provided during

- blocked MPI procedures, and
- repeatedly called MPI test procedures (see below) that return flag=false.

The progress must be provided independently of whether a decoupled MPI activity belongs to a specific session or to the World Model (see Sections 11.2 and 11.3). Other ways of fulfilling this guarantee are possible and permitted (for example, a dedicated progress thread or off-loading to a network interface controller (NIC)).

MPI test procedures are **MPI_TEST**, **MPI_TESTANY**, **MPI_TESTALL**, **MPI_TESTSOME**, **MPI_IPROBE**, **MPI_IMPROBE**, **MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS**, **MPI_WIN_TEST**, and **MPI_PARRIVED**.

Strong progress is provided by an MPI implementation if all local procedures return independently of MPI procedure calls in other MPI processes (operation-related or not). An MPI implementation provides weak progress if it does not provide strong progress.

Advice to users. The type of progress may influence the performance of MPI operations. A correct MPI application must be written under the assumption that only weak progress is provided. Every MPI application that is correct under weak progress will be correctly executed if strong progress is provided. In addition, the MPI standard is designed such that correctness under the assumption of strong progress should imply also correctness if only weak progress is provided by the implementation. (End of advice to users.)

Rationale. MPI does not guarantee progress when using synchronization methods that are not based on MPI procedures. Without guaranteed strong progress in MPI this may lead to a deadlock, see for example Section 2.7 and Example 12.13 in Section 12.7.3. (End of rationale.)

For further rules, see in Section 2.4.2 the definition of local MPI procedures, and all references to progress in the general index.
2.10 Implementation Issues

There are a number of areas where an MPI implementation may interact with the operating environment and system. While MPI does not mandate that any services (such as signal handling) be provided, it does strongly suggest the behavior to be provided if those services are available. This is an important point in achieving portability across platforms that provide the same set of services.

2.10.1 Independence of Basic Runtime Routines

MPI programs require that library routines that are part of the basic language environment (such as write in Fortran and printf and malloc in ISO C) and are executed after MPI_INIT and before MPI_FINALIZE operate independently and that their completion is independent of the action of other processes in an MPI program.

Note that this in no way prevents the creation of library routines that provide parallel services whose operation is collective. However, the following program is expected to complete in an ISO C environment regardless of the size of MPI_COMM_WORLD (assuming that printf is available at the executing MPI processes).

```c
int commworld_rank;
MPI_Init((void *)0, (void *)0);
MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &commworld_rank);
if (commworld_rank == 0) printf("Starting program\n");
MPI_Finalize();
```

The corresponding Fortran programs are also expected to complete.

An example of what is not required is any particular ordering of the action of these routines when called by several MPI processes. For example, MPI makes neither requirements nor recommendations for the output from the following program (again assuming that I/O is available at the executing MPI processes).

```c
MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &commworld_rank);
printf("Output from MPI process where commworld_rank=%d\n",
       commworld_rank);
```

In addition, calls that fail because of resource exhaustion or other error are not considered a violation of the requirements here (however, they are required to complete, just not to complete successfully).

2.10.2 Interaction with Signals

MPI does not specify the interaction of processes with signals and does not require that MPI be signal safe. The implementation may reserve some signals for its own use. It is required that the implementation document which signals it uses, and it is strongly recommended that it not use SIGALRM, SIGFPE, or SIGIO. Implementations may also prohibit the use of MPI calls from within signal handlers.

In multithreaded environments, users can avoid conflicts between signals and the MPI library by catching signals only on threads that do not execute MPI calls. High quality single-threaded implementations will be signal safe: an MPI call suspended by a signal will resume and complete normally after the signal is handled.
2.11 Examples

The examples in this document are for illustration purposes only. They are not intended to specify the standard. Many of the examples have been compiled by tools that extract the examples from the source files for the MPI standard. However, the examples have not been carefully checked or verified.
Chapter 3
Point-to-Point Communication

3.1 Introduction

Sending and receiving of messages by MPI processes is the basic MPI communication mechanism. The basic point-to-point communication operations are send and receive. Their use is illustrated in Example 3.1.

Example 3.1. A simple ‘hello world’ example usage of point-to-point communication.

```c
#include "mpi.h"
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    char message[20];
    int myrank;
    MPI_Status status;
    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &myrank);
    if (myrank == 0) /* code for process zero */
    {
        strcpy(message,"Hello, there");
        MPI_Send(message, strlen(message)+1, MPI_CHAR, 1, 99, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
    }
    else if (myrank == 1) /* code for process one */
    {
        MPI_Recv(message, 20, MPI_CHAR, 0, 99, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &status);
        printf("received :%s:\n", message);
    }
    MPI_Finalize();
    return 0;
}
```

In Example 3.1, process zero (myrank = 0, strictly ‘the MPI process with rank 0 in communicator MPI_COMM_WORLD’) sends a message to process one using the send operation MPI_SEND. The operation specifies a send buffer in the sender memory from which the message data is taken. In the example above, the send buffer consists of the storage containing the variable message in the memory of process zero. The location, size and type of the send buffer are specified by the first three parameters of the send operation. The message sent will contain the 13 characters of this variable. In addition, the send operation associates an envelope with the message. This envelope specifies the message destination and contains distinguishing information that can be used by the receive operation to select a particular message. The last three parameters of the send operation, along with the rank
of the sender, specify the *envelope* for the message sent.

Process one (*myrank = 1*, strictly ‘the MPI process with rank 1 in communicator
`MPI_COMM_WORLD`’) receives this message with the *receive* operation `MPI_RECV`. The
message to be received is selected according to the value of its *envelope*, and the *message
data* is stored into the *receive buffer*. In the example above, the receive buffer consists of
the storage containing the string *message* in the memory of process one. The first three
parameters of the receive operation specify the location, size and type of the receive buffer.
The next three parameters are used for selecting the incoming message. The last parameter
is used to return information on the message just received.

*Advice to users.* Colloquial usage commonly permits references to “rank 0” or
“process 0”, which are strictly ambiguous and ideally should be qualified by including
the relevant context, for example, the MPI communicator in the case above. (*End of
advice to users.*)

The next sections describe the blocking send and receive operations. We discuss send,
receive, blocking communication semantics, type matching requirements, type conversion in
heterogeneous environments, and more general communication modes. Nonblocking com-
munication is addressed next, followed by probing and cancelling a message, channel-like
constructs and send-receive operations, ending with a description of the “dummy” MPI
process, `MPI_PROC_NULL`.

### 3.2 Blocking Send and Receive Operations

#### 3.2.1 Blocking Send

The syntax of the *blocking send* procedure is given below.

```c
MPI_SEND(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm)
```

- **IN buf**: initial address of send buffer (choice)
- **IN count**: number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
- **IN datatype**: datatype of each send buffer element (handle)
- **IN dest**: rank of destination (integer)
- **IN tag**: message tag (integer)
- **IN comm**: communicator (handle)

**C binding**

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

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Send(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror)
```

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**Table 3.1: Predefined MPI datatypes corresponding to Fortran datatypes**

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```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Send(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror) !(_c)
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_SEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR
```

The blocking semantics of this call are described in Section 3.4.

#### 3.2.2 Message Data

The send buffer specified by the MPI_SEND procedure consists of `count` successive entries of the type indicated by `datatype`, starting with the entry at address `buf`. Note that we specify the message length in terms of number of *elements*, not number of *bytes*. The former is machine independent and closer to the application level.

The data part of the message consists of a sequence of `count` values, each of the type indicated by `datatype`. `count` may be zero, in which case the data part of the message is empty. The *basic datatypes* that can be specified for message data values correspond to the basic datatypes of the host language. Possible values of this argument for Fortran and the corresponding Fortran types are listed in Table 3.1. Possible values for this argument for C and the corresponding C types are listed in Table 3.2.

The datatypes MPI_BYTE and MPI_PACKED do not correspond to a Fortran or C datatype. A value of type MPI_BYTE consists of a byte (8 binary digits). A byte is uninterpreted and is different from a character. Different machines may have different representations for characters, or may use more than one byte to represent characters. On the other
Table 3.2: Predefined MPI datatypes corresponding to C datatypes

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MPI datatype</th>
<th>C datatype</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MPI_CHAR</td>
<td>char (treated as printable character)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_SHORT</td>
<td>signed short int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_INT</td>
<td>signed int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_LONG</td>
<td>signed long int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_LONG_LONG</td>
<td>signed long int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_LONG_LONG (as a synonym)</td>
<td>signed long int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_SIGNED_CHAR</td>
<td>signed char (treated as integral value)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_UNSIGNED_CHAR</td>
<td>unsigned char (treated as integral value)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_UNSIGNED_SHORT</td>
<td>unsigned short int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_UNSIGNED</td>
<td>unsigned int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG</td>
<td>unsigned long int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG_LONG</td>
<td>unsigned long long int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_FLOAT</td>
<td>float</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_DOUBLE</td>
<td>double</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_LONG_DOUBLE</td>
<td>long double</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_WCHAR</td>
<td>wchar_t (defined in <code>&lt;stddef.h&gt;</code>)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_C_BOOL</td>
<td>_Bool</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_INT8_T</td>
<td>int8_t</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_INT16_T</td>
<td>int16_t</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_INT32_T</td>
<td>int32_t</td>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_INT64_T</td>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_UINT64_T</td>
<td>uint64_t</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_C_COMPLEX</td>
<td>float _Complex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_C_FLOAT_COMPLEX</td>
<td>float _Complex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_C_DOUBLE_COMPLEX</td>
<td>double _Complex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_C_LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX</td>
<td>long double _Complex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_BYTE</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_PACKED</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Hand, a byte has the same binary value on all machines. The use of the type MPI_PACKED is explained in Section 5.2.

MPI requires support of these datatypes, which match the basic datatypes of Fortran and ISO C. Additional MPI datatypes should be provided if the host language has additional datatypes\(^1\): MPI_DOUBLE_COMPLEX for double precision complex in Fortran
denotes.

\(^1\)These types, such as DOUBLE_COMPLEX and INTEGER*4, are not specified by any Fortran standard but are
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Table 3.3: Predefined MPI datatypes corresponding to both C and Fortran datatypes

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MPI datatype</th>
<th>C datatype</th>
<th>Fortran datatype</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MPI_AINT</td>
<td>MPI_Aint</td>
<td>INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_OFFSET</td>
<td>MPI_Offset</td>
<td>INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_COUNT</td>
<td>MPI_Count</td>
<td>INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 3.4: Predefined MPI datatypes corresponding to C++ datatypes

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MPI datatype</th>
<th>C++ datatype</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MPI_CXX_BOOL</td>
<td>bool</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_CXX_FLOAT_COMPLEX</td>
<td>std::complex&lt;float&gt;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_CXX_DOUBLE_COMPLEX</td>
<td>std::complex&lt;double&gt;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_CXX_LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX</td>
<td>std::complex&lt;long double&gt;</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

declared to be of type DOUBLE COMPLEX; MPI_REAL2, MPI_REAL4, MPI_REAL8, and MPI_REAL16 for Fortran reals, declared to be of type REAL*2, REAL*4, REAL*8, and REAL*16, respectively; MPI_INTEGER1, MPI_INTEGER2, MPI_INTEGER4, and MPI_INTEGER8 for Fortran integers, declared to be of type INTEGER*1, INTEGER*2, INTEGER*4, and INTEGER*8, respectively; MPI_COMPLEX4, MPI_COMPLEX8, MPI_COMPLEX16, and MPI_COMPLEX32 for complex numbers in Fortran declared to be of type COMPLEX*4, COMPLEX*8, COMPLEX*16, and COMPLEX*32, respectively; etc.

Rationale. One goal of the design is to allow for MPI to be implemented as a library, with no need for additional preprocessing or compilation. Thus, one cannot assume that a communication call has information on the datatype of variables in the communication buffer; this information must be supplied by an explicit argument. The need for such datatype information will become clear in Section 3.3.2. (End of rationale.)

The datatypes MPI_AINT, MPI_OFFSET, and MPI_COUNT correspond to the MPI-defined C types MPI_Aint, MPI_Offset, and MPI_Count and their Fortran equivalents INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), and INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND). This is described in Table 3.3. All predefined datatype handles are available in all language bindings. See Sections 19.3.6 and 19.3.10 on page 840 and 847 for information on interlanguage communication with these types.

If there is an accompanying C++ compiler then the datatypes in Table 3.4 are also supported in C and Fortran.

3.2.3 Message Envelope

In addition to the data part, messages carry information that can be used to distinguish messages and selectively receive them. This information consists of a fixed number of fields, which we collectively call the message envelope. These fields are

source

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extensions commonly accepted by Fortran compilers.
The message source is implicitly determined by the identity of the message sender. The other fields are specified by arguments in the send procedure.

The message destination is specified by the dest argument.

The integer-valued message tag is specified by the tag argument. This integer can be used by the program to distinguish different types of messages. The range of valid tag values is 0, ..., UB, where the value of UB is implementation dependent. It can be found by querying the value of the attribute MPI_TAG_UB, as described in Chapter 9. MPI requires that UB be no less than 32767.

The comm argument specifies the communicator that is used for the send operation. Communicators are explained in Chapter 7; below is a brief summary of their usage.

A communicator specifies the communication context for a communication operation. Each communication context provides a separate “communication universe”: messages are always received within the context they were sent, and messages sent in different contexts do not interfere.

The communicator also specifies the group of MPI processes that share this communication context. This MPI process group is ordered and MPI processes are identified by their rank within this group. Thus, the range of valid values for dest is 0, ..., n - 1 ∪ {MPI_PROC_NULL}, where n is the number of MPI processes in the group. (If the communicator is an inter-communicator, then destinations are identified by their rank in the remote group. See Chapter 7.)

An MPI process may have a different rank in each group in which it is a member.

When using the World Model (see Section 11.2), a predefined communicator MPI_COMM_WORLD is provided by MPI. It allows communication with all MPI processes that are accessible after MPI initialization and MPI processes are identified by their rank in the group of MPI_COMM_WORLD.

Advice to users. Users that are comfortable with the notion of a flat namespace for MPI processes, and a single communication context, as offered by most existing communication libraries, need only use the World Model for MPI initialization, and the predefined variable MPI_COMM_WORLD as the comm argument. This will allow communication with all the MPI processes available at initialization time.

Users may define new communicators, as explained in Chapter 7. Communicators provide an important encapsulation mechanism for libraries and modules. They allow modules to have their own disjoint communication universe and their own MPI process numbering scheme. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. The message envelope would normally be encoded by a fixed-length message header. However, the actual encoding is implementation dependent. Some of the information (e.g., source or destination) may be implicit, and need not be explicitly carried by messages. Also, MPI processes may be identified by relative ranks, or absolute ids, etc. (End of advice to implementors.)

3.2.4 Blocking Receive

The syntax of the blocking receive procedure is given below.
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MPI_RECV(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, status)

OUT buf initial address of receive buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in receive buffer (non-negative integer)
IN datatype datatype of each receive buffer element (handle)
IN source rank of source or MPI_ANY_SOURCE (integer)
IN tag message tag or MPI_ANY_TAG (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT status status object (status)

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

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

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Recv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, status, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
INTEGER, Intent(IN) :: count, source, tag
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), Intent(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), Intent(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, Intent(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Recv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, status, ierror) !( _c )

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), Intent(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), Intent(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, Intent(IN) :: source, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), Intent(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, Intent(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_RECV(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, STATUS, IERROR)

<type> BUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

The blocking semantics of this call are described in Section 3.4.

The receive buffer consists of the storage containing count consecutive elements of the
type specified by datatype, starting at address buf. The length of the received message must
be less than or equal to the length of the receive buffer. An overflow error occurs if all
incoming data does not fit, without truncation, into the receive buffer.

If a message that is shorter than the receive buffer arrives, then only those locations
corresponding to the (shorter) message are modified.
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Advice to users. The MPI_PROBE function described in Section 3.8 can be used to receive messages of unknown length. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. Even though no specific behavior is mandated by MPI for erroneous programs, the recommended handling of overflow situations is to return in status information about the source and tag of the incoming message. The receive procedure will return an error code. High-quality implementations will also ensure that no memory that is outside the receive buffer will ever be overwritten.

In the case of a message shorter than the receive buffer, MPI is quite strict in that it allows no modification of the other locations. A more lenient statement would allow for some optimizations but this is not allowed. The implementation must be ready to end a copy into the receiver memory exactly at the end of the receive buffer, even if it is an odd address. (End of advice to implementors.)

The selection of a message by a receive operation is governed by the value of the message envelope. A message can be received by a receive operation if its envelope matches the source, tag and comm values specified by the receive operation. The receiver may specify a wildcard MPI_ANY_SOURCE value for source, and/or a wildcard MPI_ANY_TAG value for tag, indicating that any source and/or tag are acceptable. It cannot specify a wildcard value for comm. Thus, a message can be received by a receive operation only if it is addressed to the receiving MPI process, has a matching communicator, has matching source unless source = MPI_ANY_SOURCE in the pattern, and has a matching tag unless tag = MPI_ANY_TAG in the pattern.

The message tag is specified by the tag argument of the receive operation. The argument source, if different from MPI_ANY_SOURCE, is specified as a rank within the MPI process group associated with that same communicator (remote MPI process group, for inter-communicators). Thus, the range of valid values for the source argument is \{0, \ldots, n - 1\} \cup \{MPI_ANY_SOURCE\} \cup \{MPI_PROC_NULL\}, where n is the number of MPI processes in this group.

Note the asymmetry between send and receive operations: A receive operation may accept messages from an arbitrary sender, on the other hand, a send operation must specify a unique receiver. This matches a “push” communication mechanism, where data transfer is effected by the sender (rather than a “pull” mechanism, where data transfer is effected by the receiver).

Source = destination is allowed, that is, an MPI process can send a message to itself. However, it is unsafe to do so with the blocking send and receive operations described above, since this may lead to deadlock. See Section 3.5.

Advice to implementors. Message context and other communicator information can be implemented as an additional tag field. It differs from the regular message tag in that wild card matching is not allowed on this field, and that value setting for this field is controlled by communicator manipulation functions. (End of advice to implementors.)

The use of dest = MPI_PROC_NULL or source = MPI_PROC_NULL to define a “dummy” destination or source in any send or receive call is described in Section 3.10.
3.2.5 Return Status

The source or tag of a received message may not be known if wildcard values were used in the receive operation. Also, if multiple requests are completed by a single MPI function (see Section 3.7.5), a distinct error code may need to be returned for each request. The information is returned by the status argument of MPI_RECV. The type of status is MPI-defined. Status variables need to be explicitly allocated by the user, that is, they are not system objects.

In C, status is a structure that contains three fields named MPI_SOURCE, MPI_TAG, and MPI_ERROR; the structure may contain additional fields. Thus, status.MPI_SOURCE, status.MPI_TAG, and status.MPI_ERROR contain the source, tag, and error code, respectively, of the received message.

In Fortran with USE mpi or (deprecated) INCLUDE 'mpif.h', status is an array of INTEGERS of size MPI_STATUS_SIZE. The constants MPI_SOURCE, MPI_TAG, and MPI_ERROR are the indices of the entries that store the source, tag, and error fields. Thus, status(MPI_SOURCE), status(MPI_TAG), and status(MPI_ERROR) contain, respectively, the source, tag, and error code of the received message.

With Fortran USE mpi_f08, status is defined as the Fortran BIND(C) derived type TYPE(MPI_Status) containing three public INTEGER fields named MPI_SOURCE, MPI_TAG, and MPI_ERROR. Thus, status%MPI_SOURCE, status%MPI_TAG, and status%MPI_ERROR contain the source, tag, and error code of a received message respectively. Additionally, within both the mpi and the mpi_f08 modules, the constants MPI_STATUS_SIZE, MPI_SOURCE, MPI_TAG, MPI_ERROR, and TYPE(MPI_Status) are defined to allow conversion between both status representations. Conversion routines are provided in Section 19.3.5.

Rationale. The Fortran TYPE(MPI_Status) is defined as a BIND(C) derived type so that it can be used at any location where the status integer array representation can be used, e.g., in user defined common blocks. (End of rationale.)

Rationale. It is allowed to have the same name (e.g., MPI_SOURCE) defined as a constant (e.g., Fortran parameter) and as a field of a derived type. (End of rationale.)

In general, message-passing calls do not modify the value of the error code field of status variables. This field may be updated only by the functions in Section 3.7.5 that return multiple status. The field is updated if and only if such function returns with an error code of MPI_ERR_IN_STATUS.

Rationale. The error field in status is not needed for calls that return only one status, such as MPI_WAIT, since that would only duplicate the information returned by the function itself. The current design avoids the additional overhead of setting it, in such cases. The field is needed for calls that return multiple status, since each request may have had a different failure. (End of rationale.)

The status argument also returns information on the length of the message received. However, this information is not directly available as a field of the status variable and a call to MPI_GET_COUNT is required to “decode” this information.
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MPI\_GET\_COUNT(status, datatype, count)

\textbf{IN} \hspace{1em} \textbf{status} \hspace{1em} return status of receive operation (status)
\textbf{IN} \hspace{1em} \textbf{datatype} \hspace{1em} datatype of each receive buffer entry (handle)
\textbf{OUT} \hspace{1em} \textbf{count} \hspace{1em} number of received entries (integer)

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Get_count(const MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype, int *count)
int MPI_Get_count_c(const MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                     MPI_Count *count)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Get_count(status, datatype, count, ierror)
  \textbf{TYPE} (MPI\_Status), \textbf{INTENT} (IN) :: status
  \textbf{TYPE} (MPI\_Datatype), \textbf{INTENT} (IN) :: datatype
  \textbf{INTEGER}, \textbf{INTENT} (OUT) :: count
  \textbf{INTEGER}, \textbf{OPTIONAL}, \textbf{INTENT} (OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Get_count(status, datatype, count, ierror) !(_c)
  \textbf{TYPE} (MPI\_Status), \textbf{INTENT} (IN) :: status
  \textbf{TYPE} (MPI\_Datatype), \textbf{INTENT} (IN) :: datatype
  \textbf{INTEGER} (\textbf{KIND} = MPI\_COUNT\_KIND), \textbf{INTENT} (OUT) :: count
  \textbf{INTEGER}, \textbf{OPTIONAL}, \textbf{INTENT} (OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_GET\_COUNT\_RING (STATUS, DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR)
  \textbf{INTEGER} \textbf{STATUS} (MPI\_STATUS\_SIZE), DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR
\end{verbatim}

Returns the number of entries received. (Again, we count \textit{entries}, each of type \textit{datatype}, not \textit{bytes}.) The \textit{datatype} argument should match the argument provided by the receive call that set the \textit{status} variable. If the number of entries received exceeds the limits of the \textit{count} parameter, then \textbf{MPI\_GET\_COUNT} sets the value of \textit{count} to \textbf{MPI\_UNDEFINED}. There are other situations where the value of \textit{count} can be set to \textbf{MPI\_UNDEFINED}; see Section 5.1.11.

\textit{Rationale.} Some message-passing libraries use \textbf{INOUT count, tag} and \textbf{source} arguments, thus using them both to specify the selection criteria for incoming messages and return the actual \textit{envelope} values of the received message. The use of a separate \textit{status} argument prevents errors that are often attached with \textbf{INOUT} argument (e.g., using the \textbf{MPI\_ANY\_TAG} constant as the tag in a receive). Some libraries use calls that refer implicitly to the “last message received.” This is not thread safe.

The \textit{datatype} argument is passed to \textbf{MPI\_GET\_COUNT} so as to improve performance. A message might be received without counting the number of elements it contains, and the \textit{count} value is often not needed. Also, this allows the same function to be used after a call to \textbf{MPI\_PROBE} or \textbf{MPI\_IPROBE}. With a status from \textbf{MPI\_PROBE} or \textbf{MPI\_IPROBE}, the same datatypes are allowed as in a call to \textbf{MPI\_RECV} to receive this message. (End of rationale.)

The value returned as the \textit{count} argument of \textbf{MPI\_GET\_COUNT} for a \textit{datatype} of length zero where zero bytes have been transferred is zero. If the number of bytes transferred is greater than zero, \textbf{MPI\_UNDEFINED} is returned.

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Rationale. Zero-length datatypes may be created in a number of cases. An important case is MPI_TYPE_CREATE_DARRAY, where the definition of the particular darray results in an empty block on some MPI process. Programs written in an SPMD style will not check for this special case and may want to use MPI_GET_COUNT to check the status. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. The buffer size required for the receive can be affected by data conversions and by the stride of the receive datatype. In most cases, the safest approach is to use the same datatype with MPI_GET_COUNT and the receive. (End of advice to users.)

All send and receive operations use the buf, count, datatype, source, dest, tag, comm, and status arguments in the same way as the blocking MPI_SEND and MPI_RECV procedures described in this section.

While the MPI_SOURCE, MPI_TAG, and MPI_ERROR status values are directly accessible by the user, for convenience in some contexts, users can also access them via procedure calls, as described below.

MPI_STATUS_GET_SOURCE(status, source)

IN status     status from which to retrieve source rank (status)
OUT source    rank set in the MPI_SOURCE field (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Status_get_source(MPI_Status *status, int *source)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Status_get_source(status, source, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_STATUS_GET_SOURCE(STATUS, SOURCE, IERROR)
   INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), SOURCE, IERROR

   Returns in source the value of the MPI_SOURCE field in the status object.

MPI_STATUS_GET_TAG(status, tag)

IN status     status from which to retrieve tag (status)
OUT tag       tag set in the MPI_TAG field (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Status_get_tag(MPI_Status *status, int *tag)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Status_get_tag(status, tag, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
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INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: tag
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_STATUS_GET_TAG(STATUS, TAG, IERROR)
INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), TAG, IERROR

Returns in tag the value in the MPI_TAG field of the status object.

MPI_STATUS_GET_ERROR(status, err)
IN status status from which to retrieve error (status)
OUT err error set in the MPI_ERROR field (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Status_get_error(MPI_Status *status, int *err)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Status_get_error(status, err, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: err
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_STATUS_GET_ERROR(STATUS, ERR, IERROR)
INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), ERR, IERROR

Returns in err the value in the MPI_ERROR field of the status object.

Procedures for setting these fields in a status object are defined in Section 13.3.

3.2.6 Passing MPI_STATUS_IGNORE for Status

Every call to MPI_RECV includes a status argument, wherein the system can return details about the message received. There are also a number of other MPI calls where status is returned. An object of type MPI_Status is not an MPI opaque object; its structure is declared in mpi.h and (deprecated) mpif.h, and it exists in the user’s program. In many cases, application programs are constructed so that it is unnecessary for them to examine the status fields. In these cases, it is a waste for the user to allocate a status object, and it is particularly wasteful for the MPI implementation to fill in fields in this object.

To cope with this problem, there are two predefined constants, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE and MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE, which when passed to a receive, probe, wait, or test function, inform the implementation that the status fields are not to be filled in. Note that MPI_STATUS_IGNORE is not a special type of MPI_Status object; rather, it is a special value for the argument. In C one would expect it to be NULL, not the address of a special MPI_Status.

MPI_STATUS_IGNORE, and the array version MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE, can be used everywhere a status argument is passed to a receive, wait, or test function. MPI_STATUS_IGNORE cannot be used when status is an IN argument. Note that in Fortran MPI_STATUS_IGNORE and MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE are objects like MPI_BOTTOM (not usable for initialization or assignment), see Section 2.5.4.

In general, this optimization can apply to all functions for which status or an array of statuses is an OUT argument. Note that this converts status into an INOUT argument. The
functions that can be passed MPI_STATUS_IGNORE are all the various forms of MPI_RECV,
MPI_PROBE, MPI_TEST, and MPI_WAIT, as well as MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS. When
an array is passed, as in the MPI_{TEST\textbar WAIT\{ALL\textbar SOME} functions, a separate constant,
MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE, is passed for the array argument. It is possible for an MPI function
to return MPI_ERR_IN_STATUS even when MPI_STATUS_IGNORE or MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE
has been passed to that function.

MPI_STATUS_IGNORE and MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE are not required to have the same
values in C and Fortran.

It is not allowed to have some of the statuses in an array of statuses for
MPI_{TEST\textbar WAIT\{ALL\textbar SOME} functions set to MPI_STATUS_IGNORE; one either specifies
ignoring all of the statuses in such a call with MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE, or none of them by
passing normal statuses in all positions in the array of statuses.

3.2.7 Blocking Send-Receive

The send-receive operations combine in one operation the sending of a message to one
destination and the receiving of another message, from another MPI process. The two
(source and destination) are possibly the same. A send-receive operation is very useful
for executing a shift operation across a chain of MPI processes. If blocking sends and
receives are used for such a shift, then one needs to order the sends and receives correctly
(for example, MPI processes with even rank in the communicator send, then receive, MPI
processes with odd rank in the communicator receive first, then send) so as to prevent
cyclic dependencies that may lead to deadlock. When a send-receive operation is used,
the communication subsystem takes care of these issues. The send-receive operation can be
used in conjunction with the procedures described in Chapter 8 in order to perform shifts on
various logical topologies. Also, a send-receive operation is useful for implementing remote
procedure calls.

A message sent by a send-receive operation can be received by a regular receive operation
or probed by a probe operation; a send-receive operation can receive a message sent
by a regular send operation.

MPI_SENDRECV(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, dest, sendtag, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
source, recv tag, comm, status)

IN sendbuf initial address of send buffer (choice)
IN sendcount number of elements in send buffer (non-negative
integer)
IN sendtype type of elements in send buffer (handle)
IN dest rank of destination (integer)
IN sendtag send tag (integer)
OUT recvbuf initial address of receive buffer (choice)
IN recvcount number of elements in receive buffer (non-negative
integer)
IN recvtype type of elements receive buffer element (handle)
IN source rank of source or MPI_ANY_SOURCE (integer)
execute a blocking send-receive operation. Both send and receive use the same communicator, but possibly different tags. The send buffer and receive buffers must be disjoint, and may have different lengths and datatypes.

The semantics of a send-receive operation is what would be obtained if the caller forked two concurrent threads, one to execute the send, and one to execute the receive, followed by a join of these two threads.
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MPI_SENDRECV_REPLACE(buf, count, datatype, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag, comm, status)

INOUT buf initial address of send and receive buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in send and receive buffer (non-negative integer)
IN datatype type of elements in send and receive buffer (handle)
IN dest rank of destination (integer)
IN sendtag send message tag (integer)
IN source rank of source or MPI_ANY_SOURCE (integer)
IN recvtag receive message tag or MPI_ANY_TAG (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT status status object (status)

C binding

```c
int MPI_Sendrecv_replace(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest,
                        int sendtag, int source, int recvtag, MPI_Comm comm,
                        MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_Sendrecv_replace_c(void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                         int dest, int sendtag, int source, int recvtag, MPI_Comm comm,
                         MPI_Status *status)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Sendrecv_replace(buf, count, datatype, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag,
                    comm, status, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Sendrecv_replace(buf, count, datatype, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag,
                    comm, status, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, sendtag, source, recvtag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_SENDRECV_REPLACE(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, SOURCE, RECVTAG,
                      COMM, STATUS, IERROR)
```

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INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, SOURCE, RECVTAG, COMM,
        STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

Execute a blocking send and receive. The same buffer is used both for the send and
for the receive, so that the message sent is replaced by the message received.

Advice to implementors. Additional intermediate buffering is needed for the “replace”
variant. (End of advice to implementors.)

3.3 Datatype Matching and Data Conversion

3.3.1 Type Matching Rules

One can think of message transfer as consisting of the following three phases.

1. Data is pulled out of the send buffer and a message is assembled.

2. A message is transferred from sender to receiver.

3. Data is pulled from the incoming message and disassembled into the receive buffer.

Type matching has to be observed at each of these three phases: The type of each
variable in the sender buffer has to match the type specified for that entry by the send
operation; the type specified by the send operation has to match the type specified by the
receive operation; and the type of each variable in the receive buffer has to match the type
specified for that entry by the receive operation. A program that fails to observe these three
rules is erroneous.

To define type matching more precisely, we need to deal with two issues: matching of
types of the host language with types specified in communication operations; and matching
of types at sender and receiver.

The types of a send and receive match (phase two) if both operations use identical
names. That is, MPI_INTEGER matches MPI_INTEGER, MPI_REAL matches MPI_REAL, and
so on. There is one exception to this rule, discussed in Section 5.2: the type MPI_PACKED
can match any other type.

The type of a variable in a host program matches the type specified in the commu-
nication operation if the datatype name used by that operation corresponds to the basic
type of the host program variable. For example, an entry with type name MPI_INTEGER
matches a Fortran variable of type INTEGER. A table giving this correspondence for Fortran
and C appears in Section 3.2.2. There are two exceptions to this last rule: an entry with
type name MPI_BYTE or MPI_PACKED can be used to match any byte of storage (on a byte-
addressable machine), irrespective of the datatype of the variable that contains this byte.
The type MPI_PACKED is used to send data that has been explicitly packed, or receive data
that will be explicitly unpacked, see Section 5.2. The type MPI_BYTE allows one to transfer
the binary value of a byte in memory unchanged.

To summarize, the type matching rules fall into the three categories below.

• Communication of typed values (e.g., with datatype different from MPI_BYTE), where
  the datatypes of the corresponding entries in the sender program, in the send call, in
  the receive call and in the receiver program must all match.
• Communication of untyped values (e.g., of datatype MPI_BYTE), where both sender and receiver use the datatype MPI_BYTE. In this case, there are no requirements on the types of the corresponding entries in the sender and the receiver programs, nor is it required that they be the same.

• Communication involving packed data, where MPI_PACKED is used.

The following examples illustrate the first two cases.

**Example 3.2.** Sender and receiver specify matching types.

```fortran
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
  CALL MPI_SEND(a(1), 10, MPI_REAL, 1, tag, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
  CALL MPI_RECV(b(1), 15, MPI_REAL, 0, tag, comm, status, ierr)
END IF
```

This code is correct if both a and b are real arrays of size ≥ 10. (In Fortran, it might be correct to use this code even if a or b have size < 10: e.g., when a(1) can be equivalenced to an array with ten reals.)

**Example 3.3.** Sender and receiver do not specify matching types.

```fortran
! ---------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS ---------------
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
  CALL MPI_SEND(a(1), 10, MPI_REAL, 1, tag, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
  CALL MPI_RECV(b(1), 40, MPI_BYTE, 0, tag, comm, status, ierr)
END IF
```

This code is erroneous, since sender and receiver do not provide matching datatype arguments.

**Example 3.4.** Sender and receiver specify communication of untyped values.

```fortran
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
  CALL MPI_SEND(a(1), 40, MPI_BYTE, 1, tag, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
  CALL MPI_RECV(b(1), 60, MPI_BYTE, 0, tag, comm, status, ierr)
END IF
```

This code is correct, irrespective of the type and size of a and b (unless this results in an out of bounds memory access).

*Advice to users.* If a buffer of type MPI_BYTE is passed as an argument to MPI_SEND, then MPI will send the data stored at contiguous locations, starting from the address indicated by the buf argument. This may have unexpected results when the data layout is not as a casual user would expect it to be. For example, some Fortran compilers implement variables of type CHARACTER as a structure that contains the character length and a pointer to the actual string. In such an environment, sending and receiving a Fortran CHARACTER variable using the MPI_BYTE type will not have
the anticipated result of transferring the character string. For this reason, the user is advised to use typed communication operations whenever possible. *(End of advice to users.)*

**Type MPI\_CHARACTER**

The type MPI\_CHARACTER matches one character of a Fortran variable of type CHARACTER, rather than the entire character string stored in the variable. Fortran variables of type CHARACTER or substrings are transferred as if they were arrays of characters. This is illustrated in the example below.

**Example 3.5. Transfer of Fortran CHARACTERs.**

```fortran
CHARACTER*10 a
CHARACTER*10 b
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
  CALL MPI_SEND(a, 5, MPI\_CHARACTER, 1, tag, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
  CALL MPI_RECV(b(6:10), 5, MPI\_CHARACTER, 0, tag, comm, status, ierr)
END IF
```

The last five characters of string b at the MPI process with rank = 1 are replaced by the first five characters of string a at the MPI process with rank = 0.

**Rationale.** The alternative choice would be for MPI\_CHARACTER to match a character of arbitrary length. This runs into problems.

A Fortran character variable is a constant length string, with no special termination symbol. There is no fixed convention on how to represent characters, and how to store their length. Some compilers pass a character argument to a routine as a pair of arguments, one holding the address of the string and the other holding the length of string. Consider the case of an MPI communication call that is passed a communication buffer with type defined by a derived datatype (Section 5.1). If this communicator buffer contains variables of type CHARACTER then the information on their length will not be passed to the MPI routine.

This problem forces us to provide explicit information on character length with the MPI call. One could add a length parameter to the type MPI\_CHARACTER, but this does not add much convenience and the same functionality can be achieved by defining a suitable derived datatype. *(End of rationale.)*

**Advice to implementors.** Some compilers pass Fortran CHARACTER arguments as a structure with a length and a pointer to the actual string. In such an environment, the MPI call needs to dereference the pointer in order to reach the string. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

### 3.3.2 Data Conversion

One of the goals of MPI is to support parallel computations across heterogeneous environments. Communication in a heterogeneous environment may require data conversions. We use the following terminology.
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**type conversion** changes the datatype of a value, e.g., by rounding a REAL to an INTEGER.

**representation conversion** changes the binary representation of a value, e.g., from Hex floating point to IEEE floating point.

The type matching rules imply that MPI communication never entails type conversion. On the other hand, MPI requires that a representation conversion be performed when a typed value is transferred across environments that use different representations for the datatype of this value. MPI does not specify rules for representation conversion. Such conversion is expected to preserve integer, logical and character values, and to convert a floating point value to the nearest value that can be represented on the target system.

Overflow and underflow exceptions may occur during floating point conversions. Conversion of integers or characters may also lead to exceptions when a value that can be represented in one system cannot be represented in the other system. An exception occurring during representation conversion results in a failure of the communication. An error occurs either in the send operation, or the receive operation, or both.

If a value sent in a message is untyped (i.e., of type MPI_BYTE), then the binary representation of the byte stored at the receiver is identical to the binary representation of the byte loaded at the sender. This holds true, whether sender and receiver run in the same or in distinct environments. No representation conversion is required. (Note that representation conversion may occur when values of type MPI_CHARACTER or MPI_CHAR are transferred, for example, from an EBCDIC encoding to an ASCII encoding.)

No conversion need occur when an MPI program executes in a homogeneous system, where all MPI processes run in the same environment.

Consider the three examples, 3.2–3.4. The first program is correct, assuming that a and b are REAL arrays of size $\geq 10$. If the sender and receiver execute in different environments, then the ten real values that are fetched from the send buffer will be converted to the representation for reals on the receiver site before they are stored in the receive buffer. While the number of real elements fetched from the send buffer equal the number of real elements stored in the receive buffer, the number of bytes stored need not equal the number of bytes loaded. For example, the sender may use a four byte representation and the receiver an eight byte representation for reals.

The second program is **erroneous**, and its behavior is undefined.

The third program is correct. The exact same sequence of forty bytes that were loaded from the send buffer will be stored in the receive buffer, even if sender and receiver run in a different environment. The message sent has exactly the same length (in bytes) and the same binary representation as the message received. If a and b are of different types, or if they are of the same type but different data representations are used, then the bits stored in the receive buffer may encode values that are different from the values they encoded in the send buffer.

Data representation conversion also applies to the **envelope** of a message: source, destination and tag are all integers that may need to be converted.

*Advice to implementors.* The current definition does not require messages to carry data type information. Both sender and receiver provide complete data type information. In a heterogeneous environment, one can either use a machine independent encoding such as XDR, or have the receiver convert from the sender representation to its own, or even have the sender do the conversion.
Additional type information might be added to messages in order to allow the system to detect mismatches between datatype at sender and receiver. This might be particularly useful in a slower but safer debug mode. (End of advice to implementors.)

MPI requires support for inter-language communication, e.g., if messages are sent using an MPI procedure from the MPI C language interface and received using an MPI procedure from one of the MPI Fortran language interfaces. The behavior is defined in Section 19.3.

3.4 Communication Modes

The send call described in Section 3.2.1 is blocking: it does not return until the message data and envelope have been safely stored away so that the sender is free to modify the send buffer. The message might be copied directly into the matching receive buffer, or it might be copied into a temporary system buffer.

Message buffering decouples the send and receive operations. A blocking send can complete as soon as the message was buffered, even if no matching receive has been executed by the receiver. On the other hand, message buffering can be expensive, as it entails additional memory-to-memory copying, and it requires the allocation of memory for buffering. MPI offers the choice of several communication modes that allow one to control the choice of the communication protocol.

The send call described in Section 3.2.1 uses the standard communication mode. In this mode, it is up to MPI to decide whether outgoing messages will be buffered. MPI may buffer outgoing messages. In such a case, the send call may complete before a matching receive is invoked. On the other hand, buffer space may be unavailable, or MPI may choose not to buffer outgoing messages, for performance reasons. In this case, the send call will not complete until a matching receive has been started, and the data has been moved to the receiver.

Thus, a standard mode send can be started whether or not a matching receive has been started. It may complete before a matching receive is started. The standard mode send is nonlocal: successful completion of the send operation may depend on the occurrence of a matching receive.

Rationale. The reluctance of MPI to mandate whether standard sends are buffering or not stems from the desire to achieve portable programs. Since any system will run out of buffer resources as message sizes are increased, and some implementations may want to provide little buffering, MPI takes the position that correct (and therefore, portable) programs do not rely on system buffering in standard mode. Buffering may improve the performance of a correct program, but it doesn’t affect the result of the program. If the user wishes to guarantee a certain amount of buffering, the user-provided buffer system of Section 3.6 should be used, along with the buffered-mode send. (End of rationale.)

There are three additional communication modes.

A buffered mode send operation can be started whether or not a matching receive has been started. It may complete before a matching receive is started. However, unlike the standard send, this operation is local, and its completion does not depend on the occurrence of a matching receive. Thus, if a send is executed and no matching receive is started, then MPI must buffer the outgoing message, so as to allow the send call to complete. An error will
occur if there is insufficient buffer space. The amount of available buffer space is controlled by the user—see Section 3.6. Buffer allocation by the user may be required for the buffered mode to be effective.

A send that uses the synchronous mode can be started whether or not a matching receive was started. However, the send will complete successfully only if a matching receive is started, and the receive operation has started to receive the message sent by the synchronous send. Thus, the completion of a synchronous send not only indicates that the send buffer can be reused, but it also indicates that the receiver has reached a certain point in its execution, namely that it has started executing the matching receive. If both sends and receives are blocking operations then the use of the synchronous mode provides synchronous communication semantics: a communication does not complete at either end before both MPI processes rendezvous at the communication. A send executed in this mode is nonlocal.

A send that uses the ready communication mode may be started only if the matching receive is already started. Otherwise, the operation is erroneous and its outcome is undefined. On some systems, this allows the removal of a hand-shake protocol that is otherwise required and results in improved performance. The completion of the send operation does not depend on the status of a matching receive, and merely indicates that the send buffer can be reused. A send operation that uses the ready mode has the same semantics as a standard send operation, or a synchronous send operation; it is merely that the sender provides additional information to the system (namely that a matching receive is already started), that can save some overhead. In a correct program, therefore, a ready send could be replaced by a standard send with no effect on the behavior of the program other than performance.

Three additional send functions are provided for the three additional communication modes. The communication mode is indicated by a one letter prefix: B for buffered, S for synchronous, and R for ready.

MPI_BSEND(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm)

C binding

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

int MPI_Bsend_c(const void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Bsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
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INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Bsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_BSEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR)

Send in buffered mode.

According to the definitions in Section 2.4.2, MPI_BSEND is a completing procedure and the user can re-use all resources given as arguments, including the message data buffer. It is also a local procedure because it returns immediately without depending on the execution of any MPI procedure in any other MPI process.

Advice to users. This is one of the exceptions in which a completing and therefore blocking operation-related procedure is local. (End of advice to users.)

MPI_SSEND(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm)

IN buf initial address of send buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN datatype datatype of each send buffer element (handle)
IN dest rank of destination (integer)
IN tag message tag (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Ssend(const void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest,
              int tag, MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Ssend_c(const void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
               int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_SSend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
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```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ssend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_SSEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR

Send in synchronous mode.

MPI_Rsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm)

IN       buf       initial address of send buffer (choice)
IN       count     number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN       datatype  datatype of each send buffer element (handle)
IN       dest      rank of destination (integer)
IN       tag       message tag (integer)
IN       comm      communicator (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Rsend(const void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest,
               int tag, MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Rsend_c(const void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                 int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Rsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Rsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
```

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TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_RSEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR)
  \textless type\textgreater  BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR

Send in ready mode.

There is only one receive operation, but it matches any of the send modes. The receive
procedure described in the last section is \textit{blocking}: it returns only after the receive buffer
contains the newly received message. A receive can complete before the matching send has
completed (of course, it can complete only after the matching send has started).

In a multithreaded implementation of MPI, the system may de-schedule a thread that
is blocked on a send or receive operation, and schedule another thread for execution in
the same address space. In such a case it is the user's responsibility not to modify a
communication buffer until the communication completes. Otherwise, the outcome of the
computation is undefined.

\textit{Advice to implementors.} Since a synchronous send cannot complete before a matching
receive is \textit{started}, one will not normally buffer messages sent by such an operation.

It is recommended to choose buffering over blocking the sender, whenever possible,
for standard sends. The programmer can signal a preference for blocking the sender
until a matching receive occurs by using the synchronous send mode.

A possible communication protocol for the various communication modes is outlined
below.

\textbf{ready send:} The message is sent as soon as possible.

\textbf{synchronous send:} The sender sends a request-to-send message. The receiver stores
this request. When a matching receive is \textit{started}, the receiver sends back a
permission-to-send message, and the sender now sends the message.

\textbf{standard send:} First protocol may be used for short messages, and second protocol
for long messages.

\textbf{buffered send:} The sender copies the message into a buffer and then sends it with
a nonblocking send (using the same protocol as for standard send).

Additional control messages might be needed for flow control and error recovery. Of
course, there are many other possible protocols.

Ready send can be implemented as a standard send. In this case there will be no
performance advantage (or disadvantage) for the use of ready send.

A standard send can be implemented as a synchronous send. In such a case, no data
buffering is needed. However, users may expect some buffering.

In a multithreaded environment, the execution of a blocking communication should
block only the executing thread, allowing the thread scheduler to de-schedule this
thread and schedule another thread for execution. \textit{(End of advice to implementors.)}
3.5 Semantics of Point-to-Point Communication

A valid MPI implementation guarantees certain general properties of point-to-point communication, which are described in this section.

**Order.** Messages are nonovertaking: If a sender sends two messages in succession to the same destination, and both match the same receive, then this operation cannot receive the second message if the first one is still pending. If a receiver posts two receives in succession, and both match the same message, then the second receive operation cannot be satisfied by this message, if the first one is still pending. This requirement facilitates matching of sends to receives. It guarantees that message-passing code is deterministic, if MPI processes are single-threaded and the wildcard MPI_ANY_SOURCE is not used in receives. (Some of the calls described later, such as MPICanceled or MPIWAITANY, are additional sources of nondeterminism.)

If an MPI process has a single thread of execution, then any two communication operations executed by this MPI process are ordered.

*Advice to users.* The MPI Forum believes the following paragraph is ambiguous and may clarify the meaning in a future version of the MPI Standard. (*End of advice to users.*)

On the other hand, if the MPI process is multithreaded, then the semantics of thread execution may not define a relative order between two send operations executed by two distinct threads. The operations are logically concurrent, even if one physically precedes the other. In such a case, the two messages sent can be received in any order. Similarly, if two receive operations that are logically concurrent receive two successively sent messages, then the two messages can match the two receives in either order.

*Advice to implementors.* The MPI Forum believes the previous paragraph is ambiguous and may clarify the meaning in a future version of the MPI Standard. (*End of advice to implementors.*)

**Example 3.6.** An example of nonovertaking messages.

```fortran
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
   CALL MPI_BSEND(buf1, count, MPI_REAL, 1, tag, comm, ierr)
   CALL MPI_BSEND(buf2, count, MPI_REAL, 1, tag, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
   CALL MPI_RECV(buf1, count, MPI_REAL, 0, MPI_ANY_TAG, comm, status, &
                 ierr)
   CALL MPI_RECV(buf2, count, MPI_REAL, 0, tag, comm, status, ierr)
END IF
```

The message sent by the first send must be received by the first receive, and the message sent by the second send must be received by the second receive.

**Progress.** If a pair of matching send and receive operations have been initiated, then at least one of these two operations will complete, independently of other actions in the system: the send operation will complete, unless the receive is satisfied by another message,
and completes; the receive operation will complete, unless the message sent is consumed by another matching receive that was started at the same destination MPI process.

Example 3.7. An example of two, intertwined matching pairs.

```fortran
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
   CALL MPI_BSEND(buf1, count, MPI_REAL, 1, tag1, comm, ierr)
   CALL MPI_SSEND(buf2, count, MPI_REAL, 1, tag2, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
   CALL MPI_RECV(buf1, count, MPI_REAL, 0, tag2, comm, status, ierr)
   CALL MPI_RECV(buf2, count, MPI_REAL, 0, tag1, comm, status, ierr)
END IF
```

Both MPI processes invoke their first communication call. Since the first send at the MPI process with rank = 0 uses the buffered mode, it must complete, irrespective of the state of the other MPI process(es). Since no matching receive is started, the message will be copied into buffer space. (If insufficient buffer space is available, then the program will fail.) The second send is then invoked. At that point, a matching pair of send and receive operation is enabled, and both operations must complete. Next, the second receive call is invoked, which will be satisfied by the buffered message. Note that the MPI process with rank = 1 received the messages in the reverse order they were sent.

Fairness. MPI makes no guarantee of fairness in the handling of communication. Suppose that a send is started. Then it is possible that the destination MPI process repeatedly posts a receive that matches this send, yet the message is never received, because it is each time overtaken by another message, sent from another source. Similarly, suppose that a receive was started by a multithreaded MPI process. Then it is possible that messages that match this receive are repeatedly received, yet the receive is never satisfied, because it is overtaken by other receives started at this MPI process (by other executing threads). It is the programmer’s responsibility to prevent starvation in such situations.

Resource limitations. Any pending communication operation and decoupled MPI activity consumes system resources that are limited. Errors may occur when lack of resources prevent the execution of an MPI call. High-quality implementations will use a (small) fixed amount of resources for each pending send in the ready or synchronous mode and for each pending receive. However, buffer space may be consumed to store messages sent in standard mode, and must be consumed to store messages sent in buffered mode, when no matching receive is available. The amount of space available for buffering will be much smaller than program data memory on many systems. Then, it will be easy to write programs that overrun available buffer space.

MPI allows the user to provide buffer memory for messages sent in the buffered mode. Furthermore, MPI specifies a detailed operational model for the use of this buffer. An MPI implementation is required to do no worse than implied by this model. This allows users to avoid buffer overflows when they use buffered sends. Buffer allocation and use is described in Section 3.6.

A buffered send operation that cannot complete because of a lack of buffer space is erroneous. When such a situation is detected, an error is signaled that may cause the program to terminate abnormally. On the other hand, a standard send operation that
cannot complete because of lack of buffer space will merely block, waiting for buffer space to become available or for a matching receive to be started. This behavior is preferable in many situations. Consider a situation where a producer repeatedly produces new values and sends them to a consumer. Assume that the producer produces new values faster than the consumer can consume them. If buffered sends are used, then a buffer overflow will result. Additional synchronization has to be added to the program so as to prevent this from occurring. If standard sends are used, then the producer will be automatically throttled, as its send operations will block when buffer space is unavailable.

In some situations, a lack of buffer space leads to deadlock situations. This is illustrated by the examples below.

**Example 3.8.** An exchange of messages.

```fortran
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
  CALL MPI_SEND(sendbuf, count, MPI_REAL, 1, tag, comm, ierr)
  CALL MPI_RECV(recvbuf, count, MPI_REAL, 1, tag, comm, status, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
  CALL MPI_RECV(recvbuf, count, MPI_REAL, 0, tag, comm, status, ierr)
  CALL MPI_SEND(sendbuf, count, MPI_REAL, 0, tag, comm, ierr)
END IF
```

This program will succeed even if no buffer space for data is available. The standard send operation can be replaced, in this example, with a synchronous send.

**Example 3.9.** An errant attempt to exchange messages.

```fortran
! ---------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS ----------------
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
  CALL MPI_RECV(recvbuf, count, MPI_REAL, 1, tag, comm, status, ierr)
  CALL MPI_SEND(sendbuf, count, MPI_REAL, 1, tag, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
  CALL MPI_RECV(recvbuf, count, MPI_REAL, 0, tag, comm, status, ierr)
  CALL MPI_SEND(sendbuf, count, MPI_REAL, 0, tag, comm, ierr)
END IF
```

The receive operation of the MPI process with rank = 0 must complete before its send, and can complete only if the matching send of the MPI process with rank = 1 is executed. The receive operation of the MPI process with rank = 1 must complete before its send and can complete only if the matching send of the MPI process with rank = 0 is executed. This program will always deadlock. The same holds for any other send mode.

**Example 3.10.** An unsafe exchange that relies on MPI to provide sufficient buffering.

```fortran
! ---------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS ----------------
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
  CALL MPI_SEND(sendbuf, count, MPI_REAL, 1, tag, comm, ierr)
  CALL MPI_RECV(recvbuf, count, MPI_REAL, 1, tag, comm, status, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
  CALL MPI_SEND(sendbuf, count, MPI_REAL, 0, tag, comm, ierr)
```

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The message sent by each MPI process has to be copied out before the send operation completes and the receive operation starts. For the program to complete, it is necessary that at least one of the two messages sent be buffered. Thus, this program can succeed only if the communication system can buffer at least \( \text{count} \) words of data.

**Advice to users.** If standard mode send operations are used as in Example 3.10, then a deadlock situation may occur where both MPI processes are blocked because sufficient buffer space is not available. The same will certainly happen, if the synchronous mode is used. If the buffered mode is used, and not enough buffer space is available, then the program will not complete either. However, rather than a deadlock situation, we shall have a buffer overflow error.

A portable program using standard mode send operations should not rely on message buffering for the program to complete without deadlock. All sends in such a portable program can be replaced with synchronous mode sends and the program will still run correctly. The buffered send mode can be used for programs that require buffering. Nonblocking message-passing operations, as described in Section 3.7, can be used to avoid the need for buffering outgoing messages. This can prevent unintentional serialization or deadlock due to lack of buffer space, and improves performance, by allowing overlap of communication with other communication or with computation, and avoiding the overheads of allocating buffers and copying messages into buffers. *(End of advice to users.)*

### 3.6 Buffer Allocation and Usage

A user may specify up to one buffer per communicator, up to one buffer per session, and up to one buffer per MPI process to be used for buffering messages sent in buffered mode. Buffering is done by the sender.

**MPI_COMM_ATTACH_BUFFER**

\[
\text{IN} \quad \text{comm} \quad \text{communicator (handle)} \\
\text{IN} \quad \text{buffer} \quad \text{initial buffer address (choice)} \\
\text{IN} \quad \text{size} \quad \text{buffer size, in bytes (non-negative integer)}
\]

**C binding**

```
int MPI_Comm_attach_buffer(MPI_Comm comm, void *buffer, int size)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```
MPI_Comm_attach_buffer(comm, buffer, size, ierror)
```

- **TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN)** :: comm
- **TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS** :: buffer
- **INTEGER, INTENT(IN)** :: size
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```fortran
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_attach_buffer(comm, buffer, size, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_ATTACH_BUFFER(COMM, BUFFER, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, SIZE, IERROR
  <type> BUFFER(*)

Provides to MPI a communicator-specific buffer in memory. This is to be used for buffering outgoing messages sent when a buffered mode send is started that uses the communicator comm.

If MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC is passed as the argument buffer, no explicit buffer is attached; rather, automatic buffering is enabled for all buffered mode communication associated with the communicator comm (see Section 3.6). Further, if MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC is passed as the argument buffer, the value of size is irrelevant. Note that in Fortran MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC is an object like MPI_BOTTOM (not usable for initialization or assignment), see Section 2.5.4.

MPI_SESSION_ATTACH_BUFFER(session, buffer, size)
  IN session  session (handle)
  IN buffer   initial buffer address (choice)
  IN size     buffer size, in bytes (non-negative integer)

C binding
int MPI_Session_attach_buffer(MPI_Session session, void *buffer, int size)

int MPI_Session_attach_buffer_c(MPI_Session session, void *buffer,
                               MPI_Count size)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Session_attach_buffer(session, buffer, size, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_attach_buffer(session, buffer, size, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_SESSION_ATTACH_BUFFER(SESSION, BUFFER, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER SESSION, SIZE, IERROR
```
<type> BUFFER(*)

Provides to MPI a session-specific buffer in memory. This buffer is to be used for buffering outgoing messages sent when using a communicator that is created from a group that is derived from the session session. However, if there is a communicator-specific buffer attached to the particular communicator at the time of the buffered mode send is started, that buffer is used.

If MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC is passed as the argument buffer, no explicit buffer is attached; rather, automatic buffering is enabled for all buffered mode communication associated with the session session that is not explicitly covered by a buffer provided at communicator level (see Section 3.6). Further, if MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC is passed as the argument buffer, the value of size is irrelevant. Note that in Fortran MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC is an object like MPI_BOTTOM (not usable for initialization or assignment), see Section 2.5.4.

MPI_BUFFER_ATTACH(buffer, size)
IN buffer initial buffer address (choice)
IN size buffer size, in bytes (non-negative integer)

C binding
int MPI_Buffer_attach(void *buffer, int size)
int MPI_Buffer_attach_c(void *buffer, MPI_Count size)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Buffer_attach(buffer, size, ierror)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: size
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Buffer_attach(buffer, size, ierror) !(_c)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_BUFFER_ATTACH(BUFFER, SIZE, IERROR)
<type> BUFFER(*)
   INTEGER SIZE, IERROR

Provides to MPI an MPI process-specific buffer in memory. This buffer is to be used for buffering outgoing messages sent when using a communicator to which no communicator-specific buffer is attached or which is derived from a session to which no session-specific buffer is attached at the time the buffered mode send is started.

If MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC is passed as the argument buffer, no explicit buffer is attached; rather, automatic buffering is enabled for all buffered mode communication not explicitly covered by a buffer provided at session or communicator level (see Section 3.6). Further, if MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC is passed as the argument buffer, the value of size is irrelevant. Note that in Fortran MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC is an object like MPI_BOTTOM (not usable for initialization or assignment), see Section 2.5.4.
Advice to users. The use of a global shared buffer can be problematic when used for communication in different libraries, as the buffer represents a shared resource used for all buffered mode communication. Further, with the introduction of the Sessions Model, the use of a single shared buffer violates the concept of resource isolation that is intended with MPI Sessions. It is therefore recommended, especially for libraries and programs using the Sessions Model, to use only communicator-specific or session-specific buffers. (End of advice to users.)

Any of these buffers are used only for messages sent in buffered mode. Only one MPI process-specific buffer can be attached to an MPI process at a time, only one session-specific buffer can be attached to a session at a time and only one communicator-specific buffer can be attached to a communicator at a time.

If automatic buffering is enabled at any level, no other buffer can be attached at that level.

A particular memory region can only be used in one buffer; reusing buffer space for multiple sessions, communicators and/or the global buffer is erroneous. Further, only one buffer is used for any one communication following the rules above; buffer space is not combined, even if two buffers are directly or indirectly provided to a communicator to be used for buffered sends.

In C, buffer is the starting address of a memory region. In Fortran, one can pass the first element of a memory region or a whole array, which must be ‘simply contiguous’ (for ‘simply contiguous,’ see also Section 19.1.12).

```c
MPI_COMM_DETACH_BUFFER(comm, buffer_addr, size)
```

```c
IN    comm     communicator (handle)
OUT   buffer_addr initial buffer address (choice)
OUT   size      buffer size, in bytes (integer)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_Comm_detach_buffer(MPI_Comm comm, void *buffer_addr, int *size)
```  

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Comm_detach_buffer(comm, buffer_addr, size, ierror)
```

```fortran
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: buffer_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

```fortran
MPI_Comm_detach_buffer(comm, buffer_addr, size, ierror) !(_c)
```

```fortran
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: buffer_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```
**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_COMM_DETACH_BUFFER(COMM, BUFFER_ADDR, SIZE, IERROR)
```

Detach the communicator-specific buffer currently attached to the communicator.

**MPI_SESSION_DETACH_BUFFER**(session, buffer_addr, size)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>IN</th>
<th>session</th>
<th>session (handle)</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OUT</td>
<td>buffer_addr</td>
<td>initial buffer address (choice)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OUT</td>
<td>size</td>
<td>buffer size, in bytes (integer)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Session_detach_buffer(MPI_Session session, void *buffer_addr,
                              int *size)
```

```c
int MPI_Session_detach_buffer_c(MPI_Session session, void *buffer_addr,
                                MPI_Count *size)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: buffer_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_SESSION_DETACH_BUFFER(SESSION, BUFFER_ADDR, SIZE, IERROR)
```

Detach the session-specific buffer currently attached to the session.

**MPI_BUFFER_DETACH**(buffer_addr, size)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>OUT</th>
<th>buffer_addr</th>
<th>initial buffer address (choice)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OUT</td>
<td>size</td>
<td>buffer size, in bytes (integer)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Buffer_detach(void *buffer_addr, int *size)
```
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```c
int MPI_Buffer_detach_c(void *buffer_addr, MPI_Count *size) {
}
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Buffer_detach(buffer_addr, size, ierror)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: buffer_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Buffer_detach(buffer_addr, size, ierror) !(_c)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: buffer_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_BUFFER_DETACH(BUFFER_ADDR, SIZE, IERROR)
<type> BUFFER_ADDR(*)
INTEGER SIZE, IERROR
```

Detach the MPI process-specific buffer buffer currently attached to MPI.
The procedure calls return the address and the size of the detached buffer. If
MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC was used in the corresponding attach procedure, then
MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC is also returned in the detach procedure and the value returned
in argument size is undefined. In this case, automatic buffering is disabled upon return
from the detach procedure. When using Fortran mpi_f08, the returned value is identical
to \texttt{c_loc(MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC)}. Note that \texttt{c_loc()} is an intrinsic in the Fortran
ISO_C_BINDING module.

*Advice to implementors.* In Fortran, the implementation of MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC
must allow the intrinsic \texttt{c_loc} to be applied to it. (*End of advice to implementors.*)

These procedures will delay their return until all messages currently in the (explicit or
automatic) buffer have been transmitted. Upon return of these procedures, the user may
reuse or deallocate the space taken by the buffer.

If the size of the detached buffer cannot be represented in size, it is set to
MPI_UNDEFINED.

The following MPI\_XXX\_FLUSH\_BUFFER procedures will not return until all messages
currently in the buffer have been transmitted without detaching the buffer.

*Rationale.* These flush procedures provide the same functionality as an atomic
combination of first detaching the buffer and then attaching it again (but without
having to actually execute the detaching and the re-attaching of the buffer), but they
may be implemented with less internal overhead. (*End of rationale.*)

```c
MPI_COMM_FLUSH_BUFFER(comm)
IN comm communicator (handle)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Comm_flush_buffer(MPI_Comm comm)
```
Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_flush_buffer(comm, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_FLUSH_BUFFER(COMM, IERROR)
   INTEGER COMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_FLUSH_BUFFER will not return until all messages currently in the communicator-specific buffer of the calling MPI process have been transmitted.

MPI_SESSION_FLUSH_BUFFER(session)
   IN session (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Session_flush_buffer(MPI_Session session)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Session_flush_buffer(session, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_SESSION_FLUSH_BUFFER(SESSION, IERROR)
   INTEGER SESSION, IERROR

MPI_SESSION_FLUSH_BUFFER will not return until all messages currently in the session-specific buffer of the calling MPI process have been transmitted.

MPI_BUFFER_FLUSH()

C binding
int MPI_Buffer_flush(void)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Buffer_flush(ierror)
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_BUFFER_FLUSH(IERROR)
   INTEGER IERROR

MPI_BUFFER_FLUSH will not return until all messages currently in the MPI process-specific buffer of the calling MPI process have been transmitted.

For all MPI XXX_FLUSH_BUFFER procedures, there also exist the following nonblocking variants, which start the respective flush operation. These operations will not complete until all messages currently in the respective buffer of the calling MPI process have been transmitted.
MPI_COMM_IFLUSH_BUFFER(comm, request)
   IN   comm          communicator (handle)
   OUT  request      communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_iflush_buffer(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_iflush_buffer(comm, request, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_IFLUSH_BUFFER(COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
   INTEGER COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_SESSION_IFLUSH_BUFFER(session, request)
   IN   session       session (handle)
   OUT  request      communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Session_iflush_buffer(MPI_Session session, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Session_iflush_buffer(session, request, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_SESSION_IFLUSH_BUFFER(SESSION, REQUEST, IERROR)
   INTEGER SESSION, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_BUFFER_IFLUSH(request)
   OUT  request      communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Buffer_iflush(MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Buffer_iflush(request, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_BUFFER_IFLUSH(REQUEST, IERROR)
Example 3.11. Calls to attach and detach buffers.

```c
#define BUFFSIZE 10000+MPI_BSEND_OVERHEAD
int size;
char *buff;
MPI_Buffer_attach(malloc(BUFFSIZE), BUFFSIZE);
/* a buffer of 10000 bytes can now be used by MPI_Bsend */
/* on all communicators, assuming only one message at a time is sent */
MPI_Buffer_detach(&buff, &size);
/* Buffer size reduced to zero */
MPI_Buffer_attach(buff, size);
/* Buffer of 10000 bytes available again */
```


```c
#define BUFFSIZE1 10000+MPI_BSEND_OVERHEAD
#define BUFFSIZE2 20000+MPI_BSEND_OVERHEAD
int size;
char *buff1, *buff2;
MPI_Comm world_dup;
MPI_Comm_dup(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &world_dup);
MPI_Comm_attach_buffer(MPI_COMM_WORLD, malloc(BUFFSIZE2), BUFFSIZE2);
MPI_Buffer_attach(malloc(BUFFSIZE1), BUFFSIZE1);
/* a buffer of 20000 bytes can now be used by MPI_Bsend */
/* for */
/* communication using MPI_COMM_WORLD, assuming only one message */
/* at a time is sent a buffer of 10000 bytes can now be used by */
/* MPI_Bsend */
/* for communication using any other communicator, */
/* including world_dup assuming only one message at a time is sent */
MPI_Comm_detach_buffer(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &buff1, &size);
MPI_Buffer_detach(&buff2, &size);
/* Both buffers are detached and no specific or MPI process-specific */
/* buffer can be used for further MPI_Bsend */
```

Advice to users. Even though the C procedures `MPI_Buffer_attach`, 
`MPI_Session_attach_buffer`, `MPI_Comm_attach_buffer`, `MPI_Buffer_detach`, 
`MPI_Session_detach_buffer` and `MPI_Comm_detach_buffer` have an argument of type 
`void*`, these arguments are used differently: a pointer to the buffer is passed to 
`MPI_Buffer_attach`, `MPI_Session_attach_buffer` and `MPI_Comm_attach_buffer`; the 
address of the pointer is passed to `MPI_Buffer_detach`, `MPI_Session_detach_buffer` and 
`MPI_Comm_detach_buffer`, so that this call can return the pointer value. In Fortran 
with the `mpi` module or (deprecated) `mpif.h`, the type of the `buffer_addr` argument is 
wrongly defined and the argument is therefore unused. In Fortran with the `mpi_f08` 
module, the address of the buffer is returned as `TYPE(C_PTR)`, see also Example 9.1 
about the use of `C_PTR` pointers. (End of advice to users.)

Rationale. In all cases, arguments are defined to be of type `void*` (rather than 
`void*` and `void**`, respectively), so as to avoid complex type casts. E.g., in the 
last two examples, `&buff`, which is of type `char**`, can be passed as argument to 
`MPI_Buffer_detach`, `MPI_Session_detach_buffer` and `MPI_Comm_detach_buffer` without
type casting. If the formal parameter had type \texttt{void**} then we would need a type cast before and after each call. \textit{(End of rationale.)}

**General semantics of buffered mode sends.** The statements made in this section describe the behavior of MPI for buffered-mode sends.

When no MPI process-specific buffer is currently (explicitly) attached and if no automatic buffering is enabled, MPI behaves as if a zero-sized MPI process-specific buffer is (implicitly) attached.

It is erroneous to detach a communicator-specific, session-specific, or MPI process-specific buffer, if no such buffer had been attached using a corresponding attach procedure. This includes attach procedure calls using \texttt{MPI\_BUFFER\_AUTOMATIC} as the buffer argument. It is erroneous to attach a communicator-specific, session-specific or MPI process-specific buffer, if there is no buffer attached (including automatic buffering).

\texttt{MPI\_COMM\_ATTACH\_BUFFER}, \texttt{MPI\_SESSION\_ATTACH\_BUFFER}, and \texttt{MPI\_BUFFER\_ATTACH} are local. \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_DETACH\_BUFFER}, \texttt{MPI\_SESSION\_DETACH\_BUFFER}, \texttt{MPI\_BUFFER\_DETACH}, \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_FLUSH\_BUFFER}, \texttt{MPI\_SESSION\_FLUSH\_BUFFER}, and \texttt{MPI\_BUFFER\_FLUSH} are nonlocal; they must not return before all buffered messages in their related buffers are transmitted, and they must eventually return when all corresponding receive operations are started (provided that none are cancelled).

**Automatic buffering with buffered mode sends.** If the buffer used at the time of buffered mode send is set to the buffer address \texttt{MPI\_BUFFER\_AUTOMATIC}, then a buffer of sufficient size is automatically used by the MPI library.

\textit{Advice to users.} When using automatic buffering, the user relinquishes control over buffer management, including allocation and deallocation decisions and timing, to the MPI library. If explicit control is needed over when and how much buffer space is allocated, automatic buffering must not be used. \textit{(End of advice to users.)}

\textit{Advice to implementors.} High-quality implementations of an MPI library should strive to support automatic buffering in a balanced fashion, i.e., providing the right balance between memory allocated for send operations and memory available for the end user. \textit{(End of advice to implementors.)}

The flush operations for the communicator-specific, session-specific, and MPI process-specific buffers can also be used for automatic buffering. The flush procedure will not return until all automatically allocated buffers for the communicator-specific, session-specific, or MPI process-specific buffers, respectively, no longer hold message data and could be deallocated by the MPI library, if it chooses to do so.

\textit{Advice to users.} With standard mode send, the limitation of needed buffer space is implemented within the MPI library through switching from internal buffering to internal synchronous mode. If the user wants to limit the automatically allocated
buffer space for buffered mode send using automatic buffering, the user may call explicitly the appropriate flush procedure to wait until automatically allocated buffers are deallocated. *(End of advice to users.)*

**Further rules.** In the case of an attached buffer (i.e., not using automatic buffering), the user must provide as much buffering for outgoing messages as would be required if outgoing message data were buffered by the sending MPI process, in the specified buffer space, using a circular, contiguous-space allocation policy. We outline below a model implementation that defines this policy. MPI may provide more buffering, and may use a better buffer allocation algorithm than described below. On the other hand, MPI may signal an error whenever the simple buffering allocator described below would run out of space. MPI must not require more buffer space as described in the model implementation below.

MPI does not provide mechanisms for querying or controlling buffering done by standard mode sends. It is expected that vendors will provide such information for their implementations.

*Rationale.* There is a wide spectrum of possible implementations of buffered communication operations: buffering can be done at sender, at receiver, or both; buffers can be dedicated to one sender-receiver pair, or be shared by all communication operations; buffering can be done in real or in virtual memory; it can use dedicated memory, or memory shared by other MPI processes; buffer space may be allocated statically or be changed dynamically; etc. It does not seem feasible to provide a portable mechanism for querying or controlling buffering that would be compatible with all these choices, yet provide meaningful information. *(End of rationale.)*

### 3.6.1 Model Implementation of Buffered Mode

The model implementation uses the packing and unpacking procedures described in Section 5.2 and the nonblocking communication procedures described in Section 3.7.

We assume that a circular queue of pending message entries (PME) is maintained. Each entry contains a communication request handle that identifies a pending nonblocking send, a pointer to the next entry and the packed message data. The entries are stored in successive locations in the buffer. Free space is available between the queue tail and the queue head.

A buffered send call results in the execution of the following algorithm:

- Traverse sequentially the PME queue from head towards the tail, deleting all entries for communication operations that have completed, up to the first entry with an uncompleted request; update queue head to point to that entry.

- Compute the number of bytes, \( n \), needed to store an entry for the new message. An upper bound on \( n \) can be computed as follows: A call to the function `MPI_PACK_SIZE(count, datatype, comm, size)`, with the `count`, `datatype` and `comm` arguments used in the `MPI_BSEND` call, returns an upper bound on the amount of space needed to buffer the message data (see Section 5.2). The MPI constant `MPI_BSEND_OVERHEAD` provides an upper bound on the additional space consumed by the entry (e.g., for pointers or *envelope* information).
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Nonblocking communication is important both for reasons of correctness and performance. For complex communication patterns, the use of only blocking communication (without buffering) is difficult because the programmer must ensure that each send is matched with a receive in an order that avoids deadlock. For communication patterns that are determined only at run time, this is even more difficult. Nonblocking communication can be used to avoid this problem, allowing programmers to express complex and possibly dynamic communication patterns without needing to ensure that all sends and receives are issued in an order that prevents deadlock (see Section 3.5 and the discussion of “safe” programs). Nonblocking communication also allows for the overlap of communication with different communication operations, e.g., to prevent the unintentional serialization of such operations, and for the overlap of communication with computation. Whether an implementation is able to accomplish an effective (from a performance standpoint) overlap of operations depends on the implementation itself and the system on which the implementation is running. Using nonblocking operations permits an implementation to overlap communication with computation, but does not require it to do so.

A nonblocking send start call initiates the send operation, but does not complete it. The send start call can return before the message was copied out of the send buffer. A separate send complete call is needed to complete the communication, i.e., to verify that the data has been copied out of the send buffer. With suitable hardware, the transfer of data out of the sender memory may proceed concurrently with computations done at the sender after the send was initiated and before it completed. Similarly, a nonblocking receive start call initiates the receive operation, but does not complete it. The call can return before a message is stored into the receive buffer. A separate receive complete call is needed to complete the receive operation and verify that the data has been received into the receive buffer. With suitable hardware, the transfer of data into the receiver memory may proceed concurrently with computations done after the receive was initiated and before it completed. The use of nonblocking receives may also avoid system buffering and memory-to-memory copying, as information is provided early on the location of the receive buffer.

Nonblocking send start calls can use the same four modes as blocking sends: standard, buffered, synchronous, and ready. These carry the same meaning. Sends of all modes, ready excepted, can be started whether a matching receive has been started or not; a nonblocking ready send can be started only if the matching receive is already started. In all cases, the send start call is local: it returns immediately, irrespective of the status of other MPI processes. If the call causes some system resource to be exhausted, then it will fail and return an error code. High-quality implementations of MPI should ensure that this happens only

- Find the next contiguous empty space of $n$ bytes in buffer (space following queue tail, or space at start of buffer if queue tail is too close to end of buffer). If space is not found then raise buffer overflow error.
- Append to end of PME queue in contiguous space the new entry that contains request handle, next pointer and packed message data; MPI_PACK is used to pack data.
- Post nonblocking send (standard mode) for packed data.
- Return
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in “pathological” cases. That is, an MPI implementation should be able to support a large number of pending nonblocking operations.

The send-complete call returns no earlier than when all message data has been copied out of the send buffer. It may carry additional meaning, depending on the send mode.

If the send mode is synchronous, then the send-complete call is nonlocal; the send can complete only if a matching receive has been started and has been matched with the send. Note that a synchronous mode send may complete, if matched by a nonblocking receive, before the receive complete call occurs. (It can complete as soon as the sender “knows” the transfer will complete, but before the receiver “knows” the transfer will complete.)

If the send mode is buffered, then the send-complete call is local; the send must complete irrespective of the status of a matching receive. If there is no pending receive operation, then the message must be buffered.

If the send mode is standard, then the send-complete call can be either local or nonlocal. If the message is buffered, it is permitted for the send to complete before a matching receive is started. On the other hand, it is permitted for the send not to complete until a matching receive has been started and the message has been copied into the receive buffer.

Nonblocking sends can be matched with blocking receives, and vice-versa.

Advice to users. The completion of a send operation may be delayed for standard mode, and must be delayed for synchronous mode, until a matching receive has been started. The use of nonblocking sends in these two cases allows the sender to proceed ahead of the receiver, so that the computation is more tolerant of fluctuations in the speeds of the two MPI processes.

Nonblocking sends in the buffered and ready modes have a more limited impact, e.g., the blocking version of buffered send is capable of completing regardless of when a matching receive call is made. However, separating the start from the completion of these sends still gives some opportunity for optimization within the MPI library. For example, starting a buffered send gives an implementation more flexibility in determining if and how the message is buffered. There are also advantages for both nonblocking buffered and ready modes when data copying can be done concurrently with computation.

The message-passing model implies that communication is initiated by the sender. The communication will generally have lower overhead if a receive is already started when the sender initiates the communication (data can be moved directly to the receive buffer, and there is no need to queue a pending send request). However, a receive operation can complete only after the matching send has started. The use of nonblocking receives allows one to achieve lower communication overheads without blocking the receiver while it waits for the send. (End of advice to users.)

3.7.1 Communication Request Objects

Nonblocking communication operations use opaque request objects to identify communication operations and match the operation that initiates the communication with the operation that terminates it. These are system objects that are accessed via a handle. A request object identifies various properties of a communication operation, such as the send mode, the communication buffer that is associated with it, its context, the tag and destination arguments to be used for a send, or the tag and source arguments to be used
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for a receive. In addition, this object stores information about the status of the pending
communication operation.

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3.7.2 Communication Initiation

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For the functions defined in this section, we use the same naming conventions as for blocking
communication: a prefix of B, S, or R is used for buffered , synchronous, or ready mode. In
addition, for these functions a prefix of I (for immediate and incomplete) indicates that the
call is nonblocking.

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MPI_ISEND(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request)
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initial address of send buffer (choice)

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count

number of elements in send buffer (non-negative
integer)

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datatype

datatype of each send buffer element (handle)

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rank of destination (integer)

tag

message tag (integer)

comm

communicator (handle)

request

communication request (handle)

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

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

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Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Isend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

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MPI_Isend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

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Fortran binding
MPI_ISEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

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\begin{verbatim}
<type> BUF(*)

INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

Start a standard mode nonblocking send.

MPI_IBSEND(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request)

IN buf initial address of send buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN datatype datatype of each send buffer element (handle)
IN dest rank of destination (integer)
IN tag message tag (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Ibsend(const void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest,
    int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_IBSEND(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)

Fortran binding
MPI_IBSEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
\end{verbatim}

Start a buffered mode nonblocking send.
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MPI_ISSEND(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request)

IN buf initial address of send buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN datatype datatype of each send buffer element (handle)
IN dest rank of destination (integer)
IN tag message tag (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

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

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

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Isend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Isend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_ISSEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

INTEGER BUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

Start a synchronous mode nonblocking send.
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MPI_IRSEND(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request)

IN buf initial address of send buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN datatype datatype of each send buffer element (handle)
IN dest rank of destination (integer)
IN tag message tag (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Irsend(const void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Irsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)

Fortran binding
MPI_IRSEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

Start a ready mode nonblocking send.
MPI_Irecv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, request)

OUT   buf initial address of receive buffer (choice)
IN    count number of elements in receive buffer (non-negative integer)
IN    datatype datatype of each receive buffer element (handle)
IN    source rank of source or MPI_ANY_SOURCE (integer)
IN    tag message tag or MPI_ANY_TAG (integer)
IN    comm communicator (handle)
OUT   request communication request (handle)

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

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

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Irecv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, source, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Irecv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, request, ierror)!(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_IRECV(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

Start a nonblocking receive.
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MPI_ISENDRECV(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, dest, sendtag, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, 
source, recvtag, comm, request)

IN  sendbuf        initial address of send buffer (choice)
IN  sendcount      number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN  sendtype       datatype of each send buffer element (handle)
IN  dest           rank of destination (integer)
IN  sendtag        send tag (integer)
OUT recvbuf        initial address of receive buffer (choice)
IN  recvcount      number of elements in receive buffer (non-negative integer)
IN  recvtype       datatype of each receive buffer element (handle)
IN  source         rank of source or MPI_ANY_SOURCE (integer)
IN  recvtag        receive tag or MPI_ANY_TAG (integer)
IN  comm           communicator (handle)
OUT request        communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Isendrecv(const 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_Request *request)

int MPI_Isendrecv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount, 
MPI_Datatype sendtype, int dest, int sendtag, void *recvbuf, 
MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int source, 
int recvtag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Isendrecv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, dest, sendtag, recvbuf, recvcount, 
recvtype, source, recvtag, comm, request, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, dest, sendtag, recvcount, source, recvtag
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Isendrecv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, dest, sendtag, recvbuf, recvcount, 
recvtype, source, recvtag, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, sendtag, source, recvtag

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TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_ISENDRECV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT,
              RECVTYPE, SOURCE, RECVTAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, SOURCE,
        RECVTAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

Initiate a nonblocking communication request for a send and receive operation.

MPI_ISENDRECV_REPLACE(buf, count, datatype, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag, comm,
                       request)
INOUT buf initial address of send and receive buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in send and receive buffer (non-negative integer)
IN datatype type of elements in send and receive buffer (handle)
IN dest rank of destination (integer)
IN sendtag send message tag (integer)
IN source rank of source or MPI_ANY_SOURCE (integer)
IN recvtag receive message tag or MPI_ANY_TAG (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Isendrecv_replace(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                          int dest, int sendtag, int source, int recvtag, MPI_Comm comm,
                          MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Isendrecv_replace_c(void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                           int dest, int sendtag, int source, int recvtag, MPI_Comm comm,
                           MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Isendrecv_replace(buf, count, datatype, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag,
                      comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_Isendrecv_replace(buf, count, datatype, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag, 
   comm, request, ierror) !(_c)

    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, sendtag, source, recvtag
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_ISENDRECV_REPLACE(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, SOURCE, RECVTAG,
   COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

    <type> BUF(*)
    INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, SOURCE, RECVTAG, COMM, REQUEST,
       IERROR

    Initiate a nonblocking communication request for a send and receive operation. The 
same buffer is used both for the send and for the receive, so that the message sent is replaced 
by the message received.

    These calls allocate a communication request object and associate it with the request 
handle (the argument request). The request can be used later to query the status of the 
communication or wait for its completion.

    A nonblocking send call indicates that the system may start copying data out of the 
send buffer. The sender should not modify any part of the send buffer after a nonblocking 
send operation is called, until the send completes.

    A nonblocking receive call indicates that the system may start writing data into the re-
ceive buffer. The receiver should not access any part of the receive buffer after a nonblocking 
receive operation is called, until the receive completes.

    Advice to users. To prevent problems with the argument copying and register 
optimization done by Fortran compilers, please note the hints in Sections 19.1.10–
19.1.20. (End of advice to users.)

3.7.3 Communication Completion

The functions MPI_WAIT and MPI_TEST are used to complete a nonblocking communica-
tion. The completion of a send operation indicates that the sender is now free to update 
the send buffer (the send operation itself leaves the content of the send buffer unchanged). 
It does not indicate that the message has been received, rather, it may have been buffered 
by the communication subsystem. However, if a synchronous mode send was used, the 
completion of the send operation indicates that a matching receive was initiated, and that 
the message will eventually be received by this matching receive.

    The completion of a receive operation indicates that the receive buffer contains the 
received message, the receiver is now free to access it, and that the status object is set. It 
does not indicate that the matching send operation has completed (but indicates, of course, 
that the send was initiated).

    We shall use the following terminology: A null handle is a handle with value
MPI_REQUEST_NULL. A persistent communication request and the handle to it are inactive
if the request is not associated with any ongoing communication (see Section 3.9). A handle is active if it is neither null nor inactive. An empty status is a status that is set to return tag = MPI_ANY_TAG, source = MPI_ANY_SOURCE, error = MPI_SUCCESS, and is also internally configured so that calls to MPI_GET_COUNT and MPI_GET_ELEMENTS return count = 0 and MPI_TEST_CANCELLLED returns false. We set a status variable to empty when the value returned by it is not significant. Status is set in this way so as to prevent errors due to accesses of stale information.

The fields in a status object returned by a call to MPI_WAIT, MPI_TEST, or any of the other derived functions (MPI_{TEST\|WAIT}{\{ALL\|SOME\|ANY\}}), where the request corresponds to a send call, are undefined, with two exceptions: The error status field will contain valid information if the wait or test call returned with MPI_ERR_IN_STATUS; and the returned status can be queried by the call MPI_TEST_CANCELLLED.

Error codes belonging to the error class MPI_ERR_IN_STATUS should be returned only by the MPI completion functions that take arrays of MPI_Status. For the functions that take a single MPI_Status argument, the error code is returned by the function, and the value of the MPI_ERROR field in the MPI_Status argument is undefined (see 3.2.5).

MPI_WAIT(request, status)

\begin{verbatim}
INOUT request \hspace{1cm} request (handle)
OUT status \hspace{1cm} status object (status)
\end{verbatim}

C binding

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Wait(MPI_Request *request, MPI_Status *status)
\end{verbatim}

Fortran 2008 binding

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Wait(request, status, ierror)
\end{verbatim}

\begin{verbatim}
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: request
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

Fortran binding

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_WAIT(REQUEST, STATUS, IERROR)
\end{verbatim}

IN INTEGER REQUEST, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

A call to MPI_WAIT returns when the operation identified by request is complete. If the request is an active persistent communication request, it is marked inactive. Any other type of request is deallocated and the request handle is set to MPI_REQUEST_NULL. MPI_WAIT is in general a nonlocal procedure. When the operation represented by the request is enabled then a call to MPI_WAIT is a local procedure call.

The call returns, in status, information on the completed operation. The content of the status object for a receive operation can be accessed as described in Section 3.2.5. The status object for a send operation may be queried by a call to MPI_TEST_CANCELLLED (see Section 3.8).

One is allowed to call MPI_WAIT with a null or inactive request argument. In this case the procedure returns immediately with empty status.

Advice to users. Successful return of MPI_WAIT after a MPI_IBSEND implies that the user send buffer can be reused—i.e., data has been sent out or copied into a buffer.
attached with MPI_BUFFER_ATTACH, MPI_COMM_ATTACH_BUFFER or 
MPI_SESSION_ATTACH_BUFFER. Further, at this point, we can no longer cancel the 
send (see Section 3.8). If a matching receive is never started, then the buffer cannot be 
freed. This runs somewhat counter to the stated goal of MPI_CANCEL (always being 
able to free program space that was committed to the communication subsystem). 
(End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. In a multithreaded environment, a call to MPI_WAIT should 
block only the calling thread, allowing the thread scheduler to schedule another thread 
for execution. (End of advice to implementors.)

MPI_TEST(request, flag, status)

INOUT request communication request (handle)

OUT flag true if operation completed (logical)

OUT status status object (status)

C binding

int MPI_Test(MPI_Request *request, int *flag, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Test(request, flag, status, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: request
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_TEST REQUEST, FLAG, STATUS, IERROR

  INTEGER REQUEST, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  LOGICAL FLAG

A call to MPI_TEST returns flag = true if the operation identified by request is complete. 
In such a case, the status object is set to contain information on the completed operation. 
If the request is an active persistent communication request, it is marked as inactive. Any 
other type of request is deallocated and the request handle is set to MPI_REQUEST_NULL. 
The call returns flag = false if the operation identified by request is not complete. In this 
case, the value of the status object is undefined. MPI_TEST is a local procedure.

The return status object for a receive operation carries information that can be accessed 
as described in Section 3.2.5. The status object for a send operation carries information 
that can be accessed by a call to MPI_TEST_CANCELLED (see Section 3.8).

One is allowed to call MPI_TEST with a null or inactive request argument. In such a 
case the procedure returns with flag = true and empty status.

The procedures MPI_WAIT and MPI_TEST can be used to complete any request-based 
nonblocking or persistent operation.

Advice to users. The use of the nonblocking MPI_TEST call allows the user to 
schedule alternative activities within a single thread of execution. An event-driven
thread scheduler can be emulated with periodic calls to `MPI_TEST`. *(End of advice to users.)*

**Example 3.13.** Simple usage of nonblocking operations and `MPI_WAIT`.

```fortran
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
   CALL MPI_ISEND(a(1), 10, MPI_REAL, 1, tag, comm, request, ierr)
   ! **** do some computation to mask latency ****
   CALL MPI_WAIT(request, status, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
   CALL MPI_IRECV(a(1), 15, MPI_REAL, 0, tag, comm, request, ierr)
   ! **** do some computation to mask latency ****
   CALL MPI_WAIT(request, status, ierr)
END IF
```

A request object can be freed using the following MPI procedure.

```fortran
MPI_REQUEST_FREE(request)
   INOUT request  communication request (handle)
```

C binding
```c
int MPI_Request_free(MPI_Request *request)
```

Fortran 2008 binding
```fortran
MPI_Request_free(request, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(INOUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding
```fortran
MPI_REQUEST_FREE REQUEST, IERROR
   INTEGER REQUEST, IERROR
```

`MPI_REQUEST_FREE` is a local procedure. Upon successful return, `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` sets `request` to `MPI_REQUEST_NULL`. For an inactive request representing any type of MPI operation, `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` shall do the freeing stage of the associated operation during its execution.

For a request representing a nonblocking point-to-point or a persistent point-to-point operation, it is permitted (although strongly discouraged) to call `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` when the request is active. In this special case, `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` will only mark the request for freeing and MPI will actually do the freeing stage of the operation associated with the request later.

The use of this procedure for generalized requests is described in Section 13.2.

Calling `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` with an active request representing any other type of MPI operation (e.g., any partitioned operation (see Chapter 4), any collective operation (see Chapter 6), any I/O operation (see Chapter 14), or any request-based RMA operation (see Chapter 12)) is erroneous.

*Rationale.* For point-to-point operations, the `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` mechanism is provided for reasons of performance and convenience on the sending side. *(End of
Advice to users. Once a request is freed by a call to MPI_REQUEST_FREE, it is not possible to check for the successful completion of the associated communication with calls to MPI_WAIT or MPI_TEST. Also, if an error occurs subsequently during the communication, an error code cannot be returned to the user—such an error must be treated as fatal. An active receive request should never be freed as the receiver will have no way to verify that the receive has completed and the receive buffer can be reused. (End of advice to users.)

Example 3.14. An example using MPI_REQUEST_FREE.

```fortran
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(MPI_COMM_WORLD, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
   DO i=1,n
      CALL MPI_ISEND(outval, 1, MPI_REAL, 1, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, req, ierr)
      CALL MPI_REQUEST_FREE(req, ierr)
      CALL MPI_IRECV(inval, 1, MPI_REAL, 1, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, req, ierr)
      CALL MPI_WAIT(req, status, ierr)
   END DO
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
   CALL MPI_IRECV(inval, 1, MPI_REAL, 0, MPI_ANY_TAG, MPI_COMM_WORLD, req, ierr)
   CALL MPI_IRECV(inval, 1, MPI_REAL, 0, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, req, ierr)
   END IF
```

3.7.4 Semantics of Nonblocking Communication Operations

The semantics of nonblocking communication operations are defined by suitably extending the definitions in Section 3.5.

Order. Nonblocking communication operations are ordered according to the execution order of the calls that initiate the communication. The nonovertaking requirement of Section 3.5 is extended to nonblocking communication, with this definition of order being used.

Example 3.15. Message ordering for nonblocking operations.

```fortran
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
   CALL MPI_ISEND(a, 1, MPI_REAL, 1, 0, comm, r1, ierr)
   CALL MPI_ISEND(b, 1, MPI_REAL, 1, 0, comm, r2, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
   CALL MPI_IRECV(a, 1, MPI_REAL, 0, MPI_ANY_TAG, comm, r1, ierr)
   CALL MPI_IRECV(b, 1, MPI_REAL, 0, 0, comm, r2, ierr)
END IF
```
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The first send will match the first receive, even if both messages are sent before either receive is executed.

Progress. A call to mpi_wait that completes a receive will eventually terminate and return if a matching send has been started, unless the send is satisfied by another receive. In particular, if the matching send is nonblocking, then the receive should complete even if no call is executed by the sender to complete the send. Similarly, a call to mpi_wait that completes a send will eventually return if a matching receive has been started, unless the receive is satisfied by another send, and even if no call is executed to complete the receive.

Example 3.16. An illustration of progress semantics.

```fortran
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
  CALL MPI_SSEND(a, 1, MPI_REAL, 1, 0, comm, ierr)
  CALL MPI_SEND(b, 1, MPI_REAL, 1, 1, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
  CALL MPI_Irecv(a, 1, MPI_REAL, 0, 0, comm, r, ierr)
  CALL MPI_RECV(b, 1, MPI_REAL, 0, 1, comm, status, ierr)
  CALL MPI_WAIT(r, status, ierr)
END IF
```

This code should not deadlock in a correct MPI implementation. The first synchronous send must complete once the matching (nonblocking) receive is started, even though the completing wait call has not yet been reached. Thus, the sending MPI process will continue and execute the second send procedure, allowing the receiving MPI process to complete execution.

If an mpi_test that completes a receive is repeatedly called with the same arguments, and a matching send has been started, then the call will eventually return flag = true, unless the send is satisfied by another receive. If an mpi_test that completes a send is repeatedly called with the same arguments, and a matching receive has been started, then the call will eventually return flag = true, unless the receive is satisfied by another send. See also Section 2.9 on progress.

3.7.5 Multiple Completions

It is convenient to be able to wait for the completion of any, some, or all the operations in a list, rather than having to wait for a specific message. A call to mpi_waitany or mpi_testany can be used to wait for the completion of one out of several operations. A call to mpi_waitall or mpi_testall can be used to wait for all pending operations in a list. A call to mpi_waitsome or mpi_testsome can be used to complete all enabled operations in a list.

```
MPI_WAITANY(count, array_of_requests, index, status)
IN     count          list length (non-negative integer)
INOUT  array_of_requests  array of requests (array of handles)
```
index of handle for operation that completed (integer)

status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_Waitany(int count, MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *index,
                MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Waitany(count, array_of_requests, index, status, ierror)

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(count)
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: index
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WAITANY(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, INDEX, STATUS, IERROR)

INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), INDEX, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

Blocks until one of the operations associated with the active requests in the array has completed. If more than one operation is enabled and can terminate, one is arbitrarily chosen. Returns in index the index of that request in the array and returns in status the status of the completing operation. (The array is indexed from zero in C, and from one in Fortran.) If the request is an active persistent communication request, it is marked inactive. Any other type of request is deallocated and the request handle is set to MPI_REQUEST_NULL.

The array_of_requests list may contain null or inactive handles. If the list contains no active handles (list has length zero or all entries are null or inactive), then the call returns immediately with index = MPI_UNDEFINED, and an empty status.

The execution of MPI_WAITANY with an array containing multiple entries has the same effect as the execution of MPI_WAIT with the array entry indicated by the output value of index (unless the output value of index is MPI_UNDEFINED). MPI_WAITANY with an array containing one active entry is equivalent to MPI_WAIT.

MPI_TESTANY(count, array_of_requests, index, flag, status)

IN count list length (non-negative integer)
INOUT array_of_requests array of requests (array of handles)
OUT index index of operation that completed or MPI_UNDEFINED if none completed (integer)
OUT flag true if one of the operations is complete (logical)
OUT status status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_Testany(int count, MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *index,
                 int *flag, MPI_Status *status)
Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Testany(count, array_of_requests, index, flag, status, ierror)

  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(count)
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: index
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_TESTANY(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, INDEX, FLAG, STATUS, IERROR)

  INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), INDEX, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  LOGICAL FLAG

Tests for completion of either one or none of the operations associated with active handles. In the former case, it returns flag = true, returns in index the index of this request in the array, and returns in status the status of that operation. If the request is an active persistent communication request, it is marked as inactive. Any other type of request is deallocated and the handle is set to MPI_REQUEST_NULL. (The array is indexed from zero in C, and from one in Fortran.) In the latter case (no operation completed), it returns flag = false, returns a value of MPI_UNDEFINED in index and status is undefined.

The array may contain null or inactive handles. If the array contains no active handles then the call returns immediately with flag = true, index = MPI_UNDEFINED, and an empty status.

If the array of requests contains active handles then the execution of MPI_TESTANY has the same effect as the execution of MPI_TEST with each of the active handles in the array in some arbitrary order, until one call returns flag = true, or all return flag = false. In the former case, index is set to indicate which array element returned flag = true and in the latter case, it is set to MPI_UNDEFINED. MPI_TESTANY with an array containing one active entry is equivalent to MPI_TEST.

MPI_WAITALL(count, array_of_requests, array_of_statuses)

IN count list length (non-negative integer)
INOUT array_of_requests array of requests (array of handles)
OUT array_of_statuses array of status objects (array of status)

C binding

int MPI_Waitall(int count, MPI_Request array_of_requests[],
                MPI_Status array_of_statuses[])

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Waitall(count, array_of_requests, array_of_statuses, ierror)

  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(count)
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: array_of_statuses(*)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
Fortran binding

MPI_WAITALL(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, ARRAY_OF_STATUSES, IERROR)

    INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *),
    
    IERROR

Blocks until all communication operations associated with active handles in the list complete, and returns the status of all these operations (this includes the case where no handle in the list is active). Both arrays have the same number of valid entries. The i-th entry in array_of_statuses is set to the return status of the i-th operation. Active persistent requests are marked inactive. Requests of any other type are deallocated and the corresponding handles in the array are set to MPI_REQUEST_NULL. The list may contain null or inactive handles. The call sets to empty the status of each such entry.

The error-free execution of MPI_WAITALL has the same effect as the execution of MPI_WAIT for each of the array elements in some arbitrary order. MPI_WAITALL with an array of length one is equivalent to MPI_WAIT.

When one or more of the communication operations completed by a call to MPI_WAITALL fail, it is desirable to return specific information on each communication. The function MPI_WAITALL will return in such case the error code MPI_ERR_IN_STATUS and will set the error field of each status to a specific error code. This code will be MPI_SUCCESS, if the specific communication completed; it will be another specific error code, if it failed; or it can be MPI_ERR_PENDING if it has neither failed nor completed. The function MPI_WAITALL will return MPI_SUCCESS if no request had an error, or will return another error code if it failed for other reasons (such as invalid arguments). In such cases, it will not update the error fields of the statuses.

Rationale. This design streamlines error handling in the application. The application code need only test the (single) function result to determine if an error has occurred. It needs to check each individual status only when an error occurred. (End of rationale.)

C binding

int MPI_Testall(int count, MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *flag,

C binding

MPI_Testall(count, array_of_requests, flag, array_of_statuses)

    IN count list length (non-negative integer)

    INOUT array_of_requests array of requests (array of handles)

    OUT flag true if all of the operations are complete (logical)

    OUT array_of_statuses array of status objects (array of status)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Testall(count, array_of_requests, flag, array_of_statuses, ierror)

    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count

    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(count)

    LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag

    TYPE(MPI_Status) :: array_of_statuses(*)

    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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Fortran binding

MPI_TESTALL(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, FLAG, ARRAY_OF_STATUSES, IERROR)

INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *),
      IERROR
      LOGICAL FLAG

Returns flag = true if all communication operations associated with active handles in
the array have completed (this includes the case where no handle in the list is active).
In this case, each status entry that corresponds to an active request is set to the status
of the corresponding operation. Active persistent requests are marked inactive. Requests
of any other type are deallocated and the corresponding handles in the array are set to
MPI_REQUEST_NULL. Each status entry that corresponds to a null or inactive handle is set
to empty.

Otherwise, flag = false is returned, no request is modified and the values of the status
entries are undefined. This is a local procedure.

Errors that occurred during the execution of MPI_TESTALL are handled in the same
manner as errors in MPI_WAITALL.

MPI_WAITSOME(incount, array_of_requests, outcount, array_of_indices, array_of_statuses)

IN  incount       length of array_of_requests (non-negative integer)
INOUT array_of_requests  array of requests (array of handles)
OUT  outcount     number of completed requests (integer)
OUT  array_of_indices array of indices of operations that completed (array
          of integers)
OUT  array_of_statuses array of status objects for operations that completed
          (array of status)

C binding

int MPI_Waitsome(int incount, MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int*outcount,
                 int array_of_indices[], MPI_Status array_of_statuses[])

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Waitsome(incount, array_of_requests, outcount, array_of_indices,
             array_of_statuses, ierror)

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(incount)
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: outcount, array_of_indices(*)
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: array_of_statuses(*)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_WAITSOME(INCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, OUTCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_INDICES,
             ARRAY_OF_STATUSES, IERROR)

INTEGER INCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), OUTCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_INDICES(*),
       ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *), IERROR
Waits until at least one of the operations associated with active handles in the list have completed. Returns in outcount the number of requests from the list array_of_requests that have completed. Returns in the first outcount locations of the array array_of_indices the indices of these operations (index within the array array_of_requests; the array is indexed from zero in C and from one in Fortran). Returns in the first outcount locations of the array array_of_statuses the status for these completed operations. Completed active persistent requests are marked as inactive. Any other type or request that completed is deallocated, and the associated handle is set to MPI_REQUEST_NULL.

If the list contains no active handles, then the call returns immediately with outcount = MPI_UNDEFINED.

When one or more of the communication operations completed by MPI_Waitsome fails, then it is desirable to return specific information on each communication. The arguments outcount, array_of_indices and array_of_statuses will be adjusted to indicate completion of all communication operations that have succeeded or failed. The call will return the error code MPI_ERR_IN_STATUS and the error field of each status returned will be set to indicate success or to indicate the specific error that occurred. The call will return MPI_SUCCESS if no request resulted in an error, and will return another error code if it failed for other reasons (such as invalid arguments). In such cases, it will not update the error fields of the statuses.

MPI_TESTSOME(incount, array_of_requests, outcount, array_of_indices, array_of_statuses)

IN  incount  length of array_of_requests (non-negative integer)
INOUT array_of_requests  array of requests (array of handles)
OUT  outcount  number of completed requests (integer)
OUT  array_of_indices  array of indices of operations that completed (array of integers)
OUT  array_of_statuses  array of status objects for operations that completed (array of status)

C binding
int MPI_Testsome(int incount, MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *outcount,
                  int array_of_indices[], MPI_Status array_of_statuses[])

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Testsome(incount, array_of_requests, outcount, array_of_indices,
             array_of_statuses, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(incount)
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: outcount, array_of_indices(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: array_of_statuses(*)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TESTSOME(INCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, OUTCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_INDICES,
             ARRAY_OF_STATUSES, IERROR)
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INTEGER INCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), OUTCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_INDICES(*),
ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *), IERROR

This procedure behaves like MPI_WAITSOME, except that it returns immediately. If
no operation has completed it returns outcount = 0. If there is no active handle in the list
it returns outcount = MPI_UNDEFINED.

MPI_TESTSOME is a local procedure, which returns immediately, whereas
MPI_WAITSOME will block until a communication completes, if it was passed a list that
contains at least one active handle. Both calls fulfill a fairness requirement: If a request
for a receive repeatedly appears in a list of requests passed to MPI_WAITSOME or
MPI_TESTSOME, and a matching send has been started, then the receive will eventually
succeed, unless the send is satisfied by another receive; and similarly for send requests.

Errors that occur during the execution of MPI_TESTSOME are handled as for
MPI_WAITSOME.

Advice to users. The use of MPI_TESTSOME is likely to be more efficient than the
use of MPI_TESTANY. The former returns information on all completed communication
operations, with the latter, a new call is required for each communication that
completes.

A server with multiple clients can use MPI_WAITSOME so as not to starve any client.
Clients send messages to the server with service requests. The server calls
MPI_WAITSOME with one receive request for each client, and then handles all receives
that completed. If a call to MPI_WAITANY is used instead, then one client could starve
while requests from another client always sneak in first. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. MPI_TESTSOME should complete as many pending communication operations of the array_of_requests as possible. (End of advice to implementors.)

Example 3.17. Client-server code (starvation can occur).

CALL MPI_COMM_SIZE(comm, size, ierr)
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .GT. 0) THEN        ! client code
  DO WHILE(.TRUE.)
    CALL MPI_ISEND(a, n, MPI_REAL, 0, tag, comm, request, ierr)
    CALL MPI_WAIT(request, status, ierr)
  END DO
ELSE                           ! rank=0 -- server code
  DO i=1,size-1
    CALL MPI_IRECV(a(1,i), n, MPI_REAL, i, tag, &
                   comm, request_list(i), ierr)
  END DO
  DO WHILE(.TRUE.)
    CALL MPI_WAITANY(size-1, request_list, index, status, ierr)
    CALL DO_SERVICE(a(1,index))    ! handle one message
    CALL MPI_IRECV(a(1, index), n, MPI_REAL, index, tag, &
                   comm, request_list(index), ierr)
  END DO
END IF
Example 3.18. Same code, using MPI_WAITSOME.

```fortran
CALL MPI_COMM_SIZE(comm, size, ierr)
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .GT. 0) THEN ! client code
  DO WHILE(.TRUE.)
    CALL MPI_ISEND(a, n, MPI_REAL, 0, tag, comm, request, ierr)
    CALL MPI_WAIT(request, status, ierr)
  END DO
ELSE ! rank =0 -- server code
  DO i=1,size-1
    CALL MPI_IRECV(a(1,i), n, MPI_REAL, i, tag, &
                   comm, request_list(i), ierr)
  END DO
  DO WHILE(.TRUE.)
    CALL MPI_WAITSOME(size, request_list, numdone, &
                        indices, statuses, ierr)
    DO i=1,numdone
      CALL DO_SERVICE(a(1,indices(i)))
      CALL MPI_IRECV(a(1,indices(i)), n, MPI_REAL, 0, tag, &
                      comm, request_list(indices(i)), ierr)
    END DO
  END DO
END IF
```

3.7.6 Non-Destructive Test of status

These procedures are useful for accessing the information associated with a request, without freeing the request (in case the user is expected to access it later). It allows one to layer libraries more conveniently, since multiple layers of software may access the same completed request and extract from it the status information.

**MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS** (request, flag, status)

- **request**: request (handle)
- **flag**: boolean flag, same as from **MPI_TEST** (logical)
- **status**: status object if flag is true (status)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Request_get_status(MPI_Request request, int *flag, MPI_Status *status)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Request_get_status(request, flag, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
  LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: flag
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS(REQUEST, FLAG, STATUS, IERROR)
```
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INTEGER REQUEST, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG

Sets flag = true if the operation is complete, and, if so, returns in status the request status. However, unlike test or wait, it does not deallocate or inactivate the request; a subsequent call to test, wait or free should be executed with that request. It sets flag = false if the operation is not complete.

One is allowed to call MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS with a null or inactive request argument. In such a case the procedure returns with flag = true and empty status.

The progress rule for MPI_TEST, as described in Section 3.7.4, also applies to MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS.

MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ANY(count, array_of_requests, index, flag, status)

IN  count  list length (non-negative integer)
IN  array_of_requests  array of requests (array of handles)
OUT  index  index of operation that completed or MPI_UNDEFINED if none completed (integer)
OUT  flag  true if one of the operations is complete (logical)
OUT  status  status object if flag is true (status)

C binding
int MPI_Request_get_status_any(int count,
    const MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *index, int *flag,
    MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Request_get_status_any(count, array_of_requests, index, flag, status,
    ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_requests(count)
   INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: index
   LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
   TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ANY(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, INDEX, FLAG, STATUS,
    IERROR)
   INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), INDEX, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
   LOGICAL FLAG

Tests for completion of either one or none of the operations associated with active handles. In the former case, it returns flag = true, returns in index the index of this request in the array, and returns in status the status of that operation. (The array is indexed from zero in C, and from one in Fortran.) In the latter case (no operation completed), it returns flag = false, returns a value of MPI_UNDEFINED in index and status is undefined.
The array may contain null or inactive handles. If the array contains no active handles then the call returns immediately with flag = true, index = MPI_UNDEFINED, and an empty status.

If the array of requests contains active handles then the execution of MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ANY has the same effect as the execution of MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS with each of the active array elements in some arbitrary order, until one call returns flag = true, or all return flag = false. In the former case, index is set to indicate which array element returned flag = true and in the latter case, it is set to MPI_UNDEFINED. MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ANY with an array containing one request is equivalent to MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS.

**MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ALL(count, array_of_requests, flag, array_of_statuses)**

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<td>array of status objects (array of status)</td>
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**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Request_get_status_all(int count,
    const MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *flag,
    MPI_Status array_of_statuses[])
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Request_get_status_all(count, array_of_requests, flag, array_of_statuses,
    ierror)
```

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count

TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_requests(count)

LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag

TYPE(MPI_Status) :: array_of_statuses(*)

INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ALL(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, FLAG, ARRAY_OF_STATUSES,
    IERROR)
```

INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *), IERROR

LOGICAL FLAG

**MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ALL** returns flag = true if all communication operations associated with active handles in the array have completed (this includes the case where all handles in the list are inactive or MPI_REQUEST_NULL). In this case, each status entry that corresponds to an active request is set to the status of the corresponding operation. Unlike test or wait, it does not deallocate or inactivate the requests; a subsequent call to test, wait or free should be executed with each of those requests.

Each status entry that corresponds to a null or inactive handle is set to empty. Otherwise, flag = false is returned and the values of the status entries are undefined.
The progress rule for MPI_TEST, as described in Section 3.7.4, also applies to MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ALL.

**MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_SOME**(incount, array_of_requests, outcount, array_of_indices, array_of_statuses)

- **IN** incount: length of array_of_requests (non-negative integer)
- **IN** array_of_requests: array of requests (array of handles)
- **OUT** outcount: number of completed requests (integer)
- **OUT** array_of_indices: array of indices of operations that completed (array of integers)
- **OUT** array_of_statuses: array of status objects for operations that completed (array of status)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Request_get_status_some(int incount,
                              const MPI_Request* array_of_requests,
                              int* outcount,
                              int* array_of_indices,
                              MPI_Status* array_of_statuses)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Request_get_status_some(incount, array_of_requests, outcount, array_of_indices, array_of_statuses, ierror)
```

```fortran
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_requests(incount)
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: outcount, array_of_indices(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: array_of_statuses(*)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_SOME(INCOUT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, OUTCOUNT,
                             ARRAY_OF_INDICES, ARRAY_OF_STATUSES, IERROR)
```

```fortran
  INTEGER INCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), OUTCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_INDICES(*),
      ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *), IERROR
```

**MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_SOME** returns in outcount the number of requests from the list array_of_requests that have completed. Returns in the first outcount locations of the array array_of_indices the indices of these operations within the array array_of_requests; the array is indexed from zero in C and from one in Fortran. Returns in the first outcount locations of the array array_of_statuses the status for these completed operations. However, unlike test or wait, it does not deallocate or *inactivate* any requests in array_of_requests; a subsequent call to test, wait or free should be executed with each completed request. If no operation in array_of_requests is complete, it returns outcount = 0. If all operations in array_of_requests are either MPI_REQUEST_NULL or inactive, outcount will be set to MPI_UNDEFINED. The progress rule for MPI_TEST, as described in Section 3.7.4, also applies to MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_SOME.

Like MPI_Waitsome and MPI_Testsome, MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_SOME fulfills a **fairness requirement**: If a request for a receive repeatedly appears in a list of requests passed to MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_SOME, MPI_Waitsome, or...
MPI_TESTSOME and a matching send has been started, then the receive will eventually succeed, unless the send is satisfied by another receive; and similarly for send requests. Errors that occur during the execution of MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_SOME are handled as for MPI_WAITSOME.

Advice to implementors. MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_SOME should complete as many pending communication operations as possible. (End of advice to implementors.)

Advice to users. MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ANY, MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_SOME, and MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ALL offer tradeoffs between precision and speed, as do the corresponding TEST and WAIT functions. The ANY variants are fast, but imprecise and unfair. The ALL variants will provide all-or-nothing information and/or completion, which can limit their applicability. The SOME variants, because of their precision and fairness guarantee, will typically be the slowest on a per-call basis. (End of advice to users.)

3.8 Probe and Cancel

The MPI_PROBE, MPI_IPROBE, MPI_MPROBE, and MPI_IMPROBE procedures allow incoming messages to be checked for, without actually receiving them. The user can then decide how to receive them, based on the information returned by the probe (basically, the information returned by status). In particular, the user may allocate memory for the receive buffer, according to the length of the probed message.

The MPI_CANCEL procedure allows pending communication operations to be cancelled. This is required for cleanup. Posting a send or a receive ties up user resources (send or receive buffers), and a cancel may be needed to free these resources gracefully.

Cancelling a send request by calling MPI_CANCEL is deprecated. Cancelling a sendrecv request by calling MPI_CANCEL is not allowed.

3.8.1 Probe

MPI_IPROBE(source, tag, comm, flag, status)

IN source rank of source or MPI_ANY_SOURCE (integer)
IN tag message tag or MPI_ANY_TAG (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT flag true if there is a matching message that can be received (logical)
OUT status status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_Iprobe(int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, int *flag,
MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Iprobe(source, tag, comm, flag, status, ierror)
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INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_IPROBE(SOURCE, TAG, COMM, FLAG, STATUS, IERROR)

INTEGER SOURCE, TAG, COMM, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_IPROBE returns flag = true if there is a message that can be received and that matches the pattern specified by the arguments source, tag, and comm. The call matches the same message that would have been received by a call to MPI_RECV with the same argument values for source, tag, comm, and status executed at the same point in the program, and returns in status the same value that would have been returned by MPI_RECV. Otherwise, the call returns flag = false, and leaves status undefined.

If MPI_IPROBE returns flag = true, then the content of the status object can be subsequently accessed as described in Section 3.2.5 to find the source, tag, and length of the probed message.

MPI_IPROBE is a local procedure since its return does not depend on MPI calls in other MPI processes, which is marked with the prefix I (for immediate).

A subsequent receive executed with the same communicator, and the source and tag returned in status by MPI_IPROBE will receive the message that was matched by the probe, if no other intervening receive occurs after the probe, and the send is not successfully cancelled before the receive. If the receiving MPI process is multithreaded, it is the user’s responsibility to ensure that the last condition holds.

The source argument of MPI_IPROBE can be MPI_ANY_SOURCE, and the tag argument can be MPI_ANY_TAG, so that one can probe for messages from an arbitrary source and/or with an arbitrary tag. However, a specific communication context must be provided with the comm argument.

It is not necessary to receive a message immediately after it has been probed for, and the same message may be probed for several times before it is received.

A probe with MPI_PROC_NULL as source returns flag = true, and the status object returns source = MPI_PROC_NULL, tag = MPI_ANY_TAG, and count = 0; see Section 3.10.

MPI_PROBE(source, tag, comm, status)
IN source rank of source or MPI_ANY_SOURCE (integer)
IN tag message tag or MPI_ANY_TAG (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT status status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_Probe(int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Probe(source, tag, comm, status, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_PROBE(SOURCE, TAG, COMM, STATUS, IERROR)

INTEGER SOURCE, TAG, COMM, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

MPI_PROBE behaves like MPI_IPROBE except that it is a nonlocal call that returns only after a matching message has been found.

The MPI implementation of MPI_PROBE and MPI_IPROBE needs to guarantee progress: if a call to MPI_PROBE has been issued by an MPI process, and a send that matches the probe has been initiated by some MPI process, then the call to MPI_PROBE will return, unless the message is received by another concurrent receive operation (that is executed by another thread at the probing MPI process).

Similarly, if an MPI process repeatedly calls MPI_IPROBE and a matching message has been issued, then MPI_IPROBE will eventually return flag = true unless the message is received by another concurrent receive operation or matched by a concurrent matching probe. See also Section 2.9 on progress.

Example 3.19. Use probe to wait for an incoming message.

```fortran
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
   CALL MPI_SEND(i, 1, MPI_INTEGER, 2, 0, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
   CALL MPI_SEND(x, 1, MPI_REAL, 2, 0, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 2) THEN
   DO i=1,2
      CALL MPI_PROBE(MPI_ANY_SOURCE, 0, comm, status, ierr)
   END IF
   IF (status(MPI_SOURCE) .EQ. 0) THEN
      CALL MPI_RECV(i, 1, MPI_INTEGER, 0, 0, comm, status, ierr)
   ELSE
      CALL MPI_RECV(x, 1, MPI_REAL, 1, 0, comm, status, ierr)
   END IF
   END DO
END IF
```

Each message is received with the right type.

Example 3.20. A similar program to the previous example, but now it has a problem.

```fortran
! -------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS ---------------------
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
   CALL MPI_SEND(i, 1, MPI_INTEGER, 2, 0, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
   CALL MPI_SEND(x, 1, MPI_REAL, 2, 0, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 2) THEN
   DO i=1,2
      CALL MPI_PROBE(MPI_ANY_SOURCE, 0, comm, status, ierr)
   END IF
   IF (status(MPI_SOURCE) .EQ. 0) THEN
```
In Example 3.20, the two receive calls in statements labeled 100 and 200 in Example 3.19 are slightly modified, using MPI_ANY_SOURCE as the source argument. The program is now incorrect: the receive operation may receive a message that is distinct from the message probed by the preceding call to MPI_PROBE.

Advice to users. In a multithreaded MPI program, MPI_PROBE and MPI_IPROBE might need special care. If a thread probes for a message and then immediately posts a matching receive, the receive may match a message other than that found by the probe since another thread could concurrently receive that original message [34]. MPI_MPROBE and MPI_MIPROBE solve this problem by matching the incoming message so that it may only be received with MPI_MRECV or MPI_MIMRECV on the corresponding message handle. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. A call to MPI_PROBE will match the message that would have been received by a call to MPI_RECV with the same argument values for source, tag, comm, and status executed at the same point. Suppose that this message has source s, tag t and communicator c. If the tag argument in the probe call has value MPI_ANY_TAG then the message probed will be the earliest pending message from source s with communicator c and any tag; in any case, the message probed will be the earliest pending message from source s with tag t and communicator c (this is the message that would have been received, so as to preserve message order). This message continues as the earliest pending message from source s with tag t and communicator c, until it is received. A receive operation subsequent to the probe that uses the same communicator as the probe and uses the tag and source values returned by the probe, must receive this message, unless it has already been received by another receive operation. (End of advice to implementors.)

3.8.2 Matching Probe

The function MPI_PROBE checks for incoming messages without receiving them. Since the list of incoming messages is global among the threads of each MPI process, it can be hard to use this functionality in threaded environments [34, 31].

Like MPI_PROBE and MPI_IPROBE, the matching probe operation (MPI_MPROBE and MPI_MIPROBE procedures) allow incoming messages to be queried without actually receiving them, except that MPI_MPROBE and MPI_MIPROBE provide a mechanism to receive the specific message that was matched regardless of other intervening probe or receive operations. This gives the application an opportunity to decide how to receive the message, based on the information returned by the probe. In particular, the user may allocate memory for the receive buffer, according to the length of the probed message.
MPI_IMPROBE(source, tag, comm, flag, message, status)

IN source rank of source or MPI_ANY_SOURCE (integer)
IN tag message tag or MPI_ANY_TAG (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT flag true if there is a matching message that can be received (logical)
OUT message returned message (handle)
OUT status status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_Improve(int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, int *flag,
                 MPI_Message *message, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Improve(source, tag, comm, flag, message, status, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  TYPE(MPI_Message), INTENT(OUT) :: message
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_IMPROBE(SOURCE, TAG, COMM, FLAG, MESSAGE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER SOURCE, TAG, COMM, MESSAGE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_IMPROBE returns flag = true if there is a message that can be received and that matches the pattern specified by the arguments source, tag, and comm. The call matches the same message that would have been received by a call to MPI_RECV with the same argument values for source, tag, comm, and status executed at the same point in the program and returns in status the same value that would have been returned by MPI_RECV. In addition, it returns in message a message handle to the matched message. Otherwise, the call returns flag = false, and leaves status and message undefined.

MPI_IMPROBE is a local procedure. According to the definitions in Section 2.4.2 and in contrast to MPI_IPROBE, it is a nonblocking procedure because it is the initialization of a matched receive operation.

A matched receive (MPI_MRECV or MPI_IMRECV) executed with the message handle will receive the message that was matched by the matching probe. Unlike MPI_IPROBE, no other probe or receive operation may match the message returned by MPI_IMPROBE. Each message handle returned by MPI_IMPROBE must be received with either MPI_MRECV or MPI_IMRECV.

The source argument of MPI_IMPROBE can be MPI_ANY_SOURCE, and the tag argument can be MPI_ANY_TAG, so that one can probe for messages from an arbitrary source and/or with an arbitrary tag. However, a specific communication context must be provided with the comm argument.
A synchronous mode send operation that is matched with MPI_IMPROBE or MPI_MPROBE will complete successfully only if both a matching receive is started with MPI_MRECV or MPI_IMRECV, and the matching receive operation has started to receive the message sent by the synchronous mode send.

There is a special predefined message handle: MPI_MESSAGE_NO_PROC, which is a message that has MPI_PROC_NULL as its source. The predefined constant MPI_MESSAGE_NULL is the value used for invalid message handles.

A matching probe with source = MPI_PROC_NULL returns flag = true, message = MPI_MESSAGE_NO_PROC, and the status object returns source = MPI_PROC_NULL, tag = MPI_ANY_TAG, and count = 0; see Section 3.10. It is not necessary to call MPI_MRECV or MPI_IMRECV with MPI_MESSAGE_NO_PROC, but it is not erroneous to do so.

Rationale. MPI_MESSAGE_NO_PROC was chosen instead of MPI_MESSAGE_PROC_NULL to avoid possible confusion as another null handle constant. (End of rationale.)

MPI_MPROBE(source, tag, comm, message, status)

C binding
int MPI_Mprobe(int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Message *message, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Mprobe(source, tag, comm, message, status, ierr)

Fortran binding
MPI_MPROBE(SOURCE, TAG, COMM, MESSAGE, STATUS, IERROR)

MPI_MPROBE behaves like MPI_IMPROBE except that it is a blocking call that returns only after a matching message has been found.

The implementation of MPI_MPROBE and MPI_IMPROBE needs to guarantee progress in the same way as in the case of MPI_PROBE and MPI_IPROBE. See also Section 2.9 on progress.

According to the definitions in Section 2.4.2, MPI_MPROBE is incomplete. It is also a nonlocal procedure.
Advice to users. This is one of the exceptions in which incomplete procedures are nonlocal. (End of advice to users.)

3.8.3 Matched Receives

The matched receive operation (MPI_MRECV and MPI_IMRECV procedures) receive messages that have been previously matched by a matching probe operation (Section 3.8.2).

MPI_MRECV(buf, count, datatype, message, status)

| OUT  | buf                  | initial address of receive buffer (choice) |
| IN   | count                | number of elements in receive buffer (non-negative integer) |
| IN   | datatype             | datatype of each receive buffer element (handle) |
| INOUT| message              | message (handle) |
| OUT  | status               | status object (status) |

C binding

int MPI_Mrecv(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
               MPI_Message *message, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_Mrecv_c(void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                 MPI_Message *message, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Mrecv(buf, count, datatype, message, status, ierror)

   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Message), INTENT(INOUT) :: message
   TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(INOUT) :: ierror

MPI_Mrecv(buf, count, datatype, message, status, ierror)!(_c)

   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Message), INTENT(INOUT) :: message
   TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(INOUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_MRECV(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, MESSAGE, STATUS, IERROR)

   <type> Buf(*)
   INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, MESSAGE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

This call receives a message matched by a matching probe operation (Section 3.8.2). The receive buffer consists of the storage containing count consecutive elements of the type specified by datatype, starting at address buf. The length of the received message must
be less than or equal to the length of the receive buffer. An overflow error occurs if all incoming data does not fit, without truncation, into the receive buffer.

If the message is shorter than the receive buffer, then only those locations corresponding to the (shorter) message are modified.

On return from this function, the message handle is set to MPI_MESSAGE_NULL. All errors that occur during the execution of this operation are handled according to the error handler set for the communicator used in the matching probe call that produced the message handle.

If MPI_MRECV is called with MPI_MESSAGE_NO_PROC as the message argument, the call returns immediately with the status object set to source = MPI_PROC_NULL, tag = MPI_ANY_TAG, and count = 0. This is consistent with the status object produced by a call to MPI_RECV or to MPI_PROBE with source = MPI_PROC_NULL (see Section 3.10). A call to MPI_MRECV with MPI_MESSAGE_NULL is erroneous.

### MPI_IMRECV(buf, count, datatype, message, request)

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**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Imrecv(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Message *message, MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Imrecv(buf, count, datatype, message, request, ierror) !(_c)
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_IMRECV(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, MESSAGE, REQUEST, IERROR)
```
MPI IMRECV is the nonblocking variant of MPI MRECV and starts a nonblocking receive of a matched message. Completion semantics are similar to MPI IRECV as described in Section 3.7.2. On return from this function, the message handle is set to MPI MESSAGE NULL.

If MPI IMRECV is called with MPI MESSAGE NO_PROC as the message argument, the call returns immediately with a request object that, when completed, will yield a status object set to source = MPI PROC NULL, tag = MPI ANY_TAG, and count = 0, as if a receive from MPI PROC NULL was issued (see Section 3.10). A call to MPI IMRECV with MPI MESSAGE NULL is erroneous.

Advice to implementors. If reception of a matched message is started with MPI IMRECV, then it is possible to cancel the returned request with MPI CANCEL. If MPI CANCEL succeeds, the matched message must be found by a subsequent message probe (MPI PROBE, MPI IPROBE, MPI MPROBE, or MPI IMPROBE), received by a subsequent receive operation or cancelled by the sender. See Section 3.8.4 for details about MPI CANCEL. The cancellation of operations initiated with MPI IMRECV may fail. (End of advice to implementors.)

3.8.4 Cancel

MPI CANCEL(request)

IN request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Cancel(MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Cancel(request, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI CANCEL REQUEST, IERROR

  INTEGER REQUEST, IERROR

A call to MPI CANCEL marks for cancellation a pending, nonblocking communication operation (send or receive). Cancelling a send request by calling MPI CANCEL is deprecated. The cancel call is local. It returns immediately, possibly before the communication is actually cancelled. It is still necessary to call MPI REQUEST FREE, MPI WAIT or MPI TEST (or any of the derived procedures) with the cancelled request as argument after the call to MPI CANCEL. If a communication is marked for cancellation, then a MPI WAIT call for that communication is guaranteed to return, irrespective of the activities of other MPI processes (i.e., MPI WAIT behaves as a local function); similarly if MPI TEST is repeatedly called for a cancelled communication, then MPI TEST will eventually return flag
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MPI_CANCEL can be used to cancel a communication that uses a persistent communication request (see Section 3.9), in the same way as it is described above for nonblocking operations. Cancelling a persistent send request by calling MPI_CANCEL is deprecated. A successful cancellation cancels the active communication, but not the request itself. After the call to MPI_CANCEL and the subsequent call to MPI_WAIT or MPI_TEST, the request becomes inactive and can be activated for a new communication.

The successful cancellation of a buffered mode send frees the buffer space occupied by the pending message. Cancelling a buffered mode send request by calling MPI_CANCEL is deprecated.

Either the cancellation succeeds, or the communication succeeds, but not both. If a send is marked for cancellation, which is deprecated, then it must be the case that either the send completes normally, in which case the message sent was received at the destination, or that the send is successfully cancelled, in which case no part of the message was received at the destination. Then, any matching receive has to be satisfied by another send. If a receive is marked for cancellation, then it must be the case that either the receive completes normally, or that the receive is successfully cancelled, in which case no part of the receive buffer is altered. Then, any matching send has to be satisfied by another receive.

If the operation has been cancelled, then information to that effect will be returned in the status argument of the operation that completes the communication.

Rationale. Although the IN request handle parameter should not need to be passed by reference, the C binding has listed the argument type as MPI_Request* since MPI-1.0. This function signature therefore cannot be changed without breaking existing MPI applications. (End of rationale.)

 Returns flag = true if the communication associated with the status object was cancelled successfully. In such a case, all other fields of status (such as count or tag) are undefined. Returns flag = false, otherwise. If a receive operation might be cancelled then one should...
call MPI_TEST_CANCELED first, to check whether the operation was cancelled, before checking on the other fields of the return status.

Advice to users. Cancel can be an expensive operation that should be used only exceptionally. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. If a send operation uses an “eager” protocol (data is transferred to the receiver before a matching receive is started), then the cancellation of this send may require communication with the intended receiver in order to free allocated buffers. On some systems this may require an interrupt to the intended receiver. Note that, while communication may be needed to implement MPI_CANCEL, this is still a local procedure, since its completion does not depend on the code executed by other MPI processes. If processing is required on another MPI process, this should be transparent to the application (hence the need for an interrupt and an interrupt handler). See also Section 2.9 on progress. (End of advice to implementors.)

3.9 Persistent Communication Requests

Often a communication with the same argument list (with the exception of the buffer contents) is repeatedly executed within the inner loop of a parallel computation. In such a situation, it may be possible to optimize the communication by binding the list of communication arguments to a persistent communication request once and then repeatedly using the request to start and complete operations. In the case of point-to-point communication, the persistent communication request thus created can be thought of as a communication port or a “half-channel.” It does not provide the full functionality of a conventional channel, since there is no binding of the send port to the receive port. This construct allows reduction of the overhead for communication between the MPI process and communication controller, but not of the overhead for communication between one communication controller and another. It is not necessary that messages sent with a persistent point-to-point request be received by a receive operation using a persistent point-to-point request, or vice versa.

There are also persistent collective communication operations defined in Section 6.13 and Section 8.8. The remainder of this section covers the point-to-point persistent initialization operations and the start routines, which are used for persistent point-to-point, partitioned point-to-point, and persistent collective communication operations.

A point-to-point persistent communication request is created using one of the five following calls. These point-to-point persistent initialization calls involve no communication.

MPI_SEND_INIT(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request)

- IN buf initial address of send buffer (choice)
- IN count number of elements sent (non-negative integer)
- IN datatype type of each element (handle)
- IN dest rank of destination (integer)
- IN tag message tag (integer)
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IN     comm     communicator (handle)
OUT    request  communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Send_init(const void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest,
                   int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

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

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Send_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Send_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_SEND_INIT(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

    Creates a persistent communication request for a standard mode send operation.

MPI_BSEND_INIT(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request)
  IN     buf     initial address of send buffer (choice)
  IN     count   number of elements sent (non-negative integer)
  IN     datatype type of each element (handle)
  IN     dest    rank of destination (integer)
  IN     tag     message tag (integer)
  IN     comm    communicator (handle)
  OUT    request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Bsend_init(const void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest,
                    int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Bsend_init_c(const void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, 
    int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Bsend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Bsend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(c)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_BSEND_INIT(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
    <type> BUF(*)
    INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

Creates a persistent communication request for a buffered mode send operation.

MPI_SSEND_INIT(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request)
    IN buf initial address of send buffer (choice)
    IN count number of elements sent (non-negative integer)
    IN datatype type of each element (handle)
    IN dest rank of destination (integer)
    IN tag message tag (integer)
    IN comm communicator (handle)
    OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Ssend_init(const void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest, 
    int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

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

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Ssend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
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```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ssend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_SSEND_INIT(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_Rsend_init(const void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest,
                   int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Rsend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
```

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INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_RSEND_INIT(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> BUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

Creates a persistent communication request for a ready mode send operation.

MPI_RECV_INIT(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, request)
OUT buf initial address of receive buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements received (non-negative integer)
IN datatype type of each element (handle)
IN source rank of source or MPI_ANY_SOURCE (integer)
IN tag message tag or MPI_ANY_TAG (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Recv_init(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int source,
                   int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Recv_init_c(void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                     int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Recv_init(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, request, ierror)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, source, tag
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Recv_init(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source, tag
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
3.9 Persistent Communication Requests

Fortran binding

MPI_RECV_INIT(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

Creates a persistent communication request for a receive operation. The argument buf is marked as OUT because the user gives permission to write on the receive buffer by passing the argument to MPI_RECV_INIT.

A persistent communication request is inactive after it was created—no active communication is attached to the request.

A communication that uses a persistent communication request is started by the function MPI_START.

Fortran binding

MPI_START(request)
  INOUT  request            communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Start(MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Start(request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_STARTALL(count, array_of_requests)
  IN     count              list length (non-negative integer)
  INOUT  array_of_requests  array of requests (array of handles)

C binding

int MPI_Startall(int count, MPI_Request array_of_requests[])
Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Startall(count, array_of_requests, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(count)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_STARTALL(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, IERROR)
  INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), IERROR
```

The execution of `MPI_STARTALL` has the same effect as the execution of `MPI_START` for each of the array elements in some arbitrary order. `MPI_STARTALL` with an array of length one is equivalent to `MPI_START`.

A communication started with a call to `MPI_START` or `MPI_STARTALL` is completed by a call to `MPI_WAIT`, `MPI_TEST`, or one of the derived functions described in Section 3.7.5. The request becomes inactive after successful completion of such call. The request is not deallocated and it can be activated anew by an `MPI_START` or `MPI_STARTALL` call.

A persistent communication request is deallocated by a call to `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` (Section 3.7.3). The call to `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` can occur at any point in the program after the persistent request was created. However, the request will be deallocated only after it becomes inactive. Active receive requests should not be freed. Otherwise, it will not be possible to check that the receive has completed. Collective operation requests (defined in Section 6.12 and Section 8.7 for nonblocking collective operations, and Section 6.13 and Section 8.8 for persistent collective operations) must not be freed while active. It is preferable, in general, to free requests when they are inactive. If this rule is followed, then the functions described in this section will be invoked in a sequence of the form,

\[\text{Create (Start Complete) Free}\]

where \(\ast\) indicates zero or more repetitions. If the same persistent communication request is used in several concurrent threads, it is the user’s responsibility to coordinate calls so that the correct sequence is obeyed.

Inactive persistent requests are not automatically freed when the associated communicator is disconnected (via `MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT`, see 11.10.4) or the associated World Model or Sessions Model is finalized (via `MPI_FINALIZE`, see 11.2.2, or `MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE`, see 11.3.1). In these situations, any further use of the request handle is erroneous. In particular, freeing associated inactive request handles after such a communicator disconnect or finalization is then impossible.

Advice to users. Persistent request handles may bind internal resources such as MPI buffers in shared memory for providing efficient communication. Therefore, it is highly recommended to explicitly free inactive request handles, using `MPI_REQUEST_FREE`, when they are no longer in use, and in particular before freeing or disconnecting the associated communicator with `MPI_COMM_FREE` or `MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT` or finalizing the associated session with `MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE`. (End of advice to users.)

A send operation started with `MPI_START` can be matched with any receive operation and, likewise, a receive operation started with `MPI_START` can receive messages generated by any send operation.

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Advice to users. To prevent problems with the argument copying and register optimization done by Fortran compilers, please note the hints in Sections 19.1.10–19.1.20. (End of advice to users.)

3.10 Null MPI Processes

In many instances, it is convenient to specify a “dummy” source or destination for communication. This simplifies the code that is needed for dealing with boundaries, for example, in the case of a noncircular shift done with calls to send-receive.

The special value MPI_PROC_NULL can be used instead of a rank wherever a source or a destination argument is required in a call. A communication with MPI_PROC_NULL has no effect. A send to MPI_PROC_NULL succeeds and returns as soon as possible. A receive from MPI_PROC_NULL succeeds and returns as soon as possible with no modifications to the receive buffer. When a receive with source = MPI_PROC_NULL is executed then the status object returns source = MPI_PROC_NULL, tag = MPI_ANY_TAG and count = 0. A probe or matching probe with source = MPI_PROC_NULL succeeds and returns as soon as possible, and the status object returns source = MPI_PROC_NULL, tag = MPI_ANY_TAG and count = 0. A matching probe (cf. Section 3.8.2) with source = MPI_PROC_NULL returns flag = true, message = MPI_MESSAGE_NO_PROC, and the status object returns source = MPI_PROC_NULL, tag = MPI_ANY_TAG, and count = 0.
Chapter 4
Partitioned Point-to-Point Communication

4.1 Introduction

Partitioned communication extends persistent point-to-point communication as defined in Chapter 3. Partitioned communication operations are matched based on the order in which the local initialization calls are performed. Partitioned communication is “partitioned” because it allows for multiple contributions of data to be made, potentially, from multiple actors (e.g., threads or tasks) in an MPI process to a single communication operation.

Advice to users. The techniques of partitioned communication were known as “fine-points” before their adoption into the MPI standard. We refer the interested reader to the original literature describing the design goals, functioning, initial implementation and performance improvements [29, 30]. (End of advice to users.)

Partitioned communication operations use a persistent communication style that involves a sequence of start and test or wait operations. For this sequence, partitioned communications use MPI_START or MPI_STARTALL calls and completion mechanisms (e.g., MPI_TEST or MPI_WAIT). Partitioned communication is different in three fundamental ways from persistent point-to-point operations in MPI. First, partitioned communication allows additional partitioned test function calls that can expose partial completion of the operation. Second, partitioned communication may perform all of the initialization required to enable data transfer as early as its initialization phase. Third, partitioned communication allows for MPI to be independently notified of multiple contributions from the send-side to a single data buffer of a single MPI message.

Rationale. The rationale behind having different initialization behavior allowed for partitioned communication as opposed to persistent point-to-point communication is to enable flexibility and optimization possibilities in implementations. Buffer setup can occur in the partitioned communication initialization functions (see Section 4.2.1). However, such negotiation can be deferred until data is to be moved between two processes. This means that partitioned communication can lazily negotiate as late as testing for completion of the operation on the first iteration of a sequence of partitioned communication start and test or wait operations. Matching still occurs as if matching happened at the partitioned communication initialization functions as noted in the function descriptions. (End of rationale.)
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MPI guarantees certain general properties of partitioned point-to-point communication progress, which are described in this section.

Persistent communications use opaque MPI_REQUEST objects as described in Section 3. Partitioned communication uses these same semantics for MPI_REQUEST objects.

Partitioned communication provides fine-grained transfers on either or both sides of a send-receive operation described by requests. Persistent communication semantics are ideal for partitioned communication: they provide MPI_PSEND_INIT and MPI_PRECV_INIT functions that allow partitioned communication setup to occur prior to message transfers. Partitioned communication initialization functions are local. The partitioned communication initialization includes inputs on the number of user-visible partitions on the send-side and receive-side, which may differ. Valid partitioned communication operations must have one or more partitions specified.

Once an MPI_PSEND_INIT call has been made, the user may start the operation with a call to a starting procedure and complete the operation with a number of MPI_PREADY calls equal to the requested number of send partitions followed by a call to a completing procedure. A call to MPI_PREADY notifies the MPI library that a specified portion of the data buffer (a specific partition) is ready to be sent. Notification of partial completion can be done via fine-grained MPI_PARRIVED calls at the receiver before a final MPI_TEST/MPI_WAIT on the request itself; the latter represents overall operation completion upon success. A full set of methods for starting and completing partitioned communication is given in the following sections.

Advice to users. Having a large number of receiver-side partitions can increase overheads as the completion mechanism may need to work with finer-grained notifications. Using a small number of receiver-side partitions may provide higher performance.

A large number of sender-side partitions may be aggregated by an MPI implementation, making performance concerns of a large number of sender-side partitions potentially less impactful than receiver-side granularity. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. It is expected that an MPI implementation will attempt to balance latency and aggregation for data transfers for the requested partition counts on the sender-side and receiver-side to allow optimization for different hardware. A high quality implementation may perform significant optimizations to enhance performance in this way; they may, for example, resize the data transfers of the partitions to combine partitions in fractional partition sizes (e.g., 2.5 partitions in a single data transfer). (End of advice to implementors.)

Example 4.1 shows a simple partitioned transfer in which the sender-side and receiver-side partitioning is identical in partition count.

Example 4.1. Simple partitioned communication example.

```c
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "mpi.h"
#define PARTITIONS 8
#define COUNT 5
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
```
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```c
double message[PARTITIONS*COUNT];
MPI_Count partitions = PARTITIONS;
int source = 0, dest = 1, tag = 1, flag = 0;
int myrank, i;
int provided;
MPI_Request request;
MPI_Init_thread(&argc, &argv, MPI_THREAD_SERIALIZED, &provided);
if (provided < MPI_THREAD_SERIALIZED)
    MPI_Abort(MPI_COMM_WORLD, EXIT_FAILURE);
MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &myrank);
if (myrank == 0)
{
    MPI_Psend_init(message, partitions, COUNT, MPI_DOUBLE, dest, tag, MPI_COMM_WORLD, MPI_INFO_NULL, &request);
    MPI_Start(&request);
    for(i = 0; i < partitions; ++i)
    {
        /* compute and fill partition #i, then mark ready: */
        MPI_Pready(i, request);
    }
    while(!flag)
    {
        /* do useful work #1 */
        MPI_Test(&request, &flag, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
        /* do useful work #2 */
    }
    MPI_Request_free(&request);
}
else if (myrank == 1)
{
    MPI_Precv_init(message, partitions, COUNT, MPI_DOUBLE, source, tag, MPI_COMM_WORLD, MPI_INFO_NULL, &request);
    MPI_Start(&request);
    while(!flag)
    {
        /* do useful work #1 */
        MPI_Test(&request, &flag, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
        /* do useful work #2 */
    }
    MPI_Request_free(&request);
}
MPI_Finalize();
return 0;
```

Rationale. Partitioned communication is designed to provide opportunities for MPI implementations to optimize data transfers. MPI is free to choose how many transfers to do within a partitioned communication send independent of how many partitions are reported as ready to MPI through MPI_PREADY calls. Aggregation of partitions is permitted but not required. Ordering of partitions is permitted but not required. A naive implementation can simply wait for the entire message buffer to be marked ready before any transfer(s) occur and could wait until the completion function is
called on a request before transferring data. However, this modality of communication
gives MPI implementations far more flexibility in data movement than nonpartitioned
communications. (End of rationale.)

4.2.1 Communication Initialization and Starting with Partitioning

Initialization of partitioned communication operations use the initialization calls described
below. Subsequent to initialization, MPI_START/MPI_STARTALL are used as the first
indication to MPI that a message transfer will occur. For send-side operations, neither
initializing nor starting the operation enables transfer of any part of the user buffer. Freeing
or canceling a partitioned communication request that is active (i.e., initialized and started)
and not completed is erroneous. After the partitioned communication operation is started,
individual partitions of a message are indicated as ready to be sent by MPI via the
MPI_PREADY function, described below.

MPI_PSEND_INIT(buf, partitions, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, info, request)

IN   buf initial address of send buffer (choice)
IN   partitions number of partitions (non-negative integer)
IN   count number of elements sent per partition (non-negative integer)
IN   datatype type of each element (handle)
IN   dest rank of destination (integer)
IN   tag message tag (integer)
IN   comm communicator (handle)
IN   info info argument (handle)
OUT  request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Psend_init(const void *buf, int partitions, MPI_Count count,
                    MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm,
                    MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Psend_init(buf, partitions, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, info,
                request, ierror)
        TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
        INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: partitions, dest, tag
        INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
        TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
        TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
        TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
        TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
        INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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**Fortran binding**

MPI_PSEND_INIT(BUF, PARTITIONS, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

<type> BUF(*)

INTEGER PARTITIONS, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) COUNT

MPI_PSEND_INIT creates a partitioned communication request and binds to it all the arguments of a partitioned send operation. Matching follows the same MPI matching rules as for point-to-point communication (see Chapter 3) with communicator, tag, and source dictating message matching. In the event that the communicator, tag, and source do not uniquely identify a message, the order in which partitioned communication initialization calls are made is the order in which they will eventually match. This operation can only match with partitioned communication initialization operations, therefore it is required to be matched with a corresponding MPI_PRECV_INIT call. Partitioned communication initialization calls are local. It is erroneous to provide a partitions value ≤ 0. Send-side and receive-side buffers must be identical in size.

*Advice to implementors.* Unlike MPI_SEND_INIT, MPI_PSEND_INIT can be matched as early as the initialization call. Also, unlike MPI_SEND_INIT, MPI_PSEND_INIT takes an info argument. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

MPI_PRECV_INIT(buf, partitions, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, info, request)

IN buf initial address of recv buffer (choice)

IN partitions number of partitions (non-negative integer)

IN count number of elements received per partition (non-negative integer)

IN datatype type of each element (handle)

IN source rank of source (integer)

IN tag message tag (integer)

IN comm communicator (handle)

IN info info argument (handle)

OUT request communication request (handle)

**C binding**

int MPI_Precv_init(void *buf, int partitions, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

**Fortran 2008 binding**

MPI_Precv_init(buf, partitions, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, info, request, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: partitions, source, tag
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_PRECV_INIT(BUF, PARTITIONS, COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, INFO,
REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> BUF(*)
INTEGER PARTITIONS, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) COUNT

Rationale. The info argument is provided in order to support per-operation implementation-defined info keys. (End of rationale.)

MPI_PRECV_INIT creates a partitioned communication receive request and binds to it all the arguments of a partitioned receive operation. This operation can only match with partitioned communication initialization operations, therefore the MPI library is required to match MPI_PRECV_INIT calls only with a corresponding MPI_PSEND_INIT call. Matching follows the same MPI matching rules as for point-to-point communication (see Chapter 3) with communicator, tag, and source dictating message matching. In the event that the communicator, tag, and source do not uniquely identify a message, the order in which partitioned communication initialization calls are made is the order in which they will eventually match. Partitioned communication initialization calls are local. That is, MPI_PRECV_INIT may return before the operation completes. It is erroneous to provide a partitions value \( \leq 0 \). Wildcards for source and tag are not allowed.

Advice to implementors. Unlike MPI_RECV_INIT, MPI_PRECV_INIT may communicate. Also unlike MPI_RECV_INIT, MPI_PRECV_INIT takes an info argument. (End of advice to implementors.)

MPI_PREADY(partition, request)
IN partition partition to mark ready for transfer (non-negative integer)
INOUT request partitioned communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Pready(int partition, MPI_Request request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Pready(partition, request, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: partition
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_PREADY(PARTITION, REQUEST, IERROR)
   INTEGER PARTITION, REQUEST, IERROR
```

MPI_PREADY is a send-side call that indicates that a given partition is ready to be transferred. It is erroneous to use MPI_PREADY on any request object that does not correspond to a partitioned send operation. The partitioning is defined by the MPI_PSEND_INIT call. Partition numbering starts at zero and ranges to one less than the number of partitions declared in the MPI_PSEND_INIT call. Specifying a partition number that is equal to or larger than the number of partitions is erroneous. After a call to MPI_START/MPI_STARTALL, all partitions associated with that operation are inactive. A call to MPI_PREADY marks the indicated partition as active. Calling MPI_PREADY on an active partition is erroneous.

```fortran
MPI_PREADY_RANGE(partition_low, partition_high, request)
   IN partition_low   lowest partition ready for transfer (non-negative integer)
   IN partition_high highest partition ready for transfer (non-negative integer)
   INOUT request     partitioned communication request (handle)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Pready_range(int partition_low, int partition_high,
                     MPI_Request request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Pready_range(partition_low, partition_high, request, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: partition_low, partition_high
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_PREADY_RANGE(PARTITION_LOW, PARTITION_HIGH, REQUEST, IERROR)
   INTEGER PARTITION_LOW, PARTITION_HIGH, REQUEST, IERROR
```

A call to MPI_PREADY_RANGE has the same effect as calls to MPI_PREADY, executed for i=partition_low, ..., partition_high, in some arbitrary order. Calls to MPI_PREADY_RANGE follow the same rules as those for MPI_PREADY calls.

```fortran
MPI_PREADY_LIST(length, array_of_partitions, request)
   IN length     list length (integer)
   IN array_of_partitions  array of partitions (array of non-negative integers)
   INOUT request     partitioned communication request (handle)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Pready_list(int length, const int array_of_partitions[],
                    MPI_Request request)
```
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Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Pready_list(length, array_of_partitions, request, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: length, array_of_partitions(length)
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_PREADY_LIST(LENGTH, ARRAY_OF_PARTITIONS, REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER LENGTH, ARRAY_OF_PARTITIONS(*), REQUEST, IERROR

A call to MPI_PREADY_LIST has the same effect as calls to
MPI_PREADY, executed for the partitions specified in the range array_of_partitions[0]
... array_of_partitions[count − 1] of the array_of_partitions, executed in some arbitrary
order. Calls to MPI_PREADY_LIST follow the same rules as those for MPI_PREADY calls.

4.2.2 Communication Completion under Partitioning

The functions MPI_WAIT and MPI_TEST (and variants) are used to complete a partitioned
communication operation. The completion of a partitioned send operation indicates that
the sender is now free to call MPI_START/MPI_STARTALL to restart the operation and
subsequently MPI_PREADY, MPI_PREADY_RANGE or MPI_PREADY_LIST. Alternatively,
the user can safely free the partitioned communication request after the completion of the
partitioned operation. For the sending process, completion of the partitioned send operation
does not indicate that the partitions of the message have all been received.

The completion of a partitioned receive operation through MPI_WAIT or MPI_TEST
indicates that the receive buffer contains all of the partitions. A function for probing the
partial reception of the receive buffer is provided by MPI_PARRIVED. The MPI_PARRIVED
function can be used to determine if the message data for the indicated partition has been
received into the receive buffer. Upon success, the receiver becomes free to access the
indicated partition (as well as any others that previously completed for that operation).

MPI_PARRIVED(request, partition, flag)
  IN request partitioned communication request (handle)
  IN partition partition to be tested (non-negative integer)
  OUT flag true if operation completed on the specified partition,
            false if not (logical)

C binding
int MPI_Parrived(MPI_Request request, int partition, int *flag)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Parrived(request, partition, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: partition
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_PARRIVED(REQUEST, PARTITION, FLAG, IERROR)
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The function **MPI_PARRIVED** can be used to test partial completion of partitioned receive operations. A call to **MPI_PARRIVED** on an active partitioned communication request returns \( \text{flag} = \text{true} \) if the operation identified by \( \text{request} \) for the specified \( \text{partition} \) is complete. The request is not marked as complete/inactive by this procedure. A subsequent call to an MPI completing procedure (e.g., **MPI_TEST**/**MPI_WAIT**) is required to complete the operation, as described in Chapter 3. **MPI_PARRIVED** may be called multiple times for a partition. **MPI_PARRIVED** may be called with a null or inactive \( \text{request} \) argument. In either case, the operation returns with \( \text{flag} = \text{true} \). Calling **MPI_PARRIVED** on a request that does not correspond to a partitioned receive operation is erroneous.

Repeated calls to **MPI_PARRIVED** with the same \( \text{request} \) and \( \text{partition} \) arguments will eventually return \( \text{flag} = \text{true} \) if the corresponding partitioned send operation has been started and all send partitions have been marked as ready. For additional information on MPI progress see Sections 2.9 and 3.7.4.

**Advice to implementors.** A high quality implementation will eventually return \( \text{flag} = \text{true} \) from **MPI_PARRIVED** after all of the corresponding **MPI_PREADY** calls have been made for a receive-side partition, even if other send partitions are not yet marked as ready. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

4.2.3 Semantics of Communications in Partitioned Mode

The semantics of nonblocking partitioned communication are defined by suitably extending the definitions in Section 3.5.

**Interpretation of count and datatype for partitioned communication.** Partitioned communication uses the \( \text{count} \) and \( \text{datatype} \) arguments in the partitioned communication initialization functions to describe a single partition. The argument \( \text{partitions} \) specifies how many equal partitions of a number (\( \text{count} \)) of objects of \( \text{datatype} \)s make up the entire buffer to be transferred in the partitioned communication. As partitioned communication describes many partitions, using absolute displacements in datatypes (e.g., **MPI_BOTTOM**) is not supported. Partitions are contiguous in memory, there is no padding in between them. Once a partitioned send operation is started, each partition must be marked as ready using **MPI_PREADY** and the operation must be completed using a completion function, such as **MPI_TEST** or **MPI_WAIT**.

**Order.** Matching follows the same MPI matching rules as for point-to-point communication (see Chapter 3) with communicator, tag, and source dictating message matching. In the event that the communicator, tag, and source do not uniquely identify the message, the order in which partitioned communication initialization calls are made is the order in which they will eventually match.

4.3 Partitioned Communication Examples

This section provides concrete examples of the utility of partitioned communication in realistic settings.
4.3.1 Partition Communication with Threads/Tasks Using OpenMP 4.0 or later

The equal partitioning on send-side and receive-side in Example 4.1 is shown using threads. In this case, the receive-side uses the same number of partitions as the send-side as in the previous example, but this example uses multiple threads on the send-side. Note that the MPI_PSEND_INIT and MPI_PRECV_INIT functions match each other like in the previous example.

Example 4.2. Equal partitioning on send-side and receive-side using threads.

```c
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "mpi.h"
#define NUM_THREADS 8
#define PARTITIONS 8
#define PARTLENGTH 16
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) /* same send/recv partitioning */
{
    double message[PARTITIONS*PARTLENGTH];
    int partitions = PARTITIONS;
    int partlength = PARTLENGTH;
    int count = 1, source = 0, dest = 1, tag = 1, flag = 0;
    int myrank;
    int provided;
    MPI_Request request;
    MPI_Info info = MPI_INFO_NULL;
    MPI_Datatype xfer_type;
    MPI_Init_thread(& argc, & argv, MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE, & provided);
    if (provided < MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE)
        MPI_Abort(MPI_COMM_WORLD, EXIT_FAILURE);
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, & myrank);
    MPI_Type_contiguous(partlength, MPI_DOUBLE, & xfer_type);
    MPI_Type_commit(& xfer_type);
    if ( myrank == 0 )
    {
        MPI_Psend_init(message, partitions, count, xfer_type, dest, tag,
                        MPI_COMM_WORLD, info, & request);
        MPI_Start(& request);

        #pragma omp parallel for shared(request) num_threads(NUM_THREADS)
        for ( int i=0; i<partitions; i++)
        {
            /* compute and fill partition i, then mark ready: */
            MPI_Pready(i, request);
        }
        while(! flag )
        {
            /* Do useful work */
            MPI_Test(& request, & flag , MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
            /* Do useful work */
        }
        MPI_Request_free(& request);
    } else if ( myrank == 1 )
    {
```
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4.3.2 Send-only Partitioning Example with Tasks and OpenMP version 4.0 or later

The previous example is tailored specifically for send-side partitioning using threads. This is an example where parallel task producers produce input to part of an overall buffer; they complete in any order and contribute to the overall buffer.

Example 4.3. Parallel task producers for partitioned communication using threads.

```c
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "mpi.h"
#define NUM_THREADS 8
#define NUM_TASKS 64
#define PARTITIONS NUM_TASKS
#define PARTLENGTH 16
#define MESSAGE_LENGTH PARTITIONS*PARTLENGTH
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) /* send-side partitioning */
{
    double message[MESSAGE_LENGTH];
    int send_partitions = PARTITIONS,
        send_partlength = PARTLENGTH,
        recv_partitions = 1,
        recv_partlength = PARTITIONS*PARTLENGTH;
    int count = 1, source = 0, dest = 1, tag = 1, flag = 0;
    int myrank;
    int provided;
    MPI_Request request;
    MPI_Info info = MPI_INFO_NULL;
    MPI_Datatype send_type;
    MPI_Init_thread(&argc, &argv, MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE, &provided);
    if (provided < MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE)
        MPI_Abort(MPI_COMM_WORLD, EXIT_FAILURE);
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &myrank);
    MPI_Type_contiguous(send_partlength, MPI_DOUBLE, &send_type);
    MPI_Type_commit(&send_type);
    if (myrank == 0)
    {
        MPI_Psend_init(message, send_partitions, count, send_type, dest, tag, 
                        MPI_COMM_WORLD, info, &request);
        MPI_Start(&request);
    }
    /* Do useful work */
    MPI_Test(&request, &flag, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
    /* Do useful work */
}
MPI_Request_free(&request);
MPI_Finalize();
return 0;
}
```
4.3.3 Send and Receive Partitioning Example with OpenMP version 4.0 or later

This example demonstrates receive-side partial completion notification using more than one partition per receive-side thread. It uses a naive flag based method to test for multiple completed partitions per thread. Note that this means that some threads may be busy polling for completion of assigned partitions when partitions are available to work on that were not assigned to the polling threads in this example. More advanced work stealing methods could be employed for greater efficiency. Like previous examples, it also demonstrates send-side production of input to part of an overall buffer. This example also uses different send-side and receive-side partitioning.
Example 4.4. Partitioned communication receive-side partial completion.

```c
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "mpi.h"
#define NUM_THREADS 64
#define PARTITIONS NUM_THREADS
#define PARTLENGTH 16
#define MESSAGE_LENGTH PARTITIONS*PARTLENGTH
int main(int argc, char * argv[]) /* send-side partitioning */{
  double message[MESSAGE_LENGTH];
  int send_partitions = PARTITIONS,
      send_partlength = PARTLENGTH,
      recv_partitions = PARTITIONS*2,
      recv_partlength = PARTLENGTH/2;
  int source = 0, dest = 1, tag = 1, flag = 0;
  int myrank;
  int provided;
  MPI_Request request;
  MPI_Info info = MPI_INFO_NULL;
  MPI_Datatype send_type;
  MPI_Init_thread(& argc , & argv, MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE, & provided);
  if (provided < MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE)
    MPI_Abort(MPI_COMM_WORLD, EXIT_FAILURE);
  MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, & myrank);
  MPI_Type_contiguous(send_partlength, MPI_DOUBLE, & send_type);
  MPI_Type_commit(& send_type);
  if (myrank == 0)
    {
      MPI_Psend_init(message, send_partitions, 1, send_type, dest, tag,
                     MPI_COMM_WORLD, info, & request);
      MPI_Start(& request);
      #pragma omp parallel for shared(request) \
           firstprivate(send_partitions) \
           num_threads(NUM_THREADS)
      for (int i=0; i<send_partitions; i++)
        {
          /* compute and fill partition #i, then mark ready: */
          MPI_Pready(i, request);
        }
      while(!flag)
        {
          /* Do useful work */
          MPI_Test(& request, & flag, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
          /* Do useful work */
        }
      MPI_Request_free(& request);
    }
  else if (myrank == 1)
    {
      MPI_Precv_init(message, recv_partitions, recv_partlength,
```

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MPI_DOUBLE, source, tag, MPI_COMM_WORLD, info, 
&request);
MPI_Start(&request);
#pragma omp parallel for shared(request) \ 
    firstprivate(recv_partitions) \ 
    num_threads(NUM_THREADS)
for (int j=0; j<recv_partitions; j+=2)
{
    int part_flag = 0;
    int part1_complete = 0;
    int part2_complete = 0;
    while(part1_complete == 0 || part2_complete == 0)
    {
        /* test partition #j and #j+1 */
        MPI_Parrived(request, j, &part_flag);
        if(part_flag && part1_complete == 0)
        {
            part1_complete++;
            /* Do work using partition j data */
        }
        MPI_Parrived(request, j+1, &part_flag);
        if(part_flag && part2_complete == 0)
        {
            part2_complete++;
            /* Do work using partition j+1 */
        }
    }
}
while(!flag)
{
    /* Do useful work */
    MPI_Test(&request, &flag, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
    /* Do useful work */
}
MPI_Request_free(&request);
MPI_Finalize();
return 0;
Chapter 5
Datatypes

Basic datatypes are introduced in Section 3.2.2 and in Section 3.3. In this chapter, this model is extended to describe any data layout. We consider general datatypes that allow one to transfer efficiently heterogeneous and noncontiguous data. We conclude with the description of calls for explicit packing and unpacking of messages.

5.1 Derived Datatypes

Up to here, all point-to-point communications have involved only buffers containing a sequence of identical basic datatypes. This is too constraining on two accounts. One often wants to pass messages that contain values with different datatypes (e.g., an integer count, followed by a sequence of real numbers); and one often wants to send noncontiguous data (e.g., a sub-block of a matrix). One solution is to pack noncontiguous data into a contiguous buffer at the sender site and unpack it at the receiver site. This has the disadvantage of requiring additional memory-to-memory copy operations at both sites, even when the communication subsystem has scatter-gather capabilities. Instead, MPI provides mechanisms to specify more general, mixed, and noncontiguous communication buffers. It is up to the implementation to decide whether data should be first packed in a contiguous buffer before being transmitted, or whether it can be collected directly from where it resides.

The general mechanisms provided here allow one to transfer directly, without copying, objects of various shapes and sizes. It is not assumed that the MPI library is cognizant of the objects declared in the host language. Thus, if one wants to transfer a structure, or an array section, it will be necessary to provide in MPI a definition of a communication buffer that mimics the definition of the structure or array section in question. These facilities can be used by library designers to define communication functions that can transfer objects defined in the host language—by decoding their definitions as available in a symbol table or a dope vector. Such higher-level communication functions are not part of MPI.

More general communication buffers are specified by replacing the basic datatypes that have been used so far with derived datatypes that are constructed from basic datatypes using the constructors described in this section. These methods of constructing derived datatypes can be applied recursively.

A general datatype is an opaque object that specifies two things:

- A sequence of basic datatypes.
- A sequence of integer (byte) displacements.

The displacements are not required to be positive, distinct, or in increasing order. Therefore, the order of items need not coincide with their order in store, and an item may appear more than once. We call such a pair of sequences (or sequence of pairs) a type.
map. The sequence of basic datatypes (displacements ignored) is the type signature of
the datatype.

Let

\[ \text{Typemap} = \{(\text{type}_0, \text{disp}_0), \ldots, (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1})\}, \]

be such a type map, where \( \text{type}_i \) are basic types, and \( \text{disp}_i \) are displacements. Let

\[ \text{Typesig} = \{\text{type}_0, \ldots, \text{type}_{n-1}\} \]

be the associated type signature. This type map, together with a base address \( \text{buf} \), specifies
a communication buffer: the communication buffer that consists of \( n \) entries, where the
\( i \)-th entry is at address \( \text{buf} + \text{disp}_i \) and has type \( \text{type}_i \). A message assembled from such a
communication buffer will consist of \( n \) values, of the types defined by \( \text{Typesig} \).

Most datatype constructors have replication count or block length arguments. Allowed
values are nonnegative integers. If the value is zero, no elements are generated in the type
map and there is no effect on datatype bounds or extent.

We can use a handle to a general datatype as an argument in a send or receive operation,
instead of a basic datatype argument. The operation \( \text{MPI\_SEND}(\text{buf}, 1, \text{datatype}, \ldots) \) will
use the send buffer defined by the base address \( \text{buf} \) and the general datatype associated
with \( \text{datatype} \); it will generate a message with the type signature determined by the
\( \text{datatype} \) argument. \( \text{MPI\_RECV}(\text{buf}, 1, \text{datatype}, \ldots) \) will use the receive buffer defined by the base
address \( \text{buf} \) and the general datatype associated with \( \text{datatype} \).

General datatypes can be used in all send and receive operations. We discuss, in
Section 5.1.11, the case where the second argument \( \text{count} \) has value \( >1 \).

The basic datatypes presented in Section 3.2.2 are particular cases of a general datatype,
and are predefined. Thus, \( \text{MPI\_INT} \) is a predefined handle to a datatype with type map
\( \{(\text{int}, 0)\} \), with one entry of type \( \text{int} \) and displacement zero. The other basic datatypes
are similar.

The extent of a datatype is defined to be the span from the first byte to the last byte
occupied by entries in this datatype, rounded up to satisfy alignment requirements. That
is, if

\[ \text{Typemap} = \{(\text{type}_0, \text{disp}_0), \ldots, (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1})\}, \]

then

\[ \text{lb}(\text{Typemap}) = \min_j \text{disp}_j, \]
\[ \text{ub}(\text{Typemap}) = \max_j (\text{disp}_j + \text{sizeof}(\text{type}_j)) + \epsilon, \text{ and} \]
\[ \text{extent}(\text{Typemap}) = \text{ub}(\text{Typemap}) - \text{lb}(\text{Typemap}). \quad (5.1) \]

If \( \text{type}_j \) requires alignment to a byte address that is a multiple of \( k_j \), then \( \epsilon \) is the least
nonnegative increment needed to round \( \text{extent}(\text{Typemap}) \) to the next multiple of \( \max_j k_j \).
In Fortran, it is implementation dependent whether the MPI implementation computes
the alignments \( k_j \) according to the alignments used by the compiler in common blocks,
SEQUENCE derived types, \( \text{BIND(C)} \) derived types, or derived types that are neither SEQUENCE
nor \( \text{BIND(C)} \). The complete definition of extent is given by Equation 5.1 Section 5.1.
Example 5.1. Assume that $Type = \{(\text{double}, 0), (\text{char}, 8)\}$ (a double at displacement zero, followed by a char at displacement eight). Assume, furthermore, that doubles have to be strictly aligned at addresses that are multiples of eight. Then, the extent of this datatype is 16 (9 rounded to the next multiple of 8). A datatype that consists of a character immediately followed by a double will also have an extent of 16.

**Rationale.** The definition of extent is motivated by the assumption that the amount of padding added at the end of each structure in an array of structures is the least needed to fulfill alignment constraints. More explicit control of the extent is provided in Section 5.1.6. Such explicit control is needed in cases where the assumption does not hold, for example, where union types are used. In Fortran, structures can be expressed with several language features, e.g., common blocks, SEQUENCE derived types, or BIND(C) derived types. The compiler may use different alignments, and therefore, it is recommended to use MPI_TYPE_CREATE_RESIZED for arrays of structures if an alignment may cause an alignment-gap at the end of a structure as described in Section 5.1.6 and in Section 19.1.15. (End of rationale.)

5.1.1 Type Constructors with Explicit Addresses

In Fortran, the procedures MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HVECTOR, MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED, MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED_BLOCK, MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT, and MPI_GET_ADDRESS accept arguments of type INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), wherever arguments of type MPI_Aint are used in C. For Fortran compilers that do not support the Fortran 90 KIND notation, and where addresses are 64 bits whereas default INTEGERS are 32 bits, these arguments will be of type INTEGER*8 (assuming the Fortran compiler accepts the common extension of INTEGER*8 for eight-byte integers).

For the large count versions of three datatype constructors with explicit addresses, MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED, MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED_BLOCK, and MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT, absolute addresses shall not be used to specify byte displacements since the parameter is of type MPI_COUNT instead of type MPI_AINT.

5.1.2 Datatype Constructors

**Contiguous.** The simplest datatype constructor is MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS, which allows replication of a datatype into contiguous locations.

**MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS(count, oldtype, newtype)**

IN count replication count (non-negative integer)
IN oldtype old datatype (handle)
OUT newtype new datatype (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Type_contiguous(int count, MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)
int MPI_Type_contiguous_c(MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype oldtype,  
    MPI_Datatype *newtype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_contiguous(count, oldtype, newtype, ierror)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_contiguous(count, oldtype, newtype, ierror) !(_c)
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS(COUNT, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
    INTEGER COUNT, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR

newtype is the datatype obtained by concatenating count copies of oldtype. Concatenation is defined using extent as the size of the concatenated copies.

Example 5.2. Let oldtype have type map \{(double, 0), (char, 8)\}, with extent 16, and let count = 3. The type map of the datatype returned by newtype is
\{(double, 0), (char, 8), (double, 16), (char, 24), (double, 32), (char, 40)\};
i.e., alternating double and char elements, with displacements 0, 8, 16, 24, 32, 40.

In general, assume that the type map of oldtype is
\{(type_0, disp_0), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1})\},
with extent ex. Then newtype has a type map with count \cdot n entries defined by:
\{(type_0, disp_0), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1}), (type_0, disp_0 + ex), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + ex),
\ldots, (type_0, disp_0 + ex \cdot (count - 1)), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + ex \cdot (count - 1))\}.

Vector. The procedure MPI_TYPE_VECTOR is a more general constructor that allows replication of a datatype into locations that consist of equally spaced blocks. Each block is obtained by concatenating the same number of copies of the old datatype. The spacing between blocks is a multiple of the extent of the old datatype.
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MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(count, blocklength, stride, oldtype, newtype)

IN count number of blocks (non-negative integer)
IN blocklength number of elements in each block (non-negative integer)
IN stride number of elements between start of each block (integer)
IN oldtype old datatype (handle)
OUT newtype new datatype (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Type_vector(int count, int blocklength, int stride,
                    MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_vector_c(MPI_Count count, MPI_Count blocklength, MPI_Count stride,
                      MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_vector(count, blocklength, stride, oldtype, newtype, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength, stride
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_vector(count, blocklength, stride, oldtype, newtype, ierror) !(_c)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength, stride
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, STRIDE, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, STRIDE, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR

Example 5.3. Assume, again, that oldtype has type map \{(double,0),(char,8)\}, with extent 16. A call to MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(2, 3, 4, oldtype, newtype) will create the datatype with type map,

\{ (double, 0), (char, 8), (double, 16), (char, 24), (double, 32), (char, 40),
       (double, 64), (char, 72), (double, 80), (char, 88), (double, 96), (char, 104) \}.

That is, two blocks with three copies each of the old type, with a stride of 4 elements (4 \cdot 16 bytes) between the the start of each block.

Example 5.4. A call to MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(3, 1, -2, oldtype, newtype) will create the datatype,

\{ (double, 0), (char, 8), (double, -32), (char, -24), (double, -64), (char, -56) \}. 
In general, assume that oldtype has type map,

\{(type_0, disp_0), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1})\},

with extent \(ex\). Let \(bl\) be the blocklength. The newly created datatype has a type map with \(\text{count} \cdot bl \cdot n\) entries:

\{(type_0, disp_0), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1}),
\quad (type_0, disp_0 + ex), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + ex), \ldots,
\quad (type_0, disp_0 + (bl - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + (bl - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots,
\quad (type_0, disp_0 + \text{stride} \cdot ex), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + \text{stride} \cdot ex), \ldots,
\quad (type_0, disp_0 + \text{stride} \cdot (\text{count} - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots,
\quad (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + \text{stride} \cdot (\text{count} - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots,
\quad (type_0, disp_0 + \text{stride} \cdot (\text{count} - 1) + bl - 1 \cdot ex), \ldots,
\quad (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + \text{stride} \cdot (\text{count} - 1) + bl - 1 \cdot ex)\}.

A call to \texttt{MPI-TYPE-CONTIGUOUS(count, oldtype, newtype)} is equivalent to a call to \texttt{MPI-TYPE-VECTOR(count, 1, 1, oldtype, newtype)}, or to a call to \texttt{MPI-TYPE-VECTOR(1, count, n, oldtype, newtype)}, where \(n\) is an arbitrary integer value.

**Hvector.** The procedure \texttt{MPI-TYPE-CREATE-HVECTOR} is identical to \texttt{MPI-TYPE-VECTOR}, except that \texttt{stride} is given in bytes, rather than in elements. The use for both types of vector constructors is illustrated in Section 5.1.14. (H stands for “heterogeneous”).

\texttt{MPI-TYPE-CREATE-HVECTOR(count, blocklength, stride, oldtype, newtype)}

\begin{tabular}{ll}
\textbf{IN} & \text{count} & \text{number of blocks (non-negative integer)} \\
\text{IN} & \text{blocklength} & \text{number of elements in each block (non-negative integer)} \\
\text{IN} & \text{stride} & \text{number of bytes between start of each block (integer)} \\
\text{IN} & \text{oldtype} & \text{old datatype (handle)} \\
\text{OUT} & \text{newtype} & \text{new datatype (handle)}
\end{tabular}

**C binding**

\texttt{int MPI_Type_create_hvector(int count, int blocklength, MPI_Aint stride,}

\quad \texttt{MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)}

\texttt{int MPI_Type_create_hvector_c(MPI_Count count, MPI_Count blocklength,}

\quad \texttt{MPI_Count stride, MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)}
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Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Type_create_hvector(count, blocklength, stride, oldtype, newtype, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: stride
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HVECTOR(COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, STRIDE, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) STRIDE
```

Assume that `oldtype` has type map,

\[ \{(type_0, disp_0), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1})\} \]

with extent `ex`. Let `bl` be the `blocklength`. The newly created datatype has a type map with `count \cdot bl \cdot n` entries:

\[ \{(type_0, disp_0), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1}),\]

\( (type_0, disp_0 + ex), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + ex), \ldots, \)

\( (type_0, disp_0 + (bl - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + (bl - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots, \)

\( (type_0, disp_0 + stride), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + stride), \ldots, \)

\( (type_0, disp_0 + stride + (bl - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots, \)

\( (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + stride + (bl - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots, \)

\( (type_0, disp_0 + stride \cdot (count - 1)), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + stride \cdot (count - 1)), \ldots, \)

\( (type_0, disp_0 + stride \cdot (count - 1) + (bl - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots, \)

\( (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + stride \cdot (count - 1) + (bl - 1) \cdot ex)\} \]

Indexed. The procedure `MPI_TYPE_INDEXED` allows replication of an old datatype into a sequence of blocks (each block is a concatenation of the old datatype), where each block can contain a different number of copies and have a different displacement. All block displacements are multiples of the old type extent.
MPI_TYPE_INDEXED(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements, oldtype, newtype)

IN  count  number of blocks—also number of entries in array_of_displacements and array_of_blocklengths (non-negative integer)

IN  array_of_blocklengths  number of elements per block (array of non-negative integers)

IN  array_of_displacements  displacement for each block, in multiples of oldtype (array of integers)

IN  oldtype  old datatype (handle)

OUT newtype  new datatype (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Type_indexed(int count, const int array_of_blocklengths[],
                     const int array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
                     MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_indexed_c(MPI_Count count,
                       const MPI_Count array_of_blocklengths[],
                       const MPI_Count array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
                       MPI_Datatype *newtype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_indexed(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements, oldtype, 
                 newtype, ierror)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, array_of_blocklengths(count),
    array_of_displacements(count)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_indexed(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements, oldtype, 
                 newtype, ierror) !(_c)
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count,
    array_of_blocklengths(count), array_of_displacements(count)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_INDEXED(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS, OLDTYPE, 
                 NEWTYPE, IERROR)
    INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS(*), ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS(*), 
    OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR

Example 5.5. Let oldtype have type map 
{(double,0), (char,8)}, with extent 16. Let B = (3, 1) and let D = (4, 0). A call to MPI_TYPE_INDEXED(2, B, D, oldtype, newtype) returns
a datatype with type map,

\{(double,64),(char,72),(double,80),(char,88),(double,96),(char,104),
        (double,0),(char,8)\}.

That is, three copies of the old type starting at displacement 64, and one copy starting at displacement 0.

In general, assume that oldtype has type map,

\{\{(type_0, disp_0), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1})\}\},

with extent \(ex\). Let \(B\) be the array_of_blocklengths argument and \(D\) be the array_of_displacements argument. The newly created datatype has \(\sum_{i=0}^{\text{count}-1} B[i]\) entries:

\{(type_0, disp_0 + D[0] \cdot ex), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + D[0] \cdot ex), \ldots, \\
(type_0, disp_0 + (D[0] + B[0] - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots, \\
(type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + (D[0] + B[0] - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots, \\
(type_0, disp_0 + D[\text{count}-1] \cdot ex), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + D[\text{count}-1] \cdot ex), \ldots, \\
(type_0, disp_0 + (D[\text{count}-1] + B[\text{count}-1] - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots, \\
(type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + (D[\text{count}-1] + B[\text{count}-1] - 1) \cdot ex)\}.

A call to `MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(count, blocklength, stride, oldtype, newtype)` is equivalent to a call to `MPI_TYPE_INDEXED(count, B, D, oldtype, newtype)` where

\(D[j] = j \cdot \text{stride}, j = 0, \ldots, \text{count} - 1,\)

and

\(B[j] = \text{blocklength}, j = 0, \ldots, \text{count} - 1.\)

Hindexed. The procedure `MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED` is identical to `MPI_TYPE_INDEXED`, except that block displacements in `array_of_displacements` are specified in bytes, rather than in multiples of the `oldtype` extent.
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements, oldtype, newtype)

IN  count number of blocks—also number of entries in array_of_displacements and array_of_blocklengths (non-negative integer)

IN  array_of_blocklengths number of elements in each block (array of non-negative integers)

IN  array_of_displacements byte displacement of each block (array of integers)

IN  oldtype old datatype (handle)

OUT newtype new datatype (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Type_create_hindexed(int count, const int array_of_blocklengths[],
const MPI_Aint array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
MPI_Datatype *newtype)

C binding

int MPI_Type_create_hindexed_c(MPI_Count count,
const MPI_Count array_of_blocklengths[],
const MPI_Count array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
MPI_Datatype *newtype)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Type_create_hindexed(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements,
oldtype, newtype, ierror) !(_c)

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, array_of_blocklengths(count)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_displacements(count)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS,
OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)

INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS(*), OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS(*)

Assume that oldtype has type map,

\{ (type_0, disp_0), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1}) \},
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with extent \( ex \). Let \( B \) be the \texttt{array_of_blocklengths} argument and \( D \) be the \texttt{array_of_displacements} argument. The newly created datatype has a type map with \( n \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\text{count}-1} B[i] \) entries:

\[
\{(type_0, \text{disp}_0 + D[0]), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1} + D[0]), \ldots, \}
\]

\[
(type_0, \text{disp}_0 + D[0] + (B[0] - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots,
\]

\[
(type_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1} + D[0] + (B[0] - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots,
\]

\[
(type_0, \text{disp}_0 + D[\text{count-1}]), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1} + D[\text{count-1}]), \ldots,
\]

\[
(type_0, \text{disp}_0 + D[\text{count-1}] + (B[\text{count-1}] - 1) \cdot ex), \ldots,
\]

\[
(type_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1} + D[\text{count-1}] + (B[\text{count-1}] - 1) \cdot ex)\}.
\]

**Indexed_block.** This procedure is the same as \texttt{MPI_TYPE_INDEXED} except that the blocklength is the same for all blocks. There are many codes using indirect addressing arising from unstructured grids where the blocksize is always 1 (gather/scatter). The following convenience procedure allows for constant blocksize and arbitrary displacements.

**MPI_TYPE_CREATE_INDEXED_BLOCK**

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_INDEXED_BLOCK(count, blocklength, array_of_displacements, oldtype, newtype)
\end{verbatim}

**C binding**

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Type_create_indexed_block(int count, int blocklength,
const int array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
MPI_Datatype *newtype)
\end{verbatim}

**Fortran 2008 binding**

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Type_create_indexed_block(count, blocklength, array_of_displacements,
oldtype, newtype, ierror)
\end{verbatim}

\begin{verbatim}
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength, array_of_displacements(count)

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
\end{verbatim}
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INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_indexed_block(count, blocklength, array_of_displacements,
oldtype, newtype, ierror)!(_c)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength,
array_of_displacements(count)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_INDEXED_BLOCK(COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS,
OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS(*), OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE,
IERROR

Hindexed_block. The procedure MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED_BLOCK is identical
to MPI_TYPE_CREATE_INDEXED_BLOCK, except that block displacements in
array_of_displacements are specified in bytes, rather than in multiples of the oldtype extent.

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED_BLOCK(count, blocklength, array_of_displacements,
oldtype, newtype)
IN count number of blocks—also number of entries in
array_of_displacements (non-negative integer)
IN blocklength number of elements in each block (non-negative
integer)
IN array_of_displacements byte displacement of each block (array of integers)
IN oldtype old datatype (handle)
OUT newtype new datatype (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Type_create_hindexed_block(int count, int blocklength,
const MPI_Aint array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_hindexed_block_c(MPI_Count count, MPI_Count blocklength,
const MPI_Count array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
MPI_Datatype *newtype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_create_hindexed_block(count, blocklength, array_of_displacements,
oldtype, newtype, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_displacements(count)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_Type_create_hindexed_block(count, blocklength, array_of_displacements, oldtype, newtype, ierror) !(_c)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength,
array_of_displacements(count)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED_BLOCK(COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS,
OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS(*)

Struct. MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT is the most general type constructor. It further generalizes MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED in that it allows each block to consist of replications of different datatypes.

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements, array_of_types, newtype)
IN count number of blocks—also number of entries in arrays array_of_types, array_of_displacements, and array_of_blocklengths (non-negative integer)
IN array_of_blocklengths number of elements in each block (array of non-negative integers)
IN array_of_displacements byte displacement of each block (array of integers)
IN array_of_types type of elements in each block (array of handles)
OUT newtype new datatype (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Type_create_struct(int count, const int array_of_blocklengths[],
const MPI_Aint array_of_displacements[],
const MPI_Datatype array_of_types[], MPI_Datatype *newtype)
int MPI_Type_create_struct_c(MPI_Count count,
const MPI_Count array_of_blocklengths[],
const MPI_Count array_of_displacements[],
const MPI_Datatype array_of_types[], MPI_Datatype *newtype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_create_struct(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements, array_of_types, newtype, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, array_of_blocklengths(count)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_displacements(count)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_types(count)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_struct(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements,
                        array_of_types, newtype, ierror) !(_c)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count,
                        array_of_blocklengths(count), array_of_displacements(count)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_types(count)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count,
                        array_of_blocklengths(count), array_of_displacements(count)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS,
                        ARRAY_OF_TYPES, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS(*), ARRAY_OF_TYPES(*), NEWTYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS(*)

Example 5.6. Let type1 have type map,
\{(double, 0), (char, 8)\},
with extent 16. Let B = (2, 1, 3), D = (0, 16, 26), and T = (MPI_FLOAT, type1, MPI_CHAR).
Then a call to MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT(3, B, D, T, newtype) returns a datatype with
type map,
\{(float, 0), (float, 4), (double, 16), (char, 24), (char, 26), (char, 27), (char, 28)\}.
That is, two copies of MPI_FLOAT starting at 0, followed by one copy of type1 starting at 16,
followed by three copies of MPI_CHAR, starting at 26. In this example, we assume that
a float occupies four bytes.

In general, let T be the array_of_types argument, where T[i] is a handle to,
\[ typemap_i = \{(type_0^i, disp_0^i), \ldots, (type_{n_i-1}^i, disp_{n_i-1}^i)\} \]
with extent ex_i. Let B be the array_of_blocklength argument and D be the
array_of_displacements argument. Let c be the count argument. Then the newly created
datatype has a type map with \( \sum_{i=0}^{c-1} B[i] \cdot n_i \) entries:
\[
\{(type_0^0, disp_0^0 + D[0]), \ldots, (type_{n_0}^0, disp_{n_0}^0 + D[0]), \ldots,
(type_0^c, disp_0^c + D[0] + (B[0] - 1) \cdot ex_0), \ldots, (type_{n_c}^c, disp_{n_c}^c + D[0] + (B[0]-1) \cdot ex_0), \ldots,
(type_0^{c-1}, disp_0^{c-1} + D[c-1]), \ldots, (type_{n_c}^{c-1}, disp_{n_c}^{c-1} + D[c-1]), \ldots,
(type_0^{c-1}, disp_0^{c-1} + D[c-1] + (B[c-1] - 1) \cdot ex_{c-1}), \ldots,
(type_{n_c}^{c-1}, disp_{n_c}^{c-1} + D[c-1] + (B[c-1]-1) \cdot ex_{c-1})\}.
\]

A call to MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED(count, B, D, oldtype, newtype) is equivalent
to a call to MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT(count, B, D, T, newtype), where each entry of T
is equal to oldtype.
5.1.3 Subarray Datatype Constructor

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_SUBARRAY(ndims, array_of_sizes, array_of_subsizes, array_of_starts, 
order, oldtype, newtype)

IN   ndims     number of array dimensions (positive integer)
IN   array_of_sizes number of elements of type oldtype in each dimension 
of the full array (array of positive integers)
IN   array_of_subsizes number of elements of type oldtype in each dimension 
of the subarray (array of positive integers)
IN   array_of_starts starting coordinates of the subarray in each 
     dimension (array of non-negative integers)
IN   order     array storage order flag (state)
IN   oldtype   old datatype (handle)
OUT  newtype   new datatype (handle)

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

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

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_create_subarray(ndims, array_of_sizes, array_of_subsizes, 
    array_of_starts, order, oldtype, newtype, ierror)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: ndims, array_of_sizes(ndims), 
    array_of_subsizes(ndims), array_of_starts(ndims), order
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_subarray(ndims, array_of_sizes, array_of_subsizes, 
    array_of_starts, order, oldtype, newtype, ierror) !(_c)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: ndims, order
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_sizes(ndims), 
    array_of_subsizes(ndims), array_of_starts(ndims)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_SUBARRAY(NDIMS, ARRAY_OF_SIZES, ARRAY_OF_SUBSIZES, 
    ARRAY_OF_STARTS, ORDER, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
The subarray type constructor creates an MPI datatype describing an $n$-dimensional subarray of an $n$-dimensional array. The subarray may be situated anywhere within the full array, and may be of any nonzero size up to the size of the larger array as long as it is confined within this array. This type constructor facilitates creating filetypes to access arrays distributed in blocks among processes to a single file that contains the global array, see MPI I/O, especially Section 14.1.1.

This type constructor can handle arrays with an arbitrary number of dimensions and works for both C and Fortran ordered matrices (i.e., row-major or column-major). Note that a C program may use Fortran order and a Fortran program may use C order.

The ndims parameter specifies the number of dimensions in the full data array and gives the number of elements in array_of_sizes, array_of_subsizes, and array_of_starts.

The number of elements of type oldtype in each dimension of the $n$-dimensional array and the requested subarray are specified by array_of_sizes and array_of_subsizes, respectively. For any dimension $i$, it is erroneous to specify array_of_subsizes[$i$] $< 1$ or array_of_subsizes[$i$] $> \text{array_of_sizes}[i]$.

The array_of_starts contains the starting coordinates of each dimension of the subarray. Arrays are assumed to be indexed starting from zero. For any dimension $i$, it is erroneous to specify array_of_starts[$i$] $< 0$ or array_of_starts[$i$] $> (\text{array_of_sizes}[i] - \text{array_of_subsizes}[i])$.

Advice to users. In a Fortran program with arrays indexed starting from 1, if the starting coordinate of a particular dimension of the subarray is $n$, then the entry in array_of_starts for that dimension is $n-1$. (End of advice to users.)

The order argument specifies the storage order for the subarray as well as the full array. It must be set to one of the following:

- **MPI_ORDER_C** The ordering used by C arrays, (i.e., row-major order).
- **MPI_ORDER_FORTRAN** The ordering used by Fortran arrays, (i.e., column-major order).

A ndims-dimensional subarray (newtype) with no extra padding can be defined by the function Subarray() as follows:

\[
\text{newtype} = \text{Subarray}(\text{ndims}, \{\text{size}_0, \text{size}_1, \ldots, \text{size}_{\text{ndims}-1}\}, \\
\{\text{subsize}_0, \text{subsize}_1, \ldots, \text{subsize}_{\text{ndims}-1}\}, \\
\{\text{start}_0, \text{start}_1, \ldots, \text{start}_{\text{ndims}-1}\}, \text{oldtype})
\]

Let the typemap of oldtype have the form:

\[
\{(\text{type}_0, \text{disp}_0), (\text{type}_1, \text{disp}_1), \ldots, (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1})\}
\]

where type$_i$ is a predefined MPI datatype, and let $ex$ be the extent of oldtype. Then we define the Subarray() function recursively using the following three equations. Equation 5.2 defines the base step. Equation 5.3 defines the recursion step when order = MPI_ORDER_FORTRAN, and Equation 5.4 defines the recursion step when order = MPI_ORDER_C. These equations use the conceptual datatypes lb_marker and ub_marker; see Section 5.1.6 for details.
Subarray(1, \{\text{size}_0\}, \{\text{subsize}_0\}, \{\text{start}_0\},
    \{(\text{type}_0, \text{disp}_0), (\text{type}_1, \text{disp}_1), \ldots, (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1})\})
= \{(\text{lb-marker}, 0),
    (\text{type}_0, \text{disp}_0 + \text{start}_0 \times \text{ex}), \ldots, (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1} + \text{start}_0 \times \text{ex}),
    (\text{type}_0, \text{disp}_0 + (\text{start}_0 + 1) \times \text{ex}), \ldots, (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1} + (\text{start}_0 + 1) \times \text{ex}),
    (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1} + (\text{start}_0 + \text{subsize}_0 - 1) \times \text{ex}), \ldots,
    (\text{ub-marker}, \text{size}_0 \times \text{ex})\}
\tag{5.2}

Subarray(\text{ndims}, \{\text{size}_0, \text{size}_1, \ldots, \text{size}_{\text{ndims}-1}\},
    \{\text{subsize}_0, \text{subsize}_1, \ldots, \text{subsize}_{\text{ndims}-1}\},
    \{\text{start}_0, \text{start}_1, \ldots, \text{start}_{\text{ndims}-1}\}, \text{oldtype})
= \text{Subarray}(\text{ndims} - 1, \{\text{size}_1, \text{size}_2, \ldots, \text{size}_{\text{ndims}-1}\},
    \{\text{subsize}_1, \text{subsize}_2, \ldots, \text{subsize}_{\text{ndims}-1}\},
    \{\text{start}_1, \text{start}_2, \ldots, \text{start}_{\text{ndims}-1}\},
    \text{Subarray}(1, \{\text{size}_0\}, \{\text{subsize}_0\}, \{\text{start}_0\}, \text{oldtype}))
\tag{5.3}

Subarray(\text{ndims}, \{\text{size}_0, \text{size}_1, \ldots, \text{size}_{\text{ndims}-1}\},
    \{\text{subsize}_0, \text{subsize}_1, \ldots, \text{subsize}_{\text{ndims}-1}\},
    \{\text{start}_0, \text{start}_1, \ldots, \text{start}_{\text{ndims}-1}\}, \text{oldtype})
= \text{Subarray}(\text{ndims} - 1, \{\text{size}_0, \text{size}_1, \ldots, \text{size}_{\text{ndims}-2}\},
    \{\text{subsize}_0, \text{subsize}_1, \ldots, \text{subsize}_{\text{ndims}-2}\},
    \{\text{start}_0, \text{start}_1, \ldots, \text{start}_{\text{ndims}-2}\},
    \text{Subarray}(1, \{\text{size}_{\text{ndims}-1}\}, \{\text{subsize}_{\text{ndims}-1}\}, \{\text{start}_{\text{ndims}-1}\}, \text{oldtype}))
\tag{5.4}

For an example use of MPI\_TYPE\_CREATE\_SUBARRAY in the context of I/O see Section 14.9.2.

5.1.4 Distributed Array Datatype Constructor

The distributed array type constructor supports HPF-like data distributions. However, unlike in HPF, the storage order may be specified for C arrays as well as for Fortran arrays.

Advice to users. One can create an HPF-like file view using this type constructor as follows. Complementary filetypes are created by having every process of a group call this constructor with identical arguments (with the exception of rank which should be set appropriately). These filetypes (along with identical disp and etype) are then used to define the view (via MPI\_FILE\_SET\_VIEW), see MPI I/O, especially Section 14.1.1 and Section 14.3. Using this view, a collective data access operation (with identical offsets) will yield an HPF-like distribution pattern. (End of advice to users.)
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_DARRAY(size, rank, ndims, array_of_gsizes, array_of_distribs, 
  array_of_dargs, array_of_psizes, order, oldtype, newtype)

IN  size  size of process group (positive integer)
IN  rank  rank in process group (non-negative integer)
IN  ndims number of array dimensions as well as process grid 
    dimensions (positive integer)
IN  array_of_gsizes number of elements of type oldtype in each dimension 
    of global array (array of positive integers)
IN  array_of_distribs distribution of array in each dimension (array of 
    states)
IN  array_of_dargs distribution argument in each dimension (array of 
    positive integers)
IN  array_of_psizes size of process grid in each dimension (array of 
    positive integers)
IN  order  array storage order flag (state)
IN  oldtype old datatype (handle)
OUT newtype  new datatype (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Type_create_darray(int size, int rank, int ndims, 
  const int array_of_gsizes[], const int array_of_distribs[], 
  const int array_of_dargs[], const int array_of_psizes[], 
  int order, MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_darray_c(int size, int rank, int ndims, 
  const MPI_Count array_of_gsizes[], const int array_of_distribs[], 
  const int array_of_dargs[], const int array_of_psizes[], 
  int order, MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_create_darray(size, rank, ndims, array_of_gsizes, array_of_distribs, 
  array_of_dargs, array_of_psizes, order, oldtype, newtype, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: size, rank, ndims, array_of_gsizes(ndims), 
  array_of_distribs(ndims), array_of_dargs(ndims), 
  array_of_psizes(ndims), order
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Type_create_darray(size, rank, ndims, array_of_gsizes, array_of_distribs, 
  array_of_dargs, array_of_psizes, order, oldtype, newtype, ierror) 
  !(_c)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: size, rank, ndims, array_of_distribs(ndims), 
  array_of_dargs(ndims), array_of_psizes(ndims), order
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_gsizes(ndims)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
MPI is equivalent to MPI called "cyclic()" (see below).

and MPI (column-major) or C (row-major) order. Valid values for order are:

- DISTRIBUTE_UNDEFINED
- DISTRIBUTE_BLOCK
- DISTRIBUTE_CYCLIC
- DISTRIBUTE_Aначен
- DISTRIBUTE_SUBARRAY
- DISTRIBUTE_Aначен

The distribution argument for a dimension that is not distributed is ignored. For any array, each dimension of the array can be distributed in one of three ways:

- Block distribution.
- Cyclic distribution.
- Dimension not distributed.

The constant MPI_DISTRIBUTE_DFLT_DARG specifies a default distribution argument. The distribution argument for a dimension that is not distributed is ignored. For any dimension i in which the distribution is MPI_DISTRIBUTE_BLOCK, it is erroneous to specify array_of_dargs[i] * array_of_psizes[i] < array_of_gsizes[i].

For example, the HPF layout ARRAY(CYCLIC(15)) corresponds to MPI_DISTRIBUTE_CYCLIC with a distribution argument of 15, and the HPF layout ARRAY(BLOCK) corresponds to MPI_DISTRIBUTB_E_BLOCK with a distribution argument of MPI_DISTRIBUTE_DFLT_DARG.

The order argument is used as in MPI_TYPE_CREATE_SUBARRAY to specify the storage order. Therefore, arrays described by this type constructor may be stored in Fortran (column-major) or C (row-major) order. Valid values for order are MPI_ORDER_FORTран and MPI_ORDER_C.

This routine creates a new MPI datatype with a typemap defined in terms of a function called “cyclic()” (see below).

Without loss of generality, it suffices to define the typemap for the MPI_DISTRIBUTE_CYCLIC case where MPI_DISTRIBUTE_DFLT_DARG is not used.

MPI_DISTRIBUTE_BLOCK and MPI_DISTRIBUTE_NONE can be reduced to the MPI_DISTRIBUTE_CYCLIC case for dimension i as follows.

- MPI_DISTRIBUTE_BLOCK with array_of_dargs[i] equal to MPI_DISTRIBUTE_DFLT_DARG is equivalent to MPI_DISTRIBUTE_CYCLIC with array_of_dargs[i] set to

\[
\frac{(array\_of\_gsizes[i] + array\_of\_psizes[i] - 1)}{array\_of\_psizes[i]}.
\]
If `array_of_dargs[i]` is not `MPI_DISTRIBUTE_DFLT_DARG`, then `MPI_DISTRIBUTBLOCK` and `MPI_DISTRIBUTE_CYCLIC` are equivalent.

`MPI_DISTRIBUTE_NONE` is equivalent to `MPI_DISTRIBUTECYCLIC` with `array_of_gsizes[i]` set to `array_of_gsizes[i]`.

Finally, `MPI_DISTRIBUTECYCLIC` with `array_of_dargs[i]` equal to `MPI_DISTRIBUTEDFLT_DARG` is equivalent to `MPI_DISTRIBUTECYCLIC` with `array_of_dargs[i]` set to 1.

For `MPI_ORDER_FORTRAN`, an `ndims`-dimensional distributed array (newtype) is defined by the following code fragment:

```c
oldtypes[0] = oldtype;
for (i = 0; i < ndims; i++) {
    oldtypes[i+1] = cyclic(array_of_dargs[i],
                          array_of_gsizes[i],
                          r[i],
                          array_of_psizes[i],
                          oldtypes[i]);
}
newtype = oldtypes[ndims];
```

For `MPI_ORDER_C`, the code is:

```c
oldtypes[0] = oldtype;
for (i = 0; i < ndims; i++) {
    oldtypes[i+1] = cyclic(array_of_dargs[ndims - i - 1],
                          array_of_gsizes[ndims - i - 1],
                          r[ndims - i - 1],
                          array_of_psizes[ndims - i - 1],
                          oldtypes[i]);
}
newtype = oldtypes[ndims];
```

where `r[i]` is the position of the process (with rank `rank`) in the process grid at dimension `i`. The values of `r[i]` are given by the following code fragment:

```c
t_rank = rank;
t_size = 1;
for (i = 0; i < ndims; i++)
    t_size *= array_of_psizes[i];
for (i = 0; i < ndims; i++) {
    t_size = t_size / array_of_psizes[i];
    r[i] = t_rank / t_size;
    t_rank = t_rank % t_size;
}
```

Let the typemap of `oldtype` have the form:

\[
\{(\text{type}_0, \text{disp}_0), (\text{type}_1, \text{disp}_1), \ldots, (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1})\}
\]

where `type_i` is a predefined MPI datatype, and let `ex` be the extent of `oldtype`. The following function uses the conceptual datatypes `lb_marker` and `ub_marker`, see Section 5.1.6 for details.

Given the above, the function `cyclic()` is defined as follows:

```c
cyclic(darg, gsize, r, psize, oldtype)
    = \{(lb_marker, 0),
```
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Finally, \(darg\) is defined by this code fragment:

```c
nblocks = (gsize + (darg - 1)) / darg;
count = nblocks / psize;
left_over = nblocks - count * psize;
if (r < left_over)
    count = count + 1;
```

where \(count\) is defined by this code fragment:

```c
ub_marker, gsize * ex))
```

\[ (type_0, disp_0 + r \times darg \times ex), \ldots, \]
\[ (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + r \times darg \times ex), \]
\[ (type_0, disp_0 + (r \times darg + 1) \times ex), \ldots, \]
\[ (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + (r \times darg + 1) \times ex), \]
\[ \ldots \]
\[ (type_0, disp_0 + ((r + 1) \times darg - 1) \times ex), \ldots, \]
\[ (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + ((r + 1) \times darg - 1) \times ex), \]
\[ (type_0, disp_0 + r \times darg \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex), \ldots, \]
\[ (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + r \times darg \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex), \]
\[ (type_0, disp_0 + (r \times darg + 1) \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex), \ldots, \]
\[ (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + (r \times darg + 1) \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex), \]
\[ \ldots \]
\[ (type_0, disp_0 + ((r + 1) \times darg - 1) \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex), \ldots, \]
\[ (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + ((r + 1) \times darg - 1) \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex), \]
\[ \vdots \]
\[ (type_0, disp_0 + r \times darg \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex \times (count - 1)), \ldots, \]
\[ (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + r \times darg \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex \times (count - 1)), \]
\[ (type_0, disp_0 + (r \times darg + 1) \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex \times (count - 1)), \ldots, \]
\[ (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + (r \times darg + 1) \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex \times (count - 1)), \]
\[ (type_0, disp_0 + r \times darg + darg_{last} - 1) \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex \times (count - 1)), \ldots, \]
\[ (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1} + r \times darg + darg_{last} - 1) \times ex + psize \times darg \times ex \times (count - 1)), \]
\[ (ub_marker, gsize \times ex)) \]
```

where \(count\) is defined by this code fragment:

```c
nblocks = (gsize + (darg - 1)) / darg;
count = nblocks / psize;
left_over = nblocks - count * psize;
if (r < left_over)
    count = count + 1;
```

Here, \(nblocks\) is the number of blocks that must be distributed among the processors. Finally, \(darg_{last}\) is defined by this code fragment:

```c
if ((num_in_last_cyclic = gsize % (psize * darg)) == 0)
    darg_last = darg;
else {
    darg_last = num_in_last_cyclic - darg * r;
    if (darg_last > darg)
        darg_last = darg;
```

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if (darg_last <= 0)  
darg_last = darg;
}

Example 5.7. Consider generating the filetypes corresponding to the HPF distribution:

<oldtype> FILEARRAY(100, 200, 300)
!HPF$ PROCESSORS PROCESSES(2, 3)
!HPF$ DISTRIBUTE FILEARRAY(CYCCLC(10), *, BLOCK) ONTO PROCESSES

This can be achieved by the following Fortran code, assuming there will be six processes attached to the run:

```fortran
ndims = 3
array_of_gsizes(1) = 100
array_of_distrib(1) = MPI_DISTRIBUTE_CYCLIC
array_of_dargs(1) = 10
array_of_gsizes(2) = 200
array_of_distrib(2) = MPI_DISTRIBUTE_NONE
array_of_dargs(2) = 0
array_of_gsizes(3) = 300
array_of_distrib(3) = MPI_DISTRIBUTE_BLOCK
array_of_dargs(3) = MPI_DISTRIBUTE_DFLT_DARG
array_of_psizes(1) = 2
array_of_psizes(2) = 1
array_of_psizes(3) = 3

call MPI_COMM_SIZE(MPI_COMM_WORLD, size, ierr)
call MPI_COMM_RANK(MPI_COMM_WORLD, rank, ierr)
call MPI_TYPE_CREATE_DARRAY(size, rank, ndims, array_of_gsizes, &
  array_of_distrib, array_of_dargs, array_of_psizes, &
  MPI_ORDER_FORTRAN, oldtype, newtype, ierr)
```

5.1.5 Address and Size Procedures

The displacements in a general datatype are relative to some initial buffer address. Absolute addresses can be substituted for these displacements: we treat them as displacements relative to “address zero,” the start of the address space. This initial address zero is indicated by the constant MPI_BOTTOM. Thus, a datatype can specify the absolute address of the entries in the communication buffer, in which case the buf argument is passed the value MPI_BOTTOM. Note that in Fortran MPI_BOTTOM is not usable for initialization or assignment, see Section 2.5.4.

The address of a location in memory can be found by invoking the procedure MPI_GET_ADDRESS. The relative displacement between two absolute addresses can be calculated with the procedure MPI_AINT_DIFF. A new absolute address as sum of an absolute base address and a relative displacement can be calculated with the procedure MPI_AINT_ADD. To ensure portability, arithmetic on absolute addresses should not be performed with the intrinsic operators “-” and “+”. See also Sections 2.5.6 and 5.1.12 on pages 21 and 161.

Rationale. Address sized integer values, i.e., MPI_Aint or INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) values, are signed integers, while absolute addresses
are unsigned quantities. Direct arithmetic on addresses stored in address sized signed variables can cause overflows, resulting in undefined behavior. (*End of rationale.*)

MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS(location, address)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>IN</th>
<th>location</th>
<th>location in caller memory (choice)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OUT</td>
<td>address</td>
<td>address of location (integer)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**C binding**

\[\text{int MPI\_Get\_address(const void *location, MPI\_Aint *address)}\]

**Fortran 2008 binding**

\[\text{MPI\_Get\_address(location, address, ierr)}\]

- TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: location
- INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: address
- INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

**Fortran binding**

\[\text{MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS(LOCATION, ADDRESS, IERROR)}\]

- \text{<type> LOCATION(*)}
- INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND) ADDRESS
- INTEGER IERROR

Returns the (byte) address of location.

*Rationale.* In the \text{mpi\_f08} module, the \text{location} argument is not defined with \text{INTENT(IN)} because existing applications may use \text{MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS} as a substitute for \text{MPI\_F\_SYNC\_REG}, which was not defined before MPI-3.0. (*End of rationale.*)

**Example 5.8.** Using \text{MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS} for an array.

\[\begin{align*}
\text{REAL A(100,100)} \\
\text{INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND) I1, I2, DIFF} \\
\text{CALL MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS(A(1,1), I1, IERROR)} \\
\text{CALL MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS(A(10,10), I2, IERROR)} \\
\text{DIFF = MPI\_AINT\_DIFF(I2, I1)} \\
! The value of DIFF is 909*\text{SIZEOF(REAL)}; the values of I1 and I2 are 
! implementation dependent.
\end{align*}\]

Advice to users. C users may be tempted to avoid the usage of \text{MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS} and rely on the availability of the address operator &. Note, however, that & \text{cast-expression} is a pointer, not an address. ISO C does not require that the value of a pointer (or the pointer cast to int) be the absolute address of the object pointed at—although this is commonly the case. Furthermore, referencing may not have a unique definition on machines with a segmented address space. The use of \text{MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS} to “reference” C variables guarantees portability to such machines as well. (*End of advice to users.*)
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Advice to users. To prevent problems with the argument copying and register optimization done by Fortran compilers, please note the hints in Sections 19.1.10–19.1.20. (End of advice to users.)

To ensure portability, arithmetic on MPI addresses must be performed using the MPI_AINT_ADD and MPI_AINT_DIFF procedures.

MPI_AINT_ADD(base, disp)

IN   base   base address (integer)
IN   disp   displacement (integer)

C binding
MPI_Aint MPI_Aint_add(MPI_Aint base, MPI_Aint disp)

Fortran 2008 binding
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) MPI_Aint_add(base, disp)
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: base, disp

Fortran binding
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) MPI_AINT_ADD(BASE, DISP)
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) BASE, DISP

MPI_AINT_ADD produces a new MPI_Aint value that is equivalent to the sum of the base and disp arguments, where base represents a base address returned by a call to MPI_GET_ADDRESS and disp represents a signed integer displacement. The resulting address is valid only at the process that generated base, and it must correspond to a location in the same object referenced by base, as described in Section 5.1.12. The addition is performed in a manner that results in the correct MPI_Aint representation of the output address, as if the process that originally produced base had called:

MPI_Get_address((char *) base + disp, &result);

MPI_AINT_DIFF(addr1, addr2)

IN   addr1   minuend address (integer)
IN   addr2   subtrahend address (integer)

C binding
MPI_Aint MPI_Aint_diff(MPI_Aint addr1, MPI_Aint addr2)

Fortran 2008 binding
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) MPI_Aint_diff(addr1, addr2)
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: addr1, addr2

Fortran binding
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) MPI_AINT_DIFF(ADDR1, ADDR2)
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ADDR1, ADDR2

MPI_AINT_DIFF produces a new MPI_Aint value that is equivalent to the difference between addr1 and addr2 arguments, where addr1 and addr2 represent addresses returned
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by calls to MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS. The resulting address is valid only at the process that
generated \texttt{addr1} and \texttt{addr2}, and \texttt{addr1} and \texttt{addr2} must correspond to locations in the same
object in the same process, as described in Section 5.1.12. The difference is calculated in
a manner that results in the signed difference from \texttt{addr1} to \texttt{addr2}, as if the process that
originally produced the addresses had called \texttt{(char *) addr1 - (char *) addr2} on the
addresses initially passed to MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS.

The following auxiliary procedures provide useful information on derived datatypes.

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_TYPE\_SIZE(datatype, size)
  IN   datatype          datatype to get information on (handle)
  OUT  size              datatype size (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Type_size(MPI_Datatype datatype, int *size)
int MPI_Type_size_c(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *size)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI\_Type\_size(datatype, size, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI\_Type\_size(datatype, size, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_COUNT\_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI\_TYPE\_SIZE(DATATYPE, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, SIZE, IERROR

MPI\_TYPE\_SIZE set the value of \texttt{size} to the total size, in bytes, of the entries in the
type signature associated with \texttt{datatype}; i.e., the total size of the data in a message that
would be created with this datatype. Entries that occur multiple times in the datatype are
counted with their multiplicity. For both procedures, if the OUT parameter cannot express
the value to be returned (e.g., if the parameter is too small to hold the output value), it is
set to MPI\_UNDEFINED.

5.1.6 Lower-Bound and Upper-Bound Markers

It is often convenient to define explicitly the lower bound and upper bound of a type map,
and override the definition given on page 152. This allows one to define a datatype that has
“holes” at its beginning or its end, or a datatype with entries that extend above the upper
bound or below the lower bound. Examples of such usage are provided in Section 5.1.14.
Also, the user may want to override the alignment rules that are used to compute upper
bounds and extents. E.g., a C compiler may allow the user to override default alignment
rules for some of the structures within a program. The user has to specify explicitly the
bounds of the datatypes that match these structures.
To achieve this, we add two additional conceptual datatypes, \texttt{lb\_marker} and \texttt{ub\_marker}, that represent the lower bound and upper bound of a datatype. These conceptual datatypes occupy no space ($\text{extent}(\texttt{lb\_marker}) = \text{extent}(\texttt{ub\_marker}) = 0$). They do not affect the size or count of a datatype, and do not affect the content of a message created with this datatype. However, they do affect the definition of the extent of a datatype and, therefore, affect the outcome of a replication of this datatype by a datatype constructor.

**Example 5.9.** A call to MPI\_TYPE\_CREATE\_RESIZED(MPI\_INT, -3, 9, type1) creates a new datatype that has an extent of 9 (from -3 to 5, 5 included), and contains an integer at displacement 0. This is the datatype defined by the typemap $\{(\texttt{lb\_marker}, -3), (\text{int}, 0), (\texttt{ub\_marker}, 6)\}$. If this type is replicated twice by a call to MPI\_TYPE\_CONTIGUOUS(2, type1, type2) then the newly created type can be described by the typemap $\{(\texttt{lb\_marker}, -3), (\text{int}, 0), (\text{int}, 9), (\texttt{ub\_marker}, 15)\}$. (An entry of type \texttt{ub\_marker} can be deleted if there is another entry of type \texttt{lb\_marker} with a higher displacement; an entry of type \texttt{lb\_marker} can be deleted if there is another entry of type \texttt{ub\_marker} with a lower displacement.)

In general, if

$\text{Typemap} = \{(\text{type}_0, \text{disp}_0), \ldots, (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1})\}$,

then the lower bound of \text{Typemap} is defined to be

$$
\text{lb}(\text{Typemap}) = \begin{cases} 
\min_j \text{disp}_j & \text{if no entry has type } \text{lb\_marker} \\
\min_j \{\text{disp}_j \text{ such that } \text{type}_j = \text{lb\_marker}\} & \text{otherwise}
\end{cases}
$$

Similarly, the upper bound of \text{Typemap} is defined to be

$$
\text{ub}(\text{Typemap}) = \begin{cases} 
\max_j (\text{disp}_j + \text{sizeof}(\text{type}_j)) + \epsilon & \text{if no entry has type } \text{ub\_marker} \\
\max_j \{\text{disp}_j \text{ such that } \text{type}_j = \text{ub\_marker}\} & \text{otherwise}
\end{cases}
$$

Then

$$
\text{extent}(\text{Typemap}) = \text{ub}(\text{Typemap}) - \text{lb}(\text{Typemap})
$$

If \text{type}_j requires alignment to a byte address that is a multiple of $k_i$, then $\epsilon$ is the least nonnegative increment needed to round $\text{extent}(\text{Typemap})$ to the next multiple of $\max_j k_i$. In Fortran, it is implementation dependent whether the MPI implementation computes the alignments $k_i$ according to the alignments used by the compiler in common blocks, SEQUENCE derived types, BIND(C) derived types, or derived types that are neither SEQUENCE nor BIND(C).

The formal definitions given for the various datatype constructors apply now, with the amended definition of \text{extent}.

**Rationale.** Before Fortran 2003, MPI\_TYPE\_CREATE\_STRUCT could be applied to Fortran common blocks and SEQUENCE derived types. With Fortran 2003, this list was extended by BIND(C) derived types and MPI implementors have implemented the alignments $k_i$ differently, i.e., some based on the alignments used in SEQUENCE derived types, and others according to BIND(C) derived types. (End of rationale.)

**Advice to implementors.** In Fortran, it is generally recommended to use BIND(C) derived types instead of common blocks or SEQUENCE derived types. Therefore it is recommended to calculate the alignments $k_i$ based on BIND(C) derived types. (End of advice to implementors.)
Advice to users. Structures combining different basic datatypes should be defined so that there will be no gaps based on alignment rules. If such a datatype is used to create an array of structures, users should also avoid an alignment-gap at the end of the structure. In MPI communication, the content of such gaps would not be communicated into the receiver’s buffer. For example, such an alignment-gap may occur between an odd number of floats or REALs before a double or DOUBLE PRECISION data. Such gaps may be added explicitly to both the structure and the MPI derived datatype handle because the communication of a contiguous derived datatype may be significantly faster than the communication of one that is noncontiguous because of such alignment-gaps.

As an example, instead of

```fortran
TYPE, BIND(C) :: my_data
  REAL, DIMENSION(3) :: x
  ! there may be a gap of the size of one REAL
  ! if the alignment of a DOUBLE PRECISION is
  ! two times the size of a REAL
  DOUBLE PRECISION :: p
END TYPE
```

one should define

```fortran
TYPE, BIND(C) :: my_data
  REAL, DIMENSION(3) :: x
  REAL :: gap1
  DOUBLE PRECISION :: p
END TYPE
```

and also include gap1 in the matching MPI derived datatype. It is required that all processes in a communication add the same gaps, i.e., defined with the same basic datatype. Both the original and the modified structures are portable, but may have different performance implications for the communication and memory accesses during computation on systems with different alignment values.

In principle, a compiler may define an additional alignment rule for structures, e.g., to use at least 4 or 8 byte alignment, although the content may have a \( \max_i k_i \) alignment less than this structure alignment. To maintain portability, users should always resize structure derived datatype handles if used in an array of structures, see the Example in Section 19.1.15. (End of advice to users.)

5.1.7 Extent and Bounds of Datatypes

```fortran
MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT(datatype, lb, extent)
```

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<th>Parameter</th>
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<td>IN</td>
<td>datatype to get information on (handle)</td>
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<tr>
<td>OUT</td>
<td>lb</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OUT</td>
<td>extent</td>
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</table>

C binding

```c
int MPI_Type_get_extent(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Aint *lb, MPI_Aint *extent)
```
int MPI_Type_get_extent_c(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *lb,
    MPI_Count *extent)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_get_extent(datatype, lb, extent, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: lb, extent
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Type_get_extent(datatype, lb, extent, ierror) !(_c)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: lb, extent
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT(DATATYPE, LB, EXTENT, IERROR)
    INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) LB, EXTENT

    Returns the lower bound and the extent of datatype (as defined in Equation 5.1).
    If either OUT parameter cannot express the value to be returned (e.g., if the parameter
    is too small to hold the output value), it is set to MPI_UNDEFINED.

    MPI allows one to change the extent of a datatype, using lower bound and upper bound
    markers. This provides control over the stride of successive datatypes that are replicated
    by datatype constructors, or are replicated by the count argument in a send or receive call.

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_RESIZED(oldtype, lb, extent, newtype)
    IN oldtype input datatype (handle)
    IN lb new lower bound of datatype (integer)
    IN extent new extent of datatype (integer)
    OUT newtype output datatype (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Type_create_resized(MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Aint lb, MPI_Aint extent,
    MPI_Datatype *newtype)
int MPI_Type_create_resized_c(MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Count lb,
    MPI_Count extent, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_create_resized(oldtype, lb, extent, newtype, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: lb, extent
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Type_create_resized(oldtype, lb, extent, newtype, ierror) !(_c)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: lb, extent
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
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Fortran binding

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_RESIZED(OLDTYPE, LB, EXTENT, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) LB, EXTENT

Returns in newtype a handle to a new datatype that is identical to oldtype, except that
the lower bound of this new datatype is set to be lb, and its upper bound is set to be lb
+ extent. Any previous lb and ub markers are erased, and a new pair of lower bound and
upper bound markers are put in the positions indicated by the lb and extent arguments.
This affects the behavior of the datatype when used in communication operations, with
count > 1, and when used in the construction of new derived datatypes.

5.1.8 True Extent of Datatypes

Suppose we implement gather (see also Section 6.5) as a spanning tree implemented on
top of point-to-point routines. Since the receive buffer is only valid on the root process,
one will need to allocate some temporary space for receiving data on intermediate nodes.
However, the datatype extent cannot be used as an estimate of the amount of space that
needs to be allocated, if the user has modified the extent, for example by using
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_RESIZED. The procedure MPI_TYPE_GET_TRUE_EXTENT returns
the true extent of the datatype.

MPI_TYPE_GET_TRUE_EXTENT(datatype, true_lb, true_extent)

C binding

int MPI_Type_get_true_extent(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Aint *true_lb,
                              MPI_Aint *true_extent)
int MPI_Type_get_true_extent_c(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *true_lb,
                               MPI_Count *true_extent)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Type_get_true_extent(datatype, true_lb, true_extent, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: true_lb, true_extent
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_get_true_extent(datatype, true_lb, true_extent, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: true_lb, true_extent
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_TYPE_GET_TRUE_EXTENT(DATATYPE, TRUE_LB, TRUE_EXTENT, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TRUE_LB, TRUE_EXTENT

true_lb returns the offset of the lowest unit of storage that is addressed by the datatype, i.e., the lower bound of the corresponding typemap, ignoring explicit lower bound markers. true_extent returns the true size of the datatype, i.e., the extent of the corresponding typemap, ignoring explicit lower bound and upper bound markers, and performing no rounding for alignment. If the typemap associated with datatype is

\[
\text{Typemap} = \{(\text{type}_0, \text{disp}_0), \ldots, (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1})\}
\]

Then

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{true_lb}(\text{Typemap}) &= \min_j \{ \text{disp}_j : \text{type}_j \neq \text{lb\_marker}, \text{ub\_marker} \}, \\
\text{true_ub}(\text{Typemap}) &= \max_j \{ \text{disp}_j + \text{sizeof}(\text{type}_j) : \text{type}_j \neq \text{lb\_marker}, \text{ub\_marker} \}, \\
\text{true_extent}(\text{Typemap}) &= \text{true_ub}(\text{Typemap}) - \text{true_lb}(\text{Typemap})
\end{align*}
\]

(Readers should compare this with the definitions in Section 5.1.6 and Section 5.1.7, which describe the procedure MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT.)

The true_extent is the minimum number of bytes of memory necessary to hold a datatype, uncompressed.

If either OUT parameter cannot express the value to be returned (e.g., if the parameter is too small to hold the output value), it is set to MPI_UNDEFINED.

5.1.9 Commit and Free

A datatype object has to be committed before it can be used in a communication. As an argument in datatype constructors, uncommitted and also committed datatypes can be used. There is no need to commit basic datatypes. They are “pre-committed.”

MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(datatype)

\begin{verbatim}
INOUT datatype
\end{verbatim}

datatype that is committed (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Type_commit(MPI_Datatype *datatype)

Fortran 2008 binding

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Type_commit(datatype, ierror)
\end{verbatim}

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(INOUT) :: datatype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OFFOUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(DATATYPE, IERROR)
\end{verbatim}

INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR

The commit operation commits the datatype, that is, the formal description of a communication buffer, not the content of that buffer. Thus, after a datatype has been committed, it can be repeatedly reused to communicate the changing content of a buffer or, indeed, the content of different buffers, with different starting addresses.
Advice to implementors. The system may “compile” at commit time an internal representation for the datatype that facilitates communication, e.g., change from a compacted representation to a flat representation of the datatype, and select the most convenient transfer mechanism.

The optimizations chosen during MPI_TYPE_COMMIT may no longer be optimal if a session (or the World Model) is initialized or finalized. (End of advice to implementors.)

MPI_TYPE_COMMIT will accept a committed datatype; in this case, it is equivalent to a no-op.

Example 5.10. The following code fragment gives examples of using MPI_TYPE_COMMIT.

```fortran
INTEGER type1, type2
CALL MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS(5, MPI_REAL, type1, ierr)
   ! new type object created
CALL MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(type1, ierr)
   ! now type1 can be used for communication
   type2 = type1
   ! type2 can be used for communication
   ! (it is a handle to same object as type1)
CALL MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(3, 5, 4, MPI_REAL, type1, ierr)
   ! new uncommitted type object created
CALL MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(type1, ierr)
   ! now type1 can be used anew for communication
```

MPI_TYPE_FREE(datatype)

\begin{verbatim}
   INOUT datatype          datatype that is freed (handle)
\end{verbatim}

C binding
int MPI_Type_free(MPI_Datatype *datatype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_free(datatype, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(INOUT) :: datatype
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_FREE(DATATYPE, IERROR)
   INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR

Marks the datatype object associated with datatype for deallocation and sets datatype to MPI_DATATYPE_NULL. Any communication that is currently using this datatype will complete normally. Freeing a datatype does not affect any other datatype that was built from the freed datatype. The system behaves as if input datatype arguments to derived datatype constructors are passed by value.

Advice to implementors. The implementation may keep a reference count of active communications that use the datatype, in order to decide when to free it. Also, one
may implement constructors of derived datatypes so that they keep pointers to their
datatype arguments, rather than copying them. In this case, one needs to keep track
of active datatype definition references in order to know when a datatype object can
be freed. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

5.1.10 Duplicating a Datatype

\[
\text{MPI\_TYPE\_DUP(oldtype, newtype)}
\]

\[
\begin{array}{ll}
\text{IN} & \text{oldtype} \quad \text{datatype (handle)} \\
\text{OUT} & \text{newtype} \quad \text{copy of oldtype (handle)}
\end{array}
\]

**C binding**

\[
\text{int MPI\_Type\_dup(MPI\_Datatype oldtype, MPI\_Datatype *newtype)}
\]

**Fortran 2008 binding**

\[
\text{MPI\_Type\_dup(oldtype, newtype, ierror)}
\]

\[
\begin{array}{ll}
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype} \\
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype} \\
\text{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror}
\end{array}
\]

**Fortran binding**

\[
\text{MPI\_TYPE\_DUP(OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)}
\]

\[
\begin{array}{ll}
\text{INTEGER OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR}
\end{array}
\]

MPI\_TYPE\_DUP is a type constructor that duplicates the existing oldtype with asso-
ciated key values. For each key value, the respective copy callback function determines the
attribute value associated with this key in the new datatype; one particular action that a
copy callback may take is to delete the attribute from the new datatype. Returns in newtype
a new datatype with exactly the same properties as oldtype and any copied cached infor-
mation, see Section 7.7.4. The new datatype has identical upper bound and lower bound
and yields the same net result when fully decoded with the procedures in Section 5.1.13.
The newtype has the same committed state as the old oldtype.

5.1.11 Use of General Datatypes in Communication

Handles to derived datatypes can be passed to a communication call wherever a datatype
argument is required. A call of the form MPI\_SEND(buf, count, datatype, ...), where count >
1, is interpreted as if the call was passed a new datatype that is the concatenation of count
copies of datatype. Thus, MPI\_SEND(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm) is equivalent to,

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{MPI\_TYPE\_CONTIGUOUS(count, datatype, newtype)} \\
\text{MPI\_TYPE\_COMMIT(newtype)} \\
\text{MPI\_SEND(buf, 1, newtype, dest, tag, comm)} \\
\text{MPI\_TYPE\_FREE(newtype)}
\end{align*}
\]

Similar statements apply to all other communication procedures that have a count and
datatype argument.
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Suppose that a send operation \( \text{MPI\_SEND}(\text{buf}, \text{count}, \text{datatype}, \text{dest}, \text{tag}, \text{comm}) \) is executed, where \( \text{datatype} \) has type map,

\[
\{(\text{type}_0, \text{disp}_0), \ldots, (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1})\},
\]

and extent \( \text{extent} \). (Explicit lower bound and upper bound markers are not listed in the type map, but they affect the value of \( \text{extent} \).) The send operation sends \( n \cdot \text{count} \) entries, where entry \( i \cdot n + j \) is at location \( \text{addr}_{i,j} = \text{buf} + \text{extent} \cdot i + \text{disp}_j \) and has type \( \text{type}_j \), for \( i = 0, \ldots, \text{count} - 1 \) and \( j = 0, \ldots, n-1 \). These entries need not be contiguous, nor distinct; their order can be arbitrary.

The variable stored at address \( \text{addr}_{i,j} \) in the calling program should be of a type that matches \( \text{type}_j \), where type matching is defined as in Section 3.3.1. The message sent contains \( n \cdot \text{count} \) entries, where entry \( i \cdot n + j \) has type \( \text{type}_j \).

Similarly, suppose that a receive operation \( \text{MPI\_RECV}(\text{buf}, \text{count}, \text{datatype}, \text{source}, \text{tag}, \text{comm}, \text{status}) \) is executed, where \( \text{datatype} \) has type map,

\[
\{(\text{type}_0, \text{disp}_0), \ldots, (\text{type}_{n-1}, \text{disp}_{n-1})\},
\]

with extent \( \text{extent} \). (Again, explicit lower bound and upper bound markers are not listed in the type map, but they affect the value of \( \text{extent} \).) This receive operation receives \( n \cdot \text{count} \) entries, where entry \( i \cdot n + j \) has type \( \text{type}_j \). If the incoming message consists of \( k \) elements, then we must have \( k \leq n \cdot \text{count} \); the \( i \cdot n + j \)-th element of the message should have a type that matches \( \text{type}_j \).

Type matching is defined according to the type signature of the corresponding datatypes, that is, the sequence of basic type components. Type matching does not depend on some aspects of the datatype definition, such as the displacements (layout in memory) or the intermediate types used.

**Example 5.11.** This example shows that type matching is defined in terms of the basic types that a derived type consists of.

```
... 
CALL MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS(2, MPI_REAL, type2, ...) 
CALL MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS(4, MPI_REAL, type4, ...) 
CALL MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS(2, type2, type22, ...) 
... 
CALL MPI_SEND(a, 4, MPI_REAL, ...) 
CALL MPI_SEND(a, 2, type2, ...) 
CALL MPI_SEND(a, 1, type22, ...) 
CALL MPI_SEND(a, 1, type4, ...) 
... 
CALL MPI_RECV(a, 4, MPI_REAL, ...) 
CALL MPI_RECV(a, 2, type2, ...) 
CALL MPI_RECV(a, 1, type22, ...) 
CALL MPI_RECV(a, 1, type4, ...) 
```

Each of the sends matches any of the receives.

A datatype may specify overlapping entries. The use of such a datatype in any communication in association with a buffer updated by the operation is erroneous. (This is erroneous even if the actual message received is short enough not to write any entry more than once.)
Suppose that MPI_RECV(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, status) is executed, where datatype has type map,

\{(type_0, disp_0), \ldots, (type_{n-1}, disp_{n-1})\}.

The received message need not fill all the receive buffer, nor does it need to fill a number of locations that is a multiple of \(n\). Any number, \(k\), of basic elements can be received, where \(0 \leq k \leq \text{count} \cdot n\). The number of basic elements received can be retrieved from status using the query procedure MPI_GET_ELEMENTS.

\[
\text{MPI_GET_ELEMENTS}(\text{status, datatype, count})
\]

\[
\begin{array}{ll}
\text{IN} & \text{status} \quad \text{return status of receive operation (status)} \\
\text{IN} & \text{datatype} \quad \text{datatype used by receive operation (handle)} \\
\text{OUT} & \text{count} \quad \text{number of received basic elements (integer)} \\
\end{array}
\]

\textbf{C binding}

\[
\text{int MPI_Get_elements(const MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype, int *count)}
\]

\[
\text{int MPI_Get_elements_c(const MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *count)}
\]

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\[
\text{MPI_Get_elements(status, datatype, count, ierror)}
\]

\[
\begin{array}{ll}
\text{TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN)} & : \text{status} \\
\text{TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN)} & : \text{datatype} \\
\text{INTEGER, INTENT(OUT)} & : \text{count} \\
\text{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT)} & : \text{ierror} \\
\end{array}
\]

\[
\text{MPI_Get_elements(status, datatype, count, ierror)} !(_c)
\]

\[
\begin{array}{ll}
\text{TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN)} & : \text{status} \\
\text{TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN)} & : \text{datatype} \\
\text{INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT)} & : \text{count} \\
\text{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT)} & : \text{ierror} \\
\end{array}
\]

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\[
\text{MPI_GET_ELEMENTS(STATUS, DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR)}
\]

\[
\begin{array}{ll}
\text{INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR} \\
\end{array}
\]

The \texttt{datatype} argument should match the argument provided by the receive call that set the \texttt{status} variable. For both procedures, if the OUT parameter cannot express the value to be returned (e.g., if the parameter is too small to hold the output value), it is set to \texttt{MPI_UNDEFINED}.

The previously defined procedure MPI_GET_COUNT (Section 3.2.5), has a different behavior. It returns the number of “top-level entries” received, i.e., the number of “copies” of type \texttt{datatype}. In the previous example, MPI_GET_COUNT may return any integer value \(k\), where \(0 \leq k \leq \text{count}\). If MPI_GET_COUNT returns \(k\), then the number of basic elements received (and the value returned by MPI_GET_ELEMENTS) is \(n \cdot k\). If the number of basic elements received is not a multiple of \(n\), that is, if the receive operation has not received
an integral number of datatype “copies,” then MPI\_GET\_COUNT sets the value of count to MPI\_UNDEFINED.

**Example 5.12.** Usage of MPI\_GET\_COUNT and MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS.

```fortran
... CALL MPI\_TYPE\_CONTIGUOUS(2, MPI\_REAL, Type2, ierr) CALL MPI\_TYPE\_COMMITS(Type2, ierr) ...
CALL MPI\_COMM\_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
IF (rank .EQ. 0) THEN
  CALL MPI\_SEND(a, 2, MPI\_REAL, 1, 0, comm, ierr)
  CALL MPI\_SEND(a, 3, MPI\_REAL, 1, 0, comm, ierr)
ELSE IF (rank .EQ. 1) THEN
  CALL MPI\_RECV(a, 2, Type2, 0, 0, comm, stat, ierr)
  CALL MPI\_GET\_COUNT(stat, Type2, i, ierr) ! returns i=1
  CALL MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS(stat, Type2, i, ierr) ! returns i=2
  CALL MPI\_RECV(a, 2, Type2, 0, 0, comm, stat, ierr)
  CALL MPI\_GET\_COUNT(stat, Type2, i, ierr) ! returns i=\(\text{MPI\_UNDEFINED}\)
  CALL MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS(stat, Type2, i, ierr) ! returns i=3
END IF
```

The procedure MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS can also be used after a probe to find the number of elements in the probed message. Note that the MPI\_GET\_COUNT and MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS return the same values when they are used with basic datatypes as long as the limits of their respective count arguments are not exceeded.

**Rationale.** The extension given to the definition of MPI\_GET\_COUNT seems natural: one would expect this procedure to return the value of the count argument, when the receive buffer is filled. Sometimes datatype represents a basic unit of data one wants to transfer, for example, a record in an array of records (structures). One should be able to find out how many components were received without bothering to divide by the number of elements in each component. However, on other occasions, datatype is used to define a complex layout of data in the receiver memory, and does not represent a basic unit of data for transfers. In such cases, one needs to use the procedure MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS. (End of rationale.)

**Advice to implementors.** The definition implies that a receive cannot change the value of storage outside the entries defined to compose the communication buffer. In particular, the definition implies that padding space in a structure should not be modified when such a structure is copied from one process to another. This would prevent the obvious optimization of copying the structure, together with the padding, as one contiguous block. The implementation is free to do this optimization when it does not impact the outcome of the computation. The user can “force” this optimization by explicitly including padding as part of the message. (End of advice to implementors.)

5.1.12 Correct Use of Addresses

Successively declared variables in C or Fortran are not necessarily stored at contiguous locations. Thus, care must be exercised that displacements do not cross from one variable to another. Also, in machines with a segmented address space, addresses are not unique and address arithmetic has some peculiar properties. Thus, the use of addresses, that is, displacements relative to the start address MPI\_BOTTOM, has to be restricted.
Variables belong to the same **sequential storage** if they belong to the same array, to the same **COMMON** block in Fortran, or to the same structure in C. Valid addresses are defined recursively as follows:

1. The procedure `MPI_GET_ADDRESS` returns a valid address, when passed as argument a variable of the calling program.

2. The `buf` argument of a communication procedure evaluates to a valid address, when passed as argument a variable of the calling program.

3. If `v` is a valid address, and `i` is an integer, then `v+i` is a valid address, provided `v` and `v+i` are in the same sequential storage.

A correct program uses only valid addresses to identify the locations of entries in communication buffers. Furthermore, if `u` and `v` are two valid addresses, then the (integer) difference `u − v` can be computed only if both `u` and `v` are in the same sequential storage. No other arithmetic operations can be meaningfully executed on addresses.

The rules above impose no constraints on the use of derived datatypes, as long as they are used to define a communication buffer that is wholly contained within the same sequential storage. However, the construction of a communication buffer that contains variables that are not within the same sequential storage must obey certain restrictions. Basically, a communication buffer with variables that are not within the same sequential storage can be used only by specifying in the communication call `buf = MPI_BOTTOM`, `count = 1`, and using a `datatype` argument where all displacements are valid (absolute) addresses.

**Advice to users.** It is not expected that MPI implementations will be able to detect erroneous, “out of bound” displacements—unless those overflow the user address space—since the MPI call may not know the extent of the arrays and records in the host program. *(End of advice to users.)*

**Advice to implementors.** There is no need to distinguish (absolute) addresses and (relative) displacements on a machine with contiguous address space: `MPI_BOTTOM` is zero, and both addresses and displacements are integers. On machines where the distinction is required, addresses are recognized as expressions that involve `MPI_BOTTOM`. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

### 5.1.13 Decoding a Datatype

MPI datatype objects allow users to specify an arbitrary layout of data in memory. There are several cases where accessing the layout information in opaque datatype objects would be useful. The opaque datatype object has found a number of uses outside MPI. Furthermore, a number of tools wish to display internal information about a datatype. To achieve this, datatype decoding procedures are provided. The two procedures in this section are used together to decode datatypes to recreate the calling sequence used in their initial definition. These can be used to allow a user to determine the type map and type signature of a datatype.
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MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVELOPE(datatype, num_integers, num_addresses, num_large_counts, num_datatypes, combiner)

IN    datatype       datatype to decode (handle)
OUT   num_integers   number of input integers used in call constructing combiner (non-negative integer)
OUT   num_addresses   number of input addresses used in call constructing combiner (non-negative integer)
OUT   num_large_counts number of input large counts used in call constructing combiner (non-negative integer, only present for large count variants)
OUT   num_datatypes   number of input datatypes used in call constructing combiner (non-negative integer)
OUT   combiner       combiner (state)

C binding
int MPI_Type_get_envelope(MPI_Datatype datatype, int *num_integers,
                          int *num_addresses, int *num_datatypes, int *combiner)
int MPI_Type_get_envelope_c(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *num_integers,
                           MPI_Count *num_addresses, MPI_Count *num_large_counts,
                           MPI_Count *num_datatypes, int *combiner)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_get_envelope(datatype, num_integers, num_addresses, num_datatypes,
                      combiner, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: num_integers, num_addresses, num_datatypes,
  combiner
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Type_get_envelope(datatype, num_integers, num_addresses, num_large_counts,
                      num_datatypes, combiner, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: num_integers, num_addresses,
  num_large_counts, num_datatypes
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: combiner
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVELOPE(DATATYPE, NUM_INTEGERS, NUM_ADDRESSES, NUM_DATATYPES,
                       COMBINER, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, NUM_INTEGERS, NUM_ADDRESSES, NUM_DATATYPES, COMBINER,
  IERROR

For the given datatype, MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVELOPE returns information on the number and type of input arguments used in the call that created the datatype. The number-of-arguments values returned can be used to provide sufficiently large arrays in the decoding routine MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS. This call and the meaning of the returned values is
described below. The combiner reflects the MPI datatype constructor call that was used in creating datatype.

Rationale. By requiring that the combiner reflect the constructor used in the creation of the datatype, the decoded information can be used to effectively recreate the calling sequence used in the original creation. This is the most useful information and was felt to be reasonable even though it constrains implementations to remember the original constructor sequence even if the internal representation is different.

The decoded information keeps track of datatype duplications. This is important as one needs to distinguish between a predefined datatype and a dup of a predefined datatype. The former is a constant object that cannot be freed, while the latter is a derived datatype that can be freed. (End of rationale.)

The list of values that can be returned from MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVENLOPE in combiner (on the left) and the call associated with them (on the right) are as follows:

- MPICOMBINER_NAMED: a named predefined datatype
- MPICOMBINER_DUP: MPI_TYPE_DUP
- MPICOMBINER_CONTIGUOUS: MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS
- MPICOMBINER_VECTOR: MPI_TYPE_VECTOR
- MPICOMBINER_HVECTOR: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HVECTOR
- MPICOMBINER_INDEXED: MPI_TYPE_INDEXED
- MPICOMBINER_HINDEXED: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED
- MPICOMBINER_INDEXED_BLOCK: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_INDEXED_BLOCK
- MPICOMBINER_HINDEXED_BLOCK: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_INDEXED_BLOCK
- MPICOMBINER_STRUCT: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT
- MPICOMBINER_SUBARRAY: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_SUBARRAY
- MPICOMBINER_DARRAY: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_DARRAY
- MPICOMBINER_F90_REAL: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL
- MPICOMBINER_F90_COMPLEX: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_COMPLEX
- MPICOMBINER_F90_INTEGER: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_INTEGER
- MPICOMBINER_RESIZED: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_RESIZED
- MPICOMBINER_VALUE_INDEX: MPI_TYPE_CREATE_VALUE_INDEX

If combiner is MPICOMBINER_NAMED then datatype is a named predefined datatype.
If the MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVENLOPE variant without num_large_counts is invoked with a datatype that requires an output value of num_large_counts > 0, then an error of class MPI_ERR_TYPE is raised.

Rationale. The large count variant of this MPI procedure was added in MPI-4. It contains a new num_large_counts parameter. The other variant—the variant that existed before MPI-4—was not changed in order to preserve backwards compatibility. (End of rationale.)

The actual arguments used in the creation call for a datatype can be obtained using MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS.

MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVENLOPE and MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS also support large count types in separate additional MPI procedures in C (suffixied with the "_c") and interface polymorphism in Fortran when using USE mpi_f08.
MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS(datatype, max_integers, max_addresses, max_large_counts, 
    max_datatypes, array_of_integers, array_of_addresses, array_of_large_counts, 
    array_of_datatypes)

IN   datatype  datatype to decode (handle)
IN   max_integers  number of elements in array_of_integers  
    (non-negative integer)
IN   max_addresses  number of elements in array_of_addresses  
    (non-negative integer)
IN   max_large_counts  number of elements in array_of_large_counts 
    (non-negative integer, only present for large count variants)
IN   max_datatypes  number of elements in array_of_datatypes 
    (non-negative integer)
OUT  array_of_integers  contains integer arguments used in constructing 
    datatype (array of integers)
OUT  array_of_addresses  contains address arguments used in constructing 
    datatype (array of integers)
OUT  array_of_large_counts  contains large count arguments used in constructing 
    datatype (array of integers, only present for large count variants)
OUT  array_of_datatypes  contains datatype arguments used in constructing 
    datatype (array of handles)

C binding
int MPI_Type_get_contents(MPI_Datatype datatype, int max_integers, 
        int max_addresses, int max_datatypes, 
        int array_of_integers[], 
        MPI_Aint array_of_addresses[], 
        MPI_Datatype array_of_datatypes[])

int MPI_Type_get_contents_c(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count max_integers, 
                             MPI_Count max_addresses, MPI_Count max_datatypes, 
                             MPI_Count array_of_integers[], 
                             MPI_Aint array_of_addresses[], 
                             MPI_Datatype array_of_datatypes[])

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_get_contents(datatype, max_integers, max_addresses, max_datatypes, 
                      array_of_integers, array_of_addresses, array_of_datatypes, 
                      ierror)
                    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
                    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: max_integers, max_addresses, max_datatypes
                    INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: array_of_integers(max_integers)
                    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: 
                    array_of_addresses(max_addresses)
                    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: array_of_datatypes(max_datatypes)
                    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Type_get_contents(datatype, max_integers, max_addresses, max_large_counts, max_datatypes, array_of_integers, array_of_addresses, array_of_large_counts, array_of_datatypes, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: max_integers, max_addresses, max_large_counts, max_datatypes
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: array_of_integers(max_integers)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: array_of_addresses(max_addresses)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: array_of_large_counts(max_large_counts)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: array_of_datatypes(max_datatypes)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS(DATATYPE, MAX_INTEGERS, MAX_ADDRESSES, MAX_DATATYPES, ARRAY_OF_INTEGERS, ARRAY_OF_ADDRESSES, ARRAY_OF_DATATYPES, IERROR)

INTEGER DATATYPE, MAX_INTEGERS, MAX_ADDRESSES, MAX_DATATYPES, ARRAY_OF_INTEGERS(*), ARRAY_OF_DATATYPES(*), IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ARRAY_OF_ADDRESSES(*)

datatype must be a predefined unnamed or a derived datatype; the call is erroneous if datatype is a predefined named datatype.

The values given for max_integers, max_addresses, max_large_counts, and max_datatypes must be at least as large as the value returned in num_integers, num_addresses, num_large_counts, and num_datatypes, respectively, in the call MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVELOPE for the same datatype argument.

Rationale. The arguments max_integers, max_addresses, max_large_counts, and max_datatypes allow for error checking in the call. (End of rationale.)

If the MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS variant without max_large_counts is invoked with a datatype that requires > 0 values in array_of_large_counts, then an error of class MPI_ERR_TYPE is raised.

Rationale. The large count variant of this MPI procedure was added in MPI-4. It contains new max_large_counts and array_of_large_counts parameters. The other variant—the variant that existed before MPI-4—was not changed in order to preserve backwards compatibility. (End of rationale.)

The datatypes returned in array_of_datatypes are handles to datatype objects that are equivalent to the datatypes used in the original construction call. If these were derived datatypes, then the returned datatypes are new datatype objects, and the user is responsible for freeing these datatypes with MPI_TYPE_FREE. If these were predefined datatypes, then the returned datatype is equal to that (constant) predefined datatype and cannot be freed.

The committed state of returned derived datatypes is undefined, i.e., the datatypes may or may not be committed. Furthermore, the content of attributes of returned datatypes is undefined.
Note that MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS can be invoked with a datatype argument that was constructed using MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL, MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_INTEGER, or MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_COMPLEX (an unnamed predefined datatype). In such a case, an empty array_of_datatypes is returned.

Rationale. The definition of datatype equivalence implies that equivalent predefined datatypes are equal. By requiring the same handle for named predefined datatypes, it is possible to use the == or .EQ. comparison operator to determine the datatype involved. (End of rationale.)

Advice to implementors. The datatypes returned in array_of_datatypes must appear to the user as if each is an equivalent copy of the datatype used in the type constructor call. Whether this is done by creating a new datatype or via another mechanism such as a reference count mechanism is up to the implementation as long as the semantics are preserved. (End of advice to implementors.)

Rationale. The committed state and attributes of the returned datatype is deliberately left vague. The datatype used in the original construction may have been modified since its use in the constructor call. Attributes can be added, removed, or modified as well as having the datatype committed. The semantics given allow for a reference count implementation without having to track these changes. (End of rationale.)

In the deprecated datatype constructor calls, the address arguments in Fortran are of type INTEGER. In the preferred calls, the address arguments are of type INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND). The call MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS returns all addresses in an argument of type INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND). This is true even if the deprecated calls were used. Thus, the location of values returned can be thought of as being returned by the C bindings. It can also be determined by examining the preferred calls for datatype constructors for the deprecated calls that involve addresses.

Rationale. By having all address arguments returned in the array_of_addresses argument, the result from a C and Fortran decoding of a datatype gives the result in the same argument. It is assumed that an integer of type INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) will be at least as large as the INTEGER argument used in datatype construction with the old MPI-1 calls so no loss of information will occur. (End of rationale.)

The following defines what values are placed in each entry of the returned arrays depending on the datatype constructor used for datatype. It also specifies the size of the arrays needed, which is the values returned by MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVELOPE. In Fortran, the following calls were made:

```fortran
PARAMETER (LARGE = 1000)
INTEGER DTYPE, NI, NA, ND, COMBINER, I(LARGE), D(LARGE), IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) A(LARGE)
! CONSTRUCT DATATYPE DTYPE (NOT SHOWN)
CALL MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVELOPE(DTYPE, NI, NA, ND, COMBINER, IERROR)
IF ((NI .GT. LARGE) .OR. (NA .GT. LARGE) .OR. (ND .GT. LARGE)) THEN
  WRITE (*, *) "NI, NA, OR ND = ", NI, NA, ND, &
```

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" RETURNED BY MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVELOPE IS LARGER THAN LARGE = ", LARGE
CALL MPI_ABORT(MPI_COMM_WORLD, 99, IERROR)
ENDIF
CALL MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS(DTYPE, NI, NA, ND, I, A, D, IERROR)

or in C the analogous calls of:

```
#define LARGE 1000
int ni, na, nd, combiner, i[LARGE];
MPI_Aint a[LARGE];
MPI_Datatype dtype, d[LARGE]; /* construct datatype dtype (not shown) */
MPI_Type_get_envelope(dtype, &ni, &na, &nd, &combiner);
if ((ni > LARGE) || (na > LARGE) || (nd > LARGE)) {
    fprintf(stderr, "ni, na, or nd = %d %d %d returned by ", ni, na, nd);
    fprintf(stderr, "MPI_Type_get_envelope is larger than LARGE = %d\n", LARGE);
    MPI_Abort(MPI_COMM_WORLD, 99);
}
MPI_Type_get_contents(dtype, ni, na, nd, i, a, d);
```

The following describes the values of the arguments for each combiner. The lower case name of arguments is used. Also, the descriptions below refer to MPI datatypes created by procedures without large count arguments.

**MPI_COMBINER_NAMED** the datatype represent a predefined type and therefore it is erroneous to call MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS.

**MPI_COMBINER_DUP** ni = 0, na = 0, nd = 1, and

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**MPI_COMBINER_CONTIGUOUS** ni = 1, na = 0, nd = 1, and

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**MPI_COMBINER_VECTOR** ni = 3, na = 0, nd = 1, and

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<tr>
<td>blocklength</td>
<td>i[1]</td>
<td>I(2)</td>
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<tr>
<td>stride</td>
<td>i[2]</td>
<td>I(3)</td>
</tr>
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<td>oldtype</td>
<td>d[0]</td>
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**MPI_COMBINER_HVECTOR** ni = 2, na = 1, nd = 1, and

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<td>stride</td>
<td>a[0]</td>
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5.1 Derived Datatypes

**MPI_COMBINER_INDEXED** \( ni = 2 \times \text{count} + 1, na = 0, nd = 1, \) and

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<tr>
<td>array_of_blocklengths</td>
<td>i[1] to i[i[0]]</td>
<td>I(2) to I(I(1)+1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>array_of_displacements</td>
<td>i[i[0]+1] to i[2*i[0]]</td>
<td>I(I(1)+2) to I(2*I(1)+1)</td>
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<td>oldtype</td>
<td>d[0]</td>
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**MPI_COMBINER_HINDEXED** \( ni = \text{count} + 1, na = \text{count}, nd = 1, \) and

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<td>array_of_blocklengths</td>
<td>i[1] to i[i[0]]</td>
<td>I(2) to I(I(1)+1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>array_of_displacements</td>
<td>a[0] to a[i[0]-1]</td>
<td>A(1) to A(I(1))</td>
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<tr>
<td>oldtype</td>
<td>d[0]</td>
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**MPI_COMBINER_INDEXED_BLOCK** \( ni = \text{count} + 2, na = 0, nd = 1, \) and

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<td>blocklength</td>
<td>i[1]</td>
<td>I(2)</td>
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<tr>
<td>array_of_displacements</td>
<td>i[2] to i[i[0]+1]</td>
<td>I(3) to I(I(1)+2)</td>
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<tr>
<td>oldtype</td>
<td>d[0]</td>
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**MPI_COMBINER_HINDEXED_BLOCK** \( ni = 2, na = \text{count}, nd = 1, \) and

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<td>i[1]</td>
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<tr>
<td>array_of_displacements</td>
<td>a[0] to a[i[0]-1]</td>
<td>A(1) to A(I(1))</td>
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<tr>
<td>oldtype</td>
<td>d[0]</td>
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**MPI_COMBINER_STRUCT** \( ni = \text{count} + 1, na = \text{count}, nd = \text{count}, \) and

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<tr>
<td>array_of_blocklengths</td>
<td>i[1] to i[i[0]]</td>
<td>I(2) to I(I(1)+1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>array_of_displacements</td>
<td>a[0] to a[i[0]-1]</td>
<td>A(1) to A(I(1))</td>
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<tr>
<td>array_of_types</td>
<td>d[0] to d[i[0]-1]</td>
<td>D(1) to D(I(1))</td>
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**MPI_COMBINER_SUBARRAY** \( ni = 3 \times \text{ndims} + 2, na = 0, nd = 1, \) and

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<td>i[0]</td>
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<tr>
<td>array_of_sizes</td>
<td>i[1] to i[i[0]]</td>
<td>I(2) to I(I(1)+1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>array_of_subsizes</td>
<td>i[i[0]+1] to i[2*i[0]]</td>
<td>I(I(1)+2) to I(2*I(1)+1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>array_of_starts</td>
<td>i[2<em>i[0]+1] to i[3</em>i[0]]</td>
<td>I(2<em>I(1)+2) to I(3</em>I(1)+1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>order</td>
<td>i[3*i[0]+1]</td>
<td>I(3*I(1)+2)</td>
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<td>oldtype</td>
<td>d[0]</td>
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Chapter 5 Datatypes

5.1.14 Examples

The following examples illustrate the use of derived datatypes.

Example 5.13. Send and receive a section of a 3D array.

```fortran
REAL a(100,100,100), e(9,9,9)
INTEGER oneslice, twoslice, threeslice, myrank, ierr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) lb, sizeofreal
INTEGER status(MPI_STATUS_SIZE)
```

**MPI_COMBINER_DARRAY** $ni = 4*ndims+4$, $na = 0$, $nd = 1$, and

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<td>rank</td>
<td>i[1]</td>
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<td>ndims</td>
<td>i[2]</td>
<td>I(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>array_of_gsizes</td>
<td>i[3] to i[2]+2</td>
<td>I(4) to I(I(3)+3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>array_of_dists</td>
<td>i[2]+3 to i[2]+2</td>
<td>I(I(3)+4) to I(2*I(3)+3)</td>
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<td>array_of_dargs</td>
<td>i[3]+3 to i[2]+2</td>
<td>I(2<em>I(3)+4) to I(3</em>I(3)+3)</td>
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<td>array_of_psizes</td>
<td>i[3]+3 to i[2]+2</td>
<td>I(3<em>I(3)+4) to I(4</em>I(3)+3)</td>
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<td>order</td>
<td>i[4]+3+3</td>
<td>I(4*I(3)+4)</td>
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<td>oldtype</td>
<td>d[0]</td>
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**MPI_COMBINER_F90_REAL** $ni = 2$, $na = 0$, $nd = 0$, and

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<tr>
<td>r</td>
<td>i[1]</td>
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**MPI_COMBINER_F90_COMPLEX** $ni = 2$, $na = 0$, $nd = 0$, and

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<td>r</td>
<td>i[1]</td>
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**MPI_COMBINER_F90_INTEGER** $ni = 1$, $na = 0$, $nd = 0$, and

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<td>r</td>
<td>i[0]</td>
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**MPI_COMBINER_RESIZED** $ni = 0$, $na = 2$, $nd = 1$, and

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**MPI_COMBINER_VALUE_INDEX** $ni = 0$, $na = 0$, $nd = 2$, and

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```fortran
! extract the section a(1:17:2, 3:11, 2:10)
! and store it in e(:, :, :).

CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(MPI_COMM_WORLD, myrank, ierr)
CALL MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT(MPI_REAL, lb, sizeofreal, ierr)

! create datatype for a 1D section
CALL MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(9, 1, 2, MPI_REAL, oneslice, ierr)

! create datatype for a 2D section
CALL MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HVECTOR(9, 1, 100*sizeofreal, oneslice, &
                            twoslice, ierr)

! create datatype for the entire section
CALL MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HVECTOR(9, 1, 100*100* sizeofreal, twoslice, &
                            threeslice, ierr)

CALL MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(threeslice, ierr)
CALL MPI_SENDRECV(a(1,3,2), 1, threeslice, myrank, 0, e, 9*9*9, &
                  MPI_REAL, myrank, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, status, ierr)
```

**Example 5.14.** Copy the (strictly) lower triangular part of a matrix.

```fortran
REAL a(100,100), b(100,100)
INTEGER disp(100), blocklen(100), ltype, myrank, ierr
INTEGER status(MPI_STATUS_SIZE)

! copy lower triangular part of array a
! onto lower triangular part of array b

CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(MPI_COMM_WORLD, myrank, ierr)

! compute start and size of each column
DO i=1,100
   disp(i) = 100*(i-1) + i
   blocklen(i) = 100-i
END DO

! create datatype for lower triangular part
CALL MPI_TYPE_INDEXED(100, blocklen, disp, MPI_REAL, ltype, ierr)

CALL MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(ltype, ierr)
CALL MPI_SENDRECV(a, 1, ltype, myrank, 0, b, 1, &
                ltype, myrank, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, status, ierr)
```

**Example 5.15.** Transpose a matrix.

```fortran
REAL a(100,100), b(100,100)
INTEGER row, xpose, myrank, ierr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) lb, sizeofreal
```
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Example 5.16. Another approach to the transpose problem:

```fortran
INTEGER status(MPI_STATUS_SIZE)
!
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(MPI_COMM_WORLD, myrank, ierr)
!
CALL MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT(MPI_REAL, lb, sizeofreal, ierr)
!
CALL MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(100, 1, 100, MPI_REAL, row, ierr)
!
CALL MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HVECTOR(100, 1, sizeofreal, row, xpose, ierr)
!
CALL MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(xpose, ierr)
!
CALL MPI_SENDRECV(a, 100, xpose, myrank, 0, b, 100*100,
                   MPI_REAL, myrank, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, status, ierr)
```

Example 5.17. Use of MPI datatypes to manipulate an array of structures.

```fortran
struct Partstruct {
```

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```c
int type; /* particle type */
double d[6]; /* particle coordinates */
char b[7]; /* some additional information */
};

struct Partstruct particle[1000];

int i, dest, tag;
MPI_Comm comm;

/* build datatype describing structure */

MPI_Datatype Particlestruct , Particletype ;
MPI_Datatype type[3] = {MPI_INT, MPI_DOUBLE, MPI_CHAR};
int blocklen[3] = {1, 6, 7};
MPI_Aint disp[3];
MPI_Aint base, lb, sizeofentry;

/* compute displacements of structure components */

MPI_Get_address(particle, disp);
MPI_Get_address(particle[0].d, disp+1);
MPI_Get_address(particle[0].b, disp+2);
base = disp[0];
for (i=0; i < 3; i++) disp[i] = MPI_Aint_diff(disp[i], base);

MPI_Type_create_struct(3, blocklen, disp, type, &Particlestruct);

/* Since the compiler may pad the structure, it is best to explicitly
set the extent of the MPI datatype for a structure element using
MPI_Type_create_resized */

/* compute extent of the structure */
MPI_Get_address(particle+1, &sizeofentry);
sizeofentry = MPI_Aint_diff(sizeofentry, base);

/* build datatype describing structure */

MPI_Type_create_resized(Particlestruct, 0, sizeofentry, &Particletype);

/* 4.1: send the entire array */

MPI_Type_commit(&Particletype);
MPI_Send(particle, 1000, Particletype, dest, tag, comm);

/* 4.2: send only the entries of type zero particles,
preceded by the number of such entries */

MPI_Datatype Zparticles; /* datatype describing all particles
with type zero (needs to be recomputed

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if types change) */

MPI_Datatype Ztype;

int zdisp[1000];
int zblock[1000], j, k;
int zzblock[2] = {1,1};
MPI_Aint zzdisp[2];
MPI_Datatype zztype[2];

/* compute displacements of type zero particles */
j = 0;
for (i = 0; i < 1000; i++)
    if (particle[i].type == 0)
        {zdisp[j] = i;
         zblock[j] = 1;
         j ++;}

/* create datatype for type zero particles */
MPI_Type_indexed(j, zblock, zdisp, Particle_type, & Zparticles);

/* prepend particle count */
MPI_Get_address(&j, zzdisp);
MPI_Get_address(particle, zzdisp+1);
zztype[0] = MPI_INT;
zztype[1] = Zparticles;
MPI_Type_create_struct(2, zzblock, zzdisp, zztype, & Ztype);
MPI_Type_commit(& Ztype);
MPI_Send(MPI_BOTTOM, 1, Ztype, dest, tag, comm);

/* A probably more efficient way of defining Zparticles */
/* consecutive particles with index zero are handled as one block */
j = 0;
for (i = 0; i < 1000; i++)
    if (particle[i].type == 0)
        {for (k=i+1; (k < 1000)&&(particle[k].type == 0); k++)
         zdisp[j] = i;
         zblock[j] = k-i;
         j ++; 
i = k;}

MPI_Type_indexed(j, zblock, zdisp, Particle_type, & Zparticles);

/* 4.3: send the first two coordinates of all entries */

MPI_Datatype Allpairs; /* datatype for all pairs of coordinates */
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```c
MPI_Type_get_extent(Particletype, &lb, &sizeofentry);
/* sizeofentry can also be computed by subtracting the address
 of particle[0] from the address of particle[1] */
MPI_Type_create_hvector(1000, 2, sizeofentry, MPI_DOUBLE, &Allpairs);
MPI_Type_commit(&Allpairs);
MPI_Send(particle[0].d, 1, Allpairs, dest, tag, comm);
/* an alternative solution to 4.3 */

MPI_Datatype Twodouble;
MPI_Type_contiguous(2, MPI_DOUBLE, &Twodouble);
MPI_Datatype Onepair; /* datatype for one pair of coordinates, with
the extent of one particle entry */
MPI_Type_create_resized(Twodouble, 0, sizeofentry, &Onepair);
MPI_Type_commit(&Onepair);
MPI_Send(particle[0].d, 1000, Onepair, dest, tag, comm);

Example 5.18. The same manipulations as in the previous example, but use absolute
addresses in datatypes.

struct Partstruct
{
    int type;
    double d[6];
    char b[7];
};

struct Partstruct particle[1000];
/* build datatype describing first array entry */

MPI_Datatype Particletype;
MPI_Datatype type[3] = {MPI_INT, MPI_DOUBLE, MPI_CHAR};
int block[3] = {1, 6, 7};
MPI_Aint disp[3];

MPI_Get_address(particle, disp);
MPI_Get_address(particle[0].d, disp+1);
MPI_Get_address(particle[0].b, disp+2);
MPI_Type_create_struct(3, block, disp, type, &Particletype);
/* Particletype describes first array entry -- using absolute
addresses */
/* 5.1: send the entire array */
MPI_Type_commit(&Particletype);
```
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Example 5.19. This example shows how datatypes can be used to handle unions.

```c
union {
    int    ival;
    float  fval;
} u[1000];

int    i, utype;

/* All entries of u have identical type; variable utype keeps track of their current type */

MPI_Datatype mpi_utype[2];
MPI_Aint ubase, extent;
```
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/* compute an MPI datatype for each possible union type; assume values are left-aligned in union storage. */

MPI_Get_address(u, &ubase);
MPI_Get_address(u+1, &extent);
extent = MPI_Aint_diff(extent, ubase);

MPI_Type_create_resized(MPI_INT, 0, extent, &mpi_utype[0]);
MPI_Type_create_resized(MPI_FLOAT, 0, extent, &mpi_utype[1]);

for(i=0; i<2; i++) MPI_Type_commit(&mpi_utype[i]);

/* actual communication */
MPI_Send(u, 1000, mpi_utype[utype], dest, tag, comm);

Example 5.20. This example shows how a datatype can be decoded. The routine printdatatype prints out the elements of the datatype. Note the use of MPI_Type_free for datatypes that are not predefined.

/*
Example of decoding a datatype.

Returns 0 if the datatype is predefined, 1 otherwise
*/
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "mpi.h"

int printdatatype(MPI_Datatype datatype)
{
    int *array_of_ints;
    MPI_Aint *array_of_adds;
    MPI_Datatype *array_of_dtypes;
    int num_ints, num_adds, num_dtypes, combiner;
    int i;

    MPI_Type_get_envelope(datatype,
                          &num_ints, &num_adds, &num_dtypes, &combiner);
    switch (combiner) {
      case MPI_COMBINER_NAMED:
        printf("Datatype is named:");
        /* To print the specific type, we can match against the predefined forms. We can NOT use a switch statement here.
         We could also use MPI_TYPE_GET_NAME if we prefered to use names that the user may have changed.
         */
        if (datatype == MPI_INT) printf("MPI_INT
");
        else if (datatype == MPI_DOUBLE) printf("MPI_DOUBLE
");
        ... else test for other types ...
        return 0;
      break;
case MPI_COMBINER_STRUCT:
    printf("Datatype is struct containing");
    array_of_ints = (int*)malloc(num_ints * sizeof(int));
    array_of_adds = (MPI_Aint*)malloc(num_adds * sizeof(MPI_Aint));
    array_of_dtypes = (MPI_Datatype*)malloc(num_dtypes * sizeof(MPI_Datatype));
    MPI_Type_get_contents(datatype, num_ints, num_adds, num_dtypes, 
                 array_of_ints, array_of_adds, array_of_dtypes);
    printf(" %d datatypes:\n", array_of_ints[0]);
    for (i=0; i<array_of_ints[0]; i++) {
        printf("blocklength %d, displacement %ld, type:\n", 
            array_of_ints[i+1], (long)array_of_adds[i]);
        if (printdatatype(array_of_dtypes[i])) {
            /* Note that we free the type ONLY if it 
               is not predefined */
            MPI_Type_free(&array_of_dtypes[i]);
        }
    }
    free(array_of_ints);
    free(array_of_adds);
    free(array_of_dtypes);
    break;
    ... other combiner values ...
    default:
        printf("Unrecognized combiner type\n");
    }
    return 1;
}

5.2 Pack and Unpack

Some existing communication libraries provide pack/unpack procedures for sending nonconsecutive data. In these, the user explicitly packs data into a contiguous buffer before sending it, and unpacks it from a contiguous buffer after receiving it. Derived datatypes, which are described in Section 5.1, allow one, in most cases, to avoid explicit packing and unpacking. The user specifies the layout of the data to be sent or received, and the communication library directly accesses a noncontiguous buffer. The pack/unpack routines are provided for compatibility with previous libraries. Also, they provide some functionality that is not otherwise available in MPI. For instance, a message can be received in several parts, where the receive operation done on a later part may depend on the content of a former part. Another use is that outgoing messages may be explicitly buffered in user supplied space, thus overriding the system buffering policy. Finally, the availability of pack and unpack operations facilitates the development of additional communication libraries layered on top of MPI.

MPI_PACK(inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outsize, position, comm)
IN inbuf input buffer start (choice)
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IN  incount  number of input data items (non-negative integer)
IN  datatype  datatype of each input data item (handle)
OUT outbuf  output buffer start (choice)
IN  outsize  output buffer size, in bytes (non-negative integer)
INOUT position  current position in buffer, in bytes (integer)
IN  comm  communicator for packed message (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Pack(const void *inbuf, int incount, MPI_Datatype datatype,
              void *outbuf, int outsize, int *position, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Pack_c(const void *inbuf, MPI_Count incount, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                void *outbuf, MPI_Count outsize, MPI_Count *position,
                MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Pack(inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outsize, position, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount, outsize
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: position
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Pack(inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outsize, position, comm, ierror)
  !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: incount, outsize
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_PACK(INBUF, INCOUNT, DATATYPE, OUTBUF, OUTSIZE, POSITION, COMM, IERROR)
  <type> INBUF(*), OUTBUF(*)
  INTEGER INCOUNT, DATATYPE, OUTSIZE, POSITION, COMM, IERROR

Packs the message in the send buffer specified by inbuf, incount, datatype into the buffer
space specified by outbuf and outsize. The input buffer can be any communication buffer
allowed in MPI_SEND. The output buffer is a contiguous storage area containing outsize
bytes, starting at the address outbuf (length is counted in bytes, not elements, as if it were
a communication buffer for a message of type MPI_PACKED).

The input value of position is the first location in the output buffer to be used for
packing. position is incremented by the size of the packed message, and the output value
of position is the first location in the output buffer following the locations occupied by the
packed message. The comm argument is the communicator that will be subsequently used for sending the packed message.

 MPI_UNPACK(inbuf, insize, position, outbuf, outcount, datatype, comm)

 IN inbuf input buffer start (choice)
 IN insize size of input buffer, in bytes (non-negative integer)
 INOUT position current position in bytes (integer)
 OUT outbuf output buffer start (choice)
 IN outcount number of items to be unpacked (integer)
 IN datatype datatype of each output data item (handle)
 IN comm communicator for packed message (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Unpack(const void *inbuf, int insize, int *position, void *outbuf,
int outcount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Unpack_c(const void *inbuf, MPI_Count insize, MPI_Count *position,
void *outbuf, MPI_Count outcount, MPI_Datatype datatype,
MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Unpack(inbuf, insize, position, outbuf, outcount, datatype, comm, ierror)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: insize, outcount
  INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: position
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Unpack(inbuf, insize, position, outbuf, outcount, datatype, comm, ierror)

  !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: insize, outcount
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_UNPACK(INBUF, INSIZE, POSITION, OUTBUF, OUTCOUNT, DATATYPE, COMM, IERROR)

  <type> INBUF(*), OUTBUF(*)
  INTEGER INSIZE, POSITION, OUTCOUNT, DATATYPE, COMM, IERROR

Unpacks a message into the receive buffer specified by outbuf, outcount, datatype from the buffer space specified by inbuf and insize. The output buffer can be any communication
buffer allowed in MPI_RECV. The input buffer is a contiguous storage area containing insize bytes, starting at address inbuf. The input value of position is the first location in the input buffer occupied by the packed message. position is incremented by the size of the packed message, so that the output value of position is the first location in the input buffer after the locations occupied by the message that was unpacked. comm is the communicator used to receive the packed message.

Advice to users.  Note the difference between MPI_RECV and MPI_UNPACK: in MPI_RECV, the count argument specifies the maximum number of items that can be received. The actual number of items received is determined by the length of the incoming message. In MPI_UNPACK, the count argument specifies the actual number of items that are unpacked; the “size” of the corresponding message is the increment in position. The reason for this change is that the “incoming message size” is not predetermined since the user decides how much to unpack; nor is it easy to determine the “message size” from the number of items to be unpacked. In fact, in a heterogeneous system, this number may not be determined a priori. (End of advice to users.)

To understand the behavior of pack and unpack, it is convenient to think of the data part of a message as being the sequence obtained by concatenating the successive values sent in that message. The pack operation stores this sequence in the buffer space, as if sending the message to that buffer. The unpack operation retrieves this sequence from buffer space, as if receiving a message from that buffer. (It is helpful to think of internal Fortran files or sscanf in C, for a similar function.)

Several messages can be successively packed into one packing unit. This is effected by several successive related calls to MPI_PACK, where the first call provides position = 0, and each successive call inputs the value of position that was output by the previous call, and the same values for outbuf, outcount and comm. This packing unit now contains the equivalent information that would have been stored in a message by one send call with a send buffer that is the “concatenation” of the individual send buffers.

A packing unit can be sent using type MPI_PACKED. Any point-to-point or collective communication operation can be used to move the sequence of bytes that forms the packing unit from one process to another. This packing unit can now be received using any receive operation, with any datatype: the type matching rules are relaxed for messages sent with type MPI_PACKED.

A message sent with any type (including MPI_PACKED) can be received using the type MPI_PACKED. Such a message can then be unpacked by calls to MPI_UNPACK.

A packing unit (or a message created by a regular, “typed” send) can be unpacked into several successive messages. This is effected by several successive related calls to MPI_UNPACK, where the first call provides position = 0, and each successive call inputs the value of position that was output by the previous call, and the same values for inbuf, insize and comm.

The concatenation of two packing units is not necessarily a packing unit; nor is a substring of a packing unit necessarily a packing unit. Thus, one cannot concatenate two packing units and then unpack the result as one packing unit; nor can one unpack a substring of a packing unit as a separate packing unit. Each packing unit, that was created by a related sequence of pack calls, or by a regular send, must be unpacked as a unit, by a sequence of related unpack calls.
Rationale. The restriction on “atomic” packing and unpacking of packing units allows the implementation to add at the head of packing units additional information, such as a description of the sender architecture (to be used for type conversion, in a heterogeneous environment) (End of rationale.)

The following call allows the user to find out how much space is needed to pack a message and, thus, manage space allocation for buffers.

\texttt{MPI\_PACK\_SIZE(incount, datatype, comm, size)}

\begin{itemize}
\item IN \hspace{1em} incount \hspace{1em} count argument to packing call (non-negative integer)
\item IN \hspace{1em} datatype \hspace{1em} datatype argument to packing call (handle)
\item IN \hspace{1em} comm \hspace{1em} communicator argument to packing call (handle)
\item OUT \hspace{1em} size \hspace{1em} upper bound on size of packed message, in bytes (non-negative integer)
\end{itemize}

C binding

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Pack_size(int incount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Comm comm, int *size)
int MPI_Pack_size_c(MPI_Count incount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Comm comm,
                   MPI_Count *size)
\end{verbatim}

Fortran 2008 binding

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Pack_size(incount, datatype, comm, size, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Pack_size(incount, datatype, comm, size, ierror) !(_c)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_COUNT\_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: incount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_COUNT\_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

Fortran binding

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_PACK\_SIZE(INCOUNT, DATATYPE, COMM, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER INCOUNT, DATATYPE, COMM, SIZE, IERROR
\end{verbatim}

A call to \texttt{MPI\_PACK\_SIZE(incount, datatype, comm, size)} returns in \texttt{size} an upper bound on the increment in position that is effected by a call to \texttt{MPI\_PACK(inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outcount, position, comm)}. If the packed size of the datatype cannot be expressed by the \texttt{size} parameter, then \texttt{MPI\_PACK\_SIZE} sets the value of \texttt{size} to \texttt{MPI\_UNDEFINED}.

Rationale. The call returns an upper bound, rather than an exact bound, since the exact amount of space needed to pack the message may depend on the context (e.g., first message packed in a packing unit may take more space). (End of rationale.)
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Example 5.21. An example using MPI_PACK.

```c
int position, i, j, a[2];
char buff[1000];

MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &myrank);
if (myrank == 0)
{
    /* SENDER CODE */
    position = 0;
    MPI_Pack(&i, 1, MPI_INT, buff, 1000, &position, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
    MPI_Pack(&j, 1, MPI_INT, buff, 1000, &position, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
    MPI_Send(buff, position, MPI_PACKED, 1, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
}
else /* RECEIVER CODE */
    MPI_Recv(a, 2, MPI_INT, 0, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
```

Example 5.22. An elaborate example.

```c
int position, i = 200;
float a[200];
char buff[1000]; /* larger than or equal to the size returned from MPI_PACK_SIZE for 1,newtype */

MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &myrank);
if (myrank == 0)
{
    /* SENDER CODE */
    int len[2];
    MPI_Aint disp[2];
    MPI_Datatype type[2], newtype;

    /* build datatype for i followed by a[0]...a[i-1] */
    len[0] = 1;
    len[1] = i;
    MPI_Get_address(&i, disp);
    MPI_Get_address(a, disp+1);
    type[0] = MPI_INT;
    type[1] = MPI_FLOAT;
    MPI_Type_create_struct(2, len, disp, type, &newtype);
    MPI_Type_commit(&newtype);

    /* Pack i followed by a[0]...a[i-1]*/
    position = 0;
    MPI_Pack(MPI_BOTTOM, 1, newtype, buff, 1000, &position, MPI_COMM_WORLD);

    /* Send */
    MPI_Send(buff, position, MPI_PACKED, 1, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD);

    /* *****
    One can replace the last three lines with
```
MPI_Send(MPI_BOTTOM, 1, newtype, 1, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD);

else if (myrank == 1)
{
/* RECEIVER CODE */
MPI_Status status;

/* Receive */
MPI_Recv(buff, 1000, MPI_PACKED, 0, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &status);

/* Unpack i */
position = 0;
MPI_Unpack(buff, 1000, &position, &i, 1, MPI_INT, MPI_COMM_WORLD);

/* Unpack a[0]...a[i-1] */
MPI_Unpack(buff, 1000, &position, a, i, MPI_FLOAT, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
}

Example 5.23. Each process sends a count, followed by count characters to the root; the root concatenates all characters into one string.

```c
int count, gsize, counts[64], totalcount, k1, k2, k,
    displs[64], position, concat_pos;
char chr[100], *lbuf, *rbuf, *cbuf;

MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &myrank);

/* allocate local pack buffer */
MPI_Pack_size(1, MPI_INT, comm, &k1);
MPI_Pack_size(count, MPI_CHAR, comm, &k2);
k = k1+k2;
lbuf = (char*) malloc(k);

/* pack count, followed by count characters */
position = 0;
MPI_Pack(&count, 1, MPI_INT, lbuf, k, &position, comm);
MPI_Pack(chr, count, MPI_CHAR, lbuf, k, &position, comm);

if (myrank != root) {
    /* gather at root sizes of all packed messages */
    MPI_Gather(&position, 1, MPI_INT, NULL, 0,
                MPI_DATATYPE_NULL, root, comm);

    /* gather at root packed messages */
    MPI_Gatherv(lbuf, position, MPI_PACKED, NULL,
                NULL, NULL, MPI_DATATYPE_NULL, root, comm);
} else { /* root code */
    /* gather sizes of all packed messages */
    MPI_Gather(&position, 1, MPI_INT, counts, 1,
```
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These procedures read/write data to/from the buffer in the "external32" data format specified in Section 14.5.2, and calculate the size needed for packing. Their first arguments specify the data format, for future extensibility, but currently the only valid value of the datarep argument is "external32".

Advice to users. These procedures could be used, for example, to send typed data in a portable format from one MPI implementation to another. (End of advice to users.)

The buffer will contain exactly the packed data, without headers. MPI_BYTE should be used to send and receive data that is packed using MPI_PACK_EXTERNAL.

Rationale. MPI_PACKEXTERNAL specifies that there is no header on the message and further specifies the exact format of the data. Since MPI_PACK may (and is allowed to) use a header, the datatype MPI_PACKED cannot be used for data packed with MPI_PACK_EXTERNAL. (End of rationale.)

MPI_PACK_EXTERNAL(datarep, inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outsize, position)

IN datarep data representation (string)
IN inbuf input buffer start (choice)
IN incount number of input data items (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each input data item (handle)
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OUT outbuf output buffer start (choice)
IN outsize output buffer size, in bytes (integer)
INOUT position current position in buffer, in bytes (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Pack_external(const char datarep[], const void *inbuf, int incount,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, void *outbuf, MPI_Aint outsize,
    MPI_Aint *position)
int MPI_Pack_external_c(const char datarep[], const void *inbuf,
    MPI_Count incount, MPI_Datatype datatype, void *outbuf,
    MPI_Count outsize, MPI_Count *position)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Pack_external(datarep, inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outsize, position,
    ierror)
   CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: datarep
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: outsize
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Pack_external(datarep, inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outsize, position,
    ierror) !(_c)
   CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: datarep
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: incount, outsize
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_PACK_EXTERNAL(DATAREP, INBUF, INCOUNT, DATATYPE, OUTBUF, OUTSIZE, POSITION,
    IERROR)
   CHARACTER*(*) DATAREP
   <type> INBUF(*), OUTBUF(*)
   INTEGER INCOUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) OUTSIZE, POSITION
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MPI_UNPACK_EXTERNAL(datarep, inbuf, insize, position, outbuf, outcount, datatype)

IN datarep data representation (string)
IN inbuf input buffer start (choice)
IN insize input buffer size, in bytes (integer)
INOUT position current position in buffer, in bytes (integer)
OUT outbuf output buffer start (choice)
IN outcount number of output data items (integer)
IN datatype datatype of output data item (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Unpack_external(const char datarep[], const void *inbuf,
                        MPI_Aint insize, MPI_Aint *position, void *outbuf, int outcount,
                        MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_Unpack_external_c(const char datarep[], const void *inbuf,
                           MPI_Count insize, MPI_Count *position, void *outbuf,
                           MPI_Count outcount, MPI_Datatype datatype)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Unpack_external(datarep, inbuf, insize, position, outbuf, outcount,
                     datatype, ierr)
CHARACTER(len=*), INTENT(IN) :: datarep
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: insize
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: outcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Unpack_external(datarep, inbuf, insize, position, outbuf, outcount,
                     datatype, ierr) !(_c)
CHARACTER(len=*), INTENT(IN) :: datarep
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: insize, outcount
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

Fortran binding

MPI_UNPACK_EXTERNAL(DATAREP, INBUF, INSIZE, POSITION, OUTBUF, OUTCOUNT,
                     DATATYPE, IERROR)
CHARACTER(*) DATAREP
<type> INBUF(*), OUTBUF(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) INSIZE, POSITION
INTEGER OUTCOUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
MPI_PACK_EXTERNAL_SIZE(datarep, incount, datatype, size)

IN datarep data representation (string)
IN incount number of input data items (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each input data item (handle)
OUT size output buffer size, in bytes (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Pack_external_size(const char datarep[], int incount,
MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Aint *size)
int MPI_Pack_external_size_c(const char datarep[], MPI_Count incount,
MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *size)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Pack_external_size(datarep, incount, datatype, size, ierror)
    CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: datarep
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Pack_external_size(datarep, incount, datatype, size, ierror) !(_c)
    CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: datarep
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: incount
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_PACK_EXTERNAL_SIZE(DATAREP, INCOUNT, DATATYPE, SIZE, IERROR)
    CHARACTER*(*) DATAREP
    INTEGER INCOUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SIZE
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Collective Communication

6.1 Introduction and Overview

Collective communication is defined as communication that involves a group or groups of MPI processes. The functions of this type provided by MPI are the following:

- **MPI_BARRIER, MPI_IBARRIER, MPI_BARRIER_INIT**: Barrier synchronization across all members of a group (Section 6.3, Section 6.12.1, and Section 6.13.1).

- **MPI_BCAST, MPI_ICAST, MPI_BCAST_INIT**: Broadcast from one member to all members of a group (Section 6.4, Section 6.12.2, and Section 6.13.2). This is shown as “broadcast” in Figure 6.1.

- **MPI_GATHER, MPI_GATHER, MPI_GATHER_INIT, MPI_GATHERV, MPI_ICATTERV, MPI_GATHERV_INIT**: Gather data from all members of a group to one member (Section 6.5, Section 6.12.3, and Section 6.13.3). This is shown as “gather” in Figure 6.1.

- **MPI_SCATTER, MPI_SSCATTER, MPI_SCATTER_INIT, MPI_SCATTERV, MPI_SSCATTERV, MPI_SSCATTERV_INIT**: Scatter data from one member to all members of a group (Section 6.6, Section 6.12.4, and Section 6.13.4). This is shown as “scatter” in Figure 6.1.

- **MPI_ALLGATHER, MPI_IALLGATHER, MPI_ALLGATHER_INIT, MPI_ALLGATHERV, MPI_IALLGATHERV, MPI_ALLGATHERV_INIT**: A variation on Gather where all members of a group receive the result (Section 6.7, Section 6.12.5, and Section 6.13.5). This is shown as “allgather” in Figure 6.1.

- **MPI_ALLTOALL, MPI_IALLTOALL, MPI_ALLTOALL_INIT, MPI_ALLTOALLV, MPI_IALLTOALLV, MPI_ALLTOALLV_INIT, MPI_ALLTOALLW, MPI_IALLTOALLW, MPI_ALLTOALLW_INIT**: Scatter/Gather data from all members to all members of a group (also called complete exchange) (Section 6.8, Section 6.12.6, and Section 6.13.6). This is shown as “complete exchange” in Figure 6.1.

- **MPI_ALLREDUCE, MPI_IALLREDUCE, MPI_ALLREDUCE_INIT, MPI_REDUCE, MPI_IREDUCE, MPI_REDUCE_INIT**: Global reduction operations such as sum, max, min, or user-defined functions, where the result is returned to all members of a group (Section 6.9.6, Section 6.12.8, and Section 6.13.8) and a variation where the result is returned to only one member (Section 6.9, Section 6.12.7, and Section 6.13.7).

- **MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK, MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK, MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK_INIT, MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER, ...
MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER, MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_INIT: A combined reduction and scatter operation (Section 6.10, Section 6.12.9, Section 6.12.10, Section 6.13.9, and Section 6.13.10).

- MPI_SCAN, MPI_ISCAN, MPI_SCAN_INIT, MPI_EXSCAN, MPI_IEXSCAN, MPI_EXSCAN_INIT: Scan across all members of a group (also called prefix) (Section 6.11, Section 6.11.2, Section 6.12.11, Section 6.12.12, Section 6.13.11, and Section 6.13.12).

One of the key arguments in a call to a collective routine is a communicator that defines the group or groups of participating MPI processes and provides a context for the operation. This is discussed further in Section 6.2. The syntax and semantics of the collective operations are defined to be consistent with the syntax and semantics of the point-to-point operations. Thus, general datatypes are allowed and must match between sending and receiving MPI processes as specified in Chapter 5. Several collective routines such as broadcast and gather have a single originating or receiving MPI process. Such an MPI process is called the root. Some arguments in the collective functions are specified as “significant only at root,” and are ignored for all participants except the root. The reader is referred to Chapter 5 for information concerning communication buffers, general datatypes and type matching rules, and to Chapter 7 for information on how to define groups and create communicators.

The type-matching conditions for the collective operations are more strict than the corresponding conditions between sender and receiver in point-to-point. Namely, for collective operations, the amount of data sent must exactly match the amount of data specified by the receiver. Different type maps (the layout in memory, see Section 5.1) between sender and receiver are still allowed.

Collective operations can (but are not required to) complete as soon as the caller’s participation in the collective communication is finished. A blocking operation is complete as soon as the call returns. A nonblocking (immediate) call requires a separate completion call (cf. Section 3.7). The completion of a collective operation indicates that the caller is free to modify locations in the communication buffer. It does not indicate that other MPI processes in the group have completed or even started the operation (unless otherwise implied by the description of the operation). Thus, a collective communication operation may, or may not, have the effect of synchronizing all participating MPI processes.

Collective communication calls may use the same communicators as point-to-point communication; MPI guarantees that messages generated on behalf of collective communication calls will not be confused with messages generated by point-to-point communication. The collective operations do not have a message tag argument. A more detailed discussion of correct use of collective routines is found in Section 6.14.

Rationale. The equal-data restriction (on type matching) was made so as to avoid the complexity of providing a facility analogous to the status argument of MPI_RECV for discovering the amount of data sent. Some of the collective routines would require an array of status values.

The statements about synchronization are made so as to allow a variety of implementations of the collective functions.

(End of rationale.)
Figure 6.1: Collective move functions illustrated for a group of six MPI processes. In each case, each row of boxes represents data locations in one MPI process. Thus, in the broadcast, initially just the first MPI process contains the data $A_0$, but after the broadcast all MPI processes contain it.
**Advice to users.** It is dangerous to rely on synchronization side-effects of the collective operations for program correctness. For example, even though a particular implementation may provide a broadcast routine with a side-effect of synchronization, the standard does not require this, and a program that relies on this will not be portable.

On the other hand, a correct, portable program must allow for the fact that a collective call may be synchronizing. Though one cannot rely on any synchronization side-effect, one must program so as to allow it. These issues are discussed further in Section 6.14. (End of advice to users.)

**Advice to implementors.** While vendors may write optimized collective routines matched to their architectures, a complete library of the collective communication routines can be written entirely using the MPI point-to-point communication functions and a few auxiliary functions. If implementing on top of point-to-point, a hidden, special communicator might be created for the collective operation so as to avoid interference with any on-going point-to-point communication at the time of the collective call. This is discussed further in Section 6.14. (End of advice to implementors.)

Many of the descriptions of the collective routines provide illustrations in terms of blocking MPI point-to-point routines. These are intended solely to indicate what data is sent or received by which MPI process. Many of these examples are not correct MPI programs; for purposes of simplicity, they often assume infinite buffering.

### 6.2 Communicator Argument

The key concept of the collective functions is to have a group or groups of participating MPI processes. The routines do not have group identifiers as explicit arguments. Instead, there is a communicator argument. Groups and communicators are discussed in full detail in Chapter 7. For the purposes of this chapter, it is sufficient to know that there are two types of communicators: **intra-communicators** and **inter-communicators**. An intra-communicator can be thought of as an identifier for a single group of MPI processes linked with a context. An inter-communicator identifies two distinct groups of MPI processes linked with a context.

#### 6.2.1 Specifics for Intra-Communicator Collective Operations

All MPI processes in the group identified by the intra-communicator must call the collective routine.

In many cases, collective communication can occur “in place” for intra-communicators, with the output buffer being identical to the input buffer. This is specified by providing a special argument value, MPI_IN_PLACE, instead of the send buffer or the receive buffer argument, depending on the operation performed.

**Rationale.** The “in place” operations are provided to reduce unnecessary memory motion by both the MPI implementation and by the user. Note that while the simple check of testing whether the send and receive buffers have the same address will work for some cases (e.g., MPI_ALLREDUCE), they are inadequate in others (e.g., MPI_GATHER, with root not equal to zero). Further, Fortran explicitly prohibits
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The data movement patterns of MPI collective operations that do not fit into one of the above categories.

Advice to users. By allowing the “in place” option, the receive buffer in many of the collective calls becomes a send-and-receive buffer. For this reason, a Fortran binding that includes INTENT must mark these as INOUT, not OUT.

Note that MPI_IN_PLACE is a special kind of value; it has the same restrictions on its use that MPI_BOTTOM has (not usable in Fortran for initialization or assignment). See Section 2.5.4. (End of advice to users.)

6.2.2 Applying Collective Operations to Inter-Communicators

To understand how collective operations apply to inter-communicators, we can view most MPI intra-communicator collective operations as fitting one of the following categories (see, for instance, [64]):

All-To-All All MPI processes contribute to the result. All MPI processes receive the result.
  - MPI_ALLGATHER, MPI_IALLGATHER, MPI_ALLGATHER_INIT, MPI_ALLGATHERV, MPI_IALLGATHERV, MPI_ALLGATHERV_INIT
  - MPI_ALLTOALL, MPI_IALLTOALL, MPI_ALLTOALL_INIT, MPI_ALLTOALLV, MPI_IALLTOALLV, MPI_ALLTOALLV_INIT, MPI_IALLTOALLV_INIT
  - MPI_ALLREDUCE, MPI_IALLREDUCE, MPI_ALLREDUCE_INIT, MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK, MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK, MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK_INIT, MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER, MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER_INIT
  - MPI_BARRIER, MPI_IBARRIER, MPI_BARRIER_INIT

All-To-One All MPI processes contribute to the result. One MPI process receives the result.
  - MPI_GATHER, MPI_IGATHER, MPI_GATHER_INIT, MPI_GATHERV, MPI_IGATHERV, MPI_GATHERV_INIT
  - MPI_REDUCE, MPI_IREDUCE, MPI_REDUCE_INIT,

One-To-All One MPI process contributes to the result. All MPI processes receive the result.
  - MPI_BCAST, MPI_IBCAST, MPI_BCAST_INIT
  - MPI_SCATTER, MPI_ISCATTER, MPI_SCATTER_INIT, MPI_SCATTERV, MPI_ISCATTERV, MPI_SCATTERV_INIT

Other: Collective operations that do not fit into one of the above categories.
  - MPI_SCAN, MPI_ISCAN, MPI_SCAN_INIT MPI_EXSCAN, MPI_IEXSCAN, MPI_EXSCAN_INIT

The data movement patterns of MPI_SCAN, MPI_ISCAN, MPI_SCAN_INIT, MPI_EXSCAN, MPI_IEXSCAN, MPI_EXSCAN_INIT do not fit this taxonomy.
The application of collective communication to inter-communicators is best described in terms of two groups. For example, an all-to-all MPI_ALLGATHER operation can be described as collecting data from all members of one group with the result appearing in all members of the other group (see Figure 6.2). As another example, a one-to-all MPI_BCAST operation sends data from one member of one group to all members of the other group. Collective computation operations such as MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER have a similar interpretation (see Figure 6.3). For intra-communicators, these two groups are the same. For inter-communicators, these two groups are distinct. For the all-to-all operations, each such operation is described in two phases, so that it has a symmetric, full-duplex behavior.

The following collective operations also apply to inter-communicators:

- MPI_BARRIER, MPI_IBARRIER, MPI_BARRIER_Init,
- MPI_BCAST, MPI_IBCAST, MPI_BCAST_Init,
- MPI_GATHER, MPI_IGATHER, MPI_GATHER_Init, MPI_GATHERV, MPI_IGATHERV, MPI_GATHERV_Init,
- MPI_SCATTER, MPI_ISCATTER, MPI_SCATTER_Init, MPI_SCATTERV, MPI_ISCATTERV, MPI_SCATTERV_Init,
- MPI_ALLGATHER, MPI_IALLGATHER, MPI_ALLGATHER_Init, MPI_ALLGATHERV, MPI_IALLGATHERV, MPI_ALLGATHERV_Init,
- MPI_ALLTOALL, MPI_IALLTOALL, MPI_ALLTOALL_Init, MPI_ALLTOALLV, MPI_IALLTOALLV, MPI_ALLTOALLV_Init,
- MPI_ALLREDUCE, MPI_IALLREDUCE, MPI_ALLREDUCE_Init, MPI_REDUCE, MPI_IREDUCE, MPI_IREDUCE_Init,
- MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK, MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK, MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK_Init, MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER, MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER, MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER_Init.

6.2.3 Specifics for Inter-Communicator Collective Operations

All MPI processes in both groups identified by the inter-communicator must call the collective routine.

Note that the “in place” option for intra-communicators does not apply to inter-communicators since in the inter-communicator case there is no communication from an MPI process to itself.

For inter-communicator collective communication, if the operation is in the All-To-One or One-To-All categories, then the transfer is unidirectional. The direction of the transfer is indicated by a special value of the root argument. In this case, for the group containing the root, all MPI processes in the group must call the routine using a special argument for the root. For this, the root uses the special value MPI_ROOT; all other MPI processes in the same group as the root use MPI_PROC_NULL. All MPI processes in the other group (the group that is the remote group relative to the root) must call the collective routine and
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Figure 6.2: Inter-communicator allgather. The focus of data to one MPI process is represented, not mandated by the semantics. The two phases do allgathers in both directions.

Figure 6.3: Inter-communicator reduce-scatter. The focus of data to one MPI process is represented, not mandated by the semantics. The two phases do reduce-scatters in both directions.
provide the rank of the root. If the operation is in the All-To-All category, then the transfer is bidirectional.

**Rationale.** Operations in the All-To-One and One-To-All categories are unidirectional by nature, and there is a clear way of specifying direction. Operations in the All-To-All category will often occur as part of an exchange, where it makes sense to communicate in both directions at once. (*End of rationale.*)

### 6.3 Barrier Synchronization

$$\text{MPI\_BARRIER}(\text{comm})$$

- **IN** $\text{comm}$ communicator (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Barrier(MPI_Comm comm)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Barrier(comm, ierr)
```

- **TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm**
- **INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr**

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_BARRIER(COMM, IERROR)
```

- **INTEGER COMM, IERROR**

If $\text{comm}$ is an intra-communicator, $\text{MPI\_BARRIER}$ blocks the caller until all group members have called it. The call returns at any MPI process only after all group members have entered the call.

If $\text{comm}$ is an inter-communicator, $\text{MPI\_BARRIER}$ involves two groups. The call returns at MPI processes in one group (group A) of the inter-communicator only after all members of the other group (group B) have entered the call (and vice versa). An MPI process may return from the call before all MPI processes in its own group have entered the call.

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$$\text{MPI\_BCAST}(\text{buffer, count, datatype, root, comm})$$

- **INOUT** $\text{buffer}$ starting address of buffer (choice)
- **IN** $\text{count}$ number of entries in buffer (non-negative integer)
- **IN** $\text{datatype}$ datatype of buffer (handle)
- **IN** $\text{root}$ rank of the root (integer)
- **IN** $\text{comm}$ communicator (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Bcast(void *buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int root,
```

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MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Bcast_c(void *buffer, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int root,
MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Bcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buffer
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Bcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buffer
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_BCAST(BUFFER, COUNT, DATATYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR)
  <type> BUFFER(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR

If comm is an intra-communicator, MPI_BCAST broadcasts a message from the MPI process with rank root to all MPI processes of the group, itself included. It is called by all members of the group using the same arguments for comm and root. On return, the content of the root’s buffer is copied to all other MPI processes.

General, derived datatypes are allowed for datatype. The type signature of count, datatype on any MPI process must be equal to the type signature of count, datatype at the root. This implies that the amount of data sent must be equal to the amount received, pairwise between each MPI process and the root. MPI_BCAST and all other data-movement collective routines make this restriction. Distinct type maps between sender and receiver are still allowed.

The “in place” option is not meaningful here.

If comm is an inter-communicator, then the call involves all MPI processes in the inter-communicator, but with one group (group A) defining the root. All MPI processes in the other group (group B) pass the same value in argument root, which is the rank of the root in group A. The root passes the value MPI_ROOT in root. All other MPI processes in group A pass the value MPI_PROC_NULL in root. Data is broadcast from the root to all MPI processes in group B. The buffer arguments of the MPI processes in group B must be consistent with the buffer argument of the root.

6.4.1 Example using MPI_BCAST

The examples in this section use intra-communicators.

Example 6.1. Broadcast 100 ints from MPI process 0 to every MPI process in the group.

MPI_Comm comm;
As in many of our example code fragments, we assume that some of the variables (such as `comm` in the above) have been assigned appropriate values.

6.5 Gather

```c
int array[100];
int root=0;
...
MPI_Bcast(array, 100, MPI_INT, root, comm);
```

C binding
```c
int MPI_Gather(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)
```

Fortran 2008 binding
```fortran
MPI_Gather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, ierr)
```
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```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_GATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR
```

If `comm` is an intra-communicator, each MPI process (the root included) sends the contents of its send buffer to the root. The root receives the messages and stores them in rank order. The outcome is *as if* each of the `n` MPI processes in the group (including the root) had executed a call to

```fortran
MPI_Send(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, root, ...,)
```

and the root had executed `n` calls to

```fortran
MPI_Recv(recvbuf+i, recvcnt, extent(recvtype), recvcount, recvtype, i, ...),
```

where `extent(recvtype)` is the type extent obtained from a call to `MPI_Type_get_extent`.

An alternative description is that the `n` messages sent by the processes in the group are concatenated in rank order, and the resulting message is received by the root as if by a call to `MPI_RECV(recvbuf, recvcnt*n, recvtype, ...)`.

The receive buffer is ignored for all nonroot MPI processes.

General, derived datatypes are allowed for both `sendtype` and `recvtype`. The type signature of `sendcount, sendtype` on each MPI process must be equal to the type signature of `recvcount, recvtype` at the root. This implies that the amount of data sent must be equal to the amount of data received, pairwise between each MPI process and the root. Distinct type maps between sender and receiver MPI processes are still allowed.

All arguments to the function are significant on the root, while on other MPI processes, only the arguments `sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, root, and comm` are significant. The arguments `root` and `comm` must have identical values on all MPI processes.

The specification of counts and types should not cause any location on the root to be written more than once. Such a call is erroneous.

Note that the `recvcnt` argument at the root indicates the number of items it receives from each MPI process, not the total number of items it receives.

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing `MPI_IN_PLACE` as the value of `sendbuf` at the root. In such a case, `sendcount` and `sendtype` are ignored, and the contribution of the root to the gathered vector is assumed to be already in the correct place in the receive buffer.

If `comm` is an inter-communicator, then the call involves all MPI processes in the inter-communicator, but with one group (group A) defining the root. All MPI processes in the other group (group B) pass the same value in argument `root, which is the rank of the root in
group A. The root passes the value MPI_ROOT in root. All other MPI processes in group A pass the value MPI_PROC_NULL in root. Data is gathered from all MPI processes in group B to the root. The send buffer arguments of the MPI processes in group B must be consistent with the receive buffer argument of the root.

MPI_GATHERV(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, root, comm)

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<td>starting address of send buffer (choice)</td>
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<td>sendcount</td>
<td>number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)</td>
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<tr>
<td>sendtype</td>
<td>datatype of send buffer elements (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>recvbuf</td>
<td>address of receive buffer (choice, significant only at root)</td>
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<tr>
<td>recvcounts</td>
<td>nonnegative integer array (of length group size) containing the number of elements that are received from each MPI process (significant only at root)</td>
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<tr>
<td>displs</td>
<td>integer array (of length group size). Entry i specifies the displacement relative to recvbuf at which to place the incoming data from MPI process i (significant only at root)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>recvtype</td>
<td>datatype of recv buffer elements (handle, significant only at root)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>root</td>
<td>rank of receiving MPI process (integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>comm</td>
<td>communicator (handle)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

C binding

int MPI_Gatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Gatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Gatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, root, comm, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcounts(*), displs(*), root
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_Gatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, 
             recvtype, root, comm, ierror) !(_c)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcounts(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: displs(*)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

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MPI_GATHERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS, 
             RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
  INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, ROOT, 
             COMM, IERROR

MPI_GATHERV extends the functionality of MPI_GATHER by allowing a varying count
of data from each MPI process, since recvcounts is now an array. It also allows more flexibility
as to where the data is placed on the root, by providing the new argument, displs.

If comm is an intra-communicator, the outcome is as if each MPI process, including
the root, sends a message to the root,

MPI_Send(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, root, ...),

and the root executes n receives,

MPI_Recv(recvbuf+displs[j]· extent(recvtype), recvcounts[j], recvtype, i, ...).

The data received from MPI process j is placed into recvbuf of the root beginning at
offset displs[j] elements (in terms of the recvtype).

The receive buffer is ignored for all nonroot MPI processes.

The type signature implied by sendcount, sendtype on MPI process i must be equal
to the type signature implied by recvcounts[i], recvtype at the root. This implies that the
amount of data sent must be equal to the amount of data received, pairwise between each
MPI process and the root. Distinct type maps between sender and receiver are still allowed,
as illustrated in Example 6.6.

All arguments to the function are significant on the root, while on other MPI processes,
only arguments sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, root, and comm are significant. The arguments
root and comm must have identical values on all MPI processes.

The specification of counts, types, and displacements should not cause any location on
the root to be written more than once. Such a call is erroneous.

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing MPI_IN_PLACE
as the value of sendbuf at the root. In such a case, sendcount and sendtype are ignored, and
the contribution of the root to the gathered vector is assumed to be already in the correct
place in the receive buffer.

If comm is an inter-communicator, then the call involves all MPI processes in the inter-
communicator, but with one group (group A) defining the root. All MPI processes in the
other group (group B) pass the same value in argument root, which is the rank of the root in group A. The root passes the value MPI_ROOT in root. All other MPI processes in group A pass the value MPI_PROC_NULL in root. Data is gathered from all MPI processes in group B to the root. The send buffer arguments of the MPI processes in group B must be consistent with the receive buffer argument of the root.

6.5.1 Examples using MPI_GATHER, MPI_GATHERV

The examples in this section use intra-communicators.

**Example 6.2.** Gather 100 ints from every MPI process in group to the root. See Figure 6.4.

```c
MPI_Comm comm;
int gsize, sendarray[100];
int root, *rbuf;
...
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
rbuf = (int *)malloc(gsize*100*sizeof(int));
MPI_Gather(sendarray, 100, MPI_INT, rbuf, 100, MPI_INT, root, comm);
```

**Example 6.3.** Previous example modified—only the root allocates memory for the receive buffer.

```c
MPI_Comm comm;
int gsize, sendarray[100];
int root, myrank, *rbuf;
...
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &myrank);
if (myrank == root) {
    MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
rbuf = (int *)malloc(gsize*100*sizeof(int));
}
MPI_Gather(sendarray, 100, MPI_INT, rbuf, 100, MPI_INT, root, comm);
```

**Example 6.4.** Do the same as the previous example, but use a derived datatype. Note that the type cannot be the entire set of gsize*100 ints since type matching is defined pairwise between the root and each MPI process in the gather.

```c
MPI_Comm comm;
```
Figure 6.5: The root gathers 100 ints from each MPI process in the group, each set is placed stride ints apart.

Example 6.5. Now have each MPI process send 100 ints to the root, but place each set (of 100) stride ints apart at the receiving end. Use MPI_GATHERV and the displs argument to achieve this effect. Assume stride ≥ 100. See Figure 6.5.

```
MPI_Comm comm;
int gsize, sendarray[100];
int root, *rbuf, stride;
int *displs, i, *rcounts;
...
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
MPI_Type_contiguous(100, MPI_INT, &rtype);
MPI_Type_commit(&rtype);
rbuf = (int *)malloc(gsize*100*sizeof(int));
MPI_Gather(sendarray, 100, MPI_INT, rbuf, 1, rtype, root, comm);
```

Note that the program is erroneous if stride < 100.

Example 6.6. Same as Example 6.5 on the receiving side, but send the 100 ints from the 0th column of a 100×150 int array, in C. See Figure 6.6.

```
MPI_Comm comm;
```
Figure 6.6: The root gathers column 0 of a 100×150 C array, and each set is placed stride ints apart.

```c
int gsize, sendarray[100][150];
int root, *rbuf, stride;
MPI_Datatype stype;
int *displs, *rcounts;
... 
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
rbuf = (int *)malloc(gsize*stride*sizeof(int));
displs = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
rcounts = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
for (i = 0; i < gsize; ++i) {
    displs[i] = i * stride;
    rcounts[i] = 100;
}
/* Create datatype for 1 column of array
 */
MPI_Type_vector(100, 1, 150, MPI_INT, &stype);
MPI_Type_commit(&stype);
MPI_Gatherv(sendarray, 1, stype, rbuf, rcounts, displs, MPI_INT,
            root, comm);
```

Example 6.7. MPI process i sends (100-i) ints from the i-th column of a 100 × 150 int array, in C. It is received into a buffer with stride, as in the previous two examples. See Figure 6.7.

```c
MPI_Comm comm;
int gsize, sendarray[100][150], *sptr;
int root, *rbuf, stride, myrank;
MPI_Datatype stype;
int *displs, *rcounts;
... 
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &myrank);
rbuf = (int *)malloc(gsize*stride*sizeof(int));
```
Figure 6.7: The root gathers $100-i$ ints from column $i$ of a $100 \times 150$ C array, and each set is placed $\text{stride}$ ints apart.

```c
displs = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
rcounts = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
for (i=0; i<gsize; ++i) {
    displs[i] = i*stride;
    rcounts[i] = 100-i; /* note change from previous example */
}
/* Create datatype for the column we are sending */
MPI_Type_vector(100-myrank, 1, 150, MPI_INT, &stype);
MPI_Type_commit(&stype);
/* sptr is the address of start of "myrank" column */
sptr = &sendarray[0][myrank];
MPI_Gatherv(sptr, 1, stype, rbuf, rcounts, displs, MPI_INT, root, comm);
```

Note that a different amount of data is received from each MPI process.

**Example 6.8.** Same as Example 6.7, but done in a different way at the sending end. We create a datatype that causes the correct striding at the sending end so that we read a column of a C array. A similar thing was done in Example 5.16, Section 5.1.14.
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Example 6.9. Same as Example 6.7 at sending side, but at receiving side we make the stride between received blocks vary from block to block. See Figure 6.8.

```c
MPI_Comm comm;
int gsize, sendarray[100][150], *sptr;
int root, *rbuf, *stride, myrank, bufsize;
MPI_Datatype stype;
int *displs, *rcounts, offset;
...
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &myrank);

stride = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
...
/* stride[i] for i = 0 to gsize-1 is set somehow */

/* set up displs and rcounts vectors first */
displs = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
rcounts = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
offset = 0;
for (i=0; i<gsize; ++i) {
    displs[i] = offset;
    offset += stride[i];
    rcounts[i] = 100-i;
}
/* the required buffer size for rbuf is now easily obtained */
bufsize = displs[gsize-1]+rcounts[gsize-1];
rbuf = (int *)malloc(bufsize*sizeof(int));
/* Create datatype for the column we are sending */
MPI_Type_vector(100-myrank, 1, 150, MPI_INT, &stype);
MPI_Type_commit(&stype);
sptr = &sendarray[0][myrank];
MPI_Gatherv(sptr, 1, stype, rbuf, rcounts, displs, MPI_INT, root, comm);
```
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**Example 6.10.** MPI process $i$ sends `num` ints from the $i$-th column of a $100 \times 150$ int array, in C. The complicating factor is that the various values of `num` are not known to `root`, so a separate gather must first be run to find these out. The data is placed contiguously at the receiving end.

```c
MPI_Comm comm;
int gsize, sendarray[100][150], *sptr;
int root, *rbuf, myrank;
MPI_Datatype stype;
int *displs, *rcounts, num;
...

MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &myrank);

/* First, gather nums to root */
rcounts = (int *) malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
MPI_Gather(&num, 1, MPI_INT, rcounts, 1, MPI_INT, root, comm);
/* root now has correct rcounts, using these we set displs[] so that */
/* data is placed contiguously (or concatenated) at the receiving end */
displs = (int *) malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
displs[0] = 0;
for (i=1; i<gsize; ++i) {
    displs[i] = displs[i-1]+rcounts[i-1];
}
/* And, create receive buffer */
rbuf = (int *) malloc(gsize*(displs[gsize-1]+rcounts[gsize-1])
    *sizeof(int));
/* Create datatype for one int, with extent of entire row */
MPI_Type_create_resized(MPI_INT, 0, 150*sizeof(int), &stype);
MPI_Type_commit(&stype);
sptr = &sendarray[0][myrank];
MPI_Gatherv(sptr, num, stype, rbuf, rcounts, displs, MPI_INT,
```
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```c
MPI_SCATTER(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm)
```

- **IN** `sendbuf` address of send buffer (choice, significant only at root)
- **IN** `sendcount` number of elements sent to each MPI process (non-negative integer, significant only at root)
- **IN** `sendtype` datatype of send buffer elements (handle, significant only at root)
- **OUT** `recvbuf` address of receive buffer (choice)
- **IN** `recvcount` number of elements in receive buffer (non-negative integer)
- **IN** `recvtype` datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
- **IN** `root` rank of sending MPI process (integer)
- **IN** `comm` communicator (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Scatter(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
                void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)
```

```c
int MPI_Scatter_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                  MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
                  MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Scatter(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, ierr)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr
```

```fortran
MPI_Scatter(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, ierr) !(_c)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
```
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TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_SCATTER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR)

INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR

MPI_SCATTER is the inverse operation to MPI_GATHER.

If comm is an intra-communicator, the outcome is as if the root executed n send operations,

MPI_Send(sendbuf+i*sendcount*extent(sendtype), sendcount, sendtype, i,...),

and each MPI process executed a receive,

MPI_Recv(recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, i,...).

An alternative description is that the root sends a message with MPI_Send(sendbuf, sendcount*n, sendtype,...). This message is split into n equal segments, the i-th segment is sent to the i-th MPI process in the group, and each MPI process receives this message as above.

The send buffer is ignored for all nonroot MPI processes.

The type signature associated with sendcount, sendtype at the root must be equal to the type signature associated with recvcount, recvtype at all MPI processes (however, the type maps may be different). This implies that the amount of data sent must be equal to the amount of data received, pairwise between each MPI process and the root. Distinct type maps between sender and receiver are still allowed.

All arguments to the function are significant on the root, while on other MPI processes, only arguments recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, and comm are significant. The arguments root and comm must have identical values on all MPI processes.

The specification of counts and types should not cause any location on the root to be read more than once.

Rationale. Though not needed, the last restriction is imposed so as to achieve symmetry with MPI_GATHER, where the corresponding restriction (a multiple-write restriction) is necessary. (End of rationale.)

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing MPI_IN_PLACE as the value of recvbuf at the root. In such a case, recvcount and recvtype are ignored, and the root “sends” no data to itself. The scattered vector is still assumed to contain n segments, where n is the group size; the root-th segment, which root should “send to itself,” is not moved.

If comm is an inter-communicator, then the call involves all MPI processes in the inter-communicator, but with one group (group A) defining the root. All MPI processes in the other group (group B) pass the same value in argument root, which is the rank of the root in group A. The root passes the value MPI_ROOT in root. All other MPI processes in group A pass the value MPI_PROC_NULL in root. Data is scattered from the root to all MPI
processes in group B. The receive buffer arguments of the MPI processes in group B must be consistent with the send buffer argument of the root.

\textbf{MPI\_SCATTERV}(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcoun\texttildelow t, recvtype, root, comm)

\begin{verbatim}
  IN    sendbuf           address of send buffer (choice, significant only at root)
  IN    sendcounts        nonnegative integer array (of length group size)
                          specifying the number of elements to send to each rank (significant only at root)
  IN    displs            integer array (of length group size). Entry i specifies
                          the displacement (relative to sendbuf) from which to take the outgoing data to
                          MPI process i (significant only at root)
  IN    sendtype          datatype of send buffer elements (handle, significant only at root)
  OUT   recvbuf           address of receive buffer (choice)
  IN    recvcoun\texttildelow t        number of elements in receive buffer (non-negative integer)
  IN    recvtype          datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
  IN    root              rank of sending MPI process (integer)
  IN    comm              communicator (handle)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Scatterv(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
                 const int displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
                 int recvcoun\texttildelow t, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Scatterv_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
                   const MPI_Aint displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
                   MPI_Count recvcoun\texttildelow t, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,
                   MPI_Comm comm)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Scatterv(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcoun\texttildelow t,
             recvtype, root, comm, ierr)  !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), displs(*), recvcoun\texttildelow t, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr
MPI_Scatterv(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcoun\texttildelow t,
             recvtype, root, comm, ierr) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
\end{verbatim}
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```
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcount
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: displs(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_SCATTERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, DISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, 
             RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR)
```

`MPI_SCATTERV` is the inverse operation to `MPI_GATHERV`.

`MPI_SCATTERV` extends the functionality of `MPI_SCATTER` by allowing a varying count of data to be sent to each MPI process, since `sendcounts` is now an array. It also allows more flexibility as to where the data is taken from on the root, by providing an additional argument, `displs`.

If `comm` is an intra-communicator, the outcome is as if the root executed `n` send operations,

```
MPI_Send(sendbuf + displs[i] * extent(sendtype), sendcounts[i], sendtype, i,...),
```

and each MPI process executed a receive,

```
MPI_Recv(recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, i,...)
```

The send buffer is ignored for all nonroot MPI processes.

The type signature implied by `sendcount[i]`, `sendtype` at the root must be equal to the type signature implied by `recvcount`, `recvtype` at MPI process `i` (however, the type maps may be different). This implies that the amount of data sent must be equal to the amount of data received, pairwise between each MPI process and the root. Distinct type maps between sender and receiver are still allowed.

All arguments to the function are significant on the root, while on other MPI processes, only arguments `recvbuf`, `recvcount`, `recvtype`, `root`, and `comm` are significant. The arguments `root` and `comm` must have identical values on all MPI processes.

The specification of counts, types, and displacements should not cause any location on the root to be read more than once.

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing `MPI_IN_PLACE` as the value of `recvbuf` at the root. In such a case, `recvcount` and `recvtype` are ignored, and root “sends” no data to itself. The scattered vector is still assumed to contain `n` segments, where `n` is the group size; the `root`-th segment, which root should “send to itself,” is not moved.

If `comm` is an inter-communicator, then the call involves all MPI processes in the inter-communicator, but with one group (group A) defining the root. All MPI processes in the other group (group B) pass the same value in argument `root`, which is the rank of the root in group A. The root MPI process passes the value `MPI_ROOT` in `root`. All other MPI processes
in group A pass the value MPI_PROC_NULL in root. Data is scattered from the root to all MPI processes in group B. The receive buffer arguments of the MPI processes in group B must be consistent with the send buffer argument of the root.

6.6.1 Examples using MPI_SCATTER, MPI_SCATTERV

The examples in this section use intra-communicators.

**Example 6.11.** The reverse of Example 6.2. Scatter sets of 100 ints from the root to each MPI process in the group. See Figure 6.9.

```c
MPI_Comm comm;
int gsize,*sendbuf;
int root, rbuf[100];
...
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
sendbuf = (int *)malloc(gsize*100*sizeof(int));
...
MPI_Scatter(sendbuf, 100, MPI_INT, rbuf, 100, MPI_INT, root, comm);
```

**Example 6.12.** The reverse of Example 6.5. The root scatters sets of 100 ints to the other MPI processes, but the sets of 100 are stride ints apart in the sending buffer. Requires use of MPI_SCATTERV. Assume stride ≥ 100. See Figure 6.10.

```c
MPI_Comm comm;
int gsize,*sendbuf;
int root, rbuf[100], i, *displs, *scounts;
...
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
sendbuf = (int *)malloc(gsize*stride*sizeof(int));
...
displs = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
scounts = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
for (i=0; i<gsize; ++i) {
    displs[i] = i*stride;
    scounts[i] = 100;
}
MPI_Scatterv(sendbuf, scounts, displs, MPI_INT, rbuf, 100, MPI_INT,
```
Figure 6.10: The root scatters sets of 100 ints, moving by \texttt{stride} ints from send to send in the scatter.

Example 6.13. The reverse of Example 6.9. We have a varying stride between blocks at sending (root) end, at the receiving end we receive into the \texttt{i}-th column of a 100×150 C array. See Figure 6.11.

```c
MPI_Comm comm;
int gsize, recarray[100][150], *rptr;
int root, *sendbuf, myrank, *stride;
MPI_Datatype rtype;
int i, *displs, *scounts, offset;
...
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &myrank);

stride = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
...
/* stride[i] for i = 0 to gsize-1 is set somehow
 * sendbuf comes from elsewhere */
...

displs = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
scounts = (int *)malloc(gsize*sizeof(int));
offset = 0;
for (i=0; i<gsize; ++i) {
    displs[i] = offset;
    offset += stride[i];
    scounts[i] = 100 - i;
}
/* Create datatype for the column we are receiving */

MPI_Type_vector(100-myrank, 1, 150, MPI_INT, &rtype);
MPI_Type_commit(&rtype);
rptr = &recarray[0][myrank];
MPI_Scatterv(sendbuf, scounts, displs, MPI_INT, rptr, 1, rtype, root, comm);
```
Figure 6.11: The root scatters blocks of 100-i ints into column i of a 100×150 C array. At the sending side, the blocks are stride[i] ints apart.

6.7 Gather-to-all

MPI_ALLGATHER(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm)

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN sendcount number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice)
IN recvcount number of elements received from any MPI process (non-negative integer)
IN recvtype datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
IN comm communicator (handle)

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

int MPI_Allgather_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                     MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
                     MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Allgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm,
              ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_Allgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, ierror)

\begin{verbatim}
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

Fortran binding

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_ALLGATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR)
\end{verbatim}

MPI_ALLGATHER can be thought of as MPI\textunderscore GATHER, but where all MPI processes receive the result, instead of just the root. The block of data sent from the \textit{j}-th MPI process is received by every MPI process and placed in the \textit{j}-th block of the buffer recvbuf.

The type signature associated with sendcount, sendtype, at an MPI process must be equal to the type signature associated with recvcount, recvtype at any other MPI process.

If \textit{comm} is an intra-communicator, the outcome of a call to MPI\textunderscore ALLGATHER(...) is as if all MPI processes executed \(n\) calls to

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Gather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm)
\end{verbatim}

for \textit{root} = 0, \ldots, \(n-1\). The rules for correct usage of MPI\textunderscore ALLGATHER can be found in the corresponding rules for MPI\textunderscore GATHER (see Section 6.5).

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing the value MPI\textunderscore IN\textunderscore PLACE to the argument sendbuf at all MPI processes. sendcount and sendtype are ignored. Then the input data of each MPI process is assumed to be in the area where that MPI process would receive its own contribution to the receive buffer.

If \textit{comm} is an inter-communicator, then each MPI process of one group (group A) contributes sendcount data items; these data are concatenated and the result is stored at each MPI process in the other group (group B). Conversely the concatenation of the contributions of the MPI processes in group B is stored at each MPI process in group A. The send buffer arguments in group A must be consistent with the receive buffer arguments in group B, and vice versa.

\textit{Advice to users.} In the inter-communicator case, the communication pattern of MPI\textunderscore ALLGATHER need not be symmetric. The number of items sent by MPI processes in group A (as specified by the arguments sendcount, sendtype in group A and the arguments recvcount, recvtype in group B), need not equal the number of items sent by MPI processes in group B (as specified by the arguments sendcount, sendtype in group B and the arguments recvcount, recvtype in group A). In particular, one can move data in only one direction by specifying sendcount = 0 for the communication in the reverse direction. \textit{(End of advice to users.)}
MPI_ALLGATHERV(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, comm)

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C binding

```c
int MPI_Allgatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int displs[],
MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Allgatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint displs[],
MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Allgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs,
recvtype, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcounts(*), displs(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Allgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs,
recvtype, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcounts(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: displs(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```
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Fortran binding

MPI_ALLGATHERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS, RECVCOUNTS, COMM, IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR

MPI_ALLGATHERV can be thought of as MPI_GATHERV, but where all processes receive the result, instead of just the root. The block of data sent from the j-th MPI process is received by every MPI process and placed in the j-th block of the buffer recvbuf. These blocks need not all be the same size.

The type signature associated with sendcount, sendtype, at MPI process j must be equal to the type signature associated with recvcounts[j], recvtype at any other MPI process.

If comm is an intra-communicator, the outcome is as if all MPI processes executed calls to

MPI_Gatherv(sendbuf,sendcount,sendtype,recvbuf,recvcounts,displs,recvtype,root,comm),

for root = 0, ..., n-1. The rules for correct usage of MPI_ALLGATHERV can be found in the corresponding rules for MPI_GATHERV (see Section 6.5).

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing the value

MPI_INPLACE to the argument sendbuf at all MPI processes. In such a case, sendcount and sendtype are ignored, and the input data of each MPI process is assumed to be in the area where that MPI process would receive its own contribution to the receive buffer.

If comm is an inter-communicator, then each MPI process of one group (group A) contributes sendcount data items; these data are concatenated and the result is stored at each MPI process in the other group (group B). Conversely the concatenation of the contributions of the MPI processes in group B is stored at each MPI process in group A. The send buffer arguments in group A must be consistent with the receive buffer arguments in group B, and vice versa.

6.7.1 Example using MPI_ALLGATHER

The example in this section uses intra-communicators.

Example 6.14. The all-gather version of Example 6.2. Using MPI_ALLGATHER, we will gather 100 ints from every MPI process in the group to every MPI process.

MPI_Comm comm;
int gsize,sendarray[100];
int *rbuf;
...
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &gsize);
rbuf = (int *)malloc(gsize*100*sizeof(int));
MPI_Allegather(sendarray, 100, MPI_INT, rbuf, 100, MPI_INT, comm);

After the call, every MPI process has the group-wide concatenation of the sets of data.
6.8 All-to-All Scatter/Gather

MPI_ALLTOALL(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm)

IN  sendbuf  starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN  sendcount  number of elements sent to each MPI process (non-negative integer)
IN  sendtype  datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT recvbuf  address of receive buffer (choice)
IN  recvcount  number of elements received from any MPI process (non-negative integer)
IN  recvtype  datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
IN  comm  communicator (handle)

C binding

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

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

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Alltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm,
      ierr)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Alltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm,
      ierr) !(_c)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

Fortran binding

MPI_ALLTOALL(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM,
      IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR
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MPI_ALLTOALL is an extension of MPI_ALLGATHER to the case where each MPI process sends distinct data to each of the receivers. The j-th block sent from MPI process i is received by MPI process j and is placed in the i-th block of recvbuf.

The type signature associated with sendcount, sendtype, at an MPI process must be equal to the type signature associated with recvcount, recvtype at any other MPI process. This implies that the amount of data sent must be equal to the amount of data received, pairwise between every pair of MPI processes. As usual, however, the type maps may be different.

If comm is an intra-communicator, the outcome is as if each MPI process executed a send to each MPI process (itself included) with a call to,

\[ \text{MPI\_Send}(sendbuf+i\cdot\text{sendcount}\cdot\text{extent(sendtype)},\text{sendcount},\text{sendtype},i,...) \]

and a receive from every other MPI process with a call to,

\[ \text{MPI\_Recv}(recvbuf+i\cdot\text{recvcount}\cdot\text{extent(recvtype)},\text{recvcount},\text{recvtype},i,...) \]

All arguments on all MPI processes are significant. The argument comm must have identical values on all MPI processes.

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing MPI\_IN\_PLACE to the argument sendbuf at all MPI processes. In such a case, sendcount and sendtype are ignored. The data to be sent is taken from the recvbuf and replaced by the received data. Data sent and received must have the same type map as specified by recvcount and recvtype.

**Rationale.** For large MPI\_ALLTOALL instances, allocating both send and receive buffers may consume too much memory. The “in place” option effectively halves the application memory consumption and is useful in situations where the data to be sent will not be used by the sending MPI process after the MPI\_ALLTOALL exchange (e.g., in parallel Fast Fourier Transforms). *(End of rationale.)*

**Advice to implementors.** Users may opt to use the “in place” option in order to conserve memory. Quality MPI implementations should thus strive to minimize system buffering. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

If comm is an inter-communicator, then the outcome is as if each MPI process in group A sends a message to each MPI process in group B, and vice versa. The j-th send buffer of MPI process i in group A should be consistent with the i-th receive buffer of MPI process j in group B, and vice versa.

**Advice to users.** When a complete exchange is executed in the inter-communicator case, then the number of data items sent from MPI processes in group A to MPI processes in group B need not equal the number of items sent in the reverse direction. In particular, one can have unidirectional communication by specifying sendcount = 0 in the reverse direction. *(End of advice to users.)*
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MPI_ALLTOALLV(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm)

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)

IN sendcounts nonnegative integer array (of length group size) specifying the number of elements to send to each rank

IN sdispls integer array (of length group size). Entry $j$ specifies the displacement (relative to sendbuf) from which to take the outgoing data destined for MPI process $j$

IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle)

OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice)

IN recvcounts nonnegative integer array (of length group size) specifying the number of elements that can be received from each rank

IN rdispls integer array (of length group size). Entry $i$ specifies the displacement (relative to recvbuf) at which to place the incoming data from MPI process $i$

IN recvtype datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)

IN comm communicator (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Alltoallv(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[], const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Alltoallv_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[], const MPI_Aint sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Alltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*), recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, ierror) _c

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
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Fortran binding

MPI_ALLTOALLV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, 
RDISPLS, RCVTYPE, COMM, IERROR)

MPI_ALLTOALLV adds flexibility to MPI_ALLTOALL in that the location of data for 
the send is specified by sdispls and the location of the placement of the data on the receive 
side is specified by rdispls.

If comm is an intra-communicator, then the j-th block sent from MPI process i is received 
by MPI process j and is placed in the i-th block of recvbuf. These blocks need not all have 
the same size.

The type signature associated with sendcounts[j], sendtype at MPI process i must be 
equal to the type signature associated with recvcounts[i], recvtype at MPI process j. This 
implies that the amount of data sent must be equal to the amount of data received, pairwise 
between every pair of MPI processes. Distinct type maps between sender and receiver are 
still allowed.

The outcome is as if each MPI process sent a message to every other MPI process with,

MPI_Send(sendbuf+sdispls[i], extent(sendtype),sendcounts[i],sendtype,i,...),

and received a message from every other MPI process with a call to

MPI_Recv(recvbuf+rdispls[i], extent(recvtype),recvcounts[i],recvtype,i,...).

All arguments on all MPI processes are significant. The argument comm must have 
identical values on all MPI processes.

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing MPI_INPLACE to 
the argument sendbuf at all MPI processes. In such a case, sendcounts, sdispls and sendtype 
are ignored. The data to be sent is taken from the recvbuf and replaced by the received 
data. Data sent and received must have the same type map as specified by the recvcounts 
array and the recvtype, and is taken from the locations of the receive buffer specified by 
rdispls.

Advice to users. Specifying the “in place” option (which must be given on all 
MPI processes) implies that the same amount and type of data is sent and received 
between any two MPI processes in the group of the communicator. Different pairs 
of MPI processes can exchange different amounts of data. Users must ensure that 
recvcounts[j] and recvtype on MPI process i match recvcounts[i] and recvtype on MPI 
process j. This symmetric exchange can be useful in applications where the data to be 
sent will not be used by the sending MPI process after the MPI_ALLTOALL exchange. 
(End of advice to users.)

If comm is an inter-communicator, then the outcome is as if each MPI process in group 
A sends a message to each MPI process in group B, and vice versa. The j-th send buffer of
MPI process \(i\) in group A should be consistent with the \(i\)-th receive buffer of MPI process \(j\) in group B, and vice versa.

*Rationale.* The definitions of `MPI_ALLTOALL` and `MPI_ALLTOALLV` give as much flexibility as one would achieve by specifying \(n\) independent, point-to-point communications, with two exceptions: all messages use the same datatype, and messages are scattered from (or gathered to) sequential storage. *(End of rationale.)*

*Advice to implementors.* Although the discussion of collective communication in terms of point-to-point operation implies that each message is transferred directly from sender to receiver, implementations may use a tree communication pattern. Messages can be forwarded by intermediate nodes where they are split (for scatter) or concatenated (for gather), if this is more efficient. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

**MPI_ALLTOALLW**

```
MPI_ALLTOALLW(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm)
```

- **IN** `sendbuf` starting address of send buffer (choice)
- **IN** `sendcounts` nonnegative integer array (of length group size) specifying the number of elements to send to each rank
- **IN** `sdispls` integer array (of length group size). Entry \(j\) specifies the displacement in bytes (relative to `sendbuf`) from which to take the outgoing data destined for MPI process \(j\) (array of integers)
- **IN** `sendtypes` array of datatypes (of length group size). Entry \(j\) specifies the type of data to send to MPI process \(j\) (array of handles)
- **OUT** `recvbuf` address of receive buffer (choice)
- **IN** `recvcounts` nonnegative integer array (of length group size) specifying the number of elements that can be received from each rank
- **IN** `rdispls` integer array (of length group size). Entry \(i\) specifies the displacement in bytes (relative to `recvbuf`) at which to place the incoming data from MPI process \(i\) (array of integers)
- **IN** `recvtypes` array of datatypes (of length group size). Entry \(i\) specifies the type of data received from MPI process \(i\) (array of handles)
- **IN** `comm` communicator (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Alltoallw(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
    const int sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
```
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```c
void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
    const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Alltoallw_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
    void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint rdispls[], const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[],
    MPI_Comm comm)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts,
    rdispls, recvtypes, comm, ierror)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*), recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts,
    rdispls, recvtypes, comm, ierror) !(_c)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_ALLTOALLW(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPES, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS,
    RDISPLS, RECVTYPES, COMM, IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
    INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), SENDTYPES(*), RECVCOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*),
        RECVTYPES(*), COMM, IERROR
```

`MPI_ALLTOALLW` is the most general form of complete exchange. Like
`MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT`, the most general type constructor, `MPI_ALLTOALLW` al-

The outcome is as if each `MPI` process sent a message to every other `MPI` process with
MPI_Send(sendbuf+sdispls[i],sendcounts[i],sendtypes[i],i,...),
and received a message from every other MPI process with a call to
MPI_Recv(recvbuf+rdispls[i],recvcounts[i],recvtypes[i],i,...).

All arguments on all MPI processes are significant. The argument comm must describe
the same communicator on all MPI processes.

Like for MPI_ALLTOALLV, the “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified
by passing MPI_IN_PLACE to the argument sendbuf at all MPI processes. In such a case,
sendcounts, sdispls and sendtypes are ignored. The data to be sent is taken from the recvbuf
and replaced by the received data. Data sent and received must have the same type map
as specified by the recvcounts and recvtypes arrays, and is taken from the locations of the
receive buffer specified by rdispls.

If comm is an inter-communicator, then the outcome is as if each MPI process in group
A sends a message to each MPI process in group B, and vice versa. The j-th send buffer of
MPI process i in group A should be consistent with the i-th receive buffer of MPI process j
in group B, and vice versa.

Rationale. The MPI_ALLTOALLW function generalizes several MPI functions by
carefully selecting the input arguments. For example, by making all but one MPI
process have sendcounts[i] = 0, this achieves an MPI_SCATTER function. (End of
rationale.)

6.9 Global Reduction Operations

The functions in this section perform a global reduce operation (for example sum, maximum,
and logical and) across all members of a group. The reduction operation can be either one of
a predefined list of operations, or a user-defined operation. The global reduction functions
come in several flavors: a reduce that returns the result of the reduction to one member of a
group, an all-reduce that returns this result to all members of a group, and two scan (parallel
prefix) operations. In addition, a reduce-scatter operation combines the functionality of a
reduce and of a scatter operation.

6.9.1 Reduce

MPI_REDUCE(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm)

IN sendbuf address of send buffer (choice)
OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice, significant only at root)
IN count number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN datatype datatype of elements of send buffer (handle)
IN op reduce operation (handle)
IN root rank of the root (integer)
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C binding

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

int MPI_Reduce_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
                  MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Reduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, ierror) !(_c)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_REDUCE(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, ROOT, COMM, IERROR)
```

```fortran
  <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, ROOT, COMM, IERROR
```

If `comm` is an intra-communicator, `MPI_REDUCE` combines the elements provided in the input buffer of each MPI process in the group, using the operation `op`, and returns the combined value in the output buffer of the MPI process with rank `root`. The input buffer is defined by the arguments `sendbuf`, `count` and `datatype`; the output buffer is defined by the arguments `recvbuf`, `count` and `datatype`; both have the same number of elements, with the same type. The routine is called by all group members using the same arguments for `count`, `datatype`, `op`, `root` and `comm`. Thus, all MPI processes provide input buffers of the same length, with elements of the same type as the output buffer at the root. Each MPI process can provide one element, or a sequence of elements, in which case the combine operation is executed element-wise on each entry of the sequence. For example, if the operation is `MPI_MAX` and the send buffer contains two elements that are floating point numbers (`count = 2` and `datatype = MPI_FLOAT`), then `recvbuf(1) = global max(sendbuf(1))` and `recvbuf(2) = global max(sendbuf(2))`.

Section 6.9.2, lists the set of predefined operations provided by MPI. That section also enumerates the datatypes to which each operation can be applied.

In addition, users may define their own operations that can be overloaded to operate on several datatypes, either basic or derived. This is further explained in Section 6.9.5.
The operation \texttt{op} is always assumed to be associative. All predefined operations are also assumed to be commutative. Users may define operations that are assumed to be associative, but not commutative. The “canonical” evaluation order of a reduction is determined by the ranks of the MPI processes in the group. However, the implementation can take advantage of associativity, or associativity and commutativity in order to change the order of evaluation. This may change the result of the reduction for operations that are not strictly associative and commutative, such as floating point addition.

\textit{Advice to implementors.} It is strongly recommended that \texttt{MPI\_REDUCE} be implemented so that the same result be obtained whenever the function is applied on the same arguments, appearing in the same order. Note that this may prevent optimizations that take advantage of the physical location of ranks. \textit{(End of advice to implementors.)}

\textit{Advice to users.} Some applications may not be able to ignore the nonassociative nature of floating-point operations or may use user-defined operations (see Section 6.9.5) that require a special reduction order and cannot be treated as associative. Such applications should enforce the order of evaluation explicitly. For example, in the case of operations that require a strict left-to-right (or right-to-left) evaluation order, this could be done by gathering all operands at a single MPI process (e.g., with \texttt{MPI\_GATHER}), applying the reduction operation in the desired order (e.g., with \texttt{MPI\_REDUCE\_LOCAL}), and if needed, broadcast or scatter the result to the other MPI processes (e.g., with \texttt{MPI\_BCAST}). \textit{(End of advice to users.)}

The \texttt{datatype} argument of \texttt{MPI\_REDUCE} must be compatible with \texttt{op}. Predefined operators work only with the MPI types listed in Section 6.9.2 and Section 6.9.4. Furthermore, the \texttt{datatype} and \texttt{op} given for predefined operators must be the same on all MPI processes.

Note that it is possible for users to supply different user-defined operations to \texttt{MPI\_REDUCE} in each MPI process. MPI does not define which operations are used on which operands in this case. User-defined operators may operate on general, derived datatypes. In this case, each argument that the reduce operation is applied to is one element described by such a datatype, which may contain several basic values. This is further explained in Section 6.9.5.

\textit{Advice to users.} Users should make no assumptions about how \texttt{MPI\_REDUCE} is implemented. It is safest to ensure that the same function is passed to \texttt{MPI\_REDUCE} by each MPI process. \textit{(End of advice to users.)}

Overlapping datatypes are permitted in “send” buffers. Overlapping datatypes in “receive” buffers are erroneous and may give unpredictable results.

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing the value \texttt{MPI\_IN\_PLACE} to the argument \texttt{sendbuf} at the root. In such a case, the input data is taken at the root from the receive buffer, where it will be replaced by the output data.

If \texttt{comm} is an inter-communicator, then the call involves all MPI processes in the inter-communicator, but with one group (group A) defining the root. All MPI processes in the other group (group B) pass the same value in argument \texttt{root}, which is the rank of the root in group A. The root passes the value \texttt{MPI\_ROOT} in \texttt{root}. All other MPI processes in group A pass the value \texttt{MPI\_PROC\_NULL} in \texttt{root}. Only send buffer arguments are significant in group B and only receive buffer arguments are significant at the root.
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6.9.2 Predefined Reduction Operations

The following predefined operations are supplied for MPI\_REDUCE and related functions MPI\_ALLREDUCE, MPI\_REDUCE\_SCATTER\_BLOCK, MPI\_REDUCE\_SCATTER, MPI\_SCAN, MPI\_EXSCAN, all nonblocking variants of those (see Section 6.12), and MPI\_REDUCE\_LOCAL. These operations are invoked by placing the following in op.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Meaning</th>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_MAX</td>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_MIN</td>
<td>minimum</td>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_SUM</td>
<td>sum</td>
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<td>MPI_PROD</td>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_LAND</td>
<td>logical and</td>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_BAND</td>
<td>bit-wise and</td>
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<td>MPI_LOR</td>
<td>logical or</td>
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<td>MPI_BOR</td>
<td>bit-wise or</td>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_LXOR</td>
<td>logical exclusive or (xor)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_BXOR</td>
<td>bit-wise exclusive or (xor)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_MAXLOC</td>
<td>max value and location</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_MINLOC</td>
<td>min value and location</td>
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The two operations MPI\_MINLOC and MPI\_MAXLOC are discussed separately in Section 6.9.4. For the other predefined operations, we enumerate below the allowed combinations of op and datatype arguments. First, define groups of MPI basic datatypes in the following way.

C integer:

MPI\_INT, MPI\_LONG, MPI\_SHORT,
MPI\_UNSIGNED\_SHORT, MPI\_UNSIGNED,
MPI\_UNSIGNED\_LONG,
MPI\_LONG\_LONG\_INT,
MPI\_LONG\_LONG (as synonym),
MPI\_UNSIGNED\_LONG\_LONG,
MPI\_SIGNED\_CHAR,
MPI\_UNSIGNED\_CHAR,
MPI\_INT8\_T, MPI\_INT16\_T,
MPI\_INT32\_T, MPI\_INT64\_T,
MPI\_UINT8\_T, MPI\_UINT16\_T,
MPI\_UINT32\_T, and MPI\_UINT64\_T

Fortran integer:

MPI\_INTEGER

and handles returned from

MPI\_TYPE\_CREATE\_F90\_INTEGER
and, if available, MPI\_INTEGER1,
MPI\_INTEGER2, MPI\_INTEGER4,
MPI\_INTEGER8, and MPI\_INTEGER16

Floating point:

MPI\_FLOAT, MPI\_DOUBLE, MPI\_REAL,
MPI\_DOUBLE\_PRECISION,
MPI\_LONG\_DOUBLE,
and handles returned from

MPI\_TYPE\_CREATE\_F90\_REAL
and, if available, MPI_REAL2, MPI_REAL4, MPI_REAL8, and MPI_REAL16

Logical:
  MPI_LOGICAL, MPI_C_BOOL,
  and MPI_CXX_BOOL

Complex:
  MPI_COMPLEX, MPI_C_COMPLEX,
  MPI_FLOAT_COMPLEX (as synonym),
  MPI_DOUBLE_COMPLEX,
  MPI_LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX,
  MPI_CXX_FLOAT_COMPLEX,
  MPI_CXX_DOUBLE_COMPLEX,
  MPI_CXX_LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX,
  and handles returned from
  MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_COMPLEX
  and, if available, MPI_DOUBLE_COMPLEX,
  MPI_COMPLEX4, MPI_COMPLEX8,
  MPI_COMPLEX16, and MPI_COMPLEX32

Byte:
  MPI_BYTE

Multi-language types:
  MPI_AINT, MPI_OFFSET, and MPI_COUNT

Now, the valid datatypes for each operation are specified below.

Op       Allowed Types

MPI_MAX, MPI_MIN  C integer, Fortran integer, Floating point,
                 Multi-language types

MPI_SUM, MPI_PROD  C integer, Fortran integer, Floating point, Complex,
                   Multi-language types

MPI_LAND, MPI_LOR, MPI_LXOR  C integer, Logical

MPI_BAND, MPI_BOR, MPI_BXOR  C integer, Fortran integer, Byte, Multi-language types

These operations together with all listed datatypes are valid in all supported programming languages, see also Reduce Operations in Section 19.3.6.

The following examples use intra-communicators.

Example 6.15. A routine that computes the dot product of two vectors that are distributed across a group of MPI processes and returns the answer at node zero.

```fortran
SUBROUTINE PAR_BLAS1(m, a, b, c, comm )
USE MPI
REAL a(m), b(m)    ! local slice of array
REAL c            ! result (at node zero)
REAL sum
INTEGER m, comm, i, ierr

! local sum
sum = 0.0
DO i = 1, m
  sum = sum + a(i)*b(i)
END DO
```

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Example 6.16. A routine that computes the product of a vector and an array that are distributed across a group of MPI processes and returns the answer at node zero.

```fortran
SUBROUTINE PAR_BLAS2(m, n, a, b, c, comm)
USE MPI
REAL a(m), b(m,n)  ! local slice of array
REAL c(n)         ! result
REAL sum(n)
INTEGER m, n, comm, i, j, ierr

! local sum
DO j=1,n
   sum(j) = 0.0
   DO i=1,m
      sum(j) = sum(j) + a(i)*b(i,j)
   END DO
END DO

! global sum
CALL MPI_REDUCE(sum, c, n, MPI_REAL, MPI_SUM, 0, comm, ierr)

! return result at node zero (and garbage at the other nodes)
RETURN
END
```

6.9.3 Signed Characters and Reductions

The types MPI_SIGNED_CHAR and MPI_UNSIGNED_CHAR can be used in reduction operations. MPI_CHAR, MPI_WCHAR, and MPI_CHARACTER (which represent printable characters) cannot be used in reduction operations. In a heterogeneous environment, MPI_CHAR, MPI_WCHAR, and MPI_CHARACTER will be translated so as to preserve the printable character, whereas MPI_SIGNED_CHAR and MPI_UNSIGNED_CHAR will be translated so as to preserve the integer value.

**Advice to users.** The types MPI_CHAR, MPI_WCHAR, and MPI_CHARACTER are intended for characters, and so will be translated to preserve the printable representation, rather than the integer value, if sent between machines with different character codes. The types MPI_SIGNED_CHAR and MPI_UNSIGNED_CHAR should be used in C if the integer value should be preserved. (End of advice to users.)

6.9.4 MINLOC and MAXLOC

The operator MPI_MINLOC is used to compute a global minimum and also an index attached to the minimum value. MPI_MAXLOC similarly computes a global maximum and index. One
application of these is to compute a global minimum (maximum) and the rank of the MPI process containing this value.

The operation that defines MPI\_\texttt{MAXLOC} is:

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} u \\ i \end{array} \right) \circ \left( \begin{array}{c} v \\ j \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c} w \\ k \end{array} \right)$$

where

$$w = \max(u, v)$$

and

$$k = \begin{cases} 
  i & \text{if } u > v \\
  \min(i, j) & \text{if } u = v \\
  j & \text{if } u < v 
\end{cases}$$

MPI\_\texttt{MINLOC} is defined similarly:

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} u \\ i \end{array} \right) \circ \left( \begin{array}{c} v \\ j \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c} w \\ k \end{array} \right)$$

where

$$w = \min(u, v)$$

and

$$k = \begin{cases} 
  i & \text{if } u < v \\
  \min(i, j) & \text{if } u = v \\
  j & \text{if } u > v 
\end{cases}$$

Both operations are associative and commutative. Note that if MPI\_\texttt{MAXLOC} is applied to reduce a sequence of pairs \((u_0, 0), (u_1, 1), \ldots, (u_{n-1}, n-1)\), then the value returned is \((u, r)\), where \(u = \max(u_i)\) and \(r\) is the index of the first global maximum in the sequence. Thus, if each MPI process supplies a value and its rank within the group, then a reduce operation with \(\text{op} = \text{MPI\_MAXLOC}\) will return the maximum value and the rank of the first MPI process with that value. Similarly, MPI\_\texttt{MINLOC} can be used to return a minimum and its index. More generally, MPI\_\texttt{MINLOC} computes a lexicographic minimum, where elements are ordered according to the first component of each pair, and ties are resolved according to the second component.

The reduce operation is defined to operate on arguments that consist of a pair: value and index. For both Fortran and C, types are provided to describe the pair. The potentially mixed-type nature of such arguments is a problem in older versions of Fortran. The problem is circumvented there by having the MPI-provided type consist of a pair of the same type as value, and coercing the index to this type also. In C, the MPI-provided pair type has distinct types and the index is an integer type. For named predefined pair types in C the index is of type \texttt{int}. For unnamed predefined pair types, other integer types are allowed as index instead. To use pair types with distinct value and index in Fortran, these types need to be defined using \texttt{BIND(C)} and be equivalent to the corresponding C struct.

In order to use MPI\_\texttt{MINLOC} and MPI\_\texttt{MAXLOC} in a reduce operation, one must provide a \texttt{datatype} argument that represents a pair (value and index). MPI provides nine
such named predefined datatypes as well as the function `MPI_TYPE_GET_VALUE_INDEX` to query named and unnamed predefined types using value type and index type. The operations `MPI_MAXLOC` and `MPI_MINLOC` can be used with each of the following named datatypes.

**Fortran:**

<table>
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<th>Description</th>
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<td><code>MPI_2REAL</code></td>
<td>pair of REALs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_2DOUBLE_PRECISION</code></td>
<td>pair of DOUBLE PRECISION variables</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_2INTEGER</code></td>
<td>pair of INTEGERS</td>
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**C:**

<table>
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<th>Name</th>
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<td>float and int</td>
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<td><code>MPI_DOUBLE_INT</code></td>
<td>double and int</td>
</tr>
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<td><code>MPI_LONG_INT</code></td>
<td>long and int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_2INT</code></td>
<td>pair of int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_SHORT_INT</code></td>
<td>short and int</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_LONG_DOUBLE_INT</code></td>
<td>long double and int</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The datatype `MPI_2REAL` is as if defined by the following (see Section 5.1).

```c
MPI_Type_contiguous(2, MPI_REAL, MPI_2REAL);
```

Similar statements apply for `MPI_2INTEGER`, `MPI_2DOUBLE_PRECISION`, and `MPI_2INT`. The datatype `MPI_SHORT_INT` is as if defined by the following sequence of instructions.

```c
struct mystruct {
    short val;
    int rank;
};
type[0] = MPI_SHORT;
type[1] = MPI_INT;
disp[0] = 0;
disp[1] = offsetof(struct mystruct, rank);
block[0] = 1;
block[1] = 1;
MPI_Type_create_struct(2, block, disp, type, &MPI_SHORT_INT);
MPI_Type_commit(&MPI_SHORT_INT);
```

Similar statements apply for `MPI_FLOAT_INT`, `MPI_LONG_INT` and `MPI_DOUBLE_INT`.

```c
MPI_TYPE_GET_VALUE_INDEX(value_type, index_type, pair_type)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Type_get_value_index(MPI_Datatype value_type, MPI_Datatype index_type,
                             MPI_Datatype *pair_type)
```
Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Type_get_value_index(value_type, index_type, pair_type, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: value_type, index_type
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: pair_type
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_TYPE_GET_VALUE_INDEX(VALUE_TYPE, INDEX_TYPE, PAIR_TYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER VALUE_TYPE, INDEX_TYPE, PAIR_TYPE, IERROR
```

MPI_TYPE_GET_VALUE_INDEX returns a handle to a predefined datatype suitable for the use with MPI_MINLOC and MPI_MAXLOC if such a predefined type exists. If the provided combination of value_type and index_type does not match a predefined pair datatype (named or unnamed), the function will set pair_type to MPI_DATATYPE_NULL and return MPI_SUCCESS. The returned type is not a duplicate. This type cannot be freed. Types supported by the underlying compiler for which the operators MPI_MIN and MPI_MAX are defined in Section 6.9.2 are acceptable value types. Integer types supported by the underlying compiler are acceptable index types.

Advice to users. Note that a named type handle returned by MPI_TYPE_GET_VALUE_INDEX will yield the combiner value MPI_COMBINER_NAMED when queried with MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVELOPE to ensure backward compatibility to existing behavior, whereas all unnamed type handles returned by MPI_TYPE_GET_VALUE_INDEX will yield the combiner value MPI_COMBINER_VALUE_INDEX when queried with MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVELOPE. There is no observable difference between the named constant value used via its symbol name or via MPI_TYPE_GET_VALUE_INDEX. Code evaluating the combiner of type handles returned from MPI_TYPE_GET_VALUE_INDEX must therefore handle both MPI_COMBINER_NAMED and MPI_COMBINER_VALUE_INDEX. (End of advice to users.)

Example 6.17. An unnamed predefined value-index type is retrieved for use with the corresponding C struct. If the requested value-index pair does not exist as a predefined type MPI_DATATYPE_NULL is returned.

```c
struct mystruct {
    double val;
    uint64_t index;
};

MPI_Datatype dtype;
MPI_Type_get_value_index(MPI_DOUBLE, MPI_UINT64_T, &dtype);
if (dtype == MPI_DATATYPE_NULL) {
    // Handling for unsupported value-index type
}
```

Advice to users. Implementations may apply certain optimizations to operations on compound types with equally sized value and index types. Such optimizations may not be applicable to operations on compound types where value and index type are of different size. (End of advice to users.)
The following examples use intra-communicators.

**Example 6.18.** Each MPI process has an array of 30 doubles, in C. For each of the 30 locations, compute the value and rank of the MPI process containing the largest value.

```c
... /* each MPI process has an array of 30 double: ain[30] */
double ain[30], aout[30];
int ind[30];
struct {
    double val;
    int rank;
} in[30], out[30];
int i, myrank, root;

MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &myrank);
for (i=0; i<30; ++i) {
    in[i].val = ain[i];
    in[i].rank = myrank;
}
MPI_Reduce(in, out, 30, MPI_DOUBLE_INT, MPI_MAXLOC, root, comm);
/* At this point, the answer resides on root MPI process */
if (myrank == root) {
    /* read ranks out */
    for (i=0; i<30; ++i) {
        aout[i] = out[i].val;
        ind[i] = out[i].rank;
    }
}
```

**Example 6.19.** Same example, in Fortran.

```fortran
... ! each process has an array of 30 double: ain(30)

DOUBLE PRECISION ain(30), aout(30)
INTEGER ind(30)
DOUBLE PRECISION in(2,30), out(2,30)
INTEGER i, myrank, root, ierr

CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, myrank, ierr)
DO i=1,30
    in(1,i) = ain(i)
    in(2,i) = myrank ! myrank is coerced to a double
END DO

CALL MPI_REDUCE(in, out, 30, MPI_2DOUBLE_PRECISION, MPI_MAXLOC, root,&
    comm, ierr)
! At this point, the answer resides on root MPI process
```
IF (myrank .EQ. root) THEN
    ! read ranks out
    DO i=1,30
        aout(i) = out(1,i)
        ind(i) = out(2,i) ! rank is coerced back to an integer
    END DO
END IF

Example 6.20. Each MPI process has a nonempty array of values. Find the minimum global value, the rank of the MPI process that holds it and its index on this MPI process.

#define LEN 1000

float val[LEN]; /* local array of values */
int count; /* local number of values */
int myrank, minrank, minindex;
float minval;

struct {
    float value;
    int index;
} in, out;

/* local minloc */
in.value = val[0];
in.index = 0;
for (i=1; i < count; i++) {
    if (in.value > val[i]) {
        in.value = val[i];
        in.index = i;
    }
}

/* global minloc */
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &myrank);
in.index = myrank*LEN + in.index;
MPI_Reduce(&in, &out, 1, MPI_FLOAT_INT, MPI_MINLOC, root, comm);

/* At this point, the answer resides on the root */
if (myrank == root) {
    /* read answer out */
    minval = out.value;
    minrank = out.index / LEN;
    minindex = out.index % LEN;
}

Rationale. The definition of MPI_MINLOC and MPI_MAXLOC given here has the advantage that it does not require any special-case handling of these two operations: they are handled like any other reduce operation. By assigning a value other than myrank to the in.index field, a programmer can provide a different definition of MPI_MAXLOC and MPI_MINLOC, if so desired. The disadvantage is that values and indices have to be first interleaved, and that indices and values have to be coerced to
the same type, in Fortran. (*End of rationale.*)

6.9.5 User-Defined Reduction Operations

MPI.OP_CREATE(user_fn, commute, op)

| IN | user_fn         | user defined function (function) |
|    | commute         | true if commutative; false otherwise. |
| OUT| op              | operation (handle) |

C binding
int MPI_Op_create(MPI_User_function *user_fn, int commute, MPI_Op *op)
int MPI_Op_create_c(MPI_User_function_c *user_fn, int commute, MPI_Op *op)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Op_create(user_fn, commute, op, ierror)

PROCEDURE(MPI_User_function) :: user_fn
LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: commute
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(OUT) :: op
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Op_create_c(user_fn, commute, op, ierror) !(_c)

PROCEDURE(MPI_User_function_c) :: user_fn
LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: commute
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(OUT) :: op
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_OP_CREATE(USER_FN, COMMUTE, OP, IERROR)

EXTERNAL USER_FN
LOGICAL COMMUTE
INTEGER OP, IERROR

MPI_OP_CREATE binds a user-defined reduction operation to an op handle that can subsequently be used in MPI_REDUCE, MPI_ALLREDUCE, MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER, MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK, MPI_SCAN, MPI_EXSCAN, all nonblocking and persistent variants of those (see Section 6.12 and Section 6.13), and MPI_REDUCE_LOCAL. The user-defined operation is assumed to be associative. If commute = true, then the operation should be both commutative and associative. If commute = false, then the order of operands is fixed and is defined to be in ascending, process rank order, beginning with MPI process with rank 0 in the communicator comm. The order of evaluation can be changed, talking advantage of the associativity of the operation. If commute = true then the order of evaluation can be changed, taking advantage of commutativity and associativity.

In Fortran when using USE mpi_f08, the large count variant shall be called explicitly as MPI_Op_create_c (i.e., with suffix “_c”) because interface polymorphism cannot be used to differentiate between the two different user callback prototypes despite their different type signatures.
The argument \texttt{user\_fn} is the user-defined function, which must have the following four arguments: \texttt{invec}, \texttt{inoutvec}, \texttt{len}, and \texttt{datatype}.

\texttt{MPI\_USER\_FUNCTION} also supports large count types in separate additional MPI callback function prototype declarations in C (suffixed with the “\_c”) and in Fortran when using \texttt{USE mpi\_f08}.

The ISO C prototypes for the functions are the following.

\begin{verbatim}
typedef void MPI_User_function(void *invec, void *inoutvec, int *len,
                              MPI_Datatype *datatype);
typedef void MPI_User_function_c(void *invec, void *inoutvec, MPI_Count *len,
                                MPI_Datatype *datatype);
\end{verbatim}

The Fortran declarations of the user-defined function \texttt{user\_fn} appear below.

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\begin{verbatim}
SUBROUTINE MPI_User_function(invec, inoutvec, len, datatype)
  USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
  TYPE(C_PTR), VALUE :: invec, inoutvec
  INTEGER :: len
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
SUBROUTINE MPI_User_function_c(invec, inoutvec, len, datatype) !(_c)
  USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
  TYPE(C_PTR), VALUE :: invec, inoutvec
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) :: len
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
SUBROUTINE USER_FUNCTION(INVEC, INOUTVEC, LEN, DATATYPE)
  <type> INVEC(LEN), INOUTVEC(LEN)
  INTEGER LEN, DATATYPE
\end{verbatim}

The \texttt{datatype} argument is a handle to the datatype that was passed into the call to \texttt{MPI\_REDUCE}. The user reduce function should be written such that the following holds:

Let \(u[0], \ldots, u[len-1]\) be the \texttt{len} elements in the communication buffer described by the arguments \texttt{invec}, \texttt{len} and \texttt{datatype} when the function is invoked; let \(v[0], \ldots, v[len-1]\) be \texttt{len} elements in the communication buffer described by the arguments \texttt{inoutvec}, \texttt{len} and \texttt{datatype} when the function is invoked; let \(w[0], \ldots, w[len-1]\) be \texttt{len} elements in the communication buffer described by the arguments \texttt{inoutvec}, \texttt{len} and \texttt{datatype} when the function returns; then \(w[i] = u[i] \circ v[i]\), for \(i=0, \ldots, \text{len}-1\), where \(\circ\) is the reduce operation that the function computes.

Informally, we can think of \texttt{invec} and \texttt{inoutvec} as arrays of \texttt{len} elements that \texttt{user\_fn} is combining. The result of the reduction over-writes values in \texttt{inoutvec}, hence the name. Each invocation of the function results in the pointwise evaluation of the reduce operator on \texttt{len} elements: i.e., the function returns in \texttt{inoutvec[i]} the value \(\text{invec}[i] \circ \text{inoutvec}[i]\), for \(i=0, \ldots, \text{count}-1\), where \(\circ\) is the combining operation computed by the function.

\textit{Rationale}. The \texttt{len} argument allows \texttt{MPI\_REDUCE} to avoid calling the function for each element in the input buffer. Rather, the system can choose to apply the function to chunks of input. In C, it is passed in as a reference for reasons of compatibility with Fortran.
6.9 Global Reduction Operations

By internally comparing the value of the *datatype* argument to known, global handles, it is possible to overload the use of a single user-defined function for several, different datatypes. (*End of rationale.*)

When calling any reduction or prefix scan MPI procedure with a user-defined MPI operator, the type of the *count* parameter in the call to the reduction or prefix scan MPI procedure does not need to be identical to the type of the *len* parameter in the user function associated with the user-defined MPI operator. If the *count* parameter has a type of *int* in C or INTEGER in Fortran and the *len* parameter has a type of MPI_COUNT, then MPI will perform the appropriate widening type conversion of the *len* parameter. If the *count* parameter has a type of MPI_COUNT and the *len* parameter has a type of *int* in C or INTEGER in Fortran, then MPI will perform the appropriate narrowing type conversion of the *len* parameter. If this narrowing conversion would result in truncation of the *len* value, then MPI will call the user function multiple times with a sequence of values for *len* that sum to the value of *count*.

Advice to implementors. If the number of data items cannot be represented in *len*, the implementation may need to invoke user_fn multiple times. (*End of advice to implementors.*)

General datatypes may be passed to the user function. However, use of datatypes that are not contiguous is likely to lead to inefficiencies.

No MPI communication function may be called inside the user function. MPI_ABORT may be called inside the function in case of an error.

Advice to users. Suppose one defines a library of user-defined reduce functions that are overloaded: the *datatype* argument is used to select the right execution path at each invocation, according to the types of the operands. The user-defined reduce function cannot “decode” the *datatype* argument that it is passed, and cannot identify, by itself, the correspondence between the datatype handles and the datatype they represent. This correspondence was established when the datatypes were created. Before the library is used, a library initialization preamble must be executed. This preamble code will define the datatypes that are used by the library, and store handles to these datatypes in global, static variables that are shared by the user code and the library code.

The Fortran version of MPI_REDUCE will invoke a user-defined reduce function using the Fortran calling conventions and will pass a Fortran-type datatype argument; the C version will use C calling convention and the C representation of a datatype handle.

Users who plan to mix languages should define their reduction functions accordingly. (*End of advice to users.*)

Advice to implementors. We outline below a naive and inefficient implementation of MPI_REDUCE not supporting the “in place” option and only valid for intra-communicators.

```c
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &groupsize);
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &rank);
if (rank > 0) {
    MPI_Recv(tempbuf, count, datatype, rank-1,...);
```
The reduction computation proceeds, sequentially, from MPI process with rank 0 to MPI process with rank groupsize-1. This order is chosen so as to respect the order of a possibly noncommutative operator defined by the function User_reduce(). A more efficient implementation is achieved by taking advantage of associativity and using a logarithmic tree reduction. Commutativity can be used to advantage, for those cases in which the commute argument to MPI_OP_CREATE is true. Also, the amount of temporary buffer space required can be reduced, and communication can be pipelined with computation, by transferring and reducing the elements in chunks of size len < count.

The predefined reduce operations can be implemented as a library of user-defined operations. However, better performance might be achieved if MPI_REDUCE handles these functions as a special case. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

```c
MPI_OP_FREE(op)
  INOUT op operation (handle)
```

C binding
```c
int MPI_Op_free(MPI_Op *op)
```

Fortran 2008 binding
```fortran
MPI_Op_free(op, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(INOUT) :: op
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(INOUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding
```fortran
MPI_OP_FREE(OP, IERROR)
  INTEGER OP, IERROR
```

Marks a user-defined reduction operation for deallocation and sets op to MPI_OP_NULL.
Example of User-Defined Reduce

The example in this section uses an intra-communicator.

Example 6.21. Compute the product of an array of complex numbers, in C.

typedef struct {
    double real, imag;
} Complex;

/* the user-defined function */

void myProd(void *inP, void *inoutP, int *len, MPI_Datatype *dptr) {
    int i;
    Complex c;
    Complex *in = (Complex *)inP, * inout = (Complex *)inoutP;

    for (i=0; i< *len ; ++i) {
        c.real = inout->real*in->real -
                inout->imag*in->imag;
        c.imag = inout->real*in->imag +
                inout->imag*in->real;
        *inout = c;
        in++; inout++;
    }
}

/* and, to call it... */

/* each MPI process has an array of 100 Complexes */

Complex a[100], answer[100];
MPI_Op myOp;
MPI_Datatype ctype;

/* explain to MPI how type Complex is defined */

MPI_Type_contiguous(2, MPI_DOUBLE, &ctype);
MPI_Type_commit(&ctype);
/* create the complex-product user-op */

MPI_Op_create(myProd, 1, &myOp);

MPI_Reduce(a, answer, 100, ctype, myOp, root, comm);

/* At this point, the answer, which consists of 100 Complexes,
 * resides on root MPI process */
Example 6.22. How to use the mpi_f08 interface of the Fortran MPI_User_function.

```fortran
subroutine my_user_function(invec, inoutvec, len, dtype) bind(c)
  use, intrinsic :: iso_c_binding, only : c_ptr, c_f_pointer
  use mpi_f08
  type(c_ptr), value :: invec, inoutvec
  integer :: len
  type(MPI_Datatype) :: dtype
  real, pointer :: invec_r (:), inoutvec_r (:)
  if (dtype == MPI_REAL) then
    call c_f_pointer(invec, invec_r, (/ len /))
    call c_f_pointer(inoutvec, inoutvec_r, (/ len /))
    inoutvec_r = invec_r + inoutvec_r
  end if
end subroutine
```

6.9.6 All-Reduce

MPI includes a variant of the reduce operations where the result is returned to all MPI processes in a group. MPI requires that all MPI processes from the same group participating in these operations receive identical results.

```
MPI_ALLREDUCE(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm)
```

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td><code>sendbuf</code> starting address of send buffer (choice)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OUT</td>
<td><code>recvbuf</code> starting address of receive buffer (choice)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td><code>count</code> number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td><code>datatype</code> datatype of elements of send buffer (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td><code>op</code> operation (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td><code>comm</code> communicator (handle)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

C binding

```
int MPI_Allreduce(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
                   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```
MPI_Allreduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, ierr)
```

<table>
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<th>Type</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>TYPE(*)</td>
<td><code>DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TYPE(*)</td>
<td><code>DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>INTEGER</td>
<td><code>INTENT(IN) :: count</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TYPE(MPI_Datatype)</td>
<td><code>INTENT(IN) :: datatype</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TYPE(MPI_Op)</td>
<td><code>INTENT(IN) :: op</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TYPE(MPI_Comm)</td>
<td><code>INTENT(IN) :: comm</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT)</td>
<td><code>:: ierr</code></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
MPI_Allreduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_ALLREDUCE(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR)
<intype> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR

If comm is an intra-communicator, MPI_ALLREDUCE behaves the same as
MPI_REDUCE except that the result appears in the receive buffer of all the group members.

Advice to implementors. The all-reduce operations can be implemented as a re-
duce, followed by a broadcast. However, a direct implementation can lead to better
performance. (End of advice to implementors.)

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing the value
MPI_IN_PLACE to the argument sendbuf at all processes. value MPI_IN_PLACE to the argu-
ment sendbuf at all MPI processes. In this case, the input data is taken at each MPI process
from the receive buffer, where it will be replaced by the output data.

If comm is an inter-communicator, then the result of the reduction of the data provided
by MPI processes in group A is stored at each MPI process in group B, and vice versa. Both
groups should provide count and datatype arguments that specify the same type signature.

The following example uses an intra-communicator.

Example 6.23. A routine that computes the product of a vector and an array that are
distributed across a group of MPI processes and returns the answer at all nodes (see also
Example 6.16).

SUBROUTINE PAR_BLAS2(m, n, a, b, c, comm)
USE MPI
REAL a(m), b(m,n) ! local slice of array
REAL c(n) ! result
REAL sum(n)
INTEGER m, n, comm, i, j, ierr

! local sum
DO j=1,n
   sum(j) = 0.0
   DO i=1,m
      sum(j) = sum(j) + a(i)*b(i,j)
   END DO
END DO

! global sum
CALL MPI_ALLREDUCE(sum, c, n, MPI_REAL, MPI_SUM, comm, ierr)
6.9.7 MPI Process-Local Reduction

The functions in this section are of importance to library implementors who may want to implement special reduction patterns that are otherwise not easily covered by the standard MPI operations.

The following function applies a reduction operator to local arguments.

**MPI_REDUCE_LOCAL**(inbuf, inoutbuf, count, datatype, op)

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<th>IN</th>
<th>inbuf</th>
<th>input buffer (choice)</th>
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<tr>
<td>INOUT</td>
<td>inoutbuf</td>
<td>combined input and output buffer (choice)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>count</td>
<td>number of elements in inbuf and inoutbuf buffers (non-negative integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>datatype</td>
<td>datatype of elements of inbuf and inoutbuf buffers (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>op</td>
<td>operation (handle)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Reduce_local(const void *inbuf, void *inoutbuf, int count,
                      MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op)
int MPI_Reduce_local_c(const void *inbuf, void *inoutbuf, MPI_Count count,
                       MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Reduce_local(inbuf, inoutbuf, count, datatype, op, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: inoutbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Extent_local(inbuf, inoutbuf, count, datatype, op, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: inoutbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_REDUCE_LOCAL(INBUF, INOUTBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, IERROR)
  <type> INBUF(*), INOUTBUF(*)
```

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The function applies the operation given by \texttt{op} element-wise to the elements of \texttt{inbuf} and \texttt{inoutbuf} with the result stored element-wise in \texttt{inoutbuf}, as explained for user-defined operations in Section 6.9.5. Both \texttt{inbuf} and \texttt{inoutbuf} (input as well as result) have the same number of elements given by \texttt{count} and the same datatype given by \texttt{datatype}. The \texttt{MPI\_IN\_PLACE} option is not allowed.

Reduction operations can be queried for their commutativity.

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_OP\_COMMUTATIVE(op, commute)
  IN op operation (handle)
  OUT commute true if \texttt{op} is commutative, false otherwise (logical)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI\_Op\_commutative(MPI\_Op op, int *commute)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_Op\_commutative(op, commute, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI\_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: commute
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_OP\_COMMUTATIVE(OP, COMMUTE, IERROR)
  INTEGER OP, IERROR
  LOGICAL COMMUTE
\end{verbatim}

6.10 Reduce-Scatter

\texttt{MPI} includes variants of the reduce operations where the result is scattered to all \texttt{MPI} processes in a group on return. One variant scatters equal-sized blocks to all \texttt{MPI} processes, while another variant scatters blocks that may vary in size for each \texttt{MPI} process.

6.10.1 \texttt{MPI\_REDUCE\_SCATTER\_BLOCK}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_REDUCE\_SCATTER\_BLOCK(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm)
  IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
  OUT recvbuf starting address of receive buffer (choice)
  IN recvcount element count per block (non-negative integer)
  IN datatype datatype of elements of send and receive buffers (handle)
  IN op operation (handle)
  IN comm communicator (handle)
\end{verbatim}
C binding
int MPI_Reduce_scatter_block(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int recvcount,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Reduce_scatter_block_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
   MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
   MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Reduce_scatter_block(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm,
   ierror)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: recvcount
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce_scatter_block(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm,
   ierror) !(_c)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: recvcount
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM,
   IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER RECVCOUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR

If comm is an intra-communicator, MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK first performs a
global, element-wise reduction on vectors of count = n*recvcount elements in the send buffers
defined by sendbuf, count and datatype, using the operation op, where n is the number of
MPI processes in the group of comm. The routine is called by all group members using the
same arguments for recvcount, datatype, op and comm. The resulting vector is treated as
n consecutive blocks of recvcount elements that are scattered to the MPI processes of the
group. The i-th block is sent to MPI process i and stored in the receive buffer defined by
recvbuf, recvcount, and datatype.

Advice to implementors. The MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK routine is function-
ally equivalent to an MPI_REDUCE collective operation with count equal to
recvcount*n, followed by an MPI_SCATTER with sendcount equal to recvcount. How-
ever, a direct implementation may run faster. (End of advice to implementors.)

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing MPI_IN_PLACE in
the sendbuf argument on all MPI processes. In this case, the input data is taken from the
receive buffer.
If \texttt{comm} is an inter-communicator, then the result of the reduction of the data provided by MPI processes in one group (group A) is scattered among MPI processes in the other group (group B) and vice versa. Within each group, all MPI processes provide the same value for the \texttt{recvcount} argument, and provide input vectors of \texttt{count} = \(n \times \text{recvcount}\) elements stored in the send buffers, where \(n\) is the size of the group. The number of elements \texttt{count} must be the same for the two groups. The resulting vector from the other group is scattered in blocks of \texttt{recvcount} elements among the MPI processes in the group.

\textit{Rationale.} The last restriction is needed so that the length of the send buffer of one group can be determined by the local \texttt{recvcount} argument of the other group. Otherwise, communication is needed to figure out how many elements are reduced. \textit{(End of rationale.)}

### 6.10.2 MPI\_REDUCE\_SCATTER

MPI\_REDUCE\_SCATTER extends the functionality of MPI\_REDUCE\_SCATTER\_BLOCK such that the scattered blocks can vary in size. Block sizes are determined by the \texttt{recvcounts} array, such that the \(i\)-th block contains \texttt{recvcounts}[i] elements.

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_REDUCE\_SCATTER(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm)
\end{verbatim}

\begin{verbatim}
IN    sendbuf          starting address of send buffer (choice)
OUT   recvbuf          starting address of receive buffer (choice)
IN    recvcounts       nonnegative integer array (of length group size)
                       specifying the number of elements of the result
distributed to each MPI process.
IN    datatype         datatype of elements of send and receive buffers
                       (handle)
IN    op               operation (handle)
IN    comm             communicator (handle)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI\_Reduce\_scatter(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
                         const int recvcounts[], MPI\_Datatype datatype, MPI\_Op op,
                         MPI\_Comm comm)
int MPI\_Reduce\_scatter\_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
                           const MPI\_Count recvcounts[], MPI\_Datatype datatype, MPI\_Op op,
                           MPI\_Comm comm)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_Reduce\_scatter(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, DIMENSION(IN) :: recvcounts(*)
  TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI\_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
\end{verbatim}
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TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce_scatter(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm, ierror)
!(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: recvcounts(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER RECVCOUNTS(*), DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR

If comm is an intra-communicator, MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER first performs a global,
element-wise reduction on vectors of count = $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1}$ recvcounts[i] elements in the send buffers
defined by sendbuf, count and datatype, using the operation op, where n is the number of
MPI processes in the group of comm. The routine is called by all group members using the
same arguments for recvcounts, datatype, op and comm. The resulting vector is treated as
n consecutive blocks where the number of elements of the i-th block is recvcounts[i]. The
blocks are scattered to the MPI processes of the group. The i-th block is sent to MPI process
i and stored in the receive buffer defined by recvbuf, recvcounts[i] and datatype.

Advice to implementors. The MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER routine is functionally equiv-
alent to an MPI_REDUCE collective operation with count equal to the sum of
recvcounts[i] followed by MPI_SCATTERV with sendcounts equal to recvcounts. How-
ever, a direct implementation may run faster. (End of advice to implementors.)

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing MPI_IN_PLACE
in the sendbuf argument. In this case, the input data is taken from the receive buffer. It is not
required to specify the “in place” option on all MPI processes, since the MPI processes
for which recvcounts[i] =0 may not have allocated a receive buffer.

If comm is an inter-communicator, then the result of the reduction of the data provided
by MPI processes in one group (group A) is scattered among MPI processes in the other
group (group B), and vice versa. Within each group, all MPI processes provide the same
recvcounts argument, and provide input vectors of count = $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1}$ recvcounts[i] elements
stored in the send buffers, where n is the size of the group. The resulting vector from the
other group is scattered in blocks of recvcounts[i] elements among the MPI processes in the
group. The number of elements count must be the same for the two groups.

Rationale. The last restriction is needed so that the length of the send buffer can be
determined by the sum of the local recvcounts entries. Otherwise, communication is
needed to figure out how many elements are reduced. (End of rationale.)
6.11 Scan

6.11.1 Inclusive Scan

MPI_SCAN(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm)

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
OUT recvbuf starting address of receive buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in input buffer (non-negative integer)
IN datatype datatype of elements of input buffer (handle)
IN op operation (handle)
IN comm communicator (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Scan(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
             MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Scan_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
                MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Scan(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scan(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_SCAN(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR

If comm is an intra-communicator, MPI_SCAN is used to perform a prefix reduction on data distributed across the group. The operation returns, in the receive buffer of the MPI process with rank i, the reduction of the values in the send buffers of MPI processes.
with ranks $0,\ldots,i$ (inclusive). The routine is called by all group members using the same arguments for count, datatype, op and comm, except that for user-defined operations, the same rules apply as for MPI\_REDUCE. The type of operations supported, their semantics, and the constraints on send and receive buffers are as for MPI\_REDUCE.

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing MPI\_IN\_PLACE in the sendbuf argument. In this case, the input data is taken from the receive buffer, and replaced by the output data.

This operation is invalid for inter-communicators.

### 6.11.2 Exclusive Scan

\[
\text{MPI\_EXSCAN}(\text{sendbuf}, \text{recvbuf}, \text{count}, \text{datatype}, \text{op}, \text{comm})
\]

#### IN sendbuf
starting address of send buffer (choice)

#### OUT recvbuf
starting address of receive buffer (choice)

#### IN count
number of elements in input buffer (non-negative integer)

#### IN datatype
datatype of elements of input buffer (handle)

#### IN op
operation (handle)

#### IN comm
intra-communicator (handle)

### C binding

```c
int MPI\_Exscan(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
                MPI\_Datatype datatype, MPI\_Op op, MPI\_Comm comm)
int MPI\_Exscan\_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI\_Count count,
                    MPI\_Datatype datatype, MPI\_Op op, MPI\_Comm comm)
```

### Fortran 2008 binding

MPI\_Exscan(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, ierror)

```fortran
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI\_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI\_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI\_Exscan(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_COUNT\_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI\_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI\_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

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MPI_EXSCAN(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR)

\(<\text{type}>\) SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)

INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR

If \(\text{comm}\) is an intra-communicator, MPI_EXSCAN is used to perform a prefix reduction on data distributed across the group. The value in recvbuf on the MPI process with rank 0 is undefined, and recvbuf is not significant on that MPI process. The value in recvbuf on the MPI process with rank 1 is defined as the value in sendbuf on the MPI process with rank 0. For MPI processes with rank \(i > 1\), the operation returns, in the receive buffer of the MPI process with rank \(i\), the reduction of the values in the send buffers of MPI processes with ranks \(0, \ldots, i - 1\) (inclusive). The routine is called by all group members using the same arguments for count, datatype, op and comm, except that for user-defined operations, the same rules apply as for MPI_REDUCE. The type of operations supported, their semantics, and the constraints on send and receive buffers, are as for MPI_REDUCE.

The “in place” option for intra-communicators is specified by passing MPI_IN_PLACE in the sendbuf argument. In this case, the input data is taken from the receive buffer, and replaced by the output data. The receive buffer on rank 0 is not changed by this operation. This operation is invalid for inter-communicators.

**Rationale.** The exclusive scan is more general than the inclusive scan. Any inclusive scan operation can be achieved by using the exclusive scan and then locally combining the local contribution. Note that for noninvertable operations such as MPI_MAX, the exclusive scan cannot be computed with the inclusive scan. (End of rationale.)

6.11.3 Example using MPI_SCAN

The example in this section uses an intra-communicator.

**Example 6.24.** This example uses a user-defined operation to produce a segmented scan. A segmented scan takes, as input, a set of values and a set of logicals, and the logicals delineate the various segments of the scan. For example:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>values</th>
<th>(v_1)</th>
<th>(v_2)</th>
<th>(v_3)</th>
<th>(v_4)</th>
<th>(v_5)</th>
<th>(v_6)</th>
<th>(v_7)</th>
<th>(v_8)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>logicals</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>result</td>
<td>(v_1)</td>
<td>(v_1 + v_2)</td>
<td>(v_3 + v_4)</td>
<td>(v_3 + v_4 + v_5)</td>
<td>(v_6)</td>
<td>(v_6 + v_7)</td>
<td>(v_8)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The operator that produces this effect is

\[
\left( \frac{u}{i} \right) \circ \left( \frac{v}{j} \right) = \left( \frac{w}{j} \right),
\]

where

\[
w = \begin{cases} 
  u + v & \text{if } i = j \\
  v & \text{if } i \neq j 
\end{cases}
\]

Note that this is a noncommutative operator. C code that implements it is given below.

```c
typedef struct {
  double val;
  int log;
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} SegScanPair;

/* the user-defined function */
void segScan(SegScanPair *in, SegScanPair *inout, int *len,
            MPI_Datatype *dptr)
{
    int i;
    SegScanPair c;

    for (i = 0; i < *len; ++i) {
        if (in->log == inout->log)
            c.val = in->val + inout->val;
        else
            c.val = inout->val;
        c.log = inout->log;
        *inout = c;
        in++; inout++;
    }
}

Note that the inout argument to the user-defined function corresponds to the right-hand operand of the operator. When using this operator, we must be careful to specify that it is noncommutative, as in the following.

int i, base;
SegScanPair a, answer;
MPI_Op myOp;
MPI_Datatype type[2] = {MPI_DOUBLE, MPI_INT};
MPI_Aint disp[2];
int blocklen[2] = {1, 1};
MPI_Datatype sspair;

/* explain to MPI how type SegScanPair is defined */
MPI_Get_address(&a, disp);
MPI_Get_address(&a.log, disp+1);
base = disp[0];
for (i = 0; i < 2; ++i) disp[i] = base;
MPI_Type_create_struct(2, blocklen, disp, type, &sspair);
MPI_Type_commit(&sspair);
/* create the segmented-scan user-op */
MPI_Op_create(segScan, 0, &myOp);
...
MPI_Scan(&a, &answer, 1, sspair, myOp, comm);

6.12 Nonblocking Collective Operations

As described in Section 3.7, performance of many applications can be improved by overlapping communication and computation, and many systems enable this. Nonblocking collective operations combine the potential benefits of nonblocking point-to-point opera-
tions, to exploit overlap and to avoid synchronization, with the optimized implementation
and message scheduling provided by collective operations [35, 39]. One way of doing this
would be to perform a blocking collective operation in a separate thread. An alternative
mechanism that often leads to better performance (e.g., avoids context switching, scheduler
overheads, and thread management) is to use nonblocking collective communication [37].

The nonblocking collective communication model is similar to the model used for non-
blocking point-to-point communication. A nonblocking call initiates a collective operation,
which must be completed in a separate completion call. Once initiated, the operation may
progress independently of any computation or other communication at participating MPI
processes. In this manner, nonblocking collective operations can mitigate possible synchro-
nizing effects of collective operations by running them in the “background.” In addition to
enabling communication-computation overlap, nonblocking collective operations can per-
form collective operations on overlapping communicators, which would lead to deadlocks
with blocking operations. Their semantic advantages can also be useful in combination with
point-to-point communication.

As in the nonblocking point-to-point case, all calls are local and return immediately,
irrespective of the status of other MPI processes. The call initiates the operation, which
indicates that the system may start to copy data out of the send buffer and into the re-
ceive buffer. Once initiated, all associated send buffers and buffers associated with input
arguments (such as arrays of counts, displacements, or datatypes in the vector versions of
the collectives) should not be modified, and all associated receive buffers should not be
accessed, until the collective operation completes. The call returns a request handle, which
must be passed to a completion call.

All completion calls (e.g., MPI_WAIT) described in Section 3.7.3 are supported for
nonblocking collective operations. Similarly to the blocking case, nonblocking collective
operations are considered to be complete when the local part of the operation is finished,
i.e., for the caller, the semantics of the operation are guaranteed and all buffers can be
safely accessed and modified. Completion does not indicate that other MPI processes have
completed or even started the operation (unless otherwise implied by the description of
the operation). Completion of a particular nonblocking collective operation also does not
indicate completion of any other posted nonblocking collective (or send-receive) operations,
whether they are posted before or after the completed operation.

Advice to users. Users should be aware that implementations are allowed, but not
required (with exception of MPI_IBARRIER), to synchronize MPI processes during the
completion of a nonblocking collective operation. (End of advice to users.)

Upon returning from a completion call in which a nonblocking collective operation
completes, the values of the MPI_SOURCE and MPI_TAG fields in the associated status object,
if any, are undefined. The value of MPI_ERROR may be defined, if appropriate, according
to the specification in Section 3.2.5. It is valid to mix different request types (i.e., any
combination of collective requests, I/O requests, generalized requests, or point-to-point
requests) in functions that enable multiple completions (e.g., MPI_WAITALL). It is erroneous
to call MPI_REQUEST_FREE or MPI_CANCEL for a request associated with a nonblocking
collective operation. Nonblocking collective requests created using the APIs described in
this section are not persistent. However, persistent collective requests can be created using
persistent collective operations described in Sections 6.13 and 8.8.

Rationale. Freeing an active nonblocking collective request could cause similar
problems as discussed for point-to-point requests (see Section 3.7.3). Cancelling a request is not supported because the semantics of this operation are not well-defined. (End of rationale.)

Multiple nonblocking collective operations can be outstanding on a single communicator. If the nonblocking call causes some system resource to be exhausted, then it will fail and raise an error. Quality implementations of MPI should ensure that this happens only in pathological cases. That is, an MPI implementation should be able to support a large number of pending nonblocking operations.

Unlike point-to-point operations, nonblocking collective operations do not match with blocking collective operations, and collective operations do not have a tag argument. All MPI processes must call collective operations (blocking and nonblocking) in the same order per communicator. In particular, once a MPI process calls a collective operation, all other MPI processes in the communicator must eventually call the same collective operation, and no other collective operation with the same communicator in between. This is consistent with the ordering rules for blocking collective operations in threaded environments.

Rationale. Matching blocking and nonblocking collective operations is not allowed because the implementation might use different communication algorithms for the two cases. Blocking collective operations may be optimized for minimal time to completion, while nonblocking collective operations may balance time to completion with CPU overhead and asynchronous progress.

The use of tags for collective operations can prevent certain hardware optimizations. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. If program semantics require matching blocking and nonblocking collective operations, then a nonblocking collective operation can be initiated and immediately completed with a blocking wait to emulate blocking behavior. (End of advice to users.)

In terms of data movement, each nonblocking collective operation has the same effect as its blocking counterpart for intra-communicators and inter-communicators after completion. Likewise, upon completion, nonblocking collective reduction operations have the same effect as their blocking counterparts, and the same restrictions and recommendations on reduction orders apply.

The use of the “in place” option is allowed exactly as described for the corresponding blocking collective operations. When using the “in place” option, message buffers function as both send and receive buffers. Such buffers should not be modified or accessed until the operation completes.

The progress rules for nonblocking collective operations are similar to the progress rules for nonblocking point-to-point operations, refer to Sections 2.9 and 3.7.4.

Advice to implementors. Nonblocking collective operations can be implemented with local execution schedules [38] using nonblocking point-to-point communication and a reserved tag-space. (End of advice to implementors.)
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6.12.1 Nonblocking Barrier Synchronization

MPI_IBARRIER(comm, request)

IN  comm   communicator (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Ibarrier(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Ibarrier(comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_IBARRIER(COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IBARRIER is a nonblocking version of MPI_BARRIER. By calling MPI_IBARRIER, an MPI process notifies that it has reached the barrier. The call returns immediately, independent of whether other MPI processes have called MPI_IBARRIER. The usual barrier semantics are enforced at the corresponding completion operation (test or wait), which in the intra-communicator case will complete only after all other MPI processes in the communicator have called MPI_IBARRIER. In the inter-communicator case, it will complete when all MPI processes in the remote group have called MPI_IBARRIER.

Advice to users. A nonblocking barrier can be used to hide latency. Moving independent computations between the MPI_IBARRIER and the subsequent completion call can overlap the barrier latency and therefore shorten possible waiting times. The semantic properties are also useful when mixing collective operations and point-to-point messages. (End of advice to users.)

6.12.2 Nonblocking Broadcast

MPI_IBCAST(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, request)

INOUT  buffer   starting address of buffer (choice)
IN     count    number of entries in buffer (non-negative integer)
IN     datatype datatype of buffer (handle)
IN     root     rank of broadcast root (integer)
IN     comm     communicator (handle)
OUT    request  communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Ibcast(void *buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int root,
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MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ibcast_c(void *buffer, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
    int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

**Fortran 2008 binding**

MPI_Ibcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, request, ierror)

```fortran
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, root
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

MPI_Ibcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)

```fortran
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

MPI_IBCAST(BUFFER, COUNT, DATATYPE, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

```fortran
    INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR
```

This call starts a nonblocking variant of **MPI_BCAST** (see Section 6.4).

**Example using MPI_IBCAST**

The example in this section uses an intra-communicator.

**Example 6.25.** Start a broadcast of 100 ints from MPI process 0 to every MPI process in the group, perform some computation on independent data, and then complete the outstanding broadcast operation.

```c
MPI_Comm comm;
int array1[100], array2[100];
int root=0;
MPI_Request req;
...
MPI_Ibcast(array1, 100, MPI_INT, root, comm, &req);
compute(array2, 100);
MPI_Wait(&req, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
```
6.12.3 Nonblocking Gather

MPI_Igather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, request)

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN sendcount number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice, significant only at root)
IN recvcount number of elements for any single receive (non-negative integer, significant only at root)
IN recvtype datatype of recv buffer elements (handle, significant only at root)
IN root rank of receiving MPI process (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Igather(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, 
    void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, 
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Igather_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount, 
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount, 
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, 
    MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Igather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, 
             comm, request, ierror)
               TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
             INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount, root
             TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
               TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
             TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
             TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
             INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Igather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, 
             comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
               TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
             INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
             TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
               TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_IGATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, 
COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, 
IERROR

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_GATHER (see Section 6.5).

MPI_IGATHERV(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, root, 
comm, request)

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN sendcount number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice, significant only at root)
IN recvcounts nonnegative integer array (of length group size)
containing the number of elements that are received from each MPI process (significant only at root)
IN displs integer array (of length group size). Entry i specifies the displacement relative to recvbuf at which to place the incoming data from MPI process i (significant only at root)
IN recvtype datatype of recv buffer elements (handle, significant only at root)
IN root rank of receiving MPI process (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Igatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, 
void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int displs[], 
MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, 
MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Igatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount, 
MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, 
const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint displs[], 
MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, 
MPI_Request *request)
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Fortran 2008 binding

\[ \text{MPI\_Igatherv}(\text{sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, root, comm, request, ierr}) \]

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{TYPE(*)}, \text{DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf} \\
\text{INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, root} \\
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype} \\
\text{TYPE(*)}, \text{DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf} \\
\text{INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*), displs(*)} \\
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm} \\
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request} \\
\text{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr} \\
\end{align*}
\]

\[ \text{MPI\_igatherv}(\text{sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, root, comm, request, ierr}) !(_c) \]

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{TYPE(*)}, \text{DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf} \\
\text{INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_COUNT\_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount} \\
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype} \\
\text{TYPE(*)}, \text{DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf} \\
\text{INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_COUNT\_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)} \\
\text{INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: displs(*)} \\
\text{INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root} \\
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm} \\
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request} \\
\text{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr} \\
\end{align*}
\]

Fortran binding

\[ \text{MPI\_IGATHERV}(\text{SENDBUF, SENDEROUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS, RECVTYPER, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR}) \]

\[
\begin{align*}
<\text{type}> \text{SENDBUF(*)}, \text{RECVBUF(*)} \\
\text{INTEGER SENDEROUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR} \\
\end{align*}
\]

This call starts a nonblocking variant of \text{MPI\_GATHERV} (see Section 6.5).

6.12.4 Nonblocking Scatter

\[ \text{MPI\_ISCATTER}(\text{sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, request}) \]

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{IN} \quad \text{sendbuf} & \quad \text{address of send buffer (choice, significant only at root)} \\
\text{IN} \quad \text{sendcount} & \quad \text{number of elements sent to each MPI process (non-negative integer, significant only at root)} \\
\text{IN} \quad \text{sendtype} & \quad \text{datatype of send buffer elements (handle, significant only at root)} \\
\text{OUT} \quad \text{recvbuf} & \quad \text{address of receive buffer (choice)} \\
\text{IN} \quad \text{recvcount} & \quad \text{number of elements in receive buffer (non-negative integer)} \\
\end{align*}
\]
IN  recvtype  datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
IN  root  rank of sending MPI process (integer)
IN  comm  communicator (handle)
OUT  request  communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Iscatter(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
    void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iscatter_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Iscatter(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root,
    comm, request, ierror)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount, root
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Iscatter(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root,
    comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_ISCATTER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT,
    COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<TYPE> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST,
    IERROR

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_SCATTER (see Section 6.6).
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MPIISCATTERV(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, request)

IN sendbuf address of send buffer (choice, significant only at root)
IN sendcounts nonnegative integer array (of length group size) specifying the number of elements to send to each MPI process (significant only at root)
IN displs integer array (of length group size). Entry i specifies the displacement (relative to sendbuf) from which to take the outgoing data to MPI process i (significant only at root)
IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle, significant only at root)
OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice)
IN recvcount number of elements in receive buffer (non-negative integer)
IN recvtype datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
IN root rank of sending MPI process (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Iscatterv(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
        const int displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
        int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
        MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iscatterv_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
        const MPI_Aint displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
        MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,
        MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Iscatterv(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, 
        recvtype, root, comm, request, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), displs(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: recvcount, root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT.OUT :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Iscatterv(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, 
        recvtype, root, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
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TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: displs(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: recvcount
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_ISCATTERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, DISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT,
              RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
  INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT,
  COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_SCATTERV (see Section 6.6).

6.12.5 Nonblocking Gather-to-all

MPI_IALLGATHER(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm,
                request)
  IN    sendbuf          starting address of send buffer (choice)
  IN    sendcount        number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
  IN    sendtype         datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
  OUT   recvbuf          address of receive buffer (choice)
  IN    recvcount        number of elements received from any MPI process (non-negative integer)
  IN    recvtype         datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
  IN    comm              communicator (handle)
  OUT   request          communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Iallgather(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
                    void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype,
                    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Iallgather_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                      MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
                      MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
For the Fortran binding of MPI-2, the interface is as follows:

```fortran
MPI_Iallgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
               comm, request, ierror)
```

where:
- `sendbuf` is a type-agnostic array (choice).
- `sendcount` is an integer, non-negative.
- `sendtype` is a datatype handle (handle).
- `recvbuf` is a type-agnostic array (choice).
- `recvcounts` is an array of nonnegative integers, of length group size.
- `displs` is an array of integers, of length group size.
- `recvtype` is a datatype handle (handle).
- `comm` is a communicator handle (handle).
- `request` is a communication request handle (handle).
- `ierror` is an integer, optional.

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_ALLGATHER (see Section 6.7).

For the Fortran binding, the interface is as follows:

```fortran
MPI_IALLGATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE,
                COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

where:
- `SENDBUF(*)`, `RECVBUF(*)` are type-agnostic arrays (choice).
- `SENDTYPE`, `RECVCOUNT`, `RECVTYPE` are datatype handles (handle).
- `COMM`, `REQUEST`, `IERROR` are handles.

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_ALLGATHER (see Section 6.7).
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C binding

```c
int MPI_Iallgatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
     void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int displs[],
     MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
```  

```c
int MPI_Iallgatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
     MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
     const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint displs[],
     MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
```  

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Iallgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs,
     recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
```

```fortran
MPI_Iallgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs,
     recvtype, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_IALLGATHERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS,
     RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_ALLGATHERV (see Section 6.7).

6.12.6 Nonblocking All-to-All Scatter/Gather

```fortran
MPI_IALLTOALL(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbef, recvcount, recvtype, comm, request)
```

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
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<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>IN</th>
<th>sendcount</th>
<th>number of elements sent to each MPI process (non-negative integer)</th>
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<tr>
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<td>recvbuf</td>
<td>address of receive buffer (choice)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>recvcount</td>
<td>number of elements received from any MPI process (non-negative integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>recvtype</td>
<td>datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>comm</td>
<td>communicator (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OUT</td>
<td>request</td>
<td>communication request (handle)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Ialltoall(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
                  void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype,
                  MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ialltoall_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                     MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
                     MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Ialltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm,
               request, ierror)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ialltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm,
               request, ierror) !(_c)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_IALLTOALL(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SEDNTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM,
               REQUEST, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SEDNTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR
```

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_ALLTOALL (see Section 6.8).
MPI_IALLTOALLV(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, request)

**IN** sendbuf  
starting address of send buffer (choice)

**IN** sendcounts  
nonnegative integer array (of length group size)  
specifying the number of elements to send to each MPI process

**IN** sdispls  
integer array (of length group size). Entry j specifies  
the displacement (relative to sendbuf) from which to  
take the outgoing data destined for MPI process j

**IN** sendtype  
datatype of send buffer elements (handle)

**OUT** recvbuf  
address of receive buffer (choice)

**IN** recvcounts  
nonnegative integer array (of length group size)  
specifying the number of elements that can be  
received from each MPI process

**IN** rdispls  
integer array (of length group size). Entry i specifies  
the displacement (relative to recvbuf) at which to  
place the incoming data from MPI process i

**IN** recvtype  
datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)

**IN** comm  
communicator (handle)

**OUT** request  
communication request (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Ialltoallv(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ialltoallv_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
const MPI_Aint sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Ialltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
rdispls, recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
```

```
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*),
  recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

```fortran
MPI_Ialltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
rdispls, recvtype, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
```
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```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*),
recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*),
rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_IALLTOALLV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS,
RDISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*),
RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR
```

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_ALLTOALLV (see Section 6.8).

```fortran
MPI_IALLTOALLW(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls,
recvtypes, comm, request)
```

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN sendcounts integer array (of length group size) specifying the
number of elements to send to each MPI process
(array of non-negative integers)
IN sdispls integer array (of length group size). Entry j specifies
the displacement in bytes (relative to sendbuf) from
which to take the outgoing data destined for MPI
process j (array of integers)
IN sendtypes array of datatypes (of length group size). Entry j
specifies the type of data to send to MPI process j
(array of handles)
OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice)
IN recvcounts integer array (of length group size) specifying the
number of elements that can be received from each
MPI process (array of non-negative integers)
IN rdispls integer array (of length group size). Entry i specifies
the displacement in bytes (relative to recvbuf) at
which to place the incoming data from MPI process i
(array of integers)
IN recvtypes array of datatypes (of length group size). Entry i
specifies the type of data received from MPI process i
(array of handles)
IN comm communicator (handle)
C binding

```c
int MPI_Ialltoallw(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
                    const int sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
                    void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
                    const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm,
                    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ialltoallw_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
                       const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
                       void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
                       const MPI_Aint rdispls[], const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[],
                       MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Ialltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts,
                rdispls, recvtypes, comm, request, ierror)
```

```fortran
MPI_Ialltoallw_c(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts,
                 rdispls, recvtypes, comm, request) !(_c)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_IALLTOALLW(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDSPLS, SENDTYPES, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS,
                RDISPLS, RECVTYPES, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_ALLTOALLW (see Section 6.8).
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6.12.7 Nonblocking Reduce

MPI_IREDUCE(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, request)

IN sendbuf address of send buffer (choice)
OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice, significant only at root)
IN count number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN datatype datatype of elements of send buffer (handle)
IN op reduce operation (handle)
IN root rank of the root (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Ireduce(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
                 MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
                 MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ireduce_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
                  MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
                  MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Ireduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, request, ierror)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, root
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ireduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, request, ierror)
    !(_c)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
Fortran binding

MPI_IREDUCE(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_REDUCE (see Section 6.9.1).

Advice to implementors. The implementation is explicitly allowed to use different algorithms for blocking and nonblocking reduction operations that might change the order of evaluation of the operations. However, as for MPI_REDUCE, it is strongly recommended that MPI_IREDUCE be implemented so that the same result be obtained whenever the function is applied on the same arguments, appearing in the same order. Note that this may prevent optimizations that take advantage of the physical location of MPI processes. (End of advice to implementors.)

Advice to users. For operations that are not truly associative, the result delivered upon completion of the nonblocking reduction may not exactly equal the result delivered by the blocking reduction, even when specifying the same arguments in the same order. (End of advice to users.)

6.12.8 Nonblocking All-Reduce

MPI_IALLREDUCE(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request)
  IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
  OUT recvbuf starting address of receive buffer (choice)
  IN count number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
  IN datatype datatype of elements of send buffer (handle)
  IN op operation (handle)
  IN comm communicator (handle)
  OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Iallreduce(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
                   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
                   MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iallreduce_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
                      MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
                      MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Iallreduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
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```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Iallreduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request, ierror)
!(_c)

TYPE(*) , DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
TYPE(*) , DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_IALLREDUCE(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
 TYPE(SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*))
 INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_ALLREDUCE (see Section 6.9.6).

6.12.9 Nonblocking Reduce-Scatter with Equal Blocks

```
Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Ireduce_scatter_block(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm,
    request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

```fortran
MPI_Ireduce_scatter_block(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm,
    request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM,
    REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
  INTEGER RECVCOUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR
```

This call starts a nonblocking variant of `MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK` (see Section 6.10.1).

### 6.12.10 Nonblocking Reduce-Scatter

```fortran
MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm, request)
```

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**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Ireduce_scatter(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
                        const int recvcou[n], MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
                        MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ireduce_scatter_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
                        const MPI_Count recvcou[n], MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
                        MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Ireduce_scatter(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcou[n], datatype, op, comm, request,
                    ierror)
```

```fortran
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcou[n]
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ireduce_scatter(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcou[n], datatype, op, comm, request,
                    ierror) !(_c)
```

```fortran
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcou[n]
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST,
                    IERROR)
```

```fortran
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER RECVCOUNTS(*), DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR
```

This call starts a nonblocking variant of `MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER` (see Section 6.10.2).

6.12.11 Nonblocking Inclusive Scan

```fortran
MPI_ISCAN(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request)
```

- **IN** `sendbuf` starting address of send buffer (choice)
- **OUT** `recvbuf` starting address of receive buffer (choice)
- **IN** `count` number of elements in input buffer (non-negative integer)
- **IN** `datatype` datatype of elements of input buffer (handle)
IN  op                          operation (handle)
IN  comm                       communicator (handle)
OUT request                    communication request (handle)

C binding

```c
int MPI_Iscan(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
               MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
               MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iscan_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
                 MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
                 MPI_Request *request)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Iscan(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request, ierror)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_Iscan(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
```

This call starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_SCAN (see Section 6.11).

6.12.12 Nonblocking Exclusive Scan

```c
MPI_IEXSCAN(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request)
```

IN  sendbuf                      starting address of send buffer (choice)
OUT recvbuf                      starting address of receive buffer (choice)
IN  count                        number of elements in input buffer (non-negative integer)
6.13 Persistent Collective Operations

Many parallel computation algorithms involve repetitively executing a collective communication operation with the same arguments each time. As with persistent point-to-point operations (see Section 3.9), persistent collective operations allow the MPI programmer to

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specify operations that will be reused frequently (with fixed arguments). MPI can be designed to select a more efficient way to perform the collective operation based on the parameters specified when the operation is initialized. This “planned-transfer” approach [53, 42] can offer significant performance benefits for programs with repetitive communication patterns.

In terms of data movement, each persistent collective operation has the same effect as its blocking and nonblocking counterparts for intra-communicators and inter-communicators after completion. Likewise, upon completion, persistent collective reduction operations perform the same operation as their blocking and nonblocking counterparts, and the same restrictions and recommendations on reduction orders apply (see also Section 6.9.1).

Initialization calls for MPI persistent collective operations are nonlocal and follow all the existing rules for collective operations, in particular ordering; programs that do not conform to these restrictions are erroneous. After initialization, all arrays associated with input arguments (such as arrays of counts, displacements, and datatypes in the vector versions of the collectives) must not be modified until the corresponding persistent request is freed with MPI_REQUEST_FREE.

According to the definitions in Section 2.4.2, the persistent collective initialization procedures are incomplete. They are also nonlocal procedures because they may or may not return before they are called in all MPI processes of the MPI process group associated with the specified communicator.

**Advice to users.** This is one of the exceptions in which incomplete procedures are nonlocal and therefore blocking. (End of advice to users.)

The request argument is an output argument that can be used zero or more times with MPI_START or MPI_STARTALL in order to start the collective operation. The request is initially inactive after the initialization call. Once initialized, persistent collective operations can be started in any order and the order can differ among the MPI processes in the communicator.

**Rationale.** All ordering requirements that an implementation may need to match up collective operations across the communicator are achieved through the ordering requirements of the initialization functions. This enables out-of-order starts for the persistent operations, and particularly supports their use in MPI_STARTALL. (End of rationale.)

**Advice to implementors.** An MPI implementation should do no worse than duplicating the communicator during the initialization function, caching the input arguments, and calling the appropriate nonblocking collective function, using the cached arguments, during MPI_START. High-quality implementations should be able to amortize setup costs and further optimize by taking advantage of early-binding, such as efficient and effective pre-allocation of certain resources and algorithm selection. (End of advice to implementors.)

A request must be inactive when it is started. Starting the operation makes the request active. Once any MPI process starts a persistent collective operation, it must complete that operation and all other MPI processes in the communicator must eventually start (and complete) the same persistent collective operation. Persistent collective operations cannot be matched with blocking or nonblocking collective operations. Completion of a persistent
collective operation makes the corresponding request inactive. After starting a persistent collective operation, all associated send buffers must not be modified and all associated receive buffers must not be accessed until the corresponding persistent request is completed.

Completing a persistent collective request, for example using MPI_TEST or MPI_WAIT, makes it inactive, but does not free the request. This is the same behavior as for persistent point-to-point requests. Inactive persistent collective requests can be freed using MPI_REQUEST_FREE. It is erroneous to free an active persistent collective request. Persistent collective operations cannot be canceled; it is erroneous to use MPI_CANCEL on a persistent collective request.

For every nonblocking collective communication operation in MPI, there is a corresponding persistent collective operation with the analogous API signature.

The collective persistent API signatures include an info object in order to support optimization hints and other information that may be nonstandard. Persistent collective operations may be optimized during communicator creation or by the initialization operation of an individual persistent collective. Note that communicator-scoped hints should be provided using MPI_COMM_SET_INFO while, for operation-scoped hints, they are supplied to the persistent collective communication initialization functions using the info argument.

### 6.13.1 Persistent Barrier Synchronization

**MPI_BARRIER_INIT(comm, info, request)**

- **IN** comm communicator (handle)
- **IN** info info argument (handle)
- **OUT** request communication request (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Barrier_init(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Barrier_init(comm, info, request, ierror)
```

- `TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm`
- `TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info`
- `TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request`
- `INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror`

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_BARRIER_INIT(COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

`INTEGER COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR`

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the barrier operation.
6.13.2 Persistent Broadcast

**MPI_BCAST_INIT**

| INOUT  | buffer                      | starting address of buffer (choice) |
| IN     | count                       | number of entries in buffer (non-negative integer) |
| IN     | datatype                    | datatype of buffer (handle) |
| IN     | root                        | rank of broadcast root (integer) |
| IN     | comm                        | communicator (handle) |
| IN     | info                        | info argument (handle) |
| OUT    | request                    | communication request (handle) |

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Bcast_init(void *buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int root,
                    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
```

```
int MPI_Bcast_init_c(void *buffer, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                      int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Bcast_init(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, info, request, ierr)
```

- `TYPE(*), DIMENSION(...)`, ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
- `INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, root`
- `TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype`
- `TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm`
- `TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info`
- `TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request`
- `INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr`

```fortran
MPI_Bcast_init(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, info, request, ierr)
```

- `(\_\_c)`
- `TYPE(*), DIMENSION(...)`, ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
- `INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count`
- `TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype`
- `INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root`
- `TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm`
- `TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info`
- `TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request`
- `INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr`

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_BCAST_INIT(BUFFER, COUNT, DATATYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

- `<type> BUFFER(*)`
- `INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR`

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the broadcast operation.
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6.13.3 Persistent Gather

MPI_GATHER_INIT(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, info, request)

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN sendcount number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice, significant only at root)
IN recvcount number of elements for any single receive (non-negative integer, significant only at root)
IN recvtype datatype of recv buffer elements (handle, significant only at root)
IN root rank of receiving MPI process (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
IN info info argument (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Gather_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Gather_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Gather_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, info, request, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount, root
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Gather_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GATHER_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE,
ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
otyp> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO,
REQUEST, IERROR

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the gather operation.

MPI_GATHERV_INIT(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype,
root, comm, info, request)
IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN sendcount number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice, significant only at root)
IN recvcounts nonnegative integer array (of length group size)
containing the number of elements that are received from each MPI process (significant only at root)
IN displs integer array (of length group size). Entry i specifies the displacement relative to recvbuf at which to place the incoming data from MPI process i (significant only at root)
IN recvtype datatype of recv buffer elements (handle, significant only at root)
IN root rank of receiving MPI process (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
IN info info argument (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Gatherv_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int displs[],
MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Gatherv_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount, 
        MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, 
        const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint displs[], 
        MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, 
        MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Gatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, 
        recvtype, root, comm, info, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*), displs(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Gatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, 
        recvtype, root, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: displs(*)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GATHERV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS, 
        RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
  TYPE(*) SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
  INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, ROOT, 
        COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the gatherv operation.

6.13.4 Persistent Scatter

MPI_SCATTER_INIT(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, 
        comm, info, request)

IN sendbuf address of send buffer (choice, significant only at root)
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IN sendcount number of elements sent to each MPI process (non-negative integer, significant only at root)

IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle, significant only at root)

OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice)

IN recvcount number of elements in receive buffer (non-negative integer)

IN recvtype datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)

IN root rank of sending MPI process (integer)

IN comm communicator (handle)

IN info info argument (handle)

OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Scatter_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,
MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Scatter_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Scatter_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
root, comm, info, request, ierror)

MPI_Scatter_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
root, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_SCATTER_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE,
   ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
```

```
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO,
   REQUEST, IERROR
```

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the scatter operation.

**MPI_SCATTERV_INIT**

```fortran
MPI_SCATTERV_INIT(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
   root, comm, info, request)
```

```fortran
IN      sendbuf    address of send buffer (choice, significant only at root)
IN      sendcounts nonnegative integer array (of length group size)
          specifying the number of elements to send to each MPI process (significant only at root)
IN      displs     integer array (of length group size). Entry i specifies the displacement (relative to sendbuf) from which to take the outgoing data to MPI process i (significant only at root)
IN      sendtype   datatype of send buffer elements (handle, significant only at root)
OUT     recvbuf    address of receive buffer (choice, significant only at root)
IN      recvcount number of elements in receive buffer (non-negative integer)
IN      recvtype   datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
IN      root       rank of sending MPI process (integer)
IN      comm       communicator (handle)
IN      info       info argument (handle)
OUT     request    communication request (handle)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Scatterv_init(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
   const int displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
   int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
   MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
```

```c
int MPI_Scatterv_init_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
   const MPI_Aint displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
   MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,
   MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Scatterv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
   root, comm, info, request, ierror)
```
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TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), displs(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: recvcount, root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scatterv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)

Fortran binding

MPI_SCATTERV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, DISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the scatterv operation.

6.13.5 Persistent Gather-to-all

MPI_ALLGATHER_INIT(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, info, request)

IN sendbuf
starting address of send buffer (choice)

IN sendcount
number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)

IN sendtype
datatype of send buffer elements (handle)

OUT recvbuf
address of receive buffer (choice)

IN recvcount
number of elements received from any MPI process (non-negative integer)

IN recvtype
datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)

IN comm
communicator (handle)
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IN info info argument (handle)

OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

```c
int MPI_Allgather_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
                   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount,
                   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                   MPI_Request *request)
```

```c
int MPI_Allgather_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                          MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
                          MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                          MPI_Request *request)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Allgather_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
                   comm, info, request, ierror)
```

```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Allgather_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
                   comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
```

```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_ALLGATHER_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE,
                   COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

```fortran
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR
```

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the allgather operation.
MPI_ALLGATHERV_INIT(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype,
                    comm, info, request)

IN    sendbuf   starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN    sendcount number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN    sendtype  datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT   recvbuf   address of receive buffer (choice)
IN    recvcounts nonnegative integer array (of length group size)
        containing the number of elements that are received from each MPI process
IN    displs    integer array (of length group size). Entry i specifies the displacement (relative to recvbuf) at which to place the incoming data from MPI process i
IN    recvtype  datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
IN    comm      communicator (handle)
IN    info      info argument (handle)
OUT   request   communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Allgatherv_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
                         MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[],
                         const int displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm,
                         MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Allgatherv_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                         MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
                         const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint displs[],
                         MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                         MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Allgatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs,
                    recvtype, comm, info, request, ierr)
          TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
          INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount
          TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
          TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
          INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*), displs(*)
          TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
          TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
          TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
          INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr
MPI_Allgatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs,
                    recvtype, comm, info, request, ierr) !(_c)
          TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
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INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: displs(*)
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_ALLGATHERV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS,
RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

C binding
int MPI_Alltoall_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
                        MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount,
                        MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                        MPI_Request *request)

C binding
int MPI_Alltoall_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                         MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
                         MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                         MPI_Request *request)

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the allgatherv operation.

6.13.6 Persistent All-to-All Scatter/Gather

MPI_ALLTOALL_INIT(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm,
info, request)

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN sendcount number of elements sent to each MPI process (non-negative integer)
IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice)
IN recvcount number of elements received from any MPI process (non-negative integer)
IN recvtype datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
IN comm communicator (handle)
IN info info argument (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)
Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Alltoall_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
                  comm, info, request, ierror)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoall_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
                  comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_ALLTOALL_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE,
                 COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)

  INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST,
         IERROR

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the alltoall operation.

MPI_ALLTOALLV_INIT(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls,
                    recvtype, comm, info, request)

  IN sendbuf      starting address of send buffer (choice)
  IN sendcounts   nonnegative integer array (of length group size)
                  specifying the number of elements to send to each MPI process
  IN sdispls      integer array (of length group size). Entry j specifies the
                  displacement (relative to sendbuf) from which to take the outgoing
                  data destined for MPI process j
  IN sendtype     datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
  OUT recvbuf     address of receive buffer (choice)
  IN recvcounts   nonnegative integer array (of length group size)
                  specifying the number of elements that can be received from each MPI process
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IN  rdispls  integer array (of length group size). Entry i specifies the displacement (relative to recvbuf) at which to place the incoming data from MPI process i

IN  recvtype  datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)

IN  comm  communicator (handle)

IN  info  info argument (handle)

OUT  request  communication request (handle)

C binding

```c
int MPI_Alltoallv_init(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
    const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
    const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)
```

```c
int MPI_Alltoallv_init_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
    const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Alltoallv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
    rdispls, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierr)
```

```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*),
    recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Alltoallv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
    rdispls, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierr) !(_c)
```

```fortran
INTEGER(KIND= MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*),
    recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND= MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*),
    rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr
```
Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_ALLTOALLV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS,
                    RDISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*),
        RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR
```

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the alltoallv operation.

```fortran
MPI_ALLTOALLW_INIT(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls,
                     recvtypes, comm, info, request)
```

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C binding

```c
int MPI_Alltoallw_init(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
                        const int sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
                        void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
                        const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                        MPI_Request *request)
```

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```c
int MPI_Alltoallw_init_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
                          const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
                          void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
                          const MPI_Aint rdispls[], const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[],
                          MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Alltoallw_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf,
                    recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, info, request, ierror)
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_ALLTOALLW_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDSPLS, SENDTYPES, RECBUGF,
                    RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPES, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the alltoallw operation.

6.13.7 Persistent Reduce

```fortran
MPI_REDUCE_INIT(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, info, request)
```

**IN** sendbuf address of send buffer (choice)
OUT recvbuf address of receive buffer (choice, significant only at root)
IN count number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer)
IN datatype datatype of elements of send buffer (handle)
IN op reduce operation (handle)
IN root rank of the root (integer)
IN comm communicator (handle)
IN info info argument (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Reduce_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Reduce_init_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Reduce_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, info,
    request, ierror) !(_c)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, root
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Reduce_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, info,
    request, ierror) !(_c)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_REDUCE_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, ROOT, COMM, INFO,
REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR
```

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the reduce operation.

6.13.8 Persistent All-Reduce

```fortran
MPI_ALLREDUCE_INIT(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request)
```

| IN   | sendbuf          | starting address of send buffer (choice) |
| OUT  | recvbuf          | starting address of receive buffer (choice) |
| IN   | count            | number of elements in send buffer (non-negative integer) |
| IN   | datatype         | datatype of elements of send buffer (handle) |
| IN   | op               | operation (handle) |
| IN   | comm             | communicator (handle) |
| IN   | info             | info argument (handle) |
| OUT  | request          | communication request (handle) |

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Allreduce_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
MPI_Request *request)
```

```c
int MPI_Allreduce_init_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Allreduce_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request,
ierror)
```

| TYPE(*) | INCIDENT(1..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf |
| TYPE(*) | INCIDENT(1..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf |
| INTEGER, INCIDENT(IN) :: count |
| TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INCIDENT(IN) :: datatype |
| TYPE(MPI_Op), INCIDENT(IN) :: op |
| TYPE(MPI_Comm), INCIDENT(IN) :: comm |
| TYPE(MPI_Info), INCIDENT(IN) :: info |
| TYPE(MPI_Request), INCIDENT(OUT) :: request |
| INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INCIDENT(OUT) :: ierror |

```fortran
MPI_Allreduce_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request,
ierror) !(_c)
```

| TYPE(*) | INCIDENT(1..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf |
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TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_ALLREDUCE_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST,
  IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the allreduce operation.

6.13.9 Persistent Reduce-Scatter with Equal Blocks

MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK_INIT(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm,
  info, request)

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
OUT recvbuf starting address of receive buffer (choice)
IN recvcount element count per block (non-negative integer)
IN datatype datatype of elements of send and receive buffers (handle)
IN op operation (handle)
IN comm communicator (handle)
IN info info argument (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Reduce_scatter_block_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
  int recvcount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
  MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Reduce_scatter_block_init_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
  MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
  MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Reduce_scatter_block_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm,
  info, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: recvcount
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```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce_scatter_block_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER RECVCOUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR
```

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the reduce-scatter with equal blocks operation.

6.13.10 Persistent Reduce-Scatter

```fortran
MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_INIT(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm, info, request)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Reduce_scatter_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
```

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const int recvcounts[], MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
   MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Reduce_scatter_init_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
   const MPI_Count recvcounts[], MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
   MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

**Fortran 2008 binding**

MPI_Reduce_scatter_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm, info,
   request, ierror)

- TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
- TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
- INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
- TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
- TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
- TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
- TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
- TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
- INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce_scatter_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm, info,
   request, ierror) !(_c)

- TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
- TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
- INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
- TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
- TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
- TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
- TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
- TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
- INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

**Fortran binding**

MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO,
   REQUEST, IERROR)

- <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
- INTEGER RECVCOUNTS(*), DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the reduce-scatter operation.

### 6.13.11 Persistent Inclusive Scan

**MPI_SCAN_INIT(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request)**

- **IN** sendbuf: starting address of send buffer (choice)
- **OUT** recvbuf: starting address of receive buffer (choice)
- **IN** count: number of elements in input buffer (non-negative integer)
- **IN** datatype: datatype of elements of input buffer (handle)
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C binding

```c
int MPI_Scan_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
                  MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                  MPI_Request *request)
```

```c
int MPI_Scan_init_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
                    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                    MPI_Request *request)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Scan_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request,
              ierror)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_SCAN_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST,
              IERROR)
```

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the inclusive scan operation.
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MPI_EXSCAN_INIT(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request)

IN sendbuf  
starting address of send buffer (choice)

OUT recvbuf 
starting address of receive buffer (choice)

IN count 
number of elements in input buffer (non-negative integer)

IN datatype 
datatype of elements of input buffer (handle)

IN op 
operation (handle)

IN comm 
intra-communicator (handle)

IN info 
info argument (handle)

OUT request 
communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Exscan_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
                     MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                     MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Exscan_init_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
                       MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                       MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Exscan_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request,
                ierror)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Exscan_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request,
                ierror) !(_c)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_EXSCAN_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST,
IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the exclusive scan operation.

6.14 Correctness

A correct, portable program must invoke collective communications so that deadlock will not occur, whether collective communications are synchronizing or not. The following examples illustrate dangerous use of collective routines on intra-communicators.

Example 6.26. The following is erroneous.

```c
/* ---------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS --------------- */
switch(rank) {
    case 0:
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm);
        MPI_Bcast(buf2, count, type, 1, comm);
        break;
    case 1:
        MPI_Bcast(buf2, count, type, 1, comm);
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm);
        break;
}
```

We assume that the group of comm is {0, 1}. Two MPI processes execute two broadcast operations in reverse order. If the operation is synchronizing then a deadlock will occur. Collective operations must be executed in the same order at all members of the communication group.

Example 6.27. The following is erroneous.

```c
/* ---------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS --------------- */
switch(rank) {
    case 0:
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm0);
        MPI_Bcast(buf2, count, type, 2, comm2);
        break;
    case 1:
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 1, comm1);
        MPI_Bcast(buf2, count, type, 0, comm0);
        break;
    case 2:
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 2, comm2);
        MPI_Bcast(buf2, count, type, 1, comm1);
        break;
}
```
Assume that the group of \texttt{comm0} is \{0,1\}, of \texttt{comm1} is \{1, 2\} and of \texttt{comm2} is \{2,0\}. If the broadcast is a synchronizing operation, then there is a cyclic dependency: the broadcast in \texttt{comm2} completes only after the broadcast in \texttt{comm0}; the broadcast in \texttt{comm0} completes only after the broadcast in \texttt{comm1}; and the broadcast in \texttt{comm1} completes only after the broadcast in \texttt{comm2}. Thus, the code will deadlock.

Collective operations must be executed in an order so that no cyclic dependencies occur. Nonblocking collective operations can alleviate this issue.

\textbf{Example 6.28.} The following is erroneous.

```c
/* ---------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS --------------- */
switch(rank) {
    case 0:
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm);
        MPI_Send(buf2, count, type, 1, tag, comm);
        break;
    case 1:
        MPI_Recv(buf2, count, type, 0, tag, comm, status);
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm);
        break;
}
```

MPI process with rank 0 executes a broadcast, followed by a blocking send operation. MPI process with rank 1 first executes a blocking receive that matches the send, followed by a broadcast call that matches the broadcast of MPI process with rank 0. This program may deadlock. The broadcast call on MPI process with rank 0 may block until MPI process with rank 1 executes the matching broadcast call, so that the send is not executed. MPI process with rank 1 will definitely block on the receive and so, in this case, never executes the broadcast.

The relative order of execution of collective operations and point-to-point operations should be such, so that even if the collective operations and the point-to-point operations are synchronizing, no deadlock will occur.

\textbf{Example 6.29.} An unsafe, nondeterministic program.

```c
switch(rank) {
    case 0:
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm);
        MPI_Send(buf2, count, type, 1, tag, comm);
        break;
    case 1:
        MPI_Recv(buf2, count, type, MPI_ANY_SOURCE, tag, comm, status);
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm);
        break;
    case 2:
        MPI_Send(buf2, count, type, 1, tag, comm);
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm);
        break;
}
```
6.14 Correctness

First Execution

0
recv
broadcast
send
match
recv

1
broadcast
broadcast
broadcast

2
send
match
recv

Second Execution

broadcast
send
match
recv
broadcast
recv
broadcast
match
match
send
broadcast

Figure 6.12: A race condition causes nondeterministic matching of sends and receives. One cannot rely on synchronization from a broadcast to make the program deterministic.

All three MPI processes participate in a broadcast. MPI process with rank 0 sends a message to MPI process with rank 1 after the broadcast, and MPI process with rank 2 sends a message to MPI process with rank 1 before the broadcast. MPI process with rank 1 receives before and after the broadcast, with a wildcard source argument.

Two possible executions of this program, with different matchings of sends and receives, are illustrated in Figure 6.12. Note that the second execution has the peculiar effect that a send executed after the broadcast is received at another node before the broadcast. This example illustrates the fact that one should not rely on collective communication functions to have particular synchronization effects. A program that works correctly only when the first execution occurs (only when broadcast is synchronizing) is erroneous.

Finally, in multithreaded implementations, one can have more than one, concurrently executing, collective communication initialization call at an MPI process. In these situations, it is the user’s responsibility to ensure that the same communicator is not used concurrently by two different collective communication initialization calls at the same MPI process. Collective communication initialization calls include all calls for blocking collective operations, all initiation calls for nonblocking collective operations, and all initialization calls for persistent collective operations.

Advice to implementors. Assume that broadcast is implemented using point-to-point MPI communication. Suppose the following two rules are followed.

1. All receives specify their source explicitly (no wildcards).
2. Each MPI process sends all messages that pertain to one collective call before sending any message that pertain to a subsequent collective call.
Then, messages belonging to successive broadcasts cannot be confused, as the order of point-to-point messages is preserved.

It is the implementor’s responsibility to ensure that point-to-point messages are not confused with collective messages. One way to accomplish this is, whenever a communicator is created, to also create a “hidden communicator” for collective communication. One could achieve a similar effect more cheaply, for example, by using a hidden tag or context bit to indicate whether the communicator is used for point-to-point or collective communication. (End of advice to implementors.)

Example 6.30. Blocking and nonblocking collective operations can be interleaved, i.e., a blocking collective operation can be posted even if there is a nonblocking collective operation outstanding.

```c
MPI_Request req;  
MPI_Ibarrier(comm, &req);  
MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm);  
MPI_Wait(&req, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
```

Each MPI process starts a nonblocking barrier operation, participates in a blocking broadcast and then waits until every other MPI process started the barrier operation. This effectively turns the broadcast into a synchronizing broadcast with possible communication/communication overlap (MPI_Bcast is allowed, but not required to synchronize).

Example 6.31. The starting order of collective operations on a particular communicator defines their matching. The following example shows an erroneous matching of different collective operations on the same communicator.

```c
/* ---------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS --------------- */
MPI_Request req;
switch(rank) {
    case 0:
        /* erroneous matching */
        MPI_Ibarrier(comm, &req);
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm);
        MPI_Wait(&req, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
        break;
    case 1:
        /* erroneous matching */
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm);
        MPI_Ibarrier(comm, &req);
        MPI_Wait(&req, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
        break;
}
```

This ordering would match MPI_Ibarrier on rank 0 with MPI_Bcast on rank 1, which is erroneous and the program behavior is undefined. However, if such an order is required, the user must create different duplicate communicators and perform the operations on them. If started with two MPI processes, the following program would be correct:

```c
MPI_Request req;  
MPI_Comm dupcomm;
```
MPI_Comm_dup(comm, &dupcomm);
switch(rank) {
    case 0:
        MPI_Ibarrier(comm, &req);
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, dupcomm);
        MPI_Wait(&req, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
        break;
    case 1:
        MPI_Bcast(buf1, count, type, 0, dupcomm);
        MPI_Ibarrier(comm, &req);
        MPI_Wait(&req, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
        break;
}

Advice to users. The use of different communicators offers some flexibility regarding the matching of nonblocking collective operations. In this sense, communicators could be used as an equivalent to tags. However, communicator construction might induce overheads so that this should be used carefully. (End of advice to users.)

Example 6.32. Nonblocking collective operations can rely on the similar progress rules as nonblocking point-to-point operations. Thus, if started with two MPI processes, the following program is a valid MPI program and is guaranteed to terminate:

MPI_Request req;
switch(rank) {
    case 0:
        MPI_Ibarrier(comm, &req);
        MPI_Wait(&req, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
        MPI_Send(buf, count, dtype, 1, tag, comm);
        break;
    case 1:
        MPI_Ibarrier(comm, &req);
        MPI_Recv(buf, count, dtype, 0, tag, comm, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
        MPI_Wait(&req, MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
        break;
}

The MPI library must progress the barrier in the MPI_Recv call. Thus, the MPI_Wait call in rank 0 will eventually complete, which enables the matching MPI_Send so all calls eventually return.

Example 6.33. Blocking and nonblocking collective operations do not match. The following example is erroneous.

/* -------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS --------------- */
MPI_Request req;
switch(rank) {
    case 0:
        /* erroneous false matching of Alltoall and Ialltoall */
        MPI_Ialltoall(sbuf, scnt, stype, rbuf, rcnt, rtype, comm, &req);
Example 6.34. Collective and point-to-point requests can be mixed in functions that enable multiple completions. If started with two MPI processes, the following program is valid.

```
MPI_Request reqs[2];
switch(rank) {
    case 0:
        MPI_Ibarrier(comm, &reqs[0]);
        MPI_Send(buf, count, dtype, 1, tag, comm);
        MPI_Wait(&reqs[0], MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
        break;
    case 1:
        MPI_Irecv(buf, count, dtype, 0, tag, comm, &reqs[0]);
        MPI_Ibarrier(comm, &reqs[1]);
        MPI_Waitall(2, reqs, MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE);
        break;
}
```

The MPI_Waitall call returns only after the barrier and the receive completed.

Example 6.35. Multiple nonblocking collective operations can be outstanding on a single communicator and match in order.

```
MPI_Request reqs[3];
compute(buf1);
MPI_Ibcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm, &reqs[0]);
compute(buf2);
MPI_Ibcast(buf2, count, type, 0, comm, &reqs[1]);
compute(buf3);
MPI_Ibcast(buf3, count, type, 0, comm, &reqs[2]);
MPI_Waitall(3, reqs, MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE);
```

Advice to users. Pipelining and double-buffering techniques can efficiently be used to overlap computation and communication. However, having too many outstanding requests might have a negative impact on performance. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. The use of pipelining may generate many outstanding requests. A high-quality hardware-supported implementation with limited resources should be able to fall back to a software implementation if its resources are exhausted. In this way, the implementation could limit the number of outstanding requests only by the available memory. (End of advice to implementors.)
Example 6.36. Nonblocking collective operations can also be used to enable simultaneous collective operations on multiple overlapping communicators (see Figure 6.13). The following example is started with three MPI processes and three communicators. The first communicator comm1 includes ranks 0 and 1, comm2 includes ranks 1 and 2, and comm3 spans ranks 0 and 2. It is not possible to perform a blocking collective operation on all communicators because there exists no deadlock-free order to invoke them. However, nonblocking collective operations can easily be used to achieve this task.

MPI_Request reqs[2];

switch(rank) {
  case 0:
    MPI_Iallreduce(sbuf1, rbuf1, count, dtype, MPI_SUM, comm1, &reqs[0]);
    MPI_Iallreduce(sbuf3, rbuf3, count, dtype, MPI_SUM, comm3, &reqs[1]);
    break;
  case 1:
    MPI_Iallreduce(sbuf1, rbuf1, count, dtype, MPI_SUM, comm1, &reqs[0]);
    MPI_Iallreduce(sbuf2, rbuf2, count, dtype, MPI_SUM, comm2, &reqs[1]);
    break;
  case 2:
    MPI_Iallreduce(sbuf2, rbuf2, count, dtype, MPI_SUM, comm2, &reqs[0]);
    MPI_Iallreduce(sbuf3, rbuf3, count, dtype, MPI_SUM, comm3, &reqs[1]);
    break;
}

MPI_Waitall(2, reqs, MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE);

Advice to users. This method can be useful if overlapping neighboring regions (halo or ghost zones) are used in collective operations. The sequence of the two calls in each MPI process is irrelevant because the two nonblocking operations are performed on different communicators. (End of advice to users.)

Example 6.37. The progress of multiple outstanding nonblocking collective operations is completely independent.

MPI_Request reqs[2];

compute(buf1);
MPI_Ibcast(buf1, count, type, 0, comm, &reqs[0]);
compute(buf2);
MPI_Ibcast(buf2, count, type, 0, comm, &reqs[1]);
MPI_Wait(&reqs[1], MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);
/* nothing is known about the status of the first bcast here */
MPI_Wait(&reqs[0], MPI_STATUS_IGNORE);

Finishing the second MPI_IBCAST is completely independent of the first one. This means that it is not guaranteed that the first broadcast operation is finished or even started after the second one is completed via reqs[1].
Chapter 7
Groups, Contexts, Communicators, and Caching

7.1 Introduction

This chapter introduces MPI features that support the development of parallel libraries. Parallel libraries are needed to encapsulate the distracting complications inherent in parallel implementations of key algorithms. They help to ensure consistent correctness of such procedures, and provide a “higher level” of portability than MPI itself can provide. As such, libraries prevent each programmer from repeating the work of defining consistent data structures, data layouts, and methods that implement key algorithms (such as matrix operations). Since the best libraries come with several variations on parallel systems (different data layouts, different strategies depending on the size of the system or problem, or type of floating point), this too needs to be hidden from the user.

We refer the reader to [5] and [63] for further information on writing libraries in MPI, using the features described in this chapter.

7.1.1 Features Needed to Support Libraries

The key features needed to support the creation of robust parallel libraries are as follows:

- Safe communication space, that guarantees that libraries can communicate as they need to, without conflicting with communication extraneous to the library,
- Group scope for collective operations, that allow libraries to avoid unnecessarily synchronizing uninvolved MPI processes (potentially running unrelated code),
- Abstract naming of MPI processes to allow libraries to describe their communication in terms suitable to their own data structures and algorithms,
- The ability to “adorn” a set of communicating MPI processes with additional user-defined attributes, such as extra collective operations. This mechanism should provide a means for the user or library writer effectively to extend a message-passing notation.

In addition, a unified mechanism or object is needed for conveniently denoting communication context, the group of communicating MPI processes, to house abstract naming of MPI processes, and to store adornments.

7.1.2 MPI’s Support for Libraries

The corresponding concepts that MPI provides, specifically to support robust libraries, are as follows:
- Contexts of communication,
- Groups of MPI processes,
- Virtual topologies,
- Attribute caching,
- Communicators.

Communicators (see [23, 61, 65]) encapsulate all of these ideas in order to provide the appropriate scope for all communication operations in MPI. Communicators are divided into two kinds: intra-communicators for operations within a single group of MPI processes and inter-communicators for operations between two groups of MPI processes.

Caching. Communicators (see below) provide a “caching” mechanism that allows one to associate new attributes with communicators, on par with MPI built-in features. This can be used by advanced users to adorn communicators further, and by MPI to implement some communicator functions. For example, the virtual-topology functions described in Chapter 8 are likely to be supported this way.

Groups. Groups define an ordered collection of MPI processes, each with a rank, and it is this group that defines the low-level names (ranks) for communication. Thus, groups define a scope for MPI process names in point-to-point communication. In addition, groups define the scope of collective operations. Groups may be manipulated separately from communicators in MPI, but only communicators can be used in communication operations.

Intra-Communicators. The most commonly used means for message-passing in MPI is via intra-communicators. Intra-communicators contain an instance of a group, contexts of communication for both point-to-point and collective communication, and the ability to include virtual topology and other attributes. These features work as follows:

- Contexts provide the ability to have separate safe “universes” of message-passing in MPI. A context is akin to an additional tag that differentiates messages. The system manages this differentiation process. The use of separate communication contexts by distinct libraries (or distinct library invocations) insulates communication internal to the library execution from external communication. This allows the invocation of the library even if there are pending communication operations or decoupled MPI activities on “other” communicators, and avoids the need to synchronize entry or exit into library code. Pending communication or decoupled MPI activities of point-to-point operations are also guaranteed not to interfere with collective communication operations within a single communicator.

- Groups define the participants in the communication (see above) of a communicator.

- A virtual topology defines a special mapping of the MPI processes ranks in a group to and from a topology. Special constructors for communicators are defined in Chapter 8 to provide this feature. Intra-communicators as described in this chapter do not have topologies.

- Attributes define the local information that the user or library has added to a communicator for later reference.
Advisory to users. The practice in many communication libraries is that there is a unique, predefined communication universe that includes all MPI processes available when the parallel program is initiated; the MPI processes are assigned consecutive ranks. Participants in a point-to-point communication are identified by their rank; a collective communication (such as broadcast) always involves all MPI processes. When using the World Model (Section 11.2), this practice can be followed in MPI by using the predefined communicator MPI_COMM_WORLD. (End of advisory to users.)

Inter-Communicators. The discussion has dealt so far with intra-communication: communication within a group. MPI also supports inter-communication: communication between two nonoverlapping groups. When an application is built by composing several parallel modules, it is convenient to allow one module to communicate with another using local ranks for addressing within the second module. This is especially convenient in a client-server computing paradigm, where either client or server are parallel. The support of inter-communication also provides a mechanism for the extension of MPI to a dynamic model where not all MPI processes are preallocated at initialization time. In such a situation, it becomes necessary to support communication across “universes.” Inter-communication is supported by objects called inter-communicators. These objects bind two groups together with communication contexts shared by both groups. For inter-communicators, these features work as follows:

- Contexts provide the ability to have a separate safe “universe” of message-passing between the two groups. A send operation in the local group is always matched by a receive operation in the remote group, and vice versa. The system manages this differentiation process. The use of separate communication contexts by distinct libraries (or distinct library invocations) insulates communication internal to the library execution from external communication. This allows the invocation of the library even if there are pending communication operations or decoupled MPI activities on “other” communicators, and avoids the need to synchronize entry or exit into library code.

- A local and remote group specify the recipients and destinations for an inter-communicator.

- Virtual topology is undefined for an inter-communicator.

- As before, attributes cache defines the local information that the user or library has added to a communicator for later reference.

MPI provides mechanisms for creating and manipulating inter-communicators. They are used for point-to-point and collective communication in a related manner to intra-communicators. Users who do not need inter-communication in their applications can safely ignore this extension. Users who require inter-communication between overlapping groups must layer this capability on top of MPI.

7.2 Basic Concepts

In this section, we turn to a more formal definition of the concepts introduced above.
7.2.1 Groups

A **group** is an ordered set of MPI process identifiers (henceforth MPI processes); MPI processes are implementation-dependent objects. Each MPI process in a group is associated with an integer **rank**. Ranks are consecutive and start from zero. Groups are represented by opaque **group objects**, and hence cannot be directly transferred from one MPI process to another. A group is used within a communicator to describe the participants in a communication “universe” and to rank such participants (thus giving them unique names within that “universe” of communication).

There is a special pre-defined group: **MPI_GROUP_EMPTY**, which is a group with no members. The predefined constant **MPI_GROUP_NULL** is the value used for invalid group handles.

*Advice to users.* MPI_GROUP_EMPTY, which is a valid handle to an empty group, should not be confused with MPI_GROUP_NULL, which in turn is an invalid handle. The former may be used as an argument to group procedures; the latter is not a valid input value for an input argument. (*End of advice to users.*)

*Advice to implementors.* Simple implementations of MPI will enumerate groups, such as in a table. However, more advanced data structures make sense in order to improve scalability and memory usage with large numbers of MPI processes. Such implementations are possible with MPI. (*End of advice to implementors.*)

7.2.2 Contexts

A **context** is a property of communicators (defined next) that allows partitioning of the communication space. A message sent in one context cannot be received in another context. Furthermore, where permitted, collective operations are independent of pending point-to-point operations and *decoupled MPI activities* of point-to-point operations. Contexts are not explicit MPI objects; they appear only as part of the realization of communicators (below).

*Advice to implementors.* Distinct communicators in the same MPI process have distinct contexts. A context is essentially a system-managed tag (or tags) needed to make a communicator safe for point-to-point and MPI-defined collective communication. Safety means that collective and point-to-point communication within one communicator do not interfere, and that communication over distinct communicators do not interfere.

A possible implementation for a context is as a supplemental tag attached to messages on send and matched on receive. Each intra-communicator stores the value of its two tags (one for point-to-point and one for collective communication). Communicator-generating functions use a collective communication to agree on a new group-wide unique context.

Analogously, in inter-communication, two context tags are stored per communicator, one used by group A to send and group B to receive, and a second used by group B to send and for group A to receive.

Since contexts are not explicit objects, other implementations are also possible. (*End of advice to implementors.*)
7.2.3 Intra-Communicators

Intra-communicators bring together the concepts of group and context. To support implementation-specific optimizations, and application topologies (defined in the next chapter, Chapter 8), communicators may also “cache” additional information (see Section 7.7). MPI communication operations reference communicators to determine the scope and the “communication universe” in which a point-to-point or collective operation is to operate.

Each communicator contains a group of valid participants; this group always includes the local MPI process. The source and destination of a message are identified by MPI process ranks within that group.

For collective communication, the intra-communicator specifies the set of MPI processes that participate in the collective operation (and their order, when significant). Thus, the communicator restricts the “spatial” scope of communication, and provides machine-independent MPI process addressing through ranks.

Intra-communicators are represented by opaque intra-communicator objects, and hence cannot be directly transferred from one MPI process to another.

7.2.4 Predefined Intra-Communicators

When using the World Model (Section 11.2) for MPI initialization, an initial intra-communicator MPI_COMM_WORLD of all MPI processes the local MPI process can communicate with after initialization (itself included) is defined once MPI_INIT or MPI_INIT_THREAD has been called. In addition, the communicator MPI_COMM_SELF is provided, which includes only the MPI process itself. When using the Sessions Model (Section 11.3) for initialization of MPI resources, MPI_COMM_WORLD and MPI_COMM_SELF are not valid for use as a communicator. See the discussion concerning use of MPI named constants in 2.5.4 for valid uses of MPI_COMM_WORLD and MPI_COMM_SELF prior to initialization of MPI. See also the discussion concerning interoperability of the World Model and Sessions Model in Section 11.1.

The predefined constant MPI_COMM_NULL is the value used for invalid communicator handles.

In a static-process-model implementation of MPI, all MPI processes that participate in the computation are available after MPI is initialized. For this case, MPI_COMM_WORLD is a communicator of all MPI processes available for the computation; this communicator has the same value in all MPI processes. In an implementation of MPI where MPI processes can dynamically join an MPI execution, it may be the case that an MPI process starts an MPI computation without having access to all other MPI processes. In such situations, MPI_COMM_WORLD is a communicator incorporating all MPI processes with which the joining MPI process can immediately communicate. Therefore, MPI_COMM_WORLD may simultaneously represent disjoint groups in different MPI processes.

All MPI implementations are required to provide the MPI_COMM_WORLD communicator. It cannot be deallocated during the life of an MPI process. The group corresponding to this communicator does not appear as a pre-defined constant, but it may be accessed using MPI_COMM_GROUP (see below). MPI does not specify the correspondence between the MPI process rank in MPI_COMM_WORLD and its (machine-dependent) absolute address. Other implementation-dependent, predefined communicators may also be provided.
7.3 Group Management

This section describes the manipulation of MPI process groups. These operations are local.

7.3.1 Group Accessors

\texttt{MPI\_GROUP\_SIZE(group, size)}

\begin{verbatim}
 IN  group  group (handle)
 OUT size   number of MPI processes in the group (integer)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Group_size(MPI_Group group, int *size)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Group_size(group, size, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_GROUP\_SIZE(GROUP, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER GROUP, SIZE, IERROR
\end{verbatim}

\texttt{MPI\_GROUP\_RANK(group, rank)}

\begin{verbatim}
 IN  group  group (handle)
 OUT rank   rank of the calling MPI process in group, or
            MPI\_UNDEFINED if the MPI process is not a
            member (integer)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Group_rank(MPI_Group group, int *rank)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Group_rank(group, rank, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: rank
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_GROUP\_RANK(GROUP, RANK, IERROR)
  INTEGER GROUP, RANK, IERROR
\end{verbatim}
7.3 Group Management

**MPI_GROUP_TRANSLATE_RANKS**

- **IN** group1: group1 (handle)
- **IN** n: number of elements in ranks1 and ranks2 arrays (integer)
- **IN** ranks1: array of zero or more valid ranks in group1
- **IN** group2: group2 (handle)
- **OUT** ranks2: array of corresponding ranks in group2, MPI_UNDEFINED when no correspondence exists.

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Group_translate_ranks(MPI_Group group1, int n, const int ranks1[],
                               MPI_Group group2, int ranks2[])
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Group_translate_ranks(group1, n, ranks1, group2, ranks2, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group1, group2
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, ranks1(n)
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: ranks2(n)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

This function is important for determining the relative numbering of the same MPI processes in two different groups. For instance, if one knows the ranks of certain MPI processes in the group of MPI_COMM_WORLD, one might want to know their ranks in a subset of that group.

MPI_PROC_NULL is a valid rank for input to MPI_GROUP_TRANSLATE_RANKS, which returns MPI_PROC_NULL as the translated rank.

**MPI_GROUP_COMPARE**

- **IN** group1: first group (handle)
- **IN** group2: second group (handle)
- **OUT** result: result (integer)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Group_compare(MPI_Group group1, MPI_Group group2, int *result)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Group_compare(group1, group2, result, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group1, group2
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: result
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_GROUP_COMPARE(GROUP1, GROUP2, RESULT, IERROR)
```
INTEGER GROUP1, GROUP2, RESULT, IERROR

MPI_IDENT results if the group members and group order are exactly the same in both
groups. This happens for instance if group1 and group2 are the same handle. MPI_SIMILAR
results if the group members are the same but the order is different. MPI_UNEQUAL results
otherwise.

7.3.2 Group Constructors

MPI provides two approaches to constructing groups. In the first approach, MPI procedures
are provided to subset and superset existing groups. These constructors construct new
groups from existing groups. In the second approach, a group is created using a session
handle and associated process set. This second approach is available when using the Ses-
sions Model. With both approaches, these are local operations, and distinct groups may
be defined on different MPI processes; an MPI process may also define a group that does
not include itself. Consistent definitions are required when groups are used as arguments
in communicator creation functions. When using the World Model (Section 11.2) for MPI
initialization, the base group, upon which all other groups are defined, is the group asso-
ciated with the initial communicator MPI_COMM_WORLD (accessible through the function
MPI_COMM_GROUP).

**Rationale.** In what follows, there is no group duplication function analogous to
MPI_COMM_DUP, defined later in this chapter. There is no need for a group duplica-
tor. A group, once created, can have several references to it by making copies of
the handle. The following constructors address the need for subsets and supersets of
existing groups. *(End of rationale.)*

**Advice to implementors.** Each group constructor behaves as if it returned a new
group object. When this new group is a copy of an existing group, then one can
avoid creating such new objects, using a reference-count mechanism. *(End of advice
to implementors.)*

MPI_COMM_GROUP(comm, group)

IN comm communicator (handle)

OUT group group corresponding to comm (handle)

**C binding**

int MPI_Comm_group(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Group *group)

**Fortran 2008 binding**

MPI_Comm_group(comm, group, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: group
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

**Fortran binding**

MPI_COMM_GROUP(COMM, GROUP, IERROR)

  INTEGER COMM, GROUP, IERROR
MPI_COMM_GROUP returns in group a handle to the group of comm.

MPI_GROUP_UNION(group1, group2, newgroup)

IN group1 first group (handle)
IN group2 second group (handle)
OUT newgroup union group (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Group_union(MPI_Group group1, MPI_Group group2, MPI_Group *newgroup)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Group_union(group1, group2, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group1, group2
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GROUP_UNION(GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
  INTEGER GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR

MPI_GROUP_INTERSECTION(group1, group2, newgroup)

IN group1 first group (handle)
IN group2 second group (handle)
OUT newgroup intersection group (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Group_intersection(MPI_Group group1, MPI_Group group2,
    MPI_Group *newgroup)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Group_intersection(group1, group2, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group1, group2
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GROUP_INTERSECTION(GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
  INTEGER GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR
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MPI_GROUP_DIFFERENCE(group1, group2, newgroup)

IN  group1               first group (handle)
IN  group2               second group (handle)
OUT newgroup             difference group (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Group_difference(MPI_Group group1, MPI_Group group2,
                          MPI_Group *newgroup)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Group_difference(group1, group2, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group1, group2
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GROUP_DIFFERENCE(GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
  INTEGER GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR

The set-like operations are defined as follows:

union: All elements of the first group (group1), followed by all elements of second group
(group2) not in the first group.

intersect: All elements of the first group that are also in the second group, ordered as in
the first group.

difference All elements of the first group that are not in the second group, ordered as in
the first group.

Note that for these operations the order of MPI processes in the output group is determined
primarily by order in the first group (if possible) and then, if necessary, by order in the
second group. Neither union nor intersection are commutative, but both are associative.
The new group can be empty, that is, equal to MPI_GROUP_EMPTY.

MPI_GROUP_INCL(group, n, ranks, newgroup)

IN  group               group (handle)
IN  n                   number of elements in array ranks (and size of
                        newgroup) (integer)
IN  ranks               ranks of processes in group to appear in newgroup
                        (array of integers)
OUT newgroup            new group derived from above, in the order defined
                        by ranks (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Group_incl(MPI_Group group, int n, const int ranks[],
                    MPI_Group *newgroup)
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Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Group_incl(group, n, ranks, newgroup, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, ranks(n)
    TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_GROUP_INCL(GROUP, N, RANKS, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
    INTEGER GROUP, N, RANKS(*), NEWGROUP, IERROR

The function MPI_GROUP_INCL creates a group newgroup that consists of the n MPI processes in group with ranks ranks[0],..., ranks[n-1]; the MPI process with rank i in newgroup is the MPI process with rank ranks[i] in group. Each of the n elements of ranks must be a valid rank in group and all elements must be distinct, or else the program is erroneous. If n = 0, then newgroup is MPI_GROUP_EMPTY. This function can, for instance, be used to reorder the elements of a group. See also MPI_GROUP_COMPARE.

MPI_GROUP_EXCL(group, n, ranks, newgroup)

IN   group   group (handle)
IN   n       number of elements in array ranks (integer)
IN   ranks   array of integer ranks of MPI processes in group not to appear in newgroup
OUT  newgroup new group derived from above, preserving the order defined by group (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Group_excl(MPI_Group group, int n, const int ranks[],
                    MPI_Group *newgroup)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Group_excl(group, n, ranks, newgroup, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, ranks(n)
    TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_GROUP_EXCL(GROUP, N, RANKS, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
    INTEGER GROUP, N, RANKS(*), NEWGROUP, IERROR

The function MPI_GROUP_EXCL creates a group of MPI processes newgroup that is obtained by deleting from group those MPI processes with ranks ranks[0],..., ranks[n-1]. The ordering of MPI processes in newgroup is identical to the ordering in group. Each of the n elements of ranks must be a valid rank in group and all elements must be distinct; otherwise, the program is erroneous. If n = 0, then newgroup is identical to group.
MPI\_GROUP\_RANGE\_INCL(group, n, ranges, newgroup)

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<th>Parameter</th>
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<tr>
<td>group</td>
<td>group (handle)</td>
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<tr>
<td>n</td>
<td>number of triplets in array ranges (integer)</td>
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<tr>
<td>ranges</td>
<td>a one-dimensional array of integer triplets, of the form (first rank, last rank, stride) indicating ranks in group of MPI processes to be included in newgroup</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>newgroup</td>
<td>new group derived from above, in the order defined by ranges (handle)</td>
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</table>

C binding

```c
int MPI\_Group\_range\_incl(MPI\_Group group, int n, int ranges[3],
                             MPI\_Group *newgroup)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI\_GROUP\_range\_incl(group, n, ranges, newgroup, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(MPI\_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, ranges(3, n)
  TYPE(MPI\_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI\_GROUP\_RANGE\_INCL(GROUP, N, RANGES, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
```

```fortran
  INTEGER GROUP, N, RANGES(3, *), NEWGROUP, IERROR
```

If ranges consists of the triplets

\[(first_1, last_1, stride_1), \ldots, (first_n, last_n, stride_n)\]

then newgroup consists of the sequence of MPI processes in group with ranks

\[first_1, first_1 + stride_1, \ldots, first_1 + \left\lfloor \frac{last_1 - first_1}{stride_1} \right\rfloor \times stride_1, \ldots,\]

\[first_n, first_n + stride_n, \ldots, first_n + \left\lfloor \frac{last_n - first_n}{stride_n} \right\rfloor \times stride_n.\]

Each computed rank must be a valid rank in group and all computed ranks must be distinct, or else the program is erroneous. Note that we may have first_i > last_i, and stride_i may be negative, but cannot be zero.

The functionality of this routine is specified to be equivalent to expanding the array of ranges to an array of the included ranks and passing the resulting array of ranks and other arguments to MPI\_GROUP\_INCL. A call to MPI\_GROUP\_INCL is equivalent to a call to MPI\_GROUP\_RANGE\_INCL with each rank i in ranks replaced by the triplet (i,i,1) in the argument ranges.
MPI\_GROUP\_RANGE\_EXCL(group, n, ranges, newgroup)

- **IN** group (handle)
- **IN** n
  - number of triplets in ranges (integer)
- **IN** ranges
  - a one-dimensional array of integer triplets, of the form (first rank, last rank, stride) indicating ranks in group of MPI processes to be excluded from the output group newgroup (array of integers)
- **OUT** newgroup
  - new group derived from above, preserving the order in group (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI\_Group\_range\_excl(MPI\_Group group, int n, int ranges[][3],
                          MPI\_Group *newgroup)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI\_Group\_range\_excl(group, n, ranges, newgroup, ierror)
```

```
  TYPE(MPI\_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, ranges(3, n)
  TYPE(MPI\_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI\_GROUP\_RANGE\_EXCL(GROUP, N, RANGES, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
```

```
  INTEGER GROUP, N, RANGES(3, *), NEWGROUP, IERROR
```

Each computed rank must be a valid rank in group and all computed ranks must be distinct, or else the program is erroneous.

The functionality of this routine is specified to be equivalent to expanding the array of ranges to an array of the excluded ranks and passing the resulting array of ranks and other arguments to MPI\_GROUP\_EXCL. A call to MPI\_GROUP\_EXCL is equivalent to a call to MPI\_GROUP\_RANGE\_EXCL with each rank i in ranges replaced by the triplet (i,i,1) in the argument ranges.

**Advice to users.** The range operations do not explicitly enumerate ranks, and therefore are more scalable if implemented efficiently. Hence, we recommend MPI programmers to use them whenever possible, as high-quality implementations will take advantage of this fact. (End of advice to users.)

**Advice to implementors.** The range operations should be implemented, if possible, without enumerating the group members, in order to obtain better scalability (time and space). (End of advice to implementors.)
MPI_GROUP_FROM_SESSION_PSET(session, pset_name, newgroup)

IN       session                session (handle)
IN       pset_name              name of process set to use to create the new group (string)
OUT      newgroup               new group derived from supplied session and process set (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Group_from_session_pset(MPI_Session session, const char *pset_name,
                               MPI_Group *newgroup)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Group_from_session_pset(session, pset_name, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: pset_name
  TYPE(MPI_Group) , INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GROUP_FROM_SESSION_PSET(SESSION, PSET_NAME, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
  INTEGER SESSION, NEWGROUP, IERROR
  CHARACTER*(*) PSET_NAME

The function MPI_GROUP_FROM_SESSION_PSET creates a group newgroup using the provided session handle and process set. The process set name must be one returned from an invocation of MPI_SESSION_GET_NTH_PSET using the supplied session handle. If the pset_name does not exist, MPI_GROUP_NULL will be returned in the newgroup argument. As with other group constructors, MPI_GROUP_FROM_SESSION_PSET is a local function. See Section 11.3 for more information on sessions and process sets.

7.3.3 Group Destructors

MPI_GROUP_FREE(group)

INOUT    group               group (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Group_free(MPI_Group *group)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Group_free(group, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(INOUT) :: group
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GROUP_FREE(GROUP, IERROR)
  INTEGER GROUP, IERROR
This operation marks a group object for deallocation. The handle group is set to MPI_GROUP_NULL by the call. Any on-going operation using this group will complete normally.

Advice to implementors. One can keep a reference count that is incremented for each call to MPI_COMM_GROUP, MPI_COMM_CREATE, MPI_COMM_DUP, MPI_COMM_IDUP, MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO, MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO, MPI_COMM_SPLIT, MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE, MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP, MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP, MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE, and MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUPS, and decremented for each call to MPI_GROUP_FREE or MPI_COMM_FREE; the group object is ultimately deallocated when the reference count drops to zero. (End of advice to implementors.)

7.4 Communicator Management

This section describes the manipulation of communicators in MPI. Operations that access communicators are local. Operations that create communicators are collective.

Advice to implementors. High-quality implementations should amortize the overheads associated with the creation of communicators (for the same group, or subsets thereof) over several calls, by allocating multiple contexts with one collective communication. (End of advice to implementors.)

7.4.1 Communicator Accessors

The following are all local operations.

MPI_COMM_SIZE(comm, size)
IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT size number of MPI processes in the group of comm (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_size(MPI_Comm comm, int *size)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_size(comm, size, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_SIZE(COMM, SIZE, IERROR)
    INTEGER COMM, SIZE, IERROR
Rationale. This function is equivalent to accessing the communicator’s group with MPI_COMM_GROUP (see above), computing the size using MPI_GROUP_SIZE, and then freeing the temporary group via MPI_GROUP_FREE. However, this functionality is so commonly used that this shortcut was introduced. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. This function indicates the number of MPI processes involved in a communicator. For MPI_COMM_WORLD, it indicates the total number of MPI processes available unless the number of MPI processes has been changed by using the functions described in Chapter 11; note that the number of MPI processes in MPI_COMM_WORLD does not change during the life of an MPI program.

This call is often used with the next call to determine the amount of concurrency available for a specific library or program. The following call, MPI_COMM_RANK, indicates the rank of the MPI process that calls it in the range from 0, . . . , size–1, where size is the return value of MPI_COMM_SIZE. (End of advice to users.)

MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank)

IN comm communicator (handle)

OUT rank rank of the calling MPI process in group of comm (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_Comm comm, int *rank)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, rank, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: rank
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_RANK(COMM, RANK, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM, RANK, IERROR

Rationale. This function is equivalent to accessing the communicator’s group with MPI_COMM_GROUP (see above), computing the rank using MPI_GROUP_RANK, and then freeing the temporary group via MPI_GROUP_FREE. However, this functionality is so commonly used that this shortcut was introduced. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. This function gives the rank of the MPI process in the particular communicator’s group. It is useful, as noted above, in conjunction with MPI_COMM_SIZE.

Many programs will follow the supervisor/executor or manager/worker model, where one MPI process will play a supervisory role while the other MPI processes will play an executory role. In this framework, the two preceding calls are useful for determining the roles of the various MPI processes of a communicator. (End of advice to users.)
MPI_COMM_COMPARE(comm1, comm2, result)

IN comm1 first communicator (handle)
IN comm2 second communicator (handle)
OUT result result (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_compare(MPI_Comm comm1, MPI_Comm comm2, int *result)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_compare(comm1, comm2, result, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm1, comm2
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: result
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_COMPARE(COMM1, COMM2, RESULT, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM1, COMM2, RESULT, IERROR

MPI_IDENT results if and only if comm1 and comm2 are handles for the same object (identical groups and same contexts). MPI_CONGRUENT results if the underlying groups are identical in constituents and rank order; these communicators differ only by context. MPI_SIMILAR results if the group members of both communicators are the same but the rank order differs. MPI_UNEQUAL results otherwise.

7.4.2 Communicator Constructors

The following are collective functions that are invoked by all MPI processes in the group or groups associated with comm, with the exception of MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP, MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP, and MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUPS. MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP and MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP are invoked only by the MPI processes in the group of the new communicator being constructed. MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUPS is invoked by all the MPI processes in the local and remote groups of the new communicator being constructed. See the discussion below for the definition of local and remote groups.

Rationale. Note that, when using the World Model, there is a chicken-and-egg aspect to MPI in that a communicator is needed to create a new communicator. In the World Model, the base communicator for all MPI communicators is predefined outside of MPI, and is MPI_COMM_WORLD. The World Model was arrived at after considerable debate, and was chosen to increase “safety” of programs written in MPI. (End of rationale.)

This chapter presents the following communicator construction routines:

MPI_COMM_CREATE, MPI_COMM_DUP, MPI_COMM_IDUP,
MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO, MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO, MPI_COMM_SPLIT
and MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE can be used to create both intra-communicators and inter-communicators; MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP, MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP and MPI_INTERCOMM_MERGE (see Section 7.6.2) can be used to create intra-communicators;
MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE and MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUPS (see Section 7.6.2) can be used to create inter-communicators.

An intra-communicator involves a single group while an inter-communicator involves two groups. Where the following discussions address inter-communicator semantics, the two groups in an inter-communicator are called the left and right groups. An MPI process in an inter-communicator is a member of either the left or the right group. From the point of view of that MPI process, the group that the MPI process is a member of is called the local group; the other group (relative to that MPI process) is the remote group. The left and right group labels give us a way to describe the two groups in an inter-communicator that is not relative to any particular MPI process (as the local and remote groups are).

MPI_COMM_DUP(comm, newcomm)

IN comm communicator (handle)

OUT newcomm copy of comm (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_dup(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Comm *newcomm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_dup(comm, newcomm, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_DUP(COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_DUP duplicates the existing communicator comm with associated key values, topology information and error handlers. For each key value, the respective copy callback function determines the attribute value associated with this key in the new communicator; one particular action that a copy callback may take is to delete the attribute from the new communicator. MPI_COMM_DUP returns in newcomm a new communicator with the same group or groups, same topology, same error handlers and any copied cached information, but a new context (see Section 7.7.1). The newly created communicator will have no buffer attached (see Section 3.6).

Advice to users. This operation is used to provide a parallel library with a duplicate communication space that has the same properties as the original communicator. This includes any attributes (see below) and topologies (see Chapter 8). This call is valid even if there are pending point-to-point communication operations or decoupled MPI activities involving the communicator comm. A typical call might involve a MPI_COMM_DUP at the beginning of the parallel call, and an MPI_COMM_FREE of that duplicated communicator at the end of the call. Other models of communicator management are also possible.

This call applies to both intra- and inter-communicators. (End of advice to users.)
Advice to implementors. One need not actually copy the group information, but only add a new reference and increment the reference count. Copy on write can be used for the cached information. (End of advice to implementors.)

MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO(comm, info, newcomm)

IN comm communicator (handle)
IN info info object (handle)
OUT newcomm copy of comm (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_dup_with_info(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Comm *newcomm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_dup_with_info(comm, info, newcomm, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO(COMM, INFO, NEWCOMM, IERROR)

  INTEGER COMM, INFO, NEWCOMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO behaves exactly as MPI_COMM_DUP except that the hints provided by the argument info are associated with the output communicator newcomm.

Rationale. It is expected that some hints will only be valid at communicator creation time. However, for legacy reasons, most communicator creation calls do not provide an info argument. One may associate info hints with a duplicate of any communicator at creation time through a call to MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO. (End of rationale.)

MPI_COMM_IDUP(comm, newcomm, request)

IN comm communicator (handle)
OUT newcomm copy of comm (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_idup(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Comm *newcomm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_idup(comm, newcomm, request, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT), ASYNCHRONOUS :: newcomm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
Fortran binding

MPI_COMM_IDUP(COMM, NEWCOMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

    INTEGER COMM, NEWCOMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_COMM_IDUP is a nonblocking variant of MPI_COMM_DUP. With the exception of its nonblocking behavior, the semantics of MPI_COMM_IDUP are as if MPI_COMM_DUP was executed at the time that MPI_COMM_IDUP is called. For example, attributes changed after MPI_COMM_IDUP will not be copied to the new communicator. All restrictions and assumptions for nonblocking collective operations (see Section 6.12) apply to MPI_COMM_IDUP and the returned request.

It is erroneous to use the communicator newcomm as an input argument to other MPI functions before the MPI_COMM_IDUP operation completes.

MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO(comm, info, newcomm, request)

    IN    comm     communicator (handle)
    IN    info     info object (handle)
    OUT   newcomm  copy of comm (handle)
    OUT   request  communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Comm_idup_with_info(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Comm *newcomm,
                           MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Comm_idup_with_info(comm, info, newcomm, request, ierror)

    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT), ASYNCHRONOUS :: newcomm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO(COMM, INFO, NEWCOMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO is a nonblocking variant of MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO. With the exception of its nonblocking behavior, the semantics of MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO are as if MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO was executed at the time that MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO is called. For example, attributes or info hints changed after MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO will not be copied to the new communicator. All restrictions and assumptions for nonblocking collective operations (see Section 6.12) apply to MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO and the returned request.

It is erroneous to use the communicator newcomm as an input argument to other MPI functions before the MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO operation completes.

Rationale. The MPI_COMM_IDUP and MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO functions are crucial for the development of purely nonblocking libraries (see [41]). (End of rationale.)
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MPI_COMM_CREATE(comm, group, newcomm)

IN  comm  communicator (handle)
IN  group  group, which is a subset of the group of comm (handle)
OUT newcomm  new communicator (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_create(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Group group, MPI_Comm *newcomm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_create(comm, group, newcomm, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_CREATE(COMM, GROUP, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
    INTEGER COMM, GROUP, NEWCOMM, IERROR

If comm is an intra-communicator, this function returns a new communicator newcomm with communication group defined by the group argument. No cached information propagates from comm to newcomm and no virtual topology information is added to the created communicator. Each MPI process must call MPI_COMM_CREATE with a group argument that is a subgroup of the group associated with comm; this could be MPI_GROUP_EMPTY. The MPI processes may specify different values for the group argument. If an MPI process calls with a nonempty group then all MPI processes in that group must call the function with the same group as argument, that is the same MPI processes in the same order. Otherwise, the call is erroneous. This implies that the set of groups specified across the MPI processes must be disjoint. If the calling MPI process is a member of the group given as group argument, then newcomm is a communicator with group as its associated group. In the case that an MPI process calls with a group to which it does not belong, e.g., MPI_GROUP_EMPTY, then MPI_COMM_NULL is returned as newcomm. The function is collective and must be called by all MPI processes in the group of comm.

Rationale. The interface supports the original mechanism from MPI-1.1, which required the same group in all MPI processes of comm. It was extended in MPI-2.2 to allow the use of disjoint subgroups in order to allow implementations to eliminate unnecessary communication that MPI_COMM_SPLIT would incur when the user already knows the membership of the disjoint subgroups. (End of rationale.)

Rationale. The requirement that the entire group of comm participate in the call stems from the following considerations:

- It allows the implementation to layer MPI_COMM_CREATE on top of regular collective communications.
- It provides additional safety, in particular in the case where partially overlapping groups are used to create new communicators.
• It permits implementations to sometimes avoid communication related to context creation.

(End of rationale.)

Advice to users. MPI_COMM_CREATE provides a means to subset a group of MPI processes for the purpose of separate MIMD computation, with separate communication space. newcomm, which emerges from MPI_COMM_CREATE, can be used in subsequent calls to MPI_COMM_CREATE (or other communicator constructors) to further subdivide a computation into parallel sub-computations. A more general service is provided by MPI_COMM_SPLIT, below. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. When calling MPI_COMM_DUP, all MPI processes call with the same group (the group associated with the communicator). When calling MPI_COMM_CREATE, the MPI processes provide the same group or disjoint sub-groups. For both calls, it is theoretically possible to agree on a group-wide unique context with no communication. However, local execution of these functions requires use of a larger context name space and reduces error checking. Implementations may strike various compromises between these conflicting goals, such as bulk allocation of multiple contexts in one collective operation.

Important: If new communicators are created without synchronizing the MPI processes involved then the communication system must be able to cope with messages arriving in a context that has not yet been allocated at the receiving MPI process. (End of advice to implementors.)
If `comm` is an inter-communicator, then the output communicator is also an inter-communicator where the local group consists only of those MPI processes contained in `group` (see Figure 7.1). The `group` argument should only contain those MPI processes in the local group of the input inter-communicator that are to be a part of `newcomm`. All MPI processes in the same local group of `comm` must specify the same value for `group`, i.e., the same members in the same order. If either `group` does not specify at least one MPI process in the local group of the inter-communicator, or if the calling MPI process is not included in the `group`, MPI_COMM_NULL is returned.

**Rationale.** In the case where either the left or right group is empty, a null communicator is returned instead of an inter-communicator with MPI_GROUP_EMPTY because the side with the empty group must return MPI_COMM_NULL. *(End of rationale.)*

**Example 7.1. Inter-communicator creation.**
The following example illustrates how the first node in the left side of an inter-communicator could be joined with all members on the right side of an inter-communicator to form a new inter-communicator.

```c
MPI_Comm inter_comm, new_inter_comm;
MPI_Group local_group, group;
int rank = 0; /* rank on left side to include in new inter-comm */

/* Construct the original inter-communicator: "inter_comm" */
...

/* Construct the group of MPI processes to be in new inter-communicator */
if (/* I’m on the left side of the inter-communicator */) {
    MPI_Comm_group(inter_comm, &local_group);
    MPI_Group_incl(local_group, 1, &rank, &group);
    MPI_Group_free(&local_group);
} else
    MPI_Comm_group(inter_comm, &group);

MPI_Comm_create(inter_comm, group, &new_inter_comm);
MPI_Group_free(&group);
```

**MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>IN comm</td>
<td>intra-communicator (handle)</td>
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<tr>
<td>IN group</td>
<td>group, which is a subset of the group of <code>comm</code> (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN tag</td>
<td>tag (integer)</td>
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<tr>
<td>OUT newcomm</td>
<td>new communicator (handle)</td>
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**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Comm_create_group(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Group group, int tag,
```
MPI_Comm *newcomm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_create_group(comm, group, tag, newcomm, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: tag
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP(COMM, GROUP, TAG, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
    INTEGER COMM, GROUP, TAG, NEWCOMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP is similar to MPI_COMM_CREATE; however, MPI_COMM_CREATE must be called by all MPI processes in the group of comm, whereas MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP must be called by all MPI processes in group, which is a subgroup of the group of comm. In addition, MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP requires that comm is an intra-communicator. MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP returns a new intra-communicator, newcomm, for which the group argument defines the communication group. No cached information propagates from comm to newcomm and no virtual topology information is added to the created communicator. Each MPI process must provide a group argument that is a subgroup of the group associated with comm; this could be MPI_GROUP_EMPTY. If a nonempty group is specified, then all MPI processes in that group must call the function, and each of these MPI processes must provide the same arguments, including a group that contains the same members with the same ordering. Otherwise the call is erroneous. If the calling MPI process is a member of the group given as the group argument, then newcomm is a communicator with group as its associated group. If the calling MPI process is not a member of group, e.g., group is MPI_GROUP_EMPTY, then the call is a local operation and MPI_COMM_NULL is returned as newcomm.

Rationale. Functionality similar to MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP can be implemented through repeated MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE and MPI_INTERCOMM_MERGE calls that start with the MPI_COMM_SELF communicators at each MPI process in group and build up an intra-communicator with group [18]. Such an algorithm requires the creation of many intermediate communicators; MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP can provide a more efficient implementation that avoids this overhead. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. An inter-communicator can be created collectively over MPI processes in the union of the local and remote groups by creating the local communicator using MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP and using that communicator as the local communicator argument to MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE. (End of advice to users.)

The tag argument does not conflict with tags used in point-to-point communication and is not permitted to be a wildcard. If multiple threads at a given MPI process perform concurrent MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP operations, the user must distinguish these operations by providing different tag or comm arguments.

Advice to users. MPI_COMM_CREATE may provide lower overhead than MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP because it can take advantage of collective communication on comm when constructing newcomm. (End of advice to users.)
MPI_COMM_SPLIT(comm, color, key, newcomm)

IN  comm                  communicator (handle)
IN  color                 control of subset assignment (integer)
IN  key                   control of rank assignment (integer)
OUT newcomm               new communicator (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_split(MPI_Comm comm, int color, int key, MPI_Comm *newcomm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_split(comm, color, key, newcomm, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: color, key
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_SPLIT(COMM, COLOR, KEY, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
   INTEGER COMM, COLOR, KEY, NEWCOMM, IERROR

This function partitions the group associated with comm into disjoint subgroups, one for each value of color. Each subgroup contains all MPI processes of the same color. Within each subgroup, the MPI processes are ranked in the order defined by the value of the argument key, with ties broken according to their rank in the old group. A new communicator is created for each subgroup and returned in newcomm. An MPI process may supply the color value MPI_UNDEFINED, in which case newcomm returns MPI_COMM_NULL. This is a collective call, but each MPI process is permitted to provide different values for color and key. No cached information propagates from comm to newcomm and no virtual topology information is added to the created communicators.

With an intra-communicator comm, a call to MPI_COMM_CREATE(comm, group, newcomm) is equivalent to a call to MPI_COMM_SPLIT(comm, color, key, newcomm), where MPI processes that are members of their group argument provide a color argument equal to the number of the group (based on a unique numbering of all disjoint groups) and a key argument equal to their rank in group, and all MPI processes that are not members of their group argument provide a color argument equal to MPI_UNDEFINED. The value of color must be nonnegative or MPI_UNDEFINED.

Advice to users. This is an extremely powerful mechanism for dividing a single communicating group of MPI processes into \( k \) subgroups, with \( k \) chosen implicitly by the user (by the number of colors asserted over all the MPI processes). Each resulting communicator will be nonoverlapping. Such a division could be useful for defining a hierarchy of computations, such as for multigrid, or linear algebra. For intra-communicators, MPI_COMM_SPLIT provides similar capability as MPI_COMM_CREATE to split a communicating group into disjoint subgroups. MPI_COMM_SPLIT is useful when some MPI processes do not have complete information of the other members in their group, but all MPI processes know (the color of) the group to which they belong. In this case, the MPI implementation discovers the other group members via communication. MPI_COMM_CREATE is useful when all MPI processes have complete
information of the members of their group. In this case, MPI can avoid the extra communication required to discover group membership. MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP is useful when all MPI processes in a given group have complete information of the members of their group and synchronization with MPI processes outside the group can be avoided.

Multiple calls to MPI_COMM_SPLIT can be used to overcome the requirement that any call have no overlap of the resulting communicators (each MPI process is of only one color per call). In this way, multiple overlapping communication structures can be created. Creative use of the color and key in such splitting operations is encouraged.

Note that, for a fixed color, the keys need not be unique. It is MPI_COMM_SPLIT’s responsibility to sort MPI processes in ascending order according to this key, and to break ties in a consistent way. If all the keys are specified in the same way, then all the MPI processes in a given color will have the relative rank order as they did in their parent group.

(End of advice to users.)

Rationale. color is restricted to be nonnegative, so as not to conflict with the value assigned to MPI_UNDEFINED. (End of rationale.)

The result of MPI_COMM_SPLIT on an inter-communicator is that those MPI processes on the left with the same color as those MPI processes on the right combine to create a new inter-communicator. The key argument describes the relative rank of MPI processes on each side of the inter-communicator (see Figure 7.2). For those colors that are specified only on one side of the inter-communicator, MPI_COMM_NULL is returned. MPI_COMM_NULL is also returned to those MPI processes that specify MPI_UNDEFINED as the color.

Advice to users. For inter-communicators, MPI_COMM_SPLIT is more general than MPI_COMM_CREATE. A single call to MPI_COMM_SPLIT can create a set of disjoint inter-communicators, while a call to MPI_COMM_CREATE creates only one. (End of advice to users.)

Example 7.2. Parallel client-server model.
The following client code illustrates how clients on the left side of an inter-communicator could be assigned to a single server from a pool of servers on the right side of an inter-communicator.

```c
/* Client code */
MPI_Comm multiple_server_comm;
MPI_Comm single_server_comm;
int color, rank, num_servers;

/* Create inter-communicator with clients and servers: */
multiple_server_comm */
...

/* Find out the number of servers available */
MPI_Comm_remote_size(multiple_server_comm, &num_servers);

/* Determine my color */
```
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Input Intercommunicator (comm)

Disjoint output communicators (newcomm)
(one per color)

Figure 7.2: Inter-communicator construction achieved by splitting an existing inter-communicator with MPI_COMM_SPLIT extended to inter-communicators.
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MPI_Comm_rank(multiple_server_comm, &rank);
color = rank % num_servers;

/* Split the inter-communicator */
MPI_Comm_split(multiple_server_comm, color, rank,
               &single_server_comm);

The following is the corresponding server code:

/* Server code */
MPI_Comm multiple_client_comm;
MPI_Comm single_server_comm;
int rank;

/* Create inter-communicator with clients and servers:
   multiple_client_comm */
...

/* Split the inter-communicator for a single server per group
   of clients */
MPI_Comm_rank(multiple_client_comm, &rank);
MPI_Comm_split(multiple_client_comm, rank, 0,
               &single_server_comm);

MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE(comm, split_type, key, info, newcomm)
  IN comm communicator (handle)
  IN split_type type of processes to be grouped together (integer)
  IN key control of rank assignment (integer)
  INOUT info info argument (handle)
  OUT newcomm new communicator (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_split_type(MPI_Comm comm, int split_type, int key, MPI_Info info,
                        MPI_Comm *newcomm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_split_type(comm, split_type, key, info, newcomm, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: split_type, key
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE(COMM, SPLIT_TYPE, KEY, INFO, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, SPLIT_TYPE, KEY, INFO, NEWCOMM, IERROR

This function partitions the group associated with comm into disjoint subgroups such that
each subgroup contains all MPI processes in the same grouping referred to by split_type.
Within each subgroup, the MPI processes are ranked in the order defined by the value of the argument `key`, with ties broken according to their rank in the old group. A new communicator is created for each subgroup and returned in `newcomm`. This is a collective call. All MPI processes in the group associated with `comm` must provide the same `split_type`, but each MPI process is permitted to provide different values for `key`. An exception to this rule is that an MPI process may supply the type value `MPI_UNDEFINED`, in which case `MPI_COMM_NULL` is returned in `newcomm` for such MPI process. No cached information propagates from `comm` to `newcomm` and no virtual topology information is added to the created communicators.

For `split_type`, the following values are defined by MPI:

**MPI_COMM_TYPE_SHARED**: all MPI processes in the group of `newcomm` are part of the same *shared memory domain* and can create a *shared memory segment* (e.g., with a successful call to `MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED`). This segment can subsequently be used for load/store accesses by all MPI processes in `newcomm`.

*Advice to users.* Since the location of some of the MPI processes may change during the application execution, the communicators created with the value `MPI_COMM_TYPE_SHARED` before this change may not reflect an actual ability to share memory between MPI processes after this change. (*End of advice to users.*)

**MPI_COMM_TYPE_HW.Guided**: this value specifies that the communicator `comm` is split according to a *hardware resource type* (for example a computing core or an L3 cache) specified by the "mpi_hw_resource_type" info key. Each output communicator `newcomm` corresponds to a single instance of the specified hardware resource type. The MPI processes in the group associated with the output communicator `newcomm` utilize that specific hardware resource type instance, and no other instance of the same hardware resource type.

If an MPI process does not meet the above criteria, then `MPI_COMM_NULL` is returned in `newcomm` for such MPI process.

`MPI_COMM_NULL` is also returned in `newcomm` in the following cases:

- MPI_INFO_NULL is provided.
- The info handle does not include the key "mpi_hw_resource_type".
- The MPI implementation neither recognizes nor supports the info key "mpi_hw_resource_type".
- The MPI implementation does not recognize the value associated with the info key "mpi_hw_resource_type".

The MPI implementation will return in the group of the output communicator `newcomm` the largest subset of MPI processes that match the splitting criterion.

The MPI processes in the group associated with `newcomm` are ranked in the order defined by the value of the argument `key` with ties broken according to their rank in the group associated with `comm`.

*Advice to users.* The set of hardware resources that an MPI process is able to utilize may change during the application execution (e.g., because of the relocation of an MPI process), in which case the communicators created with the value
MPI_COMM_TYPE_HW_GUIDED: this value specifies that the communicator
comm is split according to a **hardware resource type** (for example a computing
core or an L3 cache) specified by the "mpi_hw_resource_type" info key or to a **logical
resource type** (for example a process set name, see Section 11.3.2) specified by the
"mpi_pset_name" info key.

Each output communicator newcomm corresponds to a single instance of the specified
resource type. The MPI processes in the group associated with the output communic-
ator newcomm utilize that specific resource type instance, and no other instance of
the same resource type.

If an MPI process does not meet the above criteria, then MPI_COMM_NULL is returned
in newcomm for such process.

MPI_COMM_NULL is also returned in newcomm in the following cases:

- The info handle includes neither the key "mpi_hw_resource_type" nor the key
"mpi_pset_name".
- The MPI implementation neither recognizes nor supports the info keys
"mpi_hw_resource_type" and "mpi_pset_name".
- The MPI implementation does not recognize the value associated with the info
key "mpi_hw_resource_type" or "mpi_pset_name".

Example 7.3. Splitting MPI_COMM_WORLD into NUMANode subcommunicators.

```c
MPI_Info info;
MPI_Comm hwcomm;
int rank;

MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);
MPI_Info_create(&info);
MPI_Info_set(info, "mpi_hw_resource_type", "NUMANode");
MPI_Comm_split_type(MPI_COMM_WORLD,
    MPI_COMM_TYPE_HW_GUIDED,
    rank, info, &hwcomm);
```
The MPI implementation will return in the group of the output communicator `newcomm` the largest subset of MPI processes that match the splitting criterion.

*Advice to users.* The set of resources that an MPI process is able to utilize may change during the application execution (e.g., because of the relocation of an MPI process), in which case the communicators created with the value `MPI_COMM_TYPE_Resource_Guided` before this change may not reflect the utilization of resources of such process at any time after the communicator creation. *(End of advice to users.)*

The user explicitly constrains with the info argument the splitting of the input communicator `comm`. To this end, the following info keys are reserved and their associated values are implementation-defined strings designating the type of the requested resource. Only one of these info keys can be used in `info` at a time in a call to `MPI_Comm_split_type`; use of more than one info key is erroneous.

"mpi_hw_resource_type" is used to specify the type of a requested hardware resource (e.g., "NUMANode", "Package" or "L3Cache"). The value "mpi_shared_memory" is reserved and its use is equivalent to using `MPI_COMM_TYPE_SHARED` for the `split_type` parameter.

*Rationale.* The value "mpi_shared_memory" is defined in order to ensure consistency between the use of `MPI_COMM_TYPE_SHARED` and the use of `MPI_COMM_TYPE_Resource_Guided`. *(End of rationale.)*

All MPI processes in the group of the input communicator `comm` must provide the same info key to perform the splitting action. All MPI processes in the group of the input communicator `comm` must provide the same value for the info key "mpi_hw_resource_type".

"mpi_pset_name" is used to specify the type of a requested logical resource through the utilization of a process set name (e.g., "app://ocean" or "app://atmos"). This process set name must be valid in the session from which the input communicator `comm` is derived. If this input communicator is not derived from a session, then `MPI_COMM_NULL` is returned in `newcomm`.

All MPI processes that are both in the group of the input communicator `comm` and in the process set identified by the given process set name must provide the same info key to perform the splitting action. All MPI processes that are both in the group of the input communicator `comm` and in the process set identified by the given process set name must provide the same value for the info key "mpi_pset_name".

**Example 7.4.** Splitting `MPI_COMM_WORLD` into NUMANode subcommunicators.

```c
MPI_Info info;
MPI_Comm hwcomm;
int rank;

MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);
MPI_Info_create(&info);
MPI_Info_set(info, "mpi_hw_resource_type", "NUMANode");
MPI_Comm_split_type(MPI_COMM_WORLD,
```
MPI_COMM_TYPE_HW_UNGUIDED: the group of MPI processes associated with
newcomm must be a strict subset of the group associated with comm and each
newcomm corresponds to a single instance of a hardware resource type (for example
a computing core or an L3 cache).

All MPI processes in the group associated with comm that utilize that specific hard-
ware resource type instance—and no other instance of the same hardware resource
type—are included in the group of newcomm.

If a given MPI process cannot be a member of a communicator that forms such a
strict subset, or does not meet the above criteria, then MPI_COMM_NULL is returned
in newcomm for this process.

Advice to implementors. In a high-quality MPI implementation, the number of
different new valid communicators newcomm produced by this splitting operation
should be minimal unless the user provides a key/value pair that modifies this
behavior. The sets of hardware resource types used for the splitting operation are
implementation-dependent, but should reflect the hardware of the actual system
on which the application is currently executing. (End of advice to implementors.)

Rationale. If the hardware resources are hierarchically organized, calling this
routine several times using as its input communicator comm the output commu-
icator newcomm of the previous call creates a sequence of newcomm communica-
tors in each MPI process, which exposes a hierarchical view of the hardware
platform, as shown in Example 7.5. This sequence of returned newcomm communi-
cators may differ from the sets of hardware resource types, as shown in the
second splitting operation in Figure 7.3. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. Each output communicator newcomm can represent a different
hardware resource type (see Figure 7.3 for an example). The set of hardware
resources an MPI process utilizes may change during the application execution
(e.g., because of MPI process relocation), in which case the communicators cre-
ated with the value MPI_COMM_TYPE_HW_UNGUIDED before this change may
not reflect the utilization of hardware resources for such MPI process at any time
after the communicator creation. (End of advice to users.)

If a valid info handle is provided as an argument, the MPI implementation sets the
info key "mpi_hw_resource_type" for each MPI process in the group associated with a
returned newcomm communicator and the info key value is an implementation-defined
string that indicates the hardware resource type represented by newcomm. The same
hardware resource type must be set in all MPI processes in the group associated with
newcomm.

Example 7.5. Recursive splitting of MPI_COMM_WORLD.

```c
#define MAX_NUM_LEVELS 32

MPI_Comm hwcomm[MAX_NUM_LEVELS];
```
Figure 7.3: Recursive splitting of MPI_COMM_WORLD with MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE and MPI_COMM_TYPE_HW_UNGUIDED. Dashed lines represent communicators whilst solid lines represent hardware resources. MPI processes (P0 to P11) utilize exclusively their respective core, except for P6 and P7, which utilize CPU #3 of Rack #0 and can therefore use Cores #6 and #7 indifferently. The second splitting operation yields two subcommunicators corresponding to NUMANodes in Rack #0 and to CPUs in Rack #1 because Rack #1 features only one NUMANode, which corresponds to the whole portion of the Rack that is included in MPI_COMM_WORLD and hwcomm[1]. For the first splitting operation, the hardware resource type returned in the info argument is “Rack” on the MPI processes on Rack #0, whereas on Rack #1, it can be either “Rack” or “NUMANode”.

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```c
int rank, level_num = 0;

hwcomm[level_num] = MPI_COMM_WORLD;

while((hwcomm[level_num] != MPI_COMM_NULL)
     && (level_num < MAX_NUM_LEVELS -1)){
     MPI_Comm_rank(hwcomm[level_num],&rank);
     MPI_Comm_split_type(hwcomm[level_num],
             MPI_COMM_TYPE_HW_UNGUIDED,
             rank,
             MPI_INFO_NULL,
             &hwcomm[level_num+1]);
     level_num ++;
}
```

**Advice to implementors.** Implementations can define their own split_type values, or use the info argument, to assist in creating communicators that help expose platform-specific information to the application. The concept of hardware-based communicators was first described by Träff [68] for SMP systems. Guided and unguided modes description as well as an implementation path are introduced by Goglin et al. [28].

(End of advice to implementors.)

**MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP**(group, stringtag, info, errhandler, newcomm)

- **IN** group  
  group (handle)
- **IN** stringtag  
  unique identifier for this operation (string)
- **IN** info  
  info object (handle)
- **IN** errhandler  
  error handler to be attached to new intra-communicator (handle)
- **OUT** newcomm  
  new communicator (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Comm_create_from_group(MPI_Group group, const char *stringtag,
                               MPI_Info info, MPI_Errhandler errhandler, MPI_Comm *newcomm)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Comm_create_from_group(group, stringtag, info, errhandler, newcomm, ierr)
```

- **MPI_Group**, **CHARACTER(LEN=*)**, **MPI_Info**, **MPI_Errhandler**, **MPI_Comm**, **INTEGER**, **OPTIONAL**
- **group**  
  group (handle)
- **stringtag**  
  unique identifier for this operation (string)
- **info**  
  info object (handle)
- **errhandler**  
  error handler to be attached to new intra-communicator (handle)
- **newcomm**  
  new communicator (handle)
- **ierr**  
  error code

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP(GROUP, STRINGTAG, INFO, ERRHANDLER, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
```

- **INTEGER**  
  **GROUP**, **INFO**, **ERRHANDLER**, **NEWCOMM**, **IERROR**
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CHARACTER*(*) STRINGTAG

MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP is similar to MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP, except that the set of MPI processes involved in the creation of the new intra-communicator is specified by a group argument, rather than the group associated with a pre-existing communicator. If a nonempty group is specified, then all MPI processes in that group must call the function and each of these MPI processes must provide the same arguments, including a group that contains the same members with the same ordering, and identical stringtag value. In the event that MPI_GROUP_EMPTY is supplied as the group argument, then the call is a local operation and MPI_COMM_NULL is returned as newcomm. The stringtag argument is analogous to the tag used for MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP. If multiple threads at a given MPI process perform concurrent MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP operations, the user must distinguish these operations by providing different stringtag arguments. The stringtag shall not exceed MPI_MAX_STRINGTAG_LEN characters in length. For C, this includes space for a null terminating character. MPI_MAX_STRINGTAG_LEN shall have a value of at least 63.

The errhandler argument specifies an error handler to be attached to the new intra-communicator. Section 9.3 specifies the error handler to be invoked if an error is encountered during the invocation of MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP.

The info argument provides hints and assertions, possibly MPI implementation dependent, which indicate desired characteristics and guide communicator creation.

Advice to users. The stringtag argument is used to distinguish concurrent communicator construction operations issued by different entities. As such, it is important to ensure that this argument is unique for each concurrent call to MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP. Reverse domain name notation convention [2] is one approach to constructing unique stringtag arguments. See also example 11.10.

(End of advice to users.)

7.4.3 Communicator Destructors

MPI_COMM_FREE(comm)

INOUT comm communicator to be destroyed (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_free(MPI_Comm *comm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_free(comm, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(INOUT) :: comm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_FREE(COMM, IERROR)
    INTEGER COMM, IERROR

This collective operation marks the communication object for deallocation. Any operations that use the communicator comm (whether active or inactive at the time of this
procedure call) will continue to work; the object is actually deallocated only if there are no other active references to it. The handle is set to MPI_COMM_NULL in the calling MPI process. This call applies to intra- and inter-communicators. The delete callback functions for all cached attributes (see Section 7.7) are called in arbitrary order.

Advice to implementors. Though collective, it is anticipated that this operation will normally be implemented to be local, though a debugging version of an MPI library might choose to synchronize. (End of advice to implementors.)

7.4.4 Communicator Info

Hints specified via info (see Chapter 10) allow a user to provide information to direct optimization. Providing hints may enable an implementation to deliver increased performance or minimize use of system resources. As described in Section 10, an implementation is free to ignore all hints; however, applications must comply with any info hints they provide that are used by the MPI implementation (i.e., are returned by a call to MPI_COMM_GET_INFO) and that place a restriction on the behavior of the application. Hints are specified on a per communicator basis, in MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO, MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO, MPI_COMM_SET_INFO, MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE, MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE, and MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT, via the opaque info object. When an info object that specifies a subset of valid hints is passed to MPI_COMM_SET_INFO, there will be no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that the info does not specify.

Advice to implementors. It may happen that a program is coded with hints for one system, and later executes on another system that does not support these hints. In general, unsupported hints should simply be ignored. Needless to say, no hint can be mandatory. However, for each hint used by a specific implementation, a default value must be provided when the user does not specify a value for this hint. (End of advice to implementors.)

Advice to users. Some optimizations may only be possible when all processes in the group of the communicator provide a given info key with the same value. (End of advice to users.)

Info hints are not propagated by MPI from one communicator to another. The following info keys are valid for all communicators.

Advice to users. Some optimizations may only be possible when all MPI processes in the group of the communicator provide a given info key with the same value. (End of advice to users.)

"mpi_assert_no_any_tag" (boolean, default: "false"): If set to "true", then the implementation may assume that the MPI process will not use the MPI_ANY_TAG wildcard on the given communicator.

"mpi_assert_no_any_source" (boolean, default: "false"): If set to "true", then the implementation may assume that the MPI process will not use the MPI_ANY_SOURCE wildcard on the given communicator.
"mpi_assert_exact_length" (boolean, default: "false"): If set to "true", then the implementation may assume that the lengths of messages received by the MPI process are equal to the lengths of the corresponding receive buffers, for point-to-point communication operations on the given communicator.

"mpi_assert_allow_overtaking" (boolean, default: "false"): If set to "true", then the implementation may assume that point-to-point communications on the given communicator do not rely on the nonovertaking rule specified in Section 3.5. In other words, the application asserts that send operations are not required to be matched at the receiver in the order in which the send operations were posted by the sender, and receive operations are not required to be matched in the order in which they were posted by the receiver.

Advice to users. Use of the "mpi_assert_allow_overtaking" info key can result in nondeterminism in the message matching order. (End of advice to users.)

"mpi_assert_strict_persistent_collective_ordering" (boolean, default: "false"): If set to "true", then the implementation may assume that all the persistent collective operations are started in the same order across all MPI processes in the group of the communicator. It is required that if this assertion is made on one member of the communicator’s group, then it must be made on all members of that communicator’s group with the same value.

Advice to users. Use of the "mpi_assert_strict_persistent_collective_ordering" may be needed because some optimizations may only be possible on certain systems when strict collective ordering is asserted for the underlying communicator of a persistent collective operation. (End of advice to users.)

"mpi_assert_memory_alloc_kinds" (string, not set by default): If set, the implementation may assume that the memory for all communication buffers passed to MPI operations performed by the calling MPI process on the given communicator will use only the memory allocation kinds listed in the value string. See Section 11.4.3.

MPI_COMM_SET_INFO(comm, info)

INOUT comm communicator (handle)
IN info info object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_set_info(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_set_info(comm, info, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_SET_INFO(COMM, INFO, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, INFO, IERROR

MPI_COMM_SET_INFO updates the hints of the communicator associated with comm using the hints provided in info. This operation has no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that are not specified by info. It also has no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that are specified by info, but are ignored by the MPI implementation in this call to MPI_COMM_SET_INFO. MPI_COMM_SET_INFO is a collective routine. The info object may be different on each MPI process, but any info entries that an implementation requires to be the same on all MPI processes must appear with the same value in each MPI process’s info object.

Advice to users. Some info items that an implementation can use when it creates a communicator cannot easily be changed once the communicator has been created. Thus, an implementation may ignore hints issued in this call that it would have accepted in a creation call. An implementation may also be unable to update certain info hints in a call to MPI_COMM_SET_INFO. MPI_COMM_GET_INFO can be used to determine whether updates to existing info hints were ignored by the implementation. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to users. Setting info hints on the predefined communicators MPI_COMM_WORLD and MPI_COMM_SELF may have unintended effects, as changes to these global objects may affect all components of the application, including libraries and tools. Users must ensure that all components of the application that use a given communicator, including libraries and tools, can comply with any info hints associated with that communicator. (End of advice to users.)

MPI_COMM_GET_INFO(comm, info_used)
IN  comm  communicator object (handle)
OUT info_used  new info object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_get_info(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info *info_used)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_get_info(comm, info_used, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info_used
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_GET_INFO(COMM, INFO_USED, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, INFO_USED, IERROR

MPI_COMM_GET_INFO returns a new info object containing the hints of the communicator associated with comm. The current setting of all hints related to this communicator is returned in info_used. An MPI implementation is required to return all hints that are supported by the implementation and have default values specified; any user-supplied hints that were not ignored by the implementation; and any additional hints that were set by
the implementation. If no such hints exist, a handle to a newly created info object is re-
turned that contains no key/value pair. The user is responsible for freeing info_used via
MPI_INFO_FREE.

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7.5.1 Current Practice #1

Example 7.6. Parallel output of a message

```c
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int me, size;
    ...
    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &me);
    MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &size);
    (void)printf("MPI process %d size %d\n", me, size);
    ...
    MPI_Finalize();
    return 0;
}
```

Example 7.6 is a do-nothing program that initializes itself, and refers to the “all” communicator, and prints a message. It terminates itself too. This example does not imply that MPI supports printf-like communication itself.

Example 7.7. Message exchange (supposing that size is even)

```c
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int me, size;
    int SOME_TAG = 0;
    ...
    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &me); /* local */
    MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &size); /* local */
    if((me % 2) == 0)
    {
        /* send unless highest-numbered MPI process */
        if((me + 1) < size)
            MPI_Send(..., me + 1, SOME_TAG, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
    } else
        MPI_Recv(..., me - 1, SOME_TAG, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &status);
    ...
    MPI_Finalize();
    return 0;
```
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Example 7.7 schematically illustrates message exchanges between “even” and “odd” MPI processes in the “all” communicator.

7.5.2 Current Practice #2

Example 7.8.

```c
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int me, count;
    void *data;
    ...

    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &me);

    if(me == 0)
    {
        /* get input, create buffer ‘‘data’’ */
        ...
    }

    MPI_Bcast(data, count, MPI_BYTE, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD);

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

Example 7.8 illustrates the use of a collective communication.

7.5.3 (Approximate) Current Practice #3

Example 7.9.

```c
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int me, count, count2;
    void *send_buf, *recv_buf, *send_buf2, *recv_buf2;
    MPI_Group group_world, grprem;
    MPI_Comm commWorker;
    static int ranks[] = {0};
    ...
    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    MPI_Comm_group(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &group_world);
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &me); /* local */

    MPI_Group_excl(group_world, 1, ranks, &grprem); /* local */
    MPI_Comm_create(MPI_COMM_WORLD, grprem, &commWorker);

    if(me != 0)
    {
```
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Example 7.9 illustrates how a group consisting of all but the zeroth MPI process of the “all” group is created, and then how a communicator is formed (commWorker) for that new group. The new communicator is used in a collective call, and all MPI processes execute a collective call in the MPI_COMM_WORLD context. This example illustrates how the two communicators (that inherently possess distinct contexts) protect communication. That is, communication in MPI_COMM_WORLD is insulated from communication in commWorker, and vice versa.

In summary, “group safety” is achieved via communicators because distinct contexts within communicators are enforced to be unique on any MPI process.

7.5.4 Communication Safety Example

The following example (7.10) is meant to illustrate “safety” between point-to-point and collective communication. MPI guarantees that a single communicator can do safe point-to-point and collective communication.

Example 7.10.

```c
#define TAG_ARBITRARY 12345
#define SOME_COUNT 50

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int me;
    MPI_Request request[2];
    MPI_Status status[2];
    MPI_Group group_world, subgroup;
    int ranks[] = {2, 4, 6, 8};
    MPI_Comm the_comm;
    ...
    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    MPI_Comm_group(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &group_world);
    ...
    MPI_Group_incl(group_world, 4, ranks, &subgroup); /* local */
    MPI_Group_rank(subgroup, &me); /* local */
    MPI_Comm_create(MPI_COMM_WORLD, subgroup, &the_comm);
    ...
    MPI_Sendrecv(...
    ...
    MPI_Comm_free(&the_comm);
    MPI_Finalize();
    return 0;
}
```
if (me != MPI_UNDEFINED)
{
    MPI_Recv (buff1, count, MPI_DOUBLE, MPI_ANY_SOURCE,
              TAG_ARBITRARY, the_comm, request);
    MPI_Send (buff2, count, MPI_DOUBLE, (me+1)%4, TAG_ARBITRARY,
              the_comm, request+1);
    for (i = 0; i < SOME_COUNT; i++)
        MPI_Reduce (... , the_comm);
    MPI_Waitall(2, request, status);
    MPI_Comm_free (&the_comm);
}
MPI_Group_free (&group_world);
MPI_Group_free (&subgroup);
MPI_Finalize();
return 0;

7.5.5 Library Example #1

Example 7.11. First library example
The main program:

```c
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int done = 0;
    user_lib_t *libh_a, *libh_b;
    void *dataset1, *dataset2;
    ...
    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    ...
    init_user_lib(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &libh_a);
    init_user_lib(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &libh_b);
    ...
    user_start_op(libh_a, dataset1);
    user_start_op(libh_b, dataset2);
    ...
    while (!done)
    {
        /* work */
        ...
        MPI_Reduce (... , MPI_COMM_WORLD);
        ...
        /* see if done */
        ...
    }
    user_end_op(libh_a);
    user_end_op(libh_b);
}


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The user library initialization code:

```c
void init_user_lib(MPI_Comm comm, user_lib_t **handle) {
    user_lib_t *save;
    user_lib_initsave(&save); /* local */
    MPI_Comm_dup(comm, &(save->comm));
    /* other inits */
    ...
    *handle = save;
}
```

User start-up code:

```c
void user_start_op(user_lib_t *handle, void *data) {
    MPI_Irecv(..., handle->comm, &(handle->irecv_handle));
    MPI_Isend(..., handle->comm, &(handle->isend_handle));
}
```

User communication clean-up code:

```c
void user_end_op(user_lib_t *handle) {
    MPI_Status status;
    MPI_Wait(&handle->isend_handle, &status);
    MPI_Wait(&handle->irecv_handle, &status);
}
```

User object clean-up code:

```c
void uninit_user_lib(user_lib_t *handle) {
    MPI_Comm_free(&(handle->comm));
    free(handle);
}
```

7.5.6 Library Example #2

Example 7.12. Second library example

The main program:

```c
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    int ma, mb;
    MPI_Group group_world, group_a, group_b;
```
MPI_Comm comm_a, comm_b;

static int list_a[] = {0, 1};
#endif defined(EXAMPLE_2B) || defined(EXAMPLE_2C)
static int list_b[] = {0, 2, 3};
#else /* EXAMPLE_2A */
static int list_b[] = {0, 2};
#endif
int size_list_a = sizeof(list_a)/sizeof(int);
int size_list_b = sizeof(list_b)/sizeof(int);

MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
MPI_Comm_group(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &group_world);
MPI_Group_incl(group_world, size_list_a, list_a, &group_a);
MPI_Group_incl(group_world, size_list_b, list_b, &group_b);
MPI_Comm_create(MPI_COMM_WORLD, group_a, &comm_a);
MPI_Comm_create(MPI_COMM_WORLD, group_b, &comm_b);
if(comm_a != MPI_COMM_NULL)
    MPI_Comm_rank(comm_a, &ma);
if(comm_b != MPI_COMM_NULL)
    MPI_Comm_rank(comm_b, &mb);
if(comm_a != MPI_COMM_NULL)
    lib_call(comm_a);
if(comm_b != MPI_COMM_NULL)
    { lib_call(comm_b); lib_call(comm_b); }
if(comm_a != MPI_COMM_NULL)
    MPI_Comm_free(&comm_a);
if(comm_b != MPI_COMM_NULL)
    MPI_Comm_free(&comm_b);
MPI_Group_free(&group_a);
MPI_Group_free(&group_b);
MPI_Group_free(&group_world);
MPI_Finalize();
return 0;
}

The library:

void lib_call(MPI_Comm comm)
{
    int me, done = 0;
    MPI_Status status;
    MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &me);
    if(me == 0)
while (!done) {
    MPI_Recv(..., MPI_ANY_SOURCE, MPI_ANY_TAG, comm, &status);
    ...
} else {
    /* work */
    MPI_Send(..., 0, ARBITRARY_TAG, comm);
    ...
}
#endif EXAMPLE_2C
/* include (resp, exclude) for safety (resp, no safety): */
MPI_Barrier(comm);
#endif

The above example is three examples, depending on whether or not one includes rank 3 in list_b, and whether or not a synchronizing operation is included in lib_call. This example illustrates that, despite contexts, subsequent calls to lib_call with the same context need not be safe from one another (colloquially, “back-masking”). Safety is realized if a call to MPI_Barrier is added. What this demonstrates is that libraries have to be written carefully, even with contexts. When rank 3 is excluded, then the synchronizing operation is not needed to get safety from back-masking.

Algorithms like “reduce” and “allreduce” have strong enough source selectivity properties so that they are inherently okay (no back-masking), provided that MPI provides basic guarantees. So are multiple calls to a typical tree-broadcast algorithm with the same root or different roots (see [65]). Here we rely on two guarantees of MPI: pairwise ordering of messages between MPI processes in the same context, and source selectivity—deleting either feature removes the guarantee that back-masking cannot be required.

Algorithms that try to do nondeterministic broadcasts or other calls that include wildcard operations will not generally have the good properties of the deterministic implementations of “reduce,” “allreduce,” and “broadcast.” Such algorithms would have to utilize the monotonically increasing tags (within a communicating scope) to keep things straight.

All of the foregoing is a supposition of “collective calls” implemented with point-to-point operations. MPI implementations may or may not implement collective calls using point-to-point operations. These algorithms are used to illustrate the issues of correctness and safety, independent of how MPI implements its collective calls. See also Section 7.9.

7.6 Inter-Communication

This section introduces the concept of inter-communication and describes the portions of MPI that support it. It describes support for writing programs that contain user-level servers.

All communication described thus far has involved communication between MPI processes that are members of the same group. This type of communication is called “intra-communication” and the communicator used is called an “intra-communicator," as we have noted earlier in the chapter.

In modular and multi-disciplinary applications, different MPI process groups execute
distinct modules and MPI processes within different modules communicate with one another in a pipeline or a more general module graph. In these applications, the most natural way for a MPI process to specify a target MPI process is by the rank of the target MPI process within the target group. In applications that contain internal user-level servers, each server may be a MPI process group that provides services to one or more clients, and each client may be a MPI process group that uses the services of one or more servers. It is again most natural to specify the target MPI process by rank within the target group in these applications. This type of communication is called \textit{“inter-communication”} and the communicator used is called an \textit{“inter-communicator,”} as introduced earlier.

An \textit{inter-communication} is a point-to-point communication between MPI processes in different groups. The group containing an MPI process that initiates an inter-communication operation is called the \textit{“local group,”} that is, the sender in a send and the receiver in a receive. The group containing the target MPI process is called the \textit{“remote group,”} that is, the receiver in a send and the sender in a receive. As in intra-communication, the target MPI process is specified using a \textit{(communicator, rank)} pair. Unlike intra-communication, the rank is relative to a second, remote group.

All inter-communicator constructors are blocking except for \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_IDUP} and require that the local and remote groups be disjoint.

Advice to users. The groups must be disjoint for several reasons. First, the intent of the inter-communicators is to provide a communicator for communication between disjoint groups. This is reflected in the definition of \texttt{MPI\_INTERCOMM\_MERGE}, which allows the user to control the ranking of the MPI processes in the created intra-communicator; this ranking makes little sense if the groups are not disjoint. In addition, the natural extension of collective operations to inter-communicators makes the most sense when the groups are disjoint. \textit{(End of advice to users.)}

Here is a summary of the properties of inter-communication and inter-communicators:

- The syntax of point-to-point and collective communication is the same for both inter- and intra-communication. The same communicator can be used both for send and for receive operations.
- A target MPI process is addressed by its rank in the remote group, both for sends and for receives.
- Communications using an inter-communicator are guaranteed not to conflict with any communications that use a different communicator.
- A communicator will provide either intra- or inter-communication, never both.

The routine \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_TEST\_INTER} may be used to determine if a communicator is an inter- or intra-communicator. Inter-communicators can be used as arguments to some of the other communicator access routines. Inter-communicators cannot be used as input to some of the constructor routines for intra-communicators (for instance, \texttt{MPI\_CART\_CREATE}).

Advice to implementors. For the purpose of point-to-point communication, communicators can be represented in each process by a tuple consisting of:

\begin{verbatim}
  group
  send_context
\end{verbatim}
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receive_context
source

For inter-communicators, group describes the remote group, and source is the rank of the MPI process in the local group. For intra-communicators, group is the communicator group (remote=local), source is the rank of the MPI process in this group, and send context and receive context are identical. A group can be represented by a rank-to-absolute-address translation table.

The inter-communicator cannot be discussed sensibly without considering MPI processes in both the local and remote groups. Imagine an MPI process \( P \) in group \( \mathcal{P} \), which has an inter-communicator \( C_{\mathcal{P}} \), and an MPI process \( Q \) in group \( \mathcal{Q} \), which has an inter-communicator \( C_{\mathcal{Q}} \). Then

- \( C_{\mathcal{P}}.\text{group} \) describes the group \( \mathcal{Q} \) and \( C_{\mathcal{Q}}.\text{group} \) describes the group \( \mathcal{P} \).
- \( C_{\mathcal{P}}.\text{send context} = C_{\mathcal{Q}}.\text{receive context} \) and the context is unique in \( \mathcal{Q} \);
- \( C_{\mathcal{P}}.\text{receive context} = C_{\mathcal{Q}}.\text{send context} \) and this context is unique in \( \mathcal{P} \).
- \( C_{\mathcal{P}}.\text{source} \) is rank of \( P \) in \( \mathcal{P} \) and \( C_{\mathcal{Q}}.\text{source} \) is rank of \( Q \) in \( \mathcal{Q} \).

Assume that \( P \) sends a message to \( Q \) using the inter-communicator. Then \( P \) uses the group table to find the absolute address of \( Q \); source and send context are appended to the message.

Assume that \( Q \) posts a receive with an explicit source argument using the inter-communicator. Then \( Q \) matches receive context to the message context and source argument to the message source.

The same algorithm is appropriate for intra-communicators as well.

In order to support inter-communicator accessors and constructors, it is necessary to supplement this model with additional structures, that store information about the local communication group, and additional safe contexts. (End of advice to implementors.)

7.6.1 Inter-Communicator Accessors

\textbf{MPI\_COMM\_TEST\_INTER}(comm, flag)

\begin{verbatim}
IN   comm        communicator (handle)
OUT  flag        true if comm is an inter-communicator (logical)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}
int MPI_Comm_test_inter(MPI_Comm comm, int *flag)

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}
MPI_Comm_test_inter(comm, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

\textbf{Fortran binding}
MPI\_COMM\_TEST\_INTER(COMM, FLAG, IERROR)
Table 7.1: MPI\_COMM\_* function behavior (in inter-communication mode)

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<td>MPI_COMM_SIZE</td>
<td>returns the size of the local group.</td>
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<td>MPI_COMM_GROUP</td>
<td>returns the local group.</td>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_COMM_RANK</td>
<td>returns the rank in the local group.</td>
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</table>

INTEGER COMM, IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG

This local routine allows the calling MPI process to determine if a communicator is an inter-communicator or an intra-communicator. It returns true if it is an inter-communicator, otherwise false.

Table 7.1 describes the behavior when an inter-communicator is used as an input argument to the communicator accessors described above under intra-communication. Furthermore, the operation MPI\_COMM\_COMPARE is valid for inter-communicators. Both communicators must be either intra- or inter-communicators, or else MPI\_UNEQUAL results. Both corresponding local and remote groups must compare correctly to get the results MPI\_CONGRUENT or MPI\_SIMILAR. In particular, it is possible for MPI\_SIMILAR to result because either the local or remote groups were similar but not identical.

The following accessors provide consistent access to the remote group of an inter-communicator. The following are all local operations.

C binding

`int MPI_Comm_remote_size(MPI_Comm comm, int *size)`

Fortran 2008 binding

`MPI\_Comm\_remote\_size(comm, size, ierror)`

Fortran binding

`MPI\_COMM\_REMOTE\_SIZE(COMM, SIZE, IERROR)`

INTEGER COMM, SIZE, IERROR

MPI\_COMM\_REMOTE\_GROUP(comm, group)

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<td>OUT</td>
<td>group</td>
<td>remote group corresponding to comm (handle)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Rationale. Symmetric access to both the local and remote groups of an inter-communicator is important, so this function, as well as MPI_COMM_REMOTE_SIZE have been provided. (End of rationale.)

7.6.2 Inter-Communicator Operations

This section introduces five blocking inter-communicator operations. MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE is used to bind two intra-communicators into an inter-communicator; the function MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUPS constructs an inter-communicator from two previously defined disjoint groups; the function MPI_INTERCOMM_MERGE creates an intra-communicator by merging the local and remote groups of an inter-communicator. The functions MPI_COMM_DUP and MPI_COMM_FREE, introduced previously, duplicate and free an inter-communicator, respectively.

Overlap of local and remote groups that are bound into an inter-communicator is prohibited. If there is overlap, then the program is erroneous and is likely to deadlock.

The function MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE can be used to create an inter-communicator from two existing intra-communicators, in the following situation: At least one selected member from each group (the “group leader”) has the ability to communicate with the selected member from the other group; that is, a “peer” communicator exists to which both leaders belong, and each leader knows the rank of the other leader in this peer communicator. Furthermore, members of each group know the rank of their leader.

Construction of an inter-communicator from two intra-communicators requires separate collective operations in the local group and in the remote group, as well as a point-to-point communication between an MPI process in the local group and an MPI process in the remote group.

When using the World Model (Section 11.2), the MPI_COMM_WORLD communicator (or preferably a dedicated duplicate thereof) can be this peer communicator. For applications that use the Sessions Model, or the spawn or join operations, it may be necessary to first create an intra-communicator to be used as the peer communicator.

The application topology functions described in Chapter 8 do not apply to inter-communicators. Users that require this capability should utilize MPI_INTERCOMM_MERGE to build an intra-communicator, then apply the graph or cartesian topology capabilities to that intra-communicator, creating an appropriate topology-oriented intra-communicator. Alternatively, it may be reasonable to devise one’s own application topology mechanisms for this case, without loss of generality.
MPI_Intercomm_create(MPI_Comm local_comm, int local_leader,
    MPI_Comm peer_comm, int remote_leader, int tag,
    MPI_Comm *newintercomm)

    IN local_comm  local intra-communicator (handle)
    IN local_leader rank of local group leader in local_comm (integer)
    IN peer_comm  "peer" communicator; significant only at the local_leader (handle)
    IN remote_leader rank of remote group leader in peer_comm; significant only at the local_leader (integer)
    IN tag  tag (integer)
    OUT newintercomm  new inter-communicator (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Intercomm_create(MPI_Comm local_comm, int local_leader,
    MPI_Comm peer_comm, int remote_leader, int tag,
    MPI_Comm *newintercomm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Intercomm_create(local_comm, local_leader, peer_comm, remote_leader, tag,
    newintercomm, ierr)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: local_comm, peer_comm
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: local_leader, remote_leader, tag
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newintercomm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

Fortran binding
MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE(LOCAL_COMM, LOCAL_LEADER, PEER_COMM, REMOTE_LEADER, TAG,
    NEWINTERCOMM, IERROR)
    INTEGER LOCAL_COMM, LOCAL_LEADER, PEER_COMM, REMOTE_LEADER, TAG,
    NEWINTERCOMM, IERROR

This call creates an inter-communicator. It is collective over the union of the local and remote groups. MPI processes should provide identical local_comm and local_leader arguments within each group. Wildcards are not permitted for remote_leader, local_leader, and tag.

MPI_Intercomm_create_from_groups(MPI_Comm local_comm, int local_leader,
    MPI_Comm peer_comm, int remote_leader, stringtag, info, errhandler, newintercomm)

    IN local_comm  local group (handle)
    IN local_leader rank of local group leader in local_group (integer)
    IN remote_group remote group, significant only at local_leader (handle)
    IN remote_leader rank of remote group leader in remote_group, significant only at local_leader (integer)
    IN stringtag unique idenitifier for this operation (string)
    IN info  info object (handle)
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error handler to be attached to new inter-communicator (handle)

new inter-communicator (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Intercomm_create_from_groups(MPI_Group local_group, int local_leader,
   MPI_Group remote_group, int remote_leader, const char *stringtag,
   MPI_Info info, MPI_Errhandler errhandler, MPI_Comm *newintercomm)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Intercomm_create_from_groups(local_group, local_leader, remote_group,
   remote_leader, stringtag, info, errhandler, newintercomm, ierror)
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUPS(LOCAL_GROUP, LOCAL_LEADER, REMOTE_GROUP,
   REMOTE_LEADER, STRINGTAG, INFO, ERRHANDLER, NEWINTERCOMM, IERROR)
```

This call creates an inter-communicator. Unlike MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE, this function uses as input previously defined, disjoint local and remote groups. The calling MPI process must be a member of the local group. The call is collective over the union of the local and remote groups. All involved MPI processes shall provide an identical value for the stringtag argument. Within each group, all MPI processes shall provide identical local_group, local_leader arguments. Wildcards are not permitted for the remote_leader or local_leader arguments. The stringtag argument serves the same purpose as the stringtag used in the MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP function; it differentiates concurrent calls in a multithreaded environment. The stringtag shall not exceed MPI_MAX_STRINGTAG_LEN characters in length. For C, this includes space for a null terminating character. MPI_MAX_STRINGTAG_LEN shall have a value of at least 63. In the event that MPI_GROUP_EMPTY is supplied as the local_group or remote_group or both, then the call is a local operation and MPI_COMM_NULL is returned as the newintercomm.

The errhandler argument specifies an error handler to be attached to the new inter-communicator. Section 9.3 specifies the error handler to be invoked if an error is encountered during the invocation of MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUPS.

The info argument provides hints and assertions, possibly MPI implementation dependent, which indicate desired characteristics and guide communicator creation.
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MPI\_INTERCOMM\_MERGE(intercomm, high, newintracomm)

- **IN** intercomm: inter-communicator (handle)
- **IN** high: ordering of the local and remote groups in the new intra-communicator (logical)
- **OUT** newintracomm: new intra-communicator (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Intercomm_merge(MPI_Comm intercomm, int high, MPI_Comm *newintracomm)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Intercomm_merge(intercomm, high, newintracomm, ierror)
```

- `TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: intercomm`
- `LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: high`
- `TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newintracomm`
- `INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror`

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI\_INTERCOMM\_MERGE(INTERCOMM, HIGH, NEWINTRACOMM, IERROR)
```

- `INTEGER INTERCOMM, NEWINTRACOMM, IERROR`
- `LOGICAL HIGH`

This function creates an intra-communicator from the union of the two groups that are associated with intercomm. All MPI processes should provide the same high value within each of the two groups. If MPI processes in one group provided the value \( \text{high} = \text{false} \) and MPI processes in the other group provided the value \( \text{high} = \text{true} \) then the union orders the “low” group before the “high” group. If all MPI processes provided the same high argument then the order of the union is arbitrary. This call is blocking and collective within the union of the two groups.

The error handler on the new inter-communicator in each MPI process is inherited from the communicator that contributes the local group. Note that this can result in different MPI processes in the same communicator having different error handlers.

**Advice to implementors.** The implementation of \( \text{MPI\_INTERCOMM\_MERGE}, \text{MPI\_COMM\_FREE}, \text{and MPI\_COMM\_DUP} \) are similar to the implementation of \( \text{MPI\_INTERCOMM\_CREATE} \), except that contexts private to the input inter-communicator are used for communication between group leaders rather than contexts inside a bridge communicator. (End of advice to implementors.)

### 7.6.3 Inter-Communication Examples

#### Example 1: Three-Group “Pipeline”

As shown in Figure 7.4, groups 0 and 1 communicate. Groups 1 and 2 communicate. Therefore, group 0 requires one inter-communicator, group 1 requires two inter-communicators, and group 2 requires 1 inter-communicator.

**Example 7.13.**

```c
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    MPI_Comm myComm; /* intra-communicator of local sub-group */
```
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Figure 7.4: Three-group pipeline

```c
MPI_Comm myFirstComm; /* inter-communicator */
MPI_Comm mySecondComm; /* second inter-communicator (group 1 only) */
int membershipKey;
int rank;

MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);

/* User code must generate membershipKey in the range [0, 1, 2] */
membershipKey = rank % 3;

/* Build intra-communicator for local sub-group */
MPI_Comm_split(MPI_COMM_WORLD, membershipKey, rank, &myComm);

/* Build inter-communicators. Tags are hard-coded. */
if (membershipKey == 0)
{
    /* Group 0 communicates with group 1. */
    MPI_Intercomm_create(myComm, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, 1, 1, &myFirstComm);
}
else if (membershipKey == 1)
{
    /* Group 1 communicates with groups 0 and 2. */
    MPI_Intercomm_create(myComm, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, 0, 1, &myFirstComm);
    MPI_Intercomm_create(myComm, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, 2, 12, &mySecondComm);
}
else if (membershipKey == 2)
{
    /* Group 2 communicates with group 1. */
    MPI_Intercomm_create(myComm, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, 1, 12, &myFirstComm);
}

/* Do work ... */

switch(membershipKey) /* free communicators appropriately */
{
    case 1:
        MPI_Comm_free(&mySecondComm);
        break;
    case 0:
        break;
    case 2:
        MPI_Comm_free(&myFirstComm);
        break;
}

MPI_Finalize();
return 0;
```
Example 2: Three-Group “Ring”

As shown in Figure 7.5, groups 0 and 1 communicate. Groups 1 and 2 communicate. Groups 0 and 2 communicate. Therefore, each requires two inter-communicators.

Example 7.14.

```c
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    MPI_Comm myComm; /* intra-communicator of local sub-group */
    MPI_Comm myFirstComm; /* inter-communicators */
    MPI_Comm mySecondComm;
    int membershipKey;
    int rank;

    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);
    ...

    /* User code must generate membershipKey in the range [0, 1, 2] */
    membershipKey = rank % 3;

    /* Build intra-communicator for local sub-group */
    MPI_Comm_split(MPI_COMM_WORLD, membershipKey, rank, &myComm);

    /* Build inter-communicators. Tags are hard-coded. */
    if (membershipKey == 0)
    {
        /* Group 0 communicates with groups 1 and 2. */
        MPI_Intercomm_create(myComm, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, 1,
                              1, &myFirstComm);
        MPI_Intercomm_create(myComm, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, 2,
                              2, &mySecondComm);
    }
    else if (membershipKey == 1)
    {
        /* Group 1 communicates with groups 0 and 2. */
        MPI_Intercomm_create(myComm, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, 0,
                              1, &myFirstComm);
        MPI_Intercomm_create(myComm, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, 2,
                              12, &mySecondComm);
    }

    ...
else if (membershipKey == 2)
{
    /* Group 2 communicates with groups 0 and 1. */
    MPI_Intercomm_create(myComm, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, 0, 2, &myFirstComm);
    MPI_Intercomm_create(myComm, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, 1, 12, &mySecondComm);
}

/* Do some work ... */

/* Then free communicators before terminating... */
MPI_Comm_free(&myFirstComm);
MPI_Comm_free(&mySecondComm);
MPI_Comm_free(&myComm);
MPI_Finalize();
return 0;

7.7 Caching

MPI provides a “caching” facility that allows an application to attach arbitrary pieces of information, called attributes, to three kinds of MPI objects: communicators, windows, and datatypes. More precisely, the caching facility allows a portable library to do the following:

- pass information between calls by associating it with an MPI intra- or inter-communicator, window, or datatype,
- quickly retrieve that information, and
- be guaranteed that out-of-date information is never retrieved, even if the object is freed and its handle subsequently reused by MPI.

The caching capabilities, in some form, are required by built-in MPI routines such as collective communication and application topology. Defining an interface to these capabilities as part of the MPI standard is valuable because it permits routines like collective communication and application topologies to be implemented as portable code, and also because it makes MPI more extensible by allowing user-written routines to use standard MPI calling sequences.

Advice to users. The communicator MPI_COMM_SELF is a suitable choice for posting MPI process-local attributes, via this attribute-caching mechanism. (End of advice to users.)

Rationale. In one extreme one can allow caching on all opaque handles. The other extreme is to only allow it on communicators. Caching has a cost associated with it and should only be allowed when it is clearly needed and the increased cost is modest. This is the reason that windows and datatypes were added but not other handles. (End of rationale.)
One difficulty is the potential for size differences between Fortran integers and C pointers. For this reason, the Fortran versions of these routines use integers of kind MPI_ADDRESS_KIND.

Advice to implementors. High-quality implementations should raise an error when a keyval that was created by a call to MPI Xxx_CREATE_KEYVAL is used with an object of the wrong type with a call to MPI Yyy_GET_ATTR, MPI Yyy_SET_ATTR, MPI Yyy_DELETE_ATTR, or MPI Yyy_FREE_KEYVAL. To do so, it is necessary to maintain, with each keyval, information on the type of the associated user function. (End of advice to implementors.)

7.7.1 Functionality

Attributes can be attached to communicators, windows, and datatypes. Attributes are local to the MPI process and specific to the communicator to which they are attached. Attributes are not propagated by MPI from one communicator to another except when the communicator is duplicated using MPI COMM DUP, MPI COMM IDUP, MPI COMM DUP WITH INFO, and MPI COMM IDUP WITH INFO (and even then the application must give specific permission through callback functions for the attribute to be copied. Please refer to Section 7.4.2 and Section 7.7.2 for attributes propagation rules).

Advice to users. Attributes in C are of type void*. Typically, such an attribute will be a pointer to a structure that contains further information, or a handle to an MPI object. In Fortran, attributes are of type INTEGER. Such attribute can be a handle to an MPI object, or just an integer-valued attribute. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. Attributes are scalar values, equal in size to, or larger than a C-language pointer. Attributes can always hold an MPI handle. (End of advice to implementors.)

The caching interface defined here requires that attributes be stored by MPI opaquely within a communicator, window, or datatype. Accessor functions include the following:

- obtain a key value (used to identify an attribute); the user specifies “callback” functions by which MPI informs the application when the communicator is destroyed or copied.
- store and retrieve the value of an attribute;

Advice to implementors. Caching and callback functions are only called synchronously, in response to explicit application requests. This avoids problems that result from repeated crossings between user and system space. (This synchronous calling rule is a general property of MPI.)

The choice of key values is under control of MPI. This allows MPI to optimize its implementation of attribute sets. It also avoids conflict between independent modules caching information on the same communicators.

A much smaller interface, consisting of just a callback facility, would allow the entire caching facility to be implemented by portable code. However, with the minimal callback interface, some form of table searching is implied by the need to handle arbitrary
communicators. In contrast, the more complete interface defined here permits rapid access to attributes through the use of pointers in communicators (to find the attribute table) and cleverly chosen key values (to retrieve individual attributes). In light of the efficiency “hit” inherent in the minimal interface, the more complete interface defined here is seen to be superior. (*End of advice to implementors.*

MPI provides the following services related to caching. They are all MPI process local.

7.7.2 Communicators

Functions for caching on communicators are:

```c
MPI_COMM_CREATE_KEYVAL(comm_copy_attr_fn, comm_delete_attr_fn, comm_keyval,
extra_state)
```

- **IN** `comm_copy_attr_fn` copy callback function for `comm_keyval` (function)
- **IN** `comm_delete_attr_fn` delete callback function for `comm_keyval` (function)
- **OUT** `comm_keyval` key value for future access (integer)
- **IN** `extra_state` extra state for callback function

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Comm_create_keyval(MPI_Comm_copy_attr_function *comm_copy_attr_fn,
MPI_Comm_delete_attr_function *comm_delete_attr_fn,
int *comm_keyval, void *extra_state)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Comm_create_keyval(comm_copy_attr_fn, comm_delete_attr_fn, comm_keyval,
extra_state, ierror)
```

- PROCEDURE(MPI_Comm_copy_attr_function) :: comm_copy_attr_fn
- PROCEDURE(MPI_Comm_delete_attr_function) :: comm_delete_attr_fn
- INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: comm_keyval
- INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: extra_state
- INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_COMM_CREATE_KEYVAL(COMM_COPY_ATTR_FN, COMM_DELETE_ATTR_FN, COMM_KEYVAL,
EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
```

Generates a new attribute key. Keys are locally unique in an MPI process, and opaque to user, though they are explicitly stored in integers. Once allocated, the key value can be used to associate attributes and access them on any locally defined communicator.

The C callback functions are:

```c
typedef int MPI_Comm_copy_attr_function(MPI_Comm oldcomm, int comm_keyval,
void *extra_state, void *attribute_val_in,
void *attribute_val_out, int *flag);
```
and

typedef int MPI_Comm_delete_attr_function(MPI_Comm comm, int comm_keyval,
  void *attribute_val, void *extra_state);

which are the same as the MPI-1.1 calls but with a new name. The old names are deprecated.
With the mpi_f08 module, the Fortran callback functions are:

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_Comm_copy_attr_function(oldcomm, comm_keyval, extra_state,
    attribute_val_in, attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm) :: oldcomm
  INTEGER :: comm_keyval, ierror
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state, attribute_val_in,
    attribute_val_out
  LOGICAL :: flag

and

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_Comm_delete_attr_function(comm, comm_keyval, attribute_val,
    extra_state, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm) :: comm
  INTEGER :: comm_keyval, ierror
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: attribute_val, extra_state

With the mpi module and (deprecated) mpif.h include file, the Fortran callback functions are:

SUBROUTINE COMM_COPY_ATTR_FUNCTION(OLDCOMM, COMM_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE,
  ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER OLDCOMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN,
    ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT
  LOGICAL FLAG

and

SUBROUTINE COMM_DELETE_ATTR_FUNCTION(COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL,
  EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE

The \texttt{comm\_copy\_attr\_fn} function is invoked when a communicator is duplicated by
\texttt{MPI\_COMM\_DUP}, \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_IDUP}, \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_DUP\_WITH\_INFO} or
\texttt{MPI\_COMM\_IDUP\_WITH\_INFO}. \texttt{comm\_copy\_attr\_fn} should be of type
\texttt{MPI\_Comm\_copy\_attr\_function}. The copy callback function is invoked for each key value in
\texttt{oldcomm} in arbitrary order. Each call to the copy callback is made with a key value and its
 corresponding attribute. If it returns \texttt{flag = 0} or \texttt{.FALSE.}, then the attribute is deleted in
the duplicated communicator. Otherwise (\texttt{flag = 1} or \texttt{.TRUE.}), the new attribute value is set
to the value returned in \texttt{attribute\_val\_out}. The function returns \texttt{MPI\_SUCCESS} on success
and an error code on failure (in which case \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_DUP} or \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_IDUP} will fail).

The argument \texttt{comm\_copy\_attr\_fn} may be specified as \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_NULL\_COPY\_FN}
or \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_DUP\_FN} from either C or Fortran. \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_NULL\_COPY\_FN} is a
function that does nothing other than returning \texttt{flag = 0} or \texttt{.FALSE.} (depending on whether
the keyval was created with a C or Fortran binding to `MPI_COMM_CREATE_KEYVAL`) and `MPI_SUCCESS`. `MPI_COMM_DUP_FN` is a simple copy function that sets `flag` = 1 or `.TRUE.`, returns the value of `attribute_val_in` in `attribute_val_out`, and returns `MPI_SUCCESS`. These replace the MPI-1 predefined callbacks `MPI_NULL_COPY_FN` and `MPI_DUP_FN`, whose use is deprecated.

**Advice to users.** Even though both formal arguments `attribute_val_in` and `attribute_val_out` are of type `void*`, their usage differs. The C copy function is passed by MPI in `attribute_val_in` the value of the attribute, and in `attribute_val_out` the address of the attribute, so as to allow the function to return the (new) attribute value. The use of type `void*` for both is to avoid messy type casts.

A valid copy function is one that completely duplicates the information by making a full duplicate copy of the data structures implied by an attribute; another might just make another reference to that data structure, while using a reference-count mechanism. Other types of attributes might not copy at all (they might be specific to `oldcomm` only). *(End of advice to users.)*

**Advice to implementors.** A C interface should be assumed for copy and delete functions associated with key values created in C; a Fortran calling interface should be assumed for key values created in Fortran. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

Analogous to `comm_copy_attr_fn` is a callback deletion function, defined as follows. The `comm_delete_attr_fn` function is invoked when a communicator is deleted by `MPI_COMM_FREE`, `MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT` or when a call is made explicitly to `MPI_COMM_DELETE_ATTR`. `comm_delete_attr_fn` should be of type `MPI_Comm_delete_attr_fn`.

This function is called by `MPI_COMM_FREE`, `MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT`, `MPI_COMM_DELETE_ATTR`, and `MPI_COMM_SET_ATTR` to do whatever is needed to remove an attribute. The function returns `MPI_SUCCESS` on success and an error code on failure (in which case `MPI_COMM_FREE` will fail).

The argument `comm_delete_attr_fn` may be specified as `MPI_COMM_NULL_DELETE_FN` from either C or Fortran. `MPI_COMM_NULL_DELETE_FN` is a function that does nothing, other than returning `MPI_SUCCESS`. `MPI_COMM_NULL_DELETE_FN` replaces `MPI_NULL_DELETE_FN`, whose use is deprecated.

If an attribute copy function or attribute delete function returns other than `MPI_SUCCESS`, then the call that caused it to be invoked (for example, `MPI_COMM_FREE`) is erroneous.

The special key value `MPI_KEYVAL_INVALID` is never returned by `MPI_COMM_CREATE_KEYVAL`. Therefore, it can be used for static initialization of key values.

**Advice to implementors.** The predefined Fortran functions `MPI_COMM_NULL_COPY_FN`, `MPI_COMM_DUP_FN`, and `MPI_COMM_NULL_DELETE_FN` are defined in the `mpi` module (and deprecated `mpif.h`) and the `mpi_f08` module with the same name, but with different interfaces. Each function can coexist twice with the same name in the same MPI library, one routine as an implicit interface outside of the `mpi` module, i.e., declared as `EXTERNAL`,
and the other routine within mpi_f08 declared with CONTAINS. These routines have different link names, which are also different to the link names used for the routines used in C. (End of advice to implementors.)

Advice to users. Callbacks, including the predefined Fortran functions

\texttt{MPI\_COMM\_NULL\_COPY\_FN}, \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_DUP\_FN}, and

\texttt{MPI\_COMM\_NULL\_DELETE\_FN} should not be passed from one application routine that uses the mpi_f08 module to another application routine that uses the mpi module or (deprecated) mpif.h include file, and vice versa; see also the advice to users on page 842. (End of advice to users.)

MPI\_COMM\_FREE\_KEYVAL\(\text{comm\_keyval}\)

\begin{verbatim}
INOUT       comm_keyval       key value (integer)
\end{verbatim}

C binding

\texttt{int MPI\_Comm\_free\_keyval(int *comm\_keyval)}

Fortran 2008 binding

\texttt{MPI\_Comm\_free\_keyval(comm\_keyval, ierror)}

\begin{verbatim}
INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: comm_keyval
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

Fortran binding

\texttt{MPI\_COMM\_FREE\_KEYVAL(COMM\_KEYVAL, IERROR)}

\begin{verbatim}
INTEGER COMM\_KEYVAL, IERROR
\end{verbatim}

Frees an extant attribute key. This function sets the value of \texttt{keyval} to \texttt{MPI\_KEYVAL\_INVALID}. Note that it is not erroneous to free an attribute key that is in use, because the actual free does not transpire until after all references (in other communicators on the MPI process) to the key have been freed. These references need to be explicitly freed by the program, either via calls to \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_DELETE\_ATTR} that free one attribute instance, or by calls to \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_FREE} that free all attribute instances associated with the freed communicator.

MPI\_COMM\_SET\_ATTR\(\text{comm, comm\_keyval, attribute\_val}\)

\begin{verbatim}
INOUT       comm                communicator to which attribute will be attached
            (handle)
IN          comm\_keyval        key value (integer)
IN          attribute\_val      attribute value
\end{verbatim}

C binding

\texttt{int MPI\_Comm\_set\_attr(MPI\_Comm comm, int comm\_keyval, void *attribute\_val)}

Fortran 2008 binding

\texttt{MPI\_Comm\_set\_attr(comm, comm\_keyval, attribute\_val, ierror)}

\begin{verbatim}
TYPE(MPI\_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
\end{verbatim}
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: comm_keyval
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: attribute_val
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_SET_ATTR(COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR)
   INTEGER COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL

This function stores the stipulated attribute value attribute_val for subsequent retrieval
by MPI_COMM_GET_ATTR. If the value is already present, then the outcome is as if
MPI_COMM_DELETE_ATTR was first called to delete the previous value (and the callback
function comm_delete_attr_fn was executed), and a new value was next stored. The call
is erroneous if there is no key with value keyval; in particular MPI_KEYVAL_INVALID is an
erroneous key value. The call will fail if the comm_delete_attr_fn function returned an error
code other than MPI_SUCCESS.

MPI_COMM_GET_ATTR(comm, comm_keyval, attribute_val, flag)
IN comm communicator to which the attribute is attached
   (handle)
IN comm_keyval key value (integer)
OUT attribute_val attribute value, unless flag = false
OUT flag false if no attribute is associated with the key
   (logical)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_get_attr(MPI_Comm comm, int comm_keyval, void *attribute_val,
   int *flag)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_get_attr(comm, comm_keyval, attribute_val, flag, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: comm_keyval
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: attribute_val
   LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_GET_ATTR(COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, FLAG, IERROR)
   INTEGER COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL
   LOGICAL FLAG

Retrieves attribute value by key. The call is erroneous if there is no key with value
keyval. On the other hand, the call is correct if the key value exists, but no attribute is
attached on comm for that key; in such case, the call returns flag = false. In particular
MPI_KEYVAL_INVALID is an erroneous key value.
Advice to users. The call to \texttt{MPI\_Comm\_set\_attr} passes in \texttt{attribute\_val} the \textit{value} of the attribute; the call to \texttt{MPI\_Comm\_get\_attr} passes in \texttt{attribute\_val} the \textit{address} of the location where the attribute value is to be returned. Thus, if the attribute value itself is a pointer of type \texttt{void*}, then the actual \texttt{attribute\_val} parameter to \texttt{MPI\_Comm\_set\_attr} will be of type \texttt{void*} and the actual \texttt{attribute\_val} parameter to \texttt{MPI\_Comm\_get\_attr} will be of type \texttt{void**}. (End of advice to users.)

Rationale. The use of a formal parameter \texttt{attribute\_val} of type \texttt{void*} (rather than \texttt{void**}) avoids the messy type casting that would be needed if the attribute value is declared with a type other than \texttt{void*}. (End of rationale.)

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_COMM\_DELETE\_ATTR(comm, comm_keyval)
  INOUT comm   communicator from which the attribute is deleted (handle)
  IN comm_keyval key value (integer)

C binding
int MPI\_delete\_attr(MPI\_Comm comm, int comm_keyval)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI\_Comm\_delete\_attr(comm, comm_keyval, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI\_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: comm_keyval
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI\_COMM\_DELETE\_ATTR(COMM, COMM\_KEYVAL, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, COMM\_KEYVAL, IERROR

Delete attribute from cache by key. This function invokes the attribute delete function \texttt{comm\_delete\_attr\_fn} specified when the \texttt{keyval} was created. The call will fail if the \texttt{comm\_delete\_attr\_fn} function returns an error code other than \texttt{MPI\_SUCCESS}.

Whenever a communicator is replicated using the function \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_DUP}, \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_IDUP}, \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_DUP\_WITH\_INFO} or \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_IDUP\_WITH\_INFO}, all call-back copy functions for attributes that are currently set are invoked (in arbitrary order). Whenever a communicator is deleted using the function \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_FREE} all callback delete functions for attributes that are currently set are invoked.

7.7.3 Windows

The functions for caching on windows are:
MPI_WIN_CREATE_KEYVAL(win_copy_attr_fn, win_delete_attr_fn, win_keyval, extra_state)

IN  win_copy_attr_fn  copy callback function for win_keyval (function)
IN  win_delete_attr_fn  delete callback function for win_keyval (function)
OUT win_keyval  key value for future access (integer)
IN  extra_state  extra state for callback function

C binding
int MPI_Win_create_keyval(MPI_Win_copy_attr_function *win_copy_attr_fn,
MPI_Win_delete_attr_function *win_delete_attr_fn,
int *win_keyval, void *extra_state)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_create_keyval(win_copy_attr_fn, win_delete_attr_fn, win_keyval,
extra_state, ierror)
PROCEDURE(MPI_Win_copy_attr_function) :: win_copy_attr_fn
PROCEDURE(MPI_Win_delete_attr_function) :: win_delete_attr_fn
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: win_keyval
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: extra_state
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_CREATE_KEYVAL(WIN_COPY_ATTR_FN, WIN_DELETE_ATTR_FN, WIN_KEYVAL,
EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
EXTERNAL WIN_COPY_ATTR_FN, WIN_DELETE_ATTR_FN
INTEGER WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE

The argument win_copy_attr_fn may be specified as MPI_WIN_NULL_COPY_FN or
MPI_WIN_DUP_FN from either C or Fortran.  MPI_WIN_NULL_COPY_FN is a function
that does nothing other than returning flag = 0 and MPI_SUCCESS.  MPI_WIN_DUP_FN is
a simple copy function that sets flag = 1, returns the value of attribute_val_in in
attribute_val_out, and returns MPI_SUCCESS.

The argument win_delete_attr_fn may be specified as MPI_WIN_NULL_DELETE_FN
from either C or Fortran.  MPI_WIN_NULL_DELETE_FN is a function that does nothing,
other than returning MPI_SUCCESS.

The C callback functions are:
typedef int MPI_Win_copy_attr_function(MPI_Win oldwin, int win_keyval,
void *extra_state, void *attribute_val_in,
void *attribute_val_out, int *flag);

and
typedef int MPI_Win_delete_attr_function(MPI_Win win, int win_keyval,
void *attribute_val, void *extra_state);

With the mpi_f08 module, the Fortran callback functions are:
ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Win_copy_attr_function(oldwin, win_keyval, extra_state,
attribute_val_in, attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Win) :: oldwin
INTEGER :: win_keyval, ierror
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state, attribute_val_in,
attribute_val_out
LOGICAL :: flag

and

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Win_delete_attr_function(win, win_keyval, attribute_val,
extra_state, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Win) :: win
INTEGER :: win_keyval, ierror
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: attribute_val, extra_state

With the mpi module and (deprecated) mpif.h include file, the Fortran callback functions
are:
SUBROUTINE WIN_COPY_ATTR_FUNCTION(OLDWIN, WIN_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE,
ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)
INTEGER OLDWIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN,
ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT
LOGICAL FLAG

and

SUBROUTINE WIN_DELETE_ATTR_FUNCTION(WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL,
EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE

If an attribute copy function or attribute delete function returns other than
MPI_SUCCESS, then the call that caused it to be invoked (for example, MPI_WIN_FREE), is
erroneous.

MPI_WIN_FREE_KEYVAL(win_keyval)
INOUT win_keyval key value (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Win_free_keyval(int *win_keyval)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_free_keyval(win_keyval, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: win_keyval
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_FREE_KEYVAL(WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
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MPI_WIN_SET_ATTR(win, win_keyval, attribute_val)

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C binding

int MPI_Win_set_attr(MPI_Win win, int win_keyval, void *attribute_val)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Win_set_attr(win, win_keyval, attribute_val, ierror)

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Fortran binding

MPI_WIN_SET_ATTR(WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR)

INTEGER WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR

MPI_WIN_GET_ATTR(win, win_keyval, attribute_val, flag)

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C binding

int MPI_Win_get_attr(MPI_Win win, int win_keyval, void *attribute_val, int *flag)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Win_get_attr(win, win_keyval, attribute_val, flag, ierr)

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Fortran binding

MPI_WIN_GET_ATTR(WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, FLAG, IERROR)

INTEGER WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, FLAG, IERROR

LOGICAL FLAG
MPI_WIN_DELETE_ATTR(win, win_keyval)

INOUT  win  window from which the attribute is deleted (handle)
IN     win_keyval  key value (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Win_delete_attr(MPI_Win win, int win_keyval)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_delete_attr(win, win_keyval, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: win_keyval
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_DELETE_ATTR(WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR

7.7.4 Datatypes
The new functions for caching on datatypes are:

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_KEYVAL(type_copy_attr_fn, type_delete_attr_fn, type_keyval, extra_state)

IN  type_copy_attr_fn  copy callback function for type_keyval (function)
IN  type_delete_attr_fn  delete callback function for type_keyval (function)
OUT type_keyval  key value for future access (integer)
IN  extra_state  extra state for callback function

C binding
int MPI_Type_create_keyval(MPI_Type_copy_attr_function *type_copy_attr_fn, MPI_Type_delete_attr_function *type_delete_attr_fn, int *type_keyval, void *extra_state)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_create_keyval(type_copy_attr_fn, type_delete_attr_fn, type_keyval, extra_state, ierror)
  PROCEDURE(MPI_Type_copy_attr_function) :: type_copy_attr_fn
  PROCEDURE(MPI_Type_delete_attr_function) :: type_delete_attr_fn
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: type_keyval
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: extra_state
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_KEYVAL(TYPE_COPY_ATTR_FN, TYPE_DELETE_ATTR_FN, TYPE_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
  EXTERNAL TYPE_COPY_ATTR_FN, TYPE_DELETE_ATTR_FN
  INTEGER TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
The argument type_copy_attr_fn may be specified as MPI_TYPE_NULL_COPY_FN or MPI_TYPE_DUP_FN from either C or Fortran. MPI_TYPE_NULL_COPY_FN is a function that does nothing other than returning flag = 0 and MPI_SUCCESS. MPI_TYPE_DUP_FN is a simple copy function that sets flag = 1, returns the value of attribute_val_in in attribute_val_out, and returns MPI_SUCCESS.

The argument type_delete_attr_fn may be specified as MPI_TYPE_NULL_DELETE_FN from either C or Fortran. MPI_TYPE_NULL_DELETE_FN is a function that does nothing, other than returning MPI_SUCCESS.

The C callback functions are:

```c
typedef int MPI_Type_copy_attr_function(MPI_Datatype oldtype, int type_keyval,
                                         void *extra_state, void *attribute_val_in,
                                         void *attribute_val_out, int *flag);
```

and

```c
typedef int MPI_Type_delete_attr_function(MPI_Datatype datatype,
                                         int type_keyval, void *attribute_val, void *extra_state);
```

With the mpi_f08 module, the Fortran callback functions are:

```fortran
ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Type_copy_attr_function(oldtype, type_keyval, extra_state,
                                         attribute_val_in, attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: oldtype
   INTEGER :: type_keyval, ierror
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state, attribute_val_in,
                                         attribute_val_out
   LOGICAL :: flag
```

and

```fortran
ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Type_delete_attr_function(datatype, type_keyval, extra_state, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
   INTEGER :: type_keyval, ierror
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: attribute_val, extra_state
```

With the mpi module and (deprecated) mpif.h include file, the Fortran callback functions are:

```fortran
SUBROUTINE TYPE_COPY_ATTR_FUNCTION(OLDTYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE,
                                   ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)
   INTEGER OLDTYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN,
                                   ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT
   LOGICAL FLAG
```

and

```fortran
SUBROUTINE TYPE_DELETE_ATTR_FUNCTION(DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL,
                                    EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
   INTEGER DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE
```
If an attribute copy function or attribute delete function returns other than MPI_SUCCESS, then the call that caused it to be invoked (for example, MPI_TYPE_FREE), is erroneous.

MPI_TYPE_FREE_KEYVAL(type_keyval)

C binding
int MPI_Type_free_keyval(int *type_keyval)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_free_keyval(type_keyval, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: type_keyval
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_FREE_KEYVAL(TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR)
   INTEGER TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_SET_ATTR(datatype, type_keyval, attribute_val)

C binding
int MPI_Type_set_attr(MPI_Datatype datatype, int type_keyval,
   void *attribute_val)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_set_attr(datatype, type_keyval, attribute_val, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: type_keyval
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: attribute_val
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_SET_ATTR(DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR)
   INTEGER DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL
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MPI_TYPE_GET_ATTR(datatype, type_keyval, attribute_val, flag)

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<td>flag</td>
<td>false if no attribute is associated with the key (logical)</td>
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C binding

```c
int MPI_Type_get_attr(MPI_Datatype datatype, int type_keyval,
                      void *attribute_val, int *flag)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Type_get_attr(datatype, type_keyval, attribute_val, flag, ierror)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_TYPE_GET_ATTR(DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, FLAG, IERROR)
```

MPI_TYPE_DELETE_ATTR(datatype, type_keyval)

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<td>INOUT</td>
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<td>datatype from which the attribute is deleted (handle)</td>
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<tr>
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<td>type_keyval</td>
<td>key value (integer)</td>
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C binding

```c
int MPI_Type_delete_attr(MPI_Datatype datatype, int type_keyval)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Type_delete_attr(datatype, type_keyval, ierror)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_TYPE_DELETE_ATTR(DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR)
```

7.7.5 Error Class for Invalid Keyval

Key values for attributes are system-allocated, by
MPI_{XXX}_CREATE_KEYVAL. Only such values can be passed to the functions that use
key values as input arguments. In order to signal that an erroneous key value has been passed to one of these functions, there is a new MPI error class: MPI_ERR_KEYVAL. It can be returned by MPI_ATTR_PUT, MPI_ATTR_GET, MPI_ATTR_DELETE, MPI_KEYVAL_FREE, MPI_{XXX}_DELETE_ATTR, MPI_{XXX}_SET_ATTR, MPI_{XXX}_GET_ATTR, MPI_{XXX}_FREE_KEYVAL, MPI_COMM_DUP, MPI_COMM_IDUP, MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO, MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO, MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT, and MPI_COMM_FREE. The last six are included because keyval is an argument to the copy and delete functions for attributes.

7.7.6 Attributes Example

Advice to users. This example shows how to write a collective communication operation that uses caching to be more efficient after the first call. (End of advice to users.)

```c
/* key for this module's stuff: */
static int gop_key = MPI_KEYVAL_INVALID;

typedef struct
{
    int ref_count;  /* reference count */
    /* other stuff, whatever else we want */
} gop_stuff_type;

void Efficient_Collective_Op(MPI_Comm comm, ...)
{
    gop_stuff_type *gop_stuff;
    MPI_Group group;
    int foundflag;

    MPI_Comm_group(comm, &group);

    if (gop_key == MPI_KEYVAL_INVALID) /* get a key on first call ever */
    {
        if ( ! MPI_Comm_create_keyval(gop_stuff_copier,
                                       gop_stuff_destructor,
                                       &gop_key, NULL)) {
            /* get the key while assigning its copy and delete callback
               behavior. */
        } else
            MPI_Abort(comm, 99);
    }

    MPI_Comm_get_attr(comm, gop_key, &gop_stuff, &foundflag);
    if (foundflag)
    { /* This module has executed in this group before. 
       We will use the cached information */
    }
    else
    { /* This is a group that we have not yet cached anything in. 
       We will now do so.
    */
```

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/* First, allocate storage for the stuff we want,
 and initialize the reference count */

gop_stuff = (gop_stuff_type *) malloc(sizeof(gop_stuff_type));
if (gop_stuff == NULL) { /* abort on out-of-memory error */ }

gop_stuff->ref_count = 1;

/* Second, fill in *gop_stuff with whatever we want.
 This part isn’t shown here */

/* Third, store gop_stuff as the attribute value */
MPI_Comm_set_attr(comm, gop_key, gop_stuff);

/* Then, in any case, use contents of *gop_stuff
 to do the global op ... */

/* The following routine is called by MPI when a group is freed */

int gop_stuff_destructor(MPI_Comm comm, int keyval, void *gop_stuffP,
 void *extra)
{
gop_stuff_type *gop_stuff = (gop_stuff_type *)gop_stuffP;
if (keyval != gop_key) { /* abort -- programming error */ }

/* The group’s being freed removes one reference to gop_stuff */
gop_stuff->ref_count -= 1;

/* If no references remain, then free the storage */
if (gop_stuff->ref_count == 0) {
    free((void *)gop_stuff);
}
return MPI_SUCCESS;
}

/* The following routine is called by MPI when a group is copied */

int gop_stuff_copier(MPI_Comm comm, int keyval, void *extra,
 void *gop_stuff_inP, void *gop_stuff_outP, int *flag)
{
gop_stuff_type *gop_stuff_in = (gop_stuff_type *)gop_stuff_inP;
gop_stuff_type **gop_stuff_out = (gop_stuff_type **)gop_stuff_outP;
if (keyval != gop_key) { /* abort -- programming error */ }

/* The new group adds one reference to this gop_stuff */
gop_stuff_in->ref_count += 1;
*gop_stuff_out = gop_stuff_in;
return MPI_SUCCESS;
7.8 Naming Objects

There are many occasions on which it would be useful to allow a user to associate a printable identifier with an MPI communicator, window, or datatype, for instance error reporting, debugging, and profiling. The names attached to opaque objects do not propagate when the object is duplicated or copied by MPI routines. For communicators this can be achieved using the following two functions.

```
MPI_COMM_SET_NAME(comm, comm_name)
```

- **INOUT** `comm` communicator whose identifier is to be set (handle)
- **IN** `comm_name` the character string that is remembered as the name (string)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Comm_set_name(MPI_Comm comm, const char *comm_name)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Comm_set_name(comm, comm_name, ierror)
```

- `TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm`
- `CHARACTER(LEN=*), INTENT(IN) :: comm_name`
- `INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror`

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_COMM_SET_NAME(COMM, COMM_NAME, IERROR)
```

- `INTEGER COMM, IERROR`
- `CHARACTER*(*) COMM_NAME`

`MPI_COMM_SET_NAME` allows a user to associate a name string with a communicator. The character string that is passed to `MPI_COMM_SET_NAME` will be saved inside the MPI library (so it can be freed by the caller immediately after the call, or allocated on the stack). Leading spaces in `name` are significant but trailing ones are not.

`MPI_COMM_SET_NAME` is a local (noncollective) operation, which only affects the name of the communicator as seen in the MPI process that made the `MPI_COMM_SET_NAME` call. There is no requirement that the same (or any) name be assigned to a communicator in every MPI process where it exists.

*Advice to users.* Since `MPI_COMM_SET_NAME` is provided to help debug code, it is sensible to give the same name to a communicator in all of the MPI processes where it exists, to avoid confusion. (End of advice to users.)

The length of the name that can be stored is limited to the value of `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME` in Fortran and `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME-1` in C to allow for the null terminator. Attempts to put names longer than this will result in truncation of the name. `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME` must have a value of at least 64.

*Advice to users.* Under circumstances of store exhaustion an attempt to put a name of any length could fail, therefore the value of `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME` should be viewed only as a strict upper bound on the name length, not a guarantee that setting names of less than this length will always succeed. (End of advice to users.)
Advice to implementors. Implementations that pre-allocate a fixed size space for a name should use the length of that allocation as the value of `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME`. Implementations that allocate space for the name from the heap should still define `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME` to be a relatively small value, since the user has to allocate space for a string of up to this size when calling `MPI_COMM_GET_NAME`. (End of advice to implementors.)

```
MPI_COMM_GET_NAME(comm, comm_name, resultlen)
```

**IN** comm communicator whose name is to be returned (handle)

**OUT** comm_name the name previously stored on the communicator, or an empty string if no such name exists (string)

**OUT** resultlen length of returned name (integer)

C binding
```
int MPI_Comm_get_name(MPI_Comm comm, char *comm_name, int *resultlen)
```

Fortran 2008 binding
```
MPI_Comm_get_name(comm, comm_name, resultlen, ierror)
```

| TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm |
| CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME), INTENT(OUT) :: comm_name |
| INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: resultlen |
| INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror |

Fortran binding
```
MPI_COMM_GET_NAME(COMM, COMM_NAME, RESULTLEN, IERROR)
```

| INTEGER COMM, RESULTLEN, IERROR |
| CHARACTER(*) COMM_NAME |

`MPI_COMM_GET_NAME` returns the last name that has previously been associated with the given communicator. The name may be set and retrieved from any language. The same name will be returned independent of the language used. `comm_name` should be allocated so that it can hold a resulting string of length `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME` characters. `MPI_COMM_GET_NAME` returns a copy of the set name in `comm_name`.

In C, a null character is additionally stored at `comm_name[resultlen]`. The value of `resultlen` cannot be larger than `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME-1`. In Fortran, `comm_name` is padded on the right with blank characters. The value of `resultlen` cannot be larger than `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME`.

If the user has not associated a name with a communicator, or an error occurs, `MPI_COMM_GET_NAME` will return an empty string (all spaces in Fortran, "" in C). The three predefined communicators will have predefined names associated with them. Thus, the names of `MPI_COMM_WORLD`, `MPI_COMM_SELF`, and the communicator returned by `MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT` (if not `MPI_COMM_NULL`) will have the default of "MPI_COMM_WORLD", "MPI_COMM_SELF", and "MPI_COMM_PARENT". Passing `MPI_COMM_NULL` as `comm` will return the string "MPI_COMM_NULL". The fact that the system may have chosen to give a default name to a communicator does not prevent the user from setting a name on the same communicator; doing this removes the old name and assigns the new one.
Rationale. We provide separate functions for setting and getting the name of a communicator, rather than simply providing a predefined attribute key for the following reasons:

- It is not, in general, possible to store a string as an attribute from Fortran.
- It is not easy to set up the delete function for a string attribute unless it is known to have been allocated from the heap.
- To make the attribute key useful additional code to call `strdup` is necessary. If this is not standardized then users have to write it. This is extra unneeded work that we can easily eliminate.
- The Fortran binding is not trivial to write (it will depend on details of the Fortran compilation system), and will not be portable. Therefore it should be in the library rather than in user code.

(End of rationale.)

Advice to users. The above definition means that it is safe simply to print the string returned by `MPI_COMM_GET_NAME`, as it is always a valid string even if there was no name.

Note that associating a name with a communicator has no effect on the semantics of an MPI program, and will (necessarily) increase the store requirement of the program, since the names must be saved. Therefore there is no requirement that users use these functions to associate names with communicators. However debugging and profiling MPI applications may be made easier if names are associated with communicators, since the debugger or profiler should then be able to present information in a less cryptic manner. (End of advice to users.)

The following functions are used for setting and getting names of datatypes. The constant `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME` also applies to these names.

```c
MPI_TYPE_SET_NAME(datatype, type_name)

INOUT    datatype  datatype whose identifier is to be set (handle)
IN      type_name  the character string that is remembered as the name (string)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_Type_set_name(MPI_Datatype datatype, const char *type_name)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Type_set_name(datatype, type_name, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  CHARACTER(LEN=*_), INTENT(IN) :: type_name
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_TYPE_SET_NAME(DATATYPE, TYPE_NAME, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
  CHARACTER*(*) TYPE_NAME
```
7.8 Naming Objects

MPI_TYPE_GET_NAME(datatype, type_name, resultlen)

IN    datatype          datatype whose name is to be returned (handle)
OUT   type_name         the name previously stored on the datatype, or an
                        empty string if no such name exists (string)
OUT   resultlen         length of returned name (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Type_get_name(MPI_Datatype datatype, char *type_name, int *resultlen)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_get_name(datatype, type_name, resultlen, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME), INTENT(OUT) :: type_name
   INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: resultlen
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_GET_NAME(DATATYPE, TYPE_NAME, RESULTLEN, IERROR)
   INTEGER DATATYPE, RESULTLEN, IERROR
   CHARACTER(*) TYPE_NAME

Named predefined datatypes have the default names of the datatype name. For example, MPI_WCHAR has the default name of "MPI_WCHAR". Passing MPI_DATATYPE_NULL as datatype will return the string "MPI_DATATYPE_NULL".

The following functions are used for setting and getting names of windows. The constant MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME also applies to these names.

MPI_WIN_SET_NAME(win, win_name)

INOUT  win     window whose identifier is to be set (handle)
IN     win_name the character string that is remembered as the name (string)

C binding
int MPI_Win_set_name(MPI_Win win, const char *win_name)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_set_name(win, win_name, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
   CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: win_name
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_SET_NAME(WIN, WIN_NAME, IERROR)
   INTEGER WIN, IERROR
   CHARACTER(*) WIN_NAME
MPI_WIN_GET_NAME(win, win_name, resultlen)

IN win window whose name is to be returned (handle)

OUT win_name the name previously stored on the window, or an empty string if no such name exists (string)

OUT resultlen length of returned name (integer)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Win_get_name(MPI_Win win, char *win_name, int *resultlen)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Win_get_name(win, win_name, resultlen, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME), INTENT(OUT) :: win_name
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: resultlen
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_WIN_GET_NAME(WIN, WIN_NAME, RESULTLEN, IERROR)
```

```fortran
  INTEGER WIN, RESULTLEN, IERROR
  CHARACTER(*)(*) WIN_NAME
```

Passing MPI_WIN_NULL as win will return the string "MPI_WIN_NULL".

### 7.9 Formalizing the Loosely Synchronous Model

In this section, we make further statements about the loosely synchronous model, with particular attention to intra-communication.

#### 7.9.1 Basic Statements

When a caller passes a communicator (that contains a context and group) to a callee, that communicator must be free of side effects throughout execution of the subprogram: there should be no active operations on that communicator that might involve the MPI process. This provides one model in which libraries can be written, and work “safely.” For libraries so designated, the callee has permission to do whatever communication it likes with the communicator, and under the above guarantee knows that no other communications will interfere. Since we permit good implementations to create new communicators without synchronization (such as by preallocated contexts on communicators), this does not impose a significant overhead.

This form of safety is analogous to other common computer-science usages, such as passing a descriptor of an array to a library routine. The library routine has every right to expect such a descriptor to be valid and modifiable.

#### 7.9.2 Models of Execution

In the loosely synchronous model, transfer of control to a **parallel procedure** is effected by having each executing MPI process invoke the procedure. The invocation is a collective operation: it is executed by all MPI processes in the execution group, and invocations are similarly ordered at all MPI processes. However, the invocation need not be synchronized.

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We say that a parallel procedure is active in an MPI process if the MPI process belongs to a group that may collectively execute the procedure, and some member of that group is currently executing the procedure code. If a parallel procedure is active in an MPI process, then this MPI process may be receiving messages pertaining to this procedure, even if it does not currently execute the code of this procedure.

**Static Communicator Allocation**

This covers the case where, at any point in time, at most one invocation of a parallel procedure can be active at any MPI process, and the group of executing MPI processes is fixed. For example, all invocations of parallel procedures involve all MPI processes, MPI processes are single-threaded, and there are no recursive invocations.

In such a case, a communicator can be statically allocated to each procedure. The static allocation can be done in a preamble, as part of initialization code. If the parallel procedures can be organized into libraries, so that only one procedure of each library can be concurrently active in each processor, then it is sufficient to allocate one communicator per library.

**Dynamic Communicator Allocation**

Calls of parallel procedures are well-nested if a new parallel procedure is always invoked in a subset of a group executing the same parallel procedure. Thus, MPI processes that execute the same parallel procedure have the same execution stack.

In such a case, a new communicator needs to be dynamically allocated for each new invocation of a parallel procedure. The allocation is done by the caller. A new communicator can be generated by a call to `MPI_COMM_DUP`, if the callee execution group is identical to the caller execution group, or by a call to `MPI_COMM_SPLIT` if the caller execution group is split into several subgroups executing distinct parallel routines. The new communicator is passed as an argument to the invoked routine.

The need for generating a new communicator at each invocation can be alleviated or avoided altogether in some cases: If the execution group is not split, then one can allocate a stack of communicators in a preamble, and next manage the stack in a way that mimics the stack of recursive calls.

One can also take advantage of the well-ordering property of communication to avoid confusing caller and callee communication, even if both use the same communicator. To do so, one needs to abide by the following two rules:

- messages sent before a procedure call (or before a return from the procedure) are also received before the matching call (or return) at the receiving end;
- messages are always selected by source (no use is made of `MPI_ANY_SOURCE`).

**The General Case**

In the general case, there may be multiple concurrently active invocations of the same parallel procedure within the same group; invocations may not be well-nested. A new communicator needs to be created for each invocation. It is the user’s responsibility to make sure that, should two distinct parallel procedures be invoked concurrently on overlapping sets of MPI processes, communicator creation is properly coordinated.
Chapter 8

Virtual Topologies for MPI Processes

8.1 Introduction

This chapter discusses the MPI virtual topology mechanism. A virtual topology is an extra, optional attribute that one can give to an intra-communicator; virtual topologies cannot be added to inter-communicators. A virtual topology can provide a convenient naming mechanism for the MPI processes of a group (within a communicator), and additionally, may assist the runtime system in mapping the processes onto hardware.

As stated in Chapter 7, a group in MPI is an ordered set of n process identifiers (henceforth MPI processes). Each MPI process in the group is assigned a rank between 0 and n-1. In many parallel applications, a linear assignment of integer ranks to the MPI processes does not adequately reflect the logical communication pattern of the MPI processes (which is usually determined by the underlying problem geometry and the numerical algorithm used). Often the MPI processes are arranged in topological patterns such as two- or three-dimensional grids. More generally, the logical MPI process arrangement is described by a graph. In this chapter we will refer to this logical MPI process arrangement as the virtual topology.

A clear distinction must be made between the virtual topology and the topology of the underlying, physical hardware. The virtual topology can be exploited by the system in the assignment of processes to physical processors, if this helps to improve the communication performance on a given machine. How this mapping is done, however, is outside the scope of MPI. The description of the virtual topology, on the other hand, depends only on the application, and is machine-independent. The functions that are described in this chapter deal with machine-independent mapping and communication on virtual topologies.

Rationale. Though physical mapping is not discussed, the existence of the virtual topology information may be used as advice by the runtime system. There are well-known techniques for mapping grid/torus structures to hardware topologies such as hypercubes or grids. For more complicated graph structures good heuristics often yield nearly optimal results [51]. On the other hand, if there is no way for the user to specify the logical process arrangement as a virtual topology, a random mapping is most likely to result. On some machines, this will lead to unnecessary contention in the interconnection network. Some details about predicted and measured performance improvements that result from good process-to-processor mapping on wormhole-routing architectures can be found in [13, 14].

Besides possible performance benefits, the virtual topology can function as a convenient, process-naming structure, with significant benefits for program readability and notational power in message-passing programming. (End of rationale.)
8.2 Virtual Topologies

The communication pattern of a set of MPI processes can be represented by a graph. The nodes represent MPI processes, and the edges connect MPI processes that communicate with each other. MPI provides message-passing between any pair of MPI processes in a group. There is no requirement for opening a channel explicitly. Therefore, a “missing link” in the user-defined graph of MPI processes does not prevent the corresponding MPI processes from exchanging messages. It means rather that this connection is neglected in the virtual topology. This strategy implies that the virtual topology gives no convenient way of naming this pathway of communication. Another possible consequence is that an automatic mapping tool (if one exists for the runtime environment) will not take account of this edge when mapping.

Specifying the virtual topology in terms of a graph is sufficient for all applications. However, in many applications the graph structure is regular, and the detailed set-up of the graph would be inconvenient for the user and might be less efficient at run time. A large fraction of all parallel applications use MPI process topologies like rings, two- or higher-dimensional grids, or tori. These structures are completely defined by the number of dimensions and the numbers of MPI processes in each coordinate direction. Also, the mapping of grids and tori is generally an easier problem than that of general graphs. Thus, it is desirable to address these cases explicitly.

The coordinates of MPI processes in a Cartesian structure begin their numbering at 0. Row-major numbering is always used for the MPI processes in a Cartesian structure. This means that, for example, for four MPI processes in a $(2 \times 2)$ grid, the relationship between their ranks in the group and their coordinates in the virtual topology is as follows:

- coord $(0,0)$: rank 0
- coord $(0,1)$: rank 1
- coord $(1,0)$: rank 2
- coord $(1,1)$: rank 3

8.3 Embedding in MPI

The support for virtual topologies as defined in this chapter is consistent with other parts of MPI, and, whenever possible, makes use of functions that are defined elsewhere. Topology information is associated with communicators. It is added to communicators using the caching mechanism described in Chapter 7.

Information representing a virtual topology may be added to a communicator at the time of its creation. If a communicator creation function adds information representing a virtual topology to the output communicator it creates, then it either propagates the topology representation from the input communicator to the output communicator, or adds a new topology representation generated from the input parameters that describe a virtual topology. The description of every MPI communicator creation function explicitly states how topology information is handled. Communicator creation functions that create new topology representations are described in Section 8.5.
8.4 Overview of the Functions

MPI supports three types of virtual topology: **Cartesian**, **graph**, and **distributed graph**. The function `MPI_CART_CREATE` can be used to create Cartesian topologies, the function `MPI_GRAPH_CREATE` can be used to create graph topologies, and the functions `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT` and `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE` can be used to create distributed graph topologies. These topology creation functions are collective. As with other collective calls, the program must be written to work correctly, whether the call synchronizes or not.

The above topology creation functions take as input an existing communicator `comm_old`, which defines the set of MPI processes on which the topology is to be mapped. For `MPI_GRAPH_CREATE` and `MPI_CART_CREATE`, all input arguments must have identical values on all MPI processes of the group of `comm_old`. When calling `MPI_GRAPH_CREATE`, each MPI process specifies all nodes and edges in the graph. In contrast, the functions `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT` or `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE` are used to specify the graph in a distributed fashion, whereby each MPI process only specifies a subset of the edges in the graph such that the entire graph structure is defined collectively across the set of MPI processes. Therefore the MPI processes provide different values for the arguments specifying the graph. However, all MPI processes must give the same value for `reorder` and the `info` argument. In all cases, a new communicator `comm_topol` is created that carries the topological structure as cached information (see Chapter 7). In analogy to function `MPI_COMM_CREATE`, no cached information propagates from `comm_old` to `comm_topol`.

`MPI_CART_CREATE` can be used to describe Cartesian structures of arbitrary dimension. For each coordinate direction one specifies whether the MPI process structure is periodic or not. Note that an n-dimensional hypercube is an n-dimensional torus with two processes per coordinate direction. Thus, special support for hypercube structures is not necessary. The local auxiliary function `MPI_DIMS_CREATE` can be used to compute a balanced distribution of MPI processes among a given number of dimensions.

MPI defines functions to query a communicator for topology information. The function `MPI_TOPO_TEST` is used to query for the type of topology associated with a communicator. Depending on the topology type, different information can be extracted. For a graph topology, the functions `MPI_GRAPHDIMS_GET` and `MPI_GRAPH_GET` retrieve the graph topology information that is associated with the communicator. Additionally, the functions `MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT` and `MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS` can be used to obtain the neighbors of an arbitrary node in the graph. For a distributed graph topology, the functions `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT` and `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS` can be used to obtain the neighbors of the calling MPI process. For a Cartesian topology, the function `MPI_CARTDIM_GET` returns the number of dimensions and `MPI_CART_GET` returns the numbers of MPI processes in each dimension and periodicity of the associated Cartesian topology. Additionally, the functions `MPI_CART_RANK` and `MPI_CART_COORDS` translate Cartesian coordinates into a group rank, and vice-versa. The function `MPI_CART_SHIFT` provides the information needed to communicate with neighbors along a Cartesian dimension. All of these query functions are local.

For Cartesian topologies, the function `MPI_CART_SUB` can be used to extract a Cartesian subspace (analogous to `MPI_COMM_SPLIT`). This function is collective over the input communicator’s group.

The two additional functions, `MPI_GRAPH_MAP` and `MPI_CART_MAP`, are, in gen-
eral, not called by the user directly. However, together with the communicator manipulation functions presented in Chapter 7, they are sufficient to implement all other topology functions. Section 8.5.8 outlines such an implementation.

The neighborhood collective communication routines \texttt{MPI\textunderscore NEIGHBOR\textunderscore ALLGATHER}, \texttt{MPI\textunderscore NEIGHBOR\textunderscore ALLGATHERV}, \texttt{MPI\textunderscore NEIGHBOR\textunderscore ALLTOALL}, \texttt{MPI\textunderscore NEIGHBOR\textunderscore ALLTOALLV}, and \texttt{MPI\textunderscore NEIGHBOR\textunderscore ALLTOALLW} communicate with the nearest neighbors on the topology associated with the communicator. The nonblocking variants are \texttt{MPI\textunderscore INEIGHBOR\textunderscore ALLGATHER}, \texttt{MPI\textunderscore INEIGHBOR\textunderscore ALLGATHERV}, \texttt{MPI\textunderscore INEIGHBOR\textunderscore ALLTOALL}, \texttt{MPI\textunderscore INEIGHBOR\textunderscore ALLTOALLV}, and \texttt{MPI\textunderscore INEIGHBOR\textunderscore ALLTOALLW}.

8.5 Topology Constructors

8.5.1 Cartesian Constructor

\texttt{MPI\textunderscore CART\textunderscore CREATE}(comm\_old, ndims, dims, periods, reorder, comm\_cart)

\begin{verbatim}
IN    comm\_old           input communicator (handle)
IN    ndims             number of dimensions of Cartesian grid (integer)
IN    dims              integer array of size ndims specifying the number of
                        processes in each dimension
IN    periods          logical array of size ndims specifying whether the grid
                        is periodic (true) or not (false) in each dimension
IN    reorder          ranks may be reordered (true) or not (false) (logical)
OUT   comm\_cart        new communicator with associated Cartesian
                        topology (handle)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

int MPI\_Cart\_create(MPI\_Comm comm\_old, int ndims, const int dims[],
                       const int periods[], int reorder, MPI\_Comm *comm\_cart)

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\texttt{MPI\_Cart\_create(comm\_old, ndims, dims, periods, reorder, comm\_cart, ierror)}

\begin{verbatim}
  TYPE(MPI\_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm\_old
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: ndims, dims(ndims)
  LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: periods(ndims), reorder
  TYPE(MPI\_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: comm\_cart
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\texttt{MPI\_CART\_CREATE(COMM\_OLD, NDIMS, DIMS, PERIODS, REORDER, COMM\_CART, IERROR)}

\begin{verbatim}
  INTEGER COMM\_OLD, NDIMS, DIMS(*), COMM\_CART, IERROR
  LOGICAL PERIODS(*), REORDER
\end{verbatim}

\texttt{MPI\_CART\_CREATE} returns a handle to a new communicator to which the Cartesian topology information is attached. If \texttt{reorder = false} then the rank of each MPI process in the group of the new communicator is identical to its rank in the group of the old communicator.
If \( \text{reorder} = \text{true} \) then the procedure may reorder the ranks of the \text{MPI} processes (possibly so as to choose a good embedding of the virtual topology onto the physical machine). If the total size of the Cartesian grid is smaller than the size of the group of \text{comm\_old}, then some \text{MPI} processes return \text{MPI\_COMM\_NULL}, in analogy to \text{MPI\_COMM\_SPLIT}. If \( \text{ndims} \) is zero then a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology is created. The call is erroneous if it specifies a grid that is larger than the group size or if \( \text{ndims} \) is negative. \text{MPI\_CART\_CREATE} will associate information representing a Cartesian topology with the specified number of dimensions, numbers of \text{MPI} processes in each coordinate direction, and periodicity with the new communicator.

8.5.2 Cartesian Convenience Function: \text{MPI\_DIMS\_CREATE}

For Cartesian topologies, the function \text{MPI\_DIMS\_CREATE} helps the user select a balanced distribution of \text{MPI} processes per coordinate direction, depending on the number of \text{MPI} processes in the group to be balanced and optional constraints that can be specified by the user.

\text{MPI\_DIMS\_CREATE}(\text{nnodes}, \text{ndims}, \text{dims})

\begin{itemize}
  \item \text{IN} \ \text{nnodes} \quad \text{number of nodes in a grid (integer)}
  \item \text{IN} \ \text{ndims} \quad \text{number of Cartesian dimensions (integer)}
  \item \text{INOUT} \ \text{dims} \quad \text{integer array of size ndims specifying the number of nodes in each dimension}
\end{itemize}

\text{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Dims_create(int nnodes, int ndims, int dims[])
\end{verbatim}

\text{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Dims_create(nnodes, ndims, dims, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: nnodes, ndims
  INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: dims(ndims)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

\text{Fortran binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_DIMS\_CREATE(NNODES, NDIMS, DIMS, IERROR)
  INTEGER NNODES, NDIMS, DIMS(*), IERROR
\end{verbatim}

The entries in the array \text{dims} are set to describe a Cartesian grid with \text{ndims} dimensions and a total of \text{nnodes} nodes. The dimensions are set to be as close to each other as possible, using an appropriate divisibility algorithm. The caller may further constrain the operation of this routine by specifying elements of array \text{dims}. If \text{dims}[i] is set to a positive number, the routine will not modify the number of nodes in dimension \( i \); only those entries where \text{dims}[i] = 0 are modified by the call.

Negative input values of \text{dims}[i] are erroneous. An error will occur if \text{nnodes} is not a multiple of

\[ \prod_{i, \text{dims}[i] \neq 0} \text{dims}[i]. \]
For \( \text{dims}[i] \) set by the call, \( \text{dims}[i] \) will be ordered in nonincreasing order. Array \( \text{dims} \) is suitable for use as input to routine \texttt{MPI\_CART\_CREATE}. \texttt{MPI\_DIMS\_CREATE} is local. If \( \text{ndims} \) is zero and \( \text{nnodes} \) is one, \texttt{MPI\_DIMS\_CREATE} returns \texttt{MPI\_SUCCESS}.

**Example 8.1.** The use of the array argument \( \text{dims} \) in \texttt{MPI\_DIMS\_CREATE}.

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<td>\texttt{MPI_DIMS_CREATE(7, 3, dims)}</td>
<td>erroneous call</td>
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8.5.3 Graph Constructor

\texttt{MPI\_GRAPH\_CREATE} is an interface to create a new communicator with an associated graph topology.

\texttt{MPI\_GRAPH\_CREATE\( (\text{comm\_old}, \text{nnode}, \text{index}, \text{edges}, \text{reorder}, \text{comm\_graph})\)}

- \texttt{comm\_old} (input): handle of input communicator
- \texttt{nnodes} (input): number of nodes in graph
- \texttt{index} (input): array of integers describing node degrees
- \texttt{edges} (input): array of integers describing graph edges
- \texttt{reorder} (input): reorder ranks (false or true)
- \texttt{comm\_graph} (output): handle of new communicator

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Graph_create(MPI_Comm comm_old, int nnodes, const int index[],
                     const int edges[], int reorder, MPI_Comm *comm_graph)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Graph_create(comm_old, nnodes, index, edges, reorder, comm_graph, ierr)
```

- \texttt{comm\_old} (input): handle of input communicator
- \texttt{nnodes} (input): number of nodes in graph
- \texttt{index} (input): array of integers describing node degrees
- \texttt{edges} (input): array of integers describing graph edges
- \texttt{reorder} (input): reorder ranks (false or true)
- \texttt{comm\_graph} (output): handle of new communicator
- \texttt{ierr} (optional): return error code

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI\_GRAPH\_CREATE(COMM\_OLD, NNODES, INDEX, EDGES, REORDER, COMM\_GRAPH, IERROR)
```

- \texttt{COMM\_OLD} (input): handle of input communicator
- \texttt{NNODES} (input): number of nodes in graph
- \texttt{INDEX} (input): array of integers describing node degrees
- \texttt{EDGES} (input): array of integers describing graph edges
- \texttt{REORDER} (input): reorder ranks (false or true)
- \texttt{COMM\_GRAPH} (output): handle of new communicator
- \texttt{IERROR} (optional): return error code

\texttt{MPI\_GRAPH\_CREATE} returns a handle to a new communicator to which the graph topology information is attached. If \texttt{reorder = false} then the rank of each MPI process in the group of the new communicator is identical to its rank in the group of the old communicator. If \texttt{reorder = true} then the procedure may reorder the ranks of the MPI processes. If the number of nodes in the graph (\texttt{nnodes}) is smaller than the size of the...
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group of comm_old, then MPI_COMM_NULL is returned by some MPI processes, in analogy to MPI_CART_CREATE and MPI_COMM_SPLIT. If the graph is empty, i.e., \texttt{nnodes} = 0, then MPI_COMM_NULL is returned in all MPI processes. The call is erroneous if it specifies a graph that is larger than the group size of the input communicator.

The three parameters \texttt{nnodes}, \texttt{index} and \texttt{edges} define the graph structure. \texttt{nnodes} is the number of nodes of the graph. The nodes are numbered from 0 to \texttt{nnodes}-1. The \texttt{i}-th entry of array \texttt{index} stores the total number of neighbors of the first \texttt{i} graph nodes. The lists of neighbors of nodes 0, 1, \ldots, \texttt{nnodes}-1 are stored in consecutive locations in array \texttt{edges}. The array \texttt{edges} is a flattened representation of the edge lists. The total number of entries in \texttt{index} is \texttt{nnodes} and the total number of entries in \texttt{edges} is equal to the number of graph edges.

The definitions of the arguments \texttt{nnodes}, \texttt{index}, and \texttt{edges} are illustrated with the following simple example.

**Example 8.2.** Specification of the adjacency matrix for MPI_GRAPH_CREATE.
Assume there are four MPI processes with ranks 0, 1, 2, 3 in the input communicator with the following adjacency matrix:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MPI process</th>
<th>neighbors</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>1, 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>0, 2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Then, the input arguments are:

\[
\begin{align*}
\texttt{nnodes} &= 4 \\
\texttt{index} &= 2, 3, 4, 6 \\
\texttt{edges} &= 1, 3, 0, 3, 0, 2
\end{align*}
\]

Thus, in C, \texttt{index[0]} is the degree of node zero, and \texttt{index[i] - index[i-1]} is the degree of node \texttt{i}, \texttt{i=1}, \ldots, \texttt{nnodes}-1; the list of neighbors of node zero is stored in \texttt{edges[j]}, for \texttt{0 \leq j \leq index[0] - 1} and the list of neighbors of node \texttt{i}, \texttt{i > 0}, is stored in \texttt{edges[j]}, \texttt{index[i-1] \leq j \leq index[i] - 1}.

In Fortran, \texttt{index(1)} is the degree of node zero, and \texttt{index(i+1) - index(i)} is the degree of node \texttt{i}, \texttt{i=1}, \ldots, \texttt{nnodes}-1; the list of neighbors of node zero is stored in \texttt{edges(j)}, for \texttt{1 \leq j \leq index(1)} and the list of neighbors of node \texttt{i}, \texttt{i > 0}, is stored in \texttt{edges(j)}, \texttt{index(i)+1 \leq j \leq index(i+1)}.

A single MPI process is allowed to be defined multiple times in the list of neighbors of an MPI process (i.e., there may be multiple edges between two MPI processes). An MPI process is also allowed to be a neighbor to itself (i.e., a self loop in the graph). The adjacency matrix is allowed to be nonsymmetric.

*Advice to users.* Performance implications of using multiple edges or a nonsymmetric adjacency matrix are not defined. The definition of a node-neighbor edge does not imply a direction of the communication. (*End of advice to users.*)

*Advice to implementors.* The following topology information is likely to be stored with a communicator:
• Type of topology (Cartesian/graph)
• For a Cartesian topology:
  1. \texttt{ndims} (number of dimensions)
  2. \texttt{dims} (numbers of MPI processes per coordinate direction)
  3. \texttt{periods} (periodicity information)
  4. \texttt{own\_position} (own position in grid, could also be computed from rank and \texttt{dims})
• For a graph topology:
  1. \texttt{index}
  2. \texttt{edges}

which are the arrays defining the graph structure.

For a graph structure the number of nodes is equal to the number of MPI processes in the group. Therefore, the number of nodes does not have to be stored explicitly. An additional zero entry at the start of array \texttt{index} simplifies access to the topology information. \textit{(End of advice to implementors.)}

8.5.4 Distributed Graph Constructor

\texttt{MPI\_GRAPH\_CREATE} requires that each MPI process passes the full (global) communication graph to the call. This limits the scalability of this constructor. With the distributed graph interface, the communication graph is specified in a fully distributed fashion. Each MPI process specifies only the part of the communication graph of which it is aware. Typically, this could be the set of MPI processes from which the MPI process will eventually receive or get data, or the set of MPI processes to which the MPI process will send or put data, or some combination of such edges. Two different interfaces can be used to create a distributed graph topology. \texttt{MPI\_DIST\_GRAPH\_CREATE\_ADJACENT} creates a distributed graph communicator with each MPI process specifying each of its incoming and outgoing (adjacent) edges in the logical communication graph and thus requires minimal communication during creation. \texttt{MPI\_DIST\_GRAPH\_CREATE} provides full flexibility such that any MPI process can indicate that communication will occur between any pair of MPI processes in the graph.

To provide better possibilities for optimization by the MPI library, the distributed graph constructors permit weighted communication edges and take an \texttt{info} argument that can further influence process reordering or other optimizations performed by the MPI library. For example, hints can be provided on how edge weights are to be interpreted, the quality of the reordering, and/or the time permitted for the MPI library to process the graph.

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_DIST\_GRAPH\_CREATE\_ADJACENT(comm\_old, indegree, sources, sourceweights, 
          outdegree, destinations, destweights, info, reorder, comm\_dist\_graph)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{IN} \hspace{1cm} \texttt{comm\_old} \hspace{1cm} input communicator (handle)

\textbf{IN} \hspace{1cm} \texttt{indegree} \hspace{1cm} size of \texttt{sources} and \texttt{sourceweights} arrays (non-negative integer)
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IN sources ranks of MPI processes for which the calling process is a destination (array of non-negative integers)

IN sourceweights weights of the edges into the calling MPI process (array of non-negative integers)

IN outdegree size of destinations and destweights arrays (non-negative integer)

IN destinations ranks of MPI processes for which the calling MPI process is a source (array of non-negative integers)

IN destweights weights of the edges out of the calling MPI process (array of non-negative integers)

IN info hints on optimization and interpretation of weights (handle)

IN reorder ranks may be reordered (true) or not (false) (logical)

OUT comm_dist_graph new communicator with associated distributed graph topology (handle)

C binding

```c
int MPI_Dist_graph_create_adjacent(MPI_Comm comm_old, int indegree,
const int sources[], const int sourceweights[], int outdegree,
const int destinations[], const int destweights[], MPI_Info info,
int reorder, MPI_Comm *comm_dist_graph)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Dist_graph_create_adjacent(comm_old, indegree, sources, sourceweights, 
outdegree, destinations, destweights, info, reorder, 
comm_dist_graph, ierror)
```

```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm_old
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: indegree, sources(indegree), sourceweights(*), 
outdegree, destinations(outdegree), destweights(*)
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: reorder
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: comm_dist_graph
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT(COMM_OLD, INDEGREE, SOURCES, SOURCEWEIGHTS, 
OUTDEGREE, DESTINATIONS, DESTWEIGHTS, INFO, REORDER, 
COMM_DIST_GRAPH, IERROR)
```

INTEGER COMM_OLD, INDEGREE, SOURCES(*), SOURCEWEIGHTS(*), OUTDEGREE, 
DESTINATIONS(*), DESTWEIGHTS(*), INFO, COMM_DIST_GRAPH, IERROR
LOGICAL REORDER

MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT returns a handle to a new communicator to which the distributed graph topology information is attached. Each MPI process passes all information about its incoming and outgoing edges in the virtual distributed graph topology. The calling MPI processes must ensure that each edge of the graph is described in the source and in the destination process with the same weights. If there are multiple
edges for a given \( \text{source}, \text{dest} \) pair, then the sequence of the weights of these edges does not matter. The complete communication topology is the combination of all edges shown in the \text{sources} arrays of all \text{MPI} processes in \text{comm\_old}, which must be identical to the combination of all edges shown in the \text{destinations} arrays. Source and destination \text{MPI} processes must be specified by their rank in the group of \text{comm\_old}. This allows a fully distributed specification of the communication graph. Isolated \text{MPI} processes (i.e., \text{MPI} processes with no outgoing or incoming edges, that is, \text{MPI} processes that have specified \text{indegree} and \text{outdegree} as zero and thus do not occur as source or destination in the graph specification) are allowed.

The call creates a new communicator \text{comm\_dist\_graph} of distributed graph topology type to which topology information has been attached. The number of \text{MPI} processes in \text{comm\_dist\_graph} is identical to the number of \text{MPI} processes in \text{comm\_old}. The call to \text{MPI\_DIST\_GRAPH\_CREATE\_ADJACENT} is collective.

Weights are specified as nonnegative integers and can be used to influence the process mapping strategy and other internal \text{MPI} optimizations. For instance, approximate count arguments of later communication calls along specific edges could be used as their edge weights. Multiplicity of edges can likewise indicate more intense communication between pairs of \text{MPI} processes. However, the exact meaning of edge weights is not specified by the \text{MPI} standard and is left to the implementation. In C or Fortran, an application can supply the special value \text{MPI\_UNWEIGHTED} for the weight array to indicate that all edges have the same (effectively no) weight. It is erroneous to supply \text{MPI\_UNWEIGHTED} for some but not all \text{MPI} processes of \text{comm\_old}. If the graph is weighted but \text{indegree} or \text{outdegree} is zero, then \text{MPI\_WEIGHTS\_EMPTY} or any arbitrary array may be passed to \text{sourceweights} or \text{destweights} respectively. Note that \text{MPI\_UNWEIGHTED} and \text{MPI\_WEIGHTS\_EMPTY} are not special weight values; rather they are special values for the total array argument. In Fortran, \text{MPI\_UNWEIGHTED} and \text{MPI\_WEIGHTS\_EMPTY} are objects like \text{MPI\_BOTTOM} (not usable for initialization or assignment). See Section 2.5.4.

Advice to users. In the case of an empty weights array argument passed while constructing a weighted graph, one should not pass NULL because the value of \text{MPI\_UNWEIGHTED} may be equal to NULL. The value of this argument would then be indistinguishable from \text{MPI\_UNWEIGHTED} to the implementation. In this case \text{MPI\_WEIGHTS\_EMPTY} should be used instead. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. It is recommended that \text{MPI\_UNWEIGHTED} not be implemented as NULL. (End of advice to implementors.)

Rationale. To ensure backward compatibility, \text{MPI\_UNWEIGHTED} may still be implemented as NULL. See Annex B.4. (End of rationale.)

The meaning of the \text{info} and \text{reorder} arguments is defined in the description of the following routine.

\text{MPI\_DIST\_GRAPH\_CREATE}(\text{comm\_old}, n, \text{sources}, \text{degrees}, \text{destinations}, \text{weights}, \text{info}, \text{reorder}, \text{comm\_dist\_graph})

\text{IN} \quad \text{comm\_old} \quad \text{input communicator (handle)}

\text{IN} \quad n \quad \text{number of source nodes for which this \text{MPI} process specifies edges (non-negative integer)}
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**IN sources**
array containing the n source nodes for which this MPI process specifies edges (array of non-negative integers)

**IN degrees**
array specifying the number of destinations for each source node in the source node array (array of non-negative integers)

**IN destinations**
destination nodes for the source nodes in the source node array (array of non-negative integers)

**IN weights**
weights for source to destination edges (array of non-negative integers)

**IN info**
hints on optimization and interpretation of weights (handle)

**IN reorder**
ranks may be reordered (true) or not (false) (logical)

**OUT comm_dist_graph**
new communicator with associated distributed graph topology (handle)

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**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Dist_graph_create(MPI_Comm comm_old, int n, const int sources[],
const int degrees[], const int destinations[],
const int weights[], MPI_Info info, int reorder,
MPI_Comm *comm_dist_graph)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Dist_graph_create(comm_old, n, sources, degrees, destinations, weights,
info, reorder, comm_dist_graph, ierror)
```

- `TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm_old`
- `INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, sources(n), degrees(n), destinations(*)`, `weights(*)`
- `TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info`
- `LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: reorder`
- `TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: comm_dist_graph`
- `INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror`

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE(COMM_OLD, N, SOURCES, DEGREES, DESTINATIONS, WEIGHTS,
INFO, REORDER, COMM_DIST_GRAPH, IERROR)
```

- `INTEGER COMM_OLD, N, SOURCES(*), DEGREES(*), DESTINATIONS(*), WEIGHTS(*),` `INFO, COMM_DIST_GRAPH, IERROR`
- `LOGICAL REORDER`

**MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE** returns a handle to a new communicator to which the distributed graph topology information is attached. Concretely, each MPI process calls the constructor with a set of directed (source,destination) communication edges as described below. Every MPI process passes an array of n source nodes in the sources array. For each source node, a nonnegative number of destination nodes is specified in the degrees array. The destination nodes are stored in the corresponding consecutive segment of the destinations array. More precisely, if the i-th node in sources is s, this specifies degrees[i] edges...
(s,d) with d of the j-th such edge stored in destinations[degrees[0]+...+degrees[i-1]+j]. The weight of this edge is stored in weights[degrees[0]+...+degrees[i-1]+j]. Both the sources and the destinations arrays may contain the same node more than once, and the order in which nodes are listed as destinations or sources is not significant. Similarly, different processes may specify edges with the same source and destination nodes. Source and destination nodes must be specified by their rank in the group of comm_old. Different MPI processes may specify different numbers of source and destination nodes, as well as different source to destination edges. This allows a fully distributed specification of the communication graph. Isolated MPI processes (i.e., MPI processes with no outgoing or incoming edges, that is, MPI processes that do not occur as source or destination node in the graph specification) are allowed.

The call creates a new communicator comm_dist_graph of distributed graph topology type to which topology information has been attached. The number of MPI processes in comm_dist_graph is identical to the number of MPI processes in comm_old. The call to MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE is collective.

If reorder = false, all MPI processes will have the same rank in comm_dist_graph as in comm_old. If reorder = true then the MPI library is free to remap to other MPI processes (of comm_old) in order to improve communication on the edges of the communication graph. The weight associated with each edge is a hint to the MPI library about the amount or intensity of communication on that edge, and may be used to compute a “best” reordering.

Weights are specified as nonnegative integers and can be used to influence the MPI process remapping strategy and other internal MPI optimizations. For instance, approximate count arguments of later communication calls along specific edges could be used as their edge weights. Multiplicity of edges can likewise indicate more intense communication between pairs of MPI processes. However, the exact meaning of edge weights and multiplicity of edges is not specified by the MPI standard and is left to the implementation. In C or Fortran, an application can supply the special value MPI_UNWEIGHTED for the weight array to indicate that all edges have the same (effectively no) weight. It is erroneous to supply MPI_UNWEIGHTED for some but not all MPI processes of comm_old. If the graph is weighted but n = 0, then MPI_WEIGHTS_EMPTY or any arbitrary array may be passed to weights. Note that MPI_UNWEIGHTED and MPI_WEIGHTS_EMPTY are not special weight values; rather they are special values for the total array argument. In Fortran, MPI_UNWEIGHTED and MPI_WEIGHTS_EMPTY are objects like MPI_BOTTOM (not usable for initialization or assignment). See Section 2.5.4.

Advice to users. In the case of an empty weights array argument passed while constructing a weighted graph, one should not pass NULL because the value of MPI_UNWEIGHTED may be equal to NULL. The value of this argument would then be indistinguishable from MPI_UNWEIGHTED to the implementation. MPI_WEIGHTS_EMPTY should be used instead. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. It is recommended that MPI_UNWEIGHTED not be implemented as NULL. (End of advice to implementors.)

Rationale. To ensure backward compatibility, MPI_UNWEIGHTED may still be implemented as NULL. See Annex B.4. (End of rationale.)

The meaning of the weights argument can be influenced by the info argument. The info argument can be used to guide the mapping of MPI processes to
the hardware; possible options include minimizing the maximum number of edges between processes on different SMP nodes, or minimizing the sum of all such edges. As described in Section 10, an MPI implementation is not obliged to follow specific hints, and it is valid for an MPI implementation not to do any reordering. An MPI implementation may specify more info (key, value) pairs. All MPI processes must specify the same set of (key, value) info pairs.

**Advice to implementors.** MPI implementations must document any additionally supported (key, value) info pairs. MPI_INFO_NULL is always valid, and may indicate the default creation of the distributed graph topology to the MPI library.

An implementation does not explicitly need to construct the topology from its distributed parts. However, all MPI processes can construct the full topology from the distributed specification and use this in a call to MPI_GRAPH_CREATE to create the topology. This may serve as a reference implementation of the functionality, and may be acceptable for small communicators. However, a scalable high-quality implementation would save the topology graph in a distributed way. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

**Example 8.3.** Several ways to specify the adjacency matrix for MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE and MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT. As for Example 8.2, assume there are four MPI processes with ranks 0, 1, 2, 3 in the input communicator with the following adjacency matrix and unit edge weights:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MPI process</th>
<th>neighbors</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>1, 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>0, 2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

With MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE, this graph could be constructed in many different ways. One way would be that each MPI process specifies its outgoing edges. The arguments per MPI process would be:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MPI process</th>
<th>n</th>
<th>sources</th>
<th>degrees</th>
<th>destinations</th>
<th>weights</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1,3</td>
<td>1,1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1, 1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>0, 2</td>
<td>1, 1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Another way would be to pass the whole graph on MPI process with rank 0 in the input communicator, which could be done with the following arguments per MPI process:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MPI process</th>
<th>n</th>
<th>sources</th>
<th>degrees</th>
<th>destinations</th>
<th>weights</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>0, 1, 2, 3</td>
<td>2, 1, 1, 2</td>
<td>1, 3, 0, 3, 0, 2</td>
<td>1, 1, 1, 1, 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
In both cases above, the application could supply MPI_UNWEIGHTED instead of explicitly providing identical weights. MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT could be used to specify this graph using the following arguments:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MPI process</th>
<th>indegree</th>
<th>sources</th>
<th>sourceweights</th>
<th>outdegree</th>
<th>destinations</th>
<th>destweights</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1,3</td>
<td>1,1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1,3</td>
<td>1,1</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>0,2</td>
<td>1,1</td>
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<td>0,2</td>
<td>1,1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Example 8.4. Cartesian grid plus diagonals specified with MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE. A two-dimensional $P \times Q$ torus where all MPI processes communicate along the dimensions and along the diagonal edges cannot be modeled with Cartesian topologies, but can easily be captured with MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE as shown in the following code. In this example, the communication along the dimensions is twice as heavy as the communication along the diagonals:

```c
/*
 Input: dimensions P, Q
 Condition: number of MPI processes equal to P*Q
 */
int rank, x, y;
int sources[1], degrees[1];
int destinations[8], weights[8];
MPI_Comm comm_dist_graph;

MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);

/* get x and y dimension */
y=rank/P; x=rank%P;

/* get my communication partners along x dimension */
destinations[0] = P*y+(x+1)%P; weights[0] = 2;
destinations[1] = P*y+(P+x-1)%P; weights[1] = 2;

/* get my communication partners along y dimension */
destinations[2] = P*((y+1)%Q)+x; weights[2] = 2;
destinations[3] = P*((Q+y-1)%Q)+x; weights[3] = 2;

/* get my communication partners along diagonals */
destinations[5] = P*((Q+y-1)%Q)+(x+1)%P; weights[5] = 1;

sources[0] = rank;
degrees[0] = 8;
MPI_Dist_graph_create(MPI_COMM_WORLD, 1, sources, degrees, destinations, weights, MPI_INFO_NULL, 1, &comm_dist_graph);
```
8.5.5 Topology Inquiry Functions

If a virtual topology has been defined with one of the above functions, then the topology information can be looked up using inquiry functions. They all are local calls.

MPI_TOPO_TEST(comm, status)

IN comm communicator (handle)

OUT status topology type of communicator comm (state)

C binding
int MPI_Topo_test(MPI_Comm comm, int *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Topo_test(comm, status, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TOPO_TEST(COMM, STATUS, IERROR)
   INTEGER COMM, STATUS, IERROR

The function MPI_TOPO_TEST returns the type of topology that is associated with a communicator.

The output value status is one of the following:

MPI_GRAPH graph topology
MPI_CART Cartesian topology
MPI_DIST_GRAPH distributed graph topology
MPI_UNDEFINED no topology

MPI_GRAPHDIMS_GET(comm, nnodes, nedges)

IN comm communicator with associated graph topology (handle)

OUT nnodes number of nodes in graph (same as number of MPI processes in the group of comm) (integer)

OUT nedges number of edges in graph (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Graphdims_get(MPI_Comm comm, int *nnodes, int *nedges)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Graphdims_get(comm, nnodes, nedges, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: nnodes, nedges
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GRAPHDIMS_GET(COMM, NNODES, NEDGES, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, NNODES, NEDGES, IERROR

The functions MPI_GRAPHDIMS_GET and MPI_GRAPH_GET retrieve the graph topology information that is associated with the communicator. The information provided by MPI_GRAPHDIMS_GET can be used to dimension the vectors index and edges correctly for the following call to MPI_GRAPH_GET.

MPI_GRAPH_GET(comm, maxindex, maxedges, index, edges)

IN comm communicator with associated graph topology (handle)

IN maxindex length of vector index in the calling program (integer)

IN maxedges length of vector edges in the calling program (integer)

OUT index array of integers containing the graph structure (for details see the definition of MPI_GRAPH_CREATE)

OUT edges array of integers containing the graph structure

C binding
int MPI_Graph_get(MPI_Comm comm, int maxindex, int maxedges, int index[], int edges[])

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Graph_get(comm, maxindex, maxedges, index, edges, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: maxindex, maxedges
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: index(maxindex), edges(maxedges)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GRAPH_GET(COMM, MAXINDEX, MAXEDGES, INDEX, EDGES, IERROR)

  INTEGER COMM, MAXINDEX, MAXEDGES, INDEX(*), EDGES(*), IERROR

MPI_CARTDIM_GET(comm, ndims)

IN comm communicator with associated Cartesian topology (handle)

OUT ndims number of dimensions of the Cartesian structure (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Cartdim_get(MPI_Comm comm, int *ndims)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Cartdim_get(comm, ndims, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: ndims
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_CARTDIM_GET(COMM, NDIMS, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, NDIMS, IERROR
```

The functions `MPI_CARTDIM_GET` and `MPI_CART_GET` return the Cartesian topology information that is associated with the communicator. If `comm` is associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology, `MPI_CARTDIM_GET` returns `ndims = 0` and `MPI_CART_GET` will keep all output arguments unchanged.

**MPI_CART_GET**

```fortran
MPI_CART_GET(comm, maxdims, dims, periods, coords)
```

- **IN** `comm` communicator with associated Cartesian topology (handle)
- **IN** `maxdims` length of vectors `dims`, `periods`, and `coords` in the calling program (integer)
- **OUT** `dims` number of MPI processes for each Cartesian dimension (array of integers)
- **OUT** `periods` periodicity (true/false) for each Cartesian dimension (array of logicals)
- **OUT** `coords` coordinates of calling MPI process in Cartesian structure (array of integers)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Cart_get(MPI_Comm comm, int maxdims, int dims[], int periods[],
                 int coords[])
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: maxdims
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dims(maxdims), coords(maxdims)
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: periods(maxdims)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_CART_GET(COMM, MAXDIMS, DIMS, PERIODS, COORDS, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, MAXDIMS, DIMS(*), COORDS(*), IERROR
LOGICAL PERIODS(*)
```

If `maxdims` in a call to `MPI_CART_GET` is less than the number of dimensions of the Cartesian topology associated with the communicator `comm`, the outcome is unspecified.

**MPI_CART_RANK**

```fortran
MPI_CART_RANK(comm, coords, rank)
```

- **IN** `comm` communicator with associated Cartesian topology (handle)
- **IN** `coords` integer array (of size `ndims`) specifying the Cartesian coordinates of an MPI process
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OUT rank rank of specified MPI process within group of comm
(integer)

C binding
int MPI_Cart_rank(MPI_Comm comm, const int coords[], int *rank)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Cart_rank(comm, coords, rank, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: coords(*)
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: rank
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_CART_RANK(COMM, COORDS, RANK, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, COORDS(*), RANK, IERROR

For a communicator with an associated Cartesian topology, the function
MPI_CART_RANK translates the logical coordinates of an MPI process to the corresponding
rank in the group of the communicator. For dimension \(i\) with \(\text{periods}(i) = \text{true}\), if the
coordinate, \(\text{coords}(i)\), is out of range, that is, \(\text{coords}(i) < 0\) or \(\text{coords}(i) \geq \text{dims}(i)\), it is
shifted back to the interval \(0 \leq \text{coords}(i) < \text{dims}(i)\) automatically. Out-of-range coordinates
are erroneous for nonperiodic dimensions.

If \(\text{comm}\) is associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology, \(\text{coords}\) is not signif-
icant and 0 is returned in \(\text{rank}\).

MPI_CART_COORDS(comm, rank, maxdims, coords)

IN comm communicator with associated Cartesian topology
(handle)

IN rank rank of an MPI process within group of comm
(integer)

IN maxdims length of vector \(\text{coords}\) in the calling program
(integer)

OUT coords coordinates of the MPI process with the rank \(\text{rank}\) in
Cartesian structure (array of integers)

C binding
int MPI_Cart_coords(MPI_Comm comm, int rank, int maxdims, int coords[])

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Cart_coords(comm, rank, maxdims, coords, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank, maxdims
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: coords(maxdims)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_CART_COORDS(COMM, RANK, MAXDIMS, COORDS, IERROR)
The inverse mapping, rank-to-coordinates translation is provided by `MPI_CART_COORDS`. If `comm` is associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology, `coords` will be unchanged. If `maxdims` is less than the number of dimensions of the Cartesian topology associated with the communicator `comm`, the outcome is unspecified.

```plaintext
MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT(comm, rank, nneighbors)

IN comm communicator with associated graph topology (handle)
IN rank rank of MPI process in group of comm (integer)
OUT nneighbors number of neighbors of specified MPI process (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Graph_neighbors_count(MPI_Comm comm, int rank, int *nneighbors)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Graph_neighbors_count(comm, rank, nneighbors, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: nneighbors
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT(COMM, RANK, NNEIGHBORS, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, RANK, NNEIGHBORS, IERROR

MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS(comm, rank, maxneighbors, neighbors)

IN comm communicator with associated graph topology (handle)
IN rank rank of MPI process in group of comm (integer)
IN maxneighbors size of array neighbors (integer)
OUT neighbors ranks of MPI processes that are neighbors to specified MPI process (array of integers)

C binding
int MPI_Graph_neighbors(MPI_Comm comm, int rank, int maxneighbors,
                         int neighbors[])

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Graph_neighbors(comm, rank, maxneighbors, neighbors, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank, maxneighbors
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: neighbors(maxneighbors)
```
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS(COMM, RANK, MAXNEIGHBORS, NEIGHBORS, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, RANK, MAXNEIGHBORS, NEIGHBORS(*), IERROR

MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT and MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS provide adjacency information for a graph topology. The returned count and array of neighbors for the queried rank will both include all neighbors and reflect the same edge ordering as was specified by the original call to MPI_GRAPH_CREATE. Specifically, MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT and MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS will return values based on the original index and edges array passed to MPI_GRAPH_CREATE (for the purpose of this example, we assume that index[-1] is zero):

- The number of neighbors (nneighbors) returned from MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT will be (index[rank] - index[rank-1]).
- The neighbors array returned from MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS will be edges[index[rank-1]] through edges[index[rank]-1].

Example 8.5. Inquiry of graph topology information.
Assume there are four MPI processes with ranks 0, 1, 2, 3 in the input communicator with the following adjacency matrix (note that some neighbors are listed multiple times):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MPI process</th>
<th>neighbors</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>1, 1, 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>0, 0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>0, 2, 2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Thus, the input arguments to MPI_GRAPH_CREATE are:

- nnodes = 4
- index = 3, 5, 6, 9
- edges = 1, 1, 3, 0, 0, 3, 0, 2, 2

Therefore, calling MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT and MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS for each of the four MPI processes will return:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Input rank</th>
<th>Count</th>
<th>Neighbors</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>1, 1, 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>0, 0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>0, 2, 2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Example 8.6. Using a communicator with an associated graph topology that represents a shuffle-exchange network.
Suppose that comm is a communicator with a shuffle-exchange topology. The group has $2^n$ members. Each MPI process is labeled by $a_1, \ldots, a_n$ with $a_i \in \{0, 1\}$, and has three neigh-
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bors: exchange\((a_1, \ldots, a_n) = a_1, \ldots, a_{n-1}, \bar{a}_n (\bar{a} = 1 - a)\), shuffle\((a_1, \ldots, a_n) = a_2, \ldots, a_n, a_1\), and unshuffle\((a_1, \ldots, a_n) = a_n, a_1, \ldots, a_{n-1}\). The graph adjacency list is illustrated below for \(n = 3\).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>node</th>
<th>exchange neighbors(1)</th>
<th>shuffle neighbors(2)</th>
<th>unshuffle neighbors(3)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0 (000)</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1 (001)</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2 (010)</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3 (011)</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4 (100)</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5 (101)</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6 (110)</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7 (111)</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>7</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Suppose that the communicator \(\text{comm}\) has this topology associated with it. The following code fragment cycles through the three types of neighbors and performs an appropriate permutation for each.

! assume: each MPI process has stored a real number \(A\).
! extract neighborhood information
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, myrank, ierr)
CALL MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS(comm, myrank, 3, neighbors, ierr)
! perform exchange permutation
CALL MPI_SENDRECV_REPLACE(A, 1, MPI_REAL, neighbors(1), 0, & neighbors(1), 0, comm, status, ierr)
! perform shuffle permutation
CALL MPI_SENDRECV_REPLACE(A, 1, MPI_REAL, neighbors(2), 0, & neighbors(3), 0, comm, status, ierr)
! perform unshuffle permutation
CALL MPI_SENDRECV_REPLACE(A, 1, MPI_REAL, neighbors(3), 0, & neighbors(2), 0, comm, status, ierr)

MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT and MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS provide adjacency information for a distributed graph topology.

MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT(comm, indegree, outdegree, weighted)

IN comm communicator with associated distributed graph topology (handle)
OUT indegree number of edges into this MPI process (non-negative integer)
OUT outdegree number of edges out of this MPI process (non-negative integer)
OUT weighted false if MPI_UNWEIGHTED was supplied during creation, true otherwise (logical)

C binding
int MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors_count(MPI_Comm comm, int *indegree,
int *outdegree, int *weighted)

**Fortran 2008 binding**

MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors_count(comm, indegree, outdegree, weighted, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: indegree
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: weighted
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

**Fortran binding**

MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT(COMM, INDEGREE, OUTDEGREE, WEIGHTED, IERROR)

  INTEGER COMM, INDEGREE, OUTDEGREE, IERROR
  LOGICAL WEIGHTED

**C binding**

int MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors(MPI_Comm comm, int maxindegree, int sources[][],
   int sourceweights[], int maxoutdegree, int destinations[],
   int destweights[])

**Fortran 2008 binding**

MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors(comm, maxindegree, sources, sourceweights,
   maxoutdegree, destinations, destweights)
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Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS(COMM, MAXINDEGREE, SOURCES, SOURCEWEIGHTS,
 MAXOUTDEGREE, DESTINATIONS, DESTWEIGHTS, IERROR)
```

These calls are local. The number of edges into and out of the MPI process returned by `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT` are the total number of such edges given in the call to `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT` or `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE` (potentially by MPI processes other than the calling MPI process in the case of `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE`). Multiply-defined edges are all counted and returned by `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS` in some order. If `MPI_UNWEIGHTED` is supplied for `sourceweights` or `destweights` or both, or if `MPI_UNWEIGHTED` was supplied during the construction of the graph then no weight information is returned in that array or those arrays. If the communicator was created with `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT` then for each MPI process in `comm`, the order of the values in `sources` and `destinations` is identical to the input that was used by the MPI process with the same rank in `comm_old` in the creation call. If the communicator was created with `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE` then the only requirement on the order of values in `sources` and `destinations` is that two calls to the routine with same input argument `comm` will return the same sequence of edges. If `maxindegree` or `maxoutdegree` is smaller than the numbers returned by `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT`, then only the first part of the full list is returned.

Advice to implementors. Since the query calls are defined to be local, each MPI process needs to store the list of its neighbors with incoming and outgoing edges. Communication is required at the collective `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE` call in order to compute the neighbor lists for each MPI process from the distributed graph specification. (End of advice to implementors.)

8.5.6 Cartesian Shift Coordinates

If the MPI process topology is a Cartesian structure, an `MPI_SENDRECV` operation may be used along a coordinate direction to perform a shift of data. As input, `MPI_SENDRECV` takes the rank of a source MPI process for the receive, and the rank of a destination MPI process for the send. If the function `MPI_CART_SHIFT` is called for a communicator with an associated Cartesian topology, it provides the calling MPI process with the above identifiers, which then can be passed to `MPI_SENDRECV`. The user specifies the coordinate direction and the size of the step (positive or negative, but not zero). The function is local.

```fortran
MPI_CART_SHIFT(comm, direction, disp, rank_source, rank_dest)
```

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C binding

```c
int MPI_Cart_shift(MPI_Comm comm, int direction, int disp, int *rank_source,
                    int *rank_dest)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Cart_shift(comm, direction, disp, rank_source, rank_dest, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: direction, disp
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: rank_source, rank_dest
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_CART_SHIFT(COMM, DIRECTION, DISP, RANK_SOURCE, RANK_DEST, IERROR)
```

```fortran
  INTEGER COMM, DIRECTION, DISP, RANK_SOURCE, RANK_DEST, IERROR
```

The `direction` argument indicates the coordinate dimension to be traversed by the shift. The dimensions are numbered from 0 to `ndims-1`, where `ndims` is the number of dimensions. Depending on the periodicity of the Cartesian topology in the specified coordinate direction, `MPI_CART_SHIFT` provides the identifiers for a circular or an end-off shift. In the case of an end-off shift, the value `MPI_PROC_NULL` is returned in `rank_source` or `rank_dest`, indicating that the source or the destination for the shift is out of range.

It is erroneous to call `MPI_CART_SHIFT` with a direction that is either negative or greater than or equal to the number of dimensions in the Cartesian communicator. This implies that it is erroneous to call `MPI_CART_SHIFT` with a `comm` that is associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology.

Example 8.7. Using `MPI_CART_SHIFT` for a Cartesian topology.

The communicator, `comm`, has a two-dimensional, periodic, Cartesian topology associated with it. A two-dimensional array of `REALs` is stored one element per MPI process, in variable `A`. One wishes to skew this array, by shifting column `i` (vertically, i.e., along the column) by `i` steps.

```fortran
...!
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierr)
! find Cartesian coordinates
CALL MPI_CART_COORDS(comm, rank, maxdims, coords, ierr)
! compute shift source and destination
CALL MPI_CART_SHIFT(comm, 0, coords(2), source, dest, ierr)
! skew array
CALL MPI_SENDRECV_REPLACE(A, 1, MPI_REAL, dest, 0, source, 0, comm, &
                           status, ierr)
```

Advice to users. In Fortran, the dimension indicated by `DIRECTION = i` has `DIMS(i+1)` nodes, where `DIMS` is the array that was used to create the grid. In C, the dimension indicated by `direction = i` is the dimension specified by `dims[i]`. (End of advice to users.)
8.5.7 Partitioning of Cartesian Structures

MPI_CART_SUB(comm, remain_dims, newcomm)

IN comm communicator with associated Cartesian topology (handle)

IN remain_dims the i-th entry of remain_dims specifies whether the i-th dimension is kept in the subgrid (true) or is dropped (false) (array of logicals)

OUT newcomm new communicator with associated Cartesian topology containing the subgrid that includes the calling MPI process (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Cart_sub(MPI_Comm comm, const int remain_dims[], MPI_Comm *newcomm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Cart_sub(comm, remain_dims, newcomm, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: remain_dims(*)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_CART_SUB(COMM, REMAIN_DIMS, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
   INTEGER COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR
   LOGICAL REMAIN_DIMS(*)

MPI_CART_SUB can be used to partition the group associated with a communicator that has an associated Cartesian topology into subgroups that form lower-dimensional Cartesian subgrids, and to create for each subgroup a communicator with the associated subgrid Cartesian topology. The topologies of the new communicators describe the subgrids. The number of dimensions of the subgrids is the number of remaining dimensions, i.e., the number of true values in remain_dims. The numbers of MPI processes in each coordinate direction of the subgrids are the remaining numbers of MPI processes in each coordinate direction of the grid associated with the original communicator, i.e., the values of the original grid dimensions for which the corresponding entry in remain_dims is true. The periodicity for the remaining dimensions in the new communicator is preserved from the original communicator. If all entries in remain_dims are false or comm is already associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology then newcomm is associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology. (This function is closely related to MPI_COMM_SPLIT.)

Example 8.8. Creation of nonoverlapping Cartesian subcommunicators with MPI_CART_SUB.
Assume that MPI_Cart_create(..., comm) has defined a (2 × 3 × 4) grid. Let remain_dims = (true, false, true). Then a call to

MPI_Cart_sub(comm, remain_dims, &newcomm);
will create three communicators each with eight MPI processes in a $2 \times 4$ Cartesian topology.
If `remain_dims = (false, false, true)` then the call to

```c
MPI_Cart_sub(comm, remain_dims, &newcomm);
```

will create six nonoverlapping communicators, each with four MPI processes, in a one-dimensional Cartesian topology.

### 8.5.8 Low-Level Topology Functions

The two additional functions introduced in this section can be used to implement all other topology functions. In general they will not be called by the user directly, except when creating additional *virtual topology* capabilities other than those provided by MPI. The two calls are both local.

**MPI_CART_MAP(comm, ndims, dims, periods, newrank)**

- **IN** `comm` input communicator (handle)
- **IN** `ndims` number of dimensions of Cartesian structure (integer)
- **IN** `dims` integer array of size `ndims` specifying the number of processes in each coordinate direction
- **IN** `periods` logical array of size `ndims` specifying the periodicity specification in each coordinate direction
- **OUT** `newrank` reordered rank of the calling MPI process; `MPI_UNDEFINED` if calling MPI process does not belong to grid (integer)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Cart_map(MPI_Comm comm, int ndims, const int dims[], const int periods[], int *newrank)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Cart_map(comm, ndims, dims, periods, newrank, ierror)
```

- `TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm`  
- `INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: ndims, dims(ndims)`  
- `LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: periods(ndims)`  
- `INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: newrank`  
- `INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror`

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_CART_MAP(COMM, NDIMS, DIMS, PERIODS, NEWRANK, IERROR)
```

- `INTEGER COMM, NDIMS, DIMS(*), NEWRANK, IERROR`  
- `LOGICAL PERIODS(*)`

`MPI_CART_MAP` computes an “optimal” placement for the calling MPI process on the physical machine. A possible implementation of this function is to always return the rank of the calling MPI process, that is, not to perform any reordering.
Advice to implementors. The function \texttt{MPI\_CART\_CREATE}(comm, ndims, dims, periods, reorder, \texttt{comm\_cart}), with \texttt{reorder = true} can be implemented by calling \texttt{MPI\_CART\_MAP}(comm, ndims, dims, periods, newrank), then calling \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_SPLIT}(comm, color, key, \texttt{comm\_cart}), with \texttt{color = 0} if \texttt{newrank \neq MPI\_UNDEFINED}, \texttt{color = MPI\_UNDEFINED} otherwise, and \texttt{key = newrank}. If ndims is zero then a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology is created.

The function \texttt{MPI\_CART\_SUB}(comm, remain\_dims, \texttt{comm\_new}) can be implemented by a call to \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_SPLIT}(comm, color, key, \texttt{comm\_new}), using a single number encoding of the lost dimensions as color and a single number encoding of the preserved dimensions as key.

All other Cartesian topology functions can be implemented locally, using the topology information that is cached with the communicator. (End of advice to implementors.)

The corresponding function for graph structures is as follows.

\texttt{MPI\_GRAPH\_MAP}(comm, nnodes, index, edges, newrank)

\begin{verbatim}
IN comm : input communicator (handle)
IN nnodes : number of graph nodes (integer)
IN index : integer array specifying the graph structure (for details see the definition of \texttt{MPI\_GRAPH\_CREATE})
IN edges : integer array specifying the graph structure
OUT newrank : reordered rank of the calling MPI process;
                \texttt{MPI\_UNDEFINED} if the calling MPI process does not belong to graph (integer)
\end{verbatim}

C binding
\begin{verbatim}
int \texttt{MPI\_Graph\_map}(\texttt{MPI\_Comm comm, int nnodes, const int index[],
                          const int edges[], int *newrank})
\end{verbatim}

Fortran 2008 binding
\begin{verbatim}
\texttt{MPI\_Graph\_map}(\texttt{comm, nnodes, index, edges, newrank, ierr})
    TYPE(\texttt{MPI\_Comm}), INTENT(IN) :: \texttt{comm}
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: nnodes, index(nnodes), edges(*)
    INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: newrank
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr
\end{verbatim}

Fortran binding
\begin{verbatim}
\texttt{MPI\_GRAPH\_MAP}(\texttt{COMM, NNODES, INDEX, EDGES, NEWRANK, IERROR})
    INTEGER COMM, NNODES, INDEX(*), EDGES(*), NEWRANK, IERROR
\end{verbatim}

Advice to implementors. The function \texttt{MPI\_GRAPH\_CREATE}(comm, nnodes, index, edges, reorder, \texttt{comm\_graph}), with \texttt{reorder = true} can be implemented by calling \texttt{MPI\_GRAPH\_MAP}(comm, nnodes, index, edges, newrank), then calling \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_SPLIT}(comm, color, key, \texttt{comm\_graph}), with \texttt{color = 0} if \texttt{newrank \neq MPI\_UNDEFINED}, \texttt{color = MPI\_UNDEFINED} otherwise, and \texttt{key = newrank}.

All other graph topology functions can be implemented locally, using the topology information that is cached with the communicator. (End of advice to implementors.)
8.6 Neighborhood Collective Communication on Virtual Topologies

Virtual topologies specify a communication graph, but they implement no communication function themselves. Many applications require sparse nearest neighbor communications that can be expressed as graph topologies. We now describe several collective operations that perform communication along the edges of a graph representing a virtual topology. All of these functions are collective; i.e., they must be called by all MPI processes in the specified communicator. See Section 6 for an overview of other dense (global) collective communication operations and the semantics of collective operations.

If the graph was created with MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT with sources and destinations containing 0, . . . , n-1, where n is the number of MPI processes in the group of comm_old (i.e., the graph is fully connected and also includes an edge from each node to itself), then the sparse neighborhood communication routine performs the same data exchange as the corresponding dense (fully-connected) collective operation. In the case of a Cartesian communicator, only nearest neighbor communication is provided, corresponding to rank_source and rank_dest in MPI_CART_SHIFT with input disp = 1.

Rationale. Neighborhood collective communications enable communication on a virtual topology. This high-level specification of data exchange among neighboring MPI processes enables optimizations in the MPI library because the communication pattern is known statically (the topology). Thus, the implementation can compute optimized message schedules during creation of the topology [40]. This functionality can significantly simplify the implementation of neighbor exchanges [36]. (End of rationale.)

For a distributed graph topology, created with MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE, the sequence of neighbors in the send and receive buffers at each MPI process is defined as the sequence returned by MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS for destinations and sources, respectively. For a general graph topology, created with MPI_GRAPH_CREATE, the use of neighborhood collective communication is restricted to adjacency matrices, where the number of edges between any two MPI processes is defined to be the same for both MPI processes (i.e., with a symmetric adjacency matrix). In this case, the order of neighbors in the send and receive buffers is defined as the sequence of neighbors as returned by MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS. Note that graph topologies should generally be replaced by the distributed graph topologies.

For a Cartesian topology, created with MPI_CART_CREATE, the sequence of neighbors in the send and receive buffers at each MPI process is defined by the order of the dimensions, first the neighbor in the negative direction and then in the positive direction with displacement 1. The numbers of sources and destinations in the communication routines are 2*ndims with ndims defined in MPI_CART_CREATE. If a neighbor does not exist, i.e., at the border of a Cartesian topology in the case of a nonperiodic virtual grid dimension (i.e., periods[. . . ]=false), then this neighbor is defined to be MPI_PROC_NULL.

If a neighbor in any of the functions is MPI_PROC_NULL, then the neighborhood collective communication behaves like a point-to-point communication with MPI_PROC_NULL in this direction. That is, the buffer is still part of the sequence of neighbors but it is neither communicated nor updated.
8.6.1 Neighborhood Gather

In the neighborhood gather operation, each MPI process $i$ gathers data items from each MPI process $j$ if an edge $(j,i)$ exists in the topology graph, and each MPI process $i$ sends the same data items to all MPI processes $j$ where an edge $(i,j)$ exists. The send buffer is sent to each neighboring MPI process and the $l$-th block in the receive buffer is received from the $l$-th neighbor.

\[
\text{MPI\_NEIGHBOR\_ALLGATHER}(\text{sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm})
\]

- **IN** sendbuf: starting address of send buffer (choice)
- **IN** sendcount: number of elements sent to each neighbor (non-negative integer)
- **IN** sendtype: datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
- **OUT** recvbuf: starting address of receive buffer (choice)
- **IN** recvcount: number of elements received from each neighbor (non-negative integer)
- **IN** recvtype: datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
- **IN** comm: communicator with associated virtual topology (handle)

**C binding**

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

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Neighbor_allgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount,
    recvtype, comm, ierror)
```

- TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
- INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
- TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
- TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
- TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
- INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

```fortran
MPI_Neighbor_allgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount,
    recvtype, comm, ierror) !(c)
```

- TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
- INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_COUNT\_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
- TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
- TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
- TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR

The MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHER procedure supports Cartesian communicators, graph communicators, and distributed graph communicators as described in Section 8.6. If comm is a distributed graph communicator, the outcome is as if each MPI process executed sends to each of its outgoing neighbors and receives from each of its incoming neighbors:

MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors_count(comm, & indegree, & outdegree, & weighted);
int * srcs = (int*) malloc (indegree * sizeof(int));
int * dsts = (int*) malloc (outdegree * sizeof(int));
MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors(comm, indegree, srcs, MPI_UNWEIGHTED, outdegree, dsts, MPI_UNWEIGHTED);
int k;
/* assume sendbuf and recvbuf are of type (char*) */
for (k=0; k<outdegree; ++k)
MPI_Isend(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, dsts[k],...);
for (k=0; k<indegree; ++k)
MPI_Irecv(recvbuf+k*recvcount*extent(recvtype), recvcount, recvtype, srcs[k],...);
MPI_Waitall(...);

Figure 8.1 shows the neighborhood gather communication of one MPI process with outgoing neighbors $d_0...d_3$ and incoming neighbors $s_0...s_5$. The MPI process will send its sendbuf to all four destinations (outgoing neighbors) and it will receive the contribution from all six sources (incoming neighbors) into separate locations of its receive buffer.

All arguments are significant on all MPI processes and the argument comm must have identical values on all MPI processes.

The type signature associated with sendcount, sendtype at an MPI process must be equal to the type signature associated with recvcount, recvtype at all other MPI processes. This implies that the amount of data sent must be equal to the amount of data received, pairwise between every pair of communicating MPI processes. Distinct type maps between sender and receiver are still allowed.

Rationale. For optimization reasons, the same type signature is required independently of whether the topology graph is connected or not. (End of rationale.)

The “in place” option is not meaningful for this operation.

On a Cartesian virtual topology, the buffer usage in a given direction $d$ with $\text{dims}[d]=3$ and 1, respectively during creation of the communicator is described in Figure 8.2.
The figure may apply to any (or multiple) directions in the Cartesian topology. The grey buffers are required in all cases but are only accessed if during creation of the communicator,
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Figure 8.1: Neighborhood gather communication example

Figure 8.2: Cartesian neighborhood allgather example for 3 and 1 processes in a dimension

\[ \text{periods}[d] \] was defined as nonzero (in C) or \text{.TRUE.} (in Fortran).

The vector variant of \texttt{MPI\_NEIGHBOR\_ALLGATHER} allows one to gather different numbers of elements from each neighbor.

\texttt{MPI\_NEIGHBOR\_ALLGATHERV}(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, comm)

\begin{tabular}{ll}
\textbf{IN} & sendbuf \\
& starting address of send buffer (choice) \\
\textbf{IN} & sendcount \\
& number of elements sent to each neighbor \\
& (non-negative integer) \\
\textbf{IN} & sendtype \\
& datatype of send buffer elements (handle) \\
\textbf{OUT} & recvbuf \\
& starting address of receive buffer (choice) \\
\textbf{IN} & recvcounts \\
& nonnegative integer array (of length indegree) \\
& containing the number of elements that are received from each neighbor \\
\textbf{IN} & displs \\
& integer array (of length indegree). Entry \( i \) specifies the displacement (relative to \texttt{recvbuf}) at which to place the incoming data from neighbor \( i \) \\
\textbf{IN} & recvtype \\
& datatype of receive buffer elements (handle) \\
\end{tabular}
C binding

```c
int MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[],
    const int displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
    const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint displs[],
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
    displs, recvtype, comm, ierror)
```

The MPI _NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV procedure supports Cartesian communicators, graph communicators, and distributed graph communicators as described in Section 8.6. If comm is a distributed graph communicator, the outcome is as if each MPI process executed:

```c
MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors_count(comm , & indegree , & outdegree , & weighted);

int *srcs=(int*) malloc (indegree * sizeof(int));
int *dsts=(int*) malloc (outdegree * sizeof(int));
MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors(comm , indegree , srcs , MPI_UNWEIGHTED,
    outdegree , dsts , MPI_UNWEIGHTED);
```

int k;
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/* assume sendbuf and recvbuf are of type (char*) */

for (k=0; k<outdegree; ++k)
    MPI_Isend (sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, dsts[k], ...);

for (k=0; k<indegree; ++k)
    MPI_Irecv (recvbuf + displs[k]*extent(recvtype), recvcounts[k], recvtype,
               srcs[k], ...);

MPI_Waitall(...);

The type signature associated with sendcount, sendtype at MPI process \(j\) must be equal to the type signature associated with recvcounts\([l]\), recvtype at any other MPI process with srcs\([l]\)=\(j\). This implies that the amount of data sent must be equal to the amount of data received, pairwise between every pair of communicating MPI processes. Distinct type maps between sender and receiver are still allowed. The data received from the \(l\)-th neighbor is placed into recvbuf beginning at offset displs\([l]\) elements (in terms of the recvtype).

The “in place” option is not meaningful for this operation.

All arguments are significant on all MPI processes and the argument comm must have identical values on all MPI processes.

8.6.2 Neighborhood Alltoall

In the neighborhood alltoall operation, each MPI process \(i\) receives data items from each MPI process \(j\) if an edge \((j, i)\) exists in the topology graph or Cartesian topology. Similarly, each MPI process \(i\) sends data items to all MPI processes \(j\) where an edge \((i, j)\) exists. This call is more general than MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHER in that different data items can be sent to each neighbor. The \(k\)-th block in send buffer is sent to the \(k\)-th neighboring MPI process and the \(l\)-th block in the receive buffer is received from the \(l\)-th neighbor.

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Argument</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>sendbuf</td>
<td>starting address of send buffer (choice)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sendcount</td>
<td>number of elements sent to each neighbor (non-negative integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sendtype</td>
<td>datatype of send buffer elements (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>recvbuf</td>
<td>starting address of receive buffer (choice)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>recvcount</td>
<td>number of elements received from each neighbor (non-negative integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>recvtype</td>
<td>datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>comm</td>
<td>communicator with associated virtual topology (handle)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

C binding

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

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```c
int MPI_Neighbor_alltoall_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Neighbor_alltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount,
   recvtype, comm, ierror)

Fortran binding
MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT,
   RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR)
```

The MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL procedure supports Cartesian communicators, graph communicators, and distributed graph communicators as described in Section 8.6. If comm is a distributed graph communicator, the outcome is as if each MPI process executed sends to each of its outgoing neighbors and receives from each of its incoming neighbors:

```c
int MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors_count(comm, &indegree, &outdegree, &weighted);
int *srcs=(int*)malloc(indegree*sizeof(int));
int *dsts=(int*)malloc(outdegree*sizeof(int));
MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors(comm, indegree, srcs, MPI_UNWEIGHTED,
   outdegree, dsts, MPI_UNWEIGHTED);

int k;
/* assume sendbuf and recvbuf are of type (char*) */
for(k=0; k<outdegree; ++k)
   MPI_Isend(sendbuf+k*sendcount*extent(sendtype), sendcount, sendtype,
      dsts[k],...);
for(k=0; k<indegree; ++k)
   MPI_Irecv(recvbuf+k*recvcount*extent(recvtype), recvcount, recvtype,
      srcs[k],...);
MPI_Waitall(...);
```
The type signature associated with `sendcount`, `sendtype` at an MPI process must be equal to the type signature associated with `recvcount`, `recvtype` at any other MPI process. This implies that the amount of data sent must be equal to the amount of data received, pairwise between every pair of communicating MPI processes. Distinct type maps between sender and receiver are still allowed.

The “in place” option is not meaningful for this operation.

All arguments are significant on all MPI processes and the argument `comm` must have identical values on all MPI processes.

**Example 8.10.** Buffer usage of `MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL` in the case of a Cartesian virtual topology.

For a halo communication on a Cartesian grid, the buffer usage in a given direction `d` with `dims[d]=3` and `1`, respectively during creation of the communicator is described in Figure 8.3. The figure may apply to any (or multiple) directions in the Cartesian topology. The grey buffers are required in all cases but are only accessed if during creation of the communicator, `periods[d]` was defined as nonzero (in C) or .TRUE. (in Fortran).

If `sendbuf` and `recvbuf` are declared as (char *) and contain a sequence of buffers each described by `sendcount`, `sendtype` and `recvbuf`, `recvtype`, then after `MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL` on a Cartesian communicator returned, the content of the `recvbuf` is as if the following code is executed:

```c
MPI_Cartdim_get(comm, &ndims);
MPI_Type_get_extent(sendtype, &send_lb, &send_extent);
MPI_Type_get_extent(recvtype, &recv_lb, &recv_extent);
for( /* direction */ d=0; d < ndims; d++) {
   MPI_Cart_shift(comm, /* direction */ d, /* disp */ 1, &rank_source, &rank_dest);
   MPI_Sendrecv(sendbuf+(d*2+0)*sendcount*send_extent ,
                    sendcount, sendtype, rank_source, /* sendtag */d*2 ,
                    recvbuf+(d*2+1)*recvcount*recv_extent ,
                    recvcount, recvtype, rank_dest, /* recvtag */ d*2 ,
                    comm, &status); /* communication in direction of displacement -1*/
   MPI_Sendrecv(sendbuf+(d*2+1)*sendcount*send_extent ,
                    sendcount, sendtype, rank_dest, /* sendtag */ d*2+1 ,
                    recvbuf+(d*2+0)*recvcount*recv_extent ,
                    recvcount, recvtype, rank_source, /* recvtag */d*2+1 ,
                    comm, &status); /* communication in direction of displacement +1*/
}
```

The first call to `MPI_Sendrecv` implements the solid arrows’ communication pattern in each diagram of Figure 8.3, whereas the second call is for the dashed arrows’ pattern.

**Advice to implementors.** For a Cartesian topology, if the grid in a direction `d` is periodic and `dims[d]` is equal to 1 or 2, then `rank_source` and `rank_dest` are identical, but still all `ndims` send and `ndims` receive operations use different buffers. If in this case, the two send and receive operations per direction or of all directions are internally parallelized, then the several send and receive operations for the same sender-receiver MPI process pair shall be initiated in the same sequence on sender and receiver side or they shall be distinguished by different tags. The code above shows a valid sequence of operations and tags. (End of advice to implementors.)

The vector variant of `MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL` allows sending/receiving different numbers of elements to and from each neighbor.
Figure 8.3: Cartesian neighborhood alltoall example for 3 and 1 MPI processes in a dimension

**MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV** (sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm)

- **IN** sendbuf: starting address of send buffer (choice)
- **IN** sendcounts: nonnegative integer array (of length outdegree) specifying the number of elements to send to each neighbor
- **IN** sdispls: integer array (of length outdegree). Entry j specifies the displacement (relative to sendbuf) from which to send the outgoing data to neighbor j
- **IN** sendtype: datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
- **OUT** recvbuf: starting address of receive buffer (choice)
- **IN** recvcounts: nonnegative integer array (of length indegree) specifying the number of elements that are received from each neighbor
- **IN** rdispls: integer array (of length indegree). Entry i specifies the displacement (relative to recvbuf) at which to place the incoming data from neighbor i
- **IN** recvtype: datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
- **IN** comm: communicator with associated virtual topology (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Neighbor_alltoallv(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)
```

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int MPI_Neighbor_alltoally_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
  const MPI_Aint sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
  const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
  MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Neighbor_alltoally(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf,
  recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*), recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoally(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf,
  recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLY(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF,
  RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR)
  <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
  INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), SENDTYPE, REVCOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*),
           RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR

The MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLY procedure supports Cartesian communicators, graph
communicators, and distributed graph communicators as described in Section 8.6. If comm
is a distributed graph communicator, the outcome is as if each MPI process executed sends
to each of its outgoing neighbors and receives from each of its incoming neighbors:

MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors_count(comm, &indegree, &outdegree, &weighted);
int *srcs=(int*)malloc(indegree*sizeof(int));
int *dsts=(int*)malloc(outdegree*sizeof(int));
MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors(comm, indegree, srcs, MPI_UNWEIGHTED,
                         outdegree, dsts, MPI_UNWEIGHTED);

int k;
/* assume sendbuf and recvbuf are of type (char*) */
for(k=0; k<outdegree; ++k)
  MPI_Isend(sendbuf+sdispls[k]*extent(sendtype), sendcounts[k],
            sendtype, dsts[k],...);
for(k=0; k<indegree; ++k)
  MPI_Irecv(recvbuf+rdispls[k]*extent(recvtype), recvcounts[k],
            recvtype, srcs[k],...);


MPI_Waitall(...);

The type signature associated with sendcounts[k], sendtype with dsts[k]=j at MPI process i must be equal to the type signature associated with recvcounts[l], recvtype with srcs[l]=i at MPI process j. This implies that the amount of data sent must be equal to the amount of data received, pairwise between every pair of communicating MPI processes. Distinct type maps between sender and receiver are still allowed. The data in the sendbuf beginning at offset sdispls[k] elements (in terms of the sendtype) is sent to the k-th outgoing neighbor. The data received from the l-th incoming neighbor is placed into recvbuf beginning at offset rdispls[l] elements (in terms of the recvtype).

The “in place” option is not meaningful for this operation.

All arguments are significant on all MPI processes and the argument comm must have identical values on all MPI processes.

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW allows one to send and receive with different datatypes to and from each neighbor.

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm)

IN  sendbuf  starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN  sendcounts  nonnegative integer array (of length outdegree) specifying the number of elements to send to each neighbor
IN  sdispls  integer array (of length outdegree). Entry j specifies the displacement in bytes (relative to sendbuf) from which to take the outgoing data destined for neighbor j (array of integers)
IN  sendtypes  array of datatypes (of length outdegree). Entry j specifies the type of data to send to neighbor j (array of handles)
OUT recvbuf  starting address of receive buffer (choice)
IN  recvcounts  nonnegative integer array (of length indegree) specifying the number of elements that are received from each neighbor
IN  rdispls  integer array (of length indegree). Entry i specifies the displacement in bytes (relative to recvbuf) at which to place the incoming data from neighbor i (array of integers)
IN  recvtypes  array of datatypes (of length indegree). Entry i specifies the type of data received from neighbor i (array of handles)
IN  comm  communicator with associated virtual topology (handle)
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C binding

```c
int MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
    void *recvbuf, const int recvcounds[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
    const MPI_Datatype recvotypes[], MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
    void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounds[],
    const MPI_Aint rdispls[], const MPI_Datatype recvotypes[],
    MPI_Comm comm)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf,
    recvcounds, rdispls, recvotypes, comm, ierror)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcounds(*)
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtypes(*), recvotypes(*)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf,
    recvcounds, rdispls, recvotypes, comm, ierror) !(_c)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcounds(*)
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtypes(*), recvotypes(*)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_NEAREST_ALLTOALLW(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENTYPES, RECVBUF,
    RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPES, COMM, IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
    INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SENTYPES(*), RECVCOUNTS(*), RECVTYPES(*), COMM,
    IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SDISPLS(*), RDISPLS(*)
```

The `MPI_NEAREST_ALLTOALLW` procedure supports Cartesian communicators, graph communicators, and distributed graph communicators as described in Section 8.6. If `comm` is a distributed graph communicator, the outcome is as if each MPI process executed sends to each of its outgoing neighbors and receives from each of its incoming neighbors:

```c
MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors_count(comm, &indegree, &outdegree, &weighted);
int *srcs=(int*)malloc(indegree*sizeof(int));
int *dsts=(int*)malloc(outdegree*sizeof(int));
MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors(comm, indegree, srcs, MPI_UNWEIGHTED,
    outdegree, dsts, MPI_UNWEIGHTED);
int k;
```
The type signature associated with sendcounts[k], sendtypes[k] with dsts[k] = j at MPI process i must be equal to the type signature associated with recvcounts[l], recvtypes[l] with srcs[l] = i at MPI process j. This implies that the amount of data sent must be equal to the amount of data received, pairwise between every pair of communicating MPI processes. Distinct type maps between sender and receiver are still allowed.

The “in place” option is not meaningful for this operation.

All arguments are significant on all MPI processes and the argument comm must have identical values on all MPI processes.

8.7 Nonblocking Neighborhood Communication on Process Topologies

Nonblocking variants of the neighborhood collective operations allow relaxed synchronization and overlapping of computation and communication. The semantics are similar to nonblocking collective operations as described in Section 6.12.

8.7.1 Nonblocking Neighborhood Gather

C binding
int MPI_Ineighbor_allgather(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
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MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount,
MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ineighbor_allgather_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Ineighbor_allgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount,
recvtype, comm, request, ierror)

\begin{verbatim}
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

MPI_Ineighbor_allgather_c(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount,
recvtype, comm, request)

\begin{verbatim}
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

Fortran binding

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT,
RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

\begin{verbatim}
  <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
  INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR
\end{verbatim}

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs,
recvtype, comm, request)

\begin{verbatim}
  IN    sendbuf    starting address of send buffer (choice)
  IN    sendcount  number of elements sent to each neighbor
                 (non-negative integer)
  IN    sendtype   datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
  OUT   recvbuf    starting address of receive buffer (choice)
  IN    recvcounts nonnegative integer array (of length indegree)
                 containing the number of elements that are received
                 from each neighbor
\end{verbatim}
IN displs integer array (of length indegree). Entry i specifies the displacement (relative to recvbuf) at which to place the incoming data from neighbor i.

IN recvtype datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)

IN comm communicator with associated virtual topology (handle)

OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

```c
int MPI_Ineighbor_allgatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
                               MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[],
                               const int displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm,
                               MPI_Request *request)
```

```c
int MPI_Ineighbor_allgatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                               MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
                               const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint displs[],
                               MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Ineighbor_allgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
                          displs, recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
```

```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*), displs(*)
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

```fortran
MPI_Ineighbor_allgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
                          displs, recvtype, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
```

```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: displs(*)
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS,
                          DISPLS, RECVTYEP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

```fortran
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYEP, COMM,
       REQUEST, IERROR
```
MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV starts a nonblocking variant of MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV.

8.7.2 Nonblocking Neighborhood Alltoall

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, request)

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN sendcount number of elements sent to each neighbor (non-negative integer)
IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT recvbuf starting address of receive buffer (choice)
IN recvcount number of elements received from each neighbor (non-negative integer)
IN recvtype datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
IN comm communicator with associated virtual topology (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Ineighbor_alltoall(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ineighbor_alltoall_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Ineighbor_alltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ineighbor_alltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
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TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT,
   RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL starts a nonblocking variant of
MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL.

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
   rdispls, recvtype, comm, request)
   IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
   IN sendcounts nonnegative integer array (of length outdegree)
specifying the number of elements to send to each neighbor
   IN sdispls integer array (of length outdegree). Entry j specifies
the displacement (relative to sendbuf) from which
send the outgoing data to neighbor j
   IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
   OUT recvbuf starting address of receive buffer (choice)
   IN recvcounts nonnegative integer array (of length indegree)
specifying the number of elements that are received
from each neighbor
   IN rdispls integer array (of length indegree). Entry i specifies
the displacement (relative to recvbuf) at which to
place the incoming data from neighbor i
   IN recvtype datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
   IN comm communicator with associated virtual topology
   (handle)
   OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallv(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
   const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
   const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallv_c(const void *sendbuf,
   const MPI_Count sendcounts[], const MPI_Aint sdispls[],
   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
   const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
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**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
```

- **sendbuf** (TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS)
- **sendcounts** (INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS)
- **sdispls** (INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS)
- **sendtype** (TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN))
- **recvbuf** (TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS)
- **recvcounts** (INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS)
- **rdispls** (INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS)
- **recvtype** (TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN))
- **comm** (TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN))
- **request** (TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT))
- **ierror** (INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT))

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECECV_COUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPES, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

- **SENDBUF(*)**
- **SENDCOUNTS(*)**
- **SDISPLS(*)**
- **SENDTYPE** (TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN))
- **RECVBUF(*)**
- **RECECV_COUNTS(*)**
- **RDISPLS(*)**
- **RECVTYPE** (TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN))
- **COMM** (TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN))
- **REQUEST** (TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT))
- **IERROR** (INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT))

**MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV** starts a nonblocking variant of **MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV**.

**MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW**

```fortran
MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, request)
```

- **sendbuf** (IN) starting address of send buffer (choice)
- **sendcounts** (IN) nonnegative integer array (of length outdegree)
- **sdispls** (IN) integer array (of length outdegree). Entry j specifies the displacement in bytes (relative to sendbuf) from which to take the outgoing data destined for neighbor j (array of integers)
- **sendtypes** (IN) array of datatypes (of length outdegree). Entry j specifies the type of data to send to neighbor j (array of handles)
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OUT recvbuf starting address of receive buffer (choice)

IN recvcounts nonnegative integer array (of length indegree) specifying the number of elements that are received from each neighbor

IN rdispls integer array (of length indegree). Entry i specifies the displacement in bytes (relative to recvbuf) at which to place the incoming data from neighbor i (array of integers)

IN recvtypes array of datatypes (of length indegree). Entry i specifies the type of data received from neighbor i (array of handles)

IN comm communicator with associated virtual topology (handle)

OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

```c
int MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallw(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
   const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
   void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
   const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm,
   MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallw_c(const void *sendbuf,
   const MPI_Count sendcounts[], const MPI_Aint sdispls[],
   const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[], void *recvbuf,
   const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
   const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm,
   MPI_Request *request)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf,
   recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, request, ierror)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*),
   rdispls(*)
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf,
   recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*),
   recvcounts(*)
```
8.8 Persistent Neighborhood Communication

Persistent variants of the neighborhood collective operations can offer significant performance benefits for programs with repetitive communication patterns. The semantics are similar to persistent collective operations as described in Section 6.13.

8.8.1 Persistent Neighborhood Gather

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\texttt{MPI\_NEIGHBOR\_ALLGATHER\_INIT(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, info, request)}

\begin{tabular}{ll}
\textbf{IN} & sendbuf \hspace{1cm} starting address of send buffer (choice) \\
\textbf{IN} & sendcount \hspace{1cm} number of elements sent to each neighbor (non-negative integer) \\
\textbf{IN} & sendtype \hspace{1cm} datatype of send buffer elements (handle) \\
\textbf{OUT} & recvbuf \hspace{1cm} starting address of receive buffer (choice) \\
\textbf{IN} & recvcount \hspace{1cm} number of elements received from each neighbor (non-negative integer) \\
\textbf{IN} & recvtype \hspace{1cm} datatype of receive buffer elements (handle) \\
\textbf{IN} & comm \hspace{1cm} communicator with associated virtual topology (handle) \\
\textbf{IN} & info \hspace{1cm} info argument (handle) \\
\textbf{OUT} & request \hspace{1cm} communication request (handle)
\end{tabular}

\textbf{C binding}

\hspace{1cm} int MPI\_Neighbor\_allgather\_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, \\
\hspace{1cm} \texttt{MPI\_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount, \\
\hspace{1cm} \texttt{\ldots})
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MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Neighbor_allgather_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
   MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Neighbor_allgather_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount,
   recvtype, comm, info, recvcount, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_allgather_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount,
   recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV_INIT(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
   displs, recvtype, comm, info, request)

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN sendcount number of elements sent to each neighbor (non-negative integer)
IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT recvbuf starting address of receive buffer (choice)

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the neighborhood allgather operation.

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV_INIT(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
   displs, recvtype, comm, info, request)
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| IN   | recvcounts | nonnegative integer array (of length indegree containing the number of elements that are received from each neighbor |
| IN   | displs     | integer array (of length indegree). Entry i specifies the displacement (relative to recvbuf) at which to place the incoming data from neighbor i |
| IN   | recvtype   | datatype of receive buffer elements (handle) |
| IN   | comm       | communicator with associated virtual topology (handle) |
| IN   | info       | info argument (handle) |
| OUT  | request    | communication request (handle) |

C binding

```c
int MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
                                   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[],
                                   const int displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm,
                                   MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
```

```fortran
MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
                              displs, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
```
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS,
   DISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, COMM,
   INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the neighborhood allgatherv operation.

8.8.2 Persistent Neighborhood Alltoall

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL_INIT(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount,
   recvtype, comm, info, request)

IN sendbuf starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN sendcount number of elements sent to each neighbor (non-negative integer)
IN sendtype datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT recvbuf starting address of receive buffer (choice)
IN recvcount number of elements received from each neighbor (non-negative integer)
IN recvtype datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
IN comm communicator with associated virtual topology (handle)
IN info info argument (handle)
OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Neighbor_alltoall_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount,
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
   MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Neighbor_alltoall_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
   MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Neighbor_alltoall_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount,
   recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), SYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
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TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoall_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

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MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVCOUNT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVCOUNT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the neighborhood alltoall operation.

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV_INIT(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror)

IN  sendbuf              starting address of send buffer (choice)
IN  sendcounts           nonnegative integer array (of length outdegree)
                          specifying the number of elements to send to each neighbor
IN  sdispls              integer array (of length outdegree). Entry j specifies the displacement (relative to sendbuf) from which send the outgoing data to neighbor j
IN  sendtype             datatype of send buffer elements (handle)
OUT recvbuf              starting address of receive buffer (choice)
IN  recvcounts           nonnegative integer array (of length indegree)
                          specifying the number of elements that are received from each neighbor
IN  rdispls              integer array (of length indegree). Entry i specifies the displacement (relative to recvbuf) at which to place the incoming data from neighbor i
IN  recvtype             datatype of receive buffer elements (handle)
IN comm communicator with associated virtual topology (handle)

IN info info argument (handle)

OUT request communication request (handle)

C binding

```c
int MPI_Neighbor_alltoallv_init(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
                                 const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
                                 const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
                                 MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                                 MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Neighbor_alltoallv_init_c(const void *sendbuf,
                                   const MPI_Count sendcounts[], const MPI_Aint sdispls[],
                                   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
                                   const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
                                   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                                   MPI_Request *request)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Neighbor_alltoallv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf,
                            recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*),
    recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Neighbor_alltoallv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf,
                            recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*),
    recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*),
    rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENTYPE, RECVBUF,
                            RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENTYPE, RECVBUF,
                            RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
```
8.8 Persistent Neighborhood Communication

\[
\text{SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*), INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR}
\]

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the neighborhood alltoallv operation.

\[
\text{MPI\_NEIGHBOR\_ALLTOALLW\_INIT(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, info, request)}
\]

\begin{itemize}
  \item \textbf{IN} \textit{sendbuf} \hspace{1cm} \text{starting address of send buffer (choice)}
  \item \textbf{IN} \textit{sendcounts} \hspace{1cm} \text{nonnegative integer array (of length outdegree) specifying the number of elements to send to each neighbor}
  \item \textbf{IN} \textit{sdispls} \hspace{1cm} \text{integer array (of length outdegree). Entry } j \text{ specifies the displacement in bytes (relative to sendbuf) from which to take the outgoing data destined for neighbor } j \text{ (array of integers)}
  \item \textbf{IN} \textit{sendtypes} \hspace{1cm} \text{array of datatypes (of length outdegree). Entry } j \text{ specifies the type of data to send to neighbor } j \text{ (array of handles)}
  \item \textbf{OUT} \textit{recvbuf} \hspace{1cm} \text{starting address of receive buffer (choice)}
  \item \textbf{IN} \textit{recvcounts} \hspace{1cm} \text{nonnegative integer array (of length indegree) specifying the number of elements that are received from each neighbor}
  \item \textbf{IN} \textit{rdispls} \hspace{1cm} \text{integer array (of length indegree). Entry } i \text{ specifies the displacement in bytes (relative to recvbuf) at which to place the incoming data from neighbor } i \text{ (array of integers)}
  \item \textbf{IN} \textit{recvtypes} \hspace{1cm} \text{array of datatypes (of length indegree). Entry } i \text{ specifies the type of data received from neighbor } i \text{ (array of handles)}
  \item \textbf{IN} \textit{comm} \hspace{1cm} \text{communicator with associated virtual topology (handle)}
  \item \textbf{IN} \textit{info} \hspace{1cm} \text{info argument (handle)}
  \item \textbf{OUT} \textit{request} \hspace{1cm} \text{communication request (handle)}
\end{itemize}

\textbf{C binding}

\[
\text{int MPI\_Neighbor\_alltoallw\_init(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[], const MPI\_Aint sdispls[], const MPI\_Datatype sendtypes[], void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const MPI\_Aint rdispls[], const MPI\_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI\_Comm comm, MPI\_Info info, MPI\_Request *request)}
\]

\[
\text{int MPI\_Neighbor\_alltoallw\_init\_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI\_Count sendcounts[], const MPI\_Aint sdispls[],}
\]

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Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, info, request, ierror)

Fortran binding

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPES, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RCVTYPES, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

Creates a persistent collective communication request for the neighborhood alltoallw operation.

8.9 An Application Example
INTEGER ndims, num_neigh
LOGICAL reorder
PARAMETER (ndims=2, num_neigh=4, reorder=.true.)
INTEGER comm, comm_size, comm_cart, dims(ndims), ierr
INTEGER neigh_rank(num_neigh), own_coords(ndims), i, j, it
LOGICAL periods(ndims)
REAL u(0:101,0:101), f(0:101,0:101)
DATA dims / ndims * 0 /
  comm = MPI_COMM_WORLD
CALL MPI_COMM_SIZE(comm, comm_size, ierr)
! Set MPI process grid size and periodicity
CALL MPI_DIMS_CREATE(comm_size, ndims, dims, ierr)
  periods(1) = .TRUE.
  periods(2) = .TRUE.
! Create a grid structure in WORLD group and inquire about own position
CALL MPI_CART_CREATE(comm, ndims, dims, periods, reorder, &
  comm_cart, ierr)
CALL MPI_CART_GET(comm_cart, ndims, dims, periods, own_coords, ierr)
i = own_coords(1)
j = own_coords(2)
! Look up the ranks for the neighbors. Own MPI process coordinates are (i,j).
! Neighbors are (i-1,j), (i+1,j), (i,j-1), (i,j+1) modulo (dims(1),dims(2))
CALL MPI_CART_SHIFT(comm_cart, 0,1, neigh_rank(1), neigh_rank(2), ierr)
CALL MPI_CART_SHIFT(comm_cart, 1,1, neigh_rank(3), neigh_rank(4), ierr)
! Initialize the grid functions and start the iteration
CALL init(u, f)
DO it=1,100
  CALL relax(u, f)
  ! Exchange data with neighbor processes
  CALL exchange(u, comm_cart, neigh_rank, num_neigh)
END DO
CALL output(u)

Figure 8.4: Set-up of MPI process structure for two-dimensional parallel Poisson solver

Example 8.11. Neighborhood collective communication in a Cartesian virtual topology. The example in Figures 8.4–8.7 shows how the grid definition and inquiry functions can be used in an application program. A partial differential equation, for instance the Poisson equation, is to be solved on a rectangular domain. First, the MPI processes organize themselves in a two-dimensional structure. Each MPI process then inquires about the ranks of its neighbors in the four directions (up, down, right, left). The numerical problem is solved by an iterative method, the details of which are hidden in the subroutine relax.

In each relaxation step each MPI process computes new values for the solution grid function at the points u(1:100,1:100) owned by the MPI process. Then the values at inter-process boundaries have to be exchanged with neighboring MPI processes. For example, the newly calculated values in u(1,1:100) must be sent into the halo cells u(101,1:100) of the left-hand neighbor with coordinates (own_coord(1)-1,own_coord(2)).
SUBROUTINE exchange(u, comm_cart, neigh_rank, num_neigh)
USE MPI
REAL u(0:101,0:101)
INTEGER comm_cart, num_neigh, neigh_rank(num_neigh)
REAL sndbuf(100,num_neigh), rcvbuf(100,num_neigh)
INTEGER ierr
sndbuf(1:100,1) = u(1,1:100)
sndbuf(1:100,2) = u(100,1:100)
sndbuf(1:100,3) = u(1:100,1)
sndbuf(1:100,4) = u(1:100,100)
CALL MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL(sndbuf, 100, MPI_REAL, rcvbuf, 100, MPI_REAL, &
     comm_cart, ierr)
! instead of
! CALL MPI_IRECV(rcvbuf(1,1),100,MPI_REAL, neigh_rank(1),..., rq(1), ierr)
! CALL MPI_ISEND(sndbuf(1,2),100,MPI_REAL, neigh_rank(2),..., rq(2), ierr)
! Always pairing a receive from rank_source with a send to rank_dest
! of the same direction in MPI_CART_SHIFT!
! CALL MPI_IRECV(rcvbuf(1,2),100,MPI_REAL, neigh_rank(2),..., rq(3), ierr)
! CALL MPI_ISEND(sndbuf(1,1),100,MPI_REAL, neigh_rank(1),..., rq(4), ierr)
! CALL MPI_IRECV(rcvbuf(1,3),100,MPI_REAL, neigh_rank(3),..., rq(5), ierr)
! CALL MPI_ISEND(sndbuf(1,4),100,MPI_REAL, neigh_rank(4),..., rq(6), ierr)
! CALL MPI_IRECV(rcvbuf(1,4),100,MPI_REAL, neigh_rank(4),..., rq(7), ierr)
! CALL MPI_ISEND(sndbuf(1,3),100,MPI_REAL, neigh_rank(3),..., rq(8), ierr)
! Of course, one can first start all four IRECV and then all four ISEND,
! Or vice versa, but both in the sequence shown above. Otherwise, the
! matching would be wrong for 2 or only 1 MPI processes in a direction.
! CALL MPI_WAITALL(2*num_neigh, rq, statuses, ierr)
u(0,1:100) = rcvbuf(1:100,1)
u(101,1:100) = rcvbuf(1:100,2)
u(1:100, 0) = rcvbuf(1:100,3)
u(1:100,101) = rcvbuf(1:100,4)
END

Figure 8.5: Communication routine with local data copying and sparse neighborhood alltoall
SUBROUTINE exchange(u, comm_cart, neigh_rank, num_neigh)
USE MPI
IMPLICIT NONE
REAL u(0:101,0:101)
INTEGER comm_cart, num_neigh, neigh_rank(num_neigh)
INTEGER sndcounts(num_neigh), sndtypes(num_neigh)
INTEGER rcvcounts(num_neigh), rcvtypes(num_neigh)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) lb, sizeofreal
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) sdispls(num_neigh), rdispls(num_neigh)
INTEGER type_vec, ierr
!
! The following initialization need to be done only once
! before the first call of exchange.
CALL MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT(MPI_REAL, lb, sizeofreal, ierr)
CALL MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(100, 1, 102, MPI_REAL, type_vec, ierr)
CALL MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(type_vec, ierr)
sndtypes(1:2) = type_vec
sndcounts(1:2) = 1
sndtypes(3:4) = MPI_REAL
sndcounts(3:4) = 100
rcvtypes = sndtypes
rcvcounts = sndcounts
sdispls(1) = ( 1 + 1*102) * sizeofreal ! first element of u( 1 , 1:100)
sdispls(2) = (100 + 1*102) * sizeofreal ! first element of u(100 , 1:100)
sdispls(3) = ( 1 + 1*102) * sizeofreal ! first element of u( 1:100, 1 )
sdispls(4) = ( 1 + 100*102) * sizeofreal ! first element of u( 1:100,100 )
rdispls(1) = ( 0 + 1*102) * sizeofreal ! first element of u( 0 , 1:100)
rdispls(2) = (101 + 1*102) * sizeofreal ! first element of u(101 , 1:100)
rdispls(3) = ( 1 + 0*102) * sizeofreal ! first element of u( 1:100, 0 )
rdispls(4) = ( 1 + 101*102) * sizeofreal ! first element of u( 1:100,101 )
!
! the following communication has to be done in each call of exchange
CALL MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW(u, sndcounts, sdispls, sndtypes, &
                              u, rcvcounts, rdispls, rcvtypes, &
                              comm_cart, ierr)
!
! The following finalizing need to be done only once
! after the last call of exchange.
CALL MPI_TYPE_FREE(type_vec, ierr)
END

Figure 8.6: Communication routine with sparse neighborhood alltoallw and without local data copying
INTEGER ndims, num_neigh
LOGICAL reorder
PARAMETER (ndims=2, num_neigh=4, reorder=.true.)
INTEGER comm, comm_size, comm_cart, dims(ndims), it, ierr
LOGICAL periods(ndims)
REAL u(0:101,0:101), f(0:101,0:101)
DATA dims / ndims * 0 /
INTEGER sndcounts(num_neigh), sndtypes(num_neigh)
INTEGER rcvcounts(num_neigh), rcvtypes(num_neigh)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) lb, sizeofreal
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) sdispls(num_neigh), rdispls(num_neigh)
INTEGER type_vec, request, info, status(MPI_STATUS_SIZE)
comm = MPI_COMM_WORLD
CALL MPI_COMM_SIZE(comm, comm_size, ierr)
! Set MPI process grid size and periodicity
CALL MPI_DIMS_CREATE(comm_size, ndims, dims, ierr)
periods(1) = .TRUE.
periods(2) = .TRUE.
! Create a grid structure in WORLD group
CALL MPI_CART_CREATE(comm, ndims, dims, periods, reorder, &
                   comm_cart, ierr)
! Create datatypes for the neighborhood communication
! Insert code from example in Figure 7.4 to create and initialize
! sndcounts, sdispls, sndtypes, rcvcounts, rdispls, and rcvtypes
! Initialize the neighborhood alltoallw operation
info = MPI_INFO_NULL
CALL MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW_INIT(u, sndcounts, sdispls, sndtypes, &
                                   u, rcvcounts, rdispls, rcvtypes, &
                                   comm_cart, info, request, ierr)
! Initialize the grid functions and start the iteration
CALL init(u, f)
DO it=1,100
   ! Start data exchange with neighbor processes
   CALL MPI_START(request, ierr)
   ! Compute inner cells
   CALL relax_inner(u, f)
   ! Check on completion of neighbor exchange
   CALL MPI_WAIT(request, status, ierr)
   ! Compute edge cells
   CALL relax_edges(u, f)
END DO
CALL output(u)
CALL MPI_REQUEST_FREE(request, ierr)
CALL MPI_TYPE_FREE(type_vec, ierr)

Figure 8.7: Two-dimensional parallel Poisson solver with persistent sparse neighborhood alltoallw and without local data copying
Chapter 9

**MPI Environmental Management**

This chapter discusses routines for getting and, where appropriate, setting various parameters that relate to the MPI implementation and the execution environment (such as error handling). The procedures for entering and leaving the MPI execution environment are also described here.

### 9.1 Implementation Information

#### 9.1.1 Version Inquiries

In order to cope with changes to the MPI standard, there are both compile-time and runtime ways to determine which version of the standard is in use in the environment one is using.

The “version” will be represented by two separate integers, for the version and subversion: In C,

```c
#define MPI_VERSION 4
#define MPI_SUBVERSION 1
```

in Fortran,

```fortran
INTEGER :: MPI_VERSION, MPI_SUBVERSION
PARAMETER (MPI_VERSION = 4)
PARAMETER (MPI_SUBVERSION = 1)
```

For runtime determination,

```c
MPI_GET_VERSION(version, subversion)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Get_version(int *version, int *subversion)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Get_version(version, subversion, ierror)
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_GET_VERSION(VERSION, SUBVERSION, IERROR)
```
MPI\_GET\_VERSION can be called at any time in an MPI program. This function must always be thread-safe, as defined in Section 11.6. Valid (MPI\_VERSION, MPI\_SUBVERSION) pairs in this and previous versions of the MPI standard are (4,1), (4,0), (3,1), (3,0), (2,2), (2,1), (2,0), and (1,2).

\[\text{MPI\_GET\_LIBRARY\_VERSION}(\text{version, resultlen})\]

\begin{itemize}
  \item \textbf{OUT} \text{version} \quad \text{version number (string)}
  \item \textbf{OUT} \text{resultlen} \quad \text{Length (in printable characters) of the result returned in version (integer)}
\end{itemize}

### C binding

```c
int MPI_Get_library_version(char *version, int *resultlen)
```

### Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Get_library_version(version, resultlen, ierror)
```

```fortran
CHARACTER(LEN=\text{MPI\_MAX\_LIBRARY\_VERSION\_STRING}), INTENT(OUT) :: version
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: resultlen
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

### Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI\_GET\_LIBRARY\_VERSION(VERSION, RESULTLEN, IERROR)
```

```fortran
CHARACTER*(*) VERSION
INTEGER RESULTLEN, IERROR
```

This routine returns a string representing the version of the MPI library. The version argument is a character string for maximum flexibility.

\textit{Advice to implementors.} An implementation of MPI should return a different string for every change to its source code or build that could be visible to the user. \textit{(End of advice to implementors.)}

The argument version must represent storage that is \text{MPI\_MAX\_LIBRARY\_VERSION\_STRING} characters long. MPI\_GET\_LIBRARY\_VERSION may write up to this many characters into version.

The number of characters actually written is returned in the output argument, resultlen. In C, a null character is additionally stored at version[resultlen]. The value of resultlen cannot be larger than \text{MPI\_MAX\_LIBRARY\_VERSION\_STRING} - 1. In Fortran, version is padded on the right with blank characters. The value of resultlen cannot be larger than \text{MPI\_MAX\_LIBRARY\_VERSION\_STRING}.

MPI\_GET\_LIBRARY\_VERSION can be called at any time in an MPI program. This function must always be thread-safe, as defined in Section 11.6.

### 9.1.2 Environmental Inquiries

When using the World Model (Section 11.2), a set of attributes that describe the execution environment is attached to the communicator MPI\_COMM\_WORLD when MPI is initialized. The values of these attributes can be inquired by using the function MPI\_COMM\_GET\_ATTR described in Section 7.7 and in Section 19.3.7. It is erroneous to delete these attributes, free their keys, or change their values.
The list of predefined attribute keys include

**MPI_TAG_UB:** Upper bound for tag value.

**MPI_IO:** Rank of a node that has regular I/O facilities (possibly myrank). Nodes in the same communicator may return different values for this parameter.

**MPI_WTIME_IS_GLOBAL:** Boolean variable that indicates whether clocks are synchronized.

When using the Sessions Model (Section 11.3), only the **MPI_TAG_UB** attribute is available. Vendors may add implementation-specific parameters (such as node number, real memory size, virtual memory size, etc.)

These predefined attributes do not change value between MPI initialization (**MPI_INIT**) and MPI completion (**MPI_FINALIZE**), and cannot be updated or deleted by users.

*Advice to users.* Note that in the C binding, the value returned by these attributes is a pointer to an int containing the requested value. (*End of advice to users.*)

The required parameter values are discussed in more detail below:

**Tag Values**

Tag values range from 0 to the value returned for **MPI_TAG_UB**, inclusive. These values are guaranteed to be unchanging during the execution of an MPI program. In addition, the tag upper bound value must be at least 32767. An MPI implementation is free to make the value of **MPI_TAG_UB** larger than this; for example, the value $2^{30} - 1$ is also a valid value for **MPI_TAG_UB**.

In the Sessions Model, the attribute **MPI_TAG_UB** is attached to all communicators created by **MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP** and **MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUPS**, with the same value on all MPI processes in the communicator. In the World Model, the attribute **MPI_TAG_UB** has the same value on all processes of **MPI_COMM_WORLD**.

**IO Rank**

The value returned for **MPI_IO** is the rank of a processor that can provide language-standard I/O facilities. For Fortran, this means that all of the Fortran I/O operations are supported (e.g., **OPEN**, **REWIND**, **WRITE**). For C, this means that all of the ISO C I/O operations are supported (e.g., **fopen**, **fprintf**, **lseek**).

If every process can provide language-standard I/O, then the value **MPI_ANY_SOURCE** will be returned. Otherwise, if the calling process can provide language-standard I/O, then its rank will be returned. Otherwise, if some process can provide language-standard I/O then the rank of one such process will be returned. The same value need not be returned by all processes. If no process can provide language-standard I/O, then the value **MPI_PROC_NULL** will be returned.

*Advice to users.* Note that input is not collective, and this attribute does not indicate which process can or does provide input. (*End of advice to users.*)
Clock Synchronization

The value returned for MPI_WTIME_IS_GLOBAL is 1 if clocks at all processes in
MPI_COMM_WORLD are synchronized, 0 otherwise. A collection of clocks is considered
synchronized if explicit effort has been taken to synchronize them. The expectation is that
the variation in time, as measured by calls to MPI_WTIME, will be less then one half the
round-trip time for an MPI message of length zero. If time is measured at a process just
before a send and at another process just after a matching receive, the second time should
be always higher than the first one.

The attribute MPI_WTIME_IS_GLOBAL need not be present when the clocks are not
synchronized (however, the attribute key MPI_WTIME_IS_GLOBAL is always valid). This
attribute may be associated with communicators other then MPI_COMM_WORLD.

The attribute MPI_WTIME_IS_GLOBAL has the same value on all processes of
MPI_COMM_WORLD.

Inquire Processor Name

MPI_GET_PROCESSOR_NAME(name, resultlen)

OUT name A unique specifier for the actual (as opposed to
virtual) node.

OUT resultlen Length (in printable characters) of the result
returned in name

C binding
int MPI_Get_processor_name(char *name, int *resultlen)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Get_processor_name(name, resultlen, ierror)

CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_PROCESSOR_NAME), INTENT(OUT) :: name
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: resultlen
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_GET_PROCESSOR_NAME(NAME, RESULTLEN, IERROR)

CHARACTER*(*) NAME
INTEGER RESULTLEN, IERROR

This routine returns the name of the processor on which it was called at the moment
of the call. The name is a character string for maximum flexibility. From this value it
must be possible to identify a specific piece of hardware; possible values include “processor
9 in rack 4 of mpp.cs.org” and “231” (where 231 is the actual processor number in the
running homogeneous system). The argument name must represent storage that is at least
MPI_MAX_PROCESSOR_NAME characters long. MPI_GET_PROCESSOR_NAME may write
up to this many characters into name.

The number of characters actually written is returned in the output argument, resultlen.
In C, a null character is additionally stored at name[resultlen]. The value of resultlen cannot
be larger than MPI_MAX_PROCESSOR_NAME-1. In Fortran, name is padded on the right with
blank characters. The value of resultlen cannot be larger than MPI_MAX_PROCESSOR_NAME.
Rationale. This function allows MPI implementations that do process migration to return the current processor. Note that nothing in MPI requires or defines process migration; this definition of \texttt{MPI\_GET\_PROCESSOR\_NAME} simply allows such an implementation. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. The user must provide at least \texttt{MPI\_MAX\_PROCESSOR\_NAME} space to write the processor name—processor names can be this long. The user should examine the output argument, \texttt{resultlen}, to determine the actual length of the name. (End of advice to users.)

Inquire Hardware Resource Information

\texttt{MPI\_GET\_HW\_RESOURCE\_INFO(hw\_info)}

\texttt{OUT hw\_info info object created (handle)}

C binding

\texttt{int MPI\_Get\_hw\_resource\_info(MPI\_Info *hw\_info)}

Fortran 2008 binding

\texttt{MPI\_Get\_hw\_resource\_info(hw\_info, ierr)}

\hspace{1em}\texttt{TYPE(MPI\_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: hw\_info}

\hspace{1em}\texttt{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr}

Fortran binding

\texttt{MPI\_GET\_HW\_RESOURCE\_INFO(HW\_INFO, IERROR)}

\hspace{1em}\texttt{INTEGER HW\_INFO, IERROR}

\texttt{MPI\_GET\_HW\_RESOURCE\_INFO} is a local procedure that returns an info object containing information pertaining to the hardware platform on which the calling MPI process is executing at the moment of the call. This information is stored as (key, value) pairs where each key is the name of a hardware resource type and its value is set to "true" if the calling MPI process is restricted to a single instance of a hardware resource of that type and "false" otherwise. The order in which the keys are stored in \texttt{hw\_info} is unspecified. This procedure will return different information for MPI processes that are restricted to different hardware resources. Otherwise, info objects with identical (key, value) pairs are returned. The user is responsible for freeing \texttt{hw\_info} via \texttt{MPI\_INFO\_FREE}.

The keys stored in the \texttt{hw\_info} object have a Uniform Resource Identifier (URI) format. The first part of the URI indicates the key provider and the second part conforms to the format used by this key provider. The key provider "mpi://" is reserved for exclusive use by the MPI standard.

Advice to implementors. Key provider names could be derived from MPI implementation names (e.g., "mpich://", "openmpi://"), from names of external libraries or pieces of software (e.g., "hwloc://", "pmix://"), from names of programming or execution models (e.g., "openmp://"), from resource manager names (e.g., "slurm://") or from hardware vendor names. (End of advice to implementors.)
Advice to users. Users should be cautious when using such keys as comparisons between different providers may not be always meaningful nor relevant. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to users. The keys stored in the info object returned by this procedure can be used in MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE with the split_type value MPI_COMM_TYPE_HW_GUIDED or MPI_COMM_TYPE_RESOURCE_GUIDED as key values for the info key "mpi_hw_resource_type". (End of advice to users.)

Subsequent calls to MPI_GET_HW_RESOURCE_INFO may return different information throughout the execution of the program because an MPI process can be relocated (e.g., migrated or have its hardware restrictions changed).

9.2 Memory Allocation

In some systems, message-passing and remote-memory-access (RMA) operations run faster when accessing specially allocated memory (e.g., memory that is shared by the other processes in the communicating group on an SMP). MPI provides a mechanism for allocating and freeing such special memory. The use of such memory for message-passing or RMA is not mandatory, and this memory can be used without restrictions as any other dynamically allocated memory. However, implementations may restrict the use of some RMA functionality as defined in Section 12.5.3.

MPI_ALLOC_MEM(size, info, baseptr)

IN size size of memory segment in bytes (non-negative integer)
IN info info argument (handle)
OUT baseptr pointer to beginning of memory segment allocated

C binding

int MPI_Alloc_mem(MPI_Aint size, MPI_Info info, void *baseptr)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Alloc_mem(size, info, baseptr, ierror)

USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: baseptr
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_ALLOC_MEM(SIZE, INFO, BASEPTR, IERROR)

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SIZE, BASEPTR
INTEGER INFO, IERROR

If the Fortran compiler provides TYPE(C_PTR), then the following generic interface must be provided in the mpi module and should be provided in the (deprecated) mpif.h include
file through overloading, i.e., with the same routine name as the routine with
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) BASEPTR, but with a different specific procedure name:

```fortran
INTERFACE MPI_ALLOC_MEM
  SUBROUTINE MPI_ALLOC_MEM(SIZE, INFO, BASEPTR, IERROR)
    IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
    INTEGER :: INFO, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE, BASEPTR
  END SUBROUTINE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_ALLOC_MEM_CPTR(SIZE, INFO, BASEPTR, IERROR)
    USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
    IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
    INTEGER :: INFO, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE
    TYPE(C_PTR) :: BASEPTR
  END SUBROUTINE
END INTERFACE
```

The base procedure name of this overloaded function is `MPI_ALLOC_MEM_CPTR`. The implied specific procedure names are described in Section 19.1.5.

By default, the allocated memory shall be aligned to at least the alignment required for load/store accesses of any datatype corresponding to a predefined MPI datatype. The `INFO` argument may be used to specify a desired alternative minimum alignment in bytes for the allocated memory by setting the value of the key "mpi_minimum_memory_alignment" to an integral number equal to a power of two. An implementation may ignore values smaller than the default required alignment. The `INFO` argument can also be used to provide directives that control the desired location of the allocated memory. Such a directive does not affect the semantics of the call. The corresponding `INFO` values are implementation-dependent. A null directive value of `INFO = MPI_INFO_NULL` is always valid.

The function `MPI_ALLOC_MEM` may raise an error of class `MPI_ERR_NO_MEM` to indicate it failed because memory is exhausted.

```fortran
MPI_FREE_MEM(base)
IN base initial address of memory segment allocated by
MPI_ALLOC_MEM (choice)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Free_mem(void *base)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Free_mem(base, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: base
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_FREE_MEM(BASE, IERROR)
  <type> BASE(*)
  INTEGER IERROR
```
The function `MPI_FREE_MEM` may raise an error of class `MPI_ERR_BASE` to indicate an invalid base argument.

**Rationale.** The C bindings of `MPI_ALLOC_MEM` and `MPI_FREE_MEM` are similar to the bindings for the `malloc` and `free` C library calls: a call to `MPI_Alloc_mem(...)` should be paired with a call to `MPI_Free_mem(base)` (one less level of indirection). Both arguments are declared to be of same type `void*` so as to facilitate type casting. The Fortran binding is consistent with the C bindings: the Fortran `MPI_ALLOC_MEM` call returns in `baseptr` the `TYPE(C_PTR)` pointer or the (integer valued) address of the allocated memory. The `base` argument of `MPI_FREE_MEM` is a choice argument, which passes (a reference to) the variable stored at that location. (*End of rationale.*)

**Advice to implementors.** If `MPI_ALLOC_MEM` allocates special memory, then a design similar to the design of C `malloc` and `free` functions has to be used, in order to find out the size of a memory segment, when the segment is freed. If no special memory is used, `MPI_ALLOC_MEM` simply invokes `malloc`, and `MPI_FREE_MEM` invokes `free`.

A call to `MPI_ALLOC_MEM` can be used in shared memory systems to allocate memory in a shared memory segment. (*End of advice to implementors.*)

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**Example 9.1.** Example of use of `MPI_ALLOC_MEM`, in Fortran with `TYPE(C_PTR)` pointers. We assume 4-byte REALs.

```fortran
USE mpi_f08 ! or USE mpi (not guaranteed with INCLUDE 'mpif.h')
USE , INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING
TYPE(C_PTR) :: p
REAL, DIMENSION(:,:), POINTER :: a ! no memory is allocated
INTEGER, DIMENSION(2) :: shape
INTEGER(KIND=_MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: size
shape = (/100,100/)
size = 4 * shape(1) * shape(2) ! assuming 4 bytes per REAL
CALL MPI_ALLOC_MEM(size, MPI_INFO_NULL, p, ierr) ! memory is allocated
CALL C_F_POINTER(p, a, shape) ! intrinsic ! now accessible via a(i,j)
... ! in ISO_C_BINDING
a(3,5) = 2.71
... ! memory is freed
```

**Example 9.2.** Example of use of `MPI_ALLOC_MEM`, in Fortran with nonstandard Cray-pointers. We assume 4-byte REALs, and assume that these pointers are address-sized.

```fortran
REAL A
POINTER (P, A(100,100)) ! no memory is allocated
INTEGER(KIND=_MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SIZE
SIZE = 4*100*100
CALL MPI_ALLOC_MEM(SIZE, MPI_INFO_NULL, P, IERR) ! memory is allocated
... ! memory is freed
```

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9.3 Error Handling

An MPI implementation may be unable or choose not to handle some failures that occur during MPI calls. These can include failures that generate exceptions or traps, such as floating point errors or access violations. The set of failures that are handled by MPI is implementation-dependent. Each such failure causes an error to be raised.

The above text takes precedence over any text on error handling within this document. Specifically, text that states that errors will be handled should be read as may be handled. More background information about how MPI treats errors can be found in Section 2.8.

A user can associate error handlers to four types of objects: communicators, windows, files, and sessions. The specified error handling routine will be used for any error that occurs during an MPI procedure or an operation that refers to the respective object. Figure 9.1 presents a diagram of the error handler that is invoked in different situations. When the MPI procedure or operation refers to a communicator, window, or file, the error handler for that object will be invoked; otherwise, if the procedure or operation refers to a session, the error handler for the session will be invoked. Some MPI procedures have indirect references to these objects. For example, in a procedure that takes a request handle as a parameter, an error during the corresponding operation is raised on the communicator, window, or file on which the request has been initialized. Similarly, a group contains a reference to the session from which it was derived, and procedures on groups invoke the error handler from that session. The referenced object may have been destroyed before an error is raised (e.g., a procedure on a group derived from a session that has been finalized), in this case, the associated error handler for the object cannot be obtained.

MPI procedures that do not refer to an MPI object from which the associated error handler can be obtained, directly or indirectly, are considered to be attached to the communicator MPI_COMM_SELF when using the World Model (see Section 11.2). When
Figure 9.1: Diagram for deciding which error handler is invoked.

The implementation-specific error information resulting from `MPI_ERRORS_ARE_FATAL` and `MPI_ERRORS_ABORT` provided to the invoking environment should be meaningful to the end-user, for example a predefined error class. (End of advice to implementors.)
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Implementations may provide additional predefined error handlers and programmers can code their own error handlers.

Unless otherwise requested, the error handler `MPI_ERRORS_ARE_FATAL` is set as the default initial error handler and associated with predefined communicators. Thus, if the user chooses not to control error handling, every error that MPI handles is treated as fatal. Since (almost) all MPI calls return an error code, a user may choose to handle errors in its main code, by testing the return code of MPI calls and executing a suitable recovery code when the call was not successful. In this case, the error handler `MPI_ERRORS_RETURN` will be used. Usually it is more convenient and more efficient not to test for errors after each MPI call, and have such error handled by a nontrivial MPI error handler. Note that unlike predefined communicators, windows and files do not inherit from the initial error handler, as defined in Sections 12.6 and 14.7 respectively.

When an error is raised, MPI will provide the user information about that error using an error code. Some errors might prevent MPI from completing further API calls successfully and those functions will continue to report errors until the cause of the error is corrected or the user terminates the application. The user can make the determination of whether or not to attempt to continue when handling such an error.

Advice to users. For example, users may be unable to correct errors corresponding to some error classes, such as `MPI_ERR_INTERNAL`. Such errors may cause subsequent MPI calls to complete in error. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. A high-quality implementation will, to the greatest possible extent, circumscribe the impact of an error, so that normal processing can continue after an error handler was invoked. The implementation documentation will provide information on the possible effect of each class of errors and available recovery actions. (End of advice to implementors.)

An MPI error handler is an opaque object, which is accessed by a handle. MPI calls are provided to create new error handlers, to associate error handlers with objects, and to test which error handler is associated with an object. C has distinct typedefs for user defined error handling callback functions that accept communicator, file, window, and session arguments. In Fortran there are four user routines.

An error handler object is created by a call to `MPI_XXX_CREATE_ERRHANDLER`, where `XXX` is, respectively, `COMM`, `WIN`, `FILE`, or `SESSION`.

An error handler is attached to a communicator, window, file, or session by a call to `MPI_XXX_SET_ERRHANDLER`. The error handler must be either a predefined error handler, or an error handler that was created by a call to `MPI_XXX_CREATE_ERRHANDLER`, with matching `XXX`. An error handler can also be attached to a session using the `errorhandler` argument to `MPI_SESSION_INIT`. The predefined error handlers `MPI_ERRORS_RETURN` and `MPI_ERRORS_ARE_FATAL` can be attached to communicators, windows, files, or sessions.

The error handler currently associated with a communicator, window, file, or session can be retrieved by a call to `MPI_XXX_GET_ERRHANDLER`.

The MPI function `MPI_ERRHANDLER_FREE` can be used to free an error handler that was created by a call to `MPI_XXX_CREATE_ERRHANDLER`.

`MPI_XXX_GET_ERRHANDLER` behave as if a new error handler object is created. That is, once the error handler is no longer needed, `MPI_ERRHANDLER_FREE` should be called with the error handler returned from `MPI_XXX_GET_ERRHANDLER` to mark the error

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handler for deallocation. This provides behavior similar to that of MPI_COMM_GROUP and MPI_GROUP_FREE.

Advice to implementors. High-quality implementations should raise an error when an error handler that was created by a call to MPI XXX CREATE_ERRHANDLER is attached to an object of the wrong type with a call to MPI YYY SET_ERRHANDLER. To do so, it is necessary to maintain, with each error handler, information on the typedef of the associated user function. (End of advice to implementors.)

The syntax for these calls is given below.

9.3.1 Error Handlers for Communicators

MPI COMM CREATE_ERRHANDLER(comm_errhandler_fn, errhandler)
IN comm_errhandler_fn user defined error handling procedure (function)
OUT errhandler MPI error handler (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_create_errhandler(
    MPI_Comm_errhandler_function *comm_errhandler_fn,
    MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_create_errhandler(comm_errhandler_fn, errhandler, ierror)
    PROCEDURE(MPI_Comm_errhandler_function) :: comm_errhandler_fn
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_CREATE_ERRHANDLER(COMM_ERRHANDLER_FN, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
    EXTERNAL COMM_ERRHANDLER_FN
    INTEGER ERRHANDLER, IERROR

Creates an error handler that can be attached to communicators.

The user routine should be, in C, a function of type MPI_Comm_errhandler_function, which is defined as
typedef void MPI_Comm_errhandler_function(MPI_Comm *comm, int *error_code, ...
);

The first argument is the communicator in use. The second is the error code to be returned by the MPI routine that raised the error. If the routine would have returned MPI_ERR_IN_STATUS, it is the error code returned in the status for the request that caused the error handler to be invoked. The remaining arguments are “varargs” arguments whose number and meaning is implementation-dependent. An implementation should clearly document these arguments. Addresses are used so that the handler may be written in Fortran. With the Fortran mpi_f08 module, the user routine comm_errhandler_fn should be of the form:
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SUBROUTINE MPI_Comm_errhandler_function(comm, error_code)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm) :: comm
  INTEGER :: error_code
END SUBROUTINE MPI_Comm_errhandler_function

With the Fortran mpi module and (deprecated) mpif.h include file, the user routine
COMM_ERRHANDLER_FN should be of the form:
SUBROUTINE COMM_ERRHANDLER_FUNCTION(COMM, ERROR_CODE)
  INTEGER COMM, ERROR_CODE
Rationale. The variable argument list is provided because it provides an ISO-
standard hook for providing additional information to the error handler; without this
hook, ISO C prohibits additional arguments. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. A newly created communicator inherits the error handler that
is associated with the “parent” communicator. In particular, the user can specify
a “global” error handler for all communicators by associating this handler with the
communicator MPI_COMM_WORLD immediately after initialization. (End of advice to
users.)

MPI_COMM_SET_ERRHANDLER(comm, errhandler)
  INOUT comm communicator (handle)
  IN errhandler new error handler for communicator (handle)
C binding
int MPI_Comm_set_errhandler(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Errhandler errhandler)
Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_set_errhandler(comm, errhandler, ierr)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(IN) :: errhandler
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(IN) :: ierr
Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_SET_ERRHANDLER(COMM, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, ERRHANDLER, IERROR
  Attaches a new error handler to a communicator. The error handler must be either
  a predefined error handler, or an error handler created by a call to
  MPI_COMM_CREATE_ERRHANDLER.

MPI_COMM_GET_ERRHANDLER(comm, errhandler)
  IN comm communicator (handle)
  OUT errhandler error handler currently associated with
       communicator (handle)
C binding
int MPI_Comm_get_errhandler(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)
Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Comm_get_errhandler(comm, errhandler, ierror)
  ! TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  ! TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
  ! INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_COMM_GET_ERRHANDLER(COMM, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

Retrieves the error handler currently associated with a communicator. For example, a
library function may register at its entry point the current error handler for a communicator,
set its own private error handler for this communicator, and restore before exiting the
previous error handler.

9.3.2 Error Handlers for Windows

MPI_WIN_CREATE_ERRHANDLER(win_errhandler_fn, errhandler)
  ! IN win_errhandler_fn user defined error handling procedure (function)
  ! OUT errhandler MPI error handler (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Win_create_errhandler(MPI_Win_errhandler_function *win_errhandler_fn,
                             MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Win_create_errhandler(win_errhandler_fn, errhandler, ierror)
  ! PROCEDURE(MPI_Win_errhandler_function) :: win_errhandler_fn
  ! TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
  ! INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_WIN_CREATE_ERRHANDLER(WIN_ERRHANDLER_FN, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
  ! EXTERNAL WIN_ERRHANDLER_FN
  ! INTEGER ERRHANDLER, IERROR

Creates an error handler that can be attached to a window object. The user routine
should be, in C, a function of type MPI_Win_errhandler_function, which is defined as
typedef void MPI_Win_errhandler_function(MPI_Win *win, int *error_code, ...);

The first argument is the window in use, the second is the error code to be re-
turned. The remaining arguments are “varargs” arguments whose number and meaning is
implementation-dependent. An implementation should clearly document these arguments.
With the Fortran mpi_f08 module, the user routine win_errhandler_fn should be of the form:
ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_Win_errhandler_function(win, error_code)
    ! TYPE(MPI_Win) :: win
    ! INTEGER :: error_code

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With the Fortran mpi module and (deprecated) mpif.h include file, the user routine
WIN_ERRHANDLER_FN should be of the form:

```
SUBROUTINE WIN_ERRHANDLER_FUNCTION(WIN, ERROR_CODE)
    INTEGER WIN, ERROR_CODE
```

**MPI_WIN_SET_ERRHANDLER**

```
INOUT  win  window object (handle)
IN     errhandler  new error handler for window (handle)
```

**C binding**

```
int MPI_Win_set_errhandler(MPI_Win win, MPI_Errhandler errhandler)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```
MPI_Win_set_errhandler(win, errhandler, ierr)
    TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(IN) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr
```

**Fortran binding**

```
MPI_WIN_SET_ERRHANDLER(WIN, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
    INTEGER WIN, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

    Attaches a new error handler to a window. The error handler must be either a pre-defined error handler, or an error handler created by a call to
MPI_WIN_CREATE_ERRHANDLER.
```

**MPI_WIN_GET_ERRHANDLER**

```
IN     win  window object (handle)
OUT    errhandler  error handler currently associated with window (handle)
```

**C binding**

```
int MPI_Win_get_errhandler(MPI_Win win, MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```
MPI_Win_get_errhandler(win, errhandler, ierr)
    TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr
```

**Fortran binding**

```
MPI_WIN_GET_ERRHANDLER(WIN, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
    INTEGER WIN, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

    Retrieves the error handler currently associated with a window.
```
9.3.3 Error Handlers for Files

MPI_FILE_CREATE_ERRHANDLER(file_errhandler_fn, errhandler)

IN file_errhandler_fn user defined error handling procedure (function)

OUT errhandler MPI error handler (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_create_errhandler(
    MPI_File_errhandler_function *file_errhandler_fn,
    MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_create_errhandler(file_errhandler_fn, errhandler, ierror)

PROCEDURE(MPI_File_errhandler_function) :: file_errhandler_fn
TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_CREATE_ERRHANDLER(FILE_ERRHANDLER_FN, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)

EXTERNAL FILE_ERRHANDLER_FN

CREATE a new error handler that can be attached to a file object. The user routine should be, in C, a function of type MPI_File_errhandler_function, which is defined as:
typedef void MPI_File_errhandler_function(MPI_File *file, int *error_code,
    . . . );

The first argument is the file in use, the second is the error code to be returned. The remaining arguments are “varargs” arguments whose number and meaning is implementation-dependent. An implementation should clearly document these arguments.

With the Fortran mpi_f08 module, the user routine file_errhandler_fn should be of the form:

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_File_errhandler_function(file, error_code)
    TYPE(MPI_File) :: file
    INTEGER :: error_code

With the Fortran mpi module and (deprecated) mpif.h include file, the user routine

FILE_ERRHANDLER_FN should be of the form:

SUBROUTINE FILE_ERRHANDLER_FUNCTION(FILE, ERROR_CODE)
    INTEGER FILE, ERROR_CODE

MPI_FILE_SET_ERRHANDLER(file, errhandler)

INOUT file file (handle)

IN errhandler new error handler for file (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_set_errhandler(MPI_File file, MPI_Errhandler errhandler)
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Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_File_set_errhandler(file, errhandler, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: file
  TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(IN) :: errhandler
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_FILE_SET_ERRHANDLER(FILE, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
  INTEGER FILE, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

Attaches a new error handler to a file. The error handler must be either a predefined error handler, or an error handler created by a call to MPI_FILE_CREATE_ERRHANDLER.

MPI_FILE_GET_ERRHANDLER(file, errhandler)
  IN    file   file (handle)
  OUT   errhandler   error handler currently associated with file (handle)

C binding

int MPI_File_get_errhandler(MPI_File file, MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_File_get_errhandler(file, errhandler, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: file
  TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_FILE_GET_ERRHANDLER(FILE, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
  INTEGER FILE, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

Retrieves the error handler currently associated with a file.

9.3.4 Error Handlers for Sessions

MPI_SESSION_CREATE_ERRHANDLER(session_errhandler_fn, errhandler)
  IN    session_errhandler_fn   user defined error handling procedure (function)
  OUT   errhandler   MPI error handler (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Session_create_errhandler(
  MPI_Session_errhandler_function *session_errhandler_fn,
  MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Session_create_errhandler(session_errhandler_fn, errhandler, ierror)
  PROCEDURE(MPI_Session_errhandler_function) :: session_errhandler_fn
  TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

Fortran binding
MPI_SESSION_CREATE_ERRHANDLER(SESSION_ERRHANDLER_FN, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)

EXTERNAL SESSION_ERRHANDLER_FN
INTEGER ERRHANDLER, IERROR

Creates an error handler that can be attached to a session object. In C, the
session_errhandler_fn argument should be a function of type MPI_Session_errhandler_function,
which is defined as
typedef void MPI_Session_errhandler_function(MPI_Session *session,
    int *error_code, ...);

The first argument is the session in use, the second is the error code to be returned.
The remaining arguments are “varargs” arguments whose number and meaning is imple-
mentation-dependent. An implementation should clearly document these arguments.
With the Fortran mpi_f08 module, the session_errhandler_fn argument should be of the form:

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
    SUBROUTINE MPI_Session_errhandler_function(session, error_code)
    TYPE(MPI_Session) :: session
    INTEGER :: error_code
    With the Fortran mpi module and (deprecated) mpif.h include file, the
SESSION_ERRHANDLER_FN argument should be of the form:
    SUBROUTINE SESSION_ERRHANDLER_FUNCTION(SESSION, ERROR_CODE)
    INTEGER SESSION, ERROR_CODE

    MPI_SESSION_SET_ERRHANDLER(session, errhandler)
    INOUT session session (handle)
    IN errhandler new error handler for session (handle)

    C binding
int MPI_Session_set_errhandler(MPI_Session session, MPI_Errhandler errhandler)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Session_set_errhandler(session, errhandler, ierr)
    TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(IN) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

Fortran binding
MPI_SESSION_SET_ERRHANDLER(SESSION, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)

    INTEGER SESSION, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

Attaches a new error handler to a session. The error handler must be either a pre-
defined error handler, or an error handler created by a call to
MPI_SESSION_CREATE_ERRHANDLER.
MPI_SESSION_GET_ERRHANDLER(session, errhandler)
IN session session (handle)
OUT errhandler error handler currently associated with session (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Session_get_errhandler(MPI_Session session, MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Session_get_errhandler(session, errhandler, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_SESSION_GET_ERRHANDLER(SESSION, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
    INTEGER SESSION, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

Retrieves the error handler currently associated with a session.

9.3.5 Freeing Errorhandlers and Retrieving Error Strings

MPI_ERRHANDLER_FREE(errhandler)
INOUT errhandler MPI error handler (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Errhandler_free(MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Errhandler_free(errhandler, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(INOUT) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_ERRHANDLER_FREE(ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
    INTEGER ERRHANDLER, IERROR

Marks the error handler associated with errhandler for deallocation and sets errhandler to MPI_ERRHANDLER_NULL. The error handler will be deallocated after all the objects associated with it (communicator, window, or file) have been deallocated.
MPI_ERROR_STRING(errorcode, string, resultlen)

IN  errorcode          Error code returned by an MPI routine
OUT string            Text that corresponds to the errorcode
OUT resultlen         Length (in printable characters) of the result returned in string

C binding
int MPI_Error_string(int errorcode, char *string, int *resultlen)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Error_string(errorcode, string, resultlen, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
   CHARACTER(LEN=_MPI_MAX_ERROR_STRING), INTENT(OUT) :: string
   INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: resultlen
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_ERROR_STRING(ERRORCODE, STRING, RESULTLEN, IERROR)
   INTEGER ERRORCODE, RESULTLEN, IERROR
   CHARACTER(*)(*) STRING

Returns the error string associated with an error code or class. The argument string must represent storage that is at least 
_MPI_MAX_ERROR_STRING characters long. The number of characters actually written is returned in the output argument, resultlen. This function must always be thread-safe, as defined in Section 11.6. It is one of the few routines that may be called before MPI is initialized or after MPI is finalized.

Rationale. The form of this function was chosen to make the Fortran and C bindings similar. A version that returns a pointer to a string has two difficulties. First, the return string must be statically allocated and different for each error message (allowing the pointers returned by successive calls to MPI_ERROR_STRING to point to the correct message). Second, in Fortran, a function declared as returning CHARACTER(*)(*) can not be referenced in, for example, a PRINT statement. (End of rationale.)

9.4 Error Codes and Classes

The error codes returned by MPI are left entirely to the implementation (with the exception of MPI_SUCCESS). This is done to allow an implementation to provide as much information as possible in the error code (for use with MPI_ERROR_STRING).

All MPI function calls shall return MPI_SUCCESS if and only if the specification of that function has been fulfilled at the point of return. For multiple completion functions, if the function returns MPI_ERR_IN_STATUS, the error code in each status object shall be set to MPI_SUCCESS if and only if the specification of the operation represented by the corresponding MPI_Request has been fulfilled at the point of return.

When an operation raises an error, it may not satisfy its specification (for example, a synchronizing operation may not have synchronized) and the content of the output buffers, targeted memory, or output parameters is undefined. However, a valid error code shall
always be set when an operation raises an error, whether in the return value, error field in
the status object, or element in an array of error codes.

To make it possible for an application to interpret an error code, the routine
MPI_ERROR_CLASS converts any error code into one of a small set of standard error codes,
called error classes. Valid error classes are shown in Table 9.1 and Table 9.2.

The error classes are a subset of the error codes: an MPI function may return an error
class number; and the function MPI_ERROR_STRING can be used to compute the error
string associated with an error class. The values defined for MPI error classes are valid MPI
error codes.

The error codes satisfy,

\[ 0 = \text{MPI\_SUCCESS} < \text{MPI\_ERR\_} \ldots \leq \text{MPI\_ERR\_LASTCODE}. \]

Rationale. The difference between MPI\_ERR\_UNKNOWN and MPI\_ERR\_OTHER is that
MPI\_ERROR\_STRING can return useful information about MPI\_ERR\_OTHER.

Note that MPI\_SUCCESS = 0 is necessary to be consistent with C practice; the separa-
tion of error classes and error codes allows us to define the error classes this way.
Having a known LASTCODE is often a nice sanity check as well. (End of rationale.)

Advice to implementors. Note that all MPI\_T\_ return codes, which must have the
prefix MPI\_T\_ERR\_, are also required to satisfy

\[ 0 = \text{MPI\_SUCCESS} < \text{MPI\_T\_ERR\_XXX} \leq \text{MPI\_ERR\_LASTCODE}. \]

as described in Section 15.3.10. (End of advice to implementors.)

MPI\_ERROR\_CLASS(errorcode, errorclass)

\begin{verbatim}
IN    errorcode          Error code returned by an MPI routine
OUT   errorclass         Error class associated with errorcode
\end{verbatim}

C binding
int MPI\_Error\_class(int errorcode, int *errorclass)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI\_Error\_class(errorcode, errorclass, ierror)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
    INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: errorclass
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI\_ERROR\_CLASS(ERICODE, ERRORCLASS, IERROR)
    INTEGER ERICODE, ERRORCLASS, IERROR

The function MPI\_ERROR\_CLASS maps each standard error code (error class) onto
itself.

This function must always be thread-safe, as defined in Section 11.6. It is one of the
few routines that may be called before MPI is initialized or after MPI is finalized.
Table 9.1: Error classes (Part 1)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Error Code</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_SUCCESS</td>
<td>No error</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_ACCESS</td>
<td>Permission denied</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_AMODE</td>
<td>Error related to the amode passed to MPI_FILE_OPEN</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_ARG</td>
<td>Invalid argument of some other kind</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_ASSERT</td>
<td>Invalid assertion argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_BAD_FILE</td>
<td>Invalid file name (e.g., path name too long)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_BASE</td>
<td>Invalid base passed to MPI_FREE_MEM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_BUFFER</td>
<td>Invalid buffer pointer argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_COMM</td>
<td>Invalid communicator argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_CONVERSION</td>
<td>An error occurred in a user supplied data conversion function</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_COUNT</td>
<td>Invalid count argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_DIMS</td>
<td>Invalid dimension argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_DISP</td>
<td>Invalid displacement argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_DUP_DATAREP</td>
<td>Conversion functions could not be registered because a data representation identifier that was already defined was passed to MPI_REGISTER_DATAREP</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_ERRHANDLER</td>
<td>Invalid error handler argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_FILE</td>
<td>Invalid file handle argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_FILE_EXISTS</td>
<td>File exists</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_FILE_IN_USE</td>
<td>File operation could not be completed, as the file is currently open by some process</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_GROUP</td>
<td>Invalid group argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_INFO</td>
<td>Invalid info argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_INFO_KEY</td>
<td>Key longer than MPI_MAX_INFO_KEY</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_INFO_NOKEY</td>
<td>Invalid key passed to MPI_INFO_DELETE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_INFO_VALUE</td>
<td>Value longer than MPI_MAX_INFO_VAL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_IN_STATUS</td>
<td>Error code is in status</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_INTROSPECTION</td>
<td>MPI (implementation) error</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_IO</td>
<td>Other I/O error</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_KEYVAL</td>
<td>Invalid keyval argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_LOCKTYPE</td>
<td>Invalid locktype argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_NAME</td>
<td>Invalid service name passed to MPI_LOOKUP_NAME</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_NO_MEM</td>
<td>MPI_ALLOC_MEM failed because memory is exhausted</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_NO_SPACE</td>
<td>Not enough space</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_NO_SUCH_FILE</td>
<td>File does not exist</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_NOT_SAME</td>
<td>Collective argument not identical on all processes, or collective routines called in a different order by different processes</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### Table 9.2: Error classes (Part 2)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Error Code</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_OP</td>
<td>Invalid operation argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_OTHER</td>
<td>Known error not in this list</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_PENDING</td>
<td>Pending request</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_PORT</td>
<td>Invalid port name passed to MPI_COMM_CONNECT</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_PROC_ABORTED</td>
<td>Operation failed because a peer process has aborted</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_QUOTA</td>
<td>Quota exceeded</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_RANK</td>
<td>Invalid rank argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_READ_ONLY</td>
<td>Read-only file or file system</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_REQUEST</td>
<td>Invalid request argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_RMA_ATTACH</td>
<td>Memory cannot be attached (e.g., because of resource exhaustion)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_RMA_CONFLICT</td>
<td>Conflicting accesses to window</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_RMA_FLAVOR</td>
<td>Passed window has the wrong flavor for the called function</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_RMA_RANGE</td>
<td>Target memory is not part of the window (in the case of a window created with MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC, target memory is not attached)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_RMA_SHARED</td>
<td>Memory cannot be shared (e.g., some process in the group of the specified communicator cannot expose shared memory)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_RMA_SYNC</td>
<td>Wrong synchronization of RMA calls</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_ROOT</td>
<td>Invalid root argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_SERVICE</td>
<td>Invalid service name passed to MPI_UNPUBLISH_NAME</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_SESSION</td>
<td>Invalid session argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_SIZE</td>
<td>Invalid size argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_SPAWN</td>
<td>Error in spawning processes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_TAG</td>
<td>Invalid tag argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_TOPOLOGY</td>
<td>Invalid topology argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_TRUNCATE</td>
<td>Message truncated on receive</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_TYPE</td>
<td>Invalid datatype argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_UNKNOWN</td>
<td>Unknown error</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_UNSUPPORTED_DATAREP</td>
<td>Unsupported datarep passed to MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_UNSUPPORTED_OPERATION</td>
<td>Unsupported operation, such as seeking on a file that supports sequential access only</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_VALUE_TOO_LARGE</td>
<td>Value is too large to store</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_WIN</td>
<td>Invalid window argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_LASTCODE</td>
<td>Last error code</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
9.5 Error Classes, Error Codes, and Error Handlers

Users may want to write a layered library on top of an existing MPI implementation, and this library may have its own set of error codes and classes. An example of such a library is an I/O library based on MPI, see Chapter 14. For this purpose, functions are needed to:

1. add a new error class and remove previously added user-defined error classes;
2. associate error codes with this error class, so that MPI_ERROR_CLASS works;
3. associate strings with these error codes, so that MPI_ERROR_STRING works;
4. remove such associations;
5. invoke the error handler associated with a communicator, window, file, or session object.

Several procedures are provided to do this. They are all local.

9.5.1 User-Defined Error Classes and Codes

The procedures that add and remove error classes, codes, or strings are thread-safe, as defined in Section 11.6. They are some of the few MPI procedures that may be called before MPI is initialized or after MPI is finalized, as defined in Section 11.4.1.

Advice to users. Note that despite the procedures being thread-safe, some concurrent calls can result in undefined behavior. Notably, the rules mandating that a call adding an error class/code/string must precede a call that removes that error class/code/string apply even when the procedures are called from different threads. Calling the procedures with different input values for the class/code parameters is always thread-safe. (End of advice to users.)

MPI_ADD_ERROR_CLASS(errorclass)

OUT errorclass value for the new error class (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Add_error_class(int *errorclass)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Add_error_class(errorclass, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: errorclass
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_ADD_ERROR_CLASS(ERRORCLASS, IERROR)
  INTEGER ERRORCLASS, IERROR

Creates a new error class and returns the value for it.

Rationale. To avoid conflicts with existing error codes and classes, the value is set by the implementation and not by the user. (End of rationale.)
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Advice to users. Since a call to `MPI_ADD_ERROR_CLASS` is local, the same `errorclass` may not be returned on all processes that make this call. Thus, it is not safe to assume that registering a new error on a set of processes at the same time will yield the same `errorclass` on all of the processes. Getting the “same” error on multiple processes may not cause the same value of error code to be generated. (End of advice to users.)

The value of `MPI_ERR_LASTCODE` is a constant value and is not affected by new user-defined error codes and classes. Instead, when using the World Model (Section 11.2), a predefined attribute key `MPI_LASTUSEDCLASS` is associated with `MPI_COMM_WORLD`. The attribute value corresponding to this key is the current maximum error class including the user-defined ones. This is a local value and may be different on different processes. The value returned by this key is always greater than or equal to `MPI_ERR_LASTCODE`.

Advice to users. The value returned by the key `MPI_LASTUSEDCLASS` will not change unless the user calls a procedure to explicitly add or remove an error class/code. In a multithreaded environment, the user must take extra care in assuming this value has not changed. Note that error codes and error classes are not necessarily dense. A user may not assume that each error class below `MPI_LASTUSEDCLASS` is valid. (End of advice to users.)

```
MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CLASS(errorclass)
IN   errorclass     value for the error class to remove (integer)
```

C binding
int MPI_Remove_error_class(int errorclass)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Remove_error_class(errorclass, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorclass
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CLASS(ERRORCLASS, IERROR)
   INTEGER ERRORCLASS, IERROR

   Removes a user-created error class.

   The value of the predefined attribute key `MPI_LASTUSEDCLASS` associated with `MPI_COMM_WORLD` is updated to reflect the maximum error class value. Note that there may be unused error classes that have a smaller value than `MPI_LASTUSEDCLASS`.

   It is erroneous to call `MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CLASS` with a value for `errorclass` that was not added by a call to `MPI_ADD_ERROR_CLASS`. Once an `errorclass` is removed by calling `MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CLASS`, it is erroneous to remove it again without first obtaining the value from another call to `MPI_ADD_ERROR_CLASS`. It is erroneous to remove an error class when its associated error codes have not been removed before.
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MPI_ADD_ERROR_CODE(errorclass, errorcode)
IN errorclass error class (integer)
OUT errorcode new error code to be associated with errorclass (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Add_error_code(int errorclass, int *errorcode)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Add_error_code(errorclass, errorcode, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorclass
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: errorcode
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_ADD_ERROR_CODE(ERRORCLASS, ERRORCODE, IERROR)
INTEGER ERRORCLASS, ERRORCODE, IERROR

Creates new error code associated with errorclass and returns its value in errorcode.

Rationale. To avoid conflicts with existing error codes and classes, the value of the new error code is set by the implementation and not by the user. (End of rationale.)

MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CODE(errorcode)
IN errorcode error code to be removed (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Remove_error_code(int errorcode)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Remove_error_code(errorcode, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CODE(ERRORCODE, IERROR)
INTEGER ERRORCODE, IERROR

Removes a user-created error code and all its associations with any error class.

It is erroneous to call MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CODE with a value for errorcode that was not added by a call to MPI_ADD_ERROR_CODE. Once an errorcode is removed by calling MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CODE, it is erroneous to remove it again without first obtaining the value from another call to MPI_ADD_ERROR_CODE. It is erroneous to remove an error code when its associated error string has not been removed before.
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MPI_ADD_ERROR_STRING(errorcode, string)
IN  errorcode  error code or class (integer)
IN  string    text corresponding to errorcode (string)

C binding
int MPI_Add_error_string(int errorcode, const char *string)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Add_error_string(errorcode, string, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
   CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: string
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_ADD_ERROR_STRING(ERRORCODE, STRING, IERROR)
   INTEGER ERRORCODE, IERROR
   CHARACTER(*) STRING

Associates a user-defined error string with an error code or class. The string must be no more than MPI_MAX_ERROR_STRING characters long. The length of the string is as defined in the calling language. The length of the string does not include the null terminator in C. Trailing blanks will be stripped in Fortran. Calling MPI_ADD_ERROR_STRING for an errorcode that already has a string will replace the old string with the new string. It is erroneous to call MPI_ADD_ERROR_STRING for an error code or class with a value \( \leq \text{MPI_ERR_LASTCODE}. \)

If MPI_ERROR_STRING is called when no string has been set, it will return a empty string (all spaces in Fortran, "" in C).

MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_STRING(errorcode)
IN  errorcode  error code or class (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Remove_error_string(int errorcode)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Remove_error_string(errorcode, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_STRING(ERRORCODE, IERROR)
   INTEGER ERRORCODE, IERROR

Removes a user-defined association of an error string with an error code or class. It is erroneous to call MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_STRING with a value for errorcode that does not have an error string added by a call to MPI_ADD_ERROR_STRING.
9.5.2 Calling Error Handlers

Section 9.3 describes the methods for creating and associating error handlers with communicators, files, windows, and sessions. Error handlers can be invoked implicitly when errors are raised during MPI operations, but can also be called by the user.

```c
MPI_COMM_CALL_ERRHANDLER(comm, errorcode)
IN comm communicator with error handler (handle)
IN errorcode error code (integer)
```

C binding
```c
int MPI_Comm_call_errhandler(MPI_Comm comm, int errorcode)
```

Fortran 2008 binding
```fortran
MPI_Comm_call_errhandler(comm, errorcode, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding
```fortran
MPI_COMM_CALL_ERRHANDLER(COMM, ERRORCODE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, ERRORCODE, IERROR
```

This function invokes the error handler assigned to the communicator with the error code supplied. This function returns MPI_SUCCESS in C and the same value in IERROR if the error handler was successfully called (assuming the process is not aborted and the error handler returns).

```c
MPI_WIN_CALL_ERRHANDLER(win, errorcode)
IN win window with error handler (handle)
IN errorcode error code (integer)
```

C binding
```c
int MPI_Win_call_errhandler(MPI_Win win, int errorcode)
```

Fortran 2008 binding
```fortran
MPI_Win_call_errhandler(win, errorcode, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding
```fortran
MPI_WIN_CALL_ERRHANDLER(WIN, ERRORCODE, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, ERRORCODE, IERROR
```

This function invokes the error handler assigned to the window with the error code supplied. This function returns MPI_SUCCESS in C and the same value in IERROR if the error handler was successfully called (assuming the process is not aborted and the error handler returns).
Advice to users. In contrast to communicators, the error handler 

\texttt{MPI\_ERRORS\_ARE\_FATAL} is associated with a window when it is created. (End of 
advice to users.)

\texttt{MPI\_FILE\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER(fh, errorcode)}

\begin{itemize}
  \item \textbf{IN} \hspace{1cm} \texttt{fh} \hspace{1cm} file with error handler (handle)
  \item \textbf{IN} \hspace{1cm} \texttt{errorcode} \hspace{1cm} error code (integer)
\end{itemize}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_File_call_errhandler(MPI_File fh, int errorcode)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_File_call_errhandler(fh, errorcode, ierror)
\end{verbatim}

\begin{itemize}
  \item \texttt{TYPE(MPI\_File), INTENT(IN)} :: \texttt{fh}
  \item \texttt{INTEGER, INTENT(IN)} :: \texttt{errorcode}
  \item \texttt{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT)} :: \texttt{ierror}
\end{itemize}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_FILE\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER(FH, ERRORCODE, IERROR)
\end{verbatim}

\begin{itemize}
  \item \texttt{INTEGER FH, ERRORCODE, IERROR}
\end{itemize}

This function invokes the error handler assigned to the file with the error code supplied. This function returns \texttt{MPI\_SUCCESS} in C and the same value in \texttt{IERROR} if the error handler was successfully called (assuming the process is not aborted and the error handler returns).

Advice to users. The default error handler for files is \texttt{MPI\_ERRORS\_RETURN}. (End of 
advice to users.)

\texttt{MPI\_SESSION\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER(session, errorcode)}

\begin{itemize}
  \item \textbf{IN} \hspace{1cm} \texttt{session} \hspace{1cm} session with error handler (handle)
  \item \textbf{IN} \hspace{1cm} \texttt{errorcode} \hspace{1cm} error code (integer)
\end{itemize}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Session_call_errhandler(MPI_Session session, int errorcode)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Session_call_errhandler(session, errorcode, ierror)
\end{verbatim}

\begin{itemize}
  \item \texttt{TYPE(MPI\_Session), INTENT(IN)} :: \texttt{session}
  \item \texttt{INTEGER, INTENT(IN)} :: \texttt{errorcode}
  \item \texttt{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT)} :: \texttt{ierror}
\end{itemize}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_SESSION\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER(SESSION, ERRORCODE, IERROR)
\end{verbatim}

\begin{itemize}
  \item \texttt{INTEGER SESSION, ERRORCODE, IERROR}
\end{itemize}

This function invokes the error handler assigned to the session with the error code supplied. This function returns \texttt{MPI\_SUCCESS} in C and the same value in \texttt{IERROR} if the
error handler was successfully called (assuming the process is not aborted and the error handler returns).

Advice to users. Users are warned that handlers should not be called recursively with \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER}, \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER}, \texttt{MPI\_WIN\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER}, or \texttt{MPI\_SESSION\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER}. Doing this can create a situation where an infinite recursion is created. This can occur if \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER}, \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER}, \texttt{MPI\_WIN\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER}, or \texttt{MPI\_SESSION\_CALL\_ERRHANDLER} is called inside an error handler.

Error codes and classes are associated with a process. As a result, they may be used in any error handler. Error handlers should be prepared to deal with any error code they are given. Furthermore, it is good practice to only call an error handler with the appropriate error codes. For example, file errors would normally be sent to the file error handler. (\textit{End of advice to users.})

9.6 Timers and Synchronization

\textit{MPI} defines a timer. A timer is specified even though it is not “message-passing,” because timing parallel programs is important in “performance debugging” and because existing timers (both in \textit{POSIX 1003.1-1988} and \textit{1003.4D 14.1} and in Fortran 90) are either inconvenient or do not provide adequate access to high resolution timers.

\texttt{MPI\_WTIME()}

\textbf{C binding}

double \texttt{MPI\_Wtime(void)}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\texttt{DOUBLE PRECISION MPI\_Wtime()}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\texttt{DOUBLE PRECISION MPI\_WTIME()}

\texttt{MPI\_WTIME()} returns a floating-point number of seconds, representing elapsed wall-clock time since some time in the past. The “time in the past” is guaranteed not to change during the life of the process. The user is responsible for converting large numbers of seconds to other units if they are preferred. This function is portable (it returns seconds, not “ticks”), and it allows high-resolution. One would use it like this:

\begin{verbatim}
Example 9.4.
{
    double starttime, endtime;
    starttime = MPI_Wtime();
    ... stuff to be timed ...
    endtime = MPI_Wtime();
    printf("That took %f seconds\n", endtime-starttime);
}
\end{verbatim}
The times returned are local to the node that called them. There is no requirement that different nodes return “the same time.” (But see also the discussion of MPI_WTIME_IS_GLOBAL in Section 9.1.2).

MPI_WTICK()

C binding
double MPI_Wtick(void)

Fortran 2008 binding
DOUBLE PRECISION MPI_Wtick()

Fortran binding
DOUBLE PRECISION MPI_WTICK()

MPI_WTICK returns the resolution of MPI_WTIME in seconds. That is, it returns, as a double precision value, the number of seconds between successive clock ticks. For example, if the clock is implemented by the hardware as a counter that is incremented every millisecond, the value returned by MPI_WTICK should be \(10^{-3}\).
Chapter 10
The Info Object

Many of the procedures in MPI take an argument info. info is an opaque object with a handle of type MPI_Info in C and Fortran with the mpi_f08 module, and INTEGER in Fortran with the mpi module or the (deprecated) mpif.h include file. It stores an unordered set of (key,value) pairs (both key and value are strings). A key can have only one value. MPI reserves several keys and requires that if an implementation uses a reserved key, it must provide the specified functionality. An implementation is not required to support these keys and may support any others not reserved by MPI.

Some info hints allow the MPI library to restrict its support for certain operations in order to improve performance or resource utilization. If an application provides such an info hint, it must be compatible with any changes in the behavior of the MPI library that are allowed by the info hint.

An implementation must support info objects as caches for arbitrary (key,value) pairs, regardless of whether it recognizes the key. Each procedure that takes hints in the form of an MPI_Info must be prepared to ignore any key it does not recognize. This description of info objects does not attempt to define how a particular procedure should react if it recognizes a key but not the associated value. MPI_INFO_GET_NKEYS, MPI_INFO_GET_NTHKEY, and MPI_INFO_GET_STRING must retain all (key,value) pairs so that layered functionality can also use the Info object.

Keys have an implementation-defined maximum length of MPI_MAX_INFO_KEY, which is at least 32 and at most 255. Values have an implementation-defined maximum length of MPI_MAX_INFO_VAL. In Fortran, leading and trailing spaces are stripped from both. Returned values will never be larger than these maximum lengths. Both key and value are case sensitive.

Rationale. Keys have a maximum length because the set of known keys will always be finite and known to the implementation and because there is no reason for keys to be complex. The small maximum size allows applications to declare keys of size MPI_MAX_INFO_KEY. The limitation on value sizes is so that an implementation is not forced to deal with arbitrarily long strings. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. MPI_MAX_INFO_VAL might be very large, so it might not be wise to declare a string of that size. (End of advice to users.)

When info is used as an argument to any MPI procedure, it is interpreted before that procedure returns, so that it may be read, modified, or freed immediately after return. Changes to an info object after return from a procedure do not affect that interpretation.

Rationale. Prior to MPI-4.0, the above statement was restricted to nonblocking MPI procedures. For simplicity this restriction was removed, as it currently applies to
all MPI procedures that use info arguments. Note, this has to be revisited for new
procedures added in the future, e.g., for future procedures that could return an info
argument to be filled in after the return from the procedure. \textit{(End of rationale.)}

When the descriptions refer to a key or value as being a boolean, an integer, or a list,
you mean the string representation of these types. An implementation may define its own
rules for how info value strings are converted to other types, but to ensure portability, every
implementation must support the following representations. Valid values for a boolean must
include the strings "true" and "false" (all lowercase). For integers, valid values must include
string representations of decimal values of integers that are within the range of a standard
integer type in the program. (However it is possible that not every integer is a valid value
for a given key.) On positive numbers, + signs are optional. No space may appear between
a + or − sign and the leading digit of a number. For comma separated lists, the string
must contain valid elements separated by commas. Leading and trailing spaces are stripped
automatically from the types of info values described above and for each element of a comma
separated list. These rules apply to all info values of these types. Implementations are free
to specify a different interpretation for values of other info keys.

\textbf{MPI\_INFO\_CREATE}(info)

\hspace{1cm} OUT \hspace{0.5cm} info \hspace{1cm} info object created (handle)

\textbf{C binding}

\hspace{1cm} int MPI\_Info\_create(MPI\_Info *info)

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\hspace{1cm} MPI\_Info\_create(info, ierror)

\hspace{1.5cm} TYPE(MPI\_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info

\hspace{1.5cm} INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\hspace{1cm} MPI\_INFO\_CREATE(INFO, IERROR)

\hspace{1.5cm} INTEGER INFO, IERROR

\hspace{1cm} MPI\_INFO\_CREATE creates a new info object. The newly created object contains no
\hspace{1cm} key/value pairs.

\textbf{MPI\_INFO\_SET}(info, key, value)

\hspace{1cm} INOUT \hspace{0.5cm} info \hspace{1cm} info object (handle)

\hspace{1cm} IN \hspace{0.5cm} key \hspace{1cm} key (string)

\hspace{1cm} IN \hspace{0.5cm} value \hspace{1cm} value (string)

\textbf{C binding}

\hspace{1cm} int MPI\_Info\_set(MPI\_Info info, const char *key, const char *value)

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\hspace{1cm} MPI\_Info\_set(info, key, value, ierror)

\hspace{1.5cm} TYPE(MPI\_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: key, value
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_INFO_SET(INFO, KEY, VALUE, IERROR)
   INTEGER INFO, IERROR
   CHARACTER*(*) KEY, VALUE

MPI_INFO_SET adds the (key,value) pair to info, and overrides the value if a value for
the same key was previously set. key and value are null-terminated strings in C. In Fortran,
leading and trailing spaces in key and value are stripped. If either key or value are longer
than the respective maximum length, the call raises an error of class MPI_ERR_INFO_KEY
or MPI_ERR_INFO_VALUE, respectively.

MPI_INFO_DELETE(info, key)
   INOUT info info object (handle)
   IN key key (string)

C binding
int MPI_Info_delete(MPI_Info info, const char *key)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Info_delete(info, key, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
   CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: key
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_INFO_DELETE(INFO, KEY, IERROR)
   INTEGER INFO, IERROR
   CHARACTER*(*) KEY

MPI_INFO_DELETE deletes a (key,value) pair from info. If key is not defined in info,
the call raises an error of class MPI_ERR_INFO_NOKEY.

MPI_INFO_GET_STRING(info, key, buflen, value, flag)
   IN info info object (handle)
   IN key key (string)
   INOUT buflen length of buffer (integer)
   OUT value value (string)
   OUT flag true if key defined, false if not (logical)

C binding
int MPI_Info_get_string(MPI_Info info, const char *key, int *buflen,
   char *value, int *flag)
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Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Info_get_string(info, key, buflen, value, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: key
  INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: buflen
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(OUT) :: value
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL , INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_INFO_GET_STRING(INFO, KEY, BUFLEN, VALUE, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, BUFLEN, IERROR
  CHARACTER*(*) KEY, VALUE
  LOGICAL FLAG

This procedure retrieves the value associated with key from info, if any. If such a key exists in info, it sets flag to true and returns the value in value, otherwise it sets flag to false and leaves value unchanged. buflen on input is the size of the provided buffer, value, for the output of buflen it is the size of the buffer needed to store the value string. If the buflen passed into the procedure is less than the actual size needed to store the value string (including null terminator in C), the value is truncated. On return, the value of buflen will be set to the required buffer size to hold the value string. If buflen is set to 0, value is not changed. In C, buflen includes the required space for the null terminator. In C, this procedure returns a null terminated string in all cases where the buflen input value is greater than 0.

If key is larger than MPI_MAX_INFO_KEY, the call is erroneous.

Advice to users. The MPI_INFO_GET_STRING procedure can be used to obtain the size of the required buffer for a value string by setting the buflen to 0. The returned buflen can then be used to allocate memory before calling MPI_INFO_GET_STRING again to obtain the value string. (End of advice to users.)

MPI_INFO_GET_NKEYS(info, nkeys)
  IN info info object (handle)
  OUT nkeys number of defined keys (integer)

C binding

int MPI_Info_get_nkeys(MPI_Info info, int *nkeys)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Info_get_nkeys(info, nkeys, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: nkeys
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_INFO_GET_NKEYS(INFO, NKEYS, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, NKEYS, IERROR
MPI_INFO_GET_NKEYS returns the number of currently defined keys in info.

MPI_INFO_GET_NTHKEY(info, n, key)
  IN        info          info object (handle)
  IN        n            key number (integer)
  OUT       key          key (string)

C binding
int MPI_.Info_get_nthkey(MPI_Info info, int n, char *key)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Info_get_nthkey(info, n, key, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(OUT) :: key
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_INFO_GET_NTHKEY(INFO, N, KEY, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, N, IERROR
  CHARACTER*(*) KEY

This procedure returns the nth defined key in info. Keys are numbered 0...N−1 where N is the value returned by MPI_INFO_GET_NKEYS. All keys between 0 and N−1 are guaranteed to be defined. The number of a given key does not change as long as info is not modified with MPI_INFO_SET or MPI_INFO_DELETE.

MPI_INFO_DUP(info, newinfo)
  IN        info          info object (handle)
  OUT       newinfo       info object created (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Info_dup(MPI_Info info, MPI_Info *newinfo)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Info_dup(info, newinfo, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: newinfo
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_INFO_DUP/INFO, NEWINFO, IERROR
  INTEGER INFO, NEWINFO, IERROR

MPI_INFO_DUP duplicates an existing info object, creating a new object, with the same (key,value) pairs and the same ordering of keys.
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MPI_INFO_FREE(info)

INOUT info info object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Info_free(MPI_Info *info)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Info_free(info, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(INOUT) :: info
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_INFO_FREE(INFO, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR

This procedure frees info and sets it to MPI_INFO_NULL.

MPI_INFO_CREATE_ENV(info)

OUT info info object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Info_create_env(int argc, char *argv[], MPI_Info *info)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Info_create_env(info, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_INFO_CREATE_ENV(INFO, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR

This procedure creates an output object info with the same construction as
MPI_INFO_ENV as created during MPI_INIT or MPI_INIT_THREAD when the same arguments are used. This construction is described in Section 11.2.1; however, this procedure can be called when not using the World Model, e.g., when using the Sessions Model. This object is not a direct copy or alias of the MPI_INFO_ENV object and could contain different values based on the input arguments and other sources. Multiple calls to this procedure that are given the same input arguments will produce info objects consistent with the definition of MPI_INFO_ENV. The version for ISO C accepts the argc and argv that are provided by the arguments to main or 0 for argc and NULL for argv. The user is responsible for freeing the info object via MPI_INFO_FREE. This procedure is local.

This procedure must always be thread-safe, as defined in Section 11.6. It is one of the few procedures that may be called before MPI is initialized or after MPI is finalized.

Advice to users.

In some circumstances (e.g., when passing 0 to argc and NULL to argv in C or in Fortran where such arguments do not exist), the info object may not be populated or may be populated incompletely because this procedure is local and the implementation may
not be able to determine the correct values. Note that this could result in different values in the resulting info object at different MPI processes.

(End of advice to users.)
Chapter 11
Process Initialization, Creation, and Management

11.1 Introduction

MPI is primarily concerned with communication rather than process or resource management. However, it is necessary to address these issues to some degree in order to define a useful framework for communication. This chapter presents a set of MPI interfaces that allows for several approaches to MPI initialization and process management while placing minimal restrictions on the execution environment.

One goal of MPI is to achieve source code portability. By this we mean that a program written using MPI and complying with the relevant language standards is portable as written, and must not require any source code changes when moved from one system to another. This explicitly does not say anything about how an MPI program is started or launched from the command line, nor what the user must do to set up the environment in which an MPI program will run. However, an implementation may require some setup or initialization procedure to be performed before the complete set of MPI routines may be called.

To this end, MPI presents two models for MPI process initialization. In the World Model, an initial set of processes is created that are related by their membership in a common MPI_COMM_WORLD (see Section 11.2) communicator. In the Sessions Model (Section 11.3), an initial set of processes is also created, but the application must explicitly manage the creation of MPI groups, and hence MPI communicators. MPI_COMM_WORLD is only valid for use as a communicator in the World Model, i.e., after a successful call to MPI_INIT or MPI_INIT_THREAD and before a call to MPI_FINALIZE. An application can employ both of these Process Models concurrently. In multi-component MPI applications, for example, a component such as a library can make use of the Sessions Model to instantiate MPI resources without impacting the rest of the application.

The Dynamic Process Model (see Section 11.7), provides for the creation and management of additional processes after an MPI application has been started. A major impetus for the Dynamic Process Model comes from the PVM [26] research effort. This work has provided a wealth of experience with process management and resource control that illustrates their benefits and potential pitfalls.

In developing the Dynamic Process Model, the MPI Forum decided not to address resource control because it was not able to design a portable interface that would be appropriate for the broad spectrum of existing and potential resource and process controllers. MPI assumes that resource control is provided externally.

Process management functionality is included in MPI to enable its use in classes of message-passing applications requiring process control. These include task farms, serial
applications with parallel modules, and problems that require a run-time assessment of the
number and type of processes that should be started.

The following goals are central to the design of MPI process management:

- The MPI process model must apply to the vast majority of current parallel environments.
- MPI must not take over operating system responsibilities. It should instead provide a
clean interface between an application and system software.
- MPI must guarantee communication determinism in the presence of dynamic pro-
cesses, i.e., dynamic process management must not introduce unavoidable race condi-
tions.
- MPI must not contain features that compromise performance.

The Dynamic Process Model addresses these issues in two ways. First, MPI remains
primarily a communication library. It does not manage the parallel environment in which
a parallel program executes, though it provides a minimal interface between an application
and external resource and process managers.

Second, MPI maintains a consistent concept of a communicator, regardless of how its
members came into existence. A communicator is never changed once created, and it is
always created using deterministic collective operations.

11.2 The World Model

11.2.1 Starting MPI Processes

When using the World Model, MPI is initialized by calling either MPI_INIT or
MPI_INIT_THREAD.

MPI_INIT()

C binding
int MPI_Init(int *argc, char ***argv)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Init(ierr)
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

Fortran binding
MPI_INIT(ierr)
   INTEGER IERROR

In the World Model, an MPI program must contain exactly one call to an MPI ini-
tialization routine: MPI_INIT or MPI_INIT_THREAD. MPI_COMM_WORLD and
MPI_COMM_SELF are not valid for use as communicators prior to invocation of MPI_INIT or
MPI_INIT_THREAD. Subsequent calls to either of these initialization routines are erroneous.
A subset of MPI functions may be invoked before MPI initialization routines are called, see
Section 11.4.1. The procedures MPI_INIT and MPI_INIT_THREAD accept either the argc
and argv that are provided by the arguments to main or NULL.
Example 11.1. Initializing MPI using MPI_INIT

```c
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    /* parse arguments */
    /* main program */
    MPI_Finalize(); /* see below */
    return 0;
}
```

The Fortran version takes only IERROR.

Conforming implementations of MPI are required to allow applications to pass NULL for both the argc and argv arguments of main in C.

Failures may disrupt the execution of the program before or during MPI initialization. A high-quality implementation shall not deadlock during MPI initialization, even in the presence of failures. Except for functions with the MPI_T_prefix, failures in MPI operations prior to or during MPI initialization are reported by invoking the initial error handler. Users can use the "mpi_initial_errhandler" info key during the launch of MPI processes (e.g., MPI_COMM_SPAWN / MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE, or mpiexec) to set a nonfatal initial error handler before MPI initialization. When the initial error handler is set to MPI_ERRORS_ABORT, raising an error before or during initialization aborts the local MPI process (i.e., it is similar to calling MPI_ABORT on MPI_COMM_SELF). An implementation may not always be capable of determining, before MPI initialization, what constitutes the local MPI process, or the set of connected processes. In this case, errors before initialization may cause a different set of MPI processes to abort than specified. During MPI initialization, the initial error handler is associated with MPI_COMM_WORLD, MPI_COMM_SELF, and the communicator returned by MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT (if any).

Advice to implementors. Some failures may leave MPI in an undefined state, or raise an error before the error handling capabilities are fully operational, in which cases the implementation may be incapable of providing the desired error handling behavior. Of note, in some implementations, the notion of an MPI process is not clearly established in the early stages of MPI initialization (for example, when the implementation considers threads that called MPI_INIT as independent MPI processes); in this case, before MPI is initialized, the MPI_ERRORS_ABORT error handler may abort what would have become multiple MPI processes.

When a failure occurs during MPI initialization, the implementation may decide to return MPI_SUCCESS from the MPI initialization function instead of raising an error. It is recommended that an implementation masks an initialization error only when it expects that later MPI calls will result in well-specified behavior (i.e., barring additional failures, either the outcome of any call will be correct, or the call will raise an appropriate error). For example, it may be difficult for an implementation to avoid unspecified behavior when the group of MPI_COMM_WORLD does not contain the same set of MPI processes at all members of the communicator, or if the communicator returned from MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT was not initialized correctly. (End of advice to implementors.)
After MPI is initialized, the application can access information about the execution environment by querying the predefined info object MPI_INFO_ENV. The following keys are predefined for this object, corresponding to the arguments of MPI_COMM_SPAWN or of mpiexec:

"command": Name of program executed.

"argv": Space separated arguments to command.

"maxprocs": Maximum number of MPI processes to start.

"mpi_initial_errhandler": Name of the initial errhandler.

"mpi_memory_alloc_kinds": Memory allocation kinds supported by the MPI library (see Section 11.4.3).

"soft": Allowed values for number of processors.

"host": Hostname.

"arch": Architecture name.

"wdir": Working directory of the MPI process.

"file": Value is the name of a file in which additional information is specified.

"thread_level": Requested level of thread support, if requested before the program started execution.

Note that all values are strings. Thus, the maximum number of processes is represented by a string such as "1024" and the requested level is represented by a string such as "MPI_THREAD_SINGLE".

Advice to users. If one of the "argv" arguments contains a space, there is no way to tell from the value of the "argv" info key whether a space is part of the argument or is separating different arguments. (End of advice to users.)

The info object MPI_INFO_ENV need not contain a (key,value) pair for each of these predefined keys; the set of (key,value) pairs provided is implementation-dependent. Implementations may provide additional, implementation specific, (key,value) pairs.

In cases where the MPI processes were started with MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE or, equivalently, with a startup mechanism that supports multiple process specifications, then the values stored in the info object MPI_INFO_ENV at a process are those values that affect the local MPI process.

Example 11.2. If MPI is started with a call to

```bash
mpiexec -n 5 -arch x86_64 ocean : -n 10 -arch power9 atmos
```

Then the first 5 processes will have in their MPI_INFO_ENV object the pairs (command, ocean), (maxprocs, 5), and (arch, x86_64). The next 10 processes will have in MPI_INFO_ENV (command, atmos), (maxprocs, 10), and (arch, power9)
Advice to users.  The values passed in MPI_INFO_ENV are the values of the arguments passed to the mechanism that started the MPI execution—not the actual value provided.  Thus, the value associated with "maxprocs" is the number of MPI processes requested; it can be larger than the actual number of processes obtained, if the soft option was used.  \( \text{(End of advice to users.)} \)

Advice to implementors.  High-quality implementations will provide a (key,value) pair for each parameter that can be passed to the command that starts an MPI program.  \( \text{(End of advice to implementors.)} \)

The following function may be used to initialize MPI, and to initialize the MPI thread environment, instead of MPI_INIT.

\[
\text{MPI_INIT\_THREAD}(\text{required, provided})
\]

\[
\begin{array}{ll}
\text{IN} & \text{required} \\
\text{OUT} & \text{provided}
\end{array}
\]

\text{C binding}

\[
\text{int } \text{MPI\_Init\_thread}(\text{int } \ast \text{argc, char } \ast \ast \ast \text{argv, int required, int } \ast \text{provided})
\]

\text{Fortran 2008 binding}

\[
\text{MPI\_Init\_thread}(\text{required, provided, ierror})
\]

\[
\begin{array}{ll}
\text{INTEGER, INTENT(IN)} & : : \text{required} \\
\text{INTEGER, INTENT(OUT)} & : : \text{provided} \\
\text{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT)} & : ierror
\end{array}
\]

\text{Fortran binding}

\[
\text{MPI\_INIT\_THREAD(REQUIRED, PROVIDED, IERROR)}
\]

\[
\text{INTEGER REQUIRED, PROVIDED, IERROR}
\]

This call initializes MPI in the same way that a call to MPI_INIT would.  In addition, it initializes the thread environment.  The argument \text{required} is used to specify the desired level of thread support.  The possible values are listed in increasing order of thread support.

\text{MPI\_THREAD\_SINGLE:} Only one thread will execute.

\text{MPI\_THREAD\_FUNNELED:} The process may be multithreaded, but the application must ensure that only the main thread makes MPI calls (for the definition of main thread, see MPI\_IS\_THREAD\_MAIN on page \text{487}).

\text{MPI\_THREAD\_SERIALIZED:} The process may be multithreaded, and multiple threads may make MPI calls, but only one at a time: MPI calls are not made concurrently from two distinct threads (all MPI calls are “serialized”).

\text{MPI\_THREAD\_MULTIPLE:} Multiple threads may call MPI, with no restrictions.

These values are monotonic; i.e., \text{MPI\_THREAD\_SINGLE} < \text{MPI\_THREAD\_FUNNELED} < \text{MPI\_THREAD\_SERIALIZED} < \text{MPI\_THREAD\_MULTIPLE}.

Different processes in MPI_COMM_WORLD may require different levels of thread support.
The call returns in `provided` information about the actual level of thread support that will be provided by MPI. It can be one of the four values listed above.

The level(s) of thread support that can be provided by `MPI_INIT_THREAD` will depend on the implementation, and may depend on information provided by the user before the program started to execute (e.g., with arguments to `mpiexec`). If possible, the call will return `provided = required`. Failing this, the call will return the least supported level such that `provided > required` (thus providing a stronger level of support than required by the user). Finally, if the user requirement cannot be satisfied, then the call will return in `provided` the highest supported level.

A thread compliant MPI implementation will be able to return `provided = MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE`. Such an implementation may always return `provided = MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE`, irrespective of the value of `required`.

An MPI library that is not thread compliant must always return `provided = MPI_THREAD_SINGLE`, even if `MPI_INIT_THREAD` is called on a multithreaded process. The library should also return correct values for the MPI calls that can be executed before initialization, even if multiple threads have been spawned.

**Rationale.** Such code is erroneous, but if the MPI initialization is performed by a library, the error cannot be detected until `MPI_INIT_THREAD` is called. The requirements in the previous paragraph ensure that the error can be properly detected. (End of rationale.)

A call to `MPI_INIT` has the same effect as a call to `MPI_INIT_THREAD` with a `required = MPI_THREAD_SINGLE`.

Vendors may provide (implementation dependent) means to specify the level(s) of thread support available when the MPI program is started, e.g., with arguments to `mpiexec`. This will affect the outcome of calls to `MPI_INIT` and `MPI_INIT_THREAD`. Suppose, for example, that an MPI program has been started so that only `MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE` is available. Then `MPI_INIT_THREAD` will return `provided = MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE`, irrespective of the value of `required`; a call to `MPI_INIT` will also initialize the MPI thread support level to `MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE`. Suppose, instead, that an MPI program has been started so that all four levels of thread support are available. Then, a call to `MPI_INIT_THREAD` will return `provided = required`; alternatively, a call to `MPI_INIT` will initialize the MPI thread support level to `MPI_THREAD_SINGLE`.

**Rationale.** Various optimizations are possible when MPI code is executed single-threaded, or is executed on multiple threads, but not concurrently: mutual exclusion code may be omitted. Furthermore, if only one thread executes, then the MPI library can use library functions that are not thread safe, without risking conflicts with user threads. Also, the model of one communication thread, multiple computation threads fits many applications well, e.g., if the process code is a sequential Fortran/C program with MPI calls that has been parallelized by a compiler for execution on an SMP node, in a cluster of SMPs, then the process computation is multithreaded, but MPI calls will likely execute on a single thread.

The design accommodates a static specification of the thread support level, for environments that require static binding of libraries, and for compatibility for current multithreaded MPI codes. (End of rationale.)
Advice to implementors. If \texttt{provided} is not \texttt{MPI\_THREAD\_SINGLE} then the MPI library should not invoke C or Fortran library calls that are not thread safe, e.g., in an environment where \texttt{malloc} is not thread safe, then \texttt{malloc} should not be used by the MPI library.

Some implementors may want to use different MPI libraries for different levels of thread support. They can do so using dynamic linking and selecting which library will be linked when \texttt{MPI\_INIT\_THREAD} is invoked. If this is not possible, then optimizations for lower levels of thread support will occur only when the level of thread support required is specified at link time.

Note that \texttt{required} need not be the same value on all processes of \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_WORLD}.

(End of advice to implementors.)

As with \texttt{MPI\_INIT}, discussed in Section 11.2.1, the version for ISO C accepts the \texttt{argc} and \texttt{argv} that are provided by the arguments to \texttt{main} or \texttt{NULL} for both arguments.

The following function can be used to query the current level of thread support.

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_QUERY_THREAD(provided)
  OUT provided provided level of thread support (integer)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Query_thread(int *provided)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Query_thread(provided, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: provided
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_QUERY_THREAD(PROVIDED, IERROR)
  INTEGER PROVIDED, IERROR
\end{verbatim}

The call returns in \texttt{provided} the current level of thread support, which will be the value returned in \texttt{provided} by \texttt{MPI\_INIT\_THREAD}, if MPI was initialized by a call to \texttt{MPI\_INIT\_THREAD}. This function is only applicable when using the World Model to initialize MPI. In the case of applications using both the World Model and the Sessions Model, this function only returns the thread support level returned in \texttt{provided} by \texttt{MPI\_INIT\_THREAD}.

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_IS_THREAD_MAIN(flag)
  OUT flag true if calling thread is main thread, false otherwise (logical)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Is_thread_main(int *flag)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Is_thread_main(flag, ierror)
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
\end{verbatim}
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_IS_THREAD_MAIN(FLAG, IERROR)
   LOGICAL FLAG
   INTEGER IERROR

This function can be called by a thread to determine if it is the main thread (the thread
that called MPI_INIT or MPI_INIT_THREAD). This function is only applicable when using
the World Model to initialize MPI. In the case of applications using both the World Model
and the Sessions Model, the behavior of this procedure is the same as if the application
were only using the World Model.

All routines listed in this section must be supported by all MPI implementations.

Rationale. MPI libraries are required to provide these calls even if they do not
support threads, so that portable code that contains invocations to these functions
can link correctly. MPI_INIT continues to be supported so as to provide compatibility
with current MPI codes. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. It is possible to spawn threads before MPI is initialized, but
MPI_COMM_WORLD and MPI_COMM_SELF cannot be used until the World Model is
active, i.e., until MPI_INITThunk is invoked by one thread (which, thereby, be-
comes the main thread). In particular, it is possible to enter the MPI execution with
a multithreaded process.

In the World Model, the level of thread support provided is a global property of the
MPI process that can be specified only once, when MPI is initialized on that process (or
before). Portable third party libraries have to be written so as to accommodate any
provided level of thread support. Otherwise, their usage will be restricted to specific
level(s) of thread support. If such a library can run only with specific level(s) of thread
support, e.g., only with MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE, then MPI_QUERY_THREAD can be
used to check whether the user initialized MPI to the correct level of thread support.
(End of advice to users.)

11.2.2 Finalizing MPI

MPI_FINALIZE()

C binding
int MPI_Finalize(void)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Finalize(ierr)
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

Fortran binding
MPI_FINALIZE(IERROR)
   INTEGER IERROR

This routine cleans up all MPI state associated with the World Model. If an MPI
program that initializes the World Model terminates normally (i.e., not due to a call to
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MPI_ABORT or an unrecoverable error) then each process must call MPI_FINALIZE before it exits.

Before an MPI process invokes MPI_FINALIZE, the process must perform all MPI calls needed to complete its involvement in MPI communications associated with the World Model. It must locally complete all MPI operations that it initiated and must execute matching calls needed to complete MPI communications initiated by other processes. For example, if the process executed a nonblocking send, it must eventually call MPI_WAIT, MPI_TEST, MPI_REQUEST_FREE, or any derived function; if the process is the target of a send, then it must post the matching receive; if it is part of a group executing a collective operation, then it must have completed its participation in the operation. This means that before calling MPI_FINALIZE, all message handles associated with the World Model must be received (with MPI_Mrecv or derived procedures) and all request handles associated with the World Model must be freed in the case of nonblocking operations, and must be inactive or freed in the case of persistent operations (i.e., by calling one of the procedures MPI_{TEST|WAIT}{|ANY|SOME|ALL} or MPI_REQUEST_FREE).

The call to MPI_FINALIZE does not clean up MPI state associated with objects created using MPI_SESSION_INIT and other Sessions Model methods, nor objects created using the communicator returned by MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT. See Sections 11.3 and 11.8.

The call to MPI_FINALIZE does not free objects created by MPI calls; these objects are freed using MPI_{XXX_FREE, MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT, or MPI_FILE_CLOSE} calls.

Once MPI_FINALIZE returns, no MPI procedure may be called in the World Model (not even MPI_INIT, or freeing objects created within the World Model), except for those listed in Section 11.4.1.

MPI_FINALIZE is collective over all connected processes. If no processes were spawned, accepted or connected then this means over MPI_COMM_WORLD; otherwise it is collective over the union of all processes that have been and continue to be connected, as explained in Section 11.10.4.

The following examples illustrate these rules.

**Example 11.3.** The following code is correct

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Process 0</th>
<th>Process 1</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Init();</td>
<td>MPI_Init();</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Send(dest=1);</td>
<td>MPI_Recv(src=0);</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Finalize();</td>
<td>MPI_Finalize();</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Example 11.4.** Without a matching receive, the program is erroneous

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Process 0</th>
<th>Process 1</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Init();</td>
<td>MPI_Init();</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Send(dest=1);</td>
<td>MPI_Finalize();</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Finalize();</td>
<td>MPI_Finalize();</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Example 11.5.** This program is correct: Process 0 calls MPI_Finalize after it has executed the MPI calls that complete the send operation. Likewise, process 1 executes the MPI call that completes the matching receive operation before it calls MPI_Finalize.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Process 0</th>
<th>Process 1</th>
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<td></td>
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</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Example 11.6. This program is correct. The attached buffer is a resource allocated by the user, not by MPI; it is available to the user after MPI is finalized.

Process 0       Process 1
---            ---
1. MPI_Init(); 1. MPI_Init();
2. MPI_Init(dest=1);
3. MPI_Request_free(); 3. MPI_Finalize();
4. MPI_Finalize();
5. exit();

Example 11.7. This program is correct. The cancel operation must succeed, since the send cannot complete normally. The wait operation, after the call to MPI_Cancel, is local—no matching MPI call is required on process 1. Cancelling a send request by calling MPI_CANCEL is deprecated.

Process 0       Process 1
---            ---
1. MPI_Issend(dest=1); 1. MPI_Finalize();
2. MPI_Cancel();
3. MPI_Finalize();
4. free(buffer);
5. exit();

Advice to implementors. Even though a process has executed all MPI calls needed to complete the communications it is involved with, such communication may not yet be completed from the viewpoint of the underlying MPI system. For example, a blocking send may have returned, even though the data is still buffered at the sender in an MPI buffer; an MPI process may receive a cancel request for a message it has completed receiving. The MPI implementation must ensure that a process has completed any involvement in MPI communication before MPI_FINALIZE returns. Thus, if a process exits after the call to MPI_FINALIZE, this will not cause an ongoing communication to fail. The MPI implementation should also complete freeing all objects marked for deletion by MPI calls that freed them. See also Section 2.9 on progress. (End of advice to implementors.)

Failures may disrupt MPI operations during and after MPI finalization. A high quality implementation shall not deadlock in MPI finalization, even in the presence of failures. The normal rules for MPI error handling continue to apply. After MPI_COMM_SELF has been “freed” (see Section 11.2.4), errors that are not associated with a communicator, window, or file raise the initial error handler (set during the launch operation, see 11.8.4).

Although it is not required that all processes return from MPI_FINALIZE, it is required that, when it has not failed or aborted, at least the MPI process that was assigned rank 0 in MPI_COMM_WORLD returns, so that users can know that the MPI portion of the computation...
is over. In addition, in a POSIX environment, users may desire to supply an exit code for each process that returns from MPI_FINALIZE.

Note that a failure may terminate the MPI process that was assigned rank 0 in MPI_COMM_WORLD, in which case it is possible that no MPI process returns from MPI_FINALIZE.

Advice to users. Applications that handle errors are encouraged to implement all rank-specific code before the call to MPI_FINALIZE. In Example 11.8, the process with rank 0 in MPI_COMM_WORLD may have been terminated before, during, or after the call to MPI_FINALIZE, possibly leading to the code after MPI_FINALIZE never being executed. (End of advice to users.)

Example 11.8. The following illustrates the use of requiring that at least one process return and that it be known that process 0 is one of the processes that return. One wants code like the following to work no matter how many processes return.

```c
MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &myrank);
...
MPI_Finalize();
if (myrank == 0) {
    resultfile = fopen("outfile", "w");
    dump_results(resultfile);
    fclose(resultfile);
}
exit(0);
```

11.2.3 Determining Whether MPI Has Been Initialized When Using the World Model

One of the goals of MPI is to allow for layered libraries. A library using the World Model needs to know if MPI has been initialized using either of MPI_INIT or MPI_INIT_THREAD. In MPI the function MPI_INITIALIZED is provided to tell if MPI had been initialized using the World Model. In the World Model, once MPI has been finalized it cannot be restarted. A library needs to be able to determine this to act accordingly. To achieve this, the function MPI_FINALIZED is needed.

MPI_INITIALIZED(flag)

```
MPI_INITIALIZED(flag)
```

Flag is true if MPI_INIT or MPI_INIT_THREAD has been called and false otherwise (logical)

C binding

```
int MPIInitialized(int *flag)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```
MPI_INITIALIZED(flag, ierror)
```

LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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Fortran binding
MPI_INITIALIZED(FLAG, IERROR)
  LOGICAL FLAG
  INTEGER IERROR

This routine may be used to determine whether MPI_INIT or MPI_INIT_THREAD has
been called. MPI_INITIALIZED returns true if the calling process has called either of these
MPI procedures. Whether MPI_FINALIZE has been called does not affect the behavior of
MPI_INITIALIZED. This function must always be thread-safe, as defined in Section 11.6.
This function returns false for applications using the Sessions Model exclusively.

MPI_FINALIZED(flag)
  OUT flag true if MPI_FINALIZE has been called and false
otherwise. (logical)

C binding
int MPI_Finalized(int *flag)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Finalized(flag, ierror)
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FINALIZED(FLAG, IERROR)
  LOGICAL FLAG
  INTEGER IERROR

This routine returns true if MPI_FINALIZE has completed. It is valid to call
MPI_FINALIZED before MPI_INIT and after MPI_FINALIZE. This function must always be
thread-safe, as defined in Section 11.6.

11.2.4 Allowing User Functions at MPI Finalization

In the context of the World Model, there are times in which it would be convenient to
have actions happen when an MPI process finalizes MPI. For example, a routine may do
initializations that are useful until the MPI job (or that part of the job that is being termi-
nated in the case of dynamically created processes) finalizes MPI. This can be accomplished
in MPI by attaching an attribute to MPI_COMM_SELF with a callback function. When
MPI_FINALIZE is called, it will first execute the equivalent of an MPI_COMM_FREE on
MPI_COMM_SELF. This will cause the delete callback function to be executed on all keys as-
associated with MPI_COMM_SELF, in the reverse order that they were set on MPI_COMM_SELF.
If no key has been attached to MPI_COMM_SELF, then no callback is invoked. The “freeing”
of MPI_COMM_SELF occurs before any other parts of MPI are affected. Thus, for example,
calling MPI_FINALIZED will return false in any of these callback functions. Once done with
MPI_COMM_SELF, the order and rest of the actions taken by MPI_FINALIZE is not specified.

Advice to implementors. Since attributes can be added from any supported language,
the MPI implementation needs to remember the creating language so the correct
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There are a number of limitations with the World Model described in the preceding section. Among these are the following: MPI cannot be initialized from different application components without a priori knowledge or coordination; MPI cannot be initialized more than once; and MPI cannot be reinitialized after MPI_FINALIZE has been called. This section describes an alternative approach to MPI initialization—the Sessions Model. With this approach, an MPI application, or components of the application, can instantiate MPI resources for the specific communication needs of this component. MPI_COMM_WORLD is not valid for use as a communicator. MPI_INFO_ENV is not valid for use as an info object when only using the Sessions Model. As described in Section 11.2.1, MPI must be initialized using the World Model to use this info object. Note that an application may employ both the Sessions Model and World Model concurrently (see Section 11.1).

In the Sessions Model, MPI resources can be allocated and freed multiple times in an MPI process.

As shown in Figure 11.1, when using the Sessions Model, an MPI process instantiates an MPI Session handle, which can be used to query the runtime system about characteristics of the job within which the process is running, as well as other system resources. Using this information, the MPI process can then create an MPI Group based on application requirements and available resources, which in turn can be used to create an MPI Communicator, Window, or File. By judicious creation of communicators, an application only needs to allocate MPI resources based on its communication requirements. Although there are existing MPI interfaces for creating communicators that can, in principle, allow for resource optimizations within an MPI implementation, this can only be done following initialization of MPI.

For multithreaded applications, the Sessions Model provides fine-grain control of the thread support level for MPI objects. It is possible to specify different thread support levels when creating different MPI Session handles. Thus different components of an application can use different thread support levels.

The Sessions Model introduces a concept of isolation. MPI objects derived from different MPI Session handles shall not be intermixed with each other in a single MPI procedure call. MPI objects derived from the Sessions Model shall not be intermixed in a single MPI procedure call with MPI objects derived from the World Model. MPI objects derived from the Sessions Model shall not be intermixed in a single MPI procedure call with MPI objects derived from the communicator obtained from a call to MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT or MPI_COMM_JOIN.

This restriction does not apply to generalized requests (Section 13.2) as such requests are not associated directly with communicators or other MPI objects. Note however, the Sessions Model does not otherwise change the semantics or behavior of MPI objects.
11.3.1 Session Creation and Destruction Methods

**MPI_SESSION_INIT(info, errhandler, session)**

- **IN** info: info object to specify thread support level and MPI implementation specific resources (handle)
- **IN** errhandler: error handler to invoke in the event that an error is encountered during this function call (handle)
- **OUT** session: new session (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Session_init(MPI_Info info, MPI_Errhandler errhandler,
                    MPI_Session *session)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Session_init(info, errhandler, session, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(IN) :: errhandler
  TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(OUT) :: session
```
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INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_SESSION_INIT(INFO, ERRHANDLER, SESSION, IERROR)
   INTEGER INFO, ERRHANDLER, SESSION, IERROR

The info argument is used to request MPI functionality requirements and possible MPI implementation specific capabilities. The following info keys are predefined:

"thread_level" used to request the thread support level required for MPI objects derived from the Session. Allowed values are "MPI_THREAD_SINGLE", "MPI_THREAD_FUNNELED", "MPI_THREAD_SERIALIZED", and "MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE". Note that the thread support value is specified by a string rather than the integer values supplied to MPI_INIT_THREAD. The thread support level actually provided by the MPI implementation can be determined via a subsequent call to MPI_SESSION_GET_INFO to return the info object associated with the Session. The default thread support level is MPI implementation dependent.

"mpi_memory_alloc_kinds" used to request support for memory allocation kinds to be used by the calling MPI process on MPI objects derived from the Session. See Section 11.4.3. A value for this info key can also be supplied as an argument to an MPI startup mechanism as described in Section 11.5.

The errhandler argument specifies an error handler to invoke in the event that the Session instantiation call encounters an error. The error handler shall be either a pre-defined error handler (see 9.3) or one created using MPI_SESSION_CREATE_ERRHANDLER. Session instantiation is intended to be a lightweight operation. An MPI process may instantiate multiple Sessions. MPI_SESSION_INIT is always thread safe; multiple threads within an application may invoke it concurrently.

Advice to users. Requesting "MPI_THREAD_SINGLE" thread support level is generally not recommended, because this will conflict with other components of an application requesting higher levels of thread support. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. Owing to the restrictions of the MPI_THREAD_SINGLE thread support level, implementors are discouraged from making this the default thread support level for Sessions. (End of advice to implementors.)

MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE(session)
   INOUT session session to be finalized (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Session_finalize(MPI_Session *session)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Session_finalize(session, ierr)
   TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(INOUT) :: session
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr
Fortran binding

MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE(SESSION, IERROR)
  INTEGER SESSION, IERROR

This routine cleans up all MPI state associated with the supplied session. Every instantiated Session must be finalized using MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE. The handle session is set to MPI_SESSION_NULL by the call.

Before an MPI process invokes MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE, the process must perform all MPI calls needed to complete its involvement in MPI communications: it must locally complete all MPI operations that it initiated and it must execute matching calls needed to complete MPI communications initiated by other processes. This means that before calling MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE, all message handles associated with this session must be received (with MPI_MRECV or derived procedures) and all request handles associated with this session must be freed in the case of nonblocking operations, and must be inactive or freed in the case of persistent operations (i.e., by calling one of the procedures MPI_{TEST|WAIT}{|ANY|SOME|ALL} or MPI_REQUEST_FREE).

The call to MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE does not free objects created by MPI calls; these objects are freed using MPI_{XXX_FREE, MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT, or MPI_FILE_CLOSE} calls.

Once MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE returns, no MPI procedure may be called in the Sessions Model that are related to this session (not even freeing objects that are derived from this session), except for those listed in Section 11.4.1.

Advice to users. Opaque objects and their handles may bind internal resources. Therefore, it is highly recommended to explicitly free the handles associated with this session before finalizing it. Such associated handles can be group, communicator, window, file, message, and request handles, whereas datatype, operation (e.g., for reductions), error handler, and info handles exist independently of the World Model or a session in the Sessions Model. In addition, if attributes are cached on such an opaque object (see Section 7.7), then the delete callback functions are only invoked when the object is explicitly freed (or disconnected). (End of advice to users.)

Most handles that exist independently from the World Model or a session in the Sessions Model, e.g., datatype handles, can be created only while MPI is initialized. For example, a datatype handle that was created when one particular session existed can be used in any other session (or in the World Model), even if the second session was initialized after the first session had already been finalized and no other session existed in between. See Section 11.4.1 for handle creation procedures that do not require that MPI is initialized.

MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE may be synchronizing on any or all of the groups associated with communicators, windows, or files derived from the session and not disconnected, freed, or closed, respectively, before the call to the MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE procedure. MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE behaves as if all such synchronizations occur concurrently. As MPI_COMM_FREE may mark a communicator for freeing later, MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE may be synchronizing on the group associated with a communicator that is only freed (with MPI_COMM_FREE) rather than disconnected (with MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT).

Rationale. This rule is similar to the rule that MPI_FINALIZE is collective (see 11.2.2), but does not require that MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE be collective over all connected MPI processes. It also allows for cases where some MPI processes may have derived a
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set of communicators using a different number of session handles. See Example 11.9.  
(End of rationale.)

Advice to implementors. This rule also allows for the completion of communications 
the MPI process is involved with that may not yet be completed from the viewpoint 
of the underlying MPI system. See Section 2.9 on progress and the advice to implementors at the end of Section 11.2.2. (End of advice to implementors.)

Advice to implementors. An MPI implementation should be able to implement the 
semantics of MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE as a local procedure, provided an application 
frees all MPI windows, closes all MPI files, and uses MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT to 
free all MPI communicators associated with a session prior to invoking 
MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE on the corresponding session handle. (End of advice to implementors.)

Example 11.9. Three MPI processes are connected with 2 communicators (indicated by 
the = symbols), derived from one session handle in process X but from two separate session 
handles in both process Y and Z.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>process-X</th>
<th>process-Y</th>
<th>process-Z</th>
<th>Remarks</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>sesX, sesYA, ses YB, sesZA and sesZB are session handles.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>communicator_1 and communicator_2 are derived from them.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SF(sesX) SF(sesYA) SF(sesZA) SF(sesZB)</td>
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</table>

SF = MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE

Process X has only to finalize its one session handle, whereas the other two MPI processes 
have to call MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE twice in the same sequence with respect to the communicators 
derived from the session handles. Specifically, both process Y and process Z shall call MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE for the session from which communicator_1 was derived before calling the MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE for the session from which communicator_2 was derived, or vice versa (i.e., both shall finalize the session for communicator_2 first then finalize the session for communicator_1). The call SF(ses) in process X may not return until both SF(ses*A) and SF(ses*B) are called in processes Y and Z.

11.3.2 Processes Sets

Process sets are the mechanism for MPI applications to query the runtime. Process sets are 
identified by process set names. Process set names have a Uniform Resource Identifier (URI) 
format. Two process set names are mandated: "mpi://WORLD" and "mpi://SELF". Additional process set names may be defined, for example, "mpix://UNIVERSE" and "hwloc://L3Cache" may be defined by the MPI implementation. The "mpi://" namespace is reserved for exclusive use by the MPI standard. Figure 11.2 depicts process sets that the runtime could associate with an instance of an MPI job. In this example, the two mandated process sets are defined, in addition to optional, implementation specific ones.

Mechanisms for defining process sets and how system resources are assigned to these sets is considered to be implementation dependent.
Figure 11.2: Examples of process sets. Illustrated are the two mandated process sets—"mpi://WORLD“ and "mpi://SELF“—along with several optional ones that a runtime could define. In this example, MPI_SESSION_GET_NUM_PSETS would return five at each MPI process.

A process set caches key/value tuples that are accessible to the application via an MPI_Info object. The "mpi_size" key is mandatory for all process sets.

11.3.3 Runtime Query Functions

MPI_SESSION_GET_NUM_PSETS(session, info, npset_names)

IN      session       session (handle)
IN      info          info object (handle)
OUT     npset_names   number of available process sets (non-negative integer)

C binding
int MPI_Session_get_num_psets(MPI_Session session, MPI_Info info, 
   int *npset_names)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Session_get_num_psets(session, info, npset_names, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: npset_names
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_SESSION_GET_NUM_PSETS(SESSION, INFO, NPSET_NAMES, IERROR)
    INTEGER SESSION, INFO, NPSET_NAMES, IERROR
```

This function is used to query the runtime for the number of available process sets in which the calling MPI process is a member. An MPI implementation is allowed to increase the number of available process sets during the execution of an MPI application when new process sets become available. However, MPI implementations are not allowed to change the index of a particular process set name, or to change the name of the process set at a particular index, or to delete a process set name once it has been added. When a process set becomes invalid, for example, when some processes become unreachable due to failures in the communication system, subsequent usage of the process set name should raise an error. For example, creating an MPI_Group from such a process set might succeed because it is a local operation, but creating an MPI_Comm from that group and attempting collective communication should raise an error.

Advice to implementors. It is anticipated that an MPI implementation may be relying on an external runtime system to provide process sets. Such runtime systems may have the ability to dynamically create process sets during the course of application execution. Requiring the number of process sets returned by `MPI_SESSION_GET_NUM_PSETS` to be constant over the course of application execution would prevent an application from taking advantage of such capabilities. (End of advice to implementors.)

```fortran
MPI_SESSION_GET_NTH_PSET(session, info, n, pset_len, pset_name)
    IN session     session (handle)
    IN info       info object (handle)
    IN n          index of the desired process set name (integer)
    INOUT pset_len length of the pset_name argument (integer)
    OUT pset_name  name of the nth process set (string)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_Session_get_nth_pset(MPI_Session session, MPI_Info info, int n,
    int *pset_len, char *pset_name)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Session_get_nth_pset(session, info, n, pset_len, pset_name, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n
    INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: pset_len
    CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(OUT) :: pset_name
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_SESSION_GET_NTH_PSET(SESSION, INFO, N, PSET_LEN, PSET_NAME, IERROR)
```
INTEGER SESSION, INFO, N, PSET_LEN, IERROR 
CHARACTER*(*) PSET_NAME 

This function returns the name of the nth process set in the supplied pset_name buffer. pset_len is the size of the buffer needed to store the nth process set name. If the pset_len passed into the function is less than the actual buffer size needed for the process set name, then the string value returned in pset_name is truncated. If pset_len is set to 0, pset_name is not changed. On return, the value of pset_len will be set to the required buffer size to hold the process set name. In C, pset_len includes the required space for the null terminator. In C, this function returns a null terminated string in all cases where the pset_len input value is greater than 0.

If two MPI processes get the same process set name, then the intersection of the two process sets shall either be the empty set or identical to the union of the two process sets.

After a successful call to MPI_SESSION_GET_NTH_PSET, subsequent calls to routines that query information about the same process set name and same session handle must return the same information. An MPI implementation is not allowed to alter any of the returned process set names.

Process set names have an implementation-defined maximum length of MPI_MAX_PSET_NAME_LEN characters. MPI_MAX_PSET_NAME_LEN shall have a value of at least 63.

Advice to users. MPI_MAX_PSET_NAME_LEN might be very large, so it might not be wise to declare a string of that size. Users are encouraged to use MPI_SESSION_GET_NTH_PSET both for obtaining the length of a pset_name and the process set name. (End of advice to users.)

MPI_SESSION_GET_INFO(session, info_used)
IN session session (handle)
OUT info_used see explanation below (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Session_get_info(MPI_Session session, MPI_Info *info_used)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Session_get_info(session, info_used, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session  
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info_used  
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_SESSION_GET_INFO(SESSION, INFO_USED, IERROR)  
  INTEGER SESSION, INFO_USED, IERROR

MPI_SESSION_GET_INFO returns a new info object containing the hints of the MPI Session associated with session. The current setting of all hints related to this MPI Session is returned in info_used. An MPI implementation is required to return all hints that are supported by the implementation and have default values specified; any user-supplied hints that were not ignored by the implementation; and any additional hints that were set by
the implementation. If no such hints exist, a handle to a newly created info object is returned that contains no key/value pair. The user is responsible for freeing info_used via MPI_INFO_FREE.

MPI_SESSION_GET_PSET_INFO(session, pset_name, info)

| IN    | session             | session (handle) |
| IN    | pset_name           | name of process set (string) |
| OUT   | info                | info object containing information about the given process set (handle) |

C binding

```c
int MPI_Session_get_pset_info(MPI_Session session, const char *pset_name,
                               MPI_Info *info)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Session_get_pset_info(session, pset_name, info, ierror)
```

- `TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session`
- `CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: pset_name`
- `TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info`
- `INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror`

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_SESSION_GET_PSET_INFO(SESSION, PSET_NAME, INFO, IERROR)
```

This function is used to query properties of a specific process set. The returned info object can be queried with existing MPI info object query functions. One key/value pair must be defined, "mpi_size". The value of the "mpi_size" key specifies the number of MPI processes in the process set. The user is responsible for freeing the returned MPI_Info object.

11.3.4 Sessions Model Examples

This section presents several examples of how to use MPI Sessions to create MPI Groups and MPI Communicators.

**Example 11.10.** Simple example illustrating creation of an MPI communicator using the Sessions Model.

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include "mpi.h"

static MPI_Session lib_shandle = MPI_SESSION_NULL;
static MPI_Comm lib_comm = MPI_COMM_NULL;

int library_foo_init(void)
{
    int rc, flag, valuelen;
```
```c
int ret = 0;
const char pset_name[] = "mpi://WORLD";
const char mt_key[] = "thread_level";
const char mt_value[] = "MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE";
char out_value[100]; /* large enough */
MPI_Group wgroup = MPI_GROUP_NULL;
MPI_Info sinfo = MPI_INFO_NULL;
MPI_Info tinfo = MPI_INFO_NULL;

MPI_Info_create(&sinfo);
MPI_Info_set(sinfo, mt_key, mt_value);
rc = MPI_Session_init(sinfo, MPI_ERRORS_RETURN,
    &lib_shandle);
if (rc != MPI_SUCCESS) {
    ret = -1;
    goto fn_exit;
}

/*
 * check we got thread support level foo library needs
 */
rc = MPI_Session_get_info(lib_shandle, &tinfo);
if (rc != MPI_SUCCESS) {
    ret = -1;
    goto fn_exit;
}

valuelen = sizeof(out_value);
MPI_Info_get_string(tinfo, mt_key, &valuelen,
    out_value, &flag);
if (0 == flag) {
    printf("Could not find key %s\n", mt_key);
    ret = -1;
    goto fn_exit;
}

if (strcmp(out_value, mt_value)) {
    printf("Did not get thread multiple support, got %s\n",
        out_value);
    ret = -1;
    goto fn_exit;
}

/*
 * create a group from the WORLD process set
 */
rc = MPI_Group_from_session_pset(lib_shandle,
    pset_name, &wgroup);
if (rc != MPI_SUCCESS) {
    ret = -1;
    goto fn_exit;
}
```

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Example 11.10 shows how the predefined "mpi://WORLD" process set can be used to first create a local MPI group and then subsequently to create an MPI communicator from this group.

**Example 11.11.** This example illustrates the use of Process Set query functions to select a Process Set to use for MPI Group creation.

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include "mpi.h"

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    int i, n_psets, psetlen, rc, ret;
    int valuelen;
    int flag = 0;
    char *pset_name = NULL;
```
```c
char *info_val = NULL;
MPI_Session shandle = MPI_SESSION_NULL;
MPI_Info sinfo = MPI_INFO_NULL;
MPI_Group pgroup = MPI_GROUP_NULL;

if (argc < 2) {
    fprintf(stderr, "A process set name fragment is required\n"");
    return EXIT_FAILURE;
}

rc = MPI_Session_init(MPI_INFO_NULL, MPI_ERRORS_RETURN, &shandle);
if (rc != MPI_SUCCESS) {
    fprintf(stderr, "Could not initialize session, bailing out\n"");
    return EXIT_FAILURE;
}

MPI_Session_get_num_psets(shandle, MPI_INFO_NULL, &n_psets);
for (i=0, pset_name=NULL; i<n_psets; i++) {
    psetlen = 0;
    MPI_Session_get_nth_pset(shandle, MPI_INFO_NULL, i, &psetlen, NULL);
    pset_name = (char*) malloc(sizeof(char) * psetlen);
    MPI_Session_get_nth_pset(shandle, MPI_INFO_NULL, i, &psetlen, pset_name);
    if (strstr(pset_name, argv[1]) != NULL) break;

    free(pset_name);
    pset_name = NULL;
}

/*
 * get instance of an info object for this Session
 */

MPI_Session_get_pset_info(shandle, pset_name, &sinfo);
valuelen = 0;
MPI_Info_get_string(sinfo, "mpi_size", &valuelen, NULL, &flag);
if (flag) {
    info_val = (char*) malloc(valuelen);
    MPI_Info_get_string(sinfo, "mpi_size", &valuelen, info_val, &flag);
    free(info_val);
}

/*
 * create a group from the process set
 */

rc = MPI_Group_from_session_pset(shandle, pset_name, &pgroup);
ret = (rc == MPI_SUCCESS) ? 0 : EXIT_FAILURE;

free(pset_name);
MPI_Group_free(&pgroup);
MPI_Info_free(&sinfo);
MPI_Session_finalize(&shandle);
```
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```c
fprintf(stderr, "Test completed ret = %d\n", ret);
return ret;
```

Example 11.11 illustrates several aspects of the Sessions Model. First, the default error handler can be specified when instantiating a Session instance. Second, there must be at least two process sets associated with a Session. Third, the example illustrates use of the Sessions info object and the one required key: "mpi_size".

Example 11.12. A Fortran 2008 example illustrating how to obtain information about available process sets, create an MPI Group from a process set, and subsequently create an MPI Communicator.

```fortran
PROGRAM MAIN
  USE mpi_f08
  IMPLICIT NONE
  INTEGER :: pset_len, ierror, n_psets
  CHARACTER(LEN=:) , ALLOCATABLE :: pset_name
  TYPE(MPI_Session) :: shandle
  TYPE(MPI_Group) :: pgroup
  TYPE(MPI_Comm) :: pcomm

  CALL MPI_Session_init(MPI_INFO_NULL, MPI_ERRORS_RETURN, &
    shandle, ierror)
  IF (ierror .NE. MPI_SUCCESS) THEN
    WRITE(*,*) "MPI_Session_init failed"
    ERROR STOP
  END IF

  CALL MPI_Session_get_num_psets(shandle, MPI_INFO_NULL, n_psets)
  IF (n_psets .LT. 2) THEN
    WRITE(*,*) "MPI_Session_get_num_psets didn't return at least 2 psets"
    ERROR STOP
  END IF

  ! Just get the second pset's length and name
  ! Note that index values are zero-based, even in Fortran
  !
  pset_len = 0
  CALL MPI_Session_get_nth_pset(shandle, MPI_INFO_NULL, 1, &
    pset_len, pset_name)
  ALLOCATE(CHARACTER(LEN=pset_len)::pset_name)
  CALL MPI_Session_get_nth_pset(shandle, MPI_INFO_NULL, 1, &
    pset_len, pset_name)

  ! create a group from the pset
  !
  CALL MPI_Group_from_session_pset(shandle, pset_name, pgroup)

  ! free the buffer used for the pset name
  !
  DEALLOCATE(pset_name)
```

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Note in this example that the call to `MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE` may block in order to ensure that the calling MPI process has completed its involvement in the preceding `MPI_BARRIER` operation. If `MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT` had been used instead of `MPI_COMM_FREE`, the example would have blocked in `MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT` rather than `MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE`.

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11.4.1 MPI Functionality that is Always Available

Some MPI functions may be invoked at any time, including prior to calling `MPI_INIT` or `MPI_SESSION_INIT`, and following MPI finalization, independent of whether the World Model, Sessions Model, or both are used. These functions can be called concurrently by multiple threads within an MPI Process. Table 11.1 lists the applicable MPI functions.

In addition to the functions listed in Table 11.1, any function with the prefix `MPI_T_` (within the constraints for functions with this prefix listed in Section 15.3.4) may also be called prior to MPI initialization and after MPI finalization.

11.4.2 Aborting MPI Processes

```
MPI_ABORT(comm, errorcode)
```

```c
int MPI_Abort(MPI_Comm comm, int errorcode)
```

communicator of MPI processes to abort (handle)
error code to return to invoking environment (integer)
Table 11.1: List of MPI Functions that can be called at any time within an MPI program, including prior to MPI initialization and following MPI finalization

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**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Abort(comm, errorcode, ierror)
```

```
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_ABORT COMM, ERRORCODE, IERROR
```

```
INTEGER COMM, ERRORCODE, IERROR
```

This routine makes a “best attempt” to abort all MPI processes in the group of `comm`. This function does not require that the invoking environment take any action with the error code. However, a Unix or POSIX environment should handle this as a return `errorcode` from the main program.
It may not be possible for an MPI implementation to abort only the processes represented by `comm` if this is a subset of the processes. In this case, the MPI implementation should attempt to abort all the connected processes but should not abort any unconnected processes. When using the World Model, and if no processes were spawned, accepted, or connected then this has the effect of aborting all the processes associated with `MPI_COMM_WORLD`. In the case of the Sessions Model, if an MPI process has instantiated multiple sessions, the union of the process sets in these sessions are considered connected processes. Thus invoking `MPI_ABORT` on a communicator derived from one of these sessions will result in all MPI processes in this union being aborted.

**Advice to implementors.** After aborting a subset of processes, a high quality implementation should be able to provide error handling for communicators, windows, and files involving both aborted and nonaborted processes. As an example, if the user changes the error handler for `MPI_COMM_WORLD` to `MPI_ERRORS_RETURN` or a custom error handler, when a subset of `MPI_COMM_WORLD` is aborted, the remaining processes in `MPI_COMM_WORLD` should be able to continue communicating with each other and receive an appropriate error code when attempting communication with an aborted process (e.g., an error of class `MPI_ERR_PROC_ABORTED`). A high quality implementation should support equivalent behavior for communicators derived from sessions. (End of advice to implementors.)

**Advice to users.** Whether the `errorcode` is returned from the executable or from the MPI process startup mechanism (e.g., `mpiexec`), is an aspect of quality of the MPI library but not mandatory. (End of advice to users.)

**Advice to implementors.** Where possible, a high-quality implementation will try to return the `errorcode` from the MPI process startup mechanism (e.g. `mpiexec` or singleton init). (End of advice to implementors.)

### 11.4.3 Memory Allocation Info

Computing systems contain memory with different properties, including differences in performance, persistence, access permissions, or access mode. These distinct memories are generally allocated using distinct mechanisms and are referred to as memory allocation kinds that are named according to the method of allocation. The following info keys can be used to request or query the memory allocation kinds supported by the MPI library and to assert application usage of memory allocation kinds with respect to specific MPI objects, as shown in Example 11.13.

"mpi_memory_alloc_kinds" (string, default: "mpi,system"): A comma separated list of memory allocation kinds. When set on the input info object in a call to `MPI_SESSION_INIT`, `MPI_COMM_SPAWN`, or `MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE`, or when supplied as an argument to an MPI startup mechanism, this info key requests support for the specified memory allocation kinds.

When returned by MPI, this info key indicates the memory allocation kinds supported by the MPI library on the given session, MPI object, or objects derived from the World Model. This info key does not affect the kind of memory allocated by MPI, e.g., in a call to `MPI_ALLOC_MEM` or `MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE`. A value corresponding to the empty string represents no memory allocation kinds.
"mpi_assert_memory_alloc_kinds" (string, not set by default): A comma separated list of memory allocation kinds that the calling MPI process will use with the given MPI object. A value corresponding to the empty string represents no memory allocation kinds.

The "mpi_memory_alloc_kinds" info key is used both for requesting and querying support for memory allocation kinds from the MPI library.

When supplied to MPI_SESSION_INIT, this info key requests support for memory allocation kinds for all objects that will be derived from the new session. This info hint can also be supplied through an argument to an MPI startup mechanism. In the Sessions Model, this behaves as though the "mpi_memory_alloc_kinds" info key with the given value was supplied in the info argument in calls to MPI_SESSION_INIT. A value of "mpi_memory_alloc_kinds" supplied in the info argument to MPI_SESSION_INIT takes precedence over a value supplied as an argument to an MPI startup mechanism.

In the World Model, an info hint passed to an MPI startup mechanism requests support for memory allocation kinds for all objects derived from the World Model. This info hint can also be supplied to MPI_COMM_SPAWN or MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE in the World Model. This requests support for memory allocation kinds for all objects derived from the World Model in the spawned MPI process or MPI processes.

When returned by MPI_SESSION_GET_INFO, this info key indicates the memory allocation kinds supported by the MPI library on the given session. When returned in MPI_INFO_ENV, this info key indicates the memory allocation kinds supported by the MPI library for all objects derived from the World Model.

If "mpi_memory_alloc_kinds" was supplied during session creation, then the value of the corresponding key in the info object returned by MPI_SESSION_GET_INFO must include all requested memory allocation kinds that are supported. The substrings that indicate support for these memory allocation kinds must be identical to those supplied by the user. MPI may also return additional memory allocation kinds that were not requested by the user. The order of the memory allocation kinds returned through this info key is undefined.

Rationale. MPI libraries may have implementation-specific mechanisms (e.g., environment variables) that control the supported memory allocation kinds. Allowing implementations to return additional memory allocation kinds provides for compatibility with such mechanisms. (End of rationale.)

The "mpi_memory_alloc_kinds" info key must also be contained in the info object returned by MPI_COMM_GET_INFO, MPI_WIN_GET_INFO, and MPI_FILE_GET_INFO. If the communicator, window, or file is derived from the World Model, the value of this info key must be identical to the value of this info key in MPI_INFO_ENV unless the user has asserted that support for memory allocation kinds can be restricted by setting "mpi_assert_memory_alloc_kinds" on that communicator, window, or file. If the communicator, window, or file is derived from the Sessions Model, the value of this info key must be identical to the value of this info key in the info object returned by MPI_SESSION_GET_INFO for that session unless the user has asserted that support for memory allocation kinds can be restricted by setting "mpi_assert_memory_alloc_kinds" on that communicator, window, or file.

When the user sets the "mpi_assert_memory_alloc_kinds" info key on the input info object for communicator creation, including via MPI_COMM_SPAWN or MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE, window creation, or file creation the implementation may
assume that the memory for all communication buffers passed to MPI operations performed by the calling MPI process on the newly created MPI object will use only the memory allocation kinds listed in the value string. If the MPI library does not support one or more of the allocation kinds associated with the "mpi_assert_memory_alloc_kinds" info key, it will ignore this info key. When an MPI library recognizes this info key, the value returned when querying this info key (e.g., through a call to MPI_COMM_GET_INFO) must be identical to the value supplied by the user. It is erroneous to pass a communication buffer with an unsupported memory allocation kind to an MPI routine.

Memory allocation kind strings are comma separated lists that follow the rules specified in Section 10. Each element in the list is a memory allocation kind that is formatted as the name of the kind, followed by an optional colon separated list of restrictors. Whitespace is not permitted within the list of restrictors. For example, "kind_a:restrictor_1,kind_b:restrictor_1:restrictor_2,..".

Within a memory allocation kind string, a given kind may be listed more than once with different restrictors, e.g., "kind_a:restrictor_1,kind_a:restrictor_2". A given kind may also be listed more than once with fewer restrictors, e.g., "kind_a:kind_a:restrictor_1". A memory allocation kind with no restrictors indicates an unrestricted memory allocation kind. Each instance of a kind in the memory allocation kind string indicates a separate and potentially overlapping memory allocation kind. The following memory allocation kinds and restrictors are defined by MPI. This list may be extended by MPI side documents and implementations.

- "system": Memory allocated by standard operating system allocators. When support for the "system" memory allocation kind is requested by the user, it must be provided by the MPI library.
- "mpi": Memory allocated by the MPI library. When support for the "mpi" memory allocation kind is requested by the user, it must be provided by the MPI library.

Restrictors for the "mpi" memory allocation kind:
- "alloc_mem": Memory allocated by a call to MPI_ALLOC_MEM
- "win_allocate": Memory allocated by a call to MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE
- "win_allocate_shared": Memory allocated by a call to MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED

Example 11.13. This example demonstrates the usage of memory allocation kinds info keys with the Sessions Model. It shows how support for additional memory allocation kinds can be requested, how supported memory allocation kinds can be queried, how to parse the list of supported memory allocation kinds, and how to assert that a subset of supported memory allocation kinds are used with operations on a specific communicator.

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <mpi.h>

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int gpu_aware = 0, len = 0, flag = 0;
    MPI_Info info;
```
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```c
MPI_Session session;
MPI_Group wgroup;
MPI_Comm system_comm, gpu_comm = MPI_COMM_NULL;

MPI_Info_create(&info);
MPI_Info_set(info, "mpi_memory_alloc_kinds", "system,gpu:device");
MPI_Session_init(info, MPI_ERRORS_ARE_FATAL, &session);
MPI_Info_free(&info);

MPI_Session_get_info(session, &info);
MPI_Info_get_string(info, "mpi_memory_alloc_kinds",
                    &len, NULL, &flag);

if (flag) {
    char *val, *valptr, *kind;
    val = valptr = (char *) malloc(len);
    if (NULL == val) return 1;

    MPI_Info_get_string(info, "mpi_memory_alloc_kinds",
                         &len, val, &flag);

    while ((kind = strsep(&val, ",")) != NULL) {
        if (strcasecmp(kind, "gpu:device") == 0) {
            gpu_aware = 1;
            break;
        }
    }
    free(valptr);
}

MPI_Info_free(&info);

MPI_Group_from_session_pset(session, "mpi://WORLD", &wgroup);

// Create a communicator for operations on system memory
MPI_Info_create(&info);
MPI_Info_set(info, "mpi_assert_memory_alloc_kinds", "system");
MPI_Comm_create_from_group(wgroup,
                            "org.mpi-forum.example.mem-alloc-kind-usage.system",
                            info, MPI_ERRORS_ABORT, &system_comm);

MPI_Info_free(&info);

// Check if all processes have GPU support
MPI_Allreduce(MPI_IN_PLACE, &gpu_aware, 1, MPI_INT, MPI_LAND,
              system_comm);

// Create a communicator for operations that use GPU buffers.
// Note, the "gpu" memory allocation kind is provided as an example
// and is not one of the memory allocation kinds defined by the MPI
// standard.
if (gpu_aware) {
```
11.5 Portable MPI Process Startup

A number of implementations of MPI provide a startup command for MPI programs that is of the form

```
mpirun <mpirun arguments> <program> <program arguments>
```

Separating the command to start the program from the program itself provides flexibility, particularly for network and heterogeneous implementations. For example, the startup script need not run on one of the machines that will be executing the MPI program itself.

Having a standard startup mechanism also extends the portability of MPI programs one step further, to the command lines and scripts that manage them. For example, a validation suite script that runs hundreds of programs can be a portable script if it is written using such a standard startup mechanism. In order that the “standard” command not be confused with existing practice, which is not standard and not portable among implementations, instead of `mpirun` MPI specifies `mpiexec`.

While a standardized startup mechanism improves the usability of MPI, the range of environments is so diverse (e.g., there may not even be a command line interface) that MPI cannot mandate such a mechanism. Instead, MPI specifies an `mpiexec` startup command and recommends, but does not require it, as advice to implementors. However, if an implementation does provide a command called `mpiexec`, it must be of the form described below.

It is suggested that

```
mpiexec -n <numprocs> <program>
```
be at least one way to start <program> with an initial set of <numprocs> processes, which will be accessible as the process set named "mpi://WORLD" in the Sessions Model and/or used to form the group associated with the built-in communicator, MPI_COMM_WORLD in the World Model. Other arguments to mpiexec may be implementation-dependent.

Advice to implementors. Implementors, if they do provide a special startup command for MPI programs, are advised to give it the following form. The syntax is chosen in order that mpiexec be able to be viewed as a command-line version of MPI_COMM_SPAWN (See Section 11.8.4).

Analogous to MPI_COMM_SPAWN, we have

```
mpiexec -n <maxprocs>
  -soft < >
  -host < >
  -arch < >
  -wdir < >
  -path < >
  -file < >
  -initial-errhandler < >
  -memory-alloc-kinds < >
  ...
  <command line>
```

for the case where a single command line for the application program and its arguments will suffice. See Section 11.8.4 for the meanings of these arguments. For the case corresponding to MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE there are two possible formats:

Form A:

```
mpiexec { <above arguments> } : { ... } : { ... } : ... : { ... }
```

As with MPI_COMM_SPAWN, all the arguments are optional. (Even the -n x argument is optional; the default is implementation dependent. It might be 1, it might be taken from an environment variable, or it might be specified at compile time.) The names and meanings of the arguments are taken from the keys in the info argument to MPI_COMM_SPAWN. There may be other, implementation-dependent arguments as well.

Note that Form A, though convenient to type, prevents colons from being program arguments. Therefore an alternate, file-based form is allowed:

Form B:

```
mpiexec -configfile <filename>
```

where the lines of <filename> are of the form separated by the colons in Form A. Lines beginning with ‘#’ are comments, and lines may be continued by terminating the partial line with ‘\’.

Example 11.14. Start 16 instances of myprog on the current or default machine:

```
mpiexec -n 16 myprog
```
Example 11.15. Start 10 instances of myprog on the machine called ferrari:

```bash
mpiexec -n 10 -host ferrari myprog
```

Example 11.16. Start 3 instances of the same program myprog with different command-line arguments:

```bash
mpiexec myprog infile1 : myprog infile2 : myprog infile3
```

Example 11.17. Start 5 instances of the ocean program on x86_64 hosts and 10 instances of the atmos program on Power9 hosts (Form B):

```bash
mpiexec -n 5 -arch x86_64 ocean : -n 10 -arch power9 atmos
```

It is assumed that the implementation in this case has a method for choosing hosts of the appropriate type. Their ranks in MPI_COMM_WORLD are in the order specified.

Example 11.18. Start the ocean program on five Suns and the atmos program on 10 RS/6000’s (Form B):

```bash
mpiexec -configfile myfile
```

where myfile contains

```bash
-n 5 -arch sun ocean
-n 10 -arch rs6000 atmos
```

(End of advice to implementors.)

11.6 MPI and Threads

This section specifies the interaction between MPI calls and threads. Although thread compliance is not required, the standard specifies how threads are to work if they are provided. The section lists minimal requirements for thread compliant MPI implementations and defines functions that can be used for initializing the thread environment. MPI may be implemented in environments where threads are not supported or perform poorly. Therefore, MPI implementations are not required to be thread compliant as defined in this section. Regardless of whether or not the MPI implementation is thread compliant, a subset of MPI functions must always be thread safe. A complete list of such MPI functions is given in Table 11.1. When a thread is executing one of these routines, if another concurrently running thread also makes an MPI call, the outcome will be as if the calls executed in some order.

This section generally assumes a thread package similar to POSIX threads [45], but the syntax and semantics of thread calls are not specified here—these are beyond the scope of this document.
11.6.1 General

In a thread-compliant implementation, an MPI process is a process that may be multithreaded. Each thread can issue MPI calls; however, threads are not separately addressable: the rank argument in a send or receive call identifies an MPI process, not a thread. A message sent to an MPI process can be received by any thread in this MPI process.

*Rationale.* This model corresponds to the POSIX model of interprocess communication: the fact that a process is multithreaded, rather than single-threaded, does not affect the external interface of this process. MPI implementations in which MPI ‘processes’ are POSIX threads inside a single POSIX process are not thread-compliant by this definition (indeed, their “processes” are single-threaded). (*End of rationale.*)

*Advice to users.* It is the user’s responsibility to prevent races when threads within the same application post conflicting communication calls. The user can make sure that two threads in the same process will not issue conflicting communication calls by using distinct communicators at each thread. (*End of advice to users.*)

The two main requirements for a thread-compliant implementation are listed below.

1. All MPI calls are thread-safe, i.e., two concurrently running threads may make MPI calls and the outcome will be as if the calls executed in some order, even if their execution is interleaved.

2. Blocking MPI calls will block the calling thread only, allowing another thread to execute, if available. The calling thread will be blocked until the event on which it is waiting occurs. Once the blocked communication is enabled and can proceed, then the call will complete and the thread will be marked runnable, within a finite time. A blocked thread will not prevent progress of other runnable threads on the same process, and will not prevent them from executing MPI calls.

**Example 11.19.** Process 0 consists of two threads. The first thread executes a blocking send call `MPI_Send(buff1, count, type, 0, 0, comm)`, whereas the second thread executes a blocking receive call `MPI_Recv(buff2, count, type, 0, 0, comm, &status)`, i.e., the first thread sends a message that is received by the second thread. This communication should always succeed. According to the first requirement, the execution will correspond to some interleaving of the two calls. According to the second requirement, a call can only block the calling thread and cannot prevent progress of the other thread. If the send call went ahead of the receive call, then the sending thread may block, but this will not prevent the receiving thread from executing. Thus, the receive call will occur. Once both calls occur, the communication is enabled and both calls will complete. On the other hand, a single-threaded process that posts a send, followed by a matching receive, may deadlock. The progress requirement for multithreaded implementations is stronger, as a blocked call cannot prevent progress in other threads.

*Advice to implementors.* MPI calls can be made thread-safe by executing only one at a time, e.g., by protecting MPI code with one process-global lock. However, blocked operations cannot hold the lock, as this would prevent progress of other threads in the process. The lock is held only for the duration of an atomic, locally-completing
suboperation such as posting a send or completing a send, and is released in between. Finer locks can provide more concurrency, at the expense of higher locking overheads.
Concurrency can also be achieved by having some of the MPI protocol executed by separate server threads. (End of advice to implementors.)

11.6.2 Clarifications

Initialization and Completion. When using the World Model, the call to MPI_FINALIZE should occur on the same thread that initialized MPI. We call this thread the main thread. The call should occur only after all process threads have completed their MPI calls, and have no pending communication or I/O operations.

Rationale. This constraint simplifies implementation. (End of rationale.)

Threads and the Sessions Model. The Sessions Model provides a finer-grain approach to controlling the interaction between MPI calls and threads. When using this model, the desired level of thread support is specified at Session initialization time. See Section 11.3. Thus it is possible for communicators and other MPI objects derived from one Session to provide a different level of thread support than those created from another Session for which a different level of thread support was requested. Depending on the level of thread support requested at Session initialization time, different threads in a MPI process can make concurrent calls to MPI when using MPI objects derived from different session handles. Note that the requested and provided level of thread support when creating a Session may influence the granted level of thread support in a subsequent invocation of MPI_SESSION_INIT. Likewise, if the application at some point calls MPI_INIT_THREAD, the requested and granted level of thread support may influence the granted level of thread support for subsequent calls to MPI_SESSION_INIT. Similarly, if the application calls MPI_INIT_THREAD after a call to MPI_SESSION_INIT, the level of thread support returned from MPI_INIT_THREAD may be similarly influenced by the requested level of thread support in the prior call to MPI_SESSION_INIT.

In addition, if an MPI application is only using the Sessions Model, the provided thread support level returned by MPI_QUERY_THREAD is the same as that returned prior to invocation of MPI_INIT_THREAD or MPI_INIT. If the application also used the World Model in some component of the application, MPI_QUERY_THREAD will return the level of thread support returned by the original call to MPI_INIT_THREAD.

Multiple threads completing the same request. A program in which two threads block, waiting on the same request, is erroneous. Similarly, the same request cannot appear in the array of requests of two concurrent MPI_{WAIT|TEST}{ANY|SOME|ALL} calls. In MPI, a request can only be completed once. Any combination of wait or test that violates this rule is erroneous.

Rationale. This restriction is consistent with the view that a multithreaded execution corresponds to an interleaving of the MPI calls. In a single threaded implementation, once a wait is posted on a request the request handle will be nullified before it is possible to post a second wait on the same handle. With threads, an MPI_WAIT{ANY|SOME|ALL} may be blocked without having nullified its request(s)
so it becomes the user’s responsibility to avoid using the same request in an `MPI_WAIT` on another thread. This constraint also simplifies implementation, as only one thread will be blocked on any communication or I/O event. (*End of rationale.*)

**Probe.** A receive call that uses source and tag values returned by a preceding call to `MPI_PROBE` or `MPI_IPROBE` will receive the message matched by the probe call only if there was no other matching receive after the probe and before that receive. In a multi-threaded environment, it is up to the user to enforce this condition using suitable mutual exclusion logic. This can be enforced by making sure that each communicator is used by only one thread on each process. Alternatively, `MPI_MPROBE` or `MPI_IMPROBE` can be used.

**Collective calls.** Matching of collective calls on a communicator, window, or file handle is done according to the order in which the calls are issued at each process. If concurrent threads issue such calls on the same communicator, window or file handle, it is up to the user to make sure the calls are correctly ordered, using interthread synchronization.

*Advice to users.* With three concurrent threads in each MPI process of a communicator `comm`, it is allowed that thread A in each MPI process calls a collective operation on `comm`, thread B calls a file operation on an existing file handle that was formerly opened on `comm`, and thread C invokes one-sided operations on an existing window handle that was also formerly created on `comm`. (*End of advice to users.*)

*Rationale.* As specified in `MPI_FILE_OPEN` and `MPI_WIN_CREATE`, a file handle and a window handle inherit only the group of processes of the underlying communicator, but not the communicator itself. Accesses to communicators, window handles and file handles cannot affect one another. (*End of rationale.*)

*Advice to implementors.* If the implementation of file or window operations internally uses MPI communication then a duplicated communicator may be cached on the file or window object. (*End of advice to implementors.*)

**Error handlers.** An error handler does not necessarily execute in the context of the thread that made the error-raising MPI call; the error handler may be executed by a thread that is distinct from the thread that will return the error code.

*Rationale.* The MPI implementation may be multithreaded, so that part of the communication protocol may execute on a thread that is distinct from the thread that made the MPI call. The design allows the error handler to be executed on the thread where the error is raised. (*End of rationale.*)

**Interaction with signals and cancellations.** The outcome is undefined if a thread that executes an MPI call is cancelled (by another thread), or if a thread catches a signal while executing an MPI call. However, a thread of an MPI process may terminate, and may catch signals or be cancelled by another thread when not executing MPI calls.
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Rationale. Few C library functions are signal safe, and many have cancellation points—points at which the thread executing them may be cancelled. The above restriction simplifies implementation (no need for the MPI library to be “async-cancel-safe” or “async-signal-safe”). (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. Users can catch signals in separate, non-MPI threads (e.g., by masking signals on MPI calling threads, and unmasking them in one or more non-MPI threads). A good programming practice is to have a distinct thread blocked in a call to `sigwait` for each user expected signal that may occur. Users must not catch signals used by the MPI implementation; as each MPI implementation is required to document the signals used internally, users can avoid these signals. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. The MPI library should not invoke library calls that are not thread safe, if multiple threads execute. (End of advice to implementors.)

11.7 The Dynamic Process Model

The dynamic process model allows for the creation and cooperative termination of processes after an MPI application has started. It provides a mechanism to establish communication between the newly created processes and the existing MPI application. It also provides a mechanism to establish communication between two existing MPI applications, even when one did not “start” the other.

The MPI procedures described in this section require the World Model, meaning that `MPI_INIT` or `MPI_INIT_THREAD` has been used to initialize MPI.

11.7.1 Starting Processes

MPI applications may start new processes through an interface to an external process manager.

`MPI_COMM_SPAWN` starts MPI processes and establishes communication with them, returning an inter-communicator. `MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE` starts several different binaries (or the same binary with different arguments), placing them in the same `MPI_COMM_WORLD` and returning an inter-communicator.

MPI uses the group abstraction to represent processes. A process is identified by a (group, rank) pair.

11.7.2 The Runtime Environment

The `MPI_COMM_SPAWN` and `MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE` routines provide an interface between MPI and the runtime environment of an MPI application. The difficulty is that there is an enormous range of runtime environments and application requirements, and MPI must not be tailored to any particular one.

MPI assumes, implicitly, the existence of an environment in which an application runs. It does not provide “operating system” services, such as a general ability to query what processes are running, to kill arbitrary processes, to find out properties of the runtime environment (how many processors, how much memory, etc.). Complex interaction of an MPI application with its runtime environment should be done through an environment-specific API.
At some low level, MPI must be able to interact with the runtime system, but the interaction is not visible at the application level and the details of the interaction are not specified by the MPI standard.

In many cases, it is impossible to keep environment-specific information out of the MPI interface without seriously compromising MPI functionality. To permit applications to take advantage of environment-specific functionality, many MPI routines take an info argument that allows an application to specify environment-specific information. There is a tradeoff between functionality and portability: applications that make use of environment-specific info are not portable.

MPI does not require the existence of an underlying “virtual machine” model, in which there is a consistent global view of an MPI application and an implicit “operating system” managing resources and processes. For instance, MPI processes spawned by one MPI process may not be visible to another; additional hosts added to the runtime environment by one MPI process may not be visible in another MPI process; MPI processes spawned by different processes may not be automatically distributed over available resources.

Interaction between MPI and the runtime environment is limited to the following areas:

- A process may start new processes with MPI_COMM_SPAWN and MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE.
- When a process spawns a child process, it may optionally use an info argument to tell the runtime environment where or how to start the process. This extra information may be opaque to MPI.
- An attribute MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE (See Section 11.10.1) on MPI_COMM_WORLD tells a program how “large” the initial runtime environment is, namely how many processes can usefully be started in all. One can subtract the size of MPI_COMM_WORLD from this value to find out how many processes might usefully be started in addition to those already running.

11.8 Process Manager Interface

11.8.1 Processes in MPI

A process is represented in MPI by a (group, rank) pair. A (group, rank) pair specifies a unique process but a process does not determine a unique (group, rank) pair, since a process may belong to several groups.

11.8.2 Starting Processes and Establishing Communication

The following routine starts a number of MPI processes and establishes communication with them, returning an inter-communicator.

Advice to users. It is possible in MPI to start an SPMD or MPMD application with a fixed number of processes after initialization by first starting one process and having that process start its siblings with MPI_COMM_SPAWN. This practice is discouraged primarily for reasons of performance. If possible, it is preferable to start all processes at once, as a single MPI application. (End of advice to users.)
MPI_COMM_SPAWN(command, argv, maxprocs, info, root, comm, intercomm, array_of_errcodes)

IN  command  name of program to be spawned (string, significant only at root)
IN  argv  arguments to command (array of strings, significant only at root)
IN  maxprocs  maximum number of processes to start (integer, significant only at root)
IN  info  a set of key-value pairs telling the runtime system where and how to start the processes (handle, significant only at root)
IN  root  rank of process in which previous arguments are examined (integer)
IN  comm  intra-communicator containing group of spawning processes (handle)
OUT  intercomm  inter-communicator between original group and the newly spawned group (handle)
OUT  array_of_errcodes  one code per process (array of integers)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_spawn(const char *command, char *argv[], int maxprocs,
                   MPI_Info info, int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Comm *intercomm,
                   int array_of_errcodes[])

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_spawn(command, argv, maxprocs, info, root, comm, intercomm,
               array_of_errcodes, ierror)

  CHARACTER(LEN=*) :: command, argv(*)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: maxprocs, root
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: intercomm
  INTEGER :: array_of_errcodes(*)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_SPAWN(COMMAND, ARGV, MAXPROCS, INFO, ROOT, COMM, INTERCOMM,
               ARRAY_OF_ERRCODES, IERROR)

  CHARACTER(*) COMMAND, ARGV(*)
  INTEGER MAXPROCS, INFO, ROOT, COMM, INTERCOMM, ARRAY_OF_ERRCODES(*), IERROR

MPI_COMM_SPAWN tries to start maxprocs identical copies of the MPI program specified by command, establishing communication with them and returning an inter-communicator. The spawned processes are referred to as children. The children have their own MPI_COMM_WORLD, which is separate from that of the parents. MPI_COMM_SPAWN is collective over comm, and also may not return until MPI_INIT has been called in the children. Similarly, MPI_INIT in the children may not return until all parents have called
MPI_COMM_SPAWN. In this sense, MPI_COMM_SPAWN in the parents and MPI_INIT in the children form a collective operation over the union of parent and child processes. The inter-communicator returned by MPI_COMM_SPAWN contains the parent processes in the local group and the child processes in the remote group. The ordering of processes in the local and remote groups is the same as the ordering of the group of the comm in the parents and of MPI_COMM_WORLD of the children, respectively. This inter-communicator can be obtained in the children through the function MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT.

Advice to users. An implementation may automatically establish communication before MPI_INIT is called by the children. Thus, completion of MPI_COMM_SPAWN in the parent does not necessarily mean that MPI_INIT has been called in the children (although the returned inter-communicator can be used immediately). (End of advice to users.)

The arguments are:

command: The command argument is a string containing the name of a program to be spawned. The string is null-terminated in C. In Fortran, leading and trailing spaces are stripped. MPI does not specify how to find the executable or how the working directory is determined. These rules are implementation-dependent and should be appropriate for the runtime environment.

Advice to implementors. The implementation should use a natural rule for finding executables and determining working directories. For instance, a homogeneous system with a global file system might look first in the working directory of the spawning process, or might search the directories in a PATH environment variable as do Unix shells. An implementation should document its rules for finding executables and determining working directories, and a high-quality implementation should give the user some control over these rules. (End of advice to implementors.)

If the program named in command does not call MPI_Init, but instead forks a process that calls MPI_Init, the results are undefined. Implementations may allow this case to work but are not required to.

Advice to users. MPI does not say what happens if the program you start is a shell script and that shell script starts a program that calls MPI_Init. Though some implementations may allow you to do this, they may also have restrictions, such as requiring that arguments supplied to the shell script be supplied to the program, or requiring that certain parts of the environment not be changed. (End of advice to users.)

argv: argv is an array of strings containing arguments that are passed to the program. The first element of argv is the first argument passed to command, not, as is conventional in some contexts, the command itself. The argument list is terminated by NULL in C and an empty string in Fortran. In Fortran, leading and trailing spaces are always stripped, so that a string consisting of all spaces is considered an empty string. The constant MPI_ARGV_NULL may be used in C and Fortran to indicate an empty argument list. In C this constant is the same as NULL.
Example 11.20. Examples of `argv` in C and Fortran

To run the program “ocean” with arguments “-gridfile” and “ocean1.grd” in C:

```c
char command[] = "ocean";
char *argv[] = {"-gridfile", "ocean1.grd", NULL};
MPI_Comm_spawn(command, argv, ...);
```

or, if not everything is known at compile time:

```c
char *command;
char **argv;
command = "ocean";
argv = (char**) malloc(3 * sizeof(char*));
argv[0] = "-gridfile";
argv[1] = "ocean1.grd";
argv[2] = NULL;
MPI_Comm_spawn(command, argv, ...);
```

In Fortran:

```fortran
CHARACTER*25 command, argv(3)
command = 'ocean'
argv(1) = '-gridfile'
argv(2) = 'ocean1.grd'
argv(3) = '',
call MPI_COMM_SPAWN(command, argv, ...)
```

Arguments are supplied to the program if this is allowed by the operating system. In C, the `MPI_COMM_SPAWN` argument `argv` differs from the `argv` argument of `main` in two respects. First, it is shifted by one element. Specifically, `argv[0]` of `main` is provided by the implementation and conventionally contains the name of the program (given by `command`). `argv[1]` of `main` corresponds to `argv[0]` in `MPI_COMM_SPAWN`, `argv[2]` of `main` to `argv[1]` of `MPI_COMM_SPAWN`, etc. Passing an `argv` of `MPI_ARGV_NULL` to `MPI_COMM_SPAWN` results in `main` receiving `argc` of 1 and an `argv` whose element 0 is (conventionally) the name of the program. Second, `argv` of `MPI_COMM_SPAWN` must be null-terminated, so that its length can be determined.

If a Fortran implementation supplies routines that allow a program to obtain its arguments, the arguments may be available through that mechanism. In C, if the operating system does not support arguments appearing in `argv` of `main()`, the MPI implementation may add the arguments to the `argv` that is passed to `MPI_INIT`.

`maxprocs`: MPI tries to spawn `maxprocs` processes. If it is unable to spawn `maxprocs` processes, it raises an error of class `MPI_ERR_SPAWN`.

An implementation may allow the `info` argument to change the default behavior, such that if the implementation is unable to spawn all `maxprocs` processes, it may spawn a smaller number of processes instead of raising an error. In principle, the `info` argument may specify an arbitrary set \( \{ m_i : 0 \leq m_i \leq \text{maxprocs} \} \) of allowed values for the number of processes spawned. The set \( \{ m_i \} \) does not necessarily include the value `maxprocs`. If an implementation is able to spawn one of these allowed numbers of processes, `MPI_COMM_SPAWN` returns successfully and the number of spawned processes, `m`, is given by the size of the remote group of `intercomm`. If `m` is less than `maxproc`, reasons why the other processes were not spawned are given in
array_of_errcodes as described below. If it is not possible to spawn one of the allowed numbers of processes, MPI_COMM_SPAWN raises an error of class MPI_ERR_SPAWN.

A spawn call with the default behavior is called hard. A spawn call for which fewer than maxprocs processes may be returned is called "soft". See Section 11.8.4 for more information on the "soft" key for info.

Advice to users. By default, requests are hard and MPI errors are fatal. This means that by default there will be a fatal error if MPI cannot spawn all the requested processes. If you want the behavior “spawn as many processes as possible, up to \( N \),” you should do a soft spawn, where the set of allowed values \( \{ m_i \} \) is \( \{0, \ldots, N\} \). However, this is not completely portable, as implementations are not required to support soft spawning. (End of advice to users.)

info: The info argument to all of the routines in this chapter is an opaque handle of type MPI_Info in C and Fortran with the mpi_f08 module and INTEGER in Fortran with the mpi module or the include file mpif.h (deprecated). It is a container for a number of user-specified (key,value) pairs. key and value are strings (null-terminated char in C, character* in Fortran). Routines to create and manipulate the info argument are described in Chapter 10.

For the SPAWN calls, info provides additional (and possibly implementation-dependent) instructions to MPI and the runtime system on how to start processes. An application may pass MPI_INFO_NULL in C or Fortran. Portable programs not requiring detailed control over process locations should use MPI_INFO_NULL.

MPI does not specify the content of the info argument, except to reserve a number of special key values (see Section 11.8.4). The info argument is quite flexible and could even be used, for example, to specify the executable and its command-line arguments. In this case the command argument to MPI_COMM_SPAWN could be empty. The ability to do this follows from the fact that MPI does not specify how an executable is found, and the info argument can tell the runtime system where to “find” the executable "" (empty string). Of course, a program that does this will not be portable across MPI implementations.

root: All arguments before the root argument are examined only on the process whose rank in comm is equal to root. The value of these arguments on other processes is ignored.

array_of_errcodes: The array_of_errcodes is an array of length maxprocs in which MPI reports the status of each process that MPI was requested to start. If all maxprocs processes were spawned, array_of_errcodes is filled in with the value MPI_SUCCESS. If only \( m \) \( (0 \leq m < \text{maxprocs}) \) processes are spawned, \( m \) of the entries will contain MPI_SUCCESS and the rest will contain an implementation-specific error code indicating the reason MPI could not start the process. MPI does not specify which entries correspond to failed processes. An implementation may, for instance, fill in error codes in one-to-one correspondence with a detailed specification in the info argument. These error codes all belong to the error class MPI_ERR_SPAWN if there was no error in the argument list. In C or Fortran, an application may pass MPI_ERRCODES_IGNORE if it is not interested in the error codes.

Advice to implementors. MPI_ERRCODES_IGNORE in Fortran is a special type of constant, like MPI_BOTTOM. See the discussion in Section 2.5.4. (End of advice to implementors.)
MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT(parent)
OUT parent the parent communicator (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Comm_get_parent(MPI_Comm *parent)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_get_parent(parent, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: parent
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT(PARENT, IERROR)
INTEGER PARENT, IERROR

If a process was started with MPI_COMM_SPAWN or MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE, MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT returns the “parent” inter-communicator of the current process. This parent inter-communicator is created implicitly inside of MPI_INIT and is the same inter-communicator returned by SPAWN in the parents.

If the process was not spawned, MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT returns MPI_COMM_NULL. After the parent communicator is freed or disconnected, MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT returns MPI_COMM_NULL.

Advice to users. MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT returns a handle to a single inter-communicator. Calling MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT a second time returns a handle to the same inter-communicator. Freeing the handle with MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT or MPI_COMM_FREE will cause other references to the inter-communicator to become invalid (dangling). Note that calling MPI_COMM_FREE on the parent communicator is not useful. (End of advice to users.)

Rationale. The desire of the Forum was to create a constant MPI_COMM_PARENT similar to MPI_COMM_WORLD. Unfortunately such a constant cannot be used (syntactically) as an argument to MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT, which is explicitly allowed. (End of rationale.)

11.8.3 Starting Multiple Executables and Establishing Communication

While MPI_COMM_SPAWN is sufficient for most cases, it does not allow the spawning of multiple binaries, or of the same binary with multiple sets of arguments. The following routine spawns multiple binaries or the same binary with multiple sets of arguments, establishing communication with them and placing them in the same MPI_COMM_WORLD.

MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE(count, array_of_commands, array_of_argv,
    array_of_maxprocs, array_of_info, root, comm, intercomm,
    array_of_errcodes)

IN count number of commands (positive integer, significant only at root)
IN array_of_commands programs to be executed (array of strings, significant only at root)
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- **IN**: `array_of_argv` arguments for commands (array of array of strings, significant only at root)
- **IN**: `array_of_maxprocs` maximum number of processes to start for each command (array of integers, significant only at root)
- **IN**: `array_of_info` info objects telling the runtime system where and how to start processes (array of handles, significant only at root)
- **IN**: `root` rank of process in which previous arguments are examined (integer)
- **IN**: `comm` intra-communicator containing group of spawning processes (handle)
- **OUT**: `intercomm` inter-communicator between original group and the newly spawned group (handle)
- **OUT**: `array_of_errcodes` one error code per process (array of integers)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Comm_spawn_multiple(int count, char *array_of_commands[],
                        char **array_of_argv[], const int array_of_maxprocs[],
                        const MPI_Info array_of_info[], int root, MPI_Comm comm,
                        MPI_Comm *intercomm, int array_of_errcodes[])
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Comm_spawn_multiple(count, array_of_commands, array_of_argv,
                       array_of_maxprocs, array_of_info, root, comm, intercomm,
                       array_of_errcodes, ierror)
```

**FORTRAN binding**

```fortran
MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_COMMANDS, ARRAY_OF_ARGV,
                         ARRAY_OF_MAXPROCS, ARRAY_OF_INFO, ROOT, COMM, INTERCOMM,
                         ARRAY_OF_ERRCODES, IERROR)
```

`MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE` is identical to `MPI_COMM_SPAWN` except that there are multiple executable specifications. The first argument, `count`, gives the number of specifications. Each of the next four arguments are simply arrays of the corresponding arguments in `MPI_COMM_SPAWN`. For the Fortran version of `array_of_argv`, the element `array_of_argv(i,j)` is the `j`-th argument to command number `i`. 
Rationale. This may seem backwards to Fortran programmers who are familiar with Fortran’s column-major ordering. However, it is necessary to do it this way to allow MPI_COMM_SPAWN to sort out arguments. Note that the leading dimension of array_of_argv must be the same as count. Also note that Fortran rules for sequence association allow a different value in the first dimension; in this case, the sequence of array elements is interpreted by MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE as if the sequence is stored in an array defined with the first dimension set to count. This Fortran feature allows an implementor to define MPI_ARGVS_NULL (see below) with fixed dimensions, e.g., (1,1), or only with one dimension, e.g., (1). (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. The argument count is interpreted by MPI only at the root, as is array_of_argv. Since the leading dimension of array_of_argv is count, a nonpositive value of count at a nonroot node could theoretically cause a runtime bounds check error, even though array_of_argv should be ignored by the subroutine. If this happens, you should explicitly supply a reasonable value of count on the nonroot nodes. (End of advice to users.)

In any language, an application may use the constant MPI_ARGVS_NULL (which is likely to be (char ***)0 in C) to specify that no arguments should be passed to any commands. The effect of setting individual elements of array_of_argv to MPI_ARGV_NULL is not defined. To specify arguments for some commands but not others, the commands without arguments should have a corresponding argv whose first element is null ((char *)0 in C and empty string in Fortran). In Fortran at nonroot processes, the count argument must be set to a value that is consistent with the provided array_of_argv although the content of these arguments has no meaning for this operation.

All of the spawned processes have the same MPI_COMM_WORLD. Their ranks in MPI_COMM_WORLD correspond directly to the order in which the commands are specified in MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE. Assume that \( m_1 \) MPI processes are generated by the first command, \( m_2 \) by the second, etc. The MPI processes corresponding to the first command have ranks 0, 1, \ldots, \( m_1 - 1 \) in MPI_COMM_WORLD. The MPI processes in the second command have ranks \( m_1, m_1 + 1, \ldots, m_1 + m_2 - 1 \) in MPI_COMM_WORLD. The MPI processes in the third have ranks \( m_1 + m_2, m_1 + m_2 + 1, \ldots, m_1 + m_2 + m_3 - 1 \) in MPI_COMM_WORLD, etc.

Advice to users. Calling MPI_COMM_SPAWN multiple times would create many sets of children with different MPI_COMM_WORLDs whereas MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE creates children with a single MPI_COMM_WORLD, so the two methods are not completely equivalent. There are also two performance-related reasons why, if you need to spawn multiple executables, you may want to use MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE instead of calling MPI_COMM_SPAWN several times. First, spawning several things at once may be faster than spawning them sequentially. Second, in some implementations, communication between processes spawned at the same time may be faster than communication between processes spawned separately. (End of advice to users.)

The array_of_errcodes argument is a 1-dimensional array of size \( \sum_{i=1}^{\text{count}} n_i \), where \( n_i \) is the \( i \)-th element of array_of_maxprocs. Command number \( i \) corresponds to the \( n_i \) contiguous slots in this array from element \( \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} n_j \) to \( \sum_{j=1}^{i} n_j - 1 \). Error codes are treated the same as with MPI_COMM_SPAWN.
Example 11.21. Examples of array_of_argv in C and Fortran

To run the program “ocean” with arguments “-gridfile” and “ocean1.grd” and the program “atmos” with argument “atmos.grd” in C:

```c
char *array_of_commands[2] = {"ocean", "atmos"};
char **array_of_argv[2];
char *argv0[] = {"-gridfile", "ocean1.grd", (char *)0};
char *argv1[] = {"atmos.grd", (char *)0};
array_of_argv[0] = argv0;
array_of_argv[1] = argv1;
MPI_Comm_spawn_multiple(2, array_of_commands, array_of_argv, ...);
```

Here is how you do it in Fortran:

```fortran
CHARACTER*25 commands(2), array_of_argv(2, 3)
commands(1) = 'ocean'
array_of_argv(1, 1) = '-gridfile'
array_of_argv(1, 2) = 'ocean1.grd'
array_of_argv(1, 3) = ','
commands(2) = 'atmos'
array_of_argv(2, 1) = 'atmos.grd'
array_of_argv(2, 2) = ','
call MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE(2, commands, array_of_argv, ...)
```

11.8.4 Reserved Keys

The following keys are reserved. An implementation is not required to interpret these keys, but if it does interpret the key, it must provide the functionality described.

"host": Value is a hostname. The format of the hostname is determined by the implementation.

"arch": Value is an architecture name. Valid architecture names and what they mean are determined by the implementation.

"wdir": Value is the name of a directory on a machine on which the spawned process(es) execute(s). This directory is made the working directory of the executing process(es). The format of the directory name is determined by the implementation.

"path": Value is a directory or set of directories where the implementation should look for the executable. The format of "path" is determined by the implementation.

"file": Value is the name of a file in which additional information is specified. The format of the filename and internal format of the file are determined by the implementation.

"mpi_initial_errhandler": Value is the name of an errhandler that will be set as the initial error handler. The "mpi_initial_errhandler" key can take the case insensitive values "mpi_errors_are_fatal", "mpi_errors_abort", and "mpi_errors_return" representing the predefined MPI error handlers (MPI_ERRORS_ARE_FATAL—the default, MPI_ERRORS_ABORT, and MPI_ERRORS_RETURN, respectively). Other, nonstandard
values may be supported by the implementation, which should document the resultant behavior.

"mpi_memory_alloc_kinds" (string, default: "mpi,system"): Value is a comma separated list of memory allocation kinds. Support for these memory allocation kinds is requested from the MPI library (see Section 11.4.3).

"soft": Value specifies a set of numbers that are allowed values for the number of processes that MPI_COMM_SPAWN (et al.) may create. The format of the value is a comma-separated list of Fortran-90 triplets each of which specifies a set of integers and that together specify the set formed by the union of these sets. Negative values in this set and values greater than maxprocs are ignored. MPI will spawn the largest number of processes it can, consistent with some number in the set. The order in which triplets are given is not significant.

By Fortran-90 triplets, we mean:

1. a means a
2. a:b means a, a + 1, a + 2, ... , b
3. a:b:c means a, a + c, a + 2c, ... , a + ck, where for c > 0, k is the largest integer for which a + ck ≤ b and for c < 0, k is the largest integer for which a + ck ≥ b.

By Fortran-90 triplets, we mean:

Examples:

1. a:b gives a range between a and b
2. 0:N gives full “soft” functionality
3. 1,2,4,8,16,32,64,128,256,512,1024,2048,4096 allows a power-of-two number of processes.
4. 2:10000:2 allows an even number of processes up to a maximum of 10,000 processes.
5. 2:10:2,7 allows 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, or 10 processes.

11.8.5 Spawn Example

```c
Example 11.22. Manager-worker Example Using MPI_COMM_SPAWN

/* manager */
#include <stdio.h>
#include "mpi.h"
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int world_size, universe_size, *universe_sizep, flag;
    MPI_Comm everyone;    /* inter-communicator */
    char worker_program[100];

    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &world_size);
    if (world_size != 1) error("Top heavy with management");
```
MPI_Comm_get_attr(MPI_COMM_WORLD, MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE, &universe_sizep, &flag);
    if (!flag) {
        printf("This MPI does not support UNIVERSE_SIZE. How many\n" processes total?");
        scanf("%d", &universe_size);
    } else universe_size = *universe_sizep;
    if (universe_size == 1) error("No room to start workers");

    /*
    * Now spawn the workers. Note that there is a run-time determination
    * of what type of worker to spawn, and presumably this calculation
    * must be done at run time and cannot be calculated before starting
    * the program. If everything is known when the application is
    * first started, it is generally better to start them all at once
    * in a single MPI_COMM_WORLD.
    */

    choose_worker_program(worker_program);
    MPI_Comm_spawn(worker_program, MPI_ARGV_NULL, universe_size - 1,
                   MPI_INFO_NULL, 0, MPI_COMM_SELF, &everyone,
                   MPI_ERRCODES_IGNORE);

    /*
    * Parallel code here. The communicator "everyone" can be used
    * to communicate with the spawned processes, which have ranks 0, ...
    * MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE - 1 in the remote group of the inter-communicator
    * "everyone".
    */

    MPI_Finalize();
    return 0;
}

/* worker */

#include "mpi.h"
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int size;
    MPI_Comm parent;
    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    MPI_Comm_get_parent(&parent);
    if (parent == MPI_COMM_NULL) error("No parent!");
    MPI_Comm_remote_size(parent, &size);
    if (size != 1) error("Something's wrong with the parent");

    /*
    * Parallel code here.
    * The manager is represented as the process with rank 0 in (the
    * remote group of) the parent communicator. If the workers need
    * to communicate among themselves, they can use MPI_COMM_WORLD.
    */
Chapter 11 Process Initialization, Creation, and Management

11.9 Establishing Communication

This section provides functions that establish communication between two sets of MPI processes that do not share a communicator.

Some situations in which these functions are useful are:

1. Two parts of an application that are started independently need to communicate.

2. A visualization tool wants to attach to a running process.

3. A server wants to accept connections from multiple clients. Both clients and server may be parallel programs.

In each of these situations, MPI must establish communication channels where none existed before, and there is no parent/child relationship. The routines described in this section establish communication between the two sets of processes by creating an MPI inter-communicator, where the two groups of the inter-communicator are the original sets of processes.

Establishing contact between two groups of processes that do not share an existing communicator is a collective but asymmetric process. One group of processes indicates its willingness to accept connections from other groups of processes. We will call this group the (parallel) server, even if this is not a client/server type of application. The other group connects to the server; we will call it the (parallel) client.

Advice to users. While the names client and server are used throughout this section, MPI does not guarantee the traditional robustness of client/server systems. The functionality described in this section is intended to allow two cooperating parts of the same application to communicate with one another. For instance, a client that gets a segmentation fault and dies, or one that does not participate in a collective operation may cause a server to crash or hang. (End of advice to users.)

11.9.1 Names, Addresses, Ports, and All That

Almost all of the complexity in MPI client/server routines addresses the question “how does the client find out how to contact the server?” The difficulty, of course, is that there is no existing communication channel between them, yet they must somehow agree on a rendezvous point where they will establish communication.

Agreeing on a rendezvous point always involves a third party. The third party may itself provide the rendezvous point or may communicate rendezvous information from server to client. Complicating matters might be the fact that it is not important to the client which particular server it contacts, only that it be able to get in touch with one that can handle its request.

Ideally, MPI can accommodate a wide variety of run-time systems while retaining the ability to write simple, portable code. The following should be compatible with MPI:

```c
MPI_Finalize();
return 0;
}
```
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- The server resides at a well-known internet address host:port.
- The server prints out an address to the terminal; the user gives this address to the client program.
- The server places the address information on a nameserver, where it can be retrieved with an agreed-upon name.
- The server to which the client connects is actually a broker, acting as a middleman between the client and the real server.

MPI does not require a nameserver, so not all implementations will be able to support all of the above scenarios. However, MPI provides an optional nameserver interface, and is compatible with external name servers.

A port_name is a system-supplied string that encodes a low-level network address at which a server can be contacted. Typically this is an IP address and a port number, but an implementation is free to use any protocol. The server establishes a port_name with the MPI.OPEN_PORT routine. It accepts a connection to a given port with MPI.COMM_ACCEPT. A client uses port_name to connect to the server.

By itself, the port_name mechanism is completely portable, but it may be clumsy to use because of the necessity to communicate port_name to the client. It would be more convenient if a server could specify that it be known by an application-supplied service_name so that the client could connect to that service_name without knowing the port_name.

An MPI implementation may allow the server to publish a (port_name, service_name) pair with MPI.PUBLISH_NAME and the client to retrieve the port name from the service name with MPI.LOOKUP_NAME. This allows three levels of portability, with increasing levels of functionality.

1. Applications that do not rely on the ability to publish names are the most portable. Typically the port_name must be transferred “by hand” from server to client.

2. Applications that use the MPI.PUBLISH_NAME mechanism are completely portable among implementations that provide this service. To be portable among all implementations, these applications should have a fall-back mechanism that can be used when names are not published.

3. Applications may ignore MPI’s name publishing functionality and use their own mechanism (possibly system-supplied) to publish names. This allows arbitrary flexibility but is not portable.

11.9.2 Server Routines

A server makes itself available with two routines. First it must call MPI.OPEN_PORT to establish a port at which it may be contacted. Secondly it must call MPI.COMM_ACCEPT to accept connections from clients.
MPI_OPEN_PORT(info, port_name)

    IN info implementation-specific information on how to
        establish an address (handle)

    OUT port_name newly established port (string)

C binding

    int MPI_Open_port(MPI_Info info, char *port_name)

Fortran 2008 binding

    MPI_Open_port(info, port_name, ierror)

    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_PORT_NAME), INTENT(OUT) :: port_name
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

    MPI_OPEN_PORT(INFO, PORT_NAME, IERROR)
    INTEGER INFO, IERROR
    CHARACTER*(*) PORT_NAME

This function establishes a network address, encoded in the port_name string, at which
the server will be able to accept connections from clients. port_name is supplied by the
system, possibly using information in the info argument.

MPI copies a system-supplied port name into port_name. port_name identifies the newly
opened port and can be used by a client to contact the server. The maximum size of the
string that may be supplied by the system is MPI_MAX_PORT_NAME.

Advice to users. The system copies the port name into port_name. The application
must pass a buffer of sufficient size to hold this value. (End of advice to users.)

port_name is essentially a network address. It is unique within the communication
universe to which it belongs (determined by the implementation), and may be used by any
client within that communication universe. For instance, if it is an internet (host:port)
address, it will be unique on the internet. If it is a low level switch address on an IBM SP,
it will be unique to that SP.

Advice to implementors. These examples are not meant to constrain implementa-
tions. A port_name could, for instance, contain a user name or the name of a batch
job, as long as it is unique within some well-defined communication domain. The
larger the communication domain, the more useful MPI’s client/server functionality
will be. (End of advice to implementors.)

The precise form of the address is implementation-defined. For instance, an internet address
may be a host name or IP address, or anything that the implementation can decode into
an IP address. A port name may be reused after it is freed with MPI_CLOSE_PORT and
released by the system.

Advice to implementors. Since the user may type in port_name by hand, it is useful
to choose a form that is easily readable and does not have embedded spaces. (End of
advice to implementors.)
info may be used to tell the implementation how to establish the address. It may, and
usually will, be MPI_INFO_NULL in order to get the implementation defaults.

C binding
int MPI_Close_port(const char *port_name)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Close_port(port_name, ierror)
    CHARACTER(LEN=*) :: port_name
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_CLOSE_PORT(PORT_NAME, IERROR)
    CHARACTER*(*) PORT_NAME
    INTEGER IERROR

This function releases the network address represented by port_name.

C binding
int MPI_Comm_accept(const char *port_name, MPI_Info info, int root, 
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Comm *newcomm)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Comm_accept(port_name, info, root, comm, newcomm, ierror)
    CHARACTER(LEN=*) :: port_name
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_COMM_ACCEPT(PORT_NAME, INFO, ROOT, COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
    CHARACTER*(*) PORT_NAME
INTEGER INFO, ROOT, COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_ACCEPT establishes communication with a client. It is collective over the calling communicator. It returns an inter-communicator that allows communication with the client.

The port name must have been established through a call to MPI_OPEN_PORT. info can be used to provide directives that may influence the behavior of the ACCEPT call.

11.9.3 Client Routines

There is only one routine on the client side.

MPI_COMM_CONNECT(port_name, info, root, comm, newcomm)

IN port_name network address (string, significant only at root)
IN info implementation-dependent information (handle, significant only at root)
IN root rank of root in comm (integer)
IN comm intra-communicator over which call is collective (handle)
OUT newcomm inter-communicator with server as remote group (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Comm_connect(const char *port_name, MPI_Info info, int root,
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Comm *newcomm)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Comm_connect(port_name, info, root, comm, newcomm, ierror)
    CHARACTER(LEN=*) :: port_name
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_COMM_CONNECT(PORT_NAME, INFO, ROOT, COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
    CHARACTER(*) PORT_NAME
    INTEGER INFO, ROOT, COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR

This routine establishes communication with a server specified by port_name. It is collective over the calling communicator and returns an inter-communicator in which the remote group participated in an MPI_COMM_ACCEPT.

If the named port does not exist (or has been closed), MPI_COMM_CONNECT raises an error of class MPI_ERR_PORT.

If the port exists, but does not have a pending MPI_COMM_ACCEPT, the connection attempt will eventually time out after an implementation-defined time, or succeed when
the server calls \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_ACCEPT}. In the case of a time out, \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_CONNECT} raises an error of class \texttt{MPI\_ERR\_PORT}.

\textit{Advice to implementors.} The time out period may be arbitrarily short or long. However, a high-quality implementation will try to queue connection attempts so that a server can handle simultaneous requests from several clients. A high-quality implementation may also provide a mechanism, through the info arguments to \texttt{MPI\_OPEN\_PORT}, \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_ACCEPT}, and/or \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_CONNECT}, for the user to control timeout and queuing behavior. (End of advice to implementors.)

\texttt{MPI} provides no guarantee of fairness in servicing connection attempts. That is, connection attempts are not necessarily satisfied in the order they were initiated and competition from other connection attempts may prevent a particular connection attempt from being satisfied.

\texttt{port\_name} is the address of the server. It must be the same as the name returned by \texttt{MPI\_OPEN\_PORT} on the server. Some freedom is allowed here. If there are equivalent forms of \texttt{port\_name}, an implementation may accept them as well. For instance, if \texttt{port\_name} is \texttt{(hostname:port)}, an implementation may accept \texttt{(ip\_address:port)} as well.

### 11.9.4 Name Publishing

The routines in this section provide a mechanism for publishing names. A \((\texttt{service\_name}, \texttt{port\_name})\) pair is published by the server, and may be retrieved by a client using the \texttt{service\_name} only. An \texttt{MPI} implementation defines the \texttt{scope} of the \texttt{service\_name}, that is, the domain over which the \texttt{service\_name} can be retrieved. If the domain is the empty set, that is, if no client can retrieve the information, then we say that name publishing is not supported. Implementations should document how the scope is determined. High-quality implementations will give some control to users through the info arguments to name publishing functions. Examples are given in the descriptions of individual functions.

\texttt{MPI\_PUBLISH\_NAME}(\texttt{service\_name}, \texttt{info}, \texttt{port\_name})

\begin{verbatim}
IN service\_name a service name to associate with the port (string)
IN info implementation-specific information (handle)
IN port\_name a port name (string)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Publish_name(const char *service_name, MPI_Info info, const char *port_name)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Publish_name(service_name, info, port_name, ierror)
CHARACTER(LEN=*) service_name, port_name
TYPE(MPI_Info) info
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_PUBLISH\_NAME(SERVICE\_NAME, INFO, PORT\_NAME, IERROR)
CHARACTER(*) SERVICE\_NAME, PORT\_NAME
\end{verbatim}
INTEGER INFO, IERROR

This routine publishes the pair \((\text{port}\_\text{name}, \text{service}\_\text{name})\) so that an application may retrieve a system-supplied \text{port}\_\text{name} using a well-known \text{service}\_\text{name}.

The implementation must define the \textit{scope} of a published service name, that is, the domain over which the service name is unique, and conversely, the domain over which the \((\text{port}\_\text{name}, \text{service}\_\text{name})\) pair may be retrieved. For instance, a service name may be unique to a job (where job is defined by a distributed operating system or batch scheduler), unique to a machine, or unique to a Kerberos realm. The scope may depend on the \text{info} argument to \text{MPI\_PUBLISH\_NAME}.

\text{MPI\_PUBLISH\_NAME} permits publishing more than one \text{service}\_\text{name} for a single \text{port}\_\text{name}. On the other hand, if \text{service}\_\text{name} has already been published within the scope determined by \text{info}, the behavior of \text{MPI\_PUBLISH\_NAME} is undefined. An \text{MPI} implementation may, through a mechanism in the \text{info} argument to \text{MPI\_PUBLISH\_NAME}, provide a way to allow multiple servers with the same service in the same scope. In this case, an implementation-defined policy will determine which of several port names is returned by \text{MPI\_LOOKUP\_NAME}.

Note that while \text{service}\_\text{name} has a limited scope, determined by the implementation, \text{port}\_\text{name} always has global scope within the communication universe used by the implementation (i.e., it is globally unique).

\text{port}\_\text{name} should be the name of a port established by \text{MPI\_OPEN\_PORT} and not yet released by \text{MPI\_CLOSE\_PORT}. If it is not, the result is undefined.

\textit{Advice to implementors.} In some cases, an \text{MPI} implementation may use a name service that a user can also access directly. In this case, a name published by \text{MPI} could easily conflict with a name published by a user. In order to avoid such conflicts, \text{MPI} implementations should mangle service names so that they are unlikely to conflict with user code that makes use of the same service. Such name mangling will of course be completely transparent to the user.

The following situation is problematic but unavoidable, if we want to allow implementations to use nameservers. Suppose there are multiple instances of “ocean” running on a machine. If the scope of a service name is confined to a job, then multiple oceans can coexist. If an implementation provides site-wide scope, however, multiple instances are not possible as all calls to \text{MPI\_PUBLISH\_NAME} after the first may fail. There is no universal solution to this.

To handle these situations, a high-quality implementation should make it possible to limit the domain over which names are published. (End of advice to implementors.)

\text{MPI\_UNPUBLISH\_NAME}(\text{service}\_\text{name}, \text{info}, \text{port}\_\text{name})

\begin{verbatim}
IN service_name a service name (string)
IN info implementation-specific information (handle)
IN port_name a port name (string)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Unpublish_name(const char *service_name, MPI_Info info,
                       const char *port_name)
\end{verbatim}
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Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Unpublish_name(service_name, info, port_name, ierror)
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) :: service_name, port_name
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_UNPUBLISH_NAME(SERVICE_NAME, INFO, PORT_NAME, IERROR)
  CHARACTER*(*) SERVICE_NAME, PORT_NAME
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR
```

This routine unpublishes a service name that has been previously published. Attempting to unpublish a name that has not been published or has already been unpublished is erroneous and is indicated by the error class MPI_ERR_SERVICE.

All published names must be unpublished before the corresponding port is closed and before the publishing process exits. The behavior of MPI_UNPUBLISH_NAME is implementation dependent when a process tries to unpublish a name that it did not publish.

If the info argument was used with MPI_PUBLISH_NAME to tell the implementation how to publish names, the implementation may require that info passed to MPI_UNPUBLISH_NAME contain information to tell the implementation how to unpublish a name.

```fortran
MPI_LOOKUP_NAME(service_name, info, port_name)
  IN service_name a service name (string)
  IN info implementation-specific information (handle)
  OUT port_name a port name (string)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_lookup_name(const char *service_name, MPI_Info info, char *port_name)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Lookup_name(service_name, info, port_name, ierror)
  CHARACTER(LEN=), INTENT(IN) :: service_name
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_PORT_NAME), INTENT(OUT) :: port_name
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_LOOKUP_NAME(SERVICE_NAME, INFO, PORT_NAME, IERROR)
  CHARACTER*(*) SERVICE_NAME, PORT_NAME
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR
```

This function retrieves a port_name published by MPI_PUBLISH_NAME with service_name. If service_name has not been published, it raises an error in the error class MPI_ERR_NAME. The application must supply a port_name buffer large enough to hold the largest possible port name (see discussion above under MPI_OPEN_PORT).

If an implementation allows multiple entries with the same service_name within the same scope, a particular port_name is chosen in a way determined by the implementation.
If the info argument was used with MPI_PUBLISH_NAME to tell the implementation how to publish names, a similar info argument may be required for MPI_LOOKUP_NAME.

11.9.5 Reserved Key Values

The following key values are reserved. An implementation is not required to interpret these key values, but if it does interpret the key value, it must provide the functionality described.

"ip_port": Value contains IP port number at which to establish a port. (Reserved for MPI_OPEN_PORT only).

"ip_address": Value contains IP address at which to establish a port. If the address is not a valid IP address of the host on which the MPI_OPEN_PORT call is made, the results are undefined. (Reserved for MPI_OPEN_PORT only).

11.9.6 Client/Server Examples

**Example 11.23. Simplest Example—Completely Portable.**
The following example shows the simplest way to use the client/server interface. It does not use service names at all.

On the server side:

```c
char myport[MPI_MAX_PORT_NAME];
MPI_Comm intercomm;
/* ... */
MPI_Open_port(MPI_INFO_NULL, myport);
printf("port name is: %s\n", myport);
MPI_Comm_accept(myport, MPI_INFO_NULL, 0, MPI_COMM_SELF, &intercomm);
/* do something with intercomm */
```

The server prints out the port name to the terminal and the user must type it in when starting up the client (assuming the MPI implementation supports stdin such that this works). On the client side:

```c
MPI_Comm intercomm;
char name[MPI_MAX_PORT_NAME];
printf("enter port name: ");
gets(name);
MPI_Comm_connect(name, MPI_INFO_NULL, 0, MPI_COMM_SELF, &intercomm);
```

**Example 11.24. Ocean/Atmosphere—Relies on Name Publishing**

In this example, the “ocean” application is the “server” side of a coupled ocean-atmosphere climate model. It assumes that the MPI implementation publishes names.

```c
char port_name[MPI_MAX_PORT_NAME];
MPI_Comm intercomm;
/* ... */
MPI_Open_port(MPI_INFO_NULL, port_name);
MPI_Publish_name("ocean", MPI_INFO_NULL, port_name);
MPI_Comm_accept(port_name, MPI_INFO_NULL, 0, MPI_COMM_SELF,
```
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On the server side:

```c
 /* do something with intercomm */
 MPI_Unpublish_name("ocean", MPI_INFO_NULL, port_name);
```

On the client side:

```c
 MPI_Lookup_name("ocean", MPI_INFO_NULL, port_name);
 MPI_Comm_connect(port_name, MPI_INFO_NULL, 0, MPI_COMM_SELF, &intercomm);
```

### Example 11.25. Simple Client-Server Example

This is a simple example; the server accepts only a single connection at a time and serves that connection until the client requests to be disconnected. The server is a single process. Here is the server. It accepts a single connection and then processes data until it receives a message with tag 1. A message with tag 0 tells the server to exit.

```c
#include "mpi.h"
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    MPI_Comm client;
    MPI_Status status;
    char port_name[MPI_MAX_PORT_NAME];
    double buf[MAX_DATA];
    int size, again;

    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &size);
    if (size != 1) error(FATAL, "Server too big");
    MPI_Open_port(MPI_INFO_NULL, port_name);
    printf("server available at %s\n", port_name);
    while (1) {
        MPI_Comm_accept(port_name, MPI_INFO_NULL, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &client);
        again = 1;
        while (again) {
            MPI_Recv(buf, MAX_DATA, MPI_DOUBLE, MPI_ANY_SOURCE, MPI_ANY_TAG, client, &status);
            switch (status.MPI_TAG) {
            case 0: MPI_Comm_free(&client);
                    MPI_Close_port(port_name);
                    MPI_Finalize();
                    return 0;
            case 1: MPI_Comm_disconnect(&client);
                    again = 0;
                    break;
            case 2: /* do something */
            ...
            default:
                    /* Unexpected message type */
                    MPI_Abort(MPI_COMM_WORLD, 1);
            }
        }
    }
}
```
Here is the client.

```c
#include "mpi.h"
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    MPI_Comm server;
    int done = 0;
    double buf[MAX_DATA];
    char port_name[MPI_MAX_PORT_NAME];

    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
    strcpy(port_name, argv[1]); /* assume server's name is cmd-line arg */

    MPI_Comm_connect(port_name, MPI_INFO_NULL, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &server);

    while (!done) {
        tag = 2; /* Action to perform */
        MPI_Send(buf, n, MPI_DOUBLE, 0, tag, server);
        /* etc */
    }

    MPI_Send(buf, 0, MPI_DOUBLE, 0, 1, server);
    MPI_Comm_disconnect(&server);
    MPI_Finalize();
    return 0;
}
```

11.10 Other Functionality

11.10.1 Universe Size

Many "dynamic" MPI applications are expected to exist in a static runtime environment, in which resources have been allocated before the application is run. When running one of these quasi-static applications, the user (or possibly a batch system) will usually specify a number of processes to start and a total number of processes that are expected. An application simply needs to know how many slots there are, i.e., how many processes it should spawn.

MPI provides an attribute on MPI_COMM_WORLD, MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE, that allows the application to obtain this information in a portable manner. This attribute indicates the total number of processes that are expected. In Fortran, the attribute is the integer value. In C, the attribute is a pointer to the integer value. An application typically subtracts the size of MPI_COMM_WORLD from MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE to find out how many processes it should spawn. MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE is initialized in MPI_INIT and is not changed by MPI. If defined, it has the same value on all processes of MPI_COMM_WORLD. MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE is determined by the application startup mechanism in a way not specified by MPI. (The size of MPI_COMM_WORLD is another example of such a parameter.)

Possibilities for how MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE might be set include:

- A -universe_size argument to a program that starts MPI processes.
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- Automatic interaction with a batch scheduler to figure out how many processors have been allocated to an application.

- An environment variable set by the user.

- Extra information passed to MPI_COMM_SPAWN through the info argument.

An implementation must document how MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE is set. An implementation may not support the ability to set MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE, in which case the attribute MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE is not set.

MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE is a recommendation, not necessarily a hard limit. For instance, some implementations may allow an application to spawn 50 processes per processor, if they are requested. However, it is likely that the user only wants to spawn one process per processor.

MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE is assumed to have been specified when an application was started, and is in essence a portable mechanism to allow the user to pass to the application (through the MPI process startup mechanism, such as mpiexec) a piece of critical runtime information. Note that no interaction with the runtime environment is required. If the runtime environment changes size while an application is running, MPI_UNIVERSE_SIZE is not updated, and the application must find out about the change through direct communication with the runtime system.

11.10.2 Singleton MPI Initialization

A high-quality implementation will allow any process (including those not started with a “parallel application” mechanism) to become an MPI process by calling MPI_INIT, MPI_INIT_THREAD, or MPI_SESSION_INIT. Such a process can then connect to other MPI processes using the MPI_COMM_ACCEPT and MPI_COMM_CONNECT routines, or spawn other MPI processes. MPI does not mandate this behavior, but strongly encourages it where technically feasible.

Advice to implementors. Special coordination is required to start MPI processes belonging to the same MPI_COMM_WORLD in the case of the World Model, or the same "mpi://WORLD" process set in the Sessions Model. The processes must be started at the “same” time, they must have a mechanism to establish communication, etc. Either the user or the operating system must take special steps beyond simply starting processes.

Considering the World Model, when an application enters MPI_INIT, clearly it must be able to determine if these special steps were taken. If a process enters MPI_INIT and determines that no special steps were taken (i.e., it has not been given the information to form an MPI_COMM_WORLD with other processes) it succeeds and forms a singleton MPI program, that is, one in which MPI_COMM_WORLD has size 1.

In some implementations, MPI may not be able to function without an “MPI environment.” For example, MPI may require that daemons be running or MPI may not be able to work at all on the front-end of an MPP. In this case, an MPI implementation may either

1. Create the environment (e.g., start a daemon) or
2. Raise an error if it cannot create the environment and the environment has not been started independently.
A high-quality implementation will try to create a singleton MPI process and not raise an error. (End of advice to implementors.)

11.10.3 MPI_APPNUM

There is a predefined attribute MPI_APPNUM of MPI_COMM_WORLD. In Fortran, the attribute is an integer value. In C, the attribute is a pointer to an integer value. If a process was spawned with MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE, MPI_APPNUM is the command number that generated the current process. Numbering starts from zero. If a process was spawned with MPI_COMM_SPAWN, it will have MPI_APPNUM equal to zero.

Additionally, if the process was not started by a spawn call, but by an implementation-specific startup mechanism that can handle multiple process specifications, MPI_APPNUM should be set to the number of the corresponding process specification. In particular, if it is started with

\[
\text{mpiexec spec0 [: spec1 : spec2 : ...]}
\]

MPI_APPNUM should be set to the number of the corresponding specification.

If an application was not spawned with MPI_COMM_SPAWN or MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE, and MPI_APPNUM does not make sense in the context of the implementation-specific startup mechanism, MPI_APPNUM is not set.

MPI implementations may optionally provide a mechanism to override the value of MPI_APPNUM through the info argument. MPI reserves the following key for all SPAWN calls.

"appnum": Value contains an integer that overrides the default value for MPI_APPNUM in the child.

Rationale. When a single application is started, it is able to figure out how many processes there are by looking at the size of MPI_COMM_WORLD. An application consisting of multiple SPMD sub-applications has no way to find out how many sub-applications there are and to which sub-application the process belongs. While there are ways to figure it out in special cases, there is no general mechanism. MPI_APPNUM provides such a general mechanism. (End of rationale.)

11.10.4 Releasing Connections

Before a client and a server connect, they are independent MPI applications. An error in one does not affect the other. After establishing a connection with MPI_COMM_CONNECT and MPI_COMM_ACCEPT, an error in one may affect the other. It is desirable for a client and a server to be able to disconnect, so that an error in one will not affect the other. Similarly, it might be desirable for a parent and child to disconnect, so that errors in the child do not affect the parent, or vice-versa.

- Two processes are connected if there is a communication path (direct or indirect) between them. More precisely:
  1. Two processes are connected if
     a) they both belong to the same communicator (inter- or intra-, including MPI_COMM_WORLD) or
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b) they have previously belonged to a communicator that was freed with
\texttt{MPI\_COMM\_FREE} instead of \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_DISCONNECT} or
c) they both belong to the group of the same window or file handle.

2. If A is connected to B and B to C, then A is connected to C.

- Two processes are \textit{disconnected} (also \textit{independent}) if they are not connected.
- By the above definitions, connectivity is a transitive property, and divides the universe of \texttt{MPI} processes into disconnected (independent) sets (equivalence classes) of processes.
- Processes that are connected, but do not share the same \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_WORLD}, may become disconnected (independent) if the communication path between them is broken by using \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_DISCONNECT}.

The following additional rules apply to \texttt{MPI} routines in other chapters:

- \texttt{MPI\_FINALIZE} is collective over a set of connected processes.
- \texttt{MPI\_ABORT} does not abort independent processes. It may abort all processes in the caller’s \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_WORLD} (ignoring its \texttt{comm} argument). Additionally, it may abort connected processes as well, though it makes a “best attempt” to abort only the processes in \texttt{comm}.
- If a process terminates without calling \texttt{MPI\_FINALIZE}, independent processes are not affected but the effect on connected processes is not defined.

\textit{Advice to implementors.} In practice, it may be difficult to distinguish between an \texttt{MPI} process failure and an erroneous program that terminates without calling an \texttt{MPI} finalization function: an implementation that defines semantics for process failure management may have to exhibit the behavior defined for \texttt{MPI} process failures with such erroneous programs. A high quality implementation should exhibit a different behavior for erroneous programs and \texttt{MPI} process failures. (\textit{End of advice to implementors.})

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_COMM\_DISCONNECT(comm)
INOUT comm communicator (handle)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI\_Comm\_disconnect(MPI\_Comm \*comm)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_Comm\_disconnect(comm, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI\_Comm), INTENT(INOUT) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_COMM\_DISCONNECT(COMM, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, IERROR
\end{verbatim}
This function waits for all *decoupled MPI activities* on `comm` to complete internally, deallocates the communicator object, and sets the handle to `MPI_COMM_NULL`. It is a collective operation.

It may not be called with the communicator `MPI_COMM_WORLD` or `MPI_COMM_SELF`. `MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT` may be called only if all communication is complete and matched, so that buffered data can be delivered to its destination. This requirement is the same as for `MPI_FINALIZE`. This means that before calling `MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT`, all request handles associated with `comm` must be freed in the case of nonblocking operations, and must be inactive or freed in the case of persistent operations (i.e., by calling one of the procedures `MPI_{TEST|WAIT}{|ANY|SOME|ALL}` or `MPI_REQUEST_FREE`).

`MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT` has the same effect as `MPI_COMM_FREE`, except that it waits for *decoupled MPI activities* on `comm` to finish internally, disallows any further use of derived inactive persistent requests, and enables the guarantee about the behavior of disconnected processes. The *decoupled MPI activities* also include any communication that is needed to complete a nonblocking or persistent operation on `comm` that was freed with `MPI_REQUEST_FREE`. After calling `MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT`, freeing or starting an inactive persistent request handle for a communication operation on `comm` is erroneous.

**Advice to users.** To disconnect two processes you may need to call `MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT`, `MPI_WIN_FREE`, and `MPI_FILE_CLOSE` to remove all communication paths between the two processes. Note that it may be necessary to disconnect several communicators (or to free several windows or files) before two processes are completely independent. (*End of advice to users.*)

**Rationale.** It would be nice to be able to use `MPI_COMM_FREE` instead, but that procedure explicitly does not wait for *decoupled MPI activities* to complete, and it does not disallow freeing or starting of related inactive (but not yet freed) persistent request handles. (*End of rationale.*)

11.10.5 Another Way to Establish MPI Communication

```
MPI_COMM_JOIN(fd, intercomm)
```

**C binding**

```
int MPI_Comm_join(int fd, MPI_Comm *intercomm)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```
MPI_Comm_join(fd, intercomm, ierror)
```

```
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: fd
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: intercomm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```
MPI_COMM_JOIN(FD, INTERCOMM, IERROR)
```

```
INTEGER FD, INTERCOMM, IERROR
```
MPI_COMM_JOIN is intended for MPI implementations that exist in an environment supporting the Berkeley Socket interface [52, 57]. Implementations that exist in an environment not supporting Berkeley Sockets should provide the entry point for MPI_COMM_JOIN and should return MPI_COMM_NULL.

This call creates an inter-communicator from the union of two MPI processes that are connected by a socket. MPI_COMM_JOIN should normally succeed if the local and remote processes have access to the same implementation-defined MPI communication universe.

Advice to users. An MPI implementation may require a specific communication medium for MPI communication, such as a shared memory segment or a special switch. In this case, it may not be possible for two processes to successfully join even if there is a socket connecting them and they are using the same MPI implementation. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. A high-quality implementation will attempt to establish communication over a slow medium if its preferred one is not available. If implementations do not do this, they must document why they cannot do MPI communication over the medium used by the socket (especially if the socket is a TCP connection). (End of advice to implementors.)

fd is a file descriptor representing a socket of type SOCK_STREAM (a two-way reliable byte-stream connection). Nonblocking I/O and asynchronous notification via SIGIO must not be enabled for the socket. The socket must be in a connected state. The socket must be quiescent when MPI_COMM_JOIN is called (see below). It is the responsibility of the application to create the socket using standard socket API calls.

MPI_COMM_JOIN must be called by the process at each end of the socket. It does not return until both processes have called MPI_COMM_JOIN. The two processes are referred to as the local and remote processes.

MPI only uses the socket to bootstrap the creation of the inter-communicator. Upon return from MPI_COMM_JOIN, the file descriptor will be open and quiescent (see below). If MPI is unable to create an inter-communicator, but is able to leave the socket in its original state, with no pending communication, it succeeds and sets intercomm to MPI_COMM_NULL.

The socket must be quiescent before MPI_COMM_JOIN is called and after MPI_COMM_JOIN returns. More specifically, on entry to MPI_COMM_JOIN, a read on the socket will not read any data that was written to the socket before the remote process called MPI_COMM_JOIN. On exit from MPI_COMM_JOIN, a read will not read any data that was written to the socket before the remote process returned from MPI_COMM_JOIN. It is the responsibility of the application to ensure the first condition, and the responsibility of the MPI implementation to ensure the second. In a multithreaded application, the application must ensure that one thread does not access the socket while another is calling MPI_COMM_JOIN, or call MPI_COMM_JOIN concurrently.

Advice to implementors. MPI is free to use any available communication path(s) for MPI messages in the new communicator; the socket is only used for the initial handshaking. (End of advice to implementors.)

MPI_COMM_JOIN uses non-MPI communication to do its work. The interaction of non-MPI communication with pending MPI communication is not defined. Therefore, the
result of calling `MPI_COMM_JOIN` on two connected processes (see Section 11.10.4 for the definition of connected) is undefined.

The returned communicator may be used to establish MPI communication with additional processes, through the usual MPI communicator creation mechanisms.
Chapter 12
One-Sided Communications

12.1 Introduction

Remote Memory Access (RMA) extends the communication mechanisms of MPI by allowing one MPI process to specify all communication parameters, both for the sending side and for the receiving side. This mode of communication facilitates the coding of some applications with dynamically changing data access patterns where the data distribution is fixed or slowly changing. In such a case, each MPI process can compute what data it needs to access or to update at other MPI processes. However, the programmer may not be able to easily determine which data in an MPI process may need to be accessed or to be updated by operations initiated by a different MPI process, and may not even know which MPI processes may perform such updates. Thus, the transfer parameters are all available only on one side. Regular send/receive communication requires matching operations by sender and receiver. In order to issue the matching operations, an application needs to distribute the transfer parameters. This distribution may require all MPI processes to participate in a time-consuming global computation, or to poll for potential communication requests to receive and upon which to act periodically. The use of RMA communication operations avoids the need for global computations or explicit polling. A generic example of this nature is the execution of an assignment of the form \( A = B(\text{map}) \), where \text{map} is a permutation vector, and \( A \), \( B \), and \text{map} are distributed in the same manner.

Message-passing communication achieves two effects: communication of data from sender to receiver and synchronization of sender with receiver. The RMA design separates these two functions. The following communication calls are provided:

- Remote write: \text{MPI\_PUT, MPI\_RPUT}
- Remote read: \text{MPI\_GET, MPI\_RGET}
- Remote update: \text{MPI\_ACCUMULATE, MPI\_RACCUMULATE}
- Remote read and update: \text{MPI\_GET\_ACCUMULATE, MPI\_RGET\_ACCUMULATE, and MPI\_FETCH\_AND\_OP}
- Remote atomic swap: \text{MPI\_COMPARE\_AND\_SWAP}

This chapter refers to an operations set that includes all remote update, remote read and update, and remote atomic swap operations as “accumulate” operations.

MPI supports two fundamentally different memory models: separate and unified. The separate model makes no assumption about memory consistency and is highly portable. The unified model is similar to that of weakly coherent memory systems: the user must impose correct ordering of memory accesses through synchronization calls. The unified model can
exploit cache-coherent hardware and hardware-accelerated, one-sided operations that are commonly available in high-performance systems. The two different models are discussed in detail in Section 12.4. Both models support several synchronization calls to support different synchronization styles.

The design of the RMA functions allows implementors to take advantage of fast or asynchronous communication mechanisms provided by various platforms, such as coherent or noncoherent shared memory, DMA engines, hardware-supported put/get operations, and communication coprocessors. The most frequently used RMA communication mechanisms can be layered on top of message-passing. However, certain RMA functions might need support for asynchronous communication agents in software (handlers, threads, etc.) in a distributed memory environment.

We shall denote by origin or origin process the MPI process that calls an RMA procedure, and by target or target process the MPI process whose memory is accessed. Thus, in a put operation, source = origin and destination = target; in a get operation, source = target and destination = origin.

12.2 Initialization

MPI provides the following window initialization functions: MPI_WIN_CREATE, MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE, MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED, and MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC, which are collective over the group of an intra-communicator. MPI_WIN_CREATE allows each MPI process to specify a “window” in its memory that is made available for accesses by other MPI processes. The call returns an opaque object that represents the group of MPI processes that own and access the set of windows, and the attributes of each window, as specified by the initialization call. MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE and MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED differ from MPI_WIN_CREATE in that the user does not pass allocated memory; instead MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE and MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED return a pointer to memory allocated by the MPI implementation. MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED differs from MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE in that the allocated memory is guaranteed to be accessible from all MPI processes in the window’s group with direct load/store accesses. Some restrictions may apply to the specified communicator. MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC creates a window that allows the user to dynamically control which memory is exposed by the window.

12.2.1 Window Creation

MPI_WIN_CREATE(base, size, disp_unit, info, comm, win)

IN base initial address of window (choice)
IN size size of window in bytes (non-negative integer)
IN disp_unit local unit size for displacements, in bytes (positive integer)
IN info info argument (handle)
IN comm intra-communicator (handle)
OUT win window object (handle)
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C binding

```
int MPI_Win_create(void *base, MPI_Aint size, int disp_unit, MPI_Info info,
                   MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Win *win)
```

```
int MPI_Win_create_c(void *base, MPI_Aint size, MPI_Aint disp_unit,
                     MPI_Info info, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Win *win)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```
MPI_Win_create(base, size, disp_unit, info, comm, win, ierror)
```

```
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: base
INTEGER(KIND=MPIADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: disp_unit
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(OUT) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

```
MPI_Win_create(base, size, disp_unit, info, comm, win, ierror) !(_c)
```

```
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: base
INTEGER(KIND=MPIADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size, disp_unit
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(OUT) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```
MPI_WIN_CREATE(BASE, SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR)
```

```
<type> BASE(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPIADDRESS_KIND) SIZE
INTEGER DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR
```

This procedure is collective over the group of comm. It returns a handle to a window that can be used by the MPI processes in this group to perform RMA operations. Each MPI process specifies a window of existing memory that it exposes to RMA accesses by any MPI processes in the group of comm. The window consists of size bytes, starting at address base. In C, base is the starting address of a memory region. In Fortran, one can pass the first element of a memory region or a whole array, which must be ‘simply contiguous’ (for ‘simply contiguous,’ see also Section 19.1.12). An MPI process may elect to expose no memory by specifying size = 0.

The displacement unit argument is provided to facilitate address arithmetic in RMA operations: the target displacement argument of an RMA operation is scaled by the factor disp_unit specified by the target process, at window creation.

Rationale. The window size is specified using an address-sized integer, rather than a basic integer type, to allow windows that span more memory than can be described with a basic integer type. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. Common choices for disp_unit are 1 (no scaling), and (in C syntax) sizeof(type), for a window that consists of an array of elements of type type. The latter choice will allow one to use array indices in RMA calls, and have those scaled correctly to byte displacements, even in a heterogeneous environment. (End of advice to users.)
The info argument provides optimization hints to the runtime about the expected usage pattern of the window. The following info keys are predefined:

"no_locks" (boolean, default: "false"): if set to true, then the implementation may assume that passive target synchronization (i.e., MPI_WIN_LOCK, MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL) will not be used on the given window. This implies that this window is not used for 3-party communication, and RMA can be implemented with no (less) asynchronous agent activity at this process.

"accumulate_ordering" (string, default "rar,raw,waw, waw"): controls the ordering of accumulate operations at the target. See Section 12.7.2 for details.

"accumulate_ops" (string, default: "same_op_no_op"): if set to "same_op", the implementation will assume that all concurrent accumulate calls to the same target address will use the same operator. If set to "same_op_no_op", then the implementation will assume that all concurrent accumulate calls to the same target address will use the same operator or MPI_NO_OP. This can eliminate the need to protect access for certain operators where the hardware can guarantee atomicity.

"mpi_accumulate_granularity" (integer, default 0): provides a hint to implementations about the desired synchronization granularity for accumulate operations, i.e., the size of memory ranges in bytes for which the implementation should acquire a synchronization primitive to ensure atomicity of updates. If the specified granularity is not divisible by the size of the type used in an accumulate operation, it should be treated as if it was the next multiple of the element size. For example, a granularity of 1 byte should be treated as 8 in an accumulate operation using MPI_UINT64_T. By default, this info key is set to 0, which leaves the choice of synchronization granularity to the implementation. If specified, all MPI processes in the group of a window must supply the same value.

Advice to users. Small synchronization granularities may provide improved latencies for accumulate operations with few elements and potentially increase concurrency of updates, at the cost of lower throughput. For example, a value matching the size of a type involved in an accumulate operation may enable implementations to use atomic memory operations instead of mutual exclusion devices. Larger synchronization granularities may yield higher throughput of accumulate operation with large numbers of elements due to lower synchronization costs, potentially at the expense of higher latency for accumulate operations with few elements, e.g., if atomic memory operations are not employed. By dividing larger accumulate operations into smaller segments, concurrent accumulate operations to the same window memory may update different segments in parallel. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. Implementations are encouraged to avoid mutual exclusion devices in cases where the granularity is small enough to warrant the use of atomic memory operations. For larger granularities, implementations should use this info value as a hint to partition the window memory into zones of mutual exclusion to enable segmentation of large accumulate operations. (End of advice to implementors.)
same_size (boolean, default: "false"): if set to true, then the implementation may assume that the argument size is identical on all MPI processes, and that all MPI processes have provided this info key with the same value.

same_disp_unit (boolean, default: "false"): if set to true, then the implementation may assume that the argument disp_unit is identical on all MPI processes, and that all MPI processes have provided this info key with the same value.

mpi_assert_memory_alloc_kinds (string, not set by default): If set, the implementation may assume that the memory for all communication buffers passed to MPI operations performed by the calling MPI process on the given window will use only the memory allocation kinds listed in the value string. See Section 11.4.3. This info hint also applies to the window buffer provided in a call to MPI_WIN_CREATE or MPI_WIN_ATTACH. It does not apply to the memory allocated in a call to MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE or MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED.

Advice to users. The info query mechanism described in Section 12.2.7 can be used to query the specified info arguments for windows that have been passed to a library. It is recommended that libraries check attached info keys for each passed window. (End of advice to users.)

The various MPI processes in the group of comm may specify completely different target windows, in location, size, displacement units, and info arguments. As long as all the get, put and accumulate accesses to a particular MPI process fit their specific target window this should pose no problem. The same area in memory may appear in multiple windows, each associated with a different window object. However, concurrent communications to distinct, overlapping windows may lead to undefined results.

Implementations may make the memory provided by the user available for load/store accesses by MPI processes in the same shared memory domain. A communicator of such processes can be constructed as described in Section 7.4.2 using MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE. Pointers to access a shared memory segment can be queried using MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY.

Rationale. The reason for specifying the memory that may be accessed from another MPI process in an RMA operation is to permit the programmer to specify what memory can be a target of RMA operations and for the implementation to enforce that specification. For example, with this definition, a server MPI process can safely allow a client MPI process to use RMA operations, knowing that (under the assumption that the MPI implementation does enforce the specified limits on the exposed memory) an error in the client cannot affect any memory other than what was explicitly exposed. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. A window can be created in any part of the MPI process memory. However, on some systems, the performance of windows in memory allocated by MPI_ALLOC_MEM (Section 9.2) will be better. Also, on some systems, performance is improved when window boundaries are aligned at “natural” boundaries (word, double-word, cache line, page frame, etc.). (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. In cases where RMA operations use different mechanisms in different memory areas (e.g., load/store accesses in a shared memory segment, and
an asynchronous handler in private memory), the \texttt{MPI\_WIN\_CREATE} call needs to figure out which type of memory is used for the window. To do so, MPI maintains, internally, the list of memory segments allocated by \texttt{MPI\_ALLOC\_MEM}, or by other, implementation-specific, mechanisms, together with information on the type of memory segment allocated. When a call to \texttt{MPI\_WIN\_CREATE} occurs, then MPI checks which segment contains each window, and decides, accordingly, which mechanism to use for RMA operations.

Vendors may provide additional, implementation-specific mechanisms to allocate or to specify memory regions that are preferable for use in one-sided communication. In particular, such mechanisms can be used to place static variables into such preferred regions.

Implementors should document any performance impact of window alignment. \textit{(End of advice to implementors.)}

### 12.2.2 Window That Allocates Memory

\texttt{MPI\_WIN\_ALLOCATE}(size, disp\_unit, info, comm, baseptr, win)

\begin{verbatim}
IN size size of window in bytes (non-negative integer)
IN disp\_unit local unit size for displacements, in bytes (positive integer)
IN info info argument (handle)
IN comm intra-communicator (handle)
OUT baseptr initial address of window (choice)
OUT win window object (handle)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI\_Win\_allocate(MPI\_Aint size, int disp\_unit, MPI\_Info info,
                    MPI\_Comm comm, void *baseptr, MPI\_Win *win)
int MPI\_Win\_allocate\_c(MPI\_Aint size, MPI\_Aint disp\_unit, MPI\_Info info,
                         MPI\_Comm comm, void *baseptr, MPI\_Win *win)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_Win\_allocate(size, disp\_unit, info, comm, baseptr, win, ierror)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO\_C\_BINDING, ONLY : C\_PTR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: disp\_unit
TYPE(MPI\_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI\_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(C\_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: baseptr
TYPE(MPI\_Win), INTENT(OUT) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI\_Win\_allocate(size, disp\_unit, info, comm, baseptr, win, ierror) !(_c)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO\_C\_BINDING, ONLY : C\_PTR
\end{verbatim}
12.2 Initialization

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, BASEPTR, WIN, IERROR)
```

This procedure is collective over the group of `comm`. On each MPI process, it allocates memory of at least `size` bytes and returns a pointer to it along with a handle to a new window that can be used by all MPI processes in the group of `comm` to perform RMA operations. The returned memory consists of `size` bytes local to each MPI process, starting at address `baseptr` and is associated with the window as if the user called `MPI_WIN_CREATE` on existing memory. The size argument may be different at each MPI process and `size = 0` is valid; however, a library might allocate and expose more memory in order to create a fast, globally symmetric allocation. The discussion of and rationales for `MPI_ALLOC_MEM` and `MPI_FREE_MEM` in Section 9.2 also apply to `MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE`; in particular, see the rationale in Section 9.2 for an explanation of the type used for `baseptr`.

Implementations may make allocated memory available for load/store accesses by MPI processes in the same shared memory domain. A communicator of such processes can be constructed as described in Section 7.4.2 using `MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE`. Pointers to access a shared memory segment can be queried using `MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY`. If shared memory is available it is not guaranteed to be contiguous (see Section 12.2.3).

If the Fortran compiler provides `TYPE(C_PTR)`, then the following generic interface must be provided in the `mpi` module and should be provided in the (deprecated) `mpif.h` include file through overloading, i.e., with the same routine name as the routine with `INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) BASEPTR`, but with a different specific procedure name:

```fortran
INTERFACE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, BASEPTR, WIN, IERROR)
    IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
    INTEGER :: DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE, BASEPTR
  END SUBROUTINE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_CPTR(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, BASEPTR, WIN, IERROR)
    USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
    IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
    INTEGER :: DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE
    TYPE(C_PTR) :: BASEPTR
  END SUBROUTINE
END INTERFACE
```
The base procedure name of this overloaded function is `MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_CPTR`. The implied specific procedure names are described in Section 19.1.5.

**Rationale.** By allocating (potentially aligned) memory instead of allowing the user to pass in an arbitrary buffer, this call can improve the performance for systems with remote direct memory access. This also permits the collective allocation of memory and supports what is sometimes called the “symmetric allocation” model that can be more scalable (for example, the implementation can arrange to return an address for the allocated memory that is the same on all MPI processes). *(End of rationale.)*

The `info` argument can be used to specify hints similar to the `info` argument for `MPI_WIN_CREATE` and `MPI_ALLOC_MEM`. The default memory alignment requirements and the "mpi_minimum_memory_alignment" `info` key described for `MPI_ALLOC_MEM` in Section 9.2 apply to all MPI processes with nonzero `size` argument.

### 12.2.3 Window That Allocates Shared Memory

`MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED(size, disp_unit, info, comm, baseptr, win)`

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Win_allocate_shared(MPI_Aint size, int disp_unit, MPI_Info info,
                           MPI_Comm comm, void *baseptr, MPI_Win *win)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Win_allocate_shared(size, disp_unit, info, comm, baseptr, win, ierror)
```

```fortran
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: disp_unit
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: baseptr
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(OUT) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

```fortran
MPI_Win_allocate_shared(size, disp_unit, info, comm, baseptr, win, ierror)
```

!(c)
12.2 Initialization

USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size, disp_unit
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: baseptr
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(OUT) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, BASEPTR, WIN, IERROR)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SIZE, BASEPTR
INTEGER DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR

This procedure is collective over the group of comm. On each MPI process, it allocates memory of at least size bytes that is shared among all MPI processes in comm, and returns a pointer to the locally allocated segment in baseptr that can be used for load/store accesses on the calling MPI process. The locally allocated memory can be the target of load/store accesses by remote MPI processes; the base pointers for other MPI processes can be queried using the function MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY. The call also returns a handle to a new window that can be used by all MPI processes in comm to perform RMA operations. The size argument may be different at each MPI process and size = 0 is valid. It is the user’s responsibility to ensure that the communicator comm represents a group of MPI processes that are in the same shared memory domain, i.e., that they can create a shared memory segment that can be accessed by all processes in the group. The discussions of rationales for MPI_ALLOC_MEM and MPI_FREE_MEM in Section 9.2 also apply to MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED; in particular, see the rationale in Section 9.2 for an explanation of the type used for baseptr. The allocated memory is contiguous across processes in rank order unless the info key "alloc_shared_noncontig" is specified. Contiguous across processes in rank order means that the first address in the memory segment of MPI process \( i \) is consecutive with the last address in the memory segment of MPI process \( i - 1 \). This may enable the user to calculate remote address offsets with local information only.

If the Fortran compiler provides TYPE(C_PTR), then the following generic interface must be provided in the mpi module and should be provided in the (deprecated) mpif.h include file through overloading, i.e., with the same routine name as the routine with INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) BASEPTR, but with a different specific procedure name:

INTERFACE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED
  SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, &
      BASEPTR, WIN, IERROR)
      IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
      INTEGER :: DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR
      INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE, BASEPTR
  END SUBROUTINE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED_CPTR(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, &
      BASEPTR, WIN, IERROR)
    USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
    IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
    INTEGER :: DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE
  END SUBROUTINE

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TYPE(C_PTR) :: BASEPTR
END SUBROUTINE
END INTERFACE

The base procedure name of this overloaded function is
MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED_CPTR. The implied specific procedure names are described in Section 19.1.5.

The info argument can be used to specify hints similar to the info argument for
MPI_WIN_CREATE, MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE, and MPI_ALLOC_MEM. The additional info
key "alloc_shared_noncontig" allows the library to optimize the layout of the shared memory
segments in memory.

Advice to users. If the info key "alloc_shared_noncontig" is not set to true, the allocation
strategy is to allocate contiguous memory across MPI process ranks. This may limit
the performance on some architectures because it does not allow the implementation
to modify the data layout (e.g., padding to reduce access latency). (End of advice to
users.)

Advice to implementors. If the user sets the info key "alloc_shared_noncontig" to true,
the implementation can allocate the memory requested by each MPI process in a location
that is close to this MPI process. This can be achieved by padding or allocating
memory in special memory segments. Both techniques may make the address space
across consecutive ranks noncontiguous. (End of advice to implementors.)

For contiguous shared memory allocations, the default alignment requirements outlined
for MPI_ALLOC_MEM in Section 9.2 and the "mpi_minimum_memory_alignment" info key apply
to the start of the contiguous memory that is returned in baseptr to the first MPI process
with nonzero size argument. For noncontiguous memory allocations, the default alignment
requirements and the "mpi_minimum_memory_alignment" info key apply to all MPI processes
with nonzero size argument.

Advice to users. If the info key "alloc_shared_noncontig" is not set to true (or ignored
by the MPI implementation), the alignment of the memory returned in baseptr to all
but the first MPI process with nonzero size argument depends on the value of the
size argument provided by other MPI processes. It is thus the user’s responsibility
to control the alignment of contiguous memory allocated for these MPI processes by
ensuring that each MPI process provides a size argument that is an integral multiple
of the alignment required for the application. (End of advice to users.)

The consistency of load/store accesses from/to the shared memory as observed by the
user program depends on the architecture. For details on how to create a consistent view
see the description of MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY.
12.2 Initialization

MPI\_WIN\_SHARED\_QUERY(win, rank, size, disp\_unit, baseptr)

- **IN** win: shared memory window (handle)
- **IN** rank: rank in the group of window win or MPI\_PROC\_NULL (non-negative integer)
- **OUT** size: size of the window segment (non-negative integer)
- **OUT** disp\_unit: local unit size for displacements, in bytes (positive integer)
- **OUT** baseptr: address for load/store access to window segment (choice)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Win_shared_query(MPI_Win win, int rank, MPI_Aint *size, int *disp_unit, void *baseptr)
int MPI_Win_shared_query_c(MPI_Win win, int rank, MPI_Aint *size, MPI_Aint *disp_unit, void *baseptr)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Win_shared_query(win, rank, size, disp_unit, baseptr, ierror)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: disp_unit
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: baseptr
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

```fortran
MPI_Win_shared_query_c(win, rank, size, disp_unit, baseptr, ierror) !(_c)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size, disp_unit
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: baseptr
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI\_WIN\_SHARED\_QUERY(WIN, RANK, SIZE, DISP\_UNIT, BASEPTR, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN, RANK, DISP\_UNIT, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_Kind) SIZE, BASEPTR
```

This function queries the MPI process-local address for remote memory segments created with MPI\_WIN\_ALLOCATE\_SHARED, MPI\_WIN\_ALLOCATE, and MPI\_WIN\_CREATE. This function can return different MPI process-local addresses for the same physical memory when called by different MPI processes. The returned memory can be used for load/store accesses subject to the constraints defined in Section 12.7. When rank is MPI\_PROC\_NULL, the baseptr, disp\_unit, and size returned are the base, displacement unit, and size of the memory segment belonging to the MPI process with the lowest rank in the shared memory domain that specified size ≥ 0. If all MPI processes in the group...
attached to the window specified size = 0, then the call returns size = 0 and a baseptr as if MPI_ALLOC_MEM was called with size = 0.

Only MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED is guaranteed to allocate shared memory. Implementations are permitted, where possible, to provide shared memory for windows created with MPI_WIN_CREATE and MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE. However, availability of shared memory is not guaranteed. When the remote memory segment corresponding to a particular process cannot be accessed directly, this call returns size = 0 and a baseptr as if MPI_ALLOC_MEM was called with size = 0.

Rationale. MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY may only be called on windows created by a call to MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED, MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE, or MPI_WIN_CREATE. The potential for multiple memory regions in windows created through MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC means that these windows cannot be used as input for MPI_WIN/shared_QUERY. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. For windows allocated using MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE or MPI_WIN_CREATE, the group of MPI processes for which the implementation may provide shared memory can be determined using MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE described in Section 7.4.2. (End of advice to users.)

The consistency of load/store accesses from/to the shared memory as observed by the user program depends on the architecture. A consistent view can be created in the unified memory model (see Section 12.4) by utilizing the window synchronization functions (see Section 12.5) or explicitly completing outstanding store accesses (e.g., by calling MPI_WIN_FLUSH). MPI does not define the semantics for accessing shared window memory in the separate memory model.

If the Fortran compiler provides TYPE(C_PTR), then the following generic interface must be provided in the mpi module and should be provided in the (deprecated) mpif.h include file through overloading, i.e., with the same routine name as the routine with INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) BASEPTR, but with a different specific procedure name:

```
INTERFACE MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY
  SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY(WIN, RANK, SIZE, DISP_UNIT, &
   BASEPTR, IERROR)
    IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
    INTEGER :: WIN, RANK, DISP_UNIT, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE, BASEPTR
  END SUBROUTINE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY_CPTR(WIN, RANK, SIZE, DISP_UNIT, &
   BASEPTR, IERROR)
    USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
    IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
    INTEGER :: WIN, RANK, DISP_UNIT, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE
    TYPE(C_PTR) :: BASEPTR
  END SUBROUTINE
END INTERFACE
```
The base procedure name of this overloaded function is

`MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY_CPTR`. The implied specific procedure names are described in Section 19.1.5.

### 12.2.4 Window of Dynamically Attached Memory

The previously described window creation procedures require the user to identify the local memory that may be a target of RMA calls at the time the window is created. This has advantages for both the programmer (only this memory can be updated by one-sided operations and provides greater safety) and the MPI implementation (special steps may be taken to make one-sided access to such memory more efficient). However, consider implementing a modifiable linked list using RMA operations; as new items are added to the list, memory must be allocated. In a C or C++ program, this memory is typically allocated using `malloc` or `new` respectively. With the previously described window creation procedures, the programmer must create a window with a predefined amount of memory and then implement routines for allocating memory from within the window’s memory. In addition, there is no easy way to handle the situation where the predefined amount of memory turns out to be inadequate. To support this model, the routine

`MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC` creates a window that makes it possible to expose memory without remote synchronization. It must be used in combination with the local routines `MPI_WIN_ATTACH` and `MPI_WIN_DETACH`.

```plaintext
MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC(info, comm, win)
IN info info argument (handle)
IN comm intra-communicator (handle)
OUT win window object (handle)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Win_create_dynamic(MPI_Info info, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Win *win)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Win_create_dynamic(info, comm, win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(OUT) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC(INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR
```

This procedure is collective over the group of `comm`. It returns a window `win` without memory attached. Existing MPI process memory can be attached as described below. This procedure returns a handle to a new window that can be used by MPI processes in the group of `comm` to perform RMA operations on attached memory. Because this window has special properties, it will sometimes be referred to as a **dynamic** window.

The `info` argument can be used to specify hints similar to the `info` argument for `MPI_WIN_CREATE`.

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In the case of a window created with `MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC`, the `target_disp` for all RMA functions is the address at the target; i.e., the effective `window_base` is `MPI_BOTTOM` and the `disp_unit` is one. For dynamic windows, the `target_disp` argument to RMA communication operations is not restricted to nonnegative values. Users should use `MPI_GET_ADDRESS` at the target process to determine the address of a target memory location and communicate this address to the origin process.

Advice to users. Users are cautioned that displacement arithmetic can overflow in variables of type `MPI_Aint` and result in unexpected values on some platforms. The `MPI_AINT_ADD` and `MPI_AINT_DIFF` functions can be used to safely perform address arithmetic with `MPI_Aint` displacements. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. In environments with heterogeneous data representations, care must be exercised in communicating addresses between `MPI` processes. For example, it is possible that an address valid at the target `MPI` process (for example, a 64-bit pointer) cannot be expressed as an address at the origin (for example, the origin uses 32-bit pointers). For this reason, a portable `MPI` implementation should ensure that the type `MPI_AINT` (see Table 3.3) is able to store addresses from any `MPI` process. (End of advice to implementors.)

Memory at the target cannot be accessed with this window until that memory has been attached using the function `MPI_WIN_ATTACH`. That is, in addition to using `MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC` to create an `MPI` window, the user must use `MPI_WIN_ATTACH` before any local memory may be the target of an `MPI` RMA operation. Only memory that is currently accessible may be attached.

```c
MPI_WIN_ATTACH(win, base, size)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Win_attach(MPI_Win win, void *base, MPI_Aint size)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Win_attach(win, base, size, ierror)
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_WIN_ATTACH(WIN, BASE, SIZE, IERROR)
```
Attaches a local memory region beginning at `base` for remote access within the given window. The memory region specified must not contain any part that is already attached to the window `win`, that is, attaching overlapping memory concurrently within the same window is erroneous. The argument `win` must be a window that was created with `MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC`. The local memory region attached to the window consists of `size` bytes, starting at address `base`. In C, `base` is the starting address of a memory region. In Fortran, one can pass the first element of a memory region or a whole array, which must be ‘simply contiguous’ (for ‘simply contiguous,’ see Section 19.1.12). Multiple (but nonoverlapping) memory regions may be attached to the same window.

**Rationale.** Requiring that memory be explicitly attached before it is exposed to one-sided access by other MPI processes can simplify implementations and improve performance. The ability to make memory available for RMA operations without requiring a collective `MPI_WIN_CREATE` call is needed for some one-sided programming models. *(End of rationale.)*

**Advice to users.** Attaching memory to a window may require the use of scarce resources; thus, attaching large regions of memory is not recommended in portable programs. Attaching memory to a window may fail if sufficient resources are not available; this is similar to the behavior of `MPI_ALLOC_MEM`.

The user is also responsible for ensuring that `MPI_WIN_ATTACH` at the target has returned before an MPI process attempts to target that memory with an MPI RMA operation.

Performing an RMA operation on memory that has not been attached to a window created with `MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC` is erroneous. *(End of advice to users.)*

**Advice to implementors.** A high-quality implementation will attempt to make as much memory available for attaching as possible. Any limitations should be documented by the implementor. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

`MPI_WIN_ATTACH` is a local procedure that is not collective. Memory may be detached with the procedure `MPI_WIN_DETACH`. After memory has been detached, it may not be the target of an MPI RMA operation on that window (unless the memory is re-attached with `MPI_WIN_ATTACH`).

```c
MPI_WIN_DETACH(win, base)
  IN win window object (handle)
  IN base initial address of memory to be detached (choice)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Win_detach(MPI_Win win, const void *base)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Win_detach(win, base, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: base
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```
Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_DETACH(WIN, BASE, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, IERROR
  <type> BASE(*)

Detaches a previously attached memory region beginning at base. The arguments
base and win must match the arguments passed to a previous call to
MPI_WIN_ATTACH. MPI_WIN_DETACH is a local procedure that is not collective.

Advice to users. Detaching memory may permit the implementation to make more
efficient use of special memory or provide memory that may be needed by a subsequent
MPI_WIN_ATTACH. Users are encouraged to detach memory that is no longer needed.
Memory should be detached before it is freed by the user. (End of advice to users.)

Memory becomes detached when the associated dynamic memory window is freed, see
Section 12.2.5.

12.2.5 Window Destruction

MPI_WIN_FREE(win)
  INOUT win window object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Win_free(MPI_Win *win)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_free(win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(INOUT) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_FREE(WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, IERROR

Frees the window object win and returns a null handle (equal to MPI_WIN_NULL). This
procedure is collective over the group associated with win. MPI_WIN_FREE can be invoked
by an MPI process only after it has completed its involvement in RMA communications on
window win: e.g., the MPI process has called MPI_WIN_FENCE, or called MPI_WIN_WAIT
to match a previous call to MPI_WIN_POST, called MPI_WIN_COMPLETE to match a previous call to
MPI_WIN_START, or called MPI_WIN_UNLOCK to match a previous call to
MPI_WIN_LOCK. The memory associated with windows created by a call to
MPI_WIN_CREATE may be freed after the call returns. If the window was created with
MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE, MPI_WIN_FREE will free the window memory that was allocated
in MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE. If the window was created with MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED,
MPI_WIN_FREE will free the window memory that was allocated in
MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED.
12.2 Initialization

Table 12.1: C types of attribute value argument to MPI_WIN_GETATTR and MPI_WIN_SETATTR

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Attribute</th>
<th>C Type</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MPI_WIN_BASE</td>
<td>void *</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_WIN_SIZE</td>
<td>MPI_Aint *</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_WIN_DISP_UNIT</td>
<td>int *</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_WIN_CREATE_FLAVOR</td>
<td>int *</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_WIN_MODEL</td>
<td>int *</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Freeing a window that was created with a call to MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC detaches all associated memory; i.e., it has the same effect as if all attached memory was detached by calls to MPI_WIN_DETACH.

MPI_WIN_FREE is required to delay its return until all accesses to the local window using passive target synchronization have completed. Therefore, it is synchronizing unless the window was created with the "no_locks" info key set to "true".

12.2.6 Window Attributes

The following attributes are cached with a window when the window is created.

- MPI_WIN_BASE: window base address.
- MPI_WIN_SIZE: window size, in bytes.
- MPI_WIN_DISP_UNIT: displacement unit associated with the window.
- MPI_WIN_CREATE_FLAVOR: how the window was created.
- MPI_WIN_MODEL: memory model for window.

In C, calls such as 

```c
MPI_Win_get_attr(win, MPI_WIN_BASE, &base, &flag),
MPI_Win_get_attr(win, MPI_WIN_SIZE, &size, &flag),
MPI_Win_get_attr(win, MPI_WIN_DISP_UNIT, &disp_unit, &flag),
MPI_Win_get_attr(win, MPI_WIN_CREATE_FLAVOR, &create_flavor, &flag),
``` and

```c
MPI_Win_get_attr(win, MPI_WIN_MODEL, &memory_model, &flag) will return in base a pointer to the start of the window win and in size, disp_unit, create_kind, and memory_model pointers to the size of the window, the displacement unit of the window, the flavor of the window, and the memory model of the window, respectively. A detailed listing of the type of the pointer in the attribute value argument to MPI_WIN_GETATTR and MPI_WIN_SETATTR is shown in Table 12.1.

In Fortran, calls such as 

```fortran
MPI_WIN_GET_ATTR(win, MPI_WIN_BASE, base, flag, ierror),
MPI_WIN_GET_ATTR(win, MPI_WIN_SIZE, size, flag, ierror),
MPI_WIN_GET_ATTR(win, MPI_WIN_DISP_UNIT, disp_unit, flag, ierror),
MPI_WIN_GET_ATTR(win, MPI_WIN_CREATE_FLAVOR, create_flavor, flag, ierror), and
MPI_WIN_GET_ATTR(win, MPI_WIN_MODEL, memory_model, flag, ierror) will return in base, size, disp_unit, create_kind, and memory_model the (integer representation of) the base address of the window, the size of the window, the displacement unit of the window, the flavor of the window, and the memory model of the window, respectively.
```

The values of create_kind are

```
MPI_WIN_FLAVOR_CREATE  Window was created with MPI_WIN_CREATE.
MPI_WIN_FLAVOR_ALLOCATE Window was created with MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE.
```

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Window was created with `MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC`.

Window was created with `MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED`.

The values of `memory_model` are `MPI_WIN_SEPARATE` and `MPI_WIN_UNIFIED`. The meaning of these is described in Section 12.4.

In the case of windows created with `MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC`, the base address is `MPI_BOTTOM` and the size is 0. In C, pointers are returned, and in Fortran, the values are returned, for the respective attributes. (The window attribute access functions are defined in Section 7.7.3.) The value returned for an attribute on a window is constant over the lifetime of the window.

The other “window attribute,” namely the group of MPI processes attached to the window, can be retrieved using the call below.

```
MPI_WIN_GET_GROUP(win, group)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_Win_get_group(MPI_Win win, MPI_Group *group)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Win_get_group(win, group, ierror)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
INTEGER WIN, GROUP, IERROR
```

`MPI_WIN_GET_GROUP` returns in `group` a duplicate of the group of the communicator used to create the window associated with `win`.

12.2.7 Window Info

Hints specified via `info` (see Section 10) allow a user to provide information to direct optimization. Providing hints may enable an implementation to deliver increased performance or use system resources more efficiently. As described in Section 10, an implementation is free to ignore all hints; however, applications must comply with any info hints they provide that are used by the MPI implementation (i.e., are returned by a call to `MPI_WIN_GET_INFO`) and that place a restriction on the behavior of the application. Hints are specified on a per window basis, in window creation functions and `MPI_WIN_SET_INFO`, via the opaque `info` object. When an `info` object that specifies a subset of valid hints is passed to `MPI_WIN_SET_INFO` there will be no effect on previously set or default hints that the `info` does not specify.
Advice to implementors. It may happen that a program is coded with hints for one system, and later executes on another system that does not support these hints. In general, unsupported hints should simply be ignored. Needless to say, no hint can be mandatory. However, for each hint used by a specific implementation, a default value must be provided when the user does not specify a value for the hint. (End of advice to implementors.)

\[
\text{MPI\_WIN\_SET\_INFO}(\text{win, info})
\]
\[
\text{INOT\hspace{1em} win\hspace{1em} window object (handle)}
\]
\[
\text{IN\hspace{1em} info\hspace{1em} info argument (handle)}
\]

C binding
\[
\text{int MPI\_Win\_set\_info(MPI\_Win win, MPI\_Info info)}
\]

Fortran 2008 binding
\[
\text{MPI\_Win\_set\_info(win, info, ierror)}
\]
\[
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win}
\]
\[
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info}
\]
\[
\text{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror}
\]

Fortran binding
\[
\text{MPI\_WIN\_SET\_INFO(WIN, INFO, IERROR)}
\]
\[
\text{INTEGER WIN, INFO, IERROR}
\]

\text{MPI\_WIN\_SET\_INFO} updates the hints of the window associated with win using the hints provided in info. This operation has no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that are not specified by info. It also has no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that are specified by info, but are ignored by the MPI implementation in this call to \text{MPI\_WIN\_SET\_INFO}. The procedure is collective over the group of win. The entries in the info object may be different on each MPI process, but any info entries that an implementation requires to be the same on all MPI processes must appear with the same value in each MPI process’s info object.

Advice to users. Some info items that an implementation can use when it creates a window cannot easily be changed once the window has been created. Thus, an implementation may ignore hints issued in this call that it would have accepted in a creation call. An implementation may also be unable to update certain info hints in a call to \text{MPI\_WIN\_SET\_INFO}. \text{MPI\_WIN\_GET\_INFO} can be used to determine whether info changes were ignored by the implementation. (End of advice to users.)

\[
\text{MPI\_WIN\_GET\_INFO}(\text{win, info\_used})
\]
\[
\text{IN\hspace{1em} win\hspace{1em} window object (handle)}
\]
\[
\text{OUT\hspace{1em} info\_used\hspace{1em} new info object (handle)}
\]

C binding
\[
\text{int MPI\_Win\_get\_info(MPI\_Win win, MPI\_Info *info\_used)}
\]
Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Win_get_info(win, info_used, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info_used
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_WIN_GET_INFO(WIN, INFO_USED, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, INFO_USED, IERROR

MPI_WIN_GET_INFO returns a new info object containing the hints of the window associated with win. The current setting of all hints that are supported by the implementation and have default values specified; any user-supplied hints that were not ignored by the implementation; and any additional hints that were set by the implementation. If no such hints exist, a handle to a newly created info object is returned that contains no key/value pair. The user is responsible for freeing info_used via MPI_INFO_FREE.

12.3 Communication Calls

MPI supports the following RMA communication calls: MPI_PUT and MPI_RPUT transfer data from the caller memory (origin) to the target memory; MPI_GET and MPI_RGET transfer data from the target memory to the caller memory; MPI_ACCUMULATE and MPI_RACCUMULATE perform element-wise atomic updates of locations in the target memory, e.g., by adding to these locations values sent from the caller memory; MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE, MPI_RGET_ACCUMULATE, and MPI_FETCH_AND_OP perform element-wise atomic read-modify-write updates and return each value before the update; and MPI_COMPARE_AND_SWAP performs a remote atomic compare and swap operation. These procedures are nonblocking. The operation is completed, at the origin or both the origin and the target, when a subsequent synchronization procedure is called by the origin on the involved window object. These synchronization procedures are described in Section 12.5. RMA communication operations can also be completed with calls to flush procedures; see Section 12.5.4 for details. Request-based operations MPI_RPUT, MPI_RGET, MPI_RACCUMULATE, and MPI_RGET_ACCUMULATE can be completed at the origin by using the MPI test or wait procedures described in Section 3.7.3.

The local communication buffer of an RMA operation should not be updated after the operation started and until the operation completes at the origin. The local communication buffer of a get operation should not be accessed after the operation started and until the operation completes at the origin.

Two concurrent accesses are called conflicting if one of the two is a put operation, exactly one of them is an accumulate operation, or one of them is a get operation and the other is a local store access. The outcome of conflicting accesses to the same memory location is undefined; if a location is updated by a put or accumulate operation, then the outcome of loads or other RMA operations is undefined until the updating operation has completed at the target. There is one exception to this rule; namely, the same location can be updated by several concurrent accumulate operations, the outcome being as if these updates occurred in some order. In addition, the outcome of concurrent load/store accesses and RMA updates
to the same memory location is undefined. These restrictions are described in more detail in Section 12.7.

The calls use general datatype arguments to specify communication buffers at the origin and at the target. Thus, a transfer operation may also gather data at the source and scatter it at the destination. However, all arguments specifying both communication buffers are provided by the caller.

For all RMA communication operations, the target process may be identical with the origin process; i.e., an MPI process may use an RMA operation to move data in its memory.

*Rationale.* The choice of supporting “self-communication” is the same as for message-passing. It simplifies some coding, and is very useful with accumulate operations, to allow atomic updates of local variables. (*End of rationale.*)

MPI_PROC_NULL is a valid target rank in all MPI RMA communication calls. The effect is the same as for MPI_PROC_NULL in MPI point-to-point communication. After any RMA operation with rank MPI_PROC_NULL, it is still necessary to close the RMA epoch with the synchronization method that opened the epoch.

12.3.1 Put

The execution of a put operation is similar to the execution of a send by the origin process and a matching receive by the target process. The obvious difference is that all arguments are provided by one call—the call executed by the origin process.

MPI_PUT(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, win)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>origin_addr</td>
<td>initial address of origin buffer (choice)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>origin_count</td>
<td>number of entries in origin buffer (non-negative integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>origin_datatype</td>
<td>datatype of each entry in origin buffer (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>target_rank</td>
<td>rank of target (non-negative integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>target_disp</td>
<td>displacement from start of window to target buffer (non-negative integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>target_count</td>
<td>number of entries in target buffer (non-negative integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>target_datatype</td>
<td>datatype of each entry in target buffer (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>win</td>
<td>window used for communication (handle)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

C binding

```c
int MPI_Put(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count, 
             MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank, 
             MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count, 
             MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win)
```

```c
int MPI_Put_c(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count, 
               MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank, 
               MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count, 
               MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win)
```
MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Put(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
        target_count, target_datatype, win, ierror)

          TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
          INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, target_count
          TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
          INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
          TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
          INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Put(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
        target_count, target_datatype, win, ierror) !(_c)

          TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
          INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_count
          TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
          INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
          TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
          INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
          TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
          INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_PUT(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP,
        TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, IERROR)

  <type> ORIGIN_ADDR(*)
  INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT,
  TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

Transfers origin_count successive entries of the type specified by the origin_datatype,
starting at address origin_addr on the origin process, to the target process specified by the
win, target_rank pair. The data are written in the target buffer at address target_addr =
window_base + target_disp \times disp_unit, where window_base and disp_unit are the base address
and window displacement unit specified at window initialization, by the target process.
The target buffer is specified by the arguments target_count and target_datatype.
The data transfer is the same as that which would occur if the origin process executed
a send operation with arguments origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype,
target_rank, tag, comm, and the target process executed a receive operation with arguments
target_addr, target_count, target_datatype, source, tag, comm, where target_addr is the target
buffer address computed as explained above, the values of tag are arbitrary valid matching
tag values, and comm is a communicator for the group of win.
The communication must satisfy the same constraints as for a similar message-passing
communication. The target_datatype may not specify overlapping entries in the target
buffer. The message sent must fit, without truncation, in the target buffer. Furthermore,
the target buffer must fit in the target window or in attached memory in a dynamic window.
The target_datatype argument is a handle to a datatype object defined at the origin
process. However, this object is interpreted at the target process: the outcome is as if
the target datatype object was defined at the target process by the same sequence of calls
used to define it at the origin process. The target datatype must contain only relative displacements, not absolute addresses. The same holds for get and accumulate operations.

*Advice to users.* The `target_datatype` argument is a handle to a datatype object that is defined at the origin process, even though it defines a data layout in the target process memory. This causes no problems in a homogeneous environment, or in a heterogeneous environment if only portable datatypes are used (portable datatypes are defined in Section 2.4).

The performance of a put transfer can be significantly affected, on some systems, by the choice of window location and the shape and location of the origin and target buffer: transfers to a target window in memory allocated by `MPI_ALLOC_MEM` or `MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE` may be much faster on shared memory systems; transfers from contiguous buffers will be faster on most, if not all, systems; the alignment of the communication buffers may also impact performance. (*End of advice to users.*)

*Advice to implementors.* A high-quality implementation will attempt to prevent remote accesses to memory outside the window that was exposed by the MPI process. This is important both for debugging purposes and for protection with client-server codes that use RMA. That is, a high-quality implementation will check, if possible, window bounds on each RMA call, and raise an error at the origin call if an out-of-bound situation occurs. Note that the condition can be checked at the origin. Of course, the added safety achieved by such checks has to be weighed against the added cost of such checks. (*End of advice to implementors.*)

### 12.3.2 Get

```
MPI_GET(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, targetDisp, target_count, target_datatype, win)
```

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>OUT</th>
<th>origin_addr</th>
<th>initial address of origin buffer (choice)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>origin_count</td>
<td>number of entries in origin buffer (non-negative integer)</td>
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<td>origin_datatype</td>
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<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>target_rank</td>
<td>rank of target (non-negative integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>targetDisp</td>
<td>displacement from window start to the beginning of the target buffer (non-negative integer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>target_count</td>
<td>number of entries in target buffer (non-negative integer)</td>
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<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>target_datatype</td>
<td>datatype of each entry in target buffer (handle)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>win</td>
<td>window used for communication (handle)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

* C binding
```
int MPI_Get(void *origin_addr, int origin_count, MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, 
             int target_rank, MPI_Aint targetDisp, int target_count, 
             MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win)
```

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```c
int MPI_Get_c(void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
               MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
               MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
               MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Get(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
         target_count, target_datatype, win, ierror)
```

```fortran
TYPE(*) :: origin_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

```fortran
MPI_Get(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
         target_count, target_datatype, win, ierror) !(_c)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_GET(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP,
        TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, IERROR)
```

```
<type> ORIGIN_ADDR(*)
 INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT,
        TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, IERROR
 INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP
```

Similar to MPI_PUT, except that the direction of data transfer is reversed. Data are copied from the target memory to the origin. The `origin_datatype` may not specify overlapping entries in the origin buffer. The target buffer must be contained within the target window or within attached memory in a dynamic window, and the copied data must fit, without truncation, in the origin buffer.

### 12.3.3 Examples for Communication Calls

These examples show the use of the `MPI_GET` procedure. As all MPI RMA communication procedures are nonblocking, the associated operations must be completed by subsequent calls to synchronization procedures. In the following example, completion is accomplished with the routine `MPI_WIN_FENCE`, introduced in Section 12.5.

**Example 12.1.** We show how to implement the generic indirect assignment `A = B(map)`, where `A`, `B`, and `map` have the same distribution, and `map` is a permutation. To simplify, we assume a block distribution with equal size blocks.

```fortran
SUBROUTINE MAPVALS(A, B, map, m, comm, p)
```
USE MPI
INTEGER m, map(m), comm, p
REAL A(m), B(m)

INTEGER otype(p), oindex(m), & ! used to construct origin datatypes
type(p), tindex(m), & ! used to construct target datatypes
count(p), total(p), &
disp_int, win, ierr, i, j, k
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) lowerbound, size, realextent, disp_aint

! This part does the work that depends on the locations of B.
! Can be reused while this does not change
CALL MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT(MPI_REAL, lowerbound, realextent, ierr)
disp_int = realextent
size = m * realextent
CALL MPI_WIN_CREATE(B, size, disp_int, MPI_INFO_NULL, &
comm, win, ierr)

! This part does the work that depends on the value of map and
! the locations of the arrays.
! Can be reused while these do not change

! Compute number of entries to be received from each process
DO i=1,p
  count(i) = 0
END DO
DO i=1,m
  j = map(i)/m + 1
  count(j) = count(j) + 1
END DO

total(1) = 0
DO i=2,p
  total(i) = total(i-1) + count(i-1)
END DO
DO i=1,p
  count(i) = 0
END DO

! Compute origin and target indices of entries.
! Entry i at current process is received from location
! k at process (j-1), where map(i) = (j-1)*m + (k-1),
! j = 1..p and k = 1..m
DO i=1,m
  j = map(i)/m + 1
  k = MOD(map(i), m) + 1
  count(j) = count(j) + 1
  oindex(total(j) + count(j)) = i
  tindex(total(j) + count(j)) = k
END DO

! Create origin and target datatypes for each get operation
DO i=1,p
CALL MPI_TYPE_CREATE_INDEXED_BLOCK(count(i), 1, &
oindex(total(i)+1:total(i)+count(i)), &
MPI_REAL, otype(i), ierr)

CALL MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(otype(i), ierr)
CALL MPI_TYPE_CREATE_INDEXED_BLOCK(count(i), 1, &
tindex(total(i)+1:total(i)+count(i)), &
MPI_REAL, ttype(i), ierr)

CALL MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(ttype(i), ierr)
END DO

! this part does the assignment itself
CALL MPI_WIN_FENCE(0, win, ierr)
disp_aint = 0
DO i=1,p
   CALL MPI_GET(A, 1, otype(i), i-1, disp_aint, 1, ttype(i), win, ierr)
END DO
CALL MPI_WIN_FENCE(0, win, ierr)
CALL MPI_WIN_FREE(win, ierr)
DO i=1,p
   CALL MPI_TYPE_FREE(otype(i), ierr)
   CALL MPI_TYPE_FREE(ttype(i), ierr)
END DO
RETURN
END

Example 12.2. A simpler version can be written that does not require that a datatype
be built for the target buffer. One then needs a separate get operation for each entry, as
illustrated below. This code is much simpler, but usually much less efficient, for large arrays.

SUBROUTINE MAPVALS(A, B, map, m, comm, p)
USE MPI
INTEGER m, map(m), comm, p
REAL A(m), B(m)
INTEGER disp_int, i, j, win, ierr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) lowerbound, size, realextent, disp_aint
CALL MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT(MPI_REAL, lowerbound, realextent, ierr)
disp_int = realextent
size = m * realextent
CALL MPI_WIN_CREATE(B, size, disp_int, MPI_INFO_NULL, &
comm, win, ierr)

CALL MPI_WIN_FENCE(0, win, ierr)
DO i=1,m
   j = map(i)/m
   disp_aint = MOD(map(i),m)
   CALL MPI_GET(A(i), 1, MPI_REAL, j, disp_aint, 1, MPI_REAL, win, ierr)
END DO
CALL MPI_WIN_FENCE(0, win, ierr)
CALL MPI_WIN_FREE(win, ierr)
RETURN
END
12.3.4 Accumulate Functions

It is often useful in a put operation to combine the data moved to the target process with the data that resides at that MPI process, rather than replacing it. This will allow, for example, the accumulation of a sum by having all involved MPI processes add their contributions to the sum variable in the memory of one MPI process. The accumulate functions have slightly different semantics with respect to overlapping data accesses than the put and get functions; see Section 12.7 for details.

Accumulate

MPI_ACCUMULATE(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, op, win)

IN origin_addr initial address of buffer (choice)
IN origin_count number of entries in buffer (non-negative integer)
IN origin_datatype datatype of each entry (handle)
IN target_rank rank of target (non-negative integer)
IN target_disp displacement from start of window to beginning of target buffer (non-negative integer)
IN target_count number of entries in target buffer (non-negative integer)
IN target_datatype datatype of each entry in target buffer (handle)
IN op accumulate operator (handle)
IN win window object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Accumulate(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count,
    MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
    MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
    MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Accumulate_c(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
    MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
    MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
    MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Accumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank,
    target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, op, win, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win

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INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Accumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, op, win, ierror)

Fortran binding

MPI_ACCUMULATE(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, IERROR)

Accumulate the contents of the origin buffer (as defined by origin_addr, origin_count, and origin_datatype) to the buffer specified by arguments target_count and target_datatype, at offset target_disp, in the target window specified by target_rank and win, using the operator op. This is like MPI_PUT except that data is combined into the target area instead of overwriting it.

Any of the predefined operators for MPI_REDUCE can be used. User-defined operators cannot be used. For example, if op is MPI_SUM, each element of the origin buffer is added to the corresponding element in the target, replacing the former value in the target.

Each datatype argument must be a predefined datatype or a derived datatype, where all basic components are of the same predefined datatype. Both datatype arguments must be constructed from the same predefined datatype. The operator op applies to elements of that predefined type. The parameter target_datatype must not specify overlapping entries, and the target buffer must fit in the target window.

An additional predefined operator, MPI_REPLACE, is defined. It corresponds to the associative function \( f(a, b) = b \); i.e., the current value in the target memory is replaced by the value supplied by the origin.

MPI_REPLACE can be used only in MPI_ACCUMULATE, MPI_RACCUMULATE, MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE, MPI_FETCH_AND_OP, and MPI_RGET_ACCUMULATE, but not in collective reduction operations such as MPI_REDUCE.

Advice to users. MPI_PUT can be considered a special case of MPI_ACCUMULATE with the operator MPI_REPLACE. Note, however, that MPI_PUT and MPI_ACCUMULATE have different constraints on concurrent updates. (End of advice to users.)

Example 12.3. We want to compute \( B(j) = \sum_{\mathrm{map}(i)=j} A(i) \). The arrays A, B, and map are distributed in the same manner. We write the simple version.
This code is identical to the code in Example 12.2, except that a call to MPI_GET has been replaced by a call to MPI_ACCUMULATE. (Note that, if map is one-to-one, the code computes \( B = A(\text{map}^{-1}) \), which is the reverse assignment to the one computed in that previous example.) In a similar manner, we can replace in Example 12.1, the call to get by a call to accumulate, thus performing the computation with only one communication between any two MPI processes.

Get Accumulate

It is often useful to have fetch-and-accumulate semantics such that the remote data is returned to the caller before the sent data is accumulated into the remote data. The get and accumulate steps are executed atomically for each basic element in the datatype (see Section 12.7 for details). The predefined operator MPI_REPLACE provides fetch-and-set behavior.

\[
\text{MPI}_\text{GET}_\text{ACCUMULATE}(\text{origin\_addr}, \text{origin\_count}, \text{origin\_datatype}, \text{result\_addr}, \\
\text{result\_count}, \text{result\_datatype}, \text{target\_rank}, \text{target\_disp}, \text{target\_count}, \\
\text{target\_datatype}, \text{op}, \text{win})
\]

- IN `origin_addr` initial address of buffer (choice)
- IN `origin_count` number of entries in origin buffer (non-negative integer)
- IN `origin_datatype` datatype of each entry in origin buffer (handle)
- OUT `result_addr` initial address of result buffer (choice)
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IN result_count number of entries in result buffer (non-negative integer)
IN result_datatype datatype of each entry in result buffer (handle)
IN target_rank rank of target (non-negative integer)
IN target_disp displacement from start of window to beginning of target buffer (non-negative integer)
IN target_count number of entries in target buffer (non-negative integer)
IN target_datatype datatype of each entry in target buffer (handle)
IN op accumulate operator (handle)
IN win window object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Get_accumulate(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count, MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, void *result_addr, int result_count, MPI_Datatype result_datatype, int target_rank, MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count, MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Get_accumulate_c(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count, MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, void *result_addr, MPI_Count result_count, MPI_Datatype result_datatype, int target_rank, MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count, MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Get_accumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, result_addr, result_count, result_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, op, win, ierror)

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TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, result_datatype, target_datatype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: result_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, RESULT_ADDR,
RESULT_COUNT, RESULT_DATATYPE, TARGET_DATATYPE, TARGET_ADDRESS_KIND, TARGET_DISP,
TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, IERROR)

Accumulate origin_count elements of type origin_datatype from the origin buffer (origin_addr) to the buffer at offset target_disp, in the target window specified by target_rank and win, using the operator op and return in the result buffer result_addr the content of the target buffer before the accumulation, specified by target_disp, target_count, and target_datatype. The data transferred from origin to target must fit, without truncation, in the target buffer. Likewise, the data copied from target to origin must fit, without truncation, in the result buffer.

The origin and result buffers (origin_addr and result_addr) must be disjoint. Each datatype argument must be a predefined datatype or a derived datatype where all basic components are of the same predefined datatype. All datatype arguments must be constructed from the same predefined datatype. The operator op applies to elements of that predefined type. target_datatype must not specify overlapping entries, and the target buffer must fit in the target window or in attached memory in a dynamic window. The operation is executed atomically for each basic datatype; see Section 12.7 for details.

Any of the predefined operators for MPI_REDUCE, as well as MPI_NO_OP or MPI_REPLACE can be specified as op. User-defined functions cannot be used. An additional predefined operator, MPI_NO_OP, is defined. It corresponds to the associative function \( f(a, b) = a \); i.e., the current value in the target memory is returned in the result buffer at the origin and the target buffer is not updated. If MPI_NO_OP is specified as the operator, the origin_addr, origin_count, and origin_datatype arguments are ignored. MPI_NO_OP can be used only in MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE, MPI_RGET_ACCUMULATE, and MPI_FETCH_AND_OP. MPI_NO_OP cannot be used in MPI_ACCUMULATE, MPI_RACCUMULATE, or collective reduction operations, such as MPI_REDUCE and others.

Advice to users. MPI_GET is similar to MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE, with the operator MPI_NO_OP. Note, however, that MPI_GET and MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE have different constraints on concurrent updates. (End of advice to users.)

Fetch and Op
The generic functionality of MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE might limit the performance of fetch-and-increment or fetch-and-add calls that might be supported by special hardware oper-
MPI_FETCH_AND_OP thus allows for a fast implementation of a commonly used subset of the functionality of MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE.

MPI_FETCH_AND_OP(origin_addr, result_addr, datatype, target_rank, target_disp, op, win)

IN origin_addr initial address of buffer (choice)
OUT result_addr initial address of result buffer (choice)
IN datatype datatype of the entry in origin, result, and target buffers (handle)
IN target_rank rank of target (non-negative integer)
IN target_disp displacement from start of window to beginning of target buffer (non-negative integer)
IN op accumulate operator (handle)
IN win window object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Fetch_and_op(const void *origin_addr, void *result_addr,
                     MPI_Datatype datatype, int target_rank, MPI_Aint target_disp,
                     MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Fetch_and_op(origin_addr, result_addr, datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
                 op, win, ierror)

TYPE(*) DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
TYPE(*) DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: result_addr
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

FORTRAN binding
MPI_FETCH_AND_OP(ORIGIN_ADDR, RESULT_ADDR, DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP,
                 OP, WIN, IERROR)

Accumulate one element of type datatype from the origin buffer origin_addr to the buffer at offset target_disp, in the target window specified by target_rank and win, using the operator op and return in the result buffer result_addr the content of the target buffer before the accumulation.

The origin and result buffers (origin_addr and result_addr) must be disjoint. Any of the predefined operators for MPI_REDUCE, as well as MPI_NO_OP or MPI_REPLACE, can be specified as op; user-defined functions cannot be used. The datatype argument must be a predefined datatype. The operation is executed atomically.
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**Compare and Swap**

Another useful operation is an atomic compare and swap where the value at the origin is compared to the value at the target, which is atomically replaced by a third value only if the values at origin and target are equal.

```c
MPI_COMPARE_AND_SWAP(origin_addr, compare_addr, result_addr, datatype, target_rank, target_disp, win)
```

| IN | origin_addr | initial address of buffer (choice) |
| IN | compare_addr | initial address of compare buffer (choice) |
| OUT | result_addr | initial address of result buffer (choice) |
| IN | datatype | datatype of the element in all buffers (handle) |
| IN | target_rank | rank of target (non-negative integer) |
| IN | targetDisp | displacement from start of window to beginning of target buffer (non-negative integer) |
| IN | win | window object (handle) |

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Compare_and_swap(const void *origin_addr, const void *compare_addr, void *result_addr, MPI_Datatype datatype, int target_rank, MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Win win)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Compare_and_swap(origin_addr, compare_addr, result_addr, datatype, target_rank, target_disp, win, ierror)
```

| TYPE(*) | DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS | origin_addr |
| TYPE(*) | DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS | result_addr |
| TYPE(MPI_Datatype) | INTENT(IN) | datatype |
| INTEGER | INTENT(IN) | target_rank |
| INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) | INTENT(IN) | target_disp |
| TYPE(MPI_Win) | INTENT(IN) | win |
| INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) | ierror |

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_COMPARE_AND_SWAP(ORIGIN_ADDR(*), COMPARE_ADDR(*), RESULT_ADDR(*), DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP, WIN, IERROR)
```

This function compares one element of type `datatype` in the compare buffer `compare_addr` with the buffer at offset `targetDisp` in the target window specified by `target_rank` and `win` and replaces the value at the target with the value in the origin buffer `origin_addr` if the compare buffer and the target buffer are identical. The original value at the target is returned in the buffer `result_addr`. The parameter `datatype` must belong to one of the following categories of predefined datatypes: C integer, Fortran integer, Logical,
Multi-language types, or Byte as specified in Section 6.9.2. The origin and result buffers (origin_addr and result_addr) must be disjoint.

12.3.5 Request-based RMA Communication Operations

Request-based RMA communication operations allow the user to associate a request handle with the RMA operations and test or wait for the completion of these requests using the functions described in Section 3.7.3. Request-based RMA operations are only valid within a passive target epoch (see Section 12.5).

Upon returning from a completion call in which an RMA operation completes, all fields of the status object, if any, and the results of status query functions (e.g., MPI_GET_COUNT) are undefined with the exception of MPI_ERROR if appropriate (see Section 3.2.5). It is valid to mix different request types (e.g., any combination of RMA requests, collective requests, I/O requests, generalized requests, or point-to-point requests) in functions that enable multiple completions (e.g., MPI_WAITALL). It is erroneous to call MPI_REQUEST_FREE or MPI_CANCEL for a request associated with an RMA operation. RMA requests are not persistent.

The closing of the epoch, or explicit bulk synchronization using MPI_WIN_FLUSH, MPI_WIN_FLUSH_ALL, MPI_WIN_FLUSH_LOCAL, or MPI_WIN_FLUSH_LOCAL_ALL, also indicates completion of request-based RMA operations on the specified window. However, users must still free the request by testing, waiting, or calling MPI_REQUEST_FREE on the request handle to allow the MPI implementation to release any resources associated with these requests.

**MPI_RPUT**

```c
IN origin_addr initial address of origin buffer (choice)
IN origin_count number of entries in origin buffer (non-negative integer)
IN origin_datatype datatype of each entry in origin buffer (handle)
IN target_rank rank of target (non-negative integer)
IN target_disp displacement from start of window to target buffer (non-negative integer)
IN target_count number of entries in target buffer (non-negative integer)
IN target_datatype datatype of each entry in target buffer (handle)
IN win window used for communication (handle)
OUT request RMA request (handle)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Rput(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count,
              MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
              MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
              MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win, MPI_Request *request)
```
int MPI_Rput(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
               MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
               MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
               MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Rput(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
         target_count, target_datatype, win, request, ierror)
         TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
         INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, target_count
         TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
         INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
         TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
         TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
         INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Rput(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
         target_count, target_datatype, win, request, ierror) !(_c)
         TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
         INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_count
         TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
         INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
         INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
         TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
         TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
         INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_RPUT(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP,
         TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR)
         <type> ORIGIN_ADDR(*)
         INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT,
         TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR
         INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

MPI_RPUT is similar to MPI_PUT (Section 12.3.1), except that it allocates a communication request object and associates it with the request handle (the argument request). The completion of the operation at the origin (i.e., after the corresponding test or wait) indicates that the sender is now free to update the locations in the origin buffer. It does not indicate that the data is available at the target window. If remote completion is required, MPI_WIN_FLUSH, MPI_WIN_FLUSH_ALL, MPI_WIN_UNLOCK, or MPI_WIN_UNLOCK_ALL can be used.

MPI_RGET(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, win, request)

OUT origin_addr initial address of origin buffer (choice)
IN origin_count number of entries in origin buffer (non-negative integer)
IN origin_datatype
  datatype of each entry in origin buffer (handle)

IN target_rank
  rank of target (non-negative integer)

IN target_disp
  displacement from window start to the beginning of
  the target buffer (non-negative integer)

IN target_count
  number of entries in target buffer (non-negative integer)

IN target_datatype
  datatype of each entry in target buffer (handle)

IN win
  window used for communication (handle)

OUT request
  RMA request (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Rget(void *origin_addr, int origin_count, MPI_Datatype origin_datatype,
              int target_rank, MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
              MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Rget_c(void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
               MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
               MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
               MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Rget(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
         target_count, target_datatype, win, request, ierror)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, target_count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Rget(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
         target_count, target_datatype, win, request, ierror) !(_c)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_RGET(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP,
         TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR)

  <type> ORIGIN_ADDR(*)
  INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT,
  TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR
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**MPI_RGET** is similar to MPI_GET (Section 12.3.2), except that it allocates a communication request object and associates it with the request handle (the argument request) that can be used to wait or test for completion of the operation at the origin, which indicates that the data is available in the origin buffer. If origin_addr points to memory attached to a window, then the data becomes available in the private copy of this window.

**MPI_RACCUMULATE** (origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, op, win, request)

IN origin_addr  initial address of buffer (choice)
IN origin_count  number of entries in buffer (non-negative integer)
IN origin_datatype  datatype of each entry in origin buffer (handle)
IN target_rank  rank of target (non-negative integer)
IN target_disp  displacement from start of window to beginning of target buffer (non-negative integer)
IN target_count  number of entries in target buffer (non-negative integer)
IN target_datatype  datatype of each entry in target buffer (handle)
IN op  accumulate operator (handle)
IN win  window object (handle)
OUT request  RMA request (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Raccumulate(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count,
        MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
        MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
        MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win,
        MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Raccumulate_c(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
        MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
        MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
        MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win,
        MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Raccumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank,
        target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, op, win, request, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, target_count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
```
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TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Raccumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, 
    target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, op, win, request, 
    ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_RACCUMULATE(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, 
    TARGET_DISP, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, REQUEST, 
    IERROR)
$type$ ORIGIN_ADDR(*)
INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT, 
    TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

MPI_RACCUMULATE is similar to MPI_ACCUMULATE (Section 12.3.4), except that 
it allocates a communication request object and associates it with the request handle (the 
argument request) that can be used to wait or test for completion. The completion of the 
operation at the origin (i.e., after the corresponding test or wait) indicates that the origin 
buffer is free to be updated. It does not indicate that the operation has completed at the 
target window.

MPI_RGET_ACCUMULATE(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, result_addr, 
    result_count, result_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, target_count, 
    target_datatype, op, win, request)

IN origin_addr initial address of buffer (choice)
IN origin_count number of entries in origin buffer (non-negative integer)
IN origin_datatype datatype of each entry in origin buffer (handle)
OUT result_addr initial address of result buffer (choice)
IN result_count number of entries in result buffer (non-negative integer)
IN result_datatype datatype of entries in result buffer (handle)
IN target_rank rank of target (non-negative integer)
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**IN**
- `target_disp`: displacement from start of window to beginning of target buffer (non-negative integer)
- `target_count`: number of entries in target buffer (non-negative integer)
- `target_datatype`: datatype of each entry in target buffer (handle)
- `op`: accumulate operator (handle)
- `win`: window object (handle)

**OUT**
- `request`: RMA request (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Rget_accumulate(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count,
                        MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, void *result_addr,
                        int result_count, MPI_Datatype result_datatype, int target_rank,
                        MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
                        MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win,
                        MPI_Request *request)
```

```c
int MPI_Rget_accumulate_c(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
                          MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, void *result_addr,
                          MPI_Count result_count, MPI_Datatype result_datatype,
                          int target_rank, MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
                          MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win,
                          MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Rget_accumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, result_addr,
                     result_count, result_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
                     target_count, target_datatype, op, win, request, ierror)
```

```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, result_count, target_rank,
                      target_count
```

```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, result_datatype,
                                target_datatype
```

```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: result_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
```

```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
```

```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
```

```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
```

```fortran
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

```fortran
MPI_Rget_accumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, result_addr,
                     result_count, result_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
                     target_count, target_datatype, op, win, request, ierror) !(_c)
```

```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, result_count,
```

```fortran
target_count
```

```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, result_datatype,
```

```fortran
target_datatype
```
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TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: result_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_RGET_ACCUMULATE(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, RESULT_ADDR,
RESULT_COUNT, RESULT_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP,
TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR)

MPI_RGET_ACCUMULATE is similar to MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE (Section 12.3.4), except that it allocates a communication request object and associates it with the request handle (the argument request) that can be used to wait or test for completion. The completion of the operation at the origin (i.e., after the corresponding test or wait) indicates that the data is available in the result buffer and the origin buffer is free to be updated. It does not indicate that the operation has been completed at the target window.

12.4 Memory Model

The memory semantics of RMA are best understood by using the concept of public and private window copies. We assume that systems have a public memory region that is addressable by all MPI processes (e.g., the shared memory in shared memory machines or the exposed main memory in distributed memory machines). In addition, most machines have fast private buffers (e.g., transparent caches or explicit communication buffers) local to each MPI process where copies of data elements from the main memory can be stored for faster access. Such buffers are either coherent, i.e., all updates to main memory are reflected in all private copies consistently, or noncoherent, i.e., conflicting accesses to main memory need to be synchronized and updated in all private copies explicitly. Coherent systems allow direct updates to remote memory without any participation of the remote side. Noncoherent systems, however, need to call RMA functions in order to reflect updates to the public window in their private memory. Thus, in coherent memory, the public and the private window are identical while they remain logically separate in the noncoherent case. MPI thus differentiates between two memory models called RMA unified, if public and private window are logically identical, and RMA separate, otherwise.

In the RMA separate model, there is only one instance of each variable in MPI process memory, but a distinct public copy of the variable for each window that contains it. A load accesses the instance in MPI process memory (this includes MPI sends). A local store accesses and updates the instance in MPI process memory (this includes MPI receives), but the update may affect other public copies of the same locations. A get on a window accesses the public copy of that window. A put or accumulate on a window accesses and updates
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RMA communications fall in two categories:

**active target communication**, where data is moved from the memory of one MPI process

to the memory of another, and both are explicitly involved in the communication. This

communication pattern is similar to message passing, except that all the data transfer
arguments are provided by the origin process, and the target process only participates in the synchronization.

**passive target communication,** where data is moved from the memory of one MPI process to the memory of another, and only the origin process is explicitly involved in the transfer. Thus, two origin processes may communicate by accessing the same location in a target window. The MPI process that owns the target window may be distinct from the two communicating MPI processes, in which case it does not participate explicitly in the communication. This communication paradigm is closest to a shared memory model, where shared data can be accessed by all MPI processes, irrespective of location.

RMA communication calls with argument `win` must occur at an origin process only within an **access epoch** for `win`. Such an epoch is opened with an RMA synchronization call on `win`; it proceeds with zero or more RMA communication calls (e.g., `MPI_PUT`, `MPI_GET` or `MPI_ACCUMULATE`) on `win`; it is closed with another synchronization call on `win`. This allows users to amortize one synchronization with multiple data transfers and provide implementors more flexibility in the implementation of RMA operations.

Distinct access epochs for `win` at the same MPI process must be disjoint. On the other hand, epochs pertaining to different `win` arguments may overlap. Load/store accesses or other MPI calls may also occur during an epoch.

In active target communication, a target window can be accessed by RMA operations only within an **exposure epoch**. Such an epoch is opened and closed by RMA synchronization calls executed by the target process. Distinct exposure epochs at an MPI process on the same window must be disjoint, but such an exposure epoch may overlap with exposure epochs on other windows or with access epochs for the same or other window arguments.

There is a one-to-one matching between access epochs at origin processes and exposure epochs on target processes: RMA operations issued by an origin process for a target window will access that target window during the same exposure epoch if and only if they were issued during the same access epoch.

In passive target communication the target process does not execute RMA synchronization calls, and there is no concept of an exposure epoch.

MPI provides three synchronization mechanisms:

1. The `MPI_WIN_FENCE` collective synchronization call supports a simple synchronization pattern that is often used in parallel computations: namely a loosely-synchronous model, where global computation phases alternate with global communication phases. This mechanism is most useful for loosely synchronous algorithms where the graph of communicating MPI processes changes very frequently, or where each MPI process communicates with many others.

This call is used for active target communication. An access epoch at an origin process or an exposure epoch at a target process is opened and closed by calls to `MPI_WIN_FENCE`. An origin process can access windows at all target processes in the group of `win` during such an access epoch, and the local window can be accessed by all MPI processes in the group of `win` during such an exposure epoch.

2. The four functions `MPI_WIN_START`, `MPI_WIN_COMPLETE`, `MPI_WIN_POST`, and `MPI_WIN_WAIT` can be used to restrict synchronization to the minimum: only pairs
of communicating MPI processes synchronize, and they do so only when a synchronization is needed to order RMA accesses to a window correctly with respect to local accesses to that same window. This mechanism may be more efficient when each MPI process communicates with few (logical) neighbors, and the communication graph is fixed or changes infrequently.

These calls are used for active target communication. An access epoch is opened at the origin process with a call to MPI_WIN_START and is closed by a call to MPI_WIN_COMPLETE. The start call has a group argument that specifies the group of target processes for that epoch. An exposure epoch is opened at the target process by a call to MPI_WIN_POST and is closed by a call to MPI_WIN_WAIT. The post call has a group argument that specifies the set of origin processes for that epoch.

3. Finally, shared lock access is provided by the functions MPI_WIN_LOCK, MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL, MPI_WIN_UNLOCK, and MPI_WIN_UNLOCK_ALL. MPI_WIN_LOCK and MPI_WIN_UNLOCK also provide exclusive lock capability. Lock synchronization is useful for MPI applications that emulate a shared memory model via MPI calls; e.g., in a “bulletin board” model, where MPI processes can, at random times, access or update different parts of the bulletin board.

These four calls provide passive target communication. An access epoch is opened by a call to MPI_WIN_POST or MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL and closed by a call to MPI_WIN_UNLOCK or MPI_WIN_UNLOCK_ALL, respectively.

Figure 12.2 illustrates the general synchronization pattern for active target communication. The synchronization between post and start ensures that the put operation of the origin process does not start until the target process exposes the window (with the post call); the target process will expose the window only after preceding local accesses to the window have completed. The synchronization between complete and wait ensures that the put operation of the origin process completes at the origin and the target before the window is unexposed (with the wait call). The target process will execute subsequent local accesses to the target window only after the wait returned.

Figure 12.2 shows operations occurring in the natural temporal order implied by the synchronizations: the post occurs before the matching start, and complete occurs before the matching wait. However, such strong synchronization is more than needed for correct ordering of window accesses. The semantics of MPI calls allow weak synchronization, as illustrated in Figure 12.3. The access to the target window is delayed until the window is exposed, after the post. However the start may return before the exposure epoch opens at the target. Similarly, the put and complete calls may also return before the exposure epoch opens at the target, if put data is buffered by the implementation. The synchronization calls correctly order window accesses, but do not necessarily synchronize other operations. This weaker synchronization semantic allows for more efficient implementations.

Figure 12.4 illustrates the general synchronization pattern for passive target communication. The first origin process communicates data to the second origin process, through the memory of the target process; the target process is not explicitly involved in the communication. The lock and unlock calls ensure that the two RMA accesses do not occur concurrently. However, they do not ensure that the put by origin 1 will precede the get by origin 2.

Rationale. RMA does not define fine-grained mutexes in memory (only logical coarse-grained window locks). MPI provides the primitives (compare and swap, accumulate,
Figure 12.2: Active target communication. Dashed arrows represent synchronizations (ordering of events).

send/receive, etc.) needed to implement high-level synchronization operations. (End of rationale.)

12.5.1 Fence

\[\text{MPI\_WIN\_FENCE} (\text{assert, win}) \]

\begin{verbatim}
IN assert program assertion (integer)
IN win window object (handle)
\end{verbatim}

**C binding**

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_Win_fence(int assert, MPI_Win win)
\end{verbatim}

**Fortran 2008 binding**

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Win_fence(assert, win, ierr)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: assert
    TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
\end{verbatim}
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Local accesses exposed to RMA Window is accesses in target memory

Figure 12.3: Active target communication, with weak synchronization. Dashed arrows represent synchronizations (ordering of events).

INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_WIN_FENCE(ASSERT, WIN, IERROR)

INTEGER ASSERT, WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_FENCE synchronizes RMA communication operations on win. The procedure is collective over the group of win. All RMA operations on win originating at a given origin process and started before the fence call will complete at that MPI process before the fence call returns. They will be completed at their target before the fence call returns at the target. Store accesses to shared-memory of win will become visible before the fence call returns at the target. RMA operations on win started by an origin process after the fence call returns will access their target window only after MPI_WIN_FENCE has been called by the target process.

The call closes an RMA access epoch if it was preceded by another fence call and the local MPI process initiated any RMA communication operations on win between these two calls. The call closes an RMA exposure epoch if it was preceded by another fence call and the local window was the target of RMA accesses between these two calls. The call opens an RMA access epoch if it is followed by another fence call and by RMA communication calls issued between these two fence calls. The call opens an exposure epoch if it is followed by another fence call and the local window is the target of RMA accesses between these two fence calls. Thus, the fence call is equivalent to calls to a subset of post, start, complete,
A call to MPI_WIN_FENCE is usually synchronizing. However, a call to MPI_WIN_FENCE that is known not to close any epoch (in particular, a call with the MPI_MODE_NOPRECEDE assert set) is not necessarily synchronizing.

The assert argument is used to provide assertions on the context of the call that may be used for various optimizations. This is described in Section 12.5.5. A value of assert = 0 is always valid.

Advice to users. Calls to MPI_WIN_FENCE should both precede and follow calls to RMA communication procedures that are synchronized with fence calls. (End of advice to users.)
12.5.2 General Active Target Synchronization

MPI_WIN_START(group, assert, win)

IN group group of target processes (handle)
IN assert program assertion (integer)
IN win window object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Win_start(MPI_Group group, int assert, MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_start(group, assert, win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: assert
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_START(GROUP, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER GROUP, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR

Opens an RMA access epoch for win. RMA calls issued on win during this epoch must access only windows at MPI processes in group. Each MPI process in group must issue a matching call to MPI_WIN_POST. RMA accesses to each target window will be delayed, if necessary, until the target process executed the matching call to MPI_WIN_POST. MPI_WIN_START is allowed to delay its return until the corresponding calls to MPI_WIN_POST have occurred, but is not required to.

The assert argument is used to provide assertions on the context of the call that may be used for various optimizations. This is described in Section 12.5.5. A value of assert = 0 is always valid.

MPI_WIN_COMPLETE(win)

IN win window object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Win_complete(MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_complete(win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_COMPLETE(WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, IERROR

Closes an RMA access epoch on win opened by a call to MPI_WIN_START. All RMA communication operations initiated on win during this epoch will have completed at the
origin when the call returns. All updates to shared memory in win through load/store accesses executed during this epoch will be visible at the target when the call returns.

MPI_WIN_COMPLETE enforces completion of preceding RMA operations and visibility of load/store accesses at the origin, but not at the target. A put or accumulate operation may not have completed at the target when it has completed at the origin.

Consider the sequence of calls in the example below.

**Example 12.4.** Use of MPI_WIN_START and MPI_WIN_COMPLETE.

```c
MPI_Win_start(group, flag, win);
MPI_Put(..., win);
MPI_Win_complete(win);
```

The call to MPI_WIN_COMPLETE does not return until the put operation has completed at the origin; and the target window will be accessed by the put operation only after the call to MPI_WIN_START has matched a call to MPI_WIN_POST by the target process.

*Advice to implementors.* The semantics described above still leave much choice to implementors. The return from the call to MPI_WIN_START can block until the matching call to MPI_WIN_POST occurs at all target processes. One can also have implementations where the call to MPI_WIN_START returns immediately, but the call to MPI_WIN_COMPLETE delays its return until the call to MPI_WIN_POST occurred; or implementations where all three calls can complete before any target process has called MPI_WIN_POST—the data put must be buffered, in this last case, so as to allow the put to complete at the origin ahead of its completion at the target. However, once the call to MPI_WIN_POST is issued, the sequence above must complete, without further dependencies. (*End of advice to implementors.*)

*Advice to users.* In order to ensure a portable deadlock free program, users must assume that MPI_WIN_START may delay its return until the corresponding call to MPI_WIN_POST has occurred. (*End of advice to users.*)

**MPI_WIN_POST(group, assert, win)**

| IN     | group         | group of origin processes (handle) |
| IN     | assert        | program assertion (integer)       |
| IN     | win           | window object (handle)            |

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Win_post(MPI_Group group, int assert, MPI_Win win)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Win_post(group, assert, win, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: assert
   TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_WIN_POST(GROUP, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR)
```
Figure 12.5: Active target communication. Dashed arrows represent synchronizations and solid arrows represent data transfer.

INTEGER GROUP, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR

Opens an RMA exposure epoch for the local window associated with win. Only MPI processes in group may access the window with RMA calls on win during this epoch. Each MPI process in group must issue a matching call to MPI_WIN_START. MPI_WIN_POST is a local procedure.

MPI_WIN_WAIT(win)
IN win window object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Win_wait(MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_wait(win, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_WAIT(WIN, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN, IERROR

Closes an RMA exposure epoch opened by a call to MPI_WIN_POST on win. This call matches calls to MPI_WIN_COMPLETE on win issued by each of the origin processes that were granted access to the window during this epoch. The call to MPI_WIN_WAIT will return only after all matching calls to MPI_WIN_COMPLETE have occurred. This guarantees that all these origin processes have completed their RMA operations and shared-memory load/store accesses have become visible on the local window. When the call returns, all these RMA accesses will have completed at the target window.

Figure 12.5 illustrates the use of these four functions. Process 0 puts data in the windows of processes 1 and 2 and process 3 puts data in the window of process 2. Each start call lists the ranks of the MPI processes whose windows will be accessed; each post call
lists the ranks of the MPI processes that access the local window. The figure illustrates a possible timing for the events, assuming strong synchronization; in a weak synchronization, the start, put or complete calls may occur ahead of the matching post calls.

MPI_WIN_TEST(win, flag)

| IN       | win            | window object (handle) |
| OUT      | flag           | success flag (logical) |

C binding

```c
int MPI_Win_test(MPI_Win win, int *flag)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Win_test(win, flag, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_WIN_TEST(WIN, FLAG, IERROR)
```

```fortran
  INTEGER WIN, IERROR
  LOGICAL FLAG
```

**MPI_WIN_TEST** is a local procedure. Repeated calls to **MPI_WIN_TEST** with the same win argument will eventually return flag = true once all accesses to the local window by the group to which it was exposed by the corresponding call to **MPI_WIN_POST** have been completed as indicated by matching **MPI_WIN_COMPLETE** calls, and flag = false otherwise. In the former case **MPI_WIN_WAIT** would have returned immediately. The effect of return of **MPI_WIN_TEST** with flag = true is the same as the effect of a return of **MPI_WIN_WAIT**. If flag = false is returned, then the call has no visible effect.

**MPI_WIN_TEST** should be called only where **MPI_WIN_WAIT** can be called. Once the call has returned flag = true, it must not be called again, until the window is posted again.

Assume that window win is associated with a “hidden” communicator wincomm, used for communication by the MPI processes in the group of win. The rules for matching of post and start calls and for matching complete and wait calls can be derived from the rules for matching sends and receives, by considering the following (partial) model implementation.

**MPI_WIN_POST**(group,0,win) initiates a nonblocking send with tag tag0 to each MPI process in group, using wincomm.

**MPI_WIN_START**(group,0,win) initiates a nonblocking receive with tag tag0 from each process in group, using wincomm. An RMA access to a target process is delayed until the receive from that MPI process is completed.

**MPI_WIN_COMPLETE**(win) initiates a nonblocking send with tag tag1 to each MPI process in the group of the preceding start call.

**MPI_WIN_WAIT**(win) initiates a nonblocking receive with tag tag1 from each MPI process in the group of the preceding post call. Wait for the completion of all receives.
No races can occur in a correct program: each of the sends matches a unique receive, and vice versa.

Rationale. The design for general active target synchronization requires the user to provide complete information on the communication pattern, at each end of a communication link: each origin specifies a list of targets, and each target specifies a list of origins. This provides maximum flexibility (hence, efficiency) for the implementor: each synchronization can be initiated by either side, since each “knows” the identity of the other. This also provides maximum protection from possible races. On the other hand, the design requires more information than RMA needs: in general, it is sufficient for the origin to know the rank of the target, but not vice versa. Users that want more “anonymous” communication will be required to use the fence or lock mechanisms. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. Assume a communication pattern that is represented by a directed graph \( G = (V,E) \), where \( V = \{0,\ldots,n-1\} \) and \( ij \in E \) if origin process \( i \) accesses the window at target process \( j \). Then each MPI process \( i \) issues a call to \( \text{MPI\_WIN\_POST} (\text{ingroup}_i, \ldots) \), followed by a call to \( \text{MPI\_WIN\_START} (\text{outgroup}_i, \ldots) \), where \( \text{outgroup}_i = \{j : ij \in E\} \) and \( \text{ingroup}_i = \{j : ji \in E\} \). A call is a noop, and can be skipped, if the \text{group} argument is empty. After the communications calls, each MPI process that issued a start will issue a \text{complete}. Finally, each MPI process that issued a post will issue a \text{wait}.

Note that each MPI process may call with a \text{group} argument that has different members. (End of advice to users.)

12.5.3 Lock

Locks are used to protect accesses to the locked target window effected by RMA calls issued between the lock and unlock calls, and to protect load/store accesses to a locked local or shared memory window executed between the lock and unlock calls. Accesses that are protected by an \text{exclusive lock} (acquired using \text{MPI\_LOCK\_EXCLUSIVE}) will not be concurrent at the window site with other accesses to the same window that are lock protected. Accesses that are protected by a \text{shared lock} (acquired using \text{MPI\_LOCK\_SHARED}) will not be concurrent at the window site with accesses protected by an \text{exclusive lock} to the same window.

\textbf{MPI\_WIN\_LOCK}(lock\_type, rank, assert, win)

\begin{itemize}
  \item \textbf{IN} lock\_type \hspace{1cm} \text{either MPI\_LOCK\_EXCLUSIVE or MPI\_LOCK\_SHARED \text{(state)}}
  \item \textbf{IN} rank \hspace{1cm} \text{rank of locked window \text{(non-negative integer)}}
  \item \textbf{IN} assert \hspace{1cm} \text{program assertion \text{(integer)}}
  \item \textbf{IN} win \hspace{1cm} \text{window object \text{(handle)}}
\end{itemize}

\textbf{C binding}

\texttt{int MPI\_Win\_lock(int lock\_type, int rank, int assert, MPI\_Win win)}
Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_lock(lock_type, rank, assert, win, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: lock_type, rank, assert
   TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_LOCK(LOCK_TYPE, RANK, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR)
   INTEGER LOCK_TYPE, RANK, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR

Opens an RMA access epoch. The window at the MPI process with a rank of rank in
the group of win can be accessed by RMA operations on win during that epoch. Multiple
RMA access epochs (with calls to MPI_WIN_LOCK) can occur simultaneously; however,
each access epoch must target a different MPI process.

MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL(assert, win)
   IN assert            program assertion (integer)
   IN win               window object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Win_lock_all(int assert, MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_lock_all(assert, win, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: assert
   TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL(ASSERT, WIN, IERROR)
   INTEGER ASSERT, WIN, IERROR

Opens an RMA access epoch to all MPI processes in win, with a lock type of
MPI_LOCK_SHARED. During the epoch, the calling MPI process can access the window
memory on all MPI processes in win by using RMA operations. A window locked with
MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL must be unlocked with MPI_WIN_UNLOCK_ALL. This routine is not
collective—the ALL refers to a lock on all members of the group of the window.

Advice to users. There may be additional overheads associated with using
MPI_WIN_LOCK and MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL concurrently on the same window. These
overheads could be avoided by specifying the assertion MPI_MODE_NOCHECK when
possible (see Section 12.5.5). (End of advice to users.)
MPI_WIN_UNLOCK(rank, win)

IN rank rank of window (non-negative integer)
IN win window object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Win_unlock(int rank, MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_unlock(rank, win, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
   TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_UNLOCK(rank, win, ierror)
   INTEGER RANK, WIN, IERROR

Closes a shared RMA access epoch opened by a call to MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL on window win. RMA operations issued during this epoch will have completed both at the origin and at the target when the call returns.

MPI_WIN_UNLOCK_ALL(win)

IN win window object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Win_unlock_all(MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Win_unlock_all(win, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_WIN_UNLOCK_ALL(WIN, IERROR)
   INTEGER WIN, IERROR

Closes a shared RMA access epoch opened by a call to MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL on window win. RMA operations issued during this epoch will have completed both at the origin and at the target when the call returns.

It is erroneous to have a window locked and exposed (in an exposure epoch) concurrently. For example, an MPI process may not call MPI_WIN_LOCK to lock a target window if the target process has called MPI_WIN_POST and has not yet called MPI_WIN_WAIT; it is erroneous to call MPI_WIN_POST while the local window is locked.

Rationale. An alternative is to require MPI to enforce mutual exclusion between exposure epochs and locking periods. But this would entail additional overheads when locks or active target synchronization do not interact in support of those rare interactions between the two mechanisms. The programming style that we encourage...
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here is that a set of windows is used with only one synchronization mechanism at a time, with shifts from one mechanism to another being rare and involving global synchronization. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. Users need to use explicit synchronization code in order to enforce mutual exclusion between locking periods and exposure epochs on a window. (End of advice to users.)

Implementors may restrict the use of RMA communication that is synchronized by lock calls to windows in memory allocated by MPI_ALLOC_MEM (Section 9.2), MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE (Section 12.2.2), MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED (Section 12.2.3), or attached with MPI_WIN_ATTACH (Section 12.2.4). Locks can be used portably only in such memory.

Rationale. The implementation of passive target communication between processes in different shared memory domains may require an asynchronous software agent. Such an agent can be implemented more easily, and can achieve better performance, if restricted to specially allocated memory. It can be avoided altogether if shared memory is used. It seems natural to impose restrictions that allow the use of shared memory for RMA communication in shared memory machines. (End of rationale.)

Consider the sequence of calls in the example below.

Example 12.5. Use of MPI_WIN_LOCK and MPI_WIN_UNLOCK.

```
MPI_Win_lock(MPI_LOCK_EXCLUSIVE, rank, assert, win);
MPI_Put(..., rank, ..., win);
MPI_Win_unlock(rank, win);
```

The call to MPI_WIN_UNLOCK will not return until the put transfer has completed at the origin and at the target.

Advice to implementors. The semantics described above still leave much freedom to implementors. Return from the call to MPI_WIN_LOCK may be delayed until an exclusive lock on the window is acquired; or, the first two calls may return immediately, while return from MPI_WIN_UNLOCK is delayed until a lock is acquired—the update of the target window is then postponed until the call to MPI_WIN_UNLOCK occurs. However, if the call to MPI_WIN_LOCK is used to lock a window accessible via load/store accesses (i.e., a local window or a window at an MPI process for which a pointer to shared memory can be obtained via MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY), then the call must not return before the lock is acquired, since the lock may protect load/store accesses to the window issued after the lock call returns. (End of advice to implementors.)

Advice to users. In order to ensure a portable deadlock free program, a user must assume that MPI_WIN_LOCK may delay its return until the desired lock on the window has been acquired. (End of advice to users.)
12.5.4 Flush and Sync

All flush and sync functions can be called only within passive target epochs.

**MPI_WIN_FLUSH(rank, win)**

- **IN** rank
  - rank of target MPI process in the group of the window win (non-negative integer)

- **IN** win
  - window object (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Win_flush(int rank, MPI_Win win)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Win_flush(rank, win, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_WIN_FLUSH(RANK, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER RANK, WIN, IERROR
```

All outstanding RMA operations on win initiated by the MPI process calling this procedure to the target with rank in the group of the specified window will have completed when `MPI_WIN_FLUSH` returns. The operations are completed both at the origin and at the target.

**MPI_WIN_FLUSH_ALL(win)**

- **IN** win
  - window object (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Win_flush_all(MPI_Win win)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Win_flush_all(win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_WIN_FLUSH_ALL(WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, IERROR
```

All RMA operations initiated by the MPI process calling this procedure to any target on the specified window prior to this call will have completed both at the origin and at the target when `MPI_WIN_FLUSH_ALL` returns.
MPI_WIN_FLUSH_LOCAL(rank, win)

IN rank rank of target MPI process in the group of the window win (non-negative integer)

IN win window object (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Win_flush_local(int rank, MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Win_flush_local(rank, win, ierror)

   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
   TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_WIN_FLUSH_LOCAL(RANK, WIN, IERROR)

   INTEGER RANK, WIN, IERROR

   All outstanding RMA operations initiated on win by the MPI process calling this procedure to the target with rank in the group of the specified window will have completed at the origin when MPI_WIN_FLUSH_LOCAL returns. For example, after this procedure returns, the user may reuse any buffers provided to put, get, or accumulate operations.

MPI_WIN_FLUSH_LOCAL_ALL(win)

IN win window object (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Win_flush_local_all(MPI_Win win)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Win_flush_local_all(win, ierror)

   TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_WIN_FLUSH_LOCAL_ALL(WIN, IERROR)

   INTEGER WIN, IERROR

   All RMA operations initiated by the MPI process calling this procedure to any target on the specified window prior to this call will have completed at the origin when MPI_WIN_FLUSH_LOCAL_ALL returns.

MPI_WIN_SYNC(win)

IN win window object (handle)

C binding

int MPI_Win_sync(MPI_Win win)
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**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Win_sync(win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_WIN_SYNC(WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, IERROR
```

For windows in the separate memory model, a call to `MPI_WIN_SYNC` synchronizes the private and public window copies of `win` at the calling MPI process, as described in Section 12.7.

In the unified memory model, `MPI_WIN_SYNC` may be used to order load and store accesses to shared memory and to ensure visibility of store updates in shared memory for other threads and MPI processes.

A call to `MPI_WIN_SYNC` does not open or close an epoch and does not complete any pending RMA operations. A call to `MPI_WIN_SYNC` does not guarantee `progress` of any pending MPI operation.

### 12.5.5 Assertions

The `assert` argument in the calls `MPI_WIN_POST`, `MPI_WIN_START`, `MPI_WIN_FENCE`, `MPI_WIN_LOCK`, and `MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL` is used to provide assertions on the context of the call that may be used to optimize performance. The `assert` argument does not change program semantics if it provides correct information on the program—it is erroneous to provide incorrect information. Users may always provide `assert = 0` to indicate a general case where no guarantees are made.

**Advice to users.** Many implementations may not take advantage of the information in `assert`; some of the information is relevant only for noncoherent shared memory machines. Users should consult their implementation’s manual to find which information is useful on each system. On the other hand, applications that provide correct assertions whenever applicable are portable and will take advantage of assertion specific optimizations whenever available. (End of advice to users.)

**Advice to implementors.** Implementations can always ignore the `assert` argument. Implementors should document which `assert` values are significant on their implementation. (End of advice to implementors.)

`assert` is the bit vector `OR` of zero or more of the following integer constants: `MPI_MODE_NOCHECK`, `MPI_MODE_NOSTORE`, `MPI_MODE_NOPUT`, `MPI_MODE_NOPRECEDE`, and `MPI_MODE_NOSUCCEED`. The significant options are listed below for each synchronization procedure.

**Advice to users.** C/C++ users can use bit vector `OR` (`||`) to combine these constants; Fortran 90 users can use the bit vector `IOR` intrinsic. Alternatively, Fortran users can portably use integer addition to `OR` the constants (each constant should appear at most once in the addition). (End of advice to users.)

### MPI_WIN_START:

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MPI_MODE_NOCHECK: the matching calls to MPI_WIN_POST have already completed on all target processes when the call to MPI_WIN_START is made. This option can be specified in a start call if and only if it is specified in each matching post call. This is similar to the optimization of “ready-send” that may save a handshake when the handshake is implicit in the code. However, ready-send is matched by a regular receive, whereas both start and post must specify the MPI_MODE_NOCHECK option.

MPI_WIN_POST:

MPI_MODE_NOCHECK: the matching calls to MPI_WIN_START have not yet occurred on any origin processes when the call to MPI_WIN_POST is made. This option can be specified by a post call if and only if it is specified by each matching start call.

MPI_MODE_NOSTORE: the local window was not updated by stores (or get or receive operations) since the last synchronization. This may avoid the need for cache synchronization during the post call.

MPI_MODE_NOPUT: the local window will not be updated by put or accumulate operations after the post call, until the ensuing (wait) synchronization. This may avoid the need for cache synchronization during the wait call.

MPI_WIN_FENCE:

MPI_MODE_NOSTORE: the local window was not updated by stores (or get or receive operations) since the last synchronization.

MPI_MODE_NOPUT: the local window will not be updated by put or accumulate operations after the fence call, until the ensuing (fence) synchronization.

MPI_MODE_NOPRECEDE: the fence does not complete any sequence of RMA operations initiated by the calling MPI process. If this assertion is given by any MPI process in the group of the window, then it must be given by all MPI processes in the group.

MPI_MODE_NOSUCCEED: the fence does not start any sequence of RMA operations initiated by the calling MPI process. If the assertion is given by any MPI process in the group of the window, then it must be given by all MPI processes in the group.

MPI_WIN_LOCK, MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL:

MPI_MODE_NOCHECK: no other MPI process holds, or will attempt to acquire, a conflicting lock, while the calling MPI process holds the window lock. This is useful when mutual exclusion is achieved by other means, but the coherence operations that may be attached to the lock and unlock calls are still required.

Advice to users. The MPI_MODE_NOSTORE and MPI_MODE_NOPRECEDE options provide information on what happened before the call; the MPI_MODE_NOPUT and MPI_MODE_NOSUCCEED options provide information on what will happen after the call. (End of advice to users.)
### 12.6 Error Handling

#### 12.6.1 Error Handlers

Errors occurring during calls to routines that create MPI windows (e.g., `MPI_WIN_CREATE`) cause an error to be raised on the communicator provided to that procedure call. All other RMA calls have an input window argument on which errors will be raised if they occur.

The error handler `MPI_ERRORS_ARE_FATAL` is associated with the window during its creation. Users may change this default by explicitly associating a new error handler with the window (see Section 9.3).

#### 12.6.2 Error Classes

The error classes for one-sided communication are defined in Table 12.2. RMA routines may (and almost certainly will) use other MPI error classes, such as `MPI_ERR_OP` or `MPI_ERR_RANK`.

#### Table 12.2: Error classes in one-sided communication routines

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Error Type</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_WIN</code></td>
<td>invalid win argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_BASE</code></td>
<td>invalid base argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_SIZE</code></td>
<td>invalid size argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_DISP</code></td>
<td>invalid disp argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_LOCKTYPE</code></td>
<td>invalid locktype argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_ASSERT</code></td>
<td>invalid assert argument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_RMA_CONFLICT</code></td>
<td>conflicting accesses to window</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_RMA_SYNC</code></td>
<td>invalid synchronization of RMA calls</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_RMA_RANGE</code></td>
<td>target memory is not part of the window (in the case of a window created with <code>MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC</code>, target memory is not attached)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_RMA_ATTACH</code></td>
<td>memory cannot be attached (e.g., because of resource exhaustion)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_RMA_SHARED</code></td>
<td>memory cannot be shared (e.g., some MPI process in the group of the specified communicator cannot expose shared memory)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ERR_RMA_FLAVOR</code></td>
<td>passed window has the wrong flavor for the called function</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### 12.5.6 Miscellaneous Clarifications

Once an RMA procedure call returns, it is safe to free any opaque objects passed as arguments to that procedure. For example, the `datatype` argument of a `MPI_PUT` call can be freed as soon as the call returns, even though the communication may not be complete.

As in message-passing, datatypes must be committed before they can be used in RMA communication.
12.7 Semantics and Correctness

The following rules specify the latest point in the execution of the application an operation must complete at the origin or the target. The update initiated by a call to MPI\_GET in the origin process memory is visible when the get operation is complete at the origin (or earlier); the update initiated by a call to MPI\_PUT or an accumulate procedure in the public copy of the target window is visible when the put or accumulate operation has completed at the target (or earlier). The rules also specify the latest point at which an update of one window copy becomes visible in another overlapping copy.

1. An RMA operation is completed at the origin by the ensuing call to MPI\_WIN\_COMPLETE, MPI\_WIN\_FENCE, MPI\_WIN\_FLUSH, MPI\_WIN\_FLUSH\_ALL, MPI\_WIN\_FLUSH\_LOCAL, MPI\_WIN\_FLUSH\_LOCAL\_ALL, MPI\_WIN\_UNLOCK, or MPI\_WIN\_UNLOCK\_ALL that synchronizes this access at the origin.

2. If an RMA operation is completed at the origin by a call to MPI\_WIN\_FENCE then the operation is completed at the target by the matching call to MPI\_WIN\_FENCE by the target process.

3. If an RMA operation is completed at the origin by a call to MPI\_WIN\_COMPLETE then the operation is completed at the target by the matching call to MPI\_WIN\_WAIT by the target process.

4. If an RMA operation is completed at the origin by a call to MPI\_WIN\_UNLOCK or MPI\_WIN\_FLUSH (with rank=\text{target}), MPI\_WIN\_UNLOCK\_ALL, or MPI\_WIN\_FLUSH\_ALL, then the operation is completed at the target by that same call.

5. An update of a location in a private window copy in MPI process memory becomes visible in the public window copy at the latest when an ensuing call to MPI\_WIN\_POST, MPI\_WIN\_FENCE, MPI\_WIN\_UNLOCK, MPI\_WIN\_UNLOCK\_ALL, or MPI\_WIN\_SYNC is executed on that window by the window owner. In the RMA unified memory model, an update of a location in a private window in MPI process memory becomes visible without additional RMA calls.

6. An update by a put or accumulate operation to a public window copy becomes visible in the private copy in MPI process memory at the latest when an ensuing call to MPI\_WIN\_WAIT, MPI\_WIN\_FENCE, MPI\_WIN\_LOCK, MPI\_WIN\_LOCK\_ALL, or MPI\_WIN\_SYNC is executed on that window by the window owner. In the RMA unified memory model, an update by a put or accumulate operation to a public window copy eventually becomes visible in the private copy in MPI process memory without additional RMA calls.

The MPI\_WIN\_FENCE or MPI\_WIN\_WAIT call that completes the transfer from public copy to private copy (Rule 6) is the same call that completes the put or accumulate operation in the window copy (Rule 2, Rule 3). If a put or accumulate access was synchronized with a lock, then the update of the public window copy is complete as soon as the updating origin process executed MPI\_WIN\_UNLOCK or MPI\_WIN\_UNLOCK\_ALL. In the RMA separate memory model, the update of a private copy in the target process memory may be delayed...
until the target process executes a synchronization call on that window (Rule 6). Thus, updates to target process memory can always be delayed in the RMA separate memory model until the target process executes a suitable synchronization call, while they must complete in the RMA unified model without additional synchronization calls. If fence or post-start-complete-wait synchronization is used, updates to a public window copy can be delayed in both memory models until the window owner executes a synchronization call. When passive target synchronization is used, it is necessary to update the public window copy even if the window owner does not execute any related synchronization call.

The rules above also define, by implication, when an update to a public window copy becomes visible in another overlapping public window copy. Consider, for example, two overlapping windows, win1 and win2. A call to MPI_WIN_FENCE on win1 by the window owner makes visible in the target process memory previous updates to window win1 by origin processes. A subsequent call to MPI_WIN_FENCE on win2 makes these updates visible in the public copy of win2.

The behavior of some MPI RMA operations may be undefined in certain situations. For example, the result of several origin processes performing concurrent put operations to the same target location is undefined. In addition, the result of a single origin process performing multiple put operations to the same target location within the same access epoch is also undefined. The result at the target may have all of the data from one of the put operations (the “last” one, in some sense), some bytes from each of the operations, or something else. In MPI-2, such operations were erroneous. That meant that an MPI implementation was permitted to raise an error. Thus, user programs or tools that used MPI RMA could not portably permit such operations, even if the application code could function correctly with such an undefined result. Starting with MPI-3, these operations are not erroneous, but do not have a defined behavior.

Rationale. As discussed in [8], requiring operations such as overlapping puts to be erroneous makes it difficult to use MPI RMA to implement programming models—such as Unified Parallel C (UPC) or SHMEM—that permit these operations. Further, while MPI-2 defined these operations as erroneous, the MPI Forum is unaware of any implementation that enforces this rule, as it would require significant overhead. Thus, relaxing this condition does not impact existing implementations or applications. (End of rationale.)

Advice to implementors. Overlapping accesses are undefined. However, to assist users in debugging code, implementations may wish to provide a mode in which such operations are detected and reported to the user. Note, however, that starting with MPI-3, such operations must not raise an error. (End of advice to implementors.)

A program with a well-defined outcome in the MPI_WIN_SEPAREATE memory model must obey the following rules.

S1. A location in a window must not be accessed with load/store accesses once an update to that location has started, until the update becomes visible in the private window copy in target process memory.

S2. A location in a window must not be accessed as a target of an RMA operation once an update to that location has started, until the update becomes visible in the public window copy. There is one exception to this rule, in the case where the same variable
is updated by two concurrent accumulates with the same predefined datatype, on
the same window. Additional restrictions on the operation apply, see the info key
accumulate_ops in Section 12.2.1.

S3. A put or accumulate must not access a target window once a store or a put or ac-
cumulate update to another (overlapping) window has started on a location in the
target window, until the update becomes visible in the public copy of the window.
Conversely, a store to MPI process memory to a location in a window must not start
once a put or accumulate update to that target window has started, until the put
or accumulate update becomes visible in target process memory. In both cases, the
restriction applies to operations even if they access disjoint locations in the window.

Rationale. The last constraint on correct RMA accesses may seem unduly restric-
tive, as it forbids concurrent accesses to nonoverlapping locations in a window. The
reason for this constraint is that, on some architectures, explicit coherence restoring
operations may be needed at synchronization points. A different operation may be
needed for locations that were updated by stores and for locations that were remotely
updated by put or accumulate operations. Without this constraint, the MPI library
would have to track precisely which locations in a window were updated by a put or
accumulate operation. The additional overhead of maintaining such information is
considered prohibitive. (End of rationale.)

Note that MPI_WIN_SYNC may be used within a passive target epoch to synchronize
the private and public window copies (that is, updates to one are made visible to the other).

In the MPI_WIN_UNIFIED memory model, the rules are simpler because the public and
private windows are the same. However, there are restrictions to avoid concurrent access
to the same memory locations by different MPI processes. The rules that a program with a
well-defined outcome must obey in this case are:

U1. A location in a window must not be accessed with load/store accesses once an update
to that location has started, until the update is complete, subject to the special case
laid out in Rule 2.

U2. Accessing a location in the window that is also the target of a remote update is valid
(not erroneous) but the precise result will depend on the behavior of the implemen-
tation. Updates from an origin process will appear in the memory of the target, but
there are no atomicity or ordering guarantees if more than one byte is updated. Up-
dates are stable in the sense that once data appears in the memory of the target, the
data remains until replaced by another update. This permits polling on a location for
a change from zero to nonzero or for a particular value, but not polling and compar-
ing the relative magnitude of values. Users are cautioned that polling on one memory
location and then accessing a different memory location has defined behavior only if
the other rules given here and in this chapter are followed.

Advice to users. Some compiler optimizations can result in code that maintains
the sequential semantics of the program, but violates this rule by introducing
temporary values into locations in memory. Most compilers only apply such
transformations under very high levels of optimization and users should be aware
that such aggressive optimization may produce unexpected results. (End of
advice to users.)
U3. Updating a location in the window with a store access that is also the target of a remote read (but not update) is valid (not erroneous) but the precise result will depend on the behavior of the implementation. Store updates will appear in memory, but there are no atomicity or ordering guarantees if more than one byte is updated. Updates are stable in the sense that once data appears in memory, the data remains until replaced by another update. This permits updates to memory with store accesses without requiring an RMA epoch. Users are cautioned that remote accesses to a window that is updated by the local MPI process has defined behavior only if the other rules given here and elsewhere in this chapter are followed.

U4. A location in a window must not be accessed as a target of an RMA operation once an update to that location has started and until the update completes at the target. There is one exception to this rule: in the case where the same location is updated by two concurrent accumulates with the same predefined datatype on the same window. Additional restrictions on the operation apply; see the info key accumulate_ops in Section 12.2.1.

U5. A put or accumulate must not access a target window once a store, put, or accumulate update to another (overlapping) target window has started on the same location in the target window and until the update completes at the target window. Conversely, a store access to a location in a window must not be executed once a put or accumulate update to the same location in that target window has started and until the put or accumulate update completes at the target.

Advice to users. In the unified memory model, in the case where the window is in shared memory, MPI_WIN_SYNC can be used to order store accesses and make store updates to the window visible to other MPI processes and threads. Use of this routine is necessary to ensure portable behavior when point-to-point, collective, or shared memory synchronization is used in place of an RMA synchronization routine. MPI_WIN_SYNC should be called by both the reader and the writer of a shared memory variable between any non-RMA synchronization and access to that variable, as shown in Example 12.23. The calls to MPI_WIN_SYNC can be replaced by language level memory synchronization operations, if available. (End of advice to users.)

A program that violates these rules has undefined behavior.

Advice to users. A user can write correct programs by following the following rules:

fence: During each period between fence calls, each window is either updated by put or accumulate operation, or updated by stores, but not both. Locations updated by put or accumulate operations should not be accessed during the same period (with the exception of concurrent updates to the same location by accumulate operations). Locations accessed by get operations should not be updated during the same period.

post-start-complete-wait: A window should not be updated with store accesses while posted if it is being updated by put or accumulate operations. Locations updated by put or accumulate operations should not be accessed while the window is posted (with the exception of concurrent updates to the same location by accumulate operations). Locations accessed by get operations should not be updated while the window is posted.
With the post-start synchronization, the target process can tell the origin process that its window is now ready for RMA access; with the complete-wait synchronization, the origin process can tell the target process that it has finished its RMA accesses to the window.

**lock:** Updates to the window are protected by *exclusive locks* if they may conflict. Nonconflicting accesses (such as read-only accesses or accumulate accesses) are protected by *shared locks*, both for load/store accesses and for RMA accesses.

**changing window or synchronization mode:** One can change synchronization mode, or change the window used to access a location that belongs to two overlapping windows, when the MPI process memory and the window copy are guaranteed to have the same values. This is true for an MPI process after it has returned from MPI_WIN_FENCE, if RMA accesses to the window are synchronized with fences; after it has returned from MPI_WIN_WAIT, if the accesses are synchronized with post-start-complete-wait; it is true at the origin and target after the origin returned from a call to MPI_WIN_UNLOCK or MPI_WIN_UNLOCK_ALL if the accesses are synchronized with locks.

In addition, an origin process should not access the local buffer of a get operation until the operation is complete, and should not update the local buffer of a put or accumulate operation until that operation is complete.

The RMA synchronization operations define when updates are guaranteed to become visible in public and private windows. Updates may become visible earlier, but such behavior is implementation dependent. (*End of advice to users.*)

The following examples illustrate these semantics.

**Example 12.6.** The following example demonstrates updating a memory location inside a window for the separate memory model, according to Rule 5. The MPI_WIN_LOCK and MPI_WIN_UNLOCK calls around the store to \(X\) in process B are necessary to ensure consistency between the public and private copies of the window.

```
Process A                  Process B
window location X

MPI_Win_lock(EXCLUSIVE, B) store X /* local update to private copy of B */
MPI_Win_unlock(B)          /* now visible in public window copy */

MPI_Barrier

MPI_Win_lock(EXCLUSIVE, B)
MPI_Get(X) /* ok, read from public window */
MPI_Win_unlock(B)
```

**Example 12.7.** In the RMA unified model, although the public and private copies of the windows are synchronized, caution must be used when combining load/store accesses with multi-process synchronization. Although the following example appears correct, the compiler or hardware may delay the store to \(X\) after the barrier, possibly resulting in the
MPI\_GET returning an incorrect value of X.

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Process A</th>
<th>Process B</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>window location X</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>store X /* update to private &amp; public copy of B */</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Barrier</td>
<td>MPI_Barrier</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Win_lock_all</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Get(X) /* ok, read from window */</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Win_flush_local(B)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/* read value in X */</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Win_unlock_all</td>
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</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

MPI\_BARRIER provides process synchronization, but not memory synchronization. The example could potentially be made safe through the use of compiler- and hardware-specific notations to ensure the store to X occurs before process B enters the MPI\_BARRIER. The use of one-sided synchronization calls, as shown in Example 12.6, also ensures the correct result.

**Example 12.8.** The following example demonstrates the reading of a memory location updated by an origin process (Rule 6) in the RMA separate memory model. Although the call to MPI\_WIN\_UNLOCK on process A and the MPI\_BARRIER ensure that the public copy on process B reflects the updated value of X, the call to MPI\_WIN\_LOCK by process B is necessary to synchronize the private copy with the public copy.

```
<table>
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<tr>
<td>window location X</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Win_lock(EXCLUSIVE, B)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Put(X) /* update to public window */</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Win_unlock(B)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Barrier</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Win_lock(EXCLUSIVE, B)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/* now visible in private copy of B */</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>load X</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_Win_unlock(B)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

Note that in this example, the barrier is not critical to the semantic correctness. The use of exclusive locks guarantees no other MPI process will modify the public copy after MPI\_WIN\_LOCK synchronizes the private and public copies. A polling implementation looking for changes in X on process B would be semantically correct. The barrier is required to ensure that process A completes the put operation at the target before process B executes the load of X.

**Example 12.9.** Similar to Example 12.7, the following example is unsafe even in the unified model, because the load of X cannot be guaranteed to occur after the MPI\_BARRIER. While Process B does not need to explicitly synchronize the public and private copies through...
MPI_WIN_LOCK as the MPI_PUT will update both the public and private copies of the window, the scheduling of the load could result in old values of X being returned. Compiler and hardware specific notations could ensure the load occurs after the data is updated, or explicit one-sided synchronization calls can be used to ensure the proper result.

```
Process A               Process B

window location X

MPI_Win_lock_all
MPI_Put(X) /* update to window */
MPI_Win_flush(B)

MPI_Barrier
load X /* may return an obsolete value */
MPI_Win_unlock_all
```

**Example 12.10.** The following example further clarifies Rule 5. MPI_WIN_LOCK and MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL do not update the public copy of a window with changes to the private copy. Therefore, there is no guarantee that process A in the following sequence will see the value of X as updated by the store by process B before the lock.

```
Process A               Process B

store X /* update to private copy of B */
MPI_Win_lock(SHARED, B)
MPI_Barrier

MPI_Win_lock(SHARED, B)
MPI_Get(X) /* X may be the X before the store */
MPI_Win_unlock(B)
   MPI_Win_unlock(B)
   /* update on X now visible in public window */
```

The addition of a call to MPI_WIN_SYNC before the call to MPI_BARRIER by process B would guarantee process A would see the updated value of X, as the public copy of the window would be explicitly synchronized with the private copy.

**Example 12.11.** Similar to the previous example, Rule 5 can have unexpected implications for general active target synchronization with the RMA separate memory model. It is not guaranteed that process B reads the value of X as per the local update by process A, because neither the call to MPI_WIN_WAIT nor the call to MPI_WIN_COMPLETE by process A ensure visibility in the public window copy.

```
Process A               Process B

store Y

MPI_Win_post(A, B) /* Y visible in public window */
MPI_Win_start(A)       MPI_Win_start(A)
```
store X /* update to private window */

MPI_Win_complete
MPI_Win_wait
/* update on X may not yet be visible in the public window copy */

MPI_Barrier

MPI_Win_lock(EXCLUSIVE, A)
MPI_Get(X) /* may return an obsolete value */
MPI_Get(Y)
MPI_Win_unlock(A)

To allow process B to read the value of X stored by A, the local store must be replaced by a local put operation that updates the public window copy. Note that by this replacement X may become visible in the private copy of process A only after the MPI_WIN_WAIT call in process A. The update to Y made before the MPI_WIN_POST call is visible in the public window after the MPI_WIN_POST call and therefore process B will read the proper value of Y. The get of Y could be moved to the epoch opened by MPI_WIN_START, and process B would still get the value stored by process A.

**Example 12.12.** The following example demonstrates the interaction of general active target synchronization with load accesses in the RMA separate memory model. Rules 5 and 6 do not guarantee that the private copy of X at process B has been updated before the load access is executed.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Process A</th>
<th>Process B</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>window location X</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

MPI_Win_lock(EXCLUSIVE, B)
MPI_Put(X) /* update to public window */
MPI_Win_unlock(B)

MPI_Barrier

MPI_Win_post(B)
MPI_Win_start(B)

load X /* access to private window */
/* may return an obsolete value */

MPI_Win_complete
MPI_Win_wait

To ensure that the value put by process A is read, the load access must be replaced with a get operation, or must be placed after the call to MPI_WIN_WAIT.
12.7.1 Atomicity

The outcome of concurrent accumulate operations to the same location with the same predefined datatype is as if the accumulate operations were done at that location in some serial order. Additional restrictions on the operation apply; see the info key `accumulate_ops` in Section 12.2.1. Concurrent accumulate operations with different origin and target pairs are not ordered. Thus, there is no guarantee of atomicity beyond element-wise atomicity. The effect of this lack of atomicity is limited: The previous correctness conditions imply that a location updated by a an accumulate operation cannot be accessed by a load access or an RMA operation other than another accumulate operation until the accumulate operation has completed (at the target). Different interleaveings can lead to different results only to the extent that computer arithmetics are not truly associative or commutative. The outcome of accumulate operations with overlapping types of different sizes or target displacements is undefined.

12.7.2 Ordering

Accumulate operations enable element-wise atomic read and write to window memory locations. MPI specifies ordering between accumulate operations from an origin process to the same (or overlapping) memory locations at a target process on a per-datatype granularity. The default ordering is strict ordering, which guarantees that overlapping updates from the same origin to a remote location are committed in program order and that reads (e.g., with `MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE`) and writes (e.g., with `MPI_ACCUMULATE`) are executed and committed in program order. Ordering only applies to operations originating at the same origin that access overlapping target memory regions. MPI does not provide any guarantees for accesses or updates from different origin processes to overlapping target memory regions.

The default strict ordering may incur a significant performance penalty. MPI specifies the info key "accumulate_ordering" to allow relaxation of the ordering semantics when specified to any window creation function. The values for this key are as follows. If set to "none", then no ordering will be guaranteed for accumulate operations. This was the behavior for RMA in MPI-2 but has not been the default since MPI-3. The key can be set to a comma-separated list of required access orderings at the target. Allowed values in the comma-separated list are "rar", "war", "raw", and "waw" for read-after-read, write-after-read, read-after-write, and write-after-write ordering, respectively. These indicate whether operations of the specified type complete in the order they were issued. For example, "raw" means that any writes must complete at the target before subsequent reads. These ordering requirements apply only to operations issued by the same origin process and targeting the same target process. The default value for "accumulate_ordering" is "rar,raw,war,waw", which implies that writes complete at the target in the order in which they were issued, reads complete at the target before any writes that are issued after the reads, and writes complete at the target before any reads that are issued after the writes. Any subset of these four orderings can be specified. For example, if only read-after-read and write-after-write ordering is required, then the value of the "accumulate_ordering" key could be set to "rar,waw". The order of values is not significant.

Note that the above ordering semantics apply only to accumulate operations, not to put and get operations. Put and get operations within an epoch are unordered.
12.7 Semantics and Correctness

One-sided communication has the same progress requirements as point-to-point communication: once a communication is enabled it is guaranteed to complete. RMA calls must have local semantics, except when required for synchronization with other RMA calls.

There is some fuzziness in the definition of the time when an RMA communication becomes enabled. This fuzziness provides to the implementor more flexibility than with point-to-point communication. Access to a target window becomes enabled once the corresponding synchronization (such as MPI_WIN_FENCE or MPI_WIN_POST) has executed. On the origin process, an RMA communication operation may become enabled as soon as the corresponding put, get or accumulate call has occurred, or as late as when the ensuing synchronization call is issued. Once the operation is enabled both at the origin and at the target, the operation must complete.

Consider the code fragment in Example 12.4. Some of the calls may have to delay their return until the target window has been posted. However, if the target window is posted, then the code fragment must complete. The data transfer may start as soon as the put call occurs, but may be delayed until the ensuing complete call occurs.

Consider the code fragment in Example 12.5. Some of the calls may delay their return until the lock is acquired if another MPI process holds a conflicting lock. However, if no conflicting lock is held, then the code fragment must complete.

Consider the code illustrated in Figure 12.6. Each MPI process updates the window of the other MPI process using a put operation, then accesses its own window. The post calls are local. Once the post calls occur, RMA access to the windows is enabled, so that each MPI process should complete the sequence of start-put-complete. Once these are done, the wait calls should complete at both MPI processes. Thus, this communication should not deadlock, irrespective of the amount of data transferred.

Assume, in the last example, that the order of the post and start calls is reversed at each MPI process. Then, the code may deadlock, as each MPI process may not return from the start call, waiting for the matching post to occur. Similarly, the program will deadlock if the order of the complete and wait calls is reversed at each MPI process.

The following two examples illustrate the fact that the synchronization between complete and wait is not symmetric: the wait call returns only once the complete occurs, but

Figure 12.6: Symmetric communication

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>PROCESS 0</th>
<th>PROCESS 1</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>post(1)</td>
<td>post(0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>start(1)</td>
<td>start(0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>put(1)</td>
<td>put(0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>complete</td>
<td>complete</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wait</td>
<td>wait</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>load</td>
<td>load</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
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not vice versa. Consider the code illustrated in Figure 12.7. This code will deadlock: the wait of process 1 completes only once process 0 calls complete, and the receive of process 0 completes once process 1 calls send. Consider, on the other hand, the code illustrated in Figure 12.8. This code will not deadlock. Once process 1 calls post, then the sequence start-put-complete on process 0 can proceed. Process 0 will reach the send call, allowing the receive call of process 1 to return.

Rationale. MPI implementations must guarantee that an MPI process makes progress on all enabled communications it participates in, while blocked on an MPI call. This is true for send-receive communication and applies to RMA communication as well. Thus, in the example in Figure 12.8, the put and complete calls of process 0 should complete while process 1 is waiting for the receive operation to complete. This may require the involvement of process 1, e.g., to transfer the data.

A similar issue is whether such progress must occur while an MPI process is busy computing, or blocked in a non-MPI call. Suppose that in the last example the send-receive pair is replaced by a write-to-socket/read-from-socket pair. Then MPI does not specify whether deadlock is avoided. Suppose that the blocking receive of process 1 is replaced by a very long compute loop. Then, according to one interpretation of the MPI standard, process 0 must return from the complete call after a bounded delay, even if process 1 does not reach any MPI call in this period of time. According to another interpretation, the complete call may block until process 1 reaches the wait call, or reaches another MPI call. The qualitative behavior is the same, under both interpretations, unless an MPI process is caught in an infinite compute loop, in which case the difference may not matter. However, the quantitative expectations are different. Different MPI implementations reflect these different interpretations. While this ambiguity is unfortunate, the MPI Forum decided not to define which

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interpretation of the standard is the correct one, since the issue is contentious. See also Section 2.9 on progress. (End of rationale.)

The use of shared memory loads and/or stores for synchronizing purposes between MPI processes does not guarantee progress, and therefore a deadlock may occur if an MPI implementation does not provide strong progress, as shown in Example 12.13.

**Example 12.13.** Possible deadlock due to the use of a shared memory variable for synchronization.

Comm_sm shall be a shared memory communicator (e.g., returned from a call to MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE with split_type=MPI_COMM_TYPE_SHARED) with at least two MPI processes. Win_sm is a shared memory window with the AckInRank0 as window portion in MPI process with rank 0. The ranks in Comm_sm and Win_sm should be the same. According to Section 12.7 rules U2 and U3, a volatile store to AckInRank0 will be visible in the other MPI process without further RMA calls.

```c
int volatile_load(int *addr) { return *(volatile int *)addr; }  
void volatile_store(int *addr, int val) {(*(volatile int *)addr) = val; }  
```

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Process with rank 0</th>
<th>Process with rank 1</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| MPI_Win_shared_query(win,  
/ *rank=*/0, ..., AckInRank0);  
volatile_store(AckInRank0, 0);  
MPI_Win_fence(win_sm)  
MPI_Buffer_attach(myHugeBuffer, ...);  
MPI_Bsend(myHugeMessage, ...,  
/ *rank=*/1,..., comm_sm);  
sleep(5); // to ensure sleep(10); // to guarantee that  
// the while-loop starts  
// after rank 1 is  
// blocked in MPI_Recv  
while(volatile_load(AckInRank0)!=222)  
/ *empty polling loop*/;  
MPI_Buffer_detach(&pTemp, &size);  
// deadlock |

// deadlock

While the call to MPI_Recv in the MPI process with rank 1 delays its return (until an unspecified MPI procedure call in the MPI process with rank 0 happens to send the buffered data), the subsequent statement cannot change the value of the shared window buffer AckInRank0. As long as this value is not changed, the while loop in the MPI process with rank 0 will continue and therefore the next MPI procedure call (MPI_Buffer_detach) cannot happen, which is then a deadlock.

Note that both communication patterns (A) BSEND-RECV-DETACH and (B) the shared memory store/load for synchronization purpose, can be in different software layers and each layer would work properly, but the combination of (A) and (B) can cause the deadlock.
12.7.4 Registers and Compiler Optimizations

*Advice to users.* All the material in this section is an advice to users. (*End of advice to users.*)

A coherence problem exists between variables kept in registers and the memory values of these variables. An RMA call may access a variable in memory (or cache), while the up-to-date value of this variable is in register. A get will not return the latest variable value, and a put may be overwritten when the register is stored back in memory. Note that these issues are unrelated to the RMA memory model; that is, these issues apply even if the memory model is `MPI_WIN_UNIFIED`.

The problem is illustrated in Example 12.14.

**Example 12.14.**

In this example, variable `buff` is allocated in the register `reg_A` and therefore `ccc` will have the old value of `buff` and not the new value 777.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Source of Process 1</th>
<th>Source of Process 2</th>
<th>Executed in Process 2</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><code>bbbb = 777</code></td>
<td><code>buff = 999</code></td>
<td><code>reg_A := 999</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>call <code>MPI_WIN_FENCE</code></td>
<td>call <code>MPI_WIN_FENCE</code></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>call <code>MPI_PUT(bbbb</code></td>
<td>call <code>MPI_WIN_FENCE</code></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>into <code>buff</code> of <code>process 2</code>)`</td>
<td></td>
<td>stop appl. thread</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>buff := 777 in PUT handler</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>call <code>MPI_WIN_FENCE</code></td>
<td>call <code>MPI_WIN_FENCE</code></td>
<td>continue appl. thread</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>ccc := buff</code></td>
<td><code>ccc := reg_A</code></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

This problem, which also afflicts in some cases send/receive communication, is discussed more at length in Section 19.1.16.

Programs written in C avoid this problem, because of the semantics of C. Many Fortran compilers will avoid this problem, without disabling compiler optimizations. However, in order to avoid register coherence problems in a completely portable manner, users should restrict their use of RMA windows to variables stored in modules or COMMON blocks. To prevent problems with the argument copying and register optimization done by Fortran compilers, please note the hints in Sections 19.1.10–19.1.20. Sections 19.1.17 to 19.1.17 discuss several solutions for the problem in this example.

12.8 Examples

**Example 12.15.** The following example shows a generic loosely synchronous, iterative code, using `MPI_FENCE` for synchronization. The window at each MPI process consists of array `A`, which contains the origin and target buffers of the put operations.

```c
... while (!converged(A)) {
    update(A);
    MPI_Win_fence(MPI_MODE_NOPRECEDE, win);
    for (i=0; i < toneighbors; i++)
        MPI_Put(&frombuf[i], 1, fromtype[i], toneighbor[i],
                 todisp[i], 1, totype[i], win);
    MPI_Win_fence((MPI_MODE_NOSTORE | MPI_MODE_NOSUCCEED), win);
}...```
The same code could be written with get rather than put. Note that, during the communication phase, each window is concurrently read (as origin buffer of puts) and written (as target buffer of puts). This is OK, provided that there is no overlap between the target buffer of a put and another communication buffer.

**Example 12.16.** Same generic example, with more computation/communication overlap. We assume that the update phase is broken into two subphases: the first, where the “boundary,” which is involved in communication, is updated, and the second, where the “core,” which neither uses nor provides communicated data, is updated.

```c
... while (!converged(A)) {
    update_boundary(A);
    MPI_Win_fence((MPI_MODE_NOPUT | MPI_MODE_NOPRECEDE), win);
    for (i = 0; i < fromneighbors; i++)
        MPI_Get(&tobuf[i], 1, totype[i], fromneighbor[i],
                fromdisp[i], 1, fromtype[i], win);
    update_core(A);
    MPI_Win_fence(MPI_MODE_NOSUCCEED, win);
}
```

The get communication can be concurrent with the core update, since they do not access the same locations, and the local update of the origin buffer by the get operation can be concurrent with the local update of the core by the `update_core` call. In order to get similar overlap with put communication we would need to use separate windows for the core and for the boundary. This is required because we do not allow local stores to be concurrent with puts on the same, or on overlapping, windows.

**Example 12.17.** Same code as in Example 12.15, rewritten using post-start-complete-wait.

```c
... while (!converged(A)) {
    update(A);
    MPI_Win_post(fromgroup, 0, win);
    MPI_Win_start(togroup, 0, win);
    for (i = 0; i < toneighbors; i++)
        MPI_Put(&frombuf[i], 1, fromtype[i], toneighbor[i],
                todisp[i], 1, totype[i], win);
    MPI_Win_complete(win);
    MPI_Win_wait(win);
}
```

**Example 12.18.** Same example, with post-start-complete-wait, as in Example 12.16.

```c
... while (!converged(A)) {
    update_boundary(A);
```
Example 12.19. A checkerboard, or double buffer communication pattern, that allows more computation/communication overlap. Array $A_0$ is updated using values of array $A_1$, and vice versa. We assume that communication is symmetric: if process A gets data from process B, then process B gets data from process A. Window $w_{ni}$ consists of array $A_i$.

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all neighbors of the calling MPI process have posted the windows associated with \texttt{win1}. Therefore, the \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_NOCHECK} option can be used with the calls to \texttt{MPI\_WIN\_START}. Put operations can be used, instead of get operations, if the area of array \texttt{A0} (resp. \texttt{A1}) used by \texttt{update(A1, A0)} (resp. \texttt{update(A0, A1)}) is disjoint from the area modified by the RMA operation. On some systems, a put operation may be more efficient than a get operation, as it requires information exchange only in one direction.

In the next several examples, for conciseness, the expression

\[ z = \texttt{MPI\_Get\_accumulate}(\ldots) \]

means to perform a get-accumulate operation with the result buffer (given by \texttt{result_addr} in the description of \texttt{MPI\_GET\_ACCUMULATE}) on the left side of the assignment, in this case, \texttt{z}. This format is also used with \texttt{MPI\_COMPARE\_AND\_SWAP} and \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_SIZE}.

Process B\ldots refers to any process other than A.

**Example 12.20.** The following example implements a naive, nonscalable counting semaphore. The example demonstrates the use of \texttt{MPI\_WIN\_SYNC} to manipulate the public copy of \texttt{X}, as well as \texttt{MPI\_WIN\_FLUSH} to complete operations without closing the access epoch opened with \texttt{MPI\_WIN\_LOCK\_ALL}. To avoid the rules regarding synchronization of the public and private copies of windows, \texttt{MPI\_ACCUMULATE} and \texttt{MPI\_GET\_ACCUMULATE} are used to write to or read from the local public copy.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Process A</th>
<th>Process B...</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Win_lock_all}</td>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Win_lock_all}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{X=MPI_Comm_size()}</td>
<td>\texttt{X=MPI_Comm_size()}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Win_sync}</td>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Win_sync}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Barrier}</td>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Barrier}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Accumulate(X, MPI_SUM, -1)}</td>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Accumulate(X, MPI_SUM, -1)}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>stack variable \texttt{z}</td>
<td>stack variable \texttt{z}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{do}</td>
<td>\texttt{do}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{\texttt{z} = MPI_Get_accumulate(X,}</td>
<td>\texttt{\texttt{z} = MPI_Get_accumulate(X,}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{MPI_NO_OP, 0)}</td>
<td>\texttt{MPI_NO_OP, 0)}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Win_flush(A)}</td>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Win_flush(A)}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{while(z!=0)}</td>
<td>\texttt{while(z!=0)}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Win_unlock_all}</td>
<td>\texttt{MPI_Win_unlock_all}</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Example 12.21.** Implementing a critical region between two MPI processes (Peterson’s algorithm). Despite their appearance in the following example, \texttt{MPI\_WIN\_LOCK\_ALL} and \texttt{MPI\_WIN\_UNLOCK\_ALL} are not collective calls, but it is frequently useful to open shared access epochs to all MPI processes from all other MPI processes in a window. Once the access epochs are opened, accumulate operations as well as flush and sync synchronization can be used to read from or write to the public copy of the window.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Process A</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{window location \texttt{X}}</td>
<td>\texttt{window location \texttt{Y}}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\texttt{window location \texttt{T}}</td>
<td>\texttt{window location \texttt{T}}</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Example 12.22. Implementing a critical region between multiple MPI processes with compare and swap. The call to MPI_WIN_SYNC is necessary on Process A after local initialization of A to guarantee the public copy has been updated with the initialization value found in the private copy. It would also be valid to call MPI_ACCUMULATE with MPI_REPLACE to directly initialize the public copy. A call to MPI_WIN_FLUSH would be necessary to assure A in the public copy of Process A had been updated before the barrier.

Process A

MPI_Win_lock_all
X=1
MPI_Win_sync
MPI_Barrier
MPI_Accumulate(T, MPI_REPLACE, 1)
stack variables t,y
t=1
y=MPI_Get_accumulate(Y, MPI_NO_OP, 0)
while(y==1 && t==1) do
  y=MPI_Get_accumulate(Y, MPI_NO_OP, 0)
t=0
MPI_Win_flush_all
done
// critical region
MPI_Accumulate(X, MPI_REPLACE, 0)

Example 12.23. The following example demonstrates the proper synchronization in the unified memory model when a data transfer is implemented with load and store accesses in the case of windows in shared memory (instead of using MPI_PUT or MPI_GET) and the synchronization between MPI processes is performed using point-to-point communication. The synchronization between MPI processes must be supplemented with a memory synchronization through calls to MPI_WIN_SYNC, which act locally as a processor-memory barrier. In Fortran, if MPI_ASYNC_PROTECTS_NONBLOCKING is .FALSE. or the variable X is not declared as ASYNCHRONOUS, reordering of the accesses to the variable X must be prevented.

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with MPI_F_SYNC_REG operations. (No equivalent function is needed in C.) The variable \( X \) is contained within a shared memory window and \( X \) corresponds to the same memory location at both processes. The first call to MPI_WIN_SYNC performed by process A ensures completion of the load/store accesses issued by process A. The first call to MPI_WIN_SYNC performed by process B ensures that process A’s updates to \( X \) are visible to process B. Similarly, the second call to MPI_WIN_SYNC on each process ensures correct ordering of the point-to-point communication and thus that the load/store operations on process B have completed before any subsequent load/store accesses to the variable \( X \) in process A.

```

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Example 12.24. The following example shows how request-based operations can be used to overlap communication with computation. Each MPI process fetches, processes, and writes the result for NSTEPS chunks of data. Instead of a single buffer, \( M \) local buffers are used to allow up to \( M \) communication operations to overlap with computation.

```

```c

int i, j;
MPI_Win win;
MPI_Request put_req[M] = { MPI_REQUEST_NULL };
MPI_Request get_req;
double *baseptr;
double data[M][N];
MPI_Win_allocate(NSTEPS*N*sizeof(double), sizeof(double), MPI_INFO_NULL, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &baseptr, &win);

MPI_Win_lock_all(0, win);
```

```
Example 12.25. The following example constructs a distributed shared linked list using dynamic windows. Initially process 0 creates the head of the list, attaches it to the window, and broadcasts the pointer to all MPI processes. All MPI processes then concurrently append \( N \) new elements to the list. When an MPI process attempts to attach its element to the tail of the list it may discover that its tail pointer is stale and it must chase ahead to the new tail before the element can be attached. This example requires some modification to work in an environment where the layout of the structures is different on different MPI processes.

```c
#define NUM_ELEMS 10
#define LLIST_ELEM_NEXT_RANK (offsetof(llist_elem_t, next) + 
    offsetof(llist_ptr_t, rank))
#define LLIST_ELEM_NEXT_DISP (offsetof(llist_elem_t, next) + 
    offsetof(llist_ptr_t, disp))

/* Linked list pointer */
typedef struct {
    MPI_Aint disp;
    int rank;
} llist_ptr_t;

/* Linked list element */
typedef struct {
    llist_ptr_t next;
    int value;
} llist_elem_t;

const llist_ptr_t nil = { (MPI_Aint) MPI_BOTTOM, -1 };

/* List of locally allocated list elements. */
static llist_elem_t **my elems = NULL;
static int my elems_size = 0;
static int my elems_count = 0;

/* Allocate a new shared linked list element */
```
MPI_Aint alloc_elem(int value, MPI_Win win) {
    MPI_Aint disp;
    llist_elem_t *elem_ptr;

    /* Allocate the new element and register it with the window */
    MPI_Alloc_mem(sizeof(llist_elem_t), MPI_INFO_NULL, &elem_ptr);
    elem_ptr->value = value;
    elem_ptr->next = nil;
    MPI_Win_attach(win, elem_ptr, sizeof(llist_elem_t));

    /* Add the element to the list of local elements so we can free
     * it later. */
    if (my_elems_size == my elems_count) {
        my elems_size += 100;
        my elems = realloc(my elems, my elems_size* sizeof(void *));
    }
    my elems[my elems_count] = elem_ptr;
    my elems_count++;

    MPI_Get_address(elem_ptr, &disp);
    return disp;
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    int procid, nproc, i;
    MPI_Win llist_win;
    llist_ptr_t head_ptr, tail_ptr;

    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);

    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &procid);
    MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &nproc);

    MPI_Win_create_dynamic(MPI_INFO_NULL, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &llist_win);

    /* Process 0 creates the head node */
    if (procid == 0)
        head_ptr.disp = alloc_elem(-1, llist_win);

    /* Broadcast the head pointer to everyone */
    head_ptr.rank = 0;
    MPI_Bcast(&head_ptr.disp, 1, MPI_AINT, 0, MPI COMM_WORLD);
    tail_ptr = head_ptr;

    /* Lock the window for shared access to all targets */
    MPI_Win_lock_all(0, llist_win);

    /* All processes concurrently append NUM_ELEMS elements to the list */
    for (i = 0; i < NUM_ELEMS; i++) {
        llist_ptr_t new_elem_ptr;
        int success;

        /* Create a new list element and attach it to the window */
        new elem_ptr.rank = procid;
        new elem_ptr.disp = alloc_elem(procid, llist_win);

        /* Append the new node to the list. This might take multiple
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attempts if others have already appended and our tail pointer is stale. */
do {
    llist_ptr_t next_tail_ptr = nil;

    MPI_Compare_and_swap((void*) &new_elem_ptr.rank, (void*) &nil.rank,
    (void*)&next_tail_ptr.rank, MPI_INT, tail_ptr.rank,
    MPI_Aint_add(tail_ptr.disp, LLIST_ELEM_NEXT_RANK),
    llist_win);

    MPI_Win_flush(tail_ptr.rank, llist_win);
    success = (next_tail_ptr.rank == nil.rank);

    if (success) {
        MPI_Accumulate(& new_elem_ptr.disp, 1, MPI_AINT, tail_ptr.rank,
        MPI_Aint_add(tail_ptr.disp, LLIST_ELEM_NEXT_DISP), 1,
        MPI_AINT, MPI_REPLACE, llist_win);

        MPI_Win_flush(tail_ptr.rank, llist_win);
        tail_ptr = new_elem_ptr;
    } else {
        /* Tail pointer is stale, fetch the displacement. May take multiple tries if it is being updated. */
        do {
            MPI_Get_accumulate(NULL, 0, MPI_AINT, &next_tail_ptr.disp,
            1, MPI_AINT, tail_ptr.rank,
            MPI_Aint_add(tail_ptr.disp, LLIST_ELEM_NEXT_DISP),
            1, MPI_AINT, MPI_NO_OP, llist_win);

            MPI_Win_flush(tail_ptr.rank, llist_win);
        } while (next_tail_ptr.disp == nil.disp);
        tail_ptr = next_tail_ptr;
    }
} while (!success);

MPI_Win_unlock_all(llist_win);
MPI_Barrier(MPI_COMM_WORLD);

/* Free all the elements in the list */
for (; my_elems_count > 0; my_elems_count--) {
    MPI_Win_detach(llist_win, myelems[my_elems_count-1]);
    MPI_FREE_mem(myelems[my_elems_count-1]);
}
MPI_Win_free(& llist_win);

...
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External Interfaces

13.1 Introduction

This chapter contains calls used to create generalized requests, which allow users to create new nonblocking operations with an interface similar to what is present in MPI. These calls can be used to layer new functionality on top of MPI. Section 13.3 deals with setting the information found in status. This functionality is needed for generalized requests.

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The goal of generalized requests is to allow users to define new nonblocking operations. Such an outstanding nonblocking operation is represented by a (generalized) request. A fundamental property of nonblocking operations is that progress toward the completion of this operation occurs asynchronously, i.e., concurrently with normal program execution. Typically, this requires execution of code concurrently with the execution of the user code, e.g., in a separate thread or in a signal handler. Operating systems provide a variety of mechanisms in support of concurrent execution. MPI does not attempt to standardize or to replace these mechanisms: it is assumed programmers who wish to define new asynchronous operations will use the mechanisms provided by the underlying operating system. Thus, the calls in this section only provide a means for defining the effect of MPI calls such as MPI_WAIT or MPICANCEL when they apply to generalized requests, and for signaling to MPI the completion of a generalized operation.

Rationale. It is tempting to also define an MPI standard mechanism for achieving concurrent execution of user-defined nonblocking operations. However, it is difficult to define such a mechanism without consideration of the specific mechanisms used in the operating system. The Forum feels that concurrency mechanisms are a proper part of the underlying operating system and should not be standardized by MPI; the MPI standard should only deal with the interaction of such mechanisms with MPI. (End of rationale.)

For a regular request, the operation associated with the request is performed by the MPI implementation, and the operation completes without intervention by the application. For a generalized request, the operation associated with the request is performed by the application; therefore, the application must notify MPI through a call to MPIREQUEST_COMPLETE when the operation completes. MPI maintains the “completion” status of generalized requests. Any other request state has to be maintained by the user.

A new generalized request is started with
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MPI\_GREQUEST\_START(query\_fn, free\_fn, cancel\_fn, extra\_state, request)

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C binding

```c
int MPI\_Grequest\_start(MPI\_Grequest\_query\_function *query\_fn,
                         MPI\_Grequest\_free\_function *free\_fn,
                         MPI\_Grequest\_cancel\_function *cancel\_fn,
                         void *extra\_state,
                         MPI\_Request *request)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI\_Grequest\_start(query\_fn, free\_fn, cancel\_fn, extra\_state, request, ierror)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI\_GREQUEST\_START(QUERY\_FN, FREE\_FN, CANCEL\_FN, EXTRA\_STATE, REQUEST, IERROR)
```

Advice to users. Note that a generalized request is of the same type as regular requests, in C and Fortran. (End of advice to users.)

The call starts a generalized request and returns a handle to it in request.

The syntax and meaning of the callback functions are listed below. All callback functions are passed the extra\_state argument that was associated with the request by the starting call MPI\_GREQUEST\_START; extra\_state can be used to maintain user-defined state for the request.

In C, the query procedure is

```c
typedef int MPI\_Grequest\_query\_function(void *extra\_state, MPI\_Status *status);
```

in Fortran with the mpi\_f08 module

```fortran
EXTERNAL QUERY\_FN, FREE\_FN, CANCEL\_FN
INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND) EXTRA\_STATE
INTEGER REQUEST, IERROR
```

SUBROUTINE MPI\_Grequest\_query\_function(extra\_state, status, ierror)
```
INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND) :: extra\_state
TYPE(MPI\_Status) :: status
```
The `query_fn` function computes the status that should be returned for the generalized request. The status also includes information about successful/unsuccessful cancellation of the request (result to be returned by `MPI_TEST_CANCELLED`).

The `query_fn` callback is invoked by the `MPI{WAIT|TEST}{ANY|SOME|ALL}` call that completed the generalized request associated with this callback. The callback function is also invoked by calls to `MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS`, if the request is complete when the call occurs. In both cases, the callback is passed a reference to the corresponding status variable passed by the user to the `MPI` call; the status set by the callback function is returned by the `MPI` call. If the user provided `MPI_STATUS_IGNORE` or `MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE` to the `MPI` procedure that causes `query_fn` to be called, then `MPI` will pass a valid status object to `query_fn`, and this status will be ignored upon return of the callback function.

Note that `query_fn` is invoked only after `MPI_REQUEST_COMPLETE` is called on the request; it may be invoked several times for the same generalized request, e.g., if the user calls `MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS` several times for this request. Note also that a call to `MPI{WAIT|TEST}{SOME|ALL}` may cause multiple invocations of `query_fn` callback functions, one for each generalized request that is completed by the `MPI` call. The order of these invocations is not specified by `MPI`.

In C, the free procedures is

```c
typedef int MPI_Request_free_function(void *extra_state);
```

in Fortran with the `mpi_f08` module

```fortran
ABSTRACT INTERFACE
   SUBROUTINE MPI_Request_free_function(extra_state, ierror)
      INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state
      INTEGER :: ierror
   END SUBROUTINE

SUBROUTINE MPI_Grequest_free_function(EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE
   INTEGER :: ierror
END SUBROUTINE
```

The `free_fn` function is invoked to clean up user-allocated resources when the generalized request is freed.

The `free_fn` callback is invoked by the `MPI{WAIT|TEST}{ANY|SOME|ALL}` call that completed the generalized request associated with this callback. `free_fn` is invoked after the call to `query_fn` for the same request. However, if the `MPI` call completed multiple generalized requests, the order in which `free_fn` callback functions are invoked is not specified by `MPI`.

The `free_fn` callback is also invoked for generalized requests that are freed by a call to `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` (no call to `MPI{WAIT|TEST}{ANY|SOME|ALL}` will occur for such a request). In this case, the callback function will be called either in the `MPI` call `MPI_REQUEST_FREE(request)`, or in the `MPI` call `MPI_REQUEST_COMPLETE(request)`, whichever happens last, i.e., in this case the actual freeing code is executed as soon as both calls `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` and `MPI_REQUEST_COMPLETE` have occurred. The request

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```

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```fortran
INTEGER :: ierror
```

in Fortran with the `mpi` module and (deprecated) `mpif.h` include file

```fortran
SUBROUTINE MPI_Grequest_free_function(EXTRA_STATE, STATUS, IERROR)
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE
   INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
END SUBROUTINE
```

The `free_fn` function is invoked to clean up user-allocated resources when the generalized request is freed.

The `free_fn` callback is invoked by the `MPI{WAIT|TEST}{ANY|SOME|ALL}` call that completed the generalized request associated with this callback. If the user provided `MPI_STATUS_IGNORE` or `MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE` to the `MPI` procedure that causes `free_fn` to be called, then `MPI` will pass a valid status object to `free_fn`, and this status will be ignored upon return of the callback function.

Note that `free_fn` is invoked only after `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` is called on the request; it may be invoked several times for the same generalized request, e.g., if the user calls `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` several times for this request. Note also that a call to `MPI{WAIT|TEST}{SOME|ALL}` may cause multiple invocations of `free_fn` callback functions, one for each generalized request that is freed by the `MPI` call. The order of these invocations is not specified by `MPI`.

In C, the free procedures is

```c
typedef int MPI_Grequest_free_function(void *extra_state, ierror);
```

in Fortran with the `mpi` module

```fortran
SUBROUTINE GREQUEST_FREE_FUNCTION(EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE
   INTEGER :: ierror
END SUBROUTINE
```

The `free_fn` function is invoked to clean up user-allocated resources when the generalized request is freed.

The `free_fn` callback is invoked by the `MPI{WAIT|TEST}{ANY|SOME|ALL}` call that completed the generalized request associated with this callback. If the user provided `MPI_STATUS_IGNORE` or `MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE` to the `MPI` procedure that causes `free_fn` to be called, then `MPI` will pass a valid status object to `free_fn`, and this status will be ignored upon return of the callback function.

Note that `free_fn` is invoked only after `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` is called on the request; it may be invoked several times for the same generalized request, e.g., if the user calls `MPI_REQUEST_FREE` several times for this request. Note also that a call to `MPI{WAIT|TEST}{SOME|ALL}` may cause multiple invocations of `free_fn` callback functions, one for each generalized request that is freed by the `MPI` call. The order of these invocations is not specified by `MPI`.

In C, the free procedures is

```c
typedef int MPI_Grequest_free_function(void *extra_state, ierror);
```

in Fortran with the `mpi` module

```fortran
SUBROUTINE GREQUEST_FREE_FUNCTION(EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE
   INTEGER :: ierror
END SUBROUTINE
```
is not deallocated until after free_fn completes. Note that free_fn will be invoked only once
per request by a correct program.

Advis e to users. Calling MPI_REQUEST_FREE(request) will cause the request handle
to be set to MPI_REQUEST_NULL. This handle to the generalized request is no longer
valid. However, user copies of this handle are valid until after free_fn completes since
MPI does not deallocate the object until then. Since free_fn is not called until after
MPI_GREQUEST_COMPLETE, the user copy of the handle can be used to make this
call. Users should note that MPI will deallocate the object after free_fn executes. At
this point, user copies of the request handle no longer point to a valid request. MPI will
not set user copies to MPI_REQUEST_NULL in this case, so it is up to the user to avoid
accessing this stale handle. This is a special case in which MPI defers deallocating the
object until a later time that is known by the user. (End of advice to users.)

In C, the cancel procedure is
typedef int MPI_Grequest_cancel_function(void *extra_state, int complete);
in Fortran with the mpi_f08 module
ABSTRACT INTERFACE
    SUBROUTINE MPI_Grequest_cancel_function(extra_state, complete, ierror)
        INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state
        LOGICAL :: complete
        INTEGER :: ierror
    END SUBROUTINE

in Fortran with the mpi module and (deprecated) mpif.h include file
SUBROUTINE GREQUEST_CANCEL_FUNCTION(EXTRA_STATE, COMPLETE, IERROR)
        INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE
        LOGICAL COMPLETE
        INTEGER IERROR
    END SUBROUTINE

The cancel_fn function is invoked to start the cancelation of a generalized request. It
is called by MPI_CANCEL(request). MPI passes complete = true to the callback function
if MPI_GREQUEST_COMPLETE was already called on the request, and complete = false
otherwise.

All callback functions return an error code. The code is passed back and dealt with as
appropriate for the error code by the MPI procedure that invoked the callback function. For
example, if error codes are returned then the error code returned by the callback function
will be returned by the MPI procedure that invoked the callback function. In the case of
an MPI_{WAIT|TEST}{{ANY}} call that invokes both query_fn and free_fn, the MPI call will
return the error code returned by the last callback, namely free_fn. If one or more of the
requests in a call to MPI_{WAIT|TEST}{{SOME|ALL}} failed, then the MPI call will return
MPI_ERR_IN_STATUS. In such a case, if the MPI call was passed an array of statuses, then
MPI will return in each of the statuses that correspond to a completed generalized request
the error code returned by the corresponding invocation of its free_fn callback function.
However, if the MPI procedure was passed MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE, then the individual
error codes returned by each callback functions will be lost.

Advis e to users. query_fn must not set the error field of status since query_fn may be
called by MPI_WAIT or MPI_TEST, in which case the error field of status should not change. The MPI library knows the “context” in which query_fn is invoked and can
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decide correctly when to put the returned error code in the error field of status. (*End of advice to users.*)

MPI_GREQUEST_COMPLETE(request)

```c
INOUT request generalized request (handle)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Grequest_complete(MPI_Request request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Grequest_complete(request, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_GREQUEST_COMPLETE(REQUEST, IERROR)
```

```fortran
  INTEGER REQUEST, IERROR
```

The call informs MPI that the operations represented by the generalized request `request` are complete (see definitions in Section 2.4). A call to `MPI_WAIT(request, status)` will return and a call to `MPI_TEST(request, flag, status)` will return `flag = true` only after a call to `MPI_GREQUEST_COMPLETE` has declared that these operations are complete.

MPI imposes no restrictions on the code executed by the callback functions. However, new nonblocking operations should be defined so that the general semantic rules about MPI calls such as `MPI_TEST`, `MPI_REQUEST_FREE`, or `MPI_CANCEL` still hold. For example, these calls are supposed to be local and nonblocking. Therefore, the callback functions `query_fn`, `free_fn`, or `cancel_fn` should invoke blocking MPI communication calls only if the context is such that these calls are guaranteed to return in finite time. Once `MPI_CANCEL` is invoked, the cancelled operation should complete in finite time, irrespective of the state of other MPI processes (the operation has acquired “local” semantics). It should either succeed, or fail without side-effects. The user should guarantee these same properties for newly defined operations.

*Advice to implementors.* A call to `MPI_GREQUEST_COMPLETE` may unblock a blocked user process/thread. The MPI library should ensure that the blocked user computation will resume. (*End of advice to implementors.*)

13.2.1 Examples

**Example 13.1.** This example shows the code for a user-defined reduce operation on an `int` using a binary tree: each nonroot node receives two messages, sums them, and sends them up. We assume that no status is returned and that the operation cannot be cancelled.

```c
typedef struct {
  MPI_Comm comm;
  int tag;
  int root;
  int valin;
  int *valout;
} ...
```
MPI_Request request;
} ARGS;

int myreduce(MPI_Comm comm, int tag, int root,
    int valin, int *valout, MPI_Request *request)
{
    ARGS *args;
pthread_t thread;

    /* start request */
    MPI_Grequest_start(query_fn, free_fn, cancel_fn, NULL, request);

    args = (ARGS*)malloc(sizeof(ARGS));
    args->comm = comm;
    args->tag = tag;
    args->root = root;
    args->valin = valin;
    args->valout = valout;
    args->request = *request;

    /* spawn thread to handle request */
    /* The availability of the pthread_create call is system dependent */
    /* The availability of the pthread_create call is system dependent */
    pthread_create(&thread, NULL, reduce_thread, args);

    return MPI_SUCCESS;
}

/* thread code */
void* reduce_thread(void *ptr)
{
    int lchild, rchild, parent, lval, rval, val;
    MPI_Request req[2];
    ARGS *args;

    args = (ARGS*)ptr;

    /* compute left and right child and parent in tree; set
     * to MPI_PROC_NULL if does not exist */
    /* code not shown */
    ...
    MPI_Irecv(&lval, 1, MPI_INT, lchild, args->tag, args->comm, &req[0]);
    MPI_Irecv(&rval, 1, MPI_INT, rchild, args->tag, args->comm, &req[1]);
    MPI_Waitall(2, req, MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE);
    val = lval + args->valin + rval;
    MPI_Send(&val, 1, MPI_INT, parent, args->tag, args->comm);
    if (parent == MPI_PROC_NULL) *(args->valout) = val;
    MPI_Grequest_complete((args->request));
    free(ptr);
    return(NULL);
}
13.3 Associating Information with Status

MPI supports several different types of requests besides those for point-to-point operations. These range from MPI calls for I/O to generalized requests. It is desirable to allow these calls to use the same request mechanism, which allows one to wait or test on different types of requests. However, 
\texttt{MPI\_\{TEST\|WAIT\\}\{ANY\|SOME\|ALL\}} returns a status with information about the request. With the generalization of requests, one needs to define what information will be returned in the status object.

Each MPI call fills in the appropriate fields in the status object. Any unused fields will have undefined values. A call to \texttt{MPI\_\{TEST\|WAIT\\}\{ANY\|SOME\|ALL\}} can modify any of the fields in the status object. Specifically, it can modify fields that are undefined. The fields with meaningful values for a given request are defined in the sections with the new request.

Generalized requests raise additional considerations. Here, the user provides the func-

```c
int query_fn(void *extra_state, MPI_Status *status) {
    /* always send just one int */
    MPI_Status_set_elements(status, MPI_INT, 1);
    /* can never cancel so always true */
    MPI_Status_set_cancelled(status, 0);
    /* choose not to return a value for this */
    status->MPI_SOURCE = MPI_UNDEFINED;
    /* tag has no meaning for this generalized request */
    status->MPI_TAG = MPI_UNDEFINED;
    /* this generalized request never fails */
    return MPI_SUCCESS;
}

int free_fn(void *extra_state) {
    /* this generalized request does not need to do any freeing */
    /* as a result it never fails here */
    return MPI_SUCCESS;
}

int cancel_fn(void *extra_state, int complete) {
    /* This generalized request does not support cancelling.
       Abort if not already done.
       If done then treat as if cancel failed. */
    if (!complete) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Cannot cancel generalized request - aborting program\n");
        MPI_Abort(MPI_COMM_WORLD, 99);
    }
    return MPI_SUCCESS;
}
```
tions to deal with the request. Unlike other MPI calls, the user needs to provide the information to be returned in the status. The status argument is provided directly to the callback function where the status needs to be set. Users can directly set the values in 3 of the 5 status values. The count and cancel fields are opaque. To overcome this, these calls are provided:

\[
\text{MPI\_STATUS\_SET\_ELEMENTS}(\text{status, datatype, count})
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{INOUT} & \quad \text{status} & \text{status with which to associate count (status)} \\
\text{IN} & \quad \text{datatype} & \text{datatype associated with count (handle)} \\
\text{IN} & \quad \text{count} & \text{number of elements to associate with status (integer)}
\end{align*}
\]

C binding
\[
\text{int MPI\_Status\_set\_elements(MPI\_Status *} \text{status, MPI\_Datatype datatype,}
\text{ int count)}
\]
\[
\text{int MPI\_Status\_set\_elements\_c(MPI\_Status *} \text{status, MPI\_Datatype datatype,}
\text{ MPI\_Count count)}
\]

Fortran 2008 binding
\[
\text{MPI\_Status\_set\_elements(status, datatype, count, ierr)} ! (_c)
\]
\[
\begin{align*}
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Status), INTENT(INOUT)} & :: \text{status} \\
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN)} & :: \text{datatype} \\
\text{INTEGER, INTENT(IN)} & :: \text{count} \\
\text{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT)} & :: \text{ierror}
\end{align*}
\]

Fortran binding
\[
\text{MPI\_STATUS\_SET\_ELEMENTS(STATUS, DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR)}
\]
\[
\text{INTEGER STATUS(MPI\_STATUS\_SIZE), DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR}
\]

This procedure modifies the opaque part of \text{status} so calls to \text{MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS} will return count. Calls to \text{MPI\_GET\_COUNT} will return a compatible value.

\textbf{Rationale.} The number of elements is set instead of the count because the former can deal with a non-integer number of datatypes. (*End of rationale.*)

A subsequent call to \text{MPI\_GET\_COUNT} or \text{MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS} must use a \text{datatype} argument that has the same type signature as the \text{datatype} argument that was used in the call to \text{MPI\_STATUS\_SET\_ELEMENTS}.

\textbf{Rationale.} The requirement of matching type signatures for these calls is similar to the restriction that holds when \text{count} is set by a receive operation: in that case, calls to \text{MPI\_GET\_COUNT} and \text{MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS} must use a \text{datatype} with the same signature as the datatype used in the receive call. (*End of rationale.*)
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MPI

_STATUS

_SET

_CANCELLED(status, flag)

INOUT status

status with which to associate cancel flag (status)

IN flag

if true, indicates request was cancelled (logical)

C binding

int MPI_Status_set_cancelled(MPI_Status *status, int flag)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Status_set_cancelled(status, flag, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(INOUT) :: status
  LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_STATUS_SET_CANCELLED(STATUS, FLAG, IERROR)

  INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  LOGICAL FLAG

If flag is set to true then a subsequent call to MPI_TEST_CANCELLED will also return
flag = true, otherwise it will return false.

Advice to users. Users are advised not to reuse the status fields for values other
than those for which they were intended. Doing so may lead to unexpected results
when using the status object. For example, calling MPI_GET_ELEMENTS may cause
an error if the value is out of range or it may be impossible to detect such an error.
The extra_state argument provided with a generalized request can be used to return
information that does not logically belong in status. Furthermore, modifying the
values in a status set internally by MPI, e.g., MPI_RECV, may lead to unpredictable
results and is strongly discouraged. (End of advice to users.)

While the MPI_SOURCE, MPI_TAG, and MPI_ERROR status values are directly accessible
by the user, for convenience in some contexts, users can also modify them via the procedure
calls described below. Procedures for querying these fields from a status object are defined
in Section 3.2.5.

MPI

_STATUS

_SET

_SOURCE(status, source)

INOUT status

status with which to associate source rank (status)

IN source

rank to set in the MPI_SOURCE field (integer)

C binding

int MPI_Status_set_source(MPI_Status *status, int source)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Status_set_source(status, source, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(INOUT) :: status
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
Fortran binding
MPI_STATUS_SET_SOURCE(STATUS, SOURCE, IERROR)
    INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), SOURCE, IERROR

Set the MPI_SOURCE field in the status object to the provided source argument.

MPI_STATUS_SET_TAG(status, tag)
INOUT status  status with which to associate tag (status)
IN tag  tag to set in the MPI_TAG field (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Status_set_tag(MPI_Status *status, int tag)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Status_set_tag(status, tag, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(INOUT) :: status
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: tag
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_STATUS_SET_TAG(STATUS, TAG, IERROR)
    INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), TAG, IERROR

Set the MPI_TAG field in the status object to the provided tag argument.

MPI_STATUS_SET_ERROR(status, err)
INOUT status  status with which to associate error (status)
IN err  error to set in the MPI_ERROR field (integer)

C binding
int MPI_Status_set_error(MPI_Status *status, int err)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Status_set_error(status, err, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(INOUT) :: status
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: err
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_STATUS_SET_ERROR(STATUS, ERR, IERROR)
    INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), ERR, IERROR

Set the MPI_ERROR field in the status object to the provided err error code.

Rationale. These functions exist for convenience when using MPI from languages other than C and Fortran, where having a function in the MPI library with a known API reduces the need for utility code written in C. (End of rationale.)
Chapter 14

I/O

14.1 Introduction

POSIX provides a model of a widely portable file system, but the portability and optimization needed for parallel I/O cannot be achieved with the POSIX interface.

The significant optimizations required for efficiency (e.g., grouping [55], collective buffering [9, 17, 56, 60, 67], and disk-directed I/O [50]) can only be implemented if the parallel I/O system provides a high-level interface supporting partitioning of file data among processes and a collective interface supporting complete transfers of global data structures between process memories and files. In addition, further efficiencies can be gained via support for asynchronous I/O, strided accesses, and control over physical file layout on storage devices (disks). The I/O environment described in this chapter provides these facilities.

Instead of defining I/O access modes to express the common patterns for accessing a shared file (broadcast, reduction, scatter, gather), we chose another approach in which data partitioning is expressed using derived datatypes. Compared to a limited set of predefined access patterns, this approach has the advantage of added flexibility and expressiveness.

14.1.1 Definitions

file: An MPI file is an ordered collection of typed data items. MPI supports random or sequential access to any integral set of these items. A file is opened collectively by a group of processes. All collective I/O calls on a file are collective over this group.

displacement: A file displacement is an absolute byte position relative to the beginning of a file. The displacement defines the location where a view begins. Note that a “file displacement” is distinct from a “typemap displacement.”

etype: An etype (elementary datatype) is the unit of data access and positioning. It can be any MPI predefined or derived datatype. Derived etypes can be constructed using any of the MPI datatype constructor routines, provided all resulting typemap displacements are nonnegative and monotonically nondecreasing. Data access is performed in etype units, reading or writing whole data items of type etype. Offsets are expressed as a count of etypes; file pointers point to the beginning of etypes. Depending on context, the term “etype” is used to describe one of three aspects of an elementary datatype: a particular MPI type, a data item of that type, or the extent of that type.

filetype: A filetype is the basis for partitioning a file among processes and defines a template for accessing the file. A filetype is either a single etype or a derived MPI datatype constructed from multiple instances of the same etype. In addition, the extent of any hole in the filetype must be a multiple of the etype’s extent. The displacements in the
typemap of the filetype are not required to be distinct, but they must be nonnegative and monotonically nondecreasing.

**view:** A *view* defines the current set of data visible and accessible from an open file as an ordered set of etypes. Each process has its own view of the file, defined by three quantities: a displacement, an etype, and a filetype. The pattern described by a filetype is repeated, beginning at the displacement, to define the view. The pattern of repetition is defined to be the same pattern that `MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS` would produce if it were passed the filetype and an arbitrarily large count. Figure 14.1 shows how the tiling works; note that the filetype in this example must have explicit lower and upper bounds set in order for the initial and final holes to be repeated in the view. Views can be changed by the user during program execution. The default view is a linear byte stream (displacement is zero, etype and filetype equal to `MPI_BYTE`).

![Figure 14.1: Etypes and filetypes](image)

A group of processes can use complementary views to achieve a global data distribution such as a scatter/gather pattern (see Figure 14.2).

![Figure 14.2: Partitioning a file among parallel processes](image)

**offset:** An *offset* is a position in the file relative to the current view, expressed as a count of etypes. Holes in the view’s filetype are skipped when calculating this position. Offset 0 is the location of the first etype visible in the view (after skipping the displacement and any initial holes in the view). For example, an offset of 2 for process 1 in Figure 14.2 is the position of the eighth etype in the file after the displacement. An “explicit offset” is an offset that is used as an argument in explicit data access routines.

**file size and end of file:** The *size* of an MPI file is measured in bytes from the beginning of the file. A newly created file has a size of zero bytes. Using the size as an absolute displacement gives the position of the byte immediately following the last byte in the
file. For any given view, the end of file is the offset of the first etype accessible in the current view starting after the last byte in the file.

**file pointer:** A file pointer is an implicit offset maintained by MPI. “Individual file pointers” are file pointers that are local to each process that opened the file. A “shared file pointer” is a file pointer that is shared by the group of processes that opened the file.

**file handle:** A file handle is an opaque object created by MPI_FILE_OPEN and freed by MPI_FILE_CLOSE. All operations on an open file reference the file through the file handle.

### 14.2 File Manipulation

#### 14.2.1 Opening a File

MPI_FILE_OPEN(comm, filename, amode, info, fh)

- **IN** comm communicator (handle)
- **IN** filename name of file to open (string)
- **IN** amode file access mode (integer)
- **IN** info info object (handle)
- **OUT** fh new file handle (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_File_open(MPI_Comm comm, const char *filename, int amode,
                 MPI_Info info, MPI_File *fh)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_File_open(comm, filename, amode, info, fh, ierror)
```

```fortran
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: filename
    INTEGER , INTENT(IN) :: amode
    TYPE(MPI_Info) , INTENT(IN) :: info
    TYPE(MPI_File) , INTENT(OUT) :: fh
    INTEGER , OPTIONAL , INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_FILE_OPEN(COMM, FILENAME, AMODE, INFO, FH, IERROR)
```

```fortran
INTEGER COMM, AMODE, INFO, FH, IERROR
CHARACTER*(*) FILENAME
```

MPI_FILE_OPEN opens the file identified by the file name filename on all processes in the comm communicator group. MPI_FILE_OPEN is a collective routine: all processes must provide the same value for amode, and all processes must provide filenames that reference the same file. (Values for info may vary.) comm must be an intra-communicator; it is erroneous to pass an inter-communicator to MPI_FILE_OPEN. Errors in MPI_FILE_OPEN are raised using the default file error handler (see Section 14.7). When using the World Model (Section 11.1), a process can open a file independently of other processes by using
the MPI_COMM_SELF communicator. Applications using the Sessions Model (Section 11.3) can achieve the same result using communicators created from the "mpi://SELF" process set. The file handle returned, fh, can be subsequently used to access the file until the file is closed using MPI_FILE_CLOSE. Before calling MPI_FINALIZE, the user is required to close (via MPI_FILE_CLOSE) all files that were opened with MPI_FILE_OPEN. Note that the communicator comm is unaffected by MPI_FILE_OPEN and continues to be usable in all MPI routines (e.g., MPI_SEND). Furthermore, the use of comm will not interfere with I/O behavior.

The format for specifying the file name in the filename argument is implementation dependent and must be documented by the implementation.

Advice to implementors. An implementation may require that filename include a string or strings specifying additional information about the file. Examples include the type of filesystem (e.g., a prefix of ufs:), a remote hostname (e.g., a prefix of machine.univ.edu:), or a file password (e.g., a suffix of /PASSWORD=SECRET). (End of advice to implementors.)

Advice to users. On some implementations of MPI, the file namespace may not be identical from all processes of all applications. For example, "/tmp/foo" may denote different files on different processes, or a single file may have many names, dependent on process location. The user is responsible for ensuring that a single file is referenced by the filename argument, as it may be impossible for an implementation to detect this type of namespace error. (End of advice to users.)

Initially, all processes view the file as a linear byte stream, and each process views data in its own native representation (no data representation conversion is performed). (POSIX files are linear byte streams in the native representation.) The file view can be changed via the MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW routine.

The following access modes are supported (specified in amode, a bit vector OR of the following integer constants):

- MPI_MODE_RDONLY: read only
- MPI_MODE_RDWR: reading and writing
- MPI_MODE_WRONLY: write only
- MPI_MODE_CREATE: create the file if it does not exist
- MPI_MODE_EXCL: error if creating file that already exists
- MPI_MODE_DELETE_ON_CLOSE: delete file on close
- MPI_MODE_UNIQUE_OPEN: file will not be concurrently opened elsewhere
- MPI_MODE_SEQUENTIAL: file will only be accessed sequentially
- MPI_MODE_APPEND: set initial position of all file pointers to end of file

Advice to users. C users can use bit vector OR (|) to combine these constants; Fortran 90 users can use the bit vector IOR intrinsic. Fortran 77 users can use (nonportably) bit vector IOR on systems that support it. Alternatively, Fortran users can portably use integer addition to OR the constants (each constant should appear at most once in the addition.). (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. The values of these constants must be defined such that the bitwise OR and the sum of any distinct set of these constants is equivalent. (End of advice to implementors.)
The modes \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_RDONLY}, \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_RDWR}, \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_WRONLY}, \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_CREATE}, and \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_EXCL} have identical semantics to their POSIX counterparts \cite{45}. Exactly one of \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_RDONLY}, \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_RDWR}, or \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_WRONLY}, must be specified. It is erroneous to specify \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_CREATE} or \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_EXCL} in conjunction with \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_RDONLY}; it is erroneous to specify \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_SEQUENTIAL} together with \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_RDWR}.

The \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_DELETE\_ON\_CLOSE} mode causes the file to be deleted (equivalent to performing an \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_DELETE}) when the file is closed.

The \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_UNIQUE\_OPEN} mode allows an implementation to optimize access by eliminating the overhead of file locking. It is erroneous to open a file in this mode unless the file will not be concurrently opened elsewhere.

\emph{Advice to users.} For \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_UNIQUE\_OPEN}, \emph{not opened elsewhere} includes both inside and outside the MPI environment. In particular, one needs to be aware of potential external events that may open files (e.g., automated backup facilities). When \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_UNIQUE\_OPEN} is specified, the user is responsible for ensuring that no such external events take place. (\emph{End of advice to users.})

The \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_SEQUENTIAL} mode allows an implementation to optimize access to some sequential devices (tapes and network streams). It is erroneous to attempt nonsequential access to a file that has been opened in this mode.

Specifying \texttt{MPI\_MODE\_APPEND} only guarantees that all shared and individual file pointers are positioned at the initial end of file when \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_OPEN} returns. Subsequent positioning of file pointers is application dependent. In particular, the implementation does not ensure that all writes are appended.

Errors related to the access mode are raised in the class \texttt{MPI\_ERR\_AMODE}.

The \texttt{info} argument is used to provide information regarding file access patterns and file system specifics (see Section 14.2.8). The constant \texttt{MPI\_INFO\_NULL} can be used when no \texttt{info} needs to be specified.

\emph{Advice to users.} Some file attributes are inherently implementation dependent (e.g., file permissions). These attributes must be set using either the \texttt{info} argument or facilities outside the scope of MPI. (\emph{End of advice to users.})

Files are opened by default using nonatomic mode file consistency semantics (see Section 14.6.1). The more stringent atomic mode consistency semantics, required for atomicity of conflicting accesses, can be set using \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_SET\_ATOMICITY}.

\subsection{14.2.2 Closing a File}

\texttt{MPI\_FILE\_CLOSE(fh)}

\begin{verbatim}
INOUT fh file handle (handle)
\end{verbatim}

\texttt{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_File_close(MPI_File *fh)
\end{verbatim}

\texttt{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_File_close(fh, ierror)
\end{verbatim}
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(INOUT) :: fh
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_CLOSE(FH, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR

MPI_FILE_CLOSE first synchronizes file state (equivalent to performing an
  MPI_FILE_SYNC), then closes the file associated with fh. The file is deleted if it was opened
  with access mode MPI_MODE_DELETE_ON_CLOSE (equivalent to performing an
  MPI_FILE_DELETE). MPI_FILE_CLOSE is a collective routine.

Advice to users. If the file is deleted on close, and there are other processes currently
  accessing the file, the status of the file and the behavior of future accesses by these
  processes are implementation dependent. (End of advice to users.)

The user is responsible for ensuring that all outstanding nonblocking requests and
  split collective operations associated with fh made by a process have completed before that
  process calls MPI_FILE_CLOSE.

The MPI_FILE_CLOSE routine deallocates the file handle object and sets fh to
  MPI_FILE_NULL.

14.2.3 Deleting a File

MPI_FILE_DELETE(filename, info)
  IN filename name of file to delete (string)
  IN info info object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_delete(const char *filename, MPI_Info info)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_delete(filename, info, ierror)
  CHARACTER(LEN=*), INTENT(IN) :: filename
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_DELETE(FILENAME, INFO, IERROR)
  CHARACTER(*), INTENT(IN) :: FILENAME
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR

MPI_FILE_DELETE deletes the file identified by the file name filename. If the file does
  not exist, MPI_FILE_DELETE raises an error in the class MPI_ERR_NO_SUCH_FILE.

The info argument can be used to provide information regarding file system specifics
  (see Section 14.2.8). The constant MPI_INFO_NULL refers to the null info, and can be used
  when no info needs to be specified.

If a process currently has the file open, the behavior of any access to the file (as well
  as the behavior of any outstanding accesses) is implementation dependent. In addition,
whether an open file is deleted or not is also implementation dependent. If the file is not
deleted, an error in the class MPI_ERR_FILE_IN_USE or MPI_ERR_ACCESS will be raised.
Errors are raised using the default file error handler (see Section 14.7).

14.2.4 Resizing a File

MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE(fh, size)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
IN size size to truncate or expand file (integer)

C binding
int MPI_File_set_size(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset size)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_set_size(fh, size, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE(FH, SIZE, IERROR)
   INTEGER FH, IERROR
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) SIZE

MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE resizes the file associated with the file handle fh. size is measured
in bytes from the beginning of the file. MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE is collective; all processes in
the group must pass identical values for size.

If size is smaller than the current file size, the file is truncated at the position defined
by size. The implementation is free to deallocate file blocks located beyond this position.

If size is larger than the current file size, the file size becomes size. Regions of the file
that have been previously written are unaffected. The values of data in the new regions in
the file (those locations with displacements between old file size and size) are undefined. It is
implementation dependent whether the MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE routine allocates file space—
use MPI_FILE_PREALLOCATE to force file space to be reserved.

MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE does not affect the individual file pointers or the shared file
pointer. If MPI_MODE_SEQUENTIAL mode was specified when the file was opened, it is
erroneous to call this routine.

Advice to users. It is possible for the file pointers to point beyond the end of file
after a MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE operation truncates a file. This is valid, and equivalent
to seeking beyond the current end of file. (End of advice to users.)

All nonblocking requests and split collective operations on fh must be completed before
calling MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE. Otherwise, calling MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE is erroneous. As far as
consistency semantics are concerned, MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE is a write operation that conflicts
with operations that access bytes at displacements between the old and new file sizes (see
Section 14.6.1).
14.2.5 Preallocating Space for a File

MPI_FILE_PREALLOCATE(fh, size)
INOUT fh       file handle (handle)
IN    size    size to preallocate file (integer)

C binding
int MPI_File_preallocate(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset size)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_preallocate(fh, size, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_PREALLOCATE(FH, SIZE, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) SIZE

MPI_FILE_PREALLOCATE ensures that storage space is allocated for the first size bytes of the file associated with fh. MPI_FILE_PREALLOCATE is collective; all processes in the group must pass identical values for size. Regions of the file that have previously been written are unaffected. For newly allocated regions of the file, MPI_FILE_PREALLOCATE has the same effect as writing undefined data. If size is larger than the current file size, the file size increases to size. If size is less than or equal to the current file size, the file size is unchanged.

The treatment of file pointers, nonblocking accesses, and file consistency is the same as with MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE. If MPI_MODE_SEQUENTIAL mode was specified when the file was opened, it is erroneous to call this routine.

Advice to users. In some implementations, file preallocation may be time-consuming.
(End of advice to users.)

14.2.6 Querying the Size of a File

MPI_FILE_GET_SIZE(fh, size)
IN    fh       file handle (handle)
OUT   size     size of the file in bytes (integer)

C binding
int MPI_File_get_size(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset *size)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_get_size(fh, size, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
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INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_GET_SIZE(FH, SIZE, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) SIZE

MPI_FILE_GET_SIZE returns, in size, the current size in bytes of the file associated with the file handle fh. As far as consistency semantics are concerned, MPI_FILE_GET_SIZE is a data access operation (see Section 14.6.1).

14.2.7 Querying File Parameters

MPI_FILE_GET_GROUP(fh, group)
IN fh file handle (handle)
OUT group group that opened the file (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_get_group(MPI_File fh, MPI_Group *group)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_get_group(fh, group, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: group
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_GET_GROUP(FH, GROUP, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, GROUP, IERROR

MPI_FILE_GET_GROUP returns a duplicate of the group of the communicator used to open the file associated with fh. The group is returned in group. The user is responsible for freeing group.

MPI_FILE_GET_AMODE(fh, amode)
IN fh file handle (handle)
OUT amode file access mode used to open the file (integer)

C binding
int MPI_File_get_amode(MPI_File fh, int *amode)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_get_amode(fh, amode, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: amode
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
Fortran binding

MPI_FILE_GET_AMODE(FH, AMODE, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, AMODE, IERROR

MPI_FILE_GET_AMODE returns, in amode, the access mode of the file associated with fh.

Example 14.1. In Fortran 77, decoding an amode bit vector will require a routine such as the following:

```
SUBROUTINE BIT_QUERY(TEST_BIT, MAX_BIT, AMODE, BIT_FOUND)
!
! TEST IF THE INPUT TEST_BIT IS SET IN THE INPUT AMODE
! IF SET, RETURN 1 IN BIT_FOUND, 0 OTHERWISE
!
INTEGER TEST_BIT, AMODE, BIT_FOUND, CP_AMODE, HIFOUND
INTEGER L, LBIT, MATCHER, MAX_BIT
BIT_FOUND = 0
CP_AMODE = AMODE
100 CONTINUE
LBIT = 0
HIFOUND = 0
DO L = MAX_BIT, 0, -1
   MATCHER = 2**L
   IF (CP_AMODE .GE. MATCHER .AND. HIFOUND .EQ. 0) THEN
      HIFOUND = 1
      LBIT = MATCHER
      CP_AMODE = CP_AMODE - MATCHER
   END IF
END DO
IF (HIFOUND .EQ. 1 .AND. LBIT .EQ. TEST_BIT) BIT_FOUND = 1
IF (BIT_FOUND .EQ. 0 .AND. HIFOUND .EQ. 1 .AND. &
   CP_AMODE .GT. 0) GO TO 100
END
```

This routine could be called successively to decode amode, one bit at a time. For example, the following code fragment would check for MPI_MODE_RDONLY.

```
CALL BIT_QUERY(MPI_MODE_RDONLY, 30, AMODE, BIT_FOUND)
IF (BIT_FOUND .EQ. 1) THEN
   PRINT *, ' FOUND READ-ONLY BIT IN AMODE=', AMODE
ELSE
   PRINT *, ' READ-ONLY BIT NOT FOUND IN AMODE=', AMODE
END IF
```

14.2.8 File Info

Hints specified via info (see Chapter 10) allow a user to provide information such as file access patterns and file system specifics to direct optimization. Providing hints may enable an implementation to deliver increased I/O performance or minimize the use of system resources. As described in Section 10, an implementation is free to ignore all hints; however, applications must comply with any info hints they provide that are used by the MPI implementation (i.e., are returned by a call to MPI_FILE_GET_INFO) and that place a restriction on the behavior of the application. Hints are specified on a per file basis, in
MPI_FILE_SET_INFO(fh, info)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
IN info info object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_set_info(MPI_File fh, MPI_Info info)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_set_info(fh, info, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_SET_INFO(FH, INFO, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, INFO, IERROR

MPI_FILE_SET_INFO updates the hints of the file associated with fh using the hints provided in info. This operation has no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that are not specified by info. It also has no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that are specified by info, but are ignored by the MPI implementation in this call to MPI_FILE_SET_INFO. MPI_FILE_SET_INFO is a collective routine. The info object may be different on each process, but any info entries that an implementation requires to be the same on all processes must appear with the same value in each process’s info object.

Advice to users. Many info items that an implementation can use when it creates or opens a file cannot easily be changed once the file has been created or opened. Thus, an implementation may ignore hints issued in this call that it would have accepted in an open call. An implementation may also be unable to update certain info hints in a call to MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW or MPI_FILE_SET_INFO. MPI_FILE_GET_INFO can be used to determine whether info changes were ignored by the implementation. (End of advice to users.)
MPI_FILE_GET_INFO(fh, info_used)

IN   fh      file handle (handle)

OUT  info_used   new info object (handle)

**C binding**

int MPI_File_get_info(MPI_File fh, MPI_Info *info_used)

**Fortran 2008 binding**

MPI_File_get_info(fh, info_used, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info_used
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

**Fortran binding**

MPI_FILE_GET_INFO(FH, INFO_USED, IERROR)

  INTEGER FH, INFO_USED, IERROR

MPI_FILE_GET_INFO returns a new info object containing the hints of the file associated with fh. The current setting of all hints related to this file is returned in info_used. An MPI implementation is required to return all hints that are supported by the implementation and have default values specified; any user-supplied hints that were not ignored by the implementation; and any additional hints that were set by the implementation. If no such hints exist, a handle to a newly created info object is returned that contains no (key,value) pairs. The user is responsible for freeing info_used via MPI_INFO_FREE.

**Reserved File Hints**

Some potentially useful hints (info key values) are outlined below. The following key values are reserved. An implementation is not required to interpret these key values, but if it does interpret the key value, it must provide the functionality described. (For more details on “info,” see Chapter 10.)

These hints mainly affect access patterns and the layout of data on parallel I/O devices. For each hint name introduced, we describe the purpose of the hint, and the type of the hint value. The “[SAME]” annotation specifies that the hint values provided by all participating processes must be identical; otherwise the program is erroneous. In addition, some hints are context dependent, and are only used by an implementation at specific times (e.g., "file_perm" is only useful during file creation).

"access_style" (comma separated list of strings): This hint specifies the manner in which the file will be accessed until the file is closed or until the "access_style" key value is altered. The hint value is a comma separated list of the following: "read_once", "write_once", "read_mostly", "write_mostly", "sequential", "reverse_sequential", and "random".

"collective_buffering" (boolean) [SAME]: This hint specifies whether the application may benefit from collective buffering. Collective buffering is an optimization performed on collective accesses. Accesses to the file are performed on behalf of all processes in the group by a number of target nodes. These target nodes coalesce small requests into large disk accesses. Valid values for this key are “true” and “false”. Collective buffering
parameters are further directed via additional hints: "cb_block_size", "cb_buffer_size", and "cb_nodes".

"cb_block_size" (integer) [SAME]: This hint specifies the block size to be used for collective buffering file access. Target nodes access data in chunks of this size. The chunks are distributed among target nodes in a round-robin (cyclic) pattern.

"cb_buffer_size" (integer) [SAME]: This hint specifies the total buffer space that can be used for collective buffering on each target node, usually a multiple of "cb_block_size".

"cb_nodes" (integer) [SAME]: This hint specifies the number of target nodes to be used for collective buffering.

"chunked" (comma separated list of integers) [SAME]: This hint specifies that the file consists of a multidimensional array that is often accessed by subarrays. The value for this hint is a comma separated list of array dimensions, starting from the most significant one (for an array stored in row-major order, as in C, the most significant dimension is the first one; for an array stored in column-major order, as in Fortran, the most significant dimension is the last one, and array dimensions should be reversed).

"chunked_item" (comma separated list of integers) [SAME]: This hint specifies the size of each array entry, in bytes.

"chunked_size" (comma separated list of integers) [SAME]: This hint specifies the dimensions of the subarrays. This is a comma separated list of array dimensions, starting from the most significant one.

"filename" (string): This hint specifies the file name used when the file was opened. If the implementation is capable of returning the file name of an open file, it will be returned using this key by MPI_FILE_GET_INFO. This key is ignored when passed to MPI_FILE_OPEN, MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW, MPI_FILE_SET_INFO, and MPI_FILE_DELETE.

"file_perm" (string) [SAME]: This hint specifies the file permissions to use for file creation. Setting this hint is only useful when passed to MPI_FILE_OPEN with an amode that includes MPI_MODE_CREATE. The set of valid values for this key is implementation dependent.

"io_node_list" (comma separated list of strings) [SAME]: This hint specifies the list of I/O devices that should be used to store the file. This hint is most relevant when the file is created.

"nb_proc" (integer) [SAME]: This hint specifies the number of parallel processes that will typically be assigned to access this file. This hint is most relevant when the file is created.

"num_io_nodes" (integer) [SAME]: This hint specifies the number of I/O devices in the system. This hint is most relevant when the file is created.

"striping_factor" (integer) [SAME]: This hint specifies the number of I/O devices that the file should be striped across, and is relevant only when the file is created.
"striping_unit" (integer) [SAME]: This hint specifies the suggested striping unit to be used for this file. The striping unit is the amount of consecutive data assigned to one I/O device before progressing to the next device, when striping across a number of devices. It is expressed in bytes. This hint is relevant only when the file is created.

"mpi_assert_memory_alloc_kinds" (string, not set by default): If set, the implementation may assume that the memory for all data buffers passed to MPI operations performed by the calling MPI process on the given file will use only the memory allocation kinds listed in the value string. See Section 11.4.3.

14.3 File Views

MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW(fh, disp, etype, filetype, datarep, info)

C binding

int MPI_File_set_view(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset disp, MPI_Datatype etype, MPI_Datatype filetype, const char *datarep, MPI_Info info)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_File_set_view(fh, disp, etype, filetype, datarep, info, ierror)

Fortran binding

MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW(FH, DISP, ETYPE, FILETYPE, DATAREP, INFO, IERROR)

The MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW routine changes the process's view of the data in the file. The start of the view is set to disp; the type of data is set to etype; the distribution of data to processes is set to filetype; and the representation of data in the file is set to datarep. In addition, MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW resets the individual file pointers and the shared file pointer to zero. MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW is collective; the values for datarep and the extents of etype in the file data representation must be identical on all processes in the group; values for disp, filetype, and info may vary. The datatypes passed in etype and filetype must be committed.
The etype always specifies the data layout in the file. If etype is a portable datatype (see Section 2.4), the extent of etype is computed by scaling any displacements in the datatype to match the file data representation. If etype is not a portable datatype, no scaling is done when computing the extent of etype. The user must be careful when using nonportable etypes in heterogeneous environments; see Section 14.5.1 for further details.

If MPI_MODE_SEQUENTIAL mode was specified when the file was opened, the special displacement MPI_DISPLACEMENT_CURRENT must be passed in disp. This sets the displacement to the current position of the shared file pointer. MPI_DISPLACEMENT_CURRENT is invalid unless the amode for the file has MPI_MODE_SEQUENTIAL set.

Rationale. For some sequential files, such as those corresponding to magnetic tapes or streaming network connections, the displacement may not be meaningful. MPI_DISPLACEMENT_CURRENT allows the view to be changed for these types of files. (End of rationale.)

Advice to implementors. It is expected that a call to MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW will immediately follow MPI_FILE_OPEN in numerous instances. A high-quality implementation will ensure that this behavior is efficient. (End of advice to implementors.)

The disp displacement argument specifies the position (absolute offset in bytes from the beginning of the file) where the view begins.

Advice to users. disp can be used to skip headers or when the file includes a sequence of data segments that are to be accessed in different patterns (see Figure 14.3). Separate views, each using a different displacement and filetype, can be used to access each segment.

![Figure 14.3: Displacements](Unofficial Draft for Comment Only)

An etype (elementary datatype) is the unit of data access and positioning. It can be any MPI predefined or derived datatype. Derived etypes can be constructed by using any of the MPI datatype constructor routines, provided all resulting typemap displacements are nonnegative and monotonically nondecreasing. Data access is performed in etype units, reading or writing whole data items of type etype. Offsets are expressed as a count of etypes; file pointers point to the beginning of etypes.

Advice to users. In order to ensure interoperability in a heterogeneous environment, additional restrictions must be observed when constructing the etype (see Section 14.5). (End of advice to users.)
A filetype is either a single etype or a derived MPI datatype constructed from multiple instances of the same etype. In addition, the extent of any hole in the filetype must be a multiple of the etype’s extent. These displacements are not required to be distinct, but they cannot be negative, and they must be monotonically nondecreasing.

If the file is opened for writing, neither the etype nor the filetype is permitted to contain overlapping regions. This restriction is equivalent to the “datatype used in a receive cannot specify overlapping regions” restriction for communication. Note that filetypes from different processes may still overlap each other.

If a filetype has holes in it, then the data in the holes is inaccessible to the calling process. However, the disp, etype, and filetype arguments can be changed via future calls to MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW to access a different part of the file.

It is erroneous to use absolute addresses in the construction of the etype and filetype.

The info argument is used to provide information regarding file access patterns and file system specifics to direct optimization (see Section 14.2.8). The constant MPI_INFO_NULL refers to the null info and can be used when no info needs to be specified.

The datarep argument is a string that specifies the representation of data in the file. See the file interoperability section (Section 14.5) for details and a discussion of valid values.

The user is responsible for ensuring that all nonblocking requests and split collective operations on fh have been completed before calling MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW—otherwise, the call to MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW is erroneous.

```
MPI_FILE_GET_VIEW(fh, disp, etype, filetype, datarep)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_File_get_view(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset *disp, MPI_Datatype *etype,
                      MPI_Datatype *filetype, char *datarep)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_File_get_view(fh, disp, etype, filetype, datarep, ierror)
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_FILE_GET_VIEW(FH, DISP, ETYPE, FILETYPE, DATAREP, IERROR)
```

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MPI_FILE_GET_VIEW returns the process’s view of the data in the file. The current value of the displacement is returned in disp. The etype and filetype are new datatypes with typemaps equal to the typemaps of the current etype and filetype, respectively.

The data representation is returned in datarep. The user is responsible for ensuring that datarep is large enough to hold the returned data representation string. The length of a data representation string is limited to the value of MPI_MAX_DATAREP_STRING.

In addition, if a portable datatype was used to set the current view, then the corresponding datatype returned by MPI_FILE_GET_VIEW is also a portable datatype. If etype or filetype are derived datatypes, the user is responsible for freeing them. The etype and filetype returned are both in a committed state.

14.4 Data Access

14.4.1 Data Access Routines

Data is moved between files and processes by issuing read and write calls. There are three orthogonal aspects to data access: positioning (explicit offset vs. implicit file pointer), synchronism (blocking vs. nonblocking and split collective), and coordination (noncollective vs. collective). The following combinations of these data access routines, including two types of file pointers (individual and shared) are provided in Table 14.1.

Table 14.1: Data access routines

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POSIX read()/fread() and write()/fwrite() are blocking, noncollective operations and use individual file pointers. The MPI equivalents are MPI_FILE_READ and
Implementations of data access routines may buffer data to improve performance. This does not affect reads, as the data is always available in the user’s buffer after a read operation completes. For writes, however, the MPI_FILE_SYNC routine provides the only guarantee that data has been transferred to the storage device.

**Positioning**

MPI provides three types of positioning for data access routines: explicit offsets, individual file pointers, and shared file pointers. The different positioning methods may be mixed within the same program and do not affect each other.

The data access routines that accept explicit offsets contain _AT in their name (e.g., MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT). Explicit offset operations perform data access at the file position given directly as an argument—no file pointer is used nor updated. Note that this is not equivalent to an atomic seek-and-read or seek-and-write operation, as no “seek” is issued. Operations with explicit offsets are described in Section 14.4.2.

The names of the individual file pointer routines contain no positional qualifier (e.g., MPI_FILE_WRITE). Operations with individual file pointers are described in Section 14.4.3. The data access routines that use shared file pointers contain _SHARED or _ORDERED in their name (e.g., MPI_FILE_WRITE_SHARED). Operations with shared file pointers are described in Section 14.4.4.

The main semantic issues with MPI-maintained file pointers are how and when they are updated by I/O operations. In general, each I/O operation leaves the file pointer pointing to the next data item after the last one that is accessed by the operation. In a nonblocking or split collective operation, the pointer is updated by the call that initiates the I/O, possibly before the access completes.

More formally,

\[
new\_file\_offset = old\_file\_offset + \frac{\text{elements(datatype)}}{\text{elements(etype)}} \times count
\]

where \(count\) is the number of \textit{datatype} items to be accessed, \(\text{elements}(X)\) is the number of predefined datatypes in the typemap of \(X\), and \(old\_file\_offset\) is the value of the implicit offset before the call. The file position, \(new\_file\_offset\), is in terms of a count of etypes relative to the current view.

**Synchronism**

MPI supports blocking and nonblocking I/O routines.

A blocking I/O call will not return until the I/O request is completed.

A nonblocking I/O call initiates an I/O operation, but does not wait for it to complete. Given suitable hardware, this allows the transfer of data out of and into the user’s buffer to proceed concurrently with computation. A separate request complete call (MPI_WAIT, MPI_TEST, or any of their variants) is needed to complete the I/O request, i.e., to confirm that the data has been read or written and that it is safe for the user to reuse the buffer. The nonblocking versions of the routines are named MPI_FILE_IXXX, where the I stands for immediate.

It is erroneous to access the local buffer of a nonblocking data access operation, or to use that buffer as the source or target of other communications, between the initiation and completion of the operation.
The split collective routines support a restricted form of “nonblocking” operations for collective data access (see Section 14.4.5).

**Coordination**

Every noncollective data access routine MPI\_FILE\_XXX has a collective counterpart. For most routines, this counterpart is MPI\_FILE\_XXX\_ALL or a pair of MPI\_FILE\_XXX\_BEGIN and MPI\_FILE\_XXX\_END. The counterparts to the MPI\_FILE\_XXX\_SHARED routines are MPI\_FILE\_XXX\_ORDERED.

The completion of a noncollective call only depends on the activity of the calling process. However, the completion of a collective call (which must be called by all members of the process group) may depend on the activity of the other processes participating in the collective call. See Section 14.6.4 for rules on semantics of collective calls.

Collective operations may perform much better than their noncollective counterparts, as global data accesses have significant potential for automatic optimization.

**Data Access Conventions**

Data is moved between files and processes by calling read and write routines. Read routines move data from a file into memory. Write routines move data from memory into a file. The file is designated by a file handle, \( fh \). The location of the file data is specified by an offset into the current view. The data in memory is specified by a triple: \( buf, count, \) and \( datatype \). Upon completion, the amount of data accessed by the calling process is returned in a \( status \).

An offset designates the starting position in the file for an access. The offset is always in etype units relative to the current view. Explicit offset routines pass \( offset \) as an argument (negative values are erroneous). The file pointer routines use implicit offsets maintained by MPI.

A data access routine attempts to transfer (read or write) \( count \) data items of type \( datatype \) between the user’s buffer \( buf \) and the file. The \( datatype \) passed to the routine must be a committed \( datatype \). The layout of data in memory corresponding to \( buf, count, datatype \) is interpreted the same way as in MPI communication functions; see Section 3.2.2 and Section 5.1.11. The data is accessed from those parts of the file specified by the current view (Section 14.3). The type signature of \( datatype \) must match the type signature of some number of contiguous copies of the etype of the current view. As in a receive, it is erroneous to specify a \( datatype \) for reading that contains overlapping regions (areas of memory that would be stored into more than once).

The nonblocking data access routines indicate that MPI can start a data access and associate a request handle, \( request \), with the I/O operation. Nonblocking operations are completed via MPI\_TEST, MPI\_WAIT, or any of their variants.

Data access operations, when completed, return the amount of data accessed in \( status \).

*Advice to users.* To prevent problems with the argument copying and register optimization done by Fortran compilers, please note the hints in Sections 19.1.10–19.1.20. (*End of advice to users.*)

For blocking routines, \( status \) is returned directly. For nonblocking routines and split collective routines, \( status \) is returned when the operation is completed. The number of \( datatype \) entries and predefined elements accessed by the calling process can be extracted.
from status by using MPI\_GET\_COUNT and MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS, respectively. The interpretation of the MPI\_ERROR field is the same as for other operations—normally undefined, but meaningful if an MPI routine returns MPI\_ERR\_IN\_STATUS. The user can pass (in C and Fortran) MPI\_STATUS\_IGNORE in the status argument if the return value of this argument is not needed. The status can be passed to MPI\_TEST\_CANCELLED to determine if the operation was cancelled. All other fields of status are undefined.

When reading, a program can detect the end of file by noting that the amount of data read is less than the amount requested. Writing past the end of file increases the file size. The amount of data accessed will be the amount requested, unless an error is raised (or a read reaches the end of file).

### 14.4.2 Data Access with Explicit Offsets

If MPI\_MODE\_SEQUENTIAL mode was specified when the file was opened, it is erroneous to call the routines in this section.

**MPI\_FILE\_READ\_AT(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status)**

- **IN** fh: file handle (handle)
- **IN** offset: file offset (integer)
- **OUT** buf: initial address of buffer (choice)
- **IN** count: number of elements in buffer (integer)
- **IN** datatype: datatype of each buffer element (handle)
- **OUT** status: status object (status)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI\_File\_read\_at(MPI\_File fh, MPI\_Offset offset, void *buf, int count, MPI\_Datatype datatype, MPI\_Status *status)
int MPI\_File\_read\_at\_c(MPI\_File fh, MPI\_Offset offset, void *buf, MPI\_Count count, MPI\_Datatype datatype, MPI\_Status *status)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI\_File\_read\_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI\_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_OFFSET\_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI\_Status) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI\_File\_read\_at\_f(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
   TYPE(MPI\_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_OFFSET\_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_COUNT\_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
```

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TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_READ_AT(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_AT reads a file beginning at the position specified by offset.

MPI_FILE_READ_AT_ALL(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status)
IN   fh file handle (handle)
IN   offset file offset (integer)
OUT  buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN   count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN   datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT  status status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_File_read_at_all(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf, int count,
                        MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)
int MPI_File_read_at_all_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf,
                           MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_FILE_READ_AT_ALL(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_READ_AT_ALL(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_AT_ALL is a collective version of the blocking MPI_FILE_READ_AT interface.

MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status)

INOUT fh  file handle (handle)
IN offset  file offset (integer)
IN buf  initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count  number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype  datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT status  status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_File_write_at(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, const void *buf,
int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)
int MPI_File_write_at_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, const void *buf,
MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_write_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT writes a file beginning at the position specified by offset.
MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT_ALL(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status)

INOUT fh 
file handle (handle)

IN offset 
file offset (integer)

IN buf 
initial address of buffer (choice)

IN count 
number of elements in buffer (integer)

IN datatype 
datatype of each buffer element (handle)

OUT status 
status object (status)

C binding

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

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

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_File_write_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(c)

TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT_ALL(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)

INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT_ALL is a collective version of the blocking MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT interface.
MPI_FILE_IREAD_AT(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request)

IN  fh  file handle (handle)
IN  offset  file offset (integer)
OUT  buf  initial address of buffer (choice)
IN  count  number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN  datatype  datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT  request  request object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_iread_at(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf, int count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_File_iread_at_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf,
   MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_iread_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_File_iread_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_IREAD_AT(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
   INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
   <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IREAD_AT is a nonblocking version of the MPI_FILE_READ_AT interface.
MPI_FILE_IREAD_AT_ALL(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request)

IN fh file handle (handle)
IN offset file offset (integer)
OUT buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT request request object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_iread_at_all(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf, int count,
MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iread_at_all_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf,
MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_iread_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iread_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_IREAD_AT_ALL(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)

INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
<type> Buf(*)

MPI_FILE_IREAD_AT_ALL is a nonblocking version of MPI_FILE_READ_AT_ALL. See Section 14.6.5 for semantics of nonblocking collective file operations.
MPI_FILE_IWRITE_AT(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
IN offset file offset (integer)
IN buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT request request object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_iwrite_at(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, const void *buf,
        int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_File_iwrite_at_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, const void *buf,
        MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_iwrite_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_IWRITE_AT(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IWRITE_AT is a nonblocking version of the MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT interface.
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MPI_FILE_IWRITE_AT_ALL(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request)

IN fh
file handle (handle)

IN offset
file offset (integer)

IN buf
initial address of buffer (choice)

IN count
number of elements in buffer (integer)

IN datatype
datatype of each buffer element (handle)

OUT request
request object (handle)

C binding

int MPI_File_iwrite_at_all(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, const void *buf,
int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite_at_all_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, const void *buf,
MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_File_iwrite_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count

INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count

INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_FILE_IWRITE_AT_ALL(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)

INTEGER OFFSET

INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: IERROR

MPI_FILE_IWRITE_AT_ALL is a nonblocking version of MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT_ALL.

14.4.3 Data Access with Individual File Pointers

MPI maintains one individual file pointer per process per file handle. The current value of this pointer implicitly specifies the offset in the data access routines described in this section. These routines only use and update the individual file pointers maintained by MPI. The shared file pointer is not used nor updated.
The individual file pointer routines have the same semantics as the data access with explicit offset routines described in Section 14.4.2, with the following modification:

- the offset is defined to be the current value of the MPI-maintained individual file pointer.

After an individual file pointer operation is initiated, the individual file pointer is updated to point to the next etype after the last one that will be accessed. The file pointer is updated relative to the current view of the file.

If MPI_MODE_SEQUENTIAL mode was specified when the file was opened, it is erroneous to call the routines in this section, with the exception of MPI_FILE_GET_BYTE_OFFSET.

MPI_FILE_READ(fh, buf, count, datatype, status)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
OUT buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT status status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_File_read(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_read(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_READ(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
   INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
   <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ reads a file using the individual file pointer.
Example 14.2. The following Fortran code fragment is an example of reading a file until the end of file is reached:

```
! Read a preexisting input file until all data has been read.
! Call routine "process_input" if all requested data is read.
! The Fortran 90 "exit" statement exits the loop.

integer bufsize, numread, totprocessed, status(MPI_STATUS_SIZE)
parameter (bufsize=100)
real localbuffer(bufsize)
integer(kind=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) zero

zero = 0

call MPI_FILE_OPEN(MPI_COMM_WORLD, "myoldfile", &
        MPI_MODE_RDONLY, MPI_INFO_NULL, myfh, ierr)
call MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW(myfh, zero, MPI_REAL, MPI_REAL, 'native', &
        MPI_INFO_NULL, ierr)
totprocessed = 0

do
    call MPI_FILE_READ(myfh, localbuffer, bufsize, MPI_REAL, &
            status, ierr)
call MPI_GET_COUNT(status, MPI_REAL, numread, ierr)
call process_input(localbuffer, numread)
totprocessed = totprocessed + numread
    if (numread < bufsize) exit
end do

write(6, 1001) numread, bufsize, totprocessed
1001 format("No more data: read ", I3, " and expected ", I3, &
            " Processed total of ", I6, " before terminating job.")

call MPI_FILE_CLOSE(myfh, ierr)
```

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- **INO**UT fh  
  file handle (handle)
- **OUT** buf  
  initial address of buffer (choice)
- **IN** count  
  number of elements in buffer (integer)
- **IN** datatype  
  datatype of each buffer element (handle)
- **OUT** status  
  status object (status)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_File_read_all(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                      MPI_Status *status)
```

```c
int MPI_File_read_all_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
                         MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)
```
Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_File_read_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)

  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_FILE_READ_ALL(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)

  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_ALL is a collective version of the blocking MPI_FILE_READ interface.

MPI_FILE_WRITE(fh, buf, count, datatype, status)

  INOUT fh       file handle (handle)
  IN buf        initial address of buffer (choice)
  IN count      number of elements in buffer (integer)
  IN datatype   datatype of each buffer element (handle)
  OUT status    status object (status)

C binding

int MPI_File_write(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
                   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_write_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
                      MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_File_write(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)

  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
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```fortran
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_FILE_WRITE(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
```

`MPI_FILE_WRITE` writes a file using the individual file pointer.

```fortran
MPI_FILE_WRITE_ALL(fh, buf, count, datatype, status)
INOUT fh file handle (handle)
IN buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT status status object (status)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_File_write_all(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
                        MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)
int MPI_File_write_all_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
                         MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_File_write_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
```

```fortran
MPI_File_write_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_FILE_WRITE_ALL(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
```

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MPI_FILE_WRITE_ALL is a collective version of the blocking MPI_FILE_WRITE interface.

MPI_FILE_IREAD(fh, buf, count, datatype, request)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
OUT buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT request request object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_iread(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                  MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_File_iread_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
                     MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_iread(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_IREAD(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)

MPI_FILE_IREAD is a nonblocking version of the MPI_FILE_READ interface.

Example 14.3. The following Fortran code fragment illustrates file pointer update semantics:

```fortran
! Read the first twenty real words in a file into two local ! buffers. Note that when the first MPI_FILE_IREAD returns, ! the file pointer has been updated to point to the ! eleventh real word in the file.
integer bufsiz e, req1, req2
```
integer, dimension(MPI_STATUS_SIZE) :: status1, status2
parameter (bufsize=10)
real buf1(bufsize), buf2(bufsize)
integer(kind=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) zero
zero = 0
call MPI_FILE_OPEN(MPI_COMM_WORLD, 'myoldfile', &
     MPI_MODE_RDONLY, MPI_INFO_NULL, myfh, ierr)
call MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW(myfh, zero, MPI_REAL, MPI_REAL, 'native', &
     MPI_INFO_NULL, ierr)
call MPI_FILE_IREAD(myfh, buf1, bufsize, MPI_REAL, &
     req1, ierr)
call MPI_FILE_IREAD(myfh, buf2, bufsize, MPI_REAL, &
     req2, ierr)
call MPI_WAIT(req1, status1, ierr)
call MPI_WAIT(req2, status2, ierr)
call MPI_FILE_CLOSE(myfh, ierr)

MPI_FILE_IREAD_ALL(fh, buf, count, datatype, request)
  INOUT fh file handle (handle)
  OUT buf initial address of buffer (choice)
  IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
  IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
  OUT request request object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_iread_all(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,
     MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_File_iread_all_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
     MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_iread_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_File_iread_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
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TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_FILE_IREAD_ALL(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IREAD_ALL is a nonblocking version of MPI_FILE_READ_ALL.

MPI_FILE_IWRITE(fh, buf, count, datatype, request)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
IN buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT request request object (handle)

C binding

int MPI_File_iwrite(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_File_iwrite_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_File_iwrite(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_FILE_IWRITE(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IWRITE is a nonblocking version of MPI_FILE_WRITE.
MPI_FILE_IWRITE_ALL(fh, buf, count, datatype, request)

*INOUT* fh  
file handle (handle)

*IN* buf  
initial address of buffer (choice)

*IN* count  
number of elements in buffer (integer)

*IN* datatype  
datatype of each buffer element (handle)

*OUT* request  
request object (handle)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_File_iwrite_all(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite_all_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_File_iwrite_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite_all_c(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_FILE_IWRITE_ALL(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
    INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
    <type> BUF(*)
```

MPI_FILE_IWRITE_ALL is a nonblocking version of MPI_FILE_WRITE_ALL.

MPI_FILE_SEEK(fh, offset, whence)

*INOUT* fh  
file handle (handle)

*IN* offset  
file offset (integer)

*IN* whence  
update mode (state)

**C binding**

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

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_File_seek(fh, offset, whence, ierror)
    INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
    <type> BUF(*)
```

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TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: whence
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_SEEK(FH, OFFSET, WHENCE, IERROR)
    INTEGER FH, WHENCE, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET

MPI_FILE_SEEK updates the individual file pointer according to whence, which has the following possible values:

- **MPI.Seek_Set**
  - The pointer is set to offset
- **MPI.Seek_Cur**
  - The pointer is set to the current pointer position plus offset
- **MPI.Seek_End**
  - The pointer is set to the end of file plus offset

The offset can be negative, which allows seeking backwards. It is erroneous to seek to a negative position in the view.

MPI_FILE_GET_POSITION(fh, offset)
IN    fh            file handle (handle)
OUT   offset        offset of individual pointer (integer)

C binding
int MPI_File_get_position(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset *offset)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_get_position(fh, offset, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: offset
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_GET_POSITION(FH, OFFSET, IERROR)
    INTEGER FH, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET

MPI_FILE_GET_POSITION returns, in offset, the current position of the individual file pointer in ebyte units relative to the current view.

Advice to users. The offset can be used in a future call to MPI_FILE_SEEK using whence = MPI.Seek_Set to return to the current position. To set the displacement to the current file pointer position, first convert offset into an absolute byte position using MPI_FILE_GET_BYTE_OFFSET, then call MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW with the resulting displacement. (End of advice to users.)
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MPI_FILE_GET_BYTE_OFFSET(fh, offset, disp)

IN fh file handle (handle)
IN offset offset (integer)
OUT disp absolute byte position of offset (integer)

C binding
int MPI_File_get_byte_offset(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, MPI_Offset *disp)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_get_byte_offset(fh, offset, disp, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: disp
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_GET_BYTE_OFFSET(FH, OFFSET, DISP, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET, DISP

MPI_FILE_GET_BYTE_OFFSET converts a view-relative offset into an absolute byte position. The absolute byte position (from the beginning of the file) of offset relative to the current view of fh is returned in disp.

14.4.4 Data Access with Shared File Pointers

MPI maintains exactly one shared file pointer per collective MPI_FILE_OPEN (shared among processes in the communicator group). The current value of this pointer implicitly specifies the offset in the data access routines described in this section. These routines only use and update the shared file pointer maintained by MPI. The individual file pointers are not used nor updated.

The shared file pointer routines have the same semantics as the data access with explicit offset routines described in Section 14.4.2, with the following modifications:

- the offset is defined to be the current value of the MPI-maintained shared file pointer,
- the effect of multiple calls to shared file pointer routines is defined to behave as if the calls were serialized, and
- the use of shared file pointer routines is erroneous unless all processes use the same file view.

For the noncollective shared file pointer routines, the serialization ordering is not deterministic. The user needs to use other synchronization means to enforce a specific order.

After a shared file pointer operation is initiated, the shared file pointer is updated to point to the next etype after the last one that will be accessed. The file pointer is updated relative to the current view of the file.
Noncollective Operations

MPI_FILE_READ_SHARED(fh, buf, count, datatype, status)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
OUT buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT status status object (status)

C binding

int MPI_File_read_shared(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,
MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_shared_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_File_read_shared(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_shared(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)

  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_FILE_READ_SHARED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)

  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

    MPI_FILE_READ_SHARED reads a file using the shared file pointer.
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MPI_FILE_WRITE_SHARED(fh, buf, count, datatype, status)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
IN buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT status status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_File_write_shared(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)
int MPI_File_write_shared_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_write_shared(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_File_write_shared(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_WRITE_SHARED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_SHARED writes a file using the shared file pointer.

MPI_FILE_IREAD_SHARED(fh, buf, count, datatype, request)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
OUT buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT request request object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_iread_shared(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,


MPI_File_iread_shared_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_iread_shared(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iread_shared_c(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_IREAD_SHARED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IREAD_SHARED is a nonblocking version of MPI_FILE_READ_SHARED.

MPI_FILE_IWRITE_SHARED(fh, buf, count, datatype, request)

  INOUT fh file handle (handle)
  IN buf initial address of buffer (choice)
  IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
  IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
  OUT request request object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_iwrite_shared(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
  MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite_shared_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
  MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_FILE_IWRITE.Shared(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
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TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite_shared(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_IWRITE_SHARED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IWRITE_SHARED is a nonblocking version of the
MPI_FILE_WRITE_SHARED interface.

Collective Operations

The semantics of a collective access using a shared file pointer are that the accesses to the
file will be in the order determined by the ranks of the processes within the group. For each
process, the location in the file at which data is accessed is the position at which the shared
file pointer would be after all processes whose ranks within the group less than that of this
process had accessed their data. In addition, in order to prevent subsequent shared offset
accesses by the same processes from interfering with this collective access, the call might
return only after all the processes within the group have initiated their accesses. When the
call returns, the shared file pointer points to the next etype accessible, according to the file
view used by all processes, after the last etype requested.

Advice to users. There may be some programs in which all processes in the group
need to access the file using the shared file pointer, but the program may not require that data be accessed in order of process rank. In such programs, using the
shared ordered routines (e.g., MPI_FILE_WRITE_ORDERED rather than
MPI_FILE_WRITE_SHARED) may enable an implementation to optimize access, improving performance. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. Accesses to the data requested by all processes do not have
to be serialized. Once all processes have issued their requests, locations within the file
for all accesses can be computed, and accesses can proceed independently from each
other, possibly in parallel. (End of advice to implementors.)
MPI_FILE_READ_ORDERED(fh, buf, count, datatype, status)

INOUT    fh               file handle (handle)
OUT      buf              initial address of buffer (choice)
IN       count            number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN       datatype         datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT      status           status object (status)

C binding

int MPI_File_read_ordered(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,
                          MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)
int MPI_File_read_ordered_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
                           MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_File_read_ordered(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_ordered(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)

  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_FILE_READ_ORDERED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
<TYPE> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_ORDERED is a collective version of the MPI_FILE_READ_SHARED interface.

MPI_FILE_WRITE_ORDERED(fh, buf, count, datatype, status)

INOUT    fh               file handle (handle)
IN       buf              initial address of buffer (choice)
IN       count            number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN       datatype         datatype of each buffer element (handle)
OUT      status           status object (status)
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C binding

```c
int MPI_File_write_ordered(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_write_ordered_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_File_write_ordered(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

```fortran
MPI_File_write_ordered(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_FILE_WRITE_ORDERED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
```

```fortran
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)
```

`MPI_FILE_WRITE_ORDERED` is a collective version of the `MPI_FILE_WRITE_SHARED` interface.

**Seek**

If `MPI_MODE_SEQUENTIAL` mode was specified when the file was opened, it is erroneous to call the following two routines (`MPI_FILE_SEEK_SHARED` and `MPI_FILE_GET_POSITION_SHARED`).

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_File_seek_shared(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, int whence)
```

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_File_seek_shared(fh, offset, whence, ierror)
```

```fortran
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
```
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: whence
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_SEEK_SHARED(FH, OFFSET, WHENCE, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, WHENCE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET

MPI_FILE_SEEK_SHARED updates the shared file pointer according to whence, which has the following possible values:

MPI_SEEK_SET the pointer is set to offset
MPI_SEEK_CUR the pointer is set to the current pointer position plus offset
MPI_SEEK_END the pointer is set to the end of file plus offset

MPI_FILE_SEEK_SHARED is collective; all the processes in the communicator group associated with the file handle fh must call MPI_FILE_SEEK_SHARED with the same values for offset and whence.

The offset can be negative, which allows seeking backwards. It is erroneous to seek to a negative position in the view.

MPI_FILE_GET_POSITION_SHARED(fh, offset)
IN fh file handle (handle)
OUT offset offset of shared pointer (integer)

C binding
int MPI_File_get_position_shared(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset *offset)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_get_position_shared(fh, offset, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: offset
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_GET_POSITION_SHARED(FH, OFFSET, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET

MPI_FILE_GET_POSITION_SHARED returns, in offset, the current position of the shared file pointer in etype units relative to the current view.

Advice to users. The offset can be used in a future call to MPI_FILE_SEEK_SHARED using whence = MPI_SEEK_SET to return to the current position. To set the displacement to the current file pointer position, first convert offset into an absolute byte position using MPI_FILE_GET_BYTE_OFFSET, then call MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW with the resulting displacement. (End of advice to users.)
14.4.5 Split Collective Data Access Routines

MPI provides a restricted form of “nonblocking collective” I/O operations for all data accesses using split collective data access routines. These routines are referred to as “split” collective routines, because a single collective operation is split in two: a begin routine and an end routine. The begin routine begins the operation, much like a nonblocking data access (e.g., MPI_FILE_IREAD). The end routine completes the operation, much like the matching test or wait (e.g., MPI_WAIT). As with nonblocking data access operations, the user must not use the buffer passed to a begin routine while the routine is outstanding; the operation must be completed with an end routine before it is safe to free buffers, etc.

Split collective data access operations on a file handle $fh$ are subject to the semantic rules given below.

- On any MPI process, each file handle may have at most one active split collective operation at any time.
- Begin calls are collective over the group of processes that participated in the collective open and follow the ordering rules for collective calls.
- End calls are collective over the group of processes that participated in the collective open and follow the ordering rules for collective calls. Each end call matches the preceding begin call for the same collective operation. When an “end” call is made, exactly one unmatched “begin” call for the same operation must precede it.
- An implementation is free to implement any split collective data access routine using the corresponding blocking collective routine when either the begin call (e.g., MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_BEGIN) or the end call (e.g., MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_END) is issued. The begin and end calls are provided to allow the user and MPI implementation to optimize the collective operation.

According to the definitions in Section 2.4.2, the begin procedures are incomplete. They are also nonlocal procedures because they may or may not return before they are called in all MPI processes of the process group.

Advice to users. This is one of the exceptions in which incomplete procedures are nonlocal and therefore blocking. (End of advice to users.)

- Split collective operations do not match the corresponding regular collective operation. For example, in a single collective read operation, an MPI_FILE_READ_ALL on one process does not match an MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_BEGIN/ MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_END pair on another process.
- Split collective routines must specify a buffer in both the begin and end routines. By specifying the buffer that receives data in the end routine, we can avoid the problems described in Problems with Code Movement and Register Optimization, Section 19.1.17, but not all of the problems, such as those described in Sections 19.1.12, 19.1.13, and 19.1.16.
- No collective I/O operations are permitted on a file handle concurrently with a split collective access on that file handle (i.e., between the begin and end of the access). That is, the following example is erroneous.
Example 14.4. Erroneous example fragment of concurrent split collective access on a file handle:

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_File_read_all_begin(fh, ...);
...
MPI_File_read_all(fh, ...);
...
MPI_File_read_all_end(fh, ...);
\end{verbatim}

- In a multithreaded implementation, any split collective begin and end operation called by a process must be called from the same thread. This restriction is made to simplify the implementation in the multithreaded case. (Note that we have already disallowed having two threads begin a split collective operation on the same file handle since only one split collective operation can be active on a file handle at any time.)

The arguments for these routines have the same meaning as for the equivalent collective versions (e.g., the argument definitions for \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_READ\_ALL\_BEGIN} and \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_READ\_ALL\_END} are equivalent to the arguments for \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_READ\_ALL}). The begin routine (e.g., \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_READ\_ALL\_BEGIN}) begins a split collective operation that, when completed with the matching end routine (i.e., \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_READ\_ALL\_END}) produces the result as defined for the equivalent collective routine (i.e., \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_READ\_ALL}).

For the purpose of consistency semantics (Section 14.6.1), a matched pair of split collective data access operations (e.g., \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_READ\_ALL\_BEGIN} and \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_READ\_ALL\_END}) compose a single data access.

\texttt{MPI\_FILE\_READ\_AT\_ALL\_BEGIN}(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype)

\begin{verbatim}
IN      fh file handle (handle)
IN      offset file offset (integer)
OUT     buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN      count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN      datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI_File_read_at_all_begin(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf,
int count, MPI_Datatype datatype)
int MPI_File_read_at_all_begin_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf,
MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_File_read_at_all_begin(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_OFFSET\_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
\end{verbatim}
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_at_all_begin(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_READ_AT_ALL_BEGIN(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_AT_ALL_END(fh, buf, status)
  IN fh file handle (handle)
  OUT buf initial address of buffer (choice)
  OUT status status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_File_read_at_all_end(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_read_at_all_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_READ_AT_ALL_END(FH, BUF, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT_ALL_BEGIN(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype)
  INOUT fh file handle (handle)
  IN offset file offset (integer)
  IN buf initial address of buffer (choice)
  IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
  IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_write_at_all_begin(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype)
int MPI_File_write_at_all_begin_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset,
   const void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_write_at_all_begin(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT_ALL_BEGIN(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR)
   INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
   <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT_ALL_END(fh, buf, status)
   INOUT fh      file handle (handle)
   IN buf       initial address of buffer (choice)
   OUT status   status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_File_write_at_all_end(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_write_at_all_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
   TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT_ALL_END(FH, BUF, STATUS, IERROR)
   INTEGER FH, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
   <type> BUF(*)
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MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_BEGIN(fh, buf, count, datatype)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
OUT buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_read_all_begin(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,
MPI_Datatype datatype)
int MPI_File_read_all_begin_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
MPI_Datatype datatype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_read_all_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_all_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_BEGIN(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_END(fh, buf, status)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
OUT buf initial address of buffer (choice)
OUT status status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_File_read_all_end(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_read_all_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
### Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_END(FH, BUF, STATUS, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
<type> BUF(*)
```

```fortran
MPI_FILE_WRITE_ALL_BEGIN(fh, buf, count, datatype)
INOUT fh           file handle (handle)
IN     buf         initial address of buffer (choice)
IN     count       number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN     datatype    datatype of each buffer element (handle)
```

### C binding

```c
int MPI_File_write_all_begin(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype)
int MPI_File_write_all_begin_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype)
```

### Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_File_write_all_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_File_write_all_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror) !(_c)
    TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

### Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_FILE_WRITE_ALL_BEGIN(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
<type> BUF(*)
```

```fortran
MPI_FILE_WRITE_ALL_END(fh, buf, status)
INOUT fh           file handle (handle)
IN     buf         initial address of buffer (choice)
OUT    status      status object (status)
```

### C binding

```c
int MPI_File_write_all_end(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Status *status)
```
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Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_File_write_all_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
    TYPE(MPI_Status), :: status
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_FILE_WRITE_ALL_END(FH, BUF, STATUS, IERROR)
    INTEGER FH, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
    <type> BUF(*)
```

```
MPI_FILE_READ_ORDERED_BEGIN(fh, buf, count, datatype)
    INOUT fh file handle (handle)
    OUT buf initial address of buffer (choice)
    IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
    IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_File_read_ordered_begin(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype)
int MPI_File_read_ordered_begin_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_File_read_ordered_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

```fortran
MPI_File_read_ordered_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror) !(_c)
    TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_FILE_READ_ORDERED_BEGIN(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR)
    INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
    <type> BUF(*)
```
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MPI_FILE_READ_ORDERED_END(fh, buf, status)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
OUT buf initial address of buffer (choice)
OUT status status object (status)

C binding
int MPI_File_read_ordered_end(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_read_ordered_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_READ_ORDERED_END(FH, BUF, STATUS, IERROR)

INTEGER FH, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_ORDERED_BEGIN(fh, buf, count, datatype)

INOUT fh file handle (handle)
IN buf initial address of buffer (choice)
IN count number of elements in buffer (integer)
IN datatype datatype of each buffer element (handle)

C binding
int MPI_File_write_ordered_begin(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype)
int MPI_File_write_ordered_begin_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf,
    MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_File_write_ordered_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_ordered_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
14.5 File Interoperability

At the most basic level, file interoperability is the ability to read the information previously written to a file—not just the bits of data, but the actual information the bits represent. MPI guarantees full interoperability within a single MPI environment, and supports increased interoperability outside that environment through the external data representation (Section 14.5.2) as well as the data conversion functions (Section 14.5.3).

Interoperability within a single MPI environment (which could be considered “operability”) ensures that file data written by one MPI process can be read by any other MPI process, subject to the consistency constraints (see Section 14.6.1), provided that it would have been possible to start the two processes simultaneously and have them reside in a single MPI_COMM_WORLD. Furthermore, both processes must see the same data values at every absolute byte offset in the file for which data was written.

This single environment file interoperability implies that file data is accessible regardless of the number of processes.

There are three aspects to file interoperability:

- transferring the bits,
- converting between different file structures, and
• converting between different machine representations.

The first two aspects of file interoperability are beyond the scope of this standard, as both are highly machine dependent. However, transferring the bits of a file into and out of the MPI environment (e.g., by writing a file to tape) is required to be supported by all MPI implementations. In particular, an implementation must specify how familiar operations similar to POSIX cp, rm, and mv can be performed on the file. Furthermore, it is expected that the facility provided maintains the correspondence between absolute byte offsets (e.g., after possible file structure conversion, the data bits at byte offset 102 in the MPI environment are at byte offset 102 outside the MPI environment). As an example, a simple off-line conversion utility that transfers and converts files between the native file system and the MPI environment would suffice, provided it maintained the offset coherence mentioned above. In a high-quality implementation of MPI, users will be able to manipulate MPI files using the same or similar tools that the native file system offers for manipulating its files.

The remaining aspect of file interoperability, converting between different machine representations, is supported by the typing information specified in the etype and filetype. This facility allows the information in files to be shared between any two applications, regardless of whether they use MPI, and regardless of the machine architectures on which they run.

MPI supports multiple data representations: "native", "internal", and "external32". An implementation may support additional data representations. MPI also supports user-defined data representations (see Section 14.5.3). The "native" and "internal" data representations are implementation dependent, while the "external32" representation is common to all MPI implementations and facilitates file interoperability. The data representation is specified in the datarep argument to MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW.

Advice to users. MPI is not guaranteed to retain knowledge of what data representation was used when a file is written. Therefore, to correctly retrieve file data, an MPI application is responsible for specifying the same data representation as was used to create the file. (End of advice to users.)

"native": Data in this representation is stored in a file exactly as it is in memory. The advantage of this data representation is that data precision and I/O performance are not lost in type conversions with a purely homogeneous environment. The disadvantage is the loss of transparent interoperability within a heterogeneous MPI environment.

Advice to users. This data representation should only be used in a homogeneous MPI environment, or when the MPI application is capable of performing the datatype conversions itself. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. When implementing read and write operations on top of MPI message-passing, the message data should be typed as MPI_BYTE to ensure that the message routines do not perform any type conversions on the data. (End of advice to implementors.)

"internal": This data representation can be used for I/O operations in a homogeneous or heterogeneous environment; the implementation will perform type conversions if necessary. The implementation is free to store data in any format of its choice, with the restriction that it will maintain constant extents for all predefined datatypes in any
one file. The environment in which the resulting file can be reused is implementation-defined and must be documented by the implementation.

**Rationale.** This data representation allows the implementation to perform I/O efficiently in a heterogeneous environment, though with implementation-defined restrictions on how the file can be reused. (End of rationale.)

**Advice to implementors.** Since "external32" is a superset of the functionality provided by "internal", an implementation may choose to implement "internal" as "external32". (End of advice to implementors.)

"external32": This data representation states that read and write operations convert all data from and to the "external32" representation defined in Section 14.5.2. The data conversion rules for communication also apply to these conversions (see Section 3.3.2). The data on the storage medium is always in this canonical representation, and the data in memory is always in the local process’s native representation.

This data representation has several advantages. First, all processes reading the file in a heterogeneous MPI environment will automatically have the data converted to their respective native representations. Second, the file can be exported from one MPI environment and imported into any other MPI environment with the guarantee that the second environment will be able to read all the data in the file.

The disadvantage of this data representation is that data precision and I/O performance may be lost in datatype conversions.

**Advice to implementors.** When implementing read and write operations on top of MPI message-passing, the message data should be converted to and from the "external32" representation in the client, and sent as type MPI_BYTE. This will avoid possible double datatype conversions and the associated further loss of precision and performance. (End of advice to implementors.)

14.5.1 Datatypes for File Interoperability

If the file data representation is other than "native", care must be taken in constructing etypes and filetypes. Any of the datatype constructor functions may be used; however, for those functions that accept displacements in bytes, the displacements must be specified in terms of their values in the file for the file data representation being used. MPI will interpret these byte displacements as is; no scaling will be done. The function MPI_FILE_GET_TYPE.Extent can be used to calculate the extents of datatypes in the file. For etypes and filetypes that are portable datatypes (see Section 2.4), MPI will scale any displacements in the datatypes to match the file data representation being used. Datatypes passed as arguments to read/write routines specify the data layout in memory; therefore, they must always be constructed using displacements corresponding to displacements in memory.

**Advice to users.** One can logically think of the file as if it were stored in the memory of a file server. The etype and filetype are interpreted as if they were defined at this file server, by the same sequence of calls used to define them at the calling process. If the data representation is "native", then this logical file server runs on the same architecture as the calling process, so that these types define the same data layout on the file as they would define in the memory of the calling process. If the...
etype and filetype are portable datatypes, then the data layout defined in the file is the same as would be defined in the calling process memory, up to a scaling factor. The routine MPI_FILE_GET_TYPE_EXTENT can be used to calculate this scaling factor. Thus, two equivalent, portable datatypes will define the same data layout in the file, even in a heterogeneous environment with "internal", "external32", or user defined data representations. Otherwise, the etype and filetype must be constructed so that their typemap and extent are the same on any architecture. This can be achieved if they have an explicit upper bound and lower bound (defined using MPI_TYPE_CREATE_RESIZED). This condition must also be fulfilled by any datatype that is used in the construction of the etype and filetype, if this datatype is replicated contiguously, either explicitly, by a call to MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS, or implicitly, by a blocklength argument that is greater than one. If an etype or filetype is not portable, and has a typemap or extent that is architecture dependent, then the data layout specified by it on a file is implementation dependent.

File data representations other than "native" may be different from corresponding data representations in memory. Therefore, for these file data representations, it is important not to use hardwired byte offsets for file positioning, including the initial displacement that specifies the view. When a portable datatype (see Section 2.4) is used in a data access operation, any holes in the datatype are scaled to match the data representation. However, note that this technique only works when all the processes that created the file view build their etypes from the same predefined datatypes. For example, if one process uses an etype built from MPI_INT and another uses an etype built from MPI_FLOAT, the resulting views may be nonportable because the relative sizes of these types may differ from one data representation to another. (End of advice to users.)

MPI_FILE_GET_TYPE_EXTENT(fh, datatype, extent)

IN fh file handle (handle)
IN datatype datatype (handle)
OUT extent datatype extent (integer)

C binding

int MPI_File_get_type_extent(MPI_File fh, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                             MPI_Aint *extent)
int MPI_File_get_type_extent_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                                MPI_Count *extent)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_File_get_type_extent(fh, datatype, extent, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: extent
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_File_get_type_extent(fh, datatype, extent, ierror) !(_c)
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TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: extent
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_FILE_GET_TYPE_EXTENT(FH, DATATYPE, EXTENT, IERROR)

INTEGER FH, DATATYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTENT

Returns the extent of datatype in the file fh. This extent will be the same for all processes accessing the file fh. If the current view uses a user-defined data representation (see Section 14.5.3), MPI uses the dtype_file_extent_fn callback to calculate the extent.

If the datatype extent cannot be represented in extent, it is set to MPI_UNDEFINED.

Advice to implementors. In the case of user-defined data representations, the extent of a derived datatype can be calculated by first determining the extents of the predefined datatypes in this derived datatype using dtype_file_extent_fn (see Section 14.5.3). (End of advice to implementors.)

14.5.2 External Data Representation: "external32"

All MPI implementations are required to support the data representation defined in this section. Support of optional datatypes (e.g., MPI_INTEGER2) is not required.

All floating point values are in big-endian IEEE format [43] of the appropriate size. Floating point values are represented by one of three IEEE formats. These are the IEEE “Single (binary32),” “Double (binary64),” and “Double Extended (binary128)” formats, requiring 4, 8, and 16 bytes of storage, respectively. For the IEEE “Double Extended (binary128)” formats, MPI specifies a format width of 16 bytes, with 15 exponent bits, bias = +16383, 112 fraction bits, and an encoding analogous to the “Double (binary64)” format. All integral values are in two’s complement big-endian format. Big-endian means most significant byte at lowest address byte. For C _Bool, Fortran LOGICAL, and C++ bool, 0 implies false and nonzero implies true. C float _Complex, double _Complex, and long double _Complex, Fortran COMPLEX and DOUBLE COMPLEX, and other complex types are represented by a pair of floating point format values for the real and imaginary components. Characters are in ISO 8859-1 format [44]. Wide characters (of type MPI_WCHAR) are in Unicode format [69].

All signed numerals (e.g., MPI_INT, MPI_REAL) have the sign bit at the most significant bit. MPI_COMPLEX and MPI_DOUBLE_COMPLEX have the sign bit of the real and imaginary parts at the most significant bit of each part.

According to IEEE specifications [43], the “NaN” (not a number) is system dependent. It should not be interpreted within MPI as anything other than “NaN.”

Advice to implementors. The MPI treatment of “NaN” is similar to the approach used in XDR [66]. (End of advice to implementors.)

All data is byte aligned, regardless of type. All data items are stored contiguously in the file (if the file view is contiguous).

Advice to implementors. All bytes of LOGICAL and bool must be checked to determine the value. (End of advice to implementors.)
Advice to users. The type MPI_PACKED is treated as bytes and is not converted. The user should be aware that MPI_PACK has the option of placing a header in the beginning of the pack buffer. (End of advice to users.)

The sizes of the predefined datatypes returned from MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL, MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_COMPLEX, and MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_INTEGER are defined in Section 19.1.9, page 809.

Advice to implementors. When converting a larger size integer to a smaller size integer, only the least significant bytes are moved. Care must be taken to preserve the sign bit value. This allows no conversion errors if the data range is within the range of the smaller size integer. (End of advice to implementors.)

Table 14.2, 14.3, and 14.4 specify the sizes of predefined, optional, and C++ datatypes in "external32" format, respectively.

14.5.3 User-Defined Data Representations

There are two situations that cannot be handled by the required representations:

1. a user wants to write a file in a representation unknown to the implementation, and
2. a user wants to read a file written in a representation unknown to the implementation.

User-defined data representations allow the user to insert a third party converter into the I/O stream to do the data representation conversion.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MPI_REGISTER_DATAREP(datarep, read_conversion_fn, write_conversion_fn, dtype_file_extent_fn, extra_state)</th>
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<tr>
<td>IN datarep data representation identifier (string)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN read_conversion_fn function invoked to convert from file representation to native representation (function)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN write_conversion_fn function invoked to convert from native representation to file representation (function)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN dtype_file_extent_fn function invoked to get the extent of a datatype as represented in the file (function)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IN extra_state extra state</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

C binding

```c
int MPI_Register_datarep(const char *datarep,
MPI_Datarep_conversion_function *read_conversion_fn,
MPI_Datarep_conversion_function *write_conversion_fn,
MPI_Datarep_extent_function *dtype_file_extent_fn,
void *extra_state)
```
Table 14.2: "external32" sizes of predefined datatypes

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Predefined Type</th>
<th>Length</th>
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<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>MPI_LONG</td>
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<td>MPI_OFFSET</td>
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Table 14.3: "external32" sizes of optional datatypes

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<td>MPI_COMPLEX8</td>
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<td>MPI_COMPLEX16</td>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_COMPLEX32</td>
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</tbody>
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Table 14.4: "external32" sizes of C++ datatypes

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MPI_Datarep_extent_function *dtype_file_extent_fn, void *extra_state)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Register_datarep(datarep, read_conversion_fn, write_conversion_fn, dtype_file_extent_fn, extra_state, ierror)
CHARACTER(LEN=*)*, INTENT(IN) :: datarep
PROCEDURE(MPI_Datarep_conversion_function) :: read_conversion_fn, write_conversion_fn
PROCEDURE(MPI_Datarep_extent_function) :: dtype_file_extent_fn
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: extra_state
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Register_datarep_c(datarep, read_conversion_fn, write_conversion_fn, dtype_file_extent_fn, extra_state, ierror) !(_c)
CHARACTER(LEN=*)*, INTENT(IN) :: datarep
PROCEDURE(MPI_Datarep_conversion_function_c) :: read_conversion_fn, write_conversion_fn
PROCEDURE(MPI_Datarep_extent_function) :: dtype_file_extent_fn
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: extra_state
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
Fortran binding

MPI_REGISTER_DATAREP(DATAREP, READ_CONVERSION_FN, WRITE_CONVERSION_FN, DTYPE_FILE_EXTENT_FN, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)

CHARACTER*(*) DATAREP
EXTERNAL READ_CONVERSION_FN, WRITE_CONVERSION_FN, DTYPE_FILE_EXTENT_FN
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE
INTEGER IERROR

The call associates read_conversion_fn, write_conversion_fn, and dtype_file_extent_fn with the data representation identifier datarep. datarep can then be used as an argument to MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW, causing subsequent data access operations to call the conversion functions to convert all data items accessed between file data representation and native representation. MPI_REGISTER_DATAREP is a local operation and only registers the data representation for the calling MPI process. If datarep is already defined, an error in the error class MPI_ERR_DUP_DATAREP is raised using the default file error handler (see Section 14.7). The length of a data representation string is limited to the value of MPI_MAX_DATAREP_STRING. MPI_MAX_DATAREP_STRING must have a value of at least 64. No routines are provided to delete data representations and free the associated resources; it is not expected that an application will generate them in significant numbers.

Extent Callback

typedef int MPI_Datarep_extent_function(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Aint *extent, void *extra_state);

ABSTRACT INTERFACE

SUBROUTINE MPI_Datarep_extent_function(datatype, extent, extra_state, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extent, extra_state
    INTEGER :: ierror

SUBROUTINE DATAREP_EXTENT_FUNCTION(DATATYPE, EXTENT, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
    INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTENT, EXTRA_STATE

The function dtype_file_extent_fn must return, in file_extent, the number of bytes required to store datatype in the file representation. The function is passed, in extra_state, the argument that was passed to the MPI_REGISTER_DATAREP call. MPI will only call this routine with predefined datatypes employed by the user.

Rationale. This callback does not have a large count variant because it is anticipated that large counts will not be required to represent the extent output value. (End of rationale.)

MPI_Datarep_conversion_function also supports large count types in separate additional MPI procedures in C (suffixed with the "_c") and multiple abstract interfaces in Fortran when using USE mpi_f08.

If the extent cannot be represented in extent, the callback function shall set extent to MPI_UNDEFINED. The MPI implementation will then raise an error of class MPI_ERR_VALUE_TOO_LARGE.
Datarep Conversion Functions

typedef int MPI_Datarep_conversion_function(void *userbuf,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, int count, void *filebuf,
    MPI_Offset position, void *extra_state);

typedef int MPI_Datarep_conversion_function_c(void *userbuf,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count count, void *filebuf,
    MPI_Offset position, void *extra_state);

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Datarep_conversion_function(userbuf, datatype, count, filebuf,
    position, extra_state, ierror)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(C_PTR), VALUE :: userbuf, filebuf
TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
INTEGER :: count, ierror
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) :: position
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Datarep_conversion_function_c(userbuf, datatype, count,
    filebuf, position, extra_state, ierror) !(_c)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(C_PTR), VALUE :: userbuf, filebuf
TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) :: count
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) :: position
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state
INTEGER :: ierror

SUBROUTINE DATAREP_CONVERSION_FUNCTION(USERBUF, DATATYPE, COUNT, FILEBUF,
    POSITION, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
<TYPE> USERBUF(*), FILEBUF(*)
INTEGER DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) POSITION
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE

The function read_conversion_fn must convert from file data representation to native representation. Before calling this routine, MPI allocates and fills filebuf with count contiguous data items. The type of each data item matches the corresponding entry for the predefined datatype in the type signature of datatype. The function is passed, in extra_state, the argument that was passed to the MPI_REGISTER_DATAREP call. The function must copy all count data items from filebuf to userbuf in the distribution described by datatype, converting each data item from file representation to native representation. datatype will be equivalent to the datatype that the user passed to the read function. If the size of datatype is less than the size of the count data items, the conversion function must treat datatype as being contiguously tiled over the userbuf. The conversion function must begin storing converted data at the location in userbuf specified by position into the (tiled) datatype.

Advice to users. Although the conversion functions have similarities to MPI_PACK and MPI_UNPACK, one should note the differences in the use of the arguments count
and position. In the conversion functions, count is a count of data items (i.e., count of typemap entries of datatype), and position is an index into this typemap. In MPI_PACK, incount refers to the number of whole datatypes, and position is a number of bytes. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. A converted read operation could be implemented as follows:

1. Get file extent of all data items
2. Allocate a filebuf large enough to hold all count data items
3. Read data from file into filebuf
4. Call read_conversion_fn to convert data and place it into userbuf
5. Deallocate filebuf

(End of advice to implementors.)

If MPI cannot allocate a buffer large enough to hold all the data to be converted from a read operation, it may call the conversion function repeatedly using the same datatype and userbuf, and reading successive chunks of data to be converted in filebuf. For the first call (and in the case when all the data to be converted fits into filebuf), MPI will call the function with position set to zero. Data converted during this call will be stored in the userbuf according to the first count data items in datatype. Then in subsequent calls to the conversion function, MPI will increment the value in position by the count of items converted in the previous call, and the userbuf pointer will be unchanged.

Rationale. Passing the conversion function a position and one datatype for the transfer allows the conversion function to decode the datatype only once and cache an internal representation of it on the datatype. Then on subsequent calls, the conversion function can use the position to quickly find its place in the datatype and continue storing converted data where it left off at the end of the previous call. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. Although the conversion function may usefully cache an internal representation on the datatype, it should not cache any state information specific to an ongoing conversion operation, since it is possible for the same datatype to be used concurrently in multiple conversion operations. (End of advice to users.)

The function write_conversion_fn must convert from native representation to file data representation. Before calling this routine, MPI allocates filebuf of a size large enough to hold count contiguous data items. The type of each data item matches the corresponding entry for the predefined datatype in the type signature of datatype. The function must copy count data items from userbuf in the distribution described by datatype, to a contiguous distribution in filebuf, converting each data item from native representation to file representation. If the size of datatype is less than the size of count data items, the conversion function must treat datatype as being contiguously tiled over the userbuf.

The function must begin copying at the location in userbuf specified by position into the ( tiled) datatype. datatype will be equivalent to the datatype that the user passed to the write function. The function is passed, in extra_state, the argument that was passed to the MPI_REGISTER_DATAREP call.
The predefined constant MPI_CONVERSION_FN_NULL may be used as either write_conversion_fn or read_conversion_fn in bindings of MPI_REGISTER_DATAREP without large counts in these conversion callbacks, whereas the constant MPI_CONVERSION_FN_NULL_C can be used in the large count version (i.e., MPI_Register_datarep_c). In either of these cases, MPI will not attempt to invoke write_conversion_fn or read_conversion_fn, respectively, but will perform the requested data access using the native data representation.

An MPI implementation must ensure that all data accessed is converted, either by using a filebuf large enough to hold all the requested data items or else by making repeated calls to the conversion function with the same datatype argument and appropriate values for position.

An implementation will only invoke the callback routines in this section (read_conversion_fn, write_conversion_fn, and dtype_file_extent_fn) when one of the read or write routines in Section 14.4, or MPI_File_get_type_extent is called by the user. dtype_file_extent_fn will only be passed predefined datatypes employed by the user. The conversion functions will only be passed datatypes equivalent to those that the user has passed to one of the routines noted above.

The conversion functions must be reentrant. User defined data representations are restricted to use byte alignment for all types. Furthermore, it is erroneous for the conversion functions to call any collective routines or to free datatype.

The conversion functions should return an error code. If the returned error code has a value other than MPI_SUCCESS, the implementation will raise an error in the class MPI_ERR_CONVERSION.

14.5.4 Matching Data Representations

It is the user’s responsibility to ensure that the data representation used to read data from a file is compatible with the data representation that was used to write that data to the file.

In general, using the same data representation name when writing and reading a file does not guarantee that the representation is compatible. Similarly, using different representation names on two different implementations may yield compatible representations.

Compatibility can be obtained when "external32" representation is used, although precision may be lost and the performance may be less than when "native" representation is used. Compatibility is guaranteed using "external32" provided at least one of the following conditions is met.

• The data access routines directly use types enumerated in Section 14.5.2, that are supported by all implementations participating in the I/O. The predefined type used to write a data item must also be used to read a data item.

• In the case of Fortran 90 programs, the programs participating in the data accesses obtain compatible datatypes using MPI routines that specify precision and/or range (Section 19.1.9).

• For any given data item, the programs participating in the data accesses use compatible predefined types to write and read the data item.

User-defined data representations may be used to provide an implementation compatibility with another implementation’s “native” or “internal” representation.
Advice to users. Section 19.1.9 defines routines that support the use of matching datatypes in heterogeneous environments and contains examples illustrating their use. (End of advice to users.)

14.6 Consistency and Semantics

14.6.1 File Consistency

Consistency semantics define the outcome of multiple accesses to a single file. All file accesses in MPI are relative to a specific file handle created from a collective open. MPI provides three levels of consistency: sequential consistency among all accesses using a single file handle, sequential consistency among all accesses using file handles created from a single collective open with atomic mode enabled, and user-imposed consistency among accesses other than the above. Sequential consistency means the behavior of a set of operations will be as if the operations were performed in some serial order consistent with program order; each access appears atomic, although the exact ordering of accesses is unspecified. User-imposed consistency may be obtained using program order and calls to MPI_FILE_SYNC.

Let $FH_1$ be the set of file handles created from one particular collective open of the file $FOO$, and $FH_2$ be the set of file handles created from a different collective open of $FOO$. Note that nothing restrictive is said about $FH_1$ and $FH_2$: the sizes of $FH_1$ and $FH_2$ may be different, the groups of processes used for each open may or may not intersect, the file handles in $FH_1$ may be destroyed before those in $FH_2$ are created, etc. Consider the following three cases: a single file handle (e.g., $fh_1 \in FH_1$), two file handles created from a single collective open (e.g., $fh_{1a} \in FH_1$ and $fh_{1b} \in FH_1$), and two file handles from different collective opens (e.g., $fh_1 \in FH_1$ and $fh_2 \in FH_2$).

For the purpose of consistency semantics, a matched pair (Section 14.4.5) of split collective data access operations (e.g., MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_BEGIN and MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_END) compose a single data access operation. Similarly, a non-blocking data access routine (e.g., MPI_FILE_IREAD) and the routine that completes the request (e.g., MPI_WAIT) also compose a single data access operation. For all cases below, these data access operations are subject to the same constraints as blocking data access operations.

Advice to users. For an MPI_FILE_IREAD and MPI_WAIT pair, the operation begins when MPI_FILE_IREAD is called and ends when MPI_WAIT returns. (End of advice to users.)

Assume that $A_1$ and $A_2$ are two data access operations. Let $D_1$ ($D_2$) be the set of absolute byte displacements of every byte accessed in $A_1$ ($A_2$). The two data accesses overlap if $D_1 \cap D_2 \neq \emptyset$. The two data accesses conflict if they overlap and at least one is a write access.

Let $SEQ_{fh}$ be a sequence of file operations on a single file handle, bracketed by MPI_FILE_SYNCS on that file handle. (Both opening and closing a file implicitly perform an MPI_FILE_SYNC.) $SEQ_{fh}$ is a "write sequence" if any of the data access operations in the sequence are writes or if any of the file manipulation operations in the sequence change the state of the file (e.g., MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE or MPI_FILE_PREALLOCATE). Given two sequences, $SEQ_1$ and $SEQ_2$, we say they are not concurrent if one sequence is guaranteed to completely precede the other (temporally).
The requirements for guaranteeing sequential consistency among all accesses to a particular file are divided into the three cases given below. If any of these requirements are not met, then the value of all data in that file is implementation dependent.

**Case 1**: $fh_1 \in FH_1$. All operations on $fh_1$ are sequentially consistent if atomic mode is set. If nonatomic mode is set, then all operations on $fh_1$ are sequentially consistent if they are either nonconcurrent, nonconflicting, or both.

**Case 2**: $fh_{1a} \in FH_1$ and $fh_{1b} \in FH_1$. Assume $A_1$ is a data access operation using $fh_{1a}$, and $A_2$ is a data access operation using $fh_{1b}$. If for any access $A_1$, there is no access $A_2$ that conflicts with $A_1$, then MPI guarantees sequential consistency.

However, unlike POSIX semantics, the default MPI semantics for conflicting accesses do not guarantee sequential consistency. If $A_1$ and $A_2$ conflict, sequential consistency can be guaranteed by either enabling atomic mode via the MPI\_FILE\_SET\_ATOMICITY routine, or meeting the condition described in Case 3 below.

**Case 3**: $fh_1 \in FH_1$ and $fh_2 \in FH_2$. Consider access to a single file using file handles from distinct collective opens. In order to guarantee sequential consistency, MPI\_FILE\_SYNC must be used (both opening and closing a file implicitly perform an MPI\_FILE\_SYNC).

Sequential consistency is guaranteed among accesses to a single file if for any write sequence $SEQ_1$ to the file, there is no sequence $SEQ_2$ to the file that is concurrent with $SEQ_1$. To guarantee sequential consistency when there are write sequences, MPI\_FILE\_SYNC must be used together with a mechanism that guarantees nonconcurrency of the sequences.

See the examples in Section 14.6.11 for further clarification of some of these consistency semantics.

**MPI\_FILE\_SET\_ATOMICITY**($fh$, $flag$)

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<th>INOUT</th>
<th>$fh$</th>
<th>file handle (handle)</th>
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<tr>
<td>IN</td>
<td>$flag$</td>
<td>true to set atomic mode, false to set nonatomic mode (logical)</td>
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**C binding**

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

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_File_set_atomicity(fh, flag, ierror)
```

```fortran
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: flag
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI\_FILE\_SET\_ATOMICITY(FH, FLAG, IERROR)
```

```fortran
INTEGER FH, IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG
```

Let $FH$ be the set of file handles created by one collective open. The consistency semantics for data access operations using $FH$ is set by collectively calling
MPI\_FILE\_SET\_ATOMICITY on \(FH\). MPI\_FILE\_SET\_ATOMICITY is collective; all processes in the group must pass identical values for \(fh\) and \(flag\). If \(flag\) is true, atomic mode is set; if \(flag\) is false, nonatomic mode is set.

Changing the consistency semantics for an open file only affects new data accesses. All completed data accesses are guaranteed to abide by the consistency semantics in effect during their execution. Nonblocking data accesses and split collective operations that have not completed (e.g., via MPI\_WAIT) are only guaranteed to abide by nonatomic mode consistency semantics.

Advice to implementors. Since the semantics guaranteed by atomic mode are stronger than those guaranteed by nonatomic mode, an implementation is free to adhere to the more stringent atomic mode semantics for outstanding requests. (End of advice to implementors.)

\texttt{MPI\_FILE\_GET\_ATOMICITY(fh, flag)}

\begin{verbatim}
IN fh file handle (handle)
OUT flag true if atomic mode, false if nonatomic mode (logical)
\end{verbatim}

C binding
\texttt{int MPI\_File\_get\_atomicity(MPI\_File fh, int *flag)}

Fortran 2008 binding
\texttt{MPI\_File\_get\_atomicity(fh, flag, ierr)}

\begin{verbatim}
TYPE(MPI\_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr
\end{verbatim}

Fortran binding
\texttt{MPI\_FILE\_GET\_ATOMICITY(FH, FLAG, IERROR)}

\begin{verbatim}
INTEGER FH, IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG
\end{verbatim}

MPI\_FILE\_GET\_ATOMICITY returns the current consistency semantics for data access operations on the set of file handles created by one collective open. If \(flag\) is true, atomic mode is enabled; if \(flag\) is false, nonatomic mode is enabled.

\texttt{MPI\_FILE\_SYNC(fh)}

\begin{verbatim}
INOUT fh file handle (handle)
\end{verbatim}

C binding
\texttt{int MPI\_File\_sync(MPI\_File fh)}

Fortran 2008 binding
\texttt{MPI\_File\_sync(fh, ierr)}

\begin{verbatim}
TYPE(MPI\_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr
\end{verbatim}
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**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_FILE_SYNC(FH, IERROR)
INTERGER FH, IERROR
```

Calling `MPI_FILE_SYNC` with `fh` causes all previous writes to `fh` by the calling process to be transferred to the storage device. If other processes have made updates to the storage device, then all such updates become visible to subsequent reads of `fh` by the calling process. `MPI_FILE_SYNC` may be necessary to ensure sequential consistency in certain cases (see above).

`MPI_FILE_SYNC` is a collective operation.

The user is responsible for ensuring that all nonblocking requests and split collective operations on `fh` have been completed before calling `MPI_FILE_SYNC`—otherwise, the call to `MPI_FILE_SYNC` is erroneous.

### 14.6.2 Random Access vs. Sequential Files

MPI distinguishes ordinary random access files from sequential stream files, such as pipes and tape files. Sequential stream files must be opened with the `MPI_MODE_SEQUENTIAL` flag set in the amode. For these files, the only permitted data access operations are shared file pointer reads and writes. Filetypes and etypes with holes are erroneous. In addition, the notion of file pointer is not meaningful; therefore, calls to `MPI_FILE_SEEK_SHARED` and `MPI_FILE_GET_POSITION_SHARED` are erroneous, and the pointer update rules specified for the data access routines do not apply. The amount of data accessed by a data access operation will be the amount requested unless the end of file is reached or an error is raised.

*Rationale.* This implies that reading on a pipe will always wait until the requested amount of data is available or until the process writing to the pipe has issued an end of file. *(End of rationale.)*

Finally, for some sequential files, such as those corresponding to magnetic tapes or streaming network connections, writes to the file may be destructive. In other words, a write may act as a truncate (a `MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE` with `size` set to the current position) followed by the write.

### 14.6.3 Progress

The progress rules of MPI are both a promise to users and a set of constraints on implementors. In cases where the progress rules restrict possible implementation choices more than the interface specification alone, the progress rules take precedence.

All blocking routines must complete in finite time unless an exceptional condition (such as resource exhaustion) causes an error.

Nonblocking data access routines inherit the following progress rule from nonblocking point-to-point communication: a nonblocking write is equivalent to a nonblocking send for which a receive is eventually posted, and a nonblocking read is equivalent to a nonblocking receive for which a send is eventually posted.

Finally, an implementation is free to delay progress of collective routines until all processes in the group associated with the collective call have invoked the routine. Once all processes in the group have invoked the routine, the progress rule of the equivalent noncollective routine must be followed.
14.6.4 Collective File Operations

Collective file operations are subject to the same restrictions as collective communication operations. For a complete discussion, please refer to the semantics set forth in Section 6.14.

Collective file operations are collective over a duplicate of the communicator used to open the file—this duplicate communicator is implicitly specified via the file handle argument. Different processes can pass different values for other arguments of a collective routine unless specified otherwise.

14.6.5 Nonblocking Collective File Operations

Nonblocking collective file operations are defined only for data access routines with explicit offsets and individual file pointers but not with shared file pointers.

Nonblocking collective file operations are subject to the same restrictions as blocking collective I/O operations. All processes belonging to the group of the communicator that was used to open the file must call collective I/O operations (blocking and nonblocking) in the same order. This is consistent with the ordering rules for collective operations in threaded environments. For a complete discussion, please refer to the semantics set forth in Section 6.14.

Nonblocking collective I/O operations do not match with blocking collective I/O operations. Multiple nonblocking collective I/O operations can be outstanding on a single file handle. High quality MPI implementations should be able to support a large number of pending nonblocking I/O operations.

All nonblocking collective I/O calls are local and return immediately, irrespective of the status of other processes. The call initiates the operation that may progress independently of any communication, computation, or I/O. The call returns a request handle, which must be passed to a completion call. Input buffers should not be modified and output buffers should not be accessed before the completion call returns. The same progress rules described for nonblocking collective operations apply for nonblocking collective I/O operations. For a complete discussion, please refer to the semantics set forth in Section 6.12.

14.6.6 Type Matching

The type matching rules for I/O mimic the type matching rules for communication with one exception: if etype is MPI_BYTE, then this matches any datatype in a data access operation. In general, the etype of data items written must match the etype used to read the items, and for each data access operation, the current etype must also match the type declaration of the data access buffer.

Advice to users. In most cases, use of MPI_BYTE as a wild card will defeat the file interoperability features of MPI. File interoperability can only perform automatic conversion between heterogeneous data representations when the exact datatypes accessed are explicitly specified. (End of advice to users.)

14.6.7 Miscellaneous Clarifications

Once an I/O routine completes, it is safe to free any opaque objects passed as arguments to that routine. For example, the comm and info used in an MPI_FILE_OPEN, or the etype and filetype used in an MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW, can be freed without affecting access to the
file. Note that for nonblocking routines and split collective operations, the operation must be completed before it is safe to reuse data buffers passed as arguments.

As in communication, datatypes must be committed before they can be used in file manipulation or data access operations. For example, the etype and filetype must be committed before calling MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW, and the datatype must be committed before calling MPI_FILE_READ or MPI_FILE_WRITE.

14.6.8 MPI_Offset Type

MPI_Offset is an integer type of size sufficient to represent the size (in bytes) of the largest file supported by MPI. Displacements and offsets are always specified as values of type MPI_Offset.

In Fortran, the corresponding integer is an integer with kind parameter MPI_OFFSET_KIND, which is defined in the mpi_f08 module, the mpi module and the mpif.h include file.

In Fortran 77 environments that do not support KIND parameters, MPI_Offset arguments should be declared as an INTEGER of suitable size. The language interoperability implications for MPI_Offset are similar to those for addresses (see Section 19.3).

14.6.9 Logical vs. Physical File Layout

MPI specifies how the data should be laid out in a virtual file structure (the view), not how that file structure is to be stored on one or more disks. Specification of the physical file structure was avoided because it is expected that the mapping of files to disks will be system specific, and any specific control over file layout would therefore restrict program portability. However, there are still cases where some information may be necessary to optimize file layout. This information can be provided as hints specified via info when a file is created (see Section 14.2.8).

14.6.10 File Size

The size of a file may be increased by writing to the file after the current end of file. The size may also be changed by calling MPI size changing routines, such as MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE. A call to a size changing routine does not necessarily change the file size. For example, calling MPI_FILE_PREALLOCATE with a size less than the current size does not change the size.

Consider a set of bytes that has been written to a file since the most recent call to a size changing routine, or since MPI_FILE_OPEN if no such routine has been called. Let the high byte be the byte in that set with the largest displacement. The file size is the larger of

- One plus the displacement of the high byte.
- The size immediately after the size changing routine, or MPI_FILE_OPEN, returned.

When applying consistency semantics, calls to MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE and MPI_FILE_PREALLOCATE are considered writes to the file (which conflict with operations that access bytes at displacements between the old and new file sizes), and MPI_FILE_GET_SIZE is considered a read of the file (which overlaps with all accesses to the file).
Advice to users. Any sequence of operations containing the collective routines
\texttt{MPI\_FILE\_SET\_SIZE} and \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_PREALLOCATE} is a write sequence. As such,
sequential consistency in nonatomic mode is not guaranteed unless the conditions in
Section 14.6.1 are satisfied. (End of advice to users.)

File pointer update semantics (i.e., file pointers are updated by the amount accessed)
are only guaranteed if file size changes are sequentially consistent.

Advice to users. Consider the following example. Given two operations made by
separate processes to a file containing 100 bytes: an \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_READ} of 10 bytes and
an \texttt{MPI\_FILE\_SET\_SIZE} to 0 bytes. If the user does not enforce sequential consist-
tency between these two operations, the file pointer may be updated by the amount
requested (10 bytes) even if the amount accessed is zero bytes. (End of advice to
users.)

14.6.11 Examples

The examples in this section illustrate the application of the MPI consistency and semantics
guarantees. These address

- conflicting accesses on file handles obtained from a single collective open, and
- all accesses on file handles obtained from two separate collective opens.

The simplest way to achieve consistency for conflicting accesses is to obtain sequential
consistency by setting atomic mode.

| Example 14.5. | For the code below, process 1 will read either 0 or 10 integers. If the
latter, every element of b will be 5. If nonatomic mode is set, the results of the read are
undefined.

```c
/* Process 0 */
int i, a[10];
int TRUE = 1;
for (i=0; i<10; i++)
a[i] = 5;
MPI_File_open(MPI_COMM_WORLD, "workfile",
        MPI_MODE_RDWR | MPI_MODE_CREATE, MPI_INFO_NULL, &fh0);
MPI_File_set_view(fh0, 0, MPI_INT, MPI_INT, "native", MPI_INFO_NULL);
MPI_File_set_atomicity(fh0, TRUE);
MPI_File_write_at(fh0, 0, a, 10, MPI_INT, &status);
/* MPI_Barrier(MPI_COMM_WORLD); */
/* Process 1 */
int b[10];
int TRUE = 1;
MPI_File_open(MPI_COMM_WORLD, "workfile",
        MPI_MODE_RDWR | MPI_MODE_CREATE, MPI_INFO_NULL, &fh1);
MPI_File_set_view(fh1, 0, MPI_INT, MPI_INT, "native", MPI_INFO_NULL);
```
MPI_File_set_atomicity(fh1, TRUE);
/* MPI_Barrier(MPI_COMM_WORLD); */
MPI_File_read_at(fh1, 0, b, 10, MPI_INT, &status);

A user may guarantee that the write on process 0 precedes the read on process 1 by imposing
temporal order with, for example, calls to MPI_BARRIER.

Advice to users. Routines other than MPI_BARRIER may be used to impose temporal
order. In the example above, process 0 could use MPI_SEND to send a 0 byte message,
received by process 1 using MPI_RECV. (End of advice to users.)

Example 14.6. Alternatively, a user can impose consistency with nonatomic mode set:

/* Process 0 */
int i, a[10];
for (i=0;i<10;i++)
a[i] = 5;
MPI_File_open(MPI_COMM_WORLD, "workfile",
MPI_MODE_RDWR | MPI_MODE_CREATE, MPI_INFO_NULL, &fh0);
MPI_File_set_view(fh0, 0, MPI_INT, MPI_INT, "native", MPI_INFO_NULL);
MPI_File_write_at(fh0, 0, a, 10, MPI_INT, &status);
MPI_File_sync(fh0);
MPI_Barrier(MPI_COMM_WORLD);
MPI_File_sync(fh0);

/* Process 1 */
int b[10];
MPI_File_open(MPI_COMM_WORLD, "workfile",
MPI_MODE_RDWR | MPI_MODE_CREATE, MPI_INFO_NULL, &fh1);
MPI_File_set_view(fh1, 0, MPI_INT, MPI_INT, "native", MPI_INFO_NULL);
MPI_File_sync(fh1);
MPI_BARRIER(MPI_COMM_WORLD);
MPI_File_sync(fh1);
MPI_File_read_at(fh1, 0, b, 10, MPI_INT, &status);

The “sync-barrier-sync” construct is required because:

• The barrier ensures that the write on process 0 occurs before the read on process 1.
• The first sync guarantees that the data written by all processes is transferred to the
storage device.
• The second sync guarantees that all data that has been transferred to the storage
device is visible to all processes. (This does not affect process 0 in this example.)

Example 14.7. The following program represents an erroneous attempt to achieve
consistency by eliminating the apparently superfluous second “sync” call for each process.

/* ---------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS --------------- */
/* Process 0 */

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```c
int i, a[10];
for (i = 0; i < 10; i++)
    a[i] = 5;

MPI_File_open(MPI_COMM_WORLD, "workfile",
              MPI_MODE_RDWR | MPI_MODE_CREATE, MPI_INFO_NULL, &fh0);
MPI_File_set_view(fh0, 0, MPI_INT, MPI_INT, "native", MPI_INFO_NULL);
MPI_File_write_at(fh0, 0, a, 10, MPI_INT, &status);
MPI_File_sync(fh0);
MPI_Barrier(MPI_COMM_WORLD);

/* Process 1 */
int b[10];
MPI_File_open(MPI_COMM_WORLD, "workfile",
              MPI_MODE_RDWR | MPI_MODE_CREATE, MPI_INFO_NULL, &fh1);
MPI_File_set_view(fh1, 0, MPI_INT, MPI_INT, "native", MPI_INFO_NULL);
MPI_Barrier(MPI_COMM_WORLD);
MPI_File_sync(fh1);
MPI_File_read_at(fh1, 0, b, 10, MPI_INT, &status);

/* ---------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS ------------------- */
The above program also violates the MPI rule against out-of-order collective operations and will deadlock for implementations in which MPI_FILE_SYNC blocks.

Advice to users. Some implementations may choose to implement MPI_FILE_SYNC as a temporally synchronizing function. When using such an implementation, the "sync-barrier-sync" construct above can be replaced by a single "sync." The results of using such code with an implementation for which MPI_FILE_SYNC is not temporally synchronizing is undefined. (End of advice to users.)

Asynchronous I/O

The behavior of asynchronous I/O operations is determined by applying the rules specified above for synchronous I/O operations.

Example 14.8. The following examples all access a preexisting file "myfile." Word 10 in myfile initially contains the integer 2. Each example writes and reads word 10.

First consider the following code fragment:

```c
int a = 4, b, TRUE=1;
MPI_File_open(MPI_COMM_WORLD, "myfile",
              MPI_MODE_RDWR, MPI_INFO_NULL, &fh);
MPI_File_set_view(fh, 0, MPI_INT, MPI_INT, "native", MPI_INFO_NULL);
/* MPI_File_set_atomicity(fh, TRUE); Use this to set atomic mode. */
MPI_File_iwrite_at(fh, 10, &a, 1, MPI_INT, &reqs[0]);
MPI_File_iread_at(fh, 10, &b, 1, MPI_INT, &reqs[1]);
MPI_Waitall(2, reqs, statuses);
```

For asynchronous data access operations, MPI specifies that the access occurs at any time between the call to the asynchronous data access routine and the return from the corresponding request complete routine. Thus, executing either the read before the write, or the
write before the read is consistent with program order. If atomic mode is set, then MPI guarantees sequential consistency, and the program will read either 2 or 4 into b. If atomic mode is not set, then sequential consistency is not guaranteed and the program may read something other than 2 or 4 due to the conflicting data access.

Similarly, the following code fragment does not order file accesses:

```c
int a = 4, b;
MPI_File_open(MPI_COMM_WORLD, "myfile",
            MPI_MODE_RDWR, MPI_INFO_NULL, &fh);
MPI_File_set_view(fh, 0, MPI_INT, MPI_INT, "native", MPI_INFO_NULL);
/* MPI_File_set_atomicity(fh, TRUE); Use this to set atomic mode. */
MPI_File_iwrite_at(fh, 10, &a, 1, MPI_INT, &reqs[0]);
MPI_File_iread_at(fh, 10, &b, 1, MPI_INT, &reqs[1]);
MPI_Wait(&reqs[0], &status);
MPI_Wait(&reqs[1], &status);
```

If atomic mode is set, either 2 or 4 will be read into b. Again, MPI does not guarantee sequential consistency in nonatomic mode.

On the other hand, the following code fragment:

```c
int a = 4, b;
MPI_File_open(MPI_COMM_WORLD, "myfile",
            MPI_MODE_RDWR, MPI_INFO_NULL, &fh);
MPI_File_set_view(fh, 0, MPI_INT, MPI_INT, "native", MPI_INFO_NULL);
MPI_File_iwrite_at(fh, 10, &a, 1, MPI_INT, &reqs[0]);
MPI_Wait(&reqs[0], &status);
MPI_File_iread_at(fh, 10, &b, 1, MPI_INT, &reqs[1]);
MPI_Wait(&reqs[1], &status);
```

defines the same ordering as:

```c
int a = 4, b;
MPI_File_open(MPI_COMM_WORLD, "myfile",
            MPI_MODE_RDWR, MPI_INFO_NULL, &fh);
MPI_File_set_view(fh, 0, MPI_INT, MPI_INT, "native", MPI_INFO_NULL);
MPI_File_write_at(fh, 10, &a, 1, MPI_INT, &status);
MPI_File_read_at(fh, 10, &b, 1, MPI_INT, &status);
```

Since

- nonconcurrent operations on a single file handle are sequentially consistent, and
- the program fragments specify an order for the operations,

MPI guarantees that both program fragments will read the value 4 into b. There is no need to set atomic mode for this example.

Similar considerations apply to conflicting accesses of the form:

```c
MPI_File_iwrite_all(fh,...);
MPI_File_iread_all(fh,...);
MPI_Waitall(...);
```

In addition, as mentioned in Section 14.6.5, nonblocking collective I/O operations have to be called in the same order on the file handle by all processes.

Similar considerations apply to conflicting accesses of the form:
14.7 I/O Error Handling

By default, communication errors are fatal—MPI_ERRORS_ARE_FATAL is the default error handler associated with MPI_COMM_WORLD. I/O errors are usually less catastrophic (e.g., “file not found”) than communication errors, and common practice is to catch these errors and continue executing. For this reason, MPI provides additional error facilities for I/O.

Advice to users. MPI does not specify the state of a computation after an erroneous MPI call has occurred. A high-quality implementation will support the I/O error handling facilities, allowing users to write programs using common practice for I/O. (End of advice to users.)

Like communicators, each file handle has an error handler associated with it. The MPI I/O error handling routines are defined in Section 9.3.

When MPI calls a user-defined error handler resulting from an error on a particular file handle, the first two arguments passed to the file error handler are the file handle and the error code. For I/O errors that are not associated with a valid file handle (e.g., in MPI_FILE_OPEN or MPI_FILE_DELETE), the first argument passed to the error handler is MPI_FILE_NULL.

I/O error handling differs from communication error handling in another important aspect. By default, the predefined error handler for file handles is MPI_ERRORS_RETURN. The default file error handler has two purposes: when a new file handle is created (by MPI_FILE_OPEN), the error handler for the new file handle is initially set to the default file error handler, and I/O routines that have no valid file handle on which to raise an error (e.g., MPI_FILE_OPEN or MPI_FILE_DELETE) use the default file error handler. The default file error handler can be changed by specifying MPI_FILE_NULL as the fh argument to MPI_FILE_SET_ERRHANDLER. The current value of the default file error handler can be determined by passing MPI_FILE_NULL as the fh argument to MPI_FILE_GET_ERRHANDLER.

Rationale. For communication, the default error handler is inherited from MPI_COMM_WORLD when using the World Model. In I/O, there is no analogous “root” file handle from which default properties can be inherited. Rather than invent a new global file handle, the default file error handler is manipulated as if it were attached to MPI_FILE_NULL. (End of rationale.)
Table 14.5: I/O error classes

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Error Code</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_FILE</td>
<td>Invalid file handle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_NOTSAME</td>
<td>Collective argument not identical on all processes, or collective routines called in a different order by different processes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_AMODE</td>
<td>Error related to the amode passed to MPI_FILE_OPEN</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_UNSUPPORTED_DATAREP</td>
<td>Unsupported datarep passed to MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_UNSUPPORTED_OPERATION</td>
<td>Unsupported operation, such as seeking on a file that supports sequential access only</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_NO_SUCH_FILE</td>
<td>File does not exist</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_FILE_EXISTS</td>
<td>File exists</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_BAD_FILE</td>
<td>Invalid file name (e.g., path name too long)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_ACCESS</td>
<td>Permission denied</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_NO_SPACE</td>
<td>Not enough space</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_QUOTA</td>
<td>Quota exceeded</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_READONLY</td>
<td>Read-only file or file system</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_FILE_INUSE</td>
<td>File operation could not be completed, as the file is currently open by some process</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_DUP_DATAREP</td>
<td>Conversion functions could not be registered because a data representation identifier that was already defined was passed to MPI_REGISTER_DATAREP</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_CONVERSION</td>
<td>An error occurred in a user supplied data conversion function.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_ERR_IO</td>
<td>Other I/O error</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

14.8 I/O Error Classes

The implementation dependent error codes returned by the I/O routines can be converted into the error classes defined in Table 14.5.

In addition, calls to routines in this chapter may raise errors in other MPI classes, such as MPI_ERR_TYPE.

14.9 Examples

14.9.1 Double Buffering with Split Collective I/O

Example 14.9. This example shows how to overlap computation and output. The computation is performed by the function compute_buffer().

```c
/* =========================================================================
*
* Function: double_buffer
*
* Synopsis: */
```
void double_buffer(
  MPI_File fh,           ** IN
  MPI_Datatype buftype,   ** IN
  int bufcount           ** IN
)

* Description:
* Performs the steps to overlap computation with a collective write
* by using a double-buffering technique.
*
* Parameters:
*  fh previously opened MPI file handle
*  buftype MPI datatype for memory layout
*  (Assumes a compatible view has been set on fh)
*  bufcount # buftype elements to transfer
*------------------------------------------------------------------------*/

/* this macro switches which buffer "x" is pointing to */
#define TOGGLE_PTR(x) (((x)==(buffer1)) ? (x=buffer2) : (x=buffer1))

void double_buffer(MPI_File fh, MPI_Datatype buftype, int bufcount)
{
    MPI_Status status;     /* status for MPI calls */
    float *buffer1, *buffer2; /* buffers to hold results */
    float *compute_buf_ptr; /* destination buffer */
    /* for computing */
    float *write_buf_ptr; /* source for writing */
    int done;            /* determines when to quit */

    /* buffer initialization */
    buffer1 = (float*)malloc(bufcount*sizeof(float));
    buffer2 = (float*)malloc(bufcount*sizeof(float));
    compute_buf_ptr = buffer1; /* initially point to buffer1 */
    write_buf_ptr = buffer1;   /* initially point to buffer1 */

    /* DOUBLE-BUFFER prolog:*/
    /*  compute buffer1; then initiate writing buffer1 to disk */
    /* */
    compute_buffer(compute_buf_ptr, bufcount, &done);
    MPI_File_write_all_begin(fh, write_buf_ptr, bufcount, buftype);

    /* DOUBLE-BUFFER steady state:*/
    /*  Overlap writing old results from buffer pointed to by write_buf_ptr */
    /*  with computing new results into buffer pointed to by compute_buf_ptr. */
    /*  */
    /*  There is always one write-buffer and one compute-buffer in use */
    /*  during steady state. */
    /* */
    while (!done) {
       TOGGLE_PTR(compute_buf_ptr);
       compute_buffer(compute_buf_ptr, bufcount, &done);
       MPI_File_write_all_end(fh, write_buf_ptr, &status);
       TOGGLE_PTR(write_buf_ptr);
    }
MPI_File_write_all_begin(fh, write_buf_ptr, bufcount, buftype);
}

/* DOUBLE-BUFFER epilog: */
/* wait for final write to complete. */
MPI_File_write_all_end(fh, write_buf_ptr, &status);

/* buffer cleanup */
free(buffer1);
free(buffer2);

14.9.2 Subarray Filetype Constructor

Figure 14.4: Example array file layout

Figure 14.5: Example local array filetype for process 1

Example 14.10. Assume we are writing out a 100 x 100 2D array of double precision floating point numbers that is distributed among 4 processes such that each process has a block of 25 columns (e.g., process 0 has columns 0–24, process 1 has columns 25–49, etc.; see Figure 14.4). To create the filetypes for each process one could use the following C program.
(see Section 5.1.3):

```c
double subarray[100][25];
MPI_Datatype filetype;
int sizes[2], subsizes[2], starts[2];
int rank;

MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);
sizes[0]=100; sizes[1]=100;
subsizes[0]=100; subsizes[1]=25;
starts[0]=0; starts[1]=rank*subsizes[1];

MPI_Type_create_subarray(2, sizes, subsizes, starts,
                          MPI_ORDER_C,
                          MPI_DOUBLE, &filetype);
```

Or, equivalently in Fortran:

**Example 14.11.** Writing out a $100 \times 100$ 2D array of double precision floating point numbers that is distributed among 4 processes such that each process has a block of 25 columns (e.g., process 0 has columns 0–24, process 1 has columns 25–49, etc.; see Figure 14.4).

```fortran
double precision subarray(100,25)
integer filetype, rank, ierror
integer sizes(2), subsizes(2), starts(2)

call MPI_COMM_RANK(MPI_COMM_WORLD, rank, ierror)
sizes(1)  = 100
sizes(2)  = 100
subsizes(1) = 100
subsizes(2) = 25
starts(1)  = 0
starts(2)  = rank*subsizes(2)

call MPI_TYPE_CREATE_SUBARRAY(2, sizes, subsizes, starts,
                               MPI_ORDER_FORTRAN,
                               MPI_DOUBLE_PRECISION,
                               filetype, ierror)
```

The generated filetype will then describe the portion of the file contained within the process’s subarray with holes for the space taken by the other processes. Figure 14.5 shows the filetype created for process 1.
Chapter 15
Tool Support

15.1 Introduction

This chapter discusses interfaces that allow debuggers, performance analyzers, and other tools to extract information about the behavior of MPI processes. Specifically, this chapter defines both the MPI profiling interface (Section 15.2), which supports the transparent interception and inspection of MPI calls, and the MPI tool information interface (Section 15.3), which supports the inspection and manipulation of MPI control and performance variables, as well as the registration of callbacks for MPI library events. The interfaces described in this chapter are all defined in the context of an MPI process, i.e., are callable from the same code that invokes other MPI functions.

15.2 Profiling Interface

15.2.1 Requirements

To meet the requirements for the MPI profiling interface, an implementation of the MPI functions must

1. provide a mechanism through which all of the MPI defined functions, except those allowed as macros (See Section 2.6.4), may be accessed with a name shift. This requires, in C and Fortran, an alternate entry point name, with the prefix PMPI_ for each MPI function in each provided language binding and language support method. For routines implemented as macros, it is still required that the PMPI_ version be supplied and work as expected, but it is not possible to replace at link time the MPI_ version with a user-defined version.

For Fortran, the different support methods cause several specific procedure names. Therefore, several profiling routines (with these specific procedure names) are needed for each Fortran MPI routine, as described in Section 19.1.5.

2. ensure that those MPI functions that are not replaced may still be linked into an executable image without causing name clashes.

3. document the implementation of different language bindings of the MPI interface if they are layered on top of each other, so that the profiler developer knows whether to implement the profile interface for each binding, or to economize by implementing it only for the lowest level routines.

4. where the implementation of different language bindings is done through a layered approach (e.g., the Fortran binding is a set of “wrapper” functions that call the C
implementation), ensure that these wrapper functions are separable from the rest of the library.

This separability is necessary to allow a separate profiling library to be correctly implemented, since (at least with Unix linker semantics) the profiling library must contain these wrapper functions if it is to perform as expected. This requirement allows the person who builds the profiling library to extract these functions from the original MPI library and add them into the profiling library without bringing along any other unnecessary code.

5. provide a no-op routine MPI_PCONTROL in the MPI library.

15.2.2 Discussion

The objective of the MPI profiling interface is to ensure that it is relatively easy for authors of profiling (and other similar) tools to interface their codes to MPI implementations on different machines.

Since MPI is a machine independent standard with many different implementations, it is unreasonable to expect that the authors of profiling tools for MPI will have access to the source code that implements MPI on any particular machine. It is therefore necessary to provide a mechanism by which the implementers of such tools can collect whatever performance information they wish without access to the underlying implementation.

We believe that having such an interface is important if MPI is to be attractive to end users, since the availability of many different tools will be a significant factor in attracting users to the MPI standard.

The profiling interface is just that, an interface. It says nothing about the way in which it is used. There is therefore no attempt to lay down what information is collected through the interface, or how the collected information is saved, filtered, or displayed.

While the initial impetus for the development of this interface arose from the desire to permit the implementation of profiling tools, it is clear that an interface like that specified may also prove useful for other purposes, such as “internetworking” multiple MPI implementations. Since all that is defined is an interface, there is no objection to it being used wherever it is useful.

As the issues being addressed here are intimately tied up with the way in which executable images are built, which may differ greatly on different machines, the examples given below should be treated solely as one way of implementing the objective of the MPI profiling interface. The actual requirements made of an implementation are those detailed in the Requirements section above, the whole of the rest of this section is only present as justification and discussion of the logic for those requirements.

The examples below show one way in which an implementation could be constructed to meet the requirements on a Unix system (there are doubtless others that would be equally valid).

15.2.3 Logic of the Design

Provided that an MPI implementation meets the requirements above, it is possible for the implementor of the profiling system to intercept the MPI calls that are made by the user program. The profiling system implementor can then collect any required information before calling the underlying MPI implementation (through its name shifted entry points) to achieve the desired effects.
15.2.4 Miscellaneous Control of Profiling

There is a clear requirement for the user code to be able to control the profiler dynamically at run time. This capability is normally used for (at least) the purposes of

- Enabling and disabling profiling depending on the state of the calculation.
- Flushing trace buffers at noncritical points in the calculation.
- Adding user events to a trace file.

These requirements are met by use of MPI_PCONTROL.

\[
\text{MPI\_PCONTROL}(\text{level}, \ldots)
\]

\text{IN level Profiling level (integer)}

C binding

\text{int MPI\_Pcontrol(const int level, \ldots)}

Fortran 2008 binding

\text{MPI\_Pcontrol(level)}

\text{INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: level}

Fortran binding

\text{MPI\_PCONTROL(LEVEL)}

\text{INTEGER LEVEL}

MPI libraries themselves make no use of this routine, and simply return immediately to the user code. However the presence of calls to this routine allows a profiling package to be explicitly called by the user.

Since MPI has no control of the implementation of the profiling code, we are unable to specify precisely the semantics that will be provided by calls to MPI_PCONTROL. This vagueness extends to the number of arguments to the function, and their datatypes.

However to provide some level of portability of user codes to different profiling libraries, we request the following meanings for certain values of level.

- \text{level=0} Profiling is disabled.
- \text{level=1} Profiling is enabled at a normal default level of detail.
- \text{level=2} Profile buffers are flushed, which may be a no-op in some profilers.
- All other values of \text{level} have profile library defined effects and additional arguments.

We also request that the default state after MPI has been initialized is for profiling to be enabled at the normal default level. (i.e., as if MPI_PCONTROL had just been called with the argument 1). This allows users to link with a profiling library and to obtain profile output without having to modify their source code at all.

The provision of MPI_PCONTROL as a no-op in the standard MPI library supports the collection of more detailed profiling information with source code that can still link against the standard MPI library.
Example 15.1. A wrapper to accumulate the total amount of data sent by the MPI_Send function, along with the total elapsed time spent in the function.

```c
static int totalBytes = 0;
static double totalTime = 0.0;

int MPI_Send(const void* buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm)
{
    double tstart = MPI_Wtime(); /* Pass on all arguments */
    int size;
    int result = PMPI_Send(buffer, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm);
    totalTime += MPI_Wtime() - tstart; /* Compute time */
    MPI_Type_size(datatype, &size); /* and size */
    totalBytes += count * size;
    return result;
}
```

15.2.5 MPI Library Implementation

If the MPI library is implemented in C on a Unix system, then there are various options, including the two presented here, for supporting the name-shift requirement. The choice between these two options depends partly on whether the linker and compiler support weak symbols.

If the compiler and linker support weak external symbols, then only a single library is required as the following example shows:

Example 15.2. Library implementation using weak symbols.

```c
#pragma weak MPI_Example = PMPI_Example

int PMPI_Example(/* appropriate args */)
{
    /* Useful content */
}
```

The effect of this #pragma is to define the external symbol MPI_Example as a weak definition. This means that the linker will not complain if there is another definition of the symbol (for instance in the profiling library); however if no other definition exists, then the linker will use the weak definition.

In the absence of weak symbols then one possible solution would be to use the C macro preprocessor as the following example shows:

Example 15.3. Library implementation using C pre-processor macros.

```c
#ifndef PROFILELIB
#define FUNCTION(name) P ## name
#else
#define FUNCTION(name) name
#endif
```
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```c
#define FUNCTION(name) P /**< name */
#endif
#else
#define FUNCTION(name) name
#endif
```

Each of the user visible functions in the library would then be declared thus:

```c
int FUNCTION(MPI_Example)(/* appropriate args */) {
    /* Useful content */
}
```

The same source file can then be compiled to produce both versions of the library, depending on the state of the PROFILELIB macro symbol.

It is required that the standard MPI library be built in such a way that the inclusion of MPI functions can be achieved one at a time. This may mean that each external function must reside in its own compilation unit. This is necessary so that the author of the profiling library need only define those MPI functions that need to be intercepted, references to any others being fulfilled by the normal MPI library.

Example 15.4.
The following example shows a potential link step when using the profiling interface.

```bash
% cc ... -lmyprof -lpmpi -lmpi
```

Here libmyprof.a contains the profiler functions that intercept some of the MPI functions, libpmpi.a contains the “name shifted” MPI functions, and libmpi.a contains the normal definitions of the MPI functions.

15.2.6 Complications

Multiple Counting

Since parts of the MPI library may themselves be implemented using more basic MPI functions (e.g., a portable implementation of the collective operations implemented using point-to-point communications), there is potential for profiling functions to be called from within an MPI function that was called from a profiling function. This could lead to “double counting” of the time spent in the inner routine. Since this effect could actually be useful under some circumstances (e.g., it might allow one to answer the question “How much time is spent in the point-to-point routines when they are called from collective functions?”), we have decided not to enforce any restrictions on the author of the MPI library that would overcome this. Therefore the author of the profiling library should be aware of this problem, and guard against it. In a single-threaded world this is easily achieved through use of a static variable in the profiling code that remembers if you are already inside a profiling routine. It becomes more complex in a multithreaded environment (as does the meaning of the times recorded).

Linker Oddities

The Unix linker traditionally operates in one pass: the effect of this is that functions from libraries are only included in the image if they are needed at the time the library is scanned.
When combined with weak symbols, or multiple definitions of the same function, this can cause odd (and unexpected) effects.

Consider, for instance, an implementation of MPI in which the Fortran binding is achieved by using wrapper functions on top of the C implementation. The author of the profile library then assumes that it is reasonable only to provide profile functions for the C binding, since Fortran will eventually call these, and the cost of the wrappers is assumed to be small. However, if the wrapper functions are not in the profiling library, then none of the profiled entry points will be undefined when the profiling library is called. Therefore none of the profiling code will be included in the image. When the standard MPI library is scanned, the Fortran wrappers will be resolved, and will also pull in the base versions of the MPI functions. The overall effect is that the code will link successfully, but will not be profiled.

To overcome this we must ensure that the Fortran wrapper functions are included in the profiling version of the library. We ensure that this is possible by requiring that these be separable from the rest of the base MPI library. This allows them to be copied out of the base library and into the profiling one using a tool such as ar.

**Fortran Support Methods**

The different Fortran support methods and possible options for the support of subarrays (depending on whether the compiler can support `TYPE(*)`, `DIMENSION(1...)` choice buffers) imply different specific procedure names for the same Fortran MPI routine. The rules and implications for the profiling interface are described in Section 19.1.5.

15.2.7 Multiple Levels of Interception

The scheme given here does not directly support the nesting of profiling functions, since it provides only a single alternative name for each MPI function. Consideration was given to an implementation that would allow multiple levels of call interception, however we were unable to construct an implementation of this that did not have the following disadvantages:

- assuming a particular implementation language, and
- imposing a run time cost even when no profiling was taking place.

Since one of the objectives of MPI is to permit efficient, low latency implementations, and it is not the business of a standard to require a particular implementation language, we decided to accept the scheme outlined above.

Note, however, that it is possible to use the scheme above to implement a multi-level system, since the function called by the user may call many different profiling functions before calling the underlying MPI function. This capability has been demonstrated in the P^3MPI tool infrastructure [59].

15.3 The MPI Tool Information Interface

MPI implementations often use internal variables to control their behavior and performance and rely on internal events for their implementation. Understanding and manipulating these variables and tracking these events can provide a more efficient execution environment or improve performance for many applications. This section describes the MPI tool information
interface, which provides a mechanism for MPI implementors to expose variables, each of which represents a particular property, setting, or performance measurement from within the MPI implementation, as well as expose events that can be tracked by tools. The interface is split into three parts: the first part provides information about, and supports the setting of, control variables through which the MPI implementation tunes its configuration. The second part provides access to performance variables that can provide insight into internal performance information of the MPI implementation. The third part enables tools to query available events within an MPI implementation and register callbacks for them.

To avoid restrictions on the MPI implementation, the MPI tool information interface allows the implementation to specify which control variables, performance variables, and events exist. Additionally, the user of the MPI tool information interface can obtain metadata about each available variable or event, such as its datatype, and a textual description. The MPI tool information interface provides the necessary routines to find all variables and events that exist in a particular MPI implementation; to query their properties; to retrieve descriptions about their meaning; to access and, if appropriate, to alter their values; and (in case of events) set callbacks triggered by them.

Variables, events, and categories across connected MPI processes with equivalent names are required to have the same meaning (see the definition of “equivalent” as related to strings in Section 15.3.3). Furthermore, enumerations with equivalent names across connected MPI processes are required to have the same meaning, but are allowed to comprise different enumeration items. Enumeration items that have equivalent names across connected MPI processes in enumerations with the same meaning must also have the same meaning. In order for variables and categories to have the same meaning, routines in the tools information interface that return details for those variables and categories have requirements on what parameters must be identical. These requirements are specified in their respective sections.

Rationale. The intent of requiring the same meaning for entities with equivalent names is to enforce consistency across connected MPI processes. For example, variables describing the number of packets sent on different types of network devices should have different names to reflect their potentially different meanings. (End of rationale.)

The MPI tool information interface can be used independently from the MPI communication functionality. In particular, the routines of this interface can be called before MPI is initialized and after MPI is finalized. In order to support this behavior cleanly, the MPI tool information interface uses separate initialization and finalization routines. All identifiers used in the MPI tool information interface have the prefix MPI_T_.

On success, all MPI tool information interface routines return MPI_SUCCESS, otherwise they return an appropriate and unique return code indicating the reason why the call was not successfully completed. Details on return codes can be found in Section 15.3.10. However, unsuccessful calls to the MPI tool information interface are not fatal and do not impact the execution of subsequent MPI routines.

Since the MPI tool information interface primarily focuses on tools and support libraries, MPI implementations are only required to provide C bindings for functions and constants introduced in this section. Except where otherwise noted, all conventions and principles governing the C bindings of the MPI API also apply to the MPI tool information interface, which is available by including the mpi.h header file. All routines in this interface have local semantics.
Table 15.1: MPI tool information interface verbosity levels

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Constant</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_T_VERBOSITY_USER_BASIC</td>
<td>Basic information of interest to users</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_VERBOSITY_USER_DETAIL</td>
<td>Detailed information of interest to users</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_VERBOSITY_USER_ALL</td>
<td>All remaining information of interest to users</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_VERBOSITY_TUNER_BASIC</td>
<td>Basic information required for tuning</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_VERBOSITY_TUNER_DETAIL</td>
<td>Detailed information required for tuning</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_VERBOSITY_TUNER_ALL</td>
<td>All remaining information required for tuning</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_VERBOSITY_MPIDEV_BASIC</td>
<td>Basic information for MPI implementors</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_VERBOSITY_MPIDEV_DETAIL</td>
<td>Detailed information for MPI implementors</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_VERBOSITY_MPIDEV_ALL</td>
<td>All remaining information for MPI implementors</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Advice to users. The number and type of control variables, performance variables, and events can vary between MPI implementations, platforms and different builds of the same implementation on the same platform as well as between runs. Hence, any application relying on a particular variable will not be portable. Further, there is no guarantee that the number of variables and variable indices are the same across connected MPI processes.

This interface is primarily intended for performance monitoring tools, support tools, and libraries controlling the application’s environment. When maximum portability is desired, application programmers should either avoid using the MPI tool information interface or avoid being dependent on the existence of a particular control or performance variable or of a particular event. (End of advice to users.)

15.3.1 Verbosity Levels

The MPI tool information interface provides access to internal configuration and performance information through a set of control and performance variables defined by the MPI implementation. Since some implementations may export a large number of variables, variables are classified by a verbosity level that categorizes both their intended audience (end users, performance tuners or MPI implementors) and a relative measure of level of detail (basic, detailed or all). These verbosity levels are described by a single integer. Table 15.1 lists the constants for all possible verbosity levels. The values of the constants are monotonic in the order listed in the table; i.e., MPI_T_VERBOSITY_USER_BASIC < MPI_T_VERBOSITY_USER_DETAIL < ... < MPI_T_VERBOSITY_MPIDEV_ALL.

15.3.2 Binding MPI Tool Information Interface Variables to MPI Objects

Each MPI tool information interface variable provides access to a particular control setting or performance property of the MPI implementation. A variable may refer to a specific MPI object such as a communicator, datatype, or one-sided communication window, or the variable may refer more generally to the MPI environment of the process. Except for the last case, the variable must be bound to exactly one MPI object before it can be used. Table 15.2 lists all MPI object types to which an MPI tool information interface variable can be bound, together with the matching constant that MPI tool information interface routines return to identify the object type. It is erroneous to bind a control variable, performance variable, or
event to a handle that would not be valid to use as an input argument to another MPI call (excluding calls to the MPI Tool Information Interface) at the same point of execution.

### Table 15.2: Constants to identify associations of variables

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Constant</th>
<th>MPI object</th>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_NOBJECT</td>
<td>N/A; applies globally to entire MPI process</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_MPI_COMM</td>
<td>MPI communicators</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_MPI_DATATYPE</td>
<td>MPI datatypes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_MPI_ERRHANDLER</td>
<td>MPI error handlers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_MPI_FILE</td>
<td>MPI file handles</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_MPI_GROUP</td>
<td>MPI groups</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_MPI_OP</td>
<td>MPI reduction operators</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_MPI_REQUEST</td>
<td>MPI requests</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_MPI_WIN</td>
<td>MPI windows for one-sided communication</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_MPI_MESSAGE</td>
<td>MPI message object</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_MPI_INFO</td>
<td>MPI info object</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_BIND_MPI_SESSION</td>
<td>MPI session object</td>
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</table>

**Rationale.** Some variables have meanings tied to a specific MPI object. Examples include the number of send or receive operations that use a particular datatype, the number of times a particular error handler has been called, or the communication protocol and “eager limit” used for a particular communicator. Creating a new MPI tool information interface variable for each MPI object would cause the number of variables to grow without bound, since they cannot be reused to avoid naming conflicts. By associating MPI tool information interface variables with a specific MPI object, the MPI implementation only must specify and maintain a single variable, which can then be applied to as many MPI objects of the respective type as created during the program’s execution. (*End of rationale.*)

#### 15.3.3 Convention for Returning Strings

Several MPI tool information interface functions return one or more strings. These functions have two arguments for each string to be returned: an OUT parameter that identifies a pointer to the buffer in which the string will be returned, and an INOUT parameter to pass the length of the buffer. The user is responsible for the memory allocation of the buffer and must pass the size of the buffer \( n \) as the length argument. Let \( n \) be the length value specified to the function. On return, the function writes at most \( n - 1 \) of the string’s characters into the buffer, followed by a null terminator. If the returned string’s length is greater than or equal to \( n \), the string will be truncated to \( n - 1 \) characters. In this case, the length of the string plus one (for the terminating null character) is returned in the length argument. If the user passes the null pointer as the buffer argument or passes 0 as the length argument, the function does not return the string and only returns the length of the string plus one in the length argument. If the user passes the null pointer as the length argument, the buffer argument is ignored and nothing is returned.

MPI implementations behave as if they have an internal character array that is copied to the output character array supplied by the user. Such output strings are only defined
to be equivalent if their notional source-internal character arrays are identical (up to and including the null terminator), even if the output string is truncated due to a small input length parameter \( n \).

### 15.3.4 Initialization and Finalization

The MPI tool information interface requires a separate set of initialization and finalization routines.

\[
\text{MPI}_T\_\text{INIT\_THREAD}(\text{required, provided})
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{IN} & \quad \text{required} & \text{desired level of thread support (integer)} \\
\text{OUT} & \quad \text{provided} & \text{provided level of thread support (integer)} 
\end{align*}
\]

**C binding**

```
int MPI_T_init_thread(int required, int *provided)
```

All programs or tools that use the MPI tool information interface must initialize the MPI tool information interface in the processes that will use the interface before calling any other of its routines. A user can initialize the MPI tool information interface by calling `MPI_T_INIT_THREAD`, which can be called multiple times. In addition, this routine initializes the thread environment for all routines in the MPI tool information interface. Calling this routine when the MPI tool information interface is already initialized has no effect beyond increasing the reference count of how often the interface has been initialized. The argument `required` is used to specify the desired level of thread support. The possible values and their semantics are identical to the ones that can be used with `MPI_INIT_THREAD` listed in Section 11.6. The call returns in `provided` information about the actual level of thread support that will be provided by the MPI implementation for calls to MPI tool information interface routines. It can be one of the four values listed in Section 11.6.

The MPI specification does not require all MPI processes to exist before MPI is initialized. If the MPI tool information interface is used before initialization of MPI, the user is responsible for ensuring that the MPI tool information interface is initialized on all processes it is used in. Processes created by the MPI implementation during initialization inherit the status of the MPI tool information interface (whether it is initialized or not as well as all active sessions and handles) from the process from which they are created.

Processes created at runtime as a result of calls to MPI’s dynamic process management require their own initialization before they can use the MPI tool information interface.

**Advice to users.** If `MPI_T_INIT_THREAD` is called before `MPI_INIT_THREAD`, the requested and provided thread level for `MPI_T_INIT_THREAD` may influence the behavior and return value of `MPI_INIT_THREAD`. The same is true for the reverse order. Likewise, when using the Sessions Model (Section 11.3), the requested and provided thread level for `MPI_T_INIT_THREAD` may influence the behavior and return values of `MPI_SESSION_INIT` (see Section 11.3), with the same being true for the reverse order. (End of advice to users.)

**Advice to implementors.** MPI implementations should strive to make as many control or performance variables available before MPI initialization (instead of adding them
15.3 The MPI Tool Information Interface during initialization) to allow tools the most flexibility. In particular, control variables should be available before MPI initialization if their value cannot be changed after MPI initialization. (End of advice to implementors.)

MPI_T_FINALIZE()

C binding

int MPI_T_finalize(void)

This routine finalizes the use of the MPI tool information interface and may be called as often as the corresponding MPI_T_INIT_THREAD routine up to the current point of execution. Calling it more times returns a corresponding return code. As long as the number of calls to MPI_T_FINALIZE is smaller than the number of calls to MPI_T_INIT_THREAD up to the current point of execution, the MPI tool information interface remains initialized and calls to its routines are permissible. Further, additional calls to MPI_T_INIT_THREAD after one or more calls to MPI_T_FINALIZE are permissible.

Once MPI_T_FINALIZE is called the same number of times as the routine MPI_T_INIT_THREAD up to the current point of execution, the MPI tool information interface is no longer initialized. The user can reinitialize the interface by a subsequent call to MPI_T_INIT_THREAD.

At the end of the program execution, unless MPI_ABORT is called, an application must have called MPI_T_INIT_THREAD and MPI_T_FINALIZE an equal number of times.

15.3.5 Datatype System

All variables managed through the MPI tool information interface represent their values through typed buffers of a given length and type using an MPI datatype (similar to regular send/receive buffers). Since the initialization of the MPI tool information interface is separate from the initialization of MPI, MPI tool information interface routines can be called before MPI initialization. Consequently, these routines can also use MPI datatypes before MPI initialization. Therefore, within the context of the MPI tool information interface, it is permissible to use a subset of MPI datatypes as specified below before MPI initialization.

Table 15.3: MPI datatypes that can be used by the MPI tool information interface

| MPI_INT  |
| MPI_INT32_T |
| MPI_INT64_T |
| MPI_UNSIGNED |
| MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG |
| MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG_LONG |
| MPI_UINT32_T |
| MPI_UINT64_T |
| MPI_COUNT |
| MPI_CHAR |
| MPI_DOUBLE |
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Rationale. The MPI tool information interface relies mainly on unsigned datatypes for integer values since most variables are expected to represent counters or resource sizes. MPI_INT is provided for additional flexibility and is expected to be used mainly for control variables and enumeration types (see below).

Providing all basic datatypes, in particular providing all signed and unsigned variants of integer types, would lead to a larger number of types, which tools need to interpret. This would cause unnecessary complexity in the implementation of tools based on the MPI tool information interface. (End of rationale.)

The MPI tool information interface only relies on a subset of the basic MPI datatypes and does not use any derived MPI datatypes. Table 15.3 lists all MPI datatypes that can be returned by the MPI tool information interface to represent its variables.

The use of the datatype MPI_CHAR in the MPI tool information interface implies a null-terminated character array, i.e., a string in the C language. If a variable has type MPI_CHAR, the value of the count parameter returned by MPI_T_CVAR_HANDLE_ALLOC and MPI_T_PVAR_HANDLE_ALLOC must be large enough to include any valid value, including its terminating null character. The contents of returned MPI_CHAR arrays are only defined from index 0 through the location of the first null character.

Rationale. The MPI tool information interface requires a significantly simpler type system than MPI itself. Therefore, only its required subset must be present before MPI initialization and MPI implementations do not need to initialize the complete MPI datatype system. (End of rationale.)

For variables of type MPI_INT, an MPI implementation can provide additional information by associating names with a fixed number of values. We refer to this information in the following as an enumeration. In this case, the respective calls that provide additional metadata for each control or performance variable, i.e., MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO (Section 15.3.6), MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INFO (Section 15.3.7), and MPI_T_EVENT_GET_INFO (Section 15.3.8), return a handle of type MPI_T_enum that can be passed to the following functions to extract additional information. Thus, the MPI implementation can describe variables with a fixed set of values that each represents a particular state. Each enumeration type can have \(N\) different values, with a fixed \(N\) that can be queried using MPI_T_ENUM_GET_INFO.

MPI_T_ENUM_GET_INFO(enumtype, num, name, name_len)

| IN          | enumeration to be queried (handle) |
| OUT         | number of discrete values represented by this enumeration (integer) |
| OUT         | buffer to return the string containing the name of the enumeration item (string) |
| INOUT       | length of the string and/or buffer for name (integer) |

C binding

```c
int MPI_T_enum_get_info(MPI_T_enum enumtype, int *num, char *name, int *name_len)
```

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If `enumtype` is a valid enumeration, this routine returns the number of items represented by this enumeration type as well as its name. \( N \) must be greater than 0, i.e., the enumeration must represent at least one value.

The arguments `name` and `name_len` are used to return the name of the enumeration as described in Section 15.3.3.

The routine is required to return a name of at least length one. This name must be unique with respect to all other names for enumerations that the MPI implementation uses.

Names associated with individual values in each enumeration `enumtype` can be queried using `MPI_T_ENUM_GET_ITEM`.

```c
MPI_T_ENUM_GET_ITEM(enumtype, index, value, name, name_len)
```

- **IN** `enumtype` : enumeration to be queried (handle)
- **IN** `index` : number of the value to be queried in this enumeration (integer)
- **OUT** `value` : variable value (integer)
- **OUT** `name` : buffer to return the string containing the name of the enumeration item (string)
- **INOUT** `name_len` : length of the string and/or buffer for name (integer)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_T_enum_get_item(MPI_T_enum enumtype, int index, int *value, char *name, int *name_len)
```

The arguments `name` and `name_len` are used to return the name of the enumeration item as described in Section 15.3.3.

If completed successfully, the routine returns the name/value pair that describes the enumeration at the specified index. The call is further required to return a name of at least length one. This name must be unique with respect to all other names of items for the same enumeration.

### 15.3.6 Control Variables

The routines described in this section of the MPI tool information interface specification focus on the ability to list, query, and possibly set control variables exposed by the MPI implementation. These variables can typically be used by the user to fine tune properties and configuration settings of the MPI implementation. On many systems, such variables can be set using environment variables, although other configuration mechanisms may be available, such as configuration files or central configuration registries. A typical example that is available in several existing MPI implementations is the ability to specify an “eager limit,” i.e., an upper bound on the size of messages sent or received using an eager protocol.

#### Control Variable Query Functions

An MPI implementation exports a set of \( N \) control variables through the MPI tool information interface. If \( N \) is zero, then the MPI implementation does not export any control variables, otherwise the provided control variables are indexed from 0 to \( N - 1 \). This index number is used in subsequent calls to identify the individual variables.
An MPI implementation is allowed to increase the number of control variables during the execution of an MPI application when new variables become available through dynamic loading. However, MPI implementations are not allowed to change the index of a control variable or to delete a variable once it has been added to the set. When a variable becomes inactive, e.g., through dynamic unloading, accessing its value should return a corresponding return code.

Advice to users. While the MPI tool information interface guarantees that indices or variable properties do not change during a particular run of an MPI program, it does not provide a similar guarantee between runs. (End of advice to users.)

The following function can be used to query the number of control variables, num_cvar:

```
MPI_T_CVAR_GET_NUM(num_cvar)
OUT num_cvar returns number of control variables (integer)
```

C binding
```
int MPI_T_cvar_get_num(int *num_cvar)
```

The function MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO provides access to additional information for each variable.

```
MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO(cvar_index, name, name_len, verbosity, datatype, enumtype, desc, desc_len, bind, scope)
```

IN cvar_index index of the control variable to be queried, value between 0 and num_cvar – 1 (integer)

OUT name buffer to return the string containing the name of the control variable (string)

INOUT name_len length of the string and/or buffer for name (integer)

OUT verbosity verbosity level of this variable (integer)

OUT datatype MPI datatype of the information stored in the control variable (handle)

OUT enumtype optional descriptor for enumeration information (handle)

OUT desc buffer to return the string containing a description of the control variable (string)

INOUT desc_len length of the string and/or buffer for desc (integer)

OUT bind type of MPI object to which this variable must be bound (integer)

OUT scope scope of when changes to this variable are possible (integer)

C binding
```
int MPI_T_cvar_get_info(int cvar_index, char *name, int *name_len,
```
int *verbosity, MPI Datatype *datatype, MPI T_enum *enumtype,
char *desc, int *desc_len, int *bind, int *scope)

After a successful call to MPI T_CVAR_GET_INFO for a particular variable, subsequent
calls to this routine that query information about the same variable must return the same
information. An MPI implementation is not allowed to alter any of the returned values.

If any OUT parameter to MPI T_CVAR_GET_INFO is a NULL pointer, the implementation
will ignore the parameter and not return a value for the parameter.

The arguments name and name_len are used to return the name of the control variable
as described in Section 15.3.3.

If completed successfully, the routine is required to return a name of at least length
one. The name must be unique with respect to all other names for control variables used
by the MPI implementation.

The argument verbosity returns the verbosity level of the variable (see Section 15.3.1). The argument datatype returns the MPI datatype that is used to represent the control
variable.

If the variable is of type MPI_INT, MPI can optionally specify an enumeration for the
values represented by this variable and return it in enumtype. In this case, MPI returns an
enumeration identifier, which can then be used to gather more information as described in
Section 15.3.5. Otherwise, enumtype is set to MPI_T_ENUM_NULL. If the datatype is not
MPI_INT or the argument enumtype is the null pointer, no enumeration type is returned.

The arguments desc and desc_len are used to return a description of the control variable
as described in Section 15.3.3.

Returning a description is optional. If an MPI implementation does not return a de-
scription, the first character for desc must be set to the null character and desc_len must be
set to one at the return of this call.

The parameter bind returns the type of the MPI object to which the variable must be
bound or the value MPI_T_BIND_NO_OBJECT (see Section 15.3.2).

The scope of a variable determines whether changing a variable’s value is either local
to the MPI process or must be done by the user across multiple connected MPI processes.
The latter is further split into variables that require changes in a group of MPI processes
and those that require collective changes among all connected MPI processes. Both cases
can require variables on all participating MPI processes either to be set to consistent (but
potentially different) values or to equal values. The description provided with the variable
must contain an explanation about the requirements and/or restrictions for setting the
particular variable.

On successful return from MPI T_CVAR_GET_INFO, the argument scope will be set to
one of the constants listed in Table 15.4.

If the name of a control variable is equivalent across connected MPI processes, the
following OUT parameters must be identical: verbosity, datatype, enumtype, bind, and scope.
The returned description must be equivalent.

Advice to users. The scope of a variable only indicates if a variable might be
changeable; it is not a guarantee that it can be changed at any time. (End of advice
to users.)
Table 15.4: Scopes for control variables

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Scope Constant</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_TCPC</td>
<td>read-only, value is constant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_SPC_READONLY</td>
<td>read-only, cannot be written, but can change</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_SPC_LOCAL</td>
<td>may be writeable, writing only affects the calling MPI process</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_SPC_GROUP</td>
<td>may be writeable, must be set to consistent values across a group of connected MPI processes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_SPC_GROUP_EQ</td>
<td>may be writeable, must be set to the same value across a group of connected MPI processes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_SPC_ALL</td>
<td>may be writeable, must be set to consistent values across all connected MPI processes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_T_SPC_ALL_EQ</td>
<td>may be writeable, must be set to the same value across all connected MPI processes</td>
</tr>
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</table>

MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INDEX(name, cvar_index)

IN name name of the control variable (string)

OUT cvar_index index of the control variable (integer)

C binding

int MPI_T_cvar_get_index(const char *name, int *cvar_index)

MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INDEX is a function for retrieving the index of a control variable given a known variable name. The name parameter is provided by the caller, and cvar_index is returned by the MPI implementation. The name parameter is a string terminated with a null character.

This routine returns MPI_SUCCESS on success and returns MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_NAME if name does not match the name of any control variable provided by the implementation at the time of the call.

Rationale. This routine is provided to enable fast retrieval of control variables by a tool, assuming it knows the name of the variable for which it is looking. The number of variables exposed by the implementation can change over time, so it is not possible for the tool to simply iterate over the list of variables once at initialization. Although using MPI implementation specific variable names is not portable across MPI implementations, tool developers may choose to take this route for lower overhead at runtime because the tool will not have to iterate over the entire set of variables to find a specific one. (End of rationale.)

Example 15.5. Querying and printing the names of all available control variables.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <mpi.h>

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
```
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```c
{
    int i, err, num, namelen, bind, verbose, scope;
    int threadsupport;
    char name[100];

    MPI_Datatype datatype;

    err = MPI_T_init_thread(MPI_THREAD_SINGLE, &threadsupport);
    if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
        return err;

    err = MPI_T_cvar_get_num(&num);
    if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
        return err;

    for (i = 0; i < num; i++) {
        namelen = 100;
        err = MPI_T_cvar_get_info(i, name, &namelen,
                                  &verbose, &datatype, NULL,
                                  NULL, NULL, /* no description */
                                  &bind, &scope);
        if ((err != MPI_SUCCESS) && (err != MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_INDEX))
            return err;

        printf("Var %i: %s\n", i, name);
    }

    err = MPI_T_finalized();
    if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
        return 1;
    else
        return 0;
}
```

**Handle Allocation and Deallocation**

Before reading or writing the value of a variable, a user must first allocate a handle of type MPI_T_cvar_handle for the variable by binding it to an MPI object (see also Section 15.3.2).

**Rationale.** Handles used in the MPI tool information interface are distinct from handles used in the remaining parts of the MPI standard because they must be usable before MPI is initialized and after MPI is finalized. Further, accessing handles, in particular for performance variables, can be time critical and having a separate handle space enables optimizations. (End of rationale.)

**MPI_T_CVAR_HANDLE_ALLOC(cvar_index, obj_handle, handle, count)**

*IN* cvar_index index of control variable for which handle is to be allocated (index)
IN obj_handle reference to a handle of the MPI object to which this variable is supposed to be bound (pointer)

OUT handle allocated handle (handle)

OUT count number of elements used to represent this variable (integer)

C binding

```c
int MPI_T_cvar_handle_alloc(int cvar_index, void *obj_handle,
                             MPI_T_cvar_handle *handle, int *count)
```

This routine binds the control variable specified by the argument `cvar_index` to an MPI object. The object is passed in the argument `obj_handle` as an address to a local variable that stores the object’s handle. The argument `obj_handle` is ignored if the `MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO` call for this control variable returned `MPI_T_BIND_NO_OBJECT` in the argument `bind`. The handle allocated to reference the variable is returned in the argument `handle`. Upon successful return, `count` contains the number of elements (of the datatype returned by a previous `MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO` call) used to represent this variable.

Advice to users. The `count` can be different based on the MPI object to which the control variable was bound. For example, variables bound to communicators could have a count that matches the size of the communicator.

It is not portable to pass references to predefined MPI object handles, such as `MPI_COMM_WORLD` to this routine, since their implementation depends on the MPI library. Instead, such object handles should be stored in a local variable and the address of this local variable should be passed into `MPI_T_CVAR_HANDLE_ALLOC`.

(End of advice to users.)

The value of `cvar_index` should be in the range from 0 to `num_cvar` – 1, where `num_cvar` is the number of available control variables as determined from a prior call to `MPI_T_CVAR_GET_NUM`. The type of the MPI object it references must be consistent with the type returned in the `bind` argument in a prior call to `MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO`.

```c
MPI_T_CVAR_HANDLE_FREE(handle)
```

INOUT handle handle to be freed (handle)

C binding

```c
int MPI_T_cvar_handle_free(MPI_T_cvar_handle *handle)
```

When a handle is no longer needed, a user of the MPI tool information interface should call `MPI_T_CVAR_HANDLE_FREE` to free the handle and the associated resources in the MPI implementation. On a successful return, MPI sets the handle to `MPI_T_CVAR_HANDLE_NULL`. 
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MPI_T_CVAR_READ(handle, buf)

IN    handle    handle to the control variable to be read (handle)
OUT   buf       initial address of storage location for variable value (choice)

C binding
int MPI_T_cvar_read(MPI_T_cvar_handle handle, void *buf)

This routine queries the value of a control variable identified by the argument handle and stores the result in the buffer identified by the parameter buf. The user must ensure that the buffer is of the appropriate size to hold the entire value of the control variable (based on the returned datatype and count from prior corresponding calls to MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO and MPI_T_CVAR_HANDLE_ALLOC, respectively).

MPI_T_CVAR_WRITE(handle, buf)

INOUT handle    handle to the control variable to be written (handle)
IN    buf       initial address of storage location for variable value (choice)

C binding
int MPI_T_cvar_write(MPI_T_cvar_handle handle, const void *buf)

This routine sets the value of the control variable identified by the argument handle to the data stored in the buffer identified by the parameter buf. The user must ensure that the buffer is of the appropriate size to hold the entire value of the control variable (based on the returned datatype and count from prior corresponding calls to MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO and MPI_T_CVAR_HANDLE_ALLOC, respectively).

If the variable has a global scope (as returned by a prior corresponding MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO call), any write call to this variable must be issued by the user in all connected (as defined in Section 11.10.4) MPI processes. If the variable has group scope, any write call to this variable must be issued by the user in all MPI processes in the group, which must be described by the MPI implementation in the description by the MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO.

In both cases, the user must ensure that the writes in all participating MPI processes are consistent. If the scope is either MPI_T_SCOPE_ALL_EQ or MPI_T_SCOPE_GROUP_EQ this means that the variable in all connected MPI processes or MPI processes of the group, respectively, must be set to the same value.

If it is not possible to change the variable at the time the call is made, the function returns either MPI_T_ERR_CVAR_SET_NOT_NOW, if there may be a later time at which the variable could be set, or MPI_T_ERR_CVAR_SET NEVER, if the variable cannot be set for the remainder of the application’s execution.
Example 15.6. Reading the value of a control variable.

```c
int getValue_int_comm(int index, MPI_Comm comm, int *val)
{
  int err, count;
  MPI_T_cvar_handle handle;

  /* This example assumes that the variable index */
  /* can be bound to a communicator */
  err = MPI_T_cvar_handle_alloc(index, &comm, &handle, &count);
  if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
    return err;

  /* The following assumes that the variable is */
  /* represented by a single integer */
  err = MPI_T_cvar_read(handle, val);
  if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
    return err;

  err = MPI_T_cvar_handle_free(&handle);
  return err;
}
```

15.3.7 Performance Variables

The following section focuses on the ability to list and to query performance variables provided by the MPI implementation. Performance variables provide insight into MPI implementation-specific internals and can represent information such as the state of the MPI implementation (e.g., waiting blocked, receiving, not active), aggregated timing data for submodules, or queue sizes and lengths.

Rationale. The interface for performance variables is separate from the interface for control variables, since performance variables have different requirements and parameters. By keeping them separate, the interface provides cleaner semantics and allows for more performance optimization opportunities. (End of rationale.)

Some performance variables and classes refer to events. In general, such events describe state transitions within software or hardware related to the performance of an MPI application. The events offered through the callback-driven event-notification interface described in Section 15.3.8 also refer to such state transitions; however, the set of state transitions referred to by performance variables and events as described in Section 15.3.8 may not be identical.

Performance Variable Classes

Each performance variable is associated with a class that describes its basic semantics, possible datatypes, basic behavior, its starting value, whether it can overflow, and when and how an MPI implementation can change the variable’s value. The starting value is the value that is assigned to the variable the first time that it is used or whenever it is reset.
Advice to users. If a performance variable belongs to a class that can overflow, it is up to the user to protect against this overflow, e.g., by frequently reading and resetting the variable value. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. MPI implementations should use large enough datatypes for each performance variable to avoid overflows under normal circumstances. (End of advice to implementors.)

The classes are defined by the following constants:

**MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_STATE**: A performance variable in this class represents a set of discrete states. Variables of this class are represented by `MPI_INT` and can be set by the MPI implementation at any time. Variables of this type should be described further using an enumeration, as discussed in Section 15.3.5. The starting value is the current state of the implementation at the time that the starting value is set. MPI implementations must ensure that variables of this class cannot overflow.

**MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_LEVEL**: A performance variable in this class represents a value that describes the utilization level of a resource. The value of a variable of this class can change at any time to match the current utilization level of the resource. Values returned from variables in this class are nonnegative and represented by one of the following datatypes: `MPI_UNSIGNED`, `MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG`, `MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG_LONG`, `MPI_DOUBLE`. The starting value is the current utilization level of the resource at the time that the starting value is set. MPI implementations must ensure that variables of this class cannot overflow.

**MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_SIZE**: A performance variable in this class represents a value that is the size of a resource. Values returned from variables in this class are nonnegative and represented by one of the following datatypes: `MPI_UNSIGNED`, `MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG`, `MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG_LONG`, `MPI_DOUBLE`. The starting value is the current size of the resource at the time that the starting value is set. MPI implementations must ensure that variables of this class cannot overflow.

**MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_PERCENTAGE**: The value of a performance variable in this class represents the percentage utilization of a finite resource. The value of a variable of this class can change at any time to match the current utilization level of the resource. It will be returned as an `MPI_DOUBLE` datatype. The value must always be between 0.0 (resource not used at all) and 1.0 (resource completely used). The starting value is the current percentage utilization level of the resource at the time that the starting value is set. MPI implementations must ensure that variables of this class cannot overflow.

**MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_HIGHWATERMARK**: A performance variable in this class represents a value that describes the maximum observed utilization of a resource. The value of a variable of this class is nonnegative and grows monotonically from the initialization or reset of the variable. It can be represented by one of the following datatypes: `MPI_UNSIGNED`, `MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG`, `MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG_LONG`, `MPI_DOUBLE`. The starting value is the current utilization level of the resource at the time that the variable is started or reset. MPI implementations must ensure that variables of this class cannot overflow.
MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_LOWWATERMARK: A performance variable in this class represents a value that describes the minimum observed utilization of a resource. The value of a variable of this class is nonnegative and decreases monotonically from the initialization or reset of the variable. It can be represented by one of the following datatypes: MPI_UNSIGNED, MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG, MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG_LONG, MPI_DOUBLE. The starting value is the current utilization level of the resource at the time that the variable is started or reset. MPI implementations must ensure that variables of this class cannot overflow.

MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_COUNTER: A performance variable in this class counts the number of occurrences of a specific event (e.g., the number of memory allocations within an MPI library). The value of a variable of this class increases monotonically from the initialization or reset of the performance variable by one for each specific event that is observed. Values must be nonnegative and represented by one of the following datatypes: MPI_UNSIGNED, MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG, MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG_LONG. The starting value for variables of this class is 0. Variables of this class can overflow.

MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_AGGREGATE: The value of a performance variable in this class is an aggregated value that represents a sum of arguments processed during a specific event (e.g., the amount of memory allocated by all memory allocations). This class is similar to the counter class, but instead of counting individual events, the value can be incremented by arbitrary amounts. The value of a variable of this class increases monotonically from the initialization or reset of the performance variable. It must be nonnegative and represented by one of the following datatypes: MPI_UNSIGNED, MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG, MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG_LONG, MPI_DOUBLE. The starting value for variables of this class is 0. Variables of this class can overflow.

MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_TIMER: The value of a performance variable in this class represents the aggregated time that the MPI implementation spends executing a particular event, type of event, or section of the MPI library. This class has the same basic semantics as MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_AGGREGATE, but explicitly records a timing value. The value of a variable of this class increases monotonically from the initialization or reset of the performance variable. It must be nonnegative and represented by one of the following datatypes: MPI_UNSIGNED, MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG, MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG_LONG, MPI_DOUBLE. The starting value for variables of this class is 0. If the type MPI_DOUBLE is used, the units that represent time in this datatype must match the units used by MPI_WTIME. Otherwise, the time units should be documented, e.g., in the description returned by MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INFO. Variables of this class can overflow.

MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_GENERIC: This class can be used to describe a variable that does not fit into any of the other classes. For variables in this class, the starting value is variable-specific and implementation-defined.

Performance Variable Query Functions

An MPI implementation exports a set of \( N \) performance variables through the MPI tool information interface. If \( N \) is zero, then the MPI implementation does not export any performance variables; otherwise the provided performance variables are indexed from 0 to \( N - 1 \). This index number is used in subsequent calls to identify the individual variables.
An MPI implementation is allowed to increase the number of performance variables during the execution of an MPI application when new variables become available through dynamic loading. However, MPI implementations are not allowed to change the index of a performance variable or to delete a variable once it has been added to the set. When a variable becomes inactive, e.g., through dynamic unloading, accessing its value should return a corresponding return code.

The following function can be used to query the number of performance variables, \texttt{num\_pvar}:

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_T_PVAR_GET_NUM(num\_pvar)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{C binding}

\begin{verbatim}
int MPI\_T\_pvar\_get\_num(int *num\_pvar)
\end{verbatim}

The function \texttt{MPI\_T\_PVAR\_GET\_INFO} provides access to additional information for each variable.

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INFO(pvar\_index, name, name\_len, verbosity, var\_class, datatype,
    enumtype, desc, desc\_len, bind, readonly, continuous, atomic)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{IN} \begin{itemize}
    \item \texttt{pvar\_index} \hspace{1cm} index of the performance variable to be queried 
    \item \texttt{num\_pvar} \hspace{1cm} between 0 and \texttt{num\_pvar} \(-1\) (integer)
\end{itemize}

\textbf{OUT} \begin{itemize}
    \item \texttt{name} buffer to return the string containing the name of the performance variable (string)
    \item \texttt{verbosity} verbosity level of this variable (integer)
    \item \texttt{var\_class} class of performance variable (integer)
    \item \texttt{datatype} MPI datatype of the information stored in the performance variable (handle)
    \item \texttt{enumtype} optional descriptor for enumeration information (handle)
    \item \texttt{desc} buffer to return the string containing a description of the performance variable (string)
    \item \texttt{desc\_len} length of the string and/or buffer for \texttt{desc} (integer)
    \item \texttt{bind} type of MPI object to which this variable must be bound (integer)
    \item \texttt{readonly} flag indicating whether the variable can be written/reset (integer)
    \item \texttt{continuous} flag indicating whether the variable can be started and stopped or is continuously active (integer)
    \item \texttt{atomic} flag indicating whether the variable can be atomically read and reset (integer)
\end{itemize}
C binding

```c
int MPI_T_pvar_get_info(int pvar_index, char *name, int *name_len,
int *verbosity, int *var_class, MPI_Datatype *datatype,
MPI_T_enum *enumtype, char *desc, int *desc_len, int *bind,
int *readonly, int *continuous, int *atomic)
```

After a successful call to `MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INFO` for a particular variable, subsequent calls to this routine that query information about the same variable must return the same information. An MPI implementation is not allowed to alter any of the returned values.

If any OUT parameter to `MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INFO` is a NULL pointer, the implementation will ignore the parameter and not return a value for the parameter.

The arguments `name` and `name_len` are used to return the name of the performance variable as described in Section 15.3.3. If completed successfully, the routine is required to return a name of at least length one.

The argument `verbosity` returns the verbosity level of the variable (see Section 15.3.1). The class of the performance variable is returned in the parameter `var_class`. The class must be one of the constants defined in Section 15.3.7.

The combination of the name and the class of the performance variable must be unique with respect to all other names for performance variables used by the MPI implementation.

Advice to implementors. Groups of variables that belong closely together, but have different classes, can have the same name. This choice is useful, e.g., to refer to multiple variables that describe a single resource (like the level, the total size, as well as high- and low-water marks). (End of advice to implementors.)

The argument `datatype` returns the MPI datatype that is used to represent the performance variable.

If the variable is of type MPI_INT, MPI can optionally specify an enumeration for the values represented by this variable and return it in `enumtype`. In this case, MPI returns an enumeration identifier, which can then be used to gather more information as described in Section 15.3.5. Otherwise, `enumtype` is set to `MPI_T_ENUM_NULL`. If the datatype is not MPI_INT or the argument `enumtype` is the null pointer, no enumeration type is returned.

Returning a description is optional. If an MPI implementation does not return a description, the first character for `desc` must be set to the null character and `desc_len` must be set to one at the return from this function.

The parameter `bind` returns the type of the MPI object to which the variable must be bound or the value `MPI_T_BIND_NO_OBJECT` (see Section 15.3.2).

Upon return, the argument `readonly` is set to zero if the variable can be written or reset by the user. It is set to one if the variable can only be read.

Upon return, the argument `continuous` is set to zero if the variable can be started and stopped by the user, i.e., it is possible for the user to control if and when the value of a variable is updated. It is set to one if the variable is always active and cannot be controlled by the user.

Upon return, the argument `atomic` is set to zero if the variable cannot be read and reset atomically. Only variables for which the call sets `atomic` to one can be used in a call to `MPI_T_PVAR_READRESET`.

If a performance variable has an equivalent name and has the same class across connected MPI processes, the following OUT parameters must be identical: `verbosity`, `varclass`,...
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datatype, enumtype, bind, readonly, continuous, and atomic. The returned description must be equivalent.

MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INDEX(name, var_class, pvar_index)

IN name the name of the performance variable (string)
IN var_class the class of the performance variable (integer)
OUT pvar_index the index of the performance variable (integer)

C binding
int MPI_T_pvar_get_index(const char *name, int var_class, int *pvar_index)

MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INDEX is a function for retrieving the index of a performance variable given a known variable name and class. The name and var_class parameters are provided by the caller, and pvar_index is returned by the MPI implementation. The name parameter is a string terminated with a null character.

This routine returns MPI_SUCCESS on success and returns MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_NAME if name does not match the name of any performance variable of the specified var_class provided by the implementation at the time of the call.

Rationale. This routine is provided to enable fast retrieval of performance variables by a tool, assuming it knows the name of the variable for which it is looking. The number of variables exposed by the implementation can change over time, so it is not possible for the tool to simply iterate over the list of variables once at initialization. Although using MPI implementation specific variable names is not portable across MPI implementations, tool developers may choose to take this route for lower overhead at runtime because the tool will not have to iterate over the entire set of variables to find a specific one. (End of rationale.)

Performance Experiment Sessions

Within a single program, multiple components can use the MPI tool information interface. To avoid collisions with respect to accesses to performance variables, users of the MPI tool information interface must first create a performance experiment session. Subsequent calls that access performance variables can then be made within the context of this performance experiment session. Starting, stopping, reading, writing, or resetting a variable in one performance experiment session shall not influence whether a variable is started, stopped, read, written, or reset in another performance experiment session.

MPI_T_PVAR_SESSION_CREATE(pe_session)

OUT pe_session identifier of performance experiment session (handle)

C binding
int MPI_T_pvar_session_create(MPI_T_pvar_session *pe_session)

This call creates a new performance experiment session for accessing performance variables and returns a handle for this performance experiment session in the argument pe_session of type MPI_T_pvar_session.
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MPI_T_PVAR_SESSION_FREE(pe_session)

INOUT pe_session identifier of performance experiment session (handle)

C binding

int MPI_T_pvar_session_free(MPI_T_pvar_session *pe_session)

This call frees an existing performance experiment session. Calls to the MPI tool information interface can no longer be made within the context of a performance experiment session after it is freed. On a successful return, MPI sets the performance experiment session identifier to MPI_T_PVAR_SESSION_NULL.

Handle Allocation andDeallocation

Before using a performance variable, a user must first allocate a handle of type MPI_T_pvar_handle for the variable by binding it to an MPI object (see also Section 15.3.2).

MPI_T_PVAR_HANDLE_ALLOC(pe_session, pvar_index, obj_handle, handle, count)

INOUT pe_session identifier of performance experiment session (handle)
IN pvar_index index of performance variable for which handle is to be allocated (integer)
IN obj_handle reference to a handle of the MPI object to which this variable is supposed to be bound (pointer)
OUT handle allocated handle (handle)
OUT count number of elements used to represent this variable (integer)

C binding

int MPI_T_pvar_handle_alloc(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, int pvar_index,
void *obj_handle, MPI_T_pvar_handle *handle, int *count)

This routine binds the performance variable specified by the argument index to an MPI object in the performance experiment session identified by the parameter pe_session. The object is passed in the argument obj_handle as an address to a local variable that stores the object’s handle. The argument obj_handle is ignored if the MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INFO call for this performance variable returned MPI_T_BIND_NO_OBJECT in the argument bind. The handle allocated to reference the variable is returned in the argument handle. Upon successful return, count contains the number of elements (of the datatype returned by a previous MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INFO call) used to represent this variable.

Advice to users. The count can be different based on the MPI object to which the performance variable was bound. For example, variables bound to communicators could have a count that matches the size of the communicator.

It is not portable to pass references to predefined MPI object handles, such as MPI_COMM_WORLD, to this routine, since their implementation depends on the MPI library. Instead, such an object handle should be stored in a local variable and the address of this local variable should be passed into MPI_T_PVAR_HANDLE_ALLOC.

(End of advice to users.)
The value of index should be in the range from 0 to \( \text{num}_p\text{var} - 1 \), where \( \text{num}_p\text{var} \) is the number of available performance variables as determined from a prior call to \( \text{MPI}_T\text{PVAR}\_\text{GET}\_\text{NUM} \). The type of the MPI object it references must be consistent with the type returned in the \( \text{bind} \) argument in a prior call to \( \text{MPI}_T\text{PVAR}\_\text{GET}\_\text{INFO} \).

For all routines in the rest of this section that take both \( \text{handle} \) and \( \text{pe}\_\text{session} \) as IN or INOUT arguments, if the \( \text{handle} \) argument passed in is not associated with the \( \text{pe}\_\text{session} \) argument, \( \text{MPI}_T\_\text{ERR}\_\text{INVALID}\_\text{HANDLE} \) is returned.

\[
\text{MPI}_T\_\text{PVAR}\_\text{HANDLE}\_\text{FREE}(\text{pe}\_\text{session}, \text{handle})
\]

\[
\text{INOUT} \quad \text{pe}\_\text{session} \quad \text{identifier of performance experiment session (handle)}
\]

\[
\text{INOUT} \quad \text{handle} \quad \text{handle to be freed (handle)}
\]

**C binding**

\[
\text{int MPI}_T\_\text{pvar}\_\text{handle}\_\text{free}(\text{MPI}_T\_\text{pvar}\_\text{session} \text{ pe}\_\text{session}, \text{MPI}_T\_\text{pvar}\_\text{handle} *\text{handle})
\]

When a handle is no longer needed, a user of the MPI tool information interface should call \( \text{MPI}_T\_\text{PVAR}\_\text{HANDLE}\_\text{FREE} \) to free the handle in the performance experiment session identified by the parameter \( \text{pe}\_\text{session} \) and the associated resources in the MPI implementation. On a successful return, MPI sets the handle to \( \text{MPI}_T\_\text{PVAR}\_\text{HANDLE}\_\text{NULL} \).

### Starting and Stopping of Performance Variables

Performance variables that have the continuous flag set during the query procedure are continuously updated once a handle has been allocated. Such variables may be queried at any time, but they cannot be started or stopped by the user. All other variables are in a stopped state after their handle has been allocated; their values are not updated until they have been started by the user.

\[
\text{MPI}_T\_\text{PVAR}\_\text{START}(\text{pe}\_\text{session}, \text{handle})
\]

\[
\text{IN} \quad \text{pe}\_\text{session} \quad \text{identifier of performance experiment session (handle)}
\]

\[
\text{INOUT} \quad \text{handle} \quad \text{handle of a performance variable (handle)}
\]

**C binding**

\[
\text{int MPI}_T\_\text{pvar}\_\text{start}(\text{MPI}_T\_\text{pvar}\_\text{session} \text{ pe}\_\text{session}, \text{MPI}_T\_\text{pvar}\_\text{handle} \text{ handle})
\]

This functions starts the performance variable with the handle identified by the parameter \( \text{handle} \) in the performance experiment session identified by the parameter \( \text{pe}\_\text{session} \).

If the constant \( \text{MPI}_T\_\text{PVAR}\_\text{ALL}\_\text{HANDLES} \) is passed in \( \text{handle} \), the MPI implementation attempts to start all variables within the performance experiment session identified by the parameter \( \text{pe}\_\text{session} \) for which handles have been allocated. In this case, the routine returns \( \text{MPI}\_\text{SUCCESS} \) if all variables are started successfully (even if there are no noncontinuous variables to be started), otherwise \( \text{MPI}_T\_\text{ERR}\_\text{PVAR}\_\text{NO}\_\text{STARTSTOP} \) is returned. Continuous variables and variables that are already started are ignored when \( \text{MPI}_T\_\text{PVAR}\_\text{ALL}\_\text{HANDLES} \) is specified.
MPI_T_PVAR_STOP(pe_session, handle)

IN pe_session identifier of performance experiment session (handle)
INOUT handle handle of a performance variable (handle)

C binding
int MPI_T_pvar_stop(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, MPI_T_pvar_handle handle)

This function stops the performance variable with the handle identified by the parameter handle in the performance experiment session identified by the parameter pe_session. If the constant MPI_T_PVAR_ALL_HANDLES is passed in handle, the MPI implementation attempts to stop all variables within the performance experiment session identified by the parameter pe_session for which handles have been allocated. In this case, the routine returns MPI_SUCCESS if all variables are stopped successfully (even if there are no noncontinuous variables to be stopped), otherwise MPI_T_ERR_PVAR_NO_STARTSTOP is returned. Continuous variables and variables that are already stopped are ignored when MPI_T_PVAR_ALL_HANDLES is specified.

MPI_T_PVAR_READ(pe_session, handle, buf)

IN pe_session identifier of performance experiment session (handle)
IN handle handle of a performance variable (handle)
OUT buf initial address of storage location for variable value (choice)

C binding
int MPI_T_pvar_read(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, MPI_T_pvar_handle handle,
void *buf)

The MPI_T_PVAR_READ call queries the value of the performance variable with the handle handle in the performance experiment session identified by the parameter pe_session and stores the result in the buffer identified by the parameter buf. The user is responsible to ensure that the buffer is of the appropriate size to hold the entire value of the performance variable (based on the datatype and count returned by the corresponding previous calls to MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INFO and MPI_T_PVAR_HANDLE_ALLOC, respectively).

The constant MPI_T_PVAR_ALL_HANDLES cannot be used as an argument for the function MPI_T_PVAR_READ.

MPI_T_PVAR_WRITE(pe_session, handle, buf)

IN pe_session identifier of performance experiment session (handle)
INOUT handle handle of a performance variable (handle)
IN buf initial address of storage location for variable value (choice)
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C binding

```c
int MPI_T_pvar_write(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, MPI_T_pvar_handle handle, const void *buf)
```

The `MPI_T_PVAR_WRITE` call attempts to write the value of the performance variable with the handle identified by the parameter `handle` in the performance experiment session identified by the parameter `pe_session`. The value to be written is passed in the buffer identified by the parameter `buf`. The user must ensure that the buffer is of the appropriate size to hold the entire value of the performance variable (based on the datatype and count returned by the corresponding previous calls to `MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INFO` and `MPI_T_PVAR_HANDLE_ALLOC`, respectively).

If it is not possible to change the variable, the function returns `MPI_T_ERR_PVAR_NO_WRITE`.

The constant `MPI_T_PVAR_ALL_HANDLES` cannot be used as an argument for the function `MPI_T_PVAR_WRITE`.

```c
MPI_T_PVAR_RESET(pe_session, handle)
```

```
IN pe_session identifier of performance experiment session (handle)
INOUT handle handle of a performance variable (handle)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_T_pvar_reset(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, MPI_T_pvar_handle handle)
```

The `MPI_T_PVAR_RESET` call sets the performance variable with the handle identified by the parameter `handle` to its starting value specified in Section 15.3.7. If it is not possible to change the variable, the function returns `MPI_T_ERR_PVAR_NO_WRITE`.

If the constant `MPI_T_PVAR_ALL_HANDLES` is passed in `handle`, the MPI implementation attempts to reset all variables within the performance experiment session identified by the parameter `pe_session` for which handles have been allocated. In this case, the routine returns `MPI_SUCCESS` if all variables are reset successfully (even if there are no valid handles or all are read-only), otherwise `MPI_T_ERR_PVAR_NO_WRITE` is returned. Read-only variables are ignored when `MPI_T_PVAR_ALL_HANDLES` is specified.

```c
MPI_T_PVAR_READRESET(pe_session, handle, buf)
```

```
IN pe_session identifier of performance experiment session (handle)
INOUT handle handle of a performance variable (handle)
OUT buf initial address of storage location for variable value (choice)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_T_pvar_readreset(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, MPI_T_pvar_handle handle, void *buf)
```

This call atomically combines the functionality of `MPI_T_PVAR_READ` and `MPI_T_PVAR_RESET` with the same semantics as if these two calls were called separately.
If the variable cannot be read and reset atomically, this routine returns

\texttt{MPI\_T\_ERR\_PVAR\_NO\_ATOMIC}.

The constant \texttt{MPI\_T\_PVAR\_ALL\_HANDLES} cannot be used as an argument for the function \texttt{MPI\_T\_PVAR\_READRESET}.

\textit{Advice to implementors.} Sampling-based tools rely on the ability to call the MPI tool information interface, in particular routines to start, stop, read, write, and reset performance variables, from any program context, including asynchronous contexts such as signal handlers. MPI implementations should strive, if possible in their particular environment, to enable these usage scenarios for all or a subset of the routines mentioned above. If implementing only a subset, the read, write, and reset routines are typically the most critical for sampling based tools. An MPI implementation should clearly document any restrictions on the program contexts in which the MPI tool information interface can be used. Restrictions might include guaranteeing usage outside of all signals or outside a specific set of signals. Any restrictions could be documented, for example, through the description returned by \texttt{MPI\_T\_PVAR\_GET\_INFO}. (End of advice to implementors.)

\textit{Rationale.} All routines to read, to write or to reset performance variables require the performance experiment session argument. This requirement keeps the interface consistent and allows the use of \texttt{MPI\_T\_PVAR\_ALL\_HANDLES} where appropriate. Further, this opens up additional performance optimizations for the implementation of handles. (End of rationale.)

\textbf{Example 15.7.} Detecting Receives with long unexpected message queues. The following example shows a sample tool to identify receive operations that occur during times with long message queues. This examples assumes that the MPI implementation exports a variable with the name \texttt{"MPI\_T\_UMQ\_LENGTH"} to represent the current length of the unexpected message queue. The tool is implemented as a PMPI tool using the MPI profiling interface. The tool consists of three parts: (1) the initialization (by intercepting the call to \texttt{MPI\_INIT}), (2) the test for long unexpected message queues (by intercepting calls to \texttt{MPI\_RECV}), and (3) the clean-up phase (by intercepting the call to \texttt{MPI\_FINALIZE}). To capture all receives, the example would have to be extended to have similar wrappers for all receive operations.

\textbf{Part 1—Initialization:} During initialization, the tool searches for the variable and, once the right index is found, allocates a performance experiment session and a handle for the variable with the found index, and starts the performance variable.

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <assert.h>
#include <mpi.h>

/* Global variables for the tool */
static MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session;
static MPI_T_pvar_handle handle;

int MPI_Init(int *argc, char ***argv)
```
int err, num, i, index, namelen, verbosity;
ing longreadonly, continuous, atomic, count;
char name[18];

MPI_Comm comm;
MPI_Datatype datatype;
MPI_T_enum enumtype;

err = PMPI_Init(argc, argv);
if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
  return err;

err = PMPI_T_init_thread(MPI_THREAD_SINGLE, &threadsups);
if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
  return err;

err = PMPI_T_pvar_get_num(&num);
if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
  return err;

index = -1;
i = 0;
while ((i < num) && (index < 0) && (err == MPI_SUCCESS)) {
  /* Pass a buffer that is at least one character longer than */
  /* the name of the variable being searched for to avoid */
  /* finding variables that have a name that has a prefix */
  /* equal to the name of the variable being searched. */
  namelen = 18;
  err = PMPI_T_pvar_get_info(i, name, &namelen, &verbosity,
      &readonly, &continuous, &atomic);
  if (strcmp(name, "MPI_T_UMQ_LENGTH") == 0) index = i;
  i++;
}
if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
  return err;

/* this could be handled in a more flexible way for a generic tool */
assert(index >= 0);
assert(var_class == MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_LEVEL);
assert(datatype == MPI_INT);
assert(bind == MPI_T_BIND_MPI_COMM);

/* Create a session */
err = PMPI_T_pvar_session_create(&pe_session);
if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
  return err;

/* Get a handle and bind to MPI_COMM_WORLD */
comm = MPI_COMM_WORLD;
err = PMPI_T_pvar_handle_alloc(pe_session, index, &comm, &handle,
    &count);
if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
return err;

/*@ this could be handled in a more flexible way for a generic tool */
assert(count == 1);

/*@ Start variable */
err = PMPI_T_pvar_start(pe_session, handle);
if (err != MPI_SUCCESS)
    return err;

return MPI_SUCCESS;
)

Part 2—Testing the Queue Lengths During Receives: During every receive operation, the tool reads the unexpected queue length through the matching performance variable and compares it against a predefined threshold.

#define THRESHOLD 5

int MPI_Recv(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Status *status)
{
    int value, err;
    if (comm == MPI_COMM_WORLD) {
        err = PMPI_T_pvar_read(pe_session, handle, &value);
        if ((err == MPI_SUCCESS) && (value > THRESHOLD)) {
/* tool identified receive called with long UMQ */
/* execute tool functionality, */
/* e.g., gather and print call stack */
    }
    return PMPI_Recv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, status);
}

Part 3—Termination: In the wrapper for MPI_FINALIZE, the MPI tool information interface is finalized.

int MPI_Finalize(void)
{
    int err;
    err = PMPI_T_pvar_handle_free(pe_session, &handle);
    err = PMPI_T_pvar_session_free(&pe_session);
    err = PMPI_T_finalize();
    return PMPI_Finalize();
}

15.3.8 Events
During the execution of an MPI application, the MPI implementation can raise events of a specific type to inform the user of a state change in the implementation. Event types
describe specific state changes within the MPI implementation. In comparison to aggregate performance variables, events provide per-instance information on such state changes. The MPI implementation is said to raise an event when it invokes a callback function previously registered for the corresponding event type by the user. Each callback invocation for a specific event instance has a timestamp associated with it, which can be queried by the user, describing the time when the event was observed by the implementation. This decouples the observation of the state change from the communication of this information to the user. A timestamp in this context is a count of clock ticks elapsed since some time in the past and represented as a variable of type MPI_Count.

**Event Sources**

As a means to manage multiple state changes to be observed concurrently by different parts of the software and hardware system, the event interface of the MPI Tool Information Interface uses the concept of sources. A source in this context is a concept describing the logical entity raising the event. A source may or may not directly represent a concrete part of the software or hardware system. This concept is used primarily to describe partial ordering of events across different components where total ordering cannot necessarily be determined or is too costly to enforce.

The following function can be used to query the number of event sources, num_sources:

```c
MPI_T_SOURCE_GET_NUM(num_sources)
OUT num_sources returns number of event sources (integer)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_T_source_get_num(int *num_sources)
```

The number of available event sources can be queried with a call to MPI_T_SOURCE_GET_NUM. An MPI implementation is allowed to increase the number of sources during the execution of an MPI process. However, MPI implementations are not allowed to change the index of an event source or to delete an event source once it has been made visible to the user (e.g., if new event sources become available via dynamic loading of additional components in the MPI implementation).

```c
MPI_T_SOURCE_GET_INFO(source_index, name, name_len, desc, desc_len, ordering, 
    ticks_per_second, max_ticks, info)
IN source_index index of the source to be queried between 0 and num_sources – 1 (integer)
OUT name buffer to return the string containing the name of the source (string)
INOUT name_len length of the string and/or buffer for name (integer)
OUT desc buffer to return the string containing the description of the source (string)
INOUT desc_len length of the string and/or buffer for desc (integer)
```
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OUT ordering flag indicating chronological ordering guarantees given by the source (integer)

OUT ticks_per_second the number of ticks per second for the timer of this source (integer)

OUT max_ticks the maximum count of ticks reported by this source before overflow occurs (integer)

OUT info optional info object (handle)

C binding

int MPI_T_source_get_info(int source_index, char *name, int *name_len,
char *desc, int *desc_len, MPI_T_source_order *ordering,
MPI_Count *ticks_per_second, MPI_Count *max_ticks,
MPI_Info *info)

A call to MPI_T_SOURCE_GET_INFO returns additional information on the source identified by the source_index argument.

The arguments name and name_len are used to return the name of the source as described in Section 15.3.3.

The arguments desc and desc_len are used to return the description of the source as described in Section 15.3.3.

The ordering argument returns whether event callbacks of this source will be invoked in chronological order, i.e., the timestamps reported by MPI_T_EVENT_GET_TIMESTAMP of subsequent events of the same source are monotonically increasing. The value of ordering can be MPI_T_SOURCE_ORDERED or MPI_T_SOURCE_UNORDERED.

The ticks_per_seconds argument returns the number of ticks elapsed in one second for the timer used for the specific source.

The max_ticks argument returns the largest number of ticks reported by this source as a timestamp before the value overflows.

Advice to users. As the size of MPI_Count is defined in relation to the types MPI_Aint and MPI_Offset, the effective size of MPI_Count may lead to overflows of the timestamp values reported. Users can use the argument max_ticks to mitigate resulting problems.

(End of advice to users.)

MPI can optionally return an info object containing the default hints set for this source. If the argument to info provided by the user is the NULL pointer, this argument is ignored, otherwise an MPI implementation is required to return all hints that are supported by the implementation for this source and have default values specified; any user-supplied hints that were not ignored by the implementation; and any additional hints that were set by the implementation. If no such hints exist, a handle to a newly created info object is returned that contains no key/value pair. The user is responsible for freeing info via MPI_INFO_FREE.
Table 15.5: Hierarchy of safety requirement levels for event callback routines

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<td>MPI_T_CB_REQUIRE_MPI_RESTRICTED</td>
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<td>MPI_T_CB_REQUIRE_THREAD_SAFE</td>
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<td>MPI_T_CB_REQUIRE_ASYNC_SIGNAL_SAFE</td>
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MPI_T_SOURCE_GET_TIMESTAMP(source_index, timestamp)

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<th>IN</th>
<th>source_index</th>
<th>index of the source (integer)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OUT</td>
<td>timestamp</td>
<td>current timestamp from specified source (integer)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

C binding

int MPI_T_source_get_timestamp(int source_index, MPI_Count *timestamp)

To enable proper query of a reference timestamp for a specific source, a user can obtain a current timestamp using MPI_T_SOURCE_GET_TIMESTAMP. The argument source_index identifies the index of the source to query. The call returns MPI_SUCCESS and a current timestamp in the argument timestamp if the source supports ad-hoc generation of timestamps. The call returns MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_INDEX if the index does not identify a valid source. The call returns MPI_T_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED if the source does not support the ad-hoc generation of timestamps.

Callback Safety Requirements

The actions a user is allowed to perform inside a callback function may vary with its execution context. As the user has no control over the execution context of specific callback function invocations, MPI provides a way to communicate this information using callback safety levels.

Table 15.5 provides the hierarchy of callback safety requirements levels within user-defined callback functions. The MPI implementation provides the safety requirement as an argument to the callback when it is invoked.

The level of MPI_T_CB_REQUIRE_NONE is the lowest level and does not impose any restrictions on the callback function.

The level of MPI_T_CB_REQUIRE_MPI_RESTRICTED restricts the set of MPI functions that can be called from inside the callback to all functions with the prefix MPI_T as well as MPI_WTICK and MPI_WTIME.

Advice to users. While some MPI functions are safe to be called inside a callback function used in the MPI tool information interface—which may in some implementations be issued from asynchronous contexts such as signal handlers—this does not imply that those MPI functions are generally safe to be called in asynchronous contexts such as signal handlers. (End of advice to users.)

The level of MPI_T_CB_REQUIRE_THREAD_SAFE includes all the limitations of MPI_T_CB_REQUIRE_MPI_RESTRICTED and additionally requires the callback to be reentrant.
Table 15.6: List of MPI functions that when called from within a callback function may not return MPI_T_ERR_NOT_ACCESSIBLE

- MPI_T_EVENT_COPY
- MPI_T_EVENT_GET_SOURCE
- MPI_T_EVENT_GET_TIMESTAMP
- MPI_T_EVENT_READ
- MPI_T_PVAR_READ
- MPI_T_PVAR_READRESET
- MPI_T_PVAR_RESET
- MPI_T_PVAR_START
- MPI_T_PVAR_STOP
- MPI_T_PVAR_WRITE
- MPI_T_SOURCE_GET_TIMESTAMP

and thread-safe. This means the callback must allow its execution to be interrupted by or happen concurrently with any other callback including itself.

The level of MPI_T_CB_REQUIRE_ASYNC_SIGNAL_SAFE includes all the limitations of MPI_T_CB_REQUIRE_THREAD_SAFE and additionally requires the callback to meet the safety requirements needed to support invocations from asynchronous contexts, such as signal handlers.

Advice to users. It is always safe to assume the highest restrictions for a callback invocation (i.e., MPI_T_CB_REQUIRE_ASYNC_SIGNAL_SAFE). By evaluating the specific requirements at runtime, a tool may obtain more freedom of action within the callback. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. A high-quality implementation will strive to set callback safety requirements to the most permissive level for a given callback invocation. (End of advice to implementors.)

All functions with the prefix MPI_T, except those listed in Table 15.6, may return the return code MPI_T_ERR_NOT_ACCESSIBLE to indicate that the user may not access this function at this time. The functions (and their respective PMPI versions) listed in Table 15.6 are exceptions to this rule and shall not return MPI_T_ERR_NOT_ACCESSIBLE.

Rationale. A call may be implemented in a way that is not safe for all execution contexts of a callback function, e.g., inside a signal handler. An MPI implementation therefore needs a way to communicate its inability to perform a certain action due to the execution context of a callback invocation. (End of rationale.)

Advice to implementors. A high-quality implementation shall not return MPI_T_ERR_NOT_ACCESSIBLE except where absolutely necessary. (End of advice to implementors.)

Advice to users. Users intercepting calls into the MPI tool information interface using the PMPI interface must ensure that the safety requirements for the calling context are met. This means that users may have to implement the wrapper with the highest safety level used by the MPI implementation. (End of advice to users.)
Event Type Query Functions

An MPI implementation exports a set of $N$ event types through the MPI tool information interface. If $N$ is zero, then the MPI implementation does not export any event types; otherwise, the provided event types are indexed from 0 to $N - 1$. This index number is used in subsequent calls to identify a specific event type.

An MPI implementation is allowed to increase the number of event types during the execution of an MPI process. However, MPI implementations are not allowed to change the index of an event type or to delete an event type once it has been made visible to the user (e.g., if new event types become available via dynamic loading of additional components in the MPI implementation).

The following function can be used to query the number of event types, `num_events`:

```c
MPI_T_EVENT_GET_NUM(num_events)
```

| OUT   | num_events | returns number of event types (integer) |

C binding

```c
int MPI_T_event_get_num(int *num_events)
```

The function `MPI_T_EVENT_GET_INFO` provides access to additional information about a specific event type.

```c
MPI_T_EVENT_GET_INFO(event_index, name, name_len, verbosity, array_of_datatypes,
array_of_displacements, num_elements, enumtype, info, desc, desc_len, bind)
```

| IN    | event_index | index of the event type to be queried between 0 and num_events - 1 (integer) |
| OUT   | name        | buffer to return the string containing the name of the event type (string) |
| INOUT | name_len    | length of the string and/or buffer for name (integer) |
| OUT   | verbosity   | verbosity level of this event type (integer) |
| OUT   | array_of_datatypes | array of MPI basic datatypes used to encode the event data (array of handles) |
| OUT   | array_of_displacements | array of byte displacements of the elements in the event buffer (array of non-negative integers) |
| INOUT | num_elements | length of `array_of_datatypes` and `array_of_displacements` arrays (non-negative integer) |
| OUT   | enumtype    | optional descriptor for enumeration information (handle) |
| OUT   | info        | optional info object (handle) |
| OUT   | desc        | buffer to return the string containing a description of the event type (string) |
| INOUT | desc_len    | length of the string and/or buffer for desc (integer) |
OUT bind type of MPI object to which an event of this type must be bound (integer)

C binding

int MPI_T_event_get_info(int event_index, char *name, int *name_len,
int *verbosity, MPI_Datatype array_of_datatypes[],
MPI_Aint array_of_displacements[], int *num_elements,
MPI_T_enum *enumtype, MPI_Info *info, char *desc, int *desc_len,
int *bind)

After a successful call to MPI_T_EVENT_GET_INFO for a particular event type, sub-
sequent calls to this routine that query information about the same event type must return
the same information. If any INOUT or OUT argument to MPI_T_EVENT_GET_INFO is a
NULL pointer, the implementation will ignore the argument and not return a value for the
specific argument.

The arguments name and name_len are used to return the name of the event type as
described in Section 15.3.3. If completed successfully, the routine is required to return a
name of at least length one. The name of the event type must be unique with respect to
all other names for event types used by the MPI implementation.

The argument verbosity returns the verbosity level of the event type (see Section 15.3.1).

The argument array_of_datatypes returns an array of MPI datatype handles that de-
scribe the elements returned for an instance of the event type with index event_index. The
event data can either be queried element by element with MPI_T_EVENT_READ or copied
into a contiguous event buffer with MPI_T_EVENT_COPY. For the latter case, the argu-
ment array_of_displacements returns an array of byte displacements in the event buffer in
ascending order starting with zero.

The user is responsible for the memory allocation for the array_of_datatypes and
array_of_displacements arrays. The number of elements in each array is supplied by the user
in num_elements. If the number of elements used by the event type is larger than the value
of num_elements provided by the user, the number of datatype handles and displacements
returned in the corresponding arrays is truncated to the value of num_elements passed in
by the user. If the user passes the NULL pointer for array_of_datatypes or
array_of_displacements, the respective arguments are ignored. Unless the user passes the
NULL pointer for num_elements, the function returns the number of elements required for
this event type. If the user passes the NULL pointer for num_elements, the arguments
num_elements, array_of_datatypes, and array_of_displacements are ignored.

MPI can optionally return an enumeration identifier in the enumtype argument, de-
scribing the individual elements in the array_of_datatypes argument. Otherwise, enumtype
is set to MPI_T_ENUM_NULL. If the argument to enumtype provided by the user is the NULL
pointer, no enumeration type is returned.

MPI can optionally return an info object containing the default hints set for a regis-
tration handle for this event type. If the argument to info provided by the user is the NULL
pointer, this argument is ignored, otherwise an MPI implementation is required to return
all hints that are supported by the implementation for a registration handle for this event
type and have default values specified; any user-supplied hints that were not ignored by the
implementation; and any additional hints that were set by the implementation. If no such
hints exist, a handle to a newly created info object is returned that contains no key/value
pair. The user is responsible for freeing info via MPI_INFO_FREE.
The arguments desc and desc_len are used to return the description of the event type as described in Section 15.3.3. Returning a description is optional. If an MPI implementation does not return a description, the first character for desc must be set to the null character and desc_len must be set to one at the return from this function.

The parameter bind returns the type of the MPI object to which the event type must be bound or the value MPI_T_BIND_NO_OBJECT (see Section 15.3.2).

If an event type has an equivalent name across connected MPI processes, the following OUT parameters must be identical: verbosity, array_of_datatypes, num_elements, enumtype, and bind. The returned description must be equivalent. As the argument array_of_displacements is process dependent, it may differ across connected MPI processes.

This routine returns MPI_SUCCESS on success and returns MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_INDEX if event_index does not match a valid event type index provided by the implementation at the time of the call.

```
MPI_T_EVENT_GET_INDEX(name, event_index)
```

```
IN name name of the event type (string)
```

```
OUT event_index index of the event type (integer)
```

C binding

```
int MPI_T_event_get_index(const char *name, int *event_index)
```

MPI_T_EVENT_GET_INDEX returns the index of an event type identified by a known event type name. The name parameter is provided by the caller, and event_index is returned by the MPI implementation. The name parameter is a string terminated with a null character.

This routine returns MPI_SUCCESS on success and returns MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_NAME if name does not match the name of any event type provided by the implementation at the time of the call.

Rationale: This routine is provided to enable fast retrieval of an event index by a tool, assuming it knows the name of the event type for which it is looking. The number of event types exposed by the implementation can change over time, so it is not possible for the tool to simply iterate over the list of event types once at initialization. Although using MPI implementation specific event type names is not portable across MPI implementations, tool developers may choose to take this route for lower overhead at runtime because the tool will not have to iterate over the entire set of event types to find a specific one. (End of rationale.)

Handle Allocation and Deallocation

Before the MPI implementation calls a callback function on the occurrence of a specific event, the user needs to register a callback function to be called for that event type and obtain a handle of type MPI_T_event_registration.
MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_ALLOC(event_index, obj_handle, info, event_registration)

IN  event_index
index of event type for which the registration handle is to be allocated (integer)

IN  obj_handle
reference to a handle of the MPI object to which this event is supposed to be bound (pointer)

IN  info
info object (handle)

OUT event_registration
event registration (handle)

C binding
int MPI_T_event_handle_alloc(int event_index, void *obj_handle, MPI_Info info,
MPI_T_event_registration *event_registration)

MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_ALLOC creates a registration handle for the event type identified by event_index. Furthermore, if required by the event type, the registration handle is bound to the object referred to by the argument obj_handle. The argument obj_handle is ignored if the MPI_T_EVENT_GET_INFO call for this event type returned MPI_T_BIND_NO_OBJECT in the argument bind. The user can pass hints for the handle allocation to the MPI implementation via the info argument. The allocated event-registration handle is returned in the argument event_registration.

MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_SET_INFO(event_registration, info)

INOUT event_registration
event registration (handle)

IN info
info object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_T_event_handle_set_info(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
MPI_Info info)

MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_SET_INFO updates the hints of the event-registration handle associated with event_registration using the hints provided in info. A call to this procedure has no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that are not specified by info. It also has no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that are specified by info, but are ignored by the MPI implementation in this call to MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_SET_INFO.

Advice to users. Some info items that an implementation can use when it creates an event-registration handle cannot easily be changed once the registration handle is created. Thus, an implementation may ignore hints issued in this call that it would have accepted in a handle allocation call. An implementation may also be unable to update certain info hints in a call to MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_SET_INFO. MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_GET_INFO can be used to determine whether info changes were ignored by the implementation. (End of advice to users.)
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MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_GET_INFO(event_registration, info_used)

IN event_registration event registration (handle)
OUT info_used info object (handle)

C binding
int MPI_T_event_handle_get_info(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
                         MPI_Info *info_used)

MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_GET_INFO returns a new info object containing the hints of
the event-registration handle associated with event_registration. The current setting of all
hints related to this registration handle is returned in info_used. An MPI implementation
is required to return all hints that are supported by the implementation and have default
values specified; any user-supplied hints that were not ignored by the implementation; and
any additional hints that were set by the implementation. If no such hints exist, a handle
to a newly created info object is returned that contains no key/value pairs. The user is
responsible for freeing info_used via MPI_INFO_FREE.

MPI_T_EVENT_REGISTER_CALLBACK(event_registration, cb_safety, info, user_data,
                                event_cb_function)

INOUT event_registration event registration (handle)
IN cb_safety maximum callback safety level (integer)
IN info info object (handle)
IN user_data pointer to a user-controlled buffer
IN event_cb_function pointer to user-defined callback function (function)

C binding
int MPI_T_event_register_callback(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
                                   MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, MPI_Info info, void *user_data,
                                   MPI_T_event_cb_function event_cb_function)

MPI_T_EVENT_REGISTER_CALLBACK associates a user-defined function pointed to
by event_cb_function with an allocated event-registration handle. The maximum callback
safety level supported by the callback function is passed in the argument cb_safety. The
safety levels are defined in Table 15.5. A user can register multiple callback functions for
a given event-registration handle, potentially specifying one for each callback safety level.
Registering a callback function for a specific callback safety level overwrites any previously-
registered callback function pointer and info object associated with the event registration
for the specific callback safety level. If event_cb_function is the NULL pointer, an existing
association of a callback function for that callback safety level is removed.

When an event is triggered, the implementation will select from all registered callbacks
the callback with the lowest safety level valid in the context in which the callback is invoked.
In situations where the required callback safety level exceeds the highest level for which a
callback function is registered for a given registration handle, the event instance is dropped.

At callback invocation time, the implementation passes the pointer to a user-defined
memory region specified during callback registration with the argument user_data.
The user can pass hints for the registration of the specified callback function to the MPI implementation via the info argument.

Advice to users. As event instances can be raised as soon as the registration handle is associated with the first callback function, the callback function with the highest callback safety guarantees should be registered before any further registrations for lower callback safety guarantees, to avoid dropped events due to insufficient callback safety guarantees. (End of advice to users.)

The callback function passed to `MPI_T_EVENT_REGISTER_CALLBACK` in the argument `event_cb_function` needs to have the following type:

```c
typedef void MPI_T_event_cb_function(MPI_T_event_instance event_instance,
                                       MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
                                       MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, void *user_data);
```

The argument `event_instance` corresponds to a handle for the opaque event-instance object of type `MPI_T_event_instance`. This handle is only valid inside the corresponding invocation of the function to which it is passed. The argument `event_registration` corresponds to the event-registration handle returned by `MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_ALLOC` for the user function to the same event type and bound object combination. The handle can be used to identify the specific event registration information, such as event type and bound object, or even to deallocate the handle from within the callback invocation. The argument `cb_safety` describes the safety requirements the callback function must fulfill in the current invocation. The argument `user_data` is the pointer to user-allocated memory that was passed to the MPI implementation during callback registration.

```c
MPI_T_EVENT_CALLBACK_SET_INFO(event_registration, cb_safety, info)
  INOUT event_registration event registration (handle)
  IN cb_safety callback safety level (integer)
  IN info info object (handle)
```

C binding:

```c
int MPI_T_event_callback_set_info(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
                                   MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, MPI_Info info)
```

`MPI_T_EVENT_CALLBACK_SET_INFO` updates the hints of the callback function registered for the callback safety level specified by `cb_safety` of the event-registration handle associated with `event_registration` using the hints provided in `info`. A call to this procedure has no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that are not specified by `info`. It also has no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that are specified by `info`, but are ignored by the MPI implementation in this call to `MPI_T_EVENT_CALLBACK_SET_INFO`.

```c
MPI_T_EVENT_CALLBACK_GET_INFO(event_registration, cb_safety, info_used)
  IN event_registration event registration (handle)
  IN cb_safety callback safety level (integer)
  OUT info_used info object (handle)
```
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C binding

```c
int MPI_T_event_callback_get_info(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
   MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, MPI_Info *info_used)
```

MPI_T_EVENT_CALLBACK_GET_INFO returns a new info object containing the hints of the callback function registered for the callback safety level specified by cb_safety of the event-registration handle associated with event_registration. The current set of all hints related to this callback safety level of the event-registration handle is returned in info_used. An MPI implementation is required to return all hints that are supported by the implementation and have default values specified, any user-supplied hints that were not ignored by the implementation, and any additional hints that were set by the implementation. If no such hints exist, a handle to a newly created info object is returned that contains no key/value pairs. The user is responsible for freeing info_used via MPI_INFO_FREE.

To stop the MPI implementation from raising events for a specific registration, a user needs to free the corresponding event-registration handle.

```c
MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_FREE(event_registration, user_data, free_cb_function)
```

MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_FREE returns MPI_SUCCESS when deallocation of the handle was initiated successfully and returns MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_HANDLE if event_registration does not match a valid allocated event-registration handle at the time of the call. The callback function free_cb_function is called by the MPI implementation, when it is able to guarantee that no further event instances for the corresponding event-registration handle will be raised. If the pointer to free_cb_function is the NULL pointer, no user function is invoked after successful deallocation of the event registration handle. The pointer to user-controlled memory provided in the user_data argument will be passed to the function provided in the free_cb_function on invocation.

Advice to users. A free-callback function associated with a registration handle should always be prepared to postpone any pending actions, should the provided callback safety requirements exceed those required by the pending actions. (End of advice to users.)

The callback function passed to MPI_T_EVENT_HANDLE_FREE in the argument free_cb_function needs to have the following type:

```c
typedef void MPI_T_event_free_cb_function(
   MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
   MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, void *user_data);
```
Handling Dropped Events

Events may occur at times when the MPI implementation cannot invoke the user function corresponding to a matching event handle. An implementation is allowed to buffer such events and delay the callback invocation. If an event occurs at times when the corresponding callback function cannot be called and the corresponding data cannot be buffered, or no callback function meeting the required callback safety level is registered, the event data may be dropped. To discover such data loss, the user can set a handler function for a specific event-registration handle.

**MPI**

**T**

**EVENT**

**SET**

**DROPPED**

**HANDLER**(event

**registration**, dropped

**cb**

**function**)  

C binding

```c
int MPI_T_event_set_dropped_handler(
    MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
    MPI_T_event_dropped_cb_function dropped_cb_function)
```

In MPI_T_EVENT_SET_DROPPED_HANDLER registers the function **dropped_cb_function** to be called by the MPI implementation when event information is dropped for the registration handle specified in **event_registration**. Subsequent calls to MPI_T_EVENT_SET_DROPPED_HANDLER with the same registration handle will replace previously-registered callback functions for that registration handle. If the pointer to **dropped_cb_function** is the NULL pointer, no data loss is recorded or reported until a new valid callback function is registered.

**Advice to users.** The invocation of the dropped handler callback function may not necessarily occur close to the time the event was actually lost. (**End of advice to users.**)

The callback function passed to MPI_T_EVENT_SET_DROPPED_HANDLER in the argument **dropped_cb_function** needs to have the following type:

```c
typedef void MPI_T_event_dropped_cb_function(MPI_Count count,
    MPI_T_event_registration event_registration, int source_index,
    MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, void *user_data);
```

The argument **event_registration** corresponds to the event registration handle to which the dropped data corresponds. The argument **count** provides a best effort estimation of the number of invocations to a registered event callback corresponding to **event_registration** that were not executed since the registration of the dropped-callback handler or the last invocation of a registered dropped-callback handler. If the number of dropped events observed by the implementation exceeds the limit of **count**, an implementation shall set **count** to the maximum possible value for the type of **count**. The **source_index** provides the index of the source that dropped the corresponding event information. The argument **cb_safety** describes the safety requirements the callback function must fulfill in the current invocation. The possible values for **cb_safety** are described in Table 15.5. The argument **user_data** is the pointer to user-allocated memory that was
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passed to the MPI implementation during callback registration. If no event callback is registered for safety requirement levels that an implementation uses to invoke the dropped handler callback function for a specific event, the corresponding dropped handler callback function will not be invoked.

Advice to users. A callback function for dropped events associated with a registration handle should always be prepared to postpone any pending actions, should the provided callback safety requirements exceed those required by the pending actions. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. A high-quality implementation should strive to find a good balance between timely notification, completeness of information, and the freedom of action for a tool when invoking the callback function for dropped events associated with a registration handle. (End of advice to implementors.)

If dropped event notifications have been observed for a specific source since the last event notification of that source, the corresponding dropped handler callback function must be called before other events are raised for that source. This means in a sequence of five events E1 to E5 from the same source, where E3 and E4 were dropped, any handler function set through MPI_T_EVENT_SET_DROPPED_HANDLER for event-registration handles associated with E3 or E4 must be called before E5 is raised.

Reading Event Data

In event callbacks, the parameter event_instance provides access to the per-instance event data, i.e., the data encoded by the specific event type for this instance. The user can obtain event data as well as event meta data, such as a time stamp and the source, by providing this handle to the respective query functions. The event-instance handle is invalid beyond the scope of the current invocation of the callback function to which it is provided.

The callback function argument event_registration identifies the registration handle that was used to register the callback function.

The callback function argument cb_safety indicates the requirements for the specific callback invocation. The value is one of the safety requirements levels described in Table 15.5. The argument user_data passes the pointer provided by the user during callback registration back to the function call.

Advice to users. Depending on the registered event and usage of MPI by the application, a callback function may be invoked with high frequency. Users should therefore strive to minimize the amount of work done inside callback functions. Furthermore, the time spent in a callback function may influence the capability of an implementation to buffer events; long execution times may lead to an increased number of dropped events. (End of advice to users.)

MPI provides the following function calls to access data of a specific event instance and its corresponding meta data (such as its time and source).
MPI_T_EVENT_READ(event_instance, element_index, buffer)

IN event_instance event-instance handle provided to the callback function (handle)

IN element_index index into the array of datatypes of the item to be queried (integer)

OUT buffer pointer to a memory location to store the item data (choice)

C binding
int MPI_T_event_read(MPI_T_event_instance event_instance, int element_index, 
void *buffer)

MPI_T_EVENT_READ allows users to copy one element of the event data to a user-specified buffer at a time.

The event_instance argument identifies the event instance to query. It is erroneous to provide any other event-instance handle to the call than the one passed by the MPI implementation to the callback function in which the data is read. The buffer argument must point to a memory location the MPI implementation can copy the element of the event data to identified by element_index.

MPI_T_EVENT_COPY(event_instance, buffer)

IN event_instance event instance provided to the callback function (handle)

OUT buffer user-allocated buffer for event data (choice)

C binding
int MPI_T_event_copy(MPI_T_event_instance event_instance, void *buffer)

MPI_T_EVENT_COPY copies the event data as a whole into the user-provided buffer. The user must assure that the buffer is of at least the size of the extent of the event type, which can be computed from the type and displacement information returned by the corresponding call to MPI_T_EVENT_GET_INFO. The data may include padding bytes between individual elements of the event data in the buffer. A user can reconstruct the location and size of the data contained in the buffer through the information returned by MPI_T_EVENT_GET_INFO.

Advice to implementors. An implementation should strive to use an appropriately compact representation when copying event instance data to a user buffer via MPI_T_EVENT_COPY to reduce the amount of memory required for the user buffer.

(End of advice to implementors.)

Reading Event Meta Data

Additional to the specific event data encoded by each event type, supplemental information available across all event types can be queried.
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MPI_T_EVENT_GET_TIMESTAMP(event_instance, event_timestamp)

IN event_instance event instance provided to the callback function (handle)

OUT event_timestamp timestamp the event was observed (integer)

C binding
int MPI_T_event_get_timestamp(MPI_T_event_instance event_instance,
    MPI_Count *event_timestamp)

MPI_T_EVENT_GET_TIMESTAMP returns the timestamp of when the event was initially observed by the implementation. The event_instance argument identifies the event instance to query. It is erroneous to provide any other handle to the call than the one passed by the MPI implementation to the callback function in which the timestamp is read.

Advice to users. An MPI implementation may postpone the call to the user’s callback function. In this case, the call to MPI_T_EVENT_GET_TIMESTAMP may yield a timestamp in the past that is closer to the time the event was initially observed, as opposed to a timestamp captured during callback function invocation. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. A high-quality implementation will return a timestamp as close as possible to the earliest time the event was observed by the MPI implementation. (End of advice to implementors.)

An event may be raised from different components acting as event sources in the MPI implementation. A source in this context is an abstract concept that helps to define partial ordering of raised events, as each source provides its own ordering guarantees. A source describes the entity that raises the event, rather than the origin of the data.

To identify the source of an event instance, the user can query the index of the source within the corresponding event callback function invocation.

Advice to implementors. An excessive number of event sources may negatively impact performance of a tool due to per-source overhead in event handling. (End of advice to implementors.)

MPI_T_EVENT_GET_SOURCE(event_instance, source_index)

IN event_instance event instance provided to the callback function (handle)

OUT source_index index identifying the source (integer)

C binding
int MPI_T_event_get_source(MPI_T_event_instance event_instance,
    int *source_index)

The event_instance argument identifies the event instance to query. It is erroneous to provide any other event-instance handle to the call than the one passed by the MPI implementation to the callback function in which the source is queried.
The source_index argument returns the index of the source of the event instance. It can be used to query more information on the source using MPI_T_SOURCE_GET_INFO.

**Rationale.** Event callback function invocations are associated with a source to enable chronological processing of events on the tool side, when required, while retaining low overhead on the side of the MPI implementation. *(End of rationale.)*

### 15.3.9 Variable Categorization

MPI implementations can optionally group performance and control variables into categories to express logical relationships between various variables. For example, an MPI implementation could group all control and performance variables that refer to message transfers in the MPI implementation and thereby distinguish them from variables that refer to local resources such as memory allocations or other interactions with the operating system.

Categories can also contain other categories to form a hierarchical grouping. Categories can never include themselves, either directly or transitively within other included categories. Expanding on the example above, this allows MPI to refine the grouping of variables referring to message transfers into variables to control and to monitor message queues, message matching activities and communication protocols. Each of these groups of variables would be represented by a separate category and these categories would then be listed in a single category representing variables for message transfers.

The category information may be queried in a fashion similar to the mechanism for querying variable information. The MPI implementation exports a set of \( N \) categories via the MPI tool information interface. If \( N = 0 \), then the MPI implementation does not export any categories, otherwise the provided categories are indexed from 0 to \( N - 1 \). This index number is used in subsequent calls to functions of the MPI tool information interface to identify the individual categories.

An MPI implementation is permitted to increase the number of categories during the execution of an MPI program when new categories become available through dynamic loading. However, MPI implementations are not allowed to change the index of a category or delete it once it has been added to the set.

Similarly, MPI implementations are allowed to add variables to categories, but they are not allowed to remove variables from categories or change the order in which they are returned.

#### Category Query Functions

The following function can be used to query the number of categories, num_cat.

\[
\text{MPI_TCATEGORY_GET_NUM}(\text{num\_cat})
\]

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_T_category_get_num(int *num_cat)
```

Individual category information can then be queried by calling the following function:
MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_INFO(cat_index, name, name_len, desc, desc_len, num_cvars, num_pvars, num_categories)

**IN**
cat_index \hspace{1cm} index of the category to be queried (integer)

**OUT**
name \hspace{1cm} buffer to return the string containing the name of the category (string)

**INOUT**
name_len \hspace{1cm} length of the string and/or buffer for name (integer)

**OUT**
desc \hspace{1cm} buffer to return the string containing the description of the category (string)

**INOUT**
desc_len \hspace{1cm} length of the string and/or buffer for desc (integer)

**OUT**
num_cvars \hspace{1cm} number of control variables in the category (integer)

**OUT**
num_pvars \hspace{1cm} number of performance variables in the category (integer)

**OUT**
num_categories \hspace{1cm} number of categories contained in the category (integer)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_T_category_get_info(int cat_index, char *name, int *name_len, char *desc, int *desc_len, int *num_cvars, int *num_pvars, int *num_categories)
```

The arguments name and name_len are used to return the name of the category as described in Section 15.3.3.

The routine is required to return a name of at least length one. This name must be unique with respect to all other names for categories used by the MPI implementation.

If any OUT parameter to MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_INFO is the NULL pointer, the implementation will ignore the parameter and not return a value for the parameter.

The arguments desc and desc_len are used to return the description of the category as described in Section 15.3.3.

Returning a description is optional. If an MPI implementation decides not to return a description, the first character for desc must be set to the null character and desc_len must be set to one at the return of this call.

The function returns the number of control variables, performance variables and other categories contained in the queried category in the arguments num_cvars, num_pvars, and num_categories, respectively.

If the name of a category is equivalent across connected MPI processes, then the returned description must be equivalent.

MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_NUM_EVENTS(cat_index, num_events)

**IN**
cat_index \hspace{1cm} index of the category to be queried (integer)

**OUT**
num_events \hspace{1cm} number of event types in the category (integer)

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_T_category_get_num_events(int cat_index, int *num_events)
```
MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_NUM_EVENTS returns the number of event types contained in the queried category.

MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_INDEX(name, cat_index)
IN name the name of the category (string)
OUT cat_index the index of the category (integer)

C binding
int MPI_T_category_get_index(const char *name, int *cat_index)

MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_INDEX is a function for retrieving the index of a category given a known category name. The name parameter is provided by the caller, and cat_index is returned by the MPI implementation. The name parameter is a string terminated with a null character.

This routine returns MPI_SUCCESS on success and returns MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_NAME if name does not match the name of any category provided by the implementation at the time of the call.

Rationale. This routine is provided to enable fast retrieval of a category index by a tool, assuming it knows the name of the category for which it is looking. The number of categories exposed by the implementation can change over time, so it is not possible for the tool to simply iterate over the list of categories once at initialization. Although using MPI implementation specific category names is not portable across MPI implementations, tool developers may choose to take this route for lower overhead at runtime because the tool will not have to iterate over the entire set of categories to find a specific one. (End of rationale.)

Category Member Query Functions

MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_CVARS(cat_index, len, indices)
IN cat_index index of the category to be queried, in the range from 0 to num_cat − 1 (integer)
IN len the length of the indices array (integer)
OUT indices an integer array of size len, indicating control variable indices (array of integers)

C binding
int MPI_T_category_get_cvars(int cat_index, int len, int indices[])

MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_CVARS can be used to query which control variables are contained in a particular category. A category contains zero or more control variables.
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MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_PVARS(cat_index, len, indices)

IN   cat_index    index of the category to be queried, in the range
        from 0 to num_cat – 1 (integer)

IN   len         the length of the indices array (integer)

OUT  indices     an integer array of size len, indicating performance
                    variable indices (array of integers)

C binding
int MPI_T_category_get_pvars(int cat_index, int len, int indices[])

MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_PVARS can be used to query which performance variables
are contained in a particular category. A category contains zero or more performance
variables.

MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_EVENTS(cat_index, len, indices)

IN   cat_index    index of the category to be queried, in the range
        from 0 to num_cat – 1 (integer)

IN   len         the length of the indices array (integer)

OUT  indices     an integer array of size len, indicating event type
                    indices (array of integers)

C binding
int MPI_T_category_get_events(int cat_index, int len, int indices[])

MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_EVENTS can be used to query which event types are con-
tained in a particular category. A category contains zero or more event types.

MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_CATEGORIES(cat_index, len, indices)

IN   cat_index    index of the category to be queried, in the range
        from 0 to num_cat – 1 (integer)

IN   len         the length of the indices array (integer)

OUT  indices     an integer array of size len, indicating category
                    indices (array of integers)

C binding
int MPI_T_category_get_categories(int cat_index, int len, int indices[])

MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_CATEGORIES can be used to query which other categories
are contained in a particular category. A category contains zero or more other categories.

As mentioned above, MPI implementations can grow the number of categories as well
as the number of variables or other categories within a category. In order to allow users
of the MPI tool information interface to check quickly whether new categories have been
added or new variables or categories have been added to a category, MPI maintains an
update number that is monotonically increasing during the execution and is returned by
the following function:
MPI_T_CATEGORY_CHANGED(update_number)

OUT update_number update number (integer)

C binding
int MPI_T_category_changed(int *update_number)

If two calls to this routine return the same update number, it is guaranteed that the
category information has not changed between the two calls. If the update number retrieved
from the second call is higher, then some categories have been added or expanded. If the
number of changes to categories exceeds the limit of update_number, an implementation
shall set update_number to the maximum possible value for the type of update_number.

The index values returned in indices by MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_CVARS,
MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_PVARS, MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_EVENTS, and
MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_CATEGORIES can be used as input to
MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO, MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INFO, MPI_T_EVENT_GET_INFO, and
MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_INFO, respectively.

The user is responsible for allocating the arrays passed into the functions
MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_CVARS, MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_PVARS,
MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_EVENTS, and MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_CATEGORIES. Starting
from array index 0, each function writes up to len elements into the array. If the category
contains more than len elements, the function returns an arbitrary subset of size len. Other-
wise, the entire set of elements is returned in the beginning entries of the array, and any
remaining array entries are not modified.

15.3.10 Return Codes for the MPI Tool Information Interface

All procedures defined as part of the MPI tool information interface return an integer return
code (see Table 15.7) to indicate whether the function was completed successfully or was
aborted. For the former case, the value MPI_SUCCESS is returned. In the latter case, the
return code indicates the reason for not completing the routine. Regardless of whether the
return code is MPI_SUCCESS or indicates that the procedure abnormally terminated, the
MPI process continues normal execution and does not invoke any MPI error handler. The
MPI implementation is not required to check all user-provided parameters; if a user passes
invalid parameter values to any routine, the behavior of the implementation is undefined.

All return codes with the prefix MPI_T_ERR_ must be unique values and cannot overlap
with any error codes or error classes returned by the MPI implementation. They must also
satisfy

0 = MPI_SUCCESS < MPI_T_ERR Xxx ≤ MPI_ERR_LASTCODE.

15.3.11 Profiling Interface

All requirements for the profiling interface, as described in Section 15.2, also apply to
the MPI tool information interface. All rules, guidelines, and recommendations from Section
15.2 apply equally to procedures defined as part of the MPI tool information interface.
### Table 15.7: Return codes used in procedures of the MPI tool information interface.

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<td>The variable or category index is invalid</td>
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Return Codes for Datatype Procedures: **MPI_T_ENUM.xxx**

Return Codes for Variable, Category, and Event Query Procedures: **MPI_T Xxx GET XXX**

Return Codes for Handle Procedures: **MPI_T Xxx (ALLOC|FREE)**

Return Codes for Performance Experiment Session Procedures: **MPI_T_PVAR_SESSION XXX**

Return Codes for Control Variable Access Procedures: **MPI_T_CVAR.{READ|WRITE}**

Return Codes for Performance Variable Access and Control Procedures: **MPI_T_PVAR.{START|STOP|READ|WRITE|RESET|READRESET}**

Return Codes for Source Procedures: **MPI_T_SOURCE XXX**

Return Codes for Category Procedures: **MPI_T CATEGORY XXX**
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Deprecated Interfaces

16.1 Deprecated since MPI-2.0

- The following function is deprecated and is superseded by(MPI_COMM_CREATE_KEYVAL in MPI-2.0. The language independent definition of the deprecated function is the same as that of the new function, except for the function name and a different behavior in the C/Fortran language interoperability, see Section 19.3.7. The language bindings are modified.

MPI_KEYVAL_CREATE(copy_fn, delete_fn; keyval, extra_state)

IN    copy_fn             Copy callback function for keyval
IN    delete_fn           Delete callback function for keyval
OUT   keyval              key value for future access (integer)
IN    extra_state         Extra state for callback functions

C binding
int MPI_Keyval_create(MPI_Copy_function *copy_fn,
MPI_Delete_function *delete_fn, int *keyval, void *extra_state)

For this routine, an interface within the mpi_f08 module was never defined.

Fortran binding
MPI_KEYVAL_CREATE(COPY_FN, DELETE_FN, KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
    EXTERNAL COPY_FN, DELETE_FN
    INTEGER KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR

The copy_fn function is invoked when a communicator is duplicated by
MPI_COMM_DUP. copy_fn should be of type MPI_Copy_function, which is defined as follows:

typedef int MPI_Copy_function(MPI_Comm oldcomm, int keyval, void *extra_state, void *attribute_val_in, void *attribute_val_out, int *flag);

A Fortran declaration for such a function is as follows:

For this routine, an interface within the mpi_f08 module was never defined.
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SUBROUTINE COPY_FUNCTION(OLDCOMM, KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERR)
   INTEGER OLDCOMM, KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, IERR
   LOGICAL FLAG

copy_fn may be specified as MPI_NULL_COPY_FN or MPI_DUP_FN from either C or Fortran; MPI_NULL_COPY_FN is a function that does nothing other than return flag = 0 and MPI_SUCCESS. MPI_DUP_FN is a simple-minded copy function that sets flag = 1, returns the value of attribute_val_in in attribute_val_out, and returns MPI_SUCCESS. Note that MPI_NULL_COPY_FN and MPI_DUP_FN are also deprecated.

Analogous to copy_fn is a callback deletion function, defined as follows. The delete_fn function is invoked when a communicator is deleted by MPI_COMM_FREE or when a call is made explicitly to MPI_ATTR_DELETE. delete_fn should be of type MPI_Delete_function, which is defined as follows:

```c
typedef int MPI_Delete_function(MPI_Comm comm, int keyval, void *attribute_val, void *extra_state);
```

A Fortran declaration for such a function is as follows:

```fortran
SUBROUTINE DELETE_FUNCTION(COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERR)
   INTEGER COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERR
   delete_fn may be specified as MPI_NULL_DELETE_FN from either C or Fortran; MPI_NULL_DELETE_FN is a function that does nothing other than return MPI_SUCCESS. Note that MPI_NULL_DELETE_FN is also deprecated.

- The following function is deprecated and is superseded by MPI_COMM_FREE_KEYVAL in MPI-2.0. The language independent definition of the deprecated function is the same as the new function, except for the function name. The language bindings are modified.

```c
MPI_KEYVAL_FREE(keyval)
   INOUT keyval Frees the integer key value (integer)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_Keyval_free(int *keyval)
```

For this routine, an interface within the mpi_f08 module was never defined.

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_KEYVAL_FREE(KEYVAL, IERROR)
   INTEGER KEYVAL, IERROR
```

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• The following function is deprecated and is superseded by `MPI_COMM_SET_ATTR` in MPI-2.0. The language independent definition of the deprecated function is the same as the new function, except for the function name. The language bindings are modified.

```plaintext
MPI_ATTR_PUT(comm, keyval, attribute_val)

INOUT      comm        communicator to which attribute will be attached (handle)
IN          keyval     key value, as returned by `MPI_KEYVAL_CREATE` (integer)
IN          attribute_val attribute value

C binding
int MPI_Attr_put(MPI_Comm comm, int keyval, void *attribute_val)

For this routine, an interface within the mpi_f08 module was never defined.

Fortran binding
MPI_ATTR_PUT(COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR
```

• The following function is deprecated and is superseded by `MPI_COMM_GET_ATTR` in MPI-2.0. The language independent definition of the deprecated function is the same as the new function, except for the function name. The language bindings are modified.

```plaintext
MPI_ATTR_GET(comm, keyval, attribute_val, flag)

IN          comm        communicator to which attribute is attached (handle)
IN          keyval     key value (integer)
OUT         attribute_val attribute value, unless flag = false
OUT         flag        true if an attribute value was extracted; false if no attribute is associated with the key

C binding
int MPI_Attr_get(MPI_Comm comm, int keyval, void *attribute_val, int *flag)

For this routine, an interface within the mpi_f08 module was never defined.

Fortran binding
MPI_ATTR_GET(COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, FLAG, IERROR)
```
The following function is deprecated and is superseded by
MPI_COMM_DELETE_ATTR in MPI-2.0. The language independent definition of the
deprecated function is the same as the new function, except for the function name.
The language bindings are modified.

MPI_ATTR_DELETE(comm, keyval)

**C binding**

int MPI_Attr_delete(MPI_Comm comm, int keyval)

For this routine, an interface within the mpi_f08 module was never defined.

**Fortran binding**

MPI_ATTR_DELETE(COMM, KEYVAL, IERROR)

16.2 Deprecated since MPI-2.2

- The entire set of C++ language bindings was deprecated as of MPI-2.2 and removed
  in MPI-3.0. See Chapter 17, Removed Interfaces for more information.

- The following function typedefs have been deprecated and are superseded by new
  names. Other than the typedef names, the function signatures are exactly the same;
  the names were updated to match conventions of other function typedef names.

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<td>MPI_Win_errhandler_fn</td>
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16.3 Deprecated since MPI-4.0

- Cancelling a send request by calling MPI_CANCEL has been deprecated and may be
  removed in a future version of the MPI specification.
The following function is deprecated and is superseded by the new MPI_INFO_GET_STRING call in MPI-4.0.

MPI_INFO_GET(info, key, valuelen, value, flag)

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{IN} & \quad \text{info} & \quad \text{info object (handle)} \\
\text{IN} & \quad \text{key} & \quad \text{key (string)} \\
\text{IN} & \quad \text{valuelen} & \quad \text{length of value associated with key (integer)} \\
\text{OUT} & \quad \text{value} & \quad \text{value (string)} \\
\text{OUT} & \quad \text{flag} & \quad \text{true if key defined, false if not (logical)}
\end{align*}
\]

C binding

```c
int MPI_Info_get(MPI_Info info, const char *key, int valuelen, char *value, int *flag)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Info_get(info, key, valuelen, value, flag, ierror)
```

```
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: key
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: valuelen
CHARACTER(LEN=valuelen) , INTENT(OUT) :: value
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_INFO_GET(INFO, KEY, VALUELEN, VALUE, FLAG, IERROR)
```

```
INTEGER INFO, VALUELEN, IERROR
CHARACTER*(*) KEY, VALUE
LOGICAL FLAG
```

This function retrieves the value associated with key in a previous call to MPI_INFO_SET. If such a key exists, it sets flag to true and returns the value in value, otherwise it sets flag to false and leaves value unchanged. valuelen is the number of characters available in value. If it is less than the actual size of the value, the value is truncated. In C, valuelen should be one less than the amount of allocated space to allow for the null terminator.

If key is larger than MPI_MAX_INFO_KEY, the call is erroneous.

The function MPI_INFO_GET is allowed to be called at any time, following the description for MPI functionality that is always available in Section 11.4.1.
The following function is deprecated and is superseded by the new MPI_INFO_GET_STRING call in MPI-4.0.

MPI_INFO_GET_VALUELEN(info, key, valuelen, flag)

- IN info info object (handle)
- IN key key (string)
- OUT valuelen length of value associated with key (integer)
- OUT flag true if key defined, false if not (logical)

C binding

int MPI_Info_get_valuelen(MPI_Info info, const char *key, int *valuelen, int *flag)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Info_get_valuelen(info, key, valuelen, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: key
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: valuelen
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_INFO_GET_VALUELEN(INFO, KEY, VALUELEN, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, VALUELEN, IERROR
  CHARACTER(*) KEY
  LOGICAL FLAG

Retrieves the length of the value associated with key. If key is defined, valuelen is set to the length of its associated value and flag is set to true. If key is not defined, valuelen is not touched and flag is set to false. The length returned in C does not include the end-of-string character.

If key is larger than MPI_MAX_INFO_KEY, the call is erroneous.

The function MPI_INFO_GET_VALUELEN is allowed to be called at any time, following the description for MPI functionality that is always available in Section 11.4.1.

The following return code has been deprecated and is superseded by a new name in MPI-4.0.

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<tr>
<th>Deprecated Name</th>
<th>Replacement Name</th>
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<td>MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_ITEM</td>
<td>MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_INDEX</td>
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The following Fortran subroutines are deprecated because the Fortran language storage_size() and c_sizeof() intrinsic functions provide similar functionality. Note that while MPI_SIZEOF and c_sizeof() return the size in bytes, storage_size() provides the size in bits.

**MPI_SIZEOF(x, size)**

- **IN** `x`: a Fortran variable of numeric intrinsic type (choice)
- **OUT** `size`: size of machine representation of that type (integer)

**Fortran 2008 binding**

```fortran
MPI_Sizeof(x, size, ierror)
```

- `TYPE(*)`, `DIMENSION(..) :: x`
- `INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size`
- `INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror`

**Fortran binding**

```fortran
MPI_SIZEOF(X, SIZE, IERROR)
```

- `<type> X`
- `INTEGER SIZE, IERROR`

This function returns the size in bytes of the machine representation of the given variable. It is a generic Fortran routine and has a Fortran binding only.

*Advice to users.* This function is similar to the C `sizeof` operator but behaves slightly differently. If given an array argument, it returns the size of the base element, not the size of the whole array. (*End of advice to users.*)

*Rationale.* This function is not available in other languages because it would not be useful. (*End of rationale.*)

## 16.4 Deprecated since MPI-4.1

- The use of the `mpif.h` include file has been deprecated. Information supporting the transition to USE `mpi` or USE `mpi_f08` is provided in Section 19.1.4.

- The predefined attribute key `MPI_HOST` for `MPI_COMM_WORLD` when using the World Model is deprecated.

  **MPI_HOST**: Host process rank, if such exists, `MPI_PROC_NULL`, otherwise.
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Host Rank

The value returned for MPI_HOST gets the rank of the HOST process in the group associated with communicator MPI_COMM_WORLD, if there is such. MPI_PROC_NULL is returned if there is no host. MPI does not specify what it means for a process to be a HOST, nor does it requires that a HOST exists.

The attribute MPI_HOST has the same value on all processes of MPI_COMM_WORLD.

Environmental inquiry keys

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<tr>
<th>C type:</th>
<th>const int (or unnamed enum)</th>
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<td>MPI_HOST</td>
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- All MPI_XXX_X procedures have been deprecated and may be removed in a future version of the MPI specification. In the case of their C binding and their Fortran binding through the mpi_f08 module, they are superseded by the large count and large byte displacement bindings of their counterpart in the form of MPI_XXX.

MPI_TYPE_SIZE_X(datatype, size)

```plaintext
IN datatype     datatype to get information on (handle)
OUT size        datatype size (integer)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_Type_size_x(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *size)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Type_size_x(datatype, size, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding

```fortran
MPI_TYPE_SIZE_X(DATATYPE, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) SIZE
```

The description of MPI_TYPE_SIZE is applicable to this deprecated MPI_TYPE_SIZE_X accordingly, see Section 5.1.5.
16.4 Deprecated since MPI-4.1

MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT_X(datatype, lb, extent)

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<td>OUT</td>
<td>lb</td>
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<td>OUT</td>
<td>extent</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

**C binding**

int MPI_Type_get_extent_x(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *lb, MPI_Count *extent)

**Fortran 2008 binding**

MPI_Type_get_extent_x(datatype, lb, extent, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_Datatype),  INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND),  INTENT(OUT) :: lb, extent
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

**Fortran binding**

MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT_X(DATATYPE, LB, EXTENT, IERROR)

INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) LB, EXTENT

The description of MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT is applicable to this deprecated
MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT_X accordingly, see Section 5.1.7.

MPI_TYPE_GET_TRUE_EXTENT_X(datatype, true_lb, true_extent)

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<td>true_lb</td>
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<td>OUT</td>
<td>true_extent</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

**C binding**

int MPI_Type_get_true_extent_x(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *true_lb, MPI_Count *true_extent)

**Fortran 2008 binding**

MPI_Type_get_true_extent_x(datatype, true_lb, true_extent, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_Datatype),  INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND),  INTENT(OUT) :: true_lb, true_extent
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

**Fortran binding**

MPI_TYPE_GET_TRUE_EXTENT_X(DATATYPE, TRUE_LB, TRUE_EXTENT, IERROR)

INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
The description of MPI_TYPE_GET_TRUE_EXTENT is applicable to this deprecated
MPI_TYPE_GET_TRUE_EXTENT_X accordingly, see Section 5.1.8.

MPI_GET_ELEMENTS_X(status, datatype, count)

IN status return status of receive operation (status)
IN datatype datatype used by receive operation (handle)
OUT count number of received basic elements (integer)

C binding

int MPI_Get_elements_x(const MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype,
MPI_Count *count)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Get_elements_x(status, datatype, count, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: count
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_GET_ELEMENTS_X(STATUS, DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR)
  INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), DATATYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) COUNT

The description of MPI_GET_ELEMENTS is applicable to this deprecated
MPI_GET_ELEMENTS_X accordingly, see Section 5.1.11.

MPI_STATUS_SET_ELEMENTS_X(status, datatype, count)

INOUT status status with which to associate count (status)
IN datatype datatype associated with count (handle)
IN count number of elements to associate with status (integer)

C binding

int MPI_Status_set_elements_x(MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype,
MPI_Count count)

Fortran 2008 binding

MPI_Status_set_elements_x(status, datatype, count, ierror)
16.4 Deprecated since MPI-4.1

TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(INOUT) :: status
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding

MPI_STATUS_SET_ELEMENTS_X(STATUS, DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR)
INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), DATATYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) COUNT

The description of MPI_STATUS_SET_ELEMENTS is applicable to this deprecated
MPI_STATUS_SET_ELEMENTS_X accordingly, see Section 13.3.
Chapter 17

Removed Interfaces

17.1 Removed MPI-1 Bindings

17.1.1 Overview

The following MPI-1 bindings were deprecated as of MPI-2 and were removed in MPI-3. They may be provided by an implementation for backwards compatibility, but are not required. Removal of these bindings affects all language-specific definitions thereof. Only the language-neutral bindings are listed when possible.

17.1.2 Removed MPI-1 Functions

Table 17.1 shows the removed MPI-1 functions and their replacements.

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17.1.3 Removed MPI-1 Datatypes

Table 17.2 shows the removed MPI-1 datatypes and their replacements.

17.1.4 Removed MPI-1 Constants

Table 17.3 shows the removed MPI-1 constants. There are no replacements.

17.1.5 Removed MPI-1 Callback Prototypes

Table 17.4 shows the removed MPI-1 callback prototypes and their replacements.
Table 17.2: Removed MPI-1 datatypes. The indicated routine may be used for changing the lower and upper bound respectively.

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Table 17.3: Removed MPI-1 constants

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<td>MPI.COMBINER_HVECTOR_INTEGER</td>
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<td>MPI.COMBINER_STRUCT_INTEGER</td>
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Table 17.4: Removed MPI-1 callback prototypes and their replacements

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<td>MPI_Comm_errhandler_function</td>
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17.2 C++ Bindings

The C++ bindings were deprecated as of MPI-2.2. The C++ bindings were removed in MPI-3.0. The namespace is still reserved, however, and bindings may only be provided by an implementation as described in the MPI-2.2 standard.
Chapter 18

Semantic Changes and Warnings

This chapter lists semantic changes that have been introduced into the MPI standard as well as warnings that could potentially impact program behavior. In addition to those listed here, Chapter 17 also lists changes and backward incompatibilities caused by removing interfaces. Unlike Chapter 17, the changes in this chapter did not go through a deprecation process.

18.1 Semantic Changes

This section describes semantics that have changed in a way that would potentially cause an MPI program to behave differently when using this version of the MPI standard without changing the program’s code.

18.1.1 Semantic Changes Starting in MPI-4.0

- **MPI_COMM_DUP** and **MPI_COMM_IDUP** no longer propagate info hints from the input communicator to the output communicator. This behavior can be achieved using **MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO** and **MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO**.

- The default communicator where errors are raised when not involving a communicator, window, or file was changed from **MPI_COMM_WORLD** to **MPI_COMM_SELF**.

18.2 Additional Warnings

This section describes additional changes that could potentially cause a program that relies on the semantics described in a previous version of the MPI standard to behave differently than with this version of MPI. The changes in this section are limited in scope and unlikely to impact most programs.

18.2.1 Warnings Starting in MPI-4.1

Implementations are no longer allowed to implement **MPI_WTICK**, **PMPI_WTICK**, **MPI_WTIME**, and **PMPI_WTIME** as well as handle conversion functions as macros (Sections 9.6 and 19.3.4). This should not impact applications but may require changes in some implementations.
18.2.2 Warnings Starting in MPI-4.0

The limit for length of MPI identifiers was removed. Prior to MPI-4.0, MPI identifiers were limited to 30 characters (31 with the profiling interface). This limitation was initially introduced to avoid exceeding the limit on some compilation systems.

*Rationale.* For Fortran, this limit was already relaxed for the Fortran specific function names, see Section 19.1.5, and the Fortran language specification 2003 requires support for a minimum of 63 characters for internal and external identifiers. Starting with the ISO/IEC 9899:1999 C programming language standard, support for a minimum of 63 characters is required for internal identifiers, but only 31 characters are required to be significant for external identifiers. At the time of the release of MPI-4.0, most or nearly all compilers allow external identifiers longer than 31 characters. Therefore, the restriction is removed. (*End of rationale.*)

*Advice to users.* This affects users only if they store MPI identifiers into fixed sized strings. (*End of advice to users.*)
Chapter 19

Language Bindings

19.1 Support for Fortran

19.1.1 Overview

The Fortran MPI language bindings have been designed to be compatible with the Fortran 90 standard with additional features from Fortran 2018 [48]. In previous versions of this document, references were made to Fortran 2003 and Fortran 2008 [46] with TS 29113 [47]; where appropriate, the specific features of Fortran 2018 that MPI requires will be noted explicitly.

Rationale. Fortran 90 contains numerous features designed to make it a more “modern” language than Fortran 77. It seems natural that MPI should be able to take advantage of these new features with a set of bindings tailored to Fortran 90. In Fortran 2008 with TS 29113 and later Fortran 2018, the major new language features used are the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute to protect nonblocking MPI operations, and assumed-type and assumed-rank dummy arguments for choice buffer arguments. Further requirements for compiler support are listed in Section 19.1.7. (End of rationale.)

MPI defines three methods of Fortran support:

1. **USE mpi_f08**: This method is described in Section 19.1.2. It requires compile-time argument checking with unique MPI handle types and provides techniques to fully solve the optimization problems with nonblocking calls. This is the only Fortran support method that is consistent with the Fortran standard (Fortran 2008 with TS 29113 and later Fortran 2018). This method is highly recommended for all MPI applications.

2. **USE mpi**: This method is described in Section 19.1.3 and requires compile-time argument checking. Handles are defined as INTEGER. This Fortran support method is inconsistent with the Fortran standard, and its use is therefore not recommended. It exists only for backwards compatibility.

3. **INCLUDE ’mpif.h’**: This method is described in Section 19.1.4. The use of the include file mpif.h has been strongly discouraged starting with MPI-3.0 and deprecated with MPI-4.1, because this method neither guarantees compile-time argument checking nor provides sufficient techniques to solve the optimization problems with nonblocking calls, and is therefore inconsistent with the Fortran standard. It exists only for backwards compatibility with legacy MPI applications.

MPI implementations providing a Fortran interface must provide one or both of the following:
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- The USE mpi_f08 Fortran support method.
- The USE mpi and INCLUDE ’mpif.h’ Fortran support methods.

Section 19.1.6 describes restrictions if the compiler does not support all the needed features.

Application subroutines and functions may use either one of the modules or the (deprecated) mpif.h include file. An implementation may require the use of one of the modules to prevent type mismatch errors.

Advice to users. Users are advised to utilize one of the MPI modules even if mpif.h enforces type checking on a particular system. Using a module provides several potential advantages over using an include file; the mpi_f08 module offers the most robust and complete Fortran support. (End of advice to users.)

In a single application, it must be possible to link together routines that USE mpi_f08, USE mpi, and INCLUDE ’mpif.h’.

The LOGICAL constant MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED is set to .TRUE. if all buffer choice arguments are defined in explicit interfaces with assumed-type and assumed-rank [48]; otherwise it is set to .FALSE.. The LOGICAL constant MPI_ASYNC_PROTECTS_NONBLOCKING is set to .TRUE. if the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute was added to the choice buffer arguments of all nonblocking interfaces and the underlying Fortran compiler supports the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute for MPI communication (as part of TS 29113, which has been superceded by Fortran 2018), otherwise it is set to .FALSE.. These constants exist for each Fortran support method, but not in the C header file. The values may be different for each Fortran support method. All other constants and the integer values of handles must be the same for each Fortran support method.

Sections 19.1.2 through 19.1.4 define the Fortran support methods. The Fortran interfaces of each MPI routine are shorthands. Section 19.1.5 defines the corresponding full interface specification together with the specific procedure names and implications for the profiling interface. Section 19.1.6 describes the implementation of the MPI routines for different versions of the Fortran standard. Section 19.1.7 summarizes major requirements for MPI implementations with Fortran support. Section 19.1.8 and Section 19.1.9 describe additional functionality that is part of the Fortran support. MPI_F_SYNC_REG is needed for one of the methods to prevent register optimization problems. A set of functions provides additional support for Fortran intrinsic numeric types, including parameterized types: MPI_TYPE_MATCH_SIZE, MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_INTEGER, MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL and MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_COMPLEX. In the context of MPI, parameterized types are Fortran intrinsic types that are specified using KIND type parameters. Sections 19.1.10 through 19.1.19 give an overview and details on known problems when using Fortran together with MPI; Section 19.1.20 compares the Fortran problems with those in C.

19.1.2 Fortran Support Through the mpi_f08 Module

An MPI implementation providing a Fortran interface must provide a module named mpi_f08 that can be used in a Fortran program. Section 19.1.6 describes restrictions if the compiler does not support all the needed features. Within all MPI function specifications, the first of the set of two Fortran routine interface specifications is provided by this module. This module must:
• Define all named MPI constants.

• Declare MPI functions that return a value.

• Provide explicit interfaces according to the Fortran routine interface specifications. This module therefore guarantees compile-time argument checking for all arguments that are not TYPE(*), with the following exception:

  Only one Fortran interface is defined for functions that are deprecated as of MPI-3.0. This interface must be provided as an explicit interface according to the rules defined for the mpi module, see Section 19.1.3.

  Advice to users. It is strongly recommended that developers substitute calls to deprecated routines when upgrading from the (deprecated) mpif.h or the mpi module to the mpi_f08 module. (End of advice to users.)

• Define the derived type MPI_Status, and define all MPI handles with uniquely named handle types (instead of INTEGER handles, as in the mpi module). This is reflected in the first Fortran binding in each MPI function definition throughout this document (except for the deprecated routines).

• Overload the operators .EQ. and .NE. to allow the comparison of these MPI handles with .EQ., .NE., == and /=.  

• Use the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute to protect the buffers of nonblocking operations, and set the LOGICAL constant MPI_ASYNC_PROTECTS_NONBLOCKING to .TRUE. if the underlying Fortran compiler supports the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute for MPI communication (as part of TS 29113). See Section 19.1.6 for older compiler versions.

• Set the LOGICAL constant MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED to .TRUE. and declare choice buffers using the Fortran 2018 features assumed-type and assumed-rank, i.e., TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) in all nonblocking, split collective and persistent communication routines, if the underlying Fortran compiler supports it. With this, noncontiguous sub-arrays can be used as buffers in nonblocking routines.

  Rationale. In all blocking routines, i.e., if the choice-buffer is not declared as ASYNCHRONOUS, the Fortran 2018 feature is not needed for the support of noncontiguous buffers because the compiler can pass the buffer by in-and-out-copy through a contiguous scratch array. (End of rationale.)

• Set the MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED constant to .FALSE. and declare choice buffers with a compiler-dependent mechanism that overrides type checking if the underlying Fortran compiler does not support the Fortran 2018 assumed-type and assumed-rank notation. In this case, the use of noncontiguous sub-arrays as buffers in nonblocking calls may be invalid. See Section 19.1.6 for details.

• Declare each argument with an INTENT of IN, OUT, or INOUT as defined in this standard.

  Rationale. For these definitions in the mpi_f08 bindings, in most cases, INTENT(IN) is used if the C interface uses call-by-value. For all buffer arguments and for OUT and INOUT dummy arguments that allow one of the nonordinary Fortran constants (see MPI_BOTTOM, etc. in Section 2.5.4) as input, an INTENT is not specified. (End of rationale.)
Advice to users. If a dummy argument is declared with INTENT(OUT), then the Fortran standard stipulates that the actual argument becomes undefined upon invocation of the MPI routine, i.e., it may be overwritten by some other values, e.g. zeros; according to [46], 12.5.2.4 Ordinary dummy variables, Paragraph 17: “If a dummy argument has INTENT(OUT), the actual argument becomes undefined at the time the association is established, except [...]”. For example, if the dummy argument is an assumed-size array and the actual argument is a strided array, the call may be implemented with copy-in and copy-out of the argument. In the case of INTENT(OUT) the copy-in may be suppressed by the optimization and the routine starts execution using an array of undefined values. If the routine stores fewer elements into the dummy argument than is provided in the actual argument, then the remaining locations are overwritten with these undefined values. See also both advices to implementors in Section 19.1.3. (End of advice to users.)

- Declare all ierror output arguments as OPTIONAL, except for user-defined callback functions (e.g., of type MPI_Comm_copy_attr_function or COMM_COPY_ATTR_FUNCTION) and predefined callbacks (e.g., MPI_COMM_NULL_COPY_FN).

Rationale. For user-defined callback functions (e.g., of type MPI_Comm_copy_attr_function or COMM_COPY_ATTR_FUNCTION) and their predefined callbacks (e.g., MPI_COMM_NULL_COPY_FN), the ierror argument is not optional. The MPI library must always call these routines with an actual ierror argument. Therefore, these user-defined functions need not check whether the MPI library calls these routines with or without an actual ierror output argument. (End of rationale.)

The MPI Fortran bindings in the mpi_f08 module are designed based on the Fortran 2008 standard [46] together with the Technical Specification “TS 29113 Further Interoperability with C” [47] of the ISO/IEC JTC1/SC22/WG5 (Fortran) working group, which is now integrated in Fortran 2018 standard [48].

Rationale. The features in TS 29113 on further interoperability with C were decided on by ISO/IEC JTC1/SC22/WG5 and designed by PL22.3 (formerly J3) to support a higher level of integration between Fortran-specific features and C than was provided in the Fortran 2008 standard; part of this design is based on requirements from the MPI Forum to support MPI-3.0. These features became part of Fortran 2018 [48], so references to TS 29113 are obsolete, except insofar as to specify a particular feature set from Fortran 2018 or minimal requirements to a compiler.

Fortran 2018 contains the following language features that are needed for the MPI bindings in the mpi_f08 module: assumed-type and assumed-rank. It is important that any possible actual argument can be used for such dummy arguments, e.g., scalars, arrays, assumed-shape arrays, assumed-size arrays, allocatable arrays, and with any element type, e.g., REAL, CHARACTER*5, CHARACTER*(*), sequence derived types, or BIND(C) derived types. Especially for backward compatibility reasons, it is important that any possible actual argument in an implicit interface implementation of a choice buffer dummy argument (e.g., with the deprecated mpif.h without argument-checking) can be used in an implementation with assumed-type and assumed-rank argument in an explicit interface (e.g., with the mpi_f08 module).
A further feature useful for MPI is the extension of the semantics of the \texttt{ASYNCHRONOUS} attribute: In F2003 and F2008, this attribute could be used only to protect buffers of Fortran asynchronous I/O. With TS 29113 and now Fortran 2018, this attribute also covers asynchronous communication occurring within library routines written in C.

The MPI Forum hereby wishes to acknowledge this important effort by the Fortran PL22.3 and WG5 committee. \textit{(End of rationale.)}

19.1.3 Fortran Support Through the \texttt{mpi} Module

An MPI implementation providing a Fortran interface must provide a module named \texttt{mpi} that can be used in a Fortran program. Within all MPI function specifications, the second of the set of two Fortran routine interface specifications is provided by this module. This module must:

- Define all named MPI constants.
- Declare MPI functions that return a value.
- Provide explicit interfaces according to the Fortran routine interface specifications. This module therefore guarantees compile-time argument checking and allows positional and keyword-based argument lists. If an implementation is paired with a compiler that either does not support \texttt{TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..)} from Fortran 2018, or is otherwise unable to ignore the types of choice buffers, then the implementation must provide explicit interfaces only for MPI routines with no choice buffer arguments. See Section 19.1.6 for more details.
- Define all MPI handles as type \texttt{INTEGER}.
- Define the derived type \texttt{MPI\_Status} and all named handle types that are used in the \texttt{mpi\_f08} module. For these named handle types, overload the operators \texttt{.EQ.} and \texttt{.NE.} to allow handle comparison via the \texttt{.EQ., .NE., ==} and \texttt{/=} operators.

\textit{Rationale}. They are needed only when the application converts old-style \texttt{INTEGER} handles into new-style handles with a named type. \textit{(End of rationale.)}

- A high quality MPI implementation may enhance the interface by using the \texttt{ASYNCHRONOUS} attribute in the same way as in the \texttt{mpi\_f08} module if it is supported by the underlying compiler.
- Set the \texttt{LOGICAL} constant \texttt{MPI\_ASYNC\_PROTECTS\_NONBLOCKING} to \texttt{.TRUE.} if the \texttt{ASYNCHRONOUS} attribute is used in all nonblocking interfaces and the underlying Fortran compiler supports the \texttt{ASYNCHRONOUS} attribute for MPI communication (as part of Fortran 2018), otherwise to \texttt{.FALSE.}.

\textit{Advice to users}. For an MPI implementation that fully supports nonblocking calls with the \texttt{ASYNCHRONOUS} attribute for choice buffers, an existing MPI-2.2 application may fail to compile even if it compiled and executed with expected results with an MPI-2.2 implementation. One reason may be that the application uses “contiguous” but not “simply contiguous” \texttt{ASYNCHRONOUS} arrays as actual arguments for choice buffers of nonblocking routines, e.g., by using subscript triplets with stride one or specifying
(1:n) for a whole dimension instead of using (:). This should be fixed to fulfill the Fortran constraints for ASYNCHRONOUS dummy arguments. This is not considered a violation of backward compatibility because existing applications can not use the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute to protect nonblocking calls. Another reason may be that the application does not conform either to the MPI standard or to the Fortran standard, typically because the program forces the compiler to perform copy-in/out for a choice buffer argument in a nonblocking MPI call. This is also not a violation of backward compatibility because the application itself is nonconforming. See Section 19.1.12 for more details. (End of advice to users.)

- A high quality MPI implementation may enhance the interface by using TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) choice buffer dummy arguments instead of using nonstandardized extensions such as !PRAGMA IGNORE_TKR or a set of overloaded functions as described by M. Hennecke in [33], if the compiler supports this Fortran 2018 language feature. See Section 19.1.6 for further details.

- Set the LOGICAL constant MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED to .TRUE. if all choice buffer arguments in all nonblocking, split collective and persistent communication routines are declared with TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), otherwise set it to .FALSE.. When MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED is defined as .TRUE., noncontiguous sub-arrays can be used as buffers in nonblocking routines.

- Set the MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED constant to .FALSE. and declare choice buffers with a compiler-dependent mechanism that overrides type checking if the underlying Fortran compiler does not support the Fortran 2018 assumed-type and assumed-rank features. In this case, the use of noncontiguous sub-arrays in nonblocking calls may be disallowed. See Section 19.1.6 for details.

An MPI implementation may provide other features in the mpi module that enhance the usability of MPI while maintaining adherence to the standard. For example, it may provide INTENT information in these interface blocks.

Advice to implementors. The appropriate INTENT may be different from what is given in the MPI language-neutral bindings. Implementations must choose INTENT so that the function adheres to the MPI standard, e.g., by defining the INTENT as provided in the mpi_f08 bindings. (End of advice to implementors.)

Rationale. The intent given by the MPI generic interface is not precisely defined and does not in all cases correspond to the correct Fortran INTENT. For instance, receiving into a buffer specified by a datatype with absolute addresses may require associating MPI_BOTTOM with a dummy OUT argument. Moreover, “constants” such as MPI_BOTTOM and MPI_STATUS_IGNORE are not constants as defined by Fortran, but “special addresses” used in a nonstandard way. Finally, the MPI-1 generic intent was changed in several places in MPI-2. For instance, MPI_IN_PLACE changes the intent of an OUT argument to be INOUT. (End of rationale.)

Advice to implementors. The Fortran 2008 standard illustrates in its Note 5.17 that “INTENT(OUT) means that the value of the argument after invoking the procedure is entirely the result of executing that procedure. If an argument should retain
its value rather than being redefined, INTENT(INOUT) should be used rather than INTENT(OUT), even if there is no explicit reference to the value of the dummy argument. Furthermore, INTENT(INOUT) is not equivalent to omitting the INTENT attribute, because INTENT(INOUT) always requires that the associated actual argument is definable.” Applications that include the (deprecated) mpif.h may not expect that INTENT(OUT) is used. In particular, output array arguments are expected to keep their content as long as the MPI routine does not modify them. To keep this behavior, it is recommended that implementations not use INTENT(OUT) in the mpi module and the (deprecated) mpif.h include file, even though INTENT(OUT) is specified in an interface description of the mpi_f08 module. (End of advice to implementors.)

19.1.4 Fortran Support Through the mpif.h Include File

The use of the mpif.h include file has been deprecated in MPI-4.1.

An MPI implementation providing a Fortran interface must provide an include file named mpif.h that can be used in a Fortran program. Within all MPI function specifications, the second of the set of two Fortran routine interface specifications is supported by this include file. This include file must:

- Define all named MPI constants.
- Declare MPI functions that return a value.
- Define all handles as INTEGER.
- Be valid and equivalent for both fixed and free source form.

For each MPI routine, an implementation can choose to use an implicit or explicit interface for the second Fortran binding (in deprecated routines, the first one may be omitted).

- Set the LOGICAL constants MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED and MPIASYNC_PROTECTS_NONBLOCKING according to the same rules as for the mpi module. In the case of implicit interfaces for choice buffer or nonblocking routines, the constants must be set to .FALSE..

Advice to users. Instead of using mpif.h, the use of the mpi_f08 or mpi module is strongly encouraged for the following reasons:

- Most mpif.h implementations do not include compile-time argument checking.
- Therefore, many bugs in MPI applications remain undetected at compile-time, such as:
  - Missing ierror as last argument in most Fortran bindings.
  - Declaration of a status as an INTEGER variable instead of an INTEGER array with size MPI_STATUS_SIZE.
  - Incorrect argument positions; e.g., interchanging the count and datatype arguments.
  - Passing incorrect MPI handles; e.g., passing a datatype instead of a communicator.
• The migration from mpif.h to the mpi module should be relatively straightforward (i.e., substituting INCLUDE 'mpif.h' after an implicit statement by use mpi before that implicit statement) as long as the application syntax is correct.

• Migrating portable and correctly written applications to the mpi module is not expected to be difficult. No compile or runtime problems should occur because an mpif.h include file was always allowed to provide explicit Fortran interfaces.

(End of advice to users.)

19.1.5 Interface Specifications, Procedure Names, and the Profiling Interface

The Fortran interface specification of each MPI routine specifies the routine name that must be called by the application program, and the names and types of the dummy arguments together with additional attributes. The Fortran standard allows a given Fortran interface to be implemented with several methods, e.g., within or outside of a module, with or without BIND(C), or the buffers with or without Fortran 2018 (as successor of Fortran 2008 with TS 29113). Such implementation decisions imply different binary interfaces and different specific procedure names. The requirements for several implementation schemes together with the rules for the specific procedure names and its implications for the profiling interface are specified within this section, but not the implementation details.

Rationale. When this section was originally introduced in MPI-3.0, the major goals for the three Fortran support methods were:

• Portable implementation of the wrappers from the MPI Fortran interfaces to the MPI routines in C.

• Binary backward compatible implementation path when switching MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED from .FALSE. to .TRUE..

• The Fortran PMPI interface need not be backward compatible, but a method must be included that a tools layer can use to examine the MPI library about the specific procedure names and interfaces used.

• No performance drawbacks.

• Consistency between all three Fortran support methods.

• Consistent with Fortran 2018.

The design expected that all dummy arguments in the MPI Fortran interfaces are interoperable with C according to Fortran 2018. This expectation was not fulfilled. The LOGICAL arguments are not interoperable with C, mainly because the internal representations for .FALSE. and .TRUE. are compiler dependent. The provided interface was mainly based on BIND(C) interfaces and therefore inconsistent with Fortran. To be consistent with Fortran, the BIND(C) had to be removed from the callback procedure interfaces and the predefined callbacks, e.g., MPI_COMM_DUP_FN. Non-BIND(C) procedures are also not interoperable with C, and therefore the BIND(C) had to be removed from all routines with PROCEDURE arguments, e.g., from MPI_OP_CREATE.

Therefore, this section was rewritten as an erratum to MPI-3.0. (End of rationale.)

A Fortran call to an MPI routine shall result in a call to a procedure with one of the specific procedure names and calling conventions, as described in Table 19.1. Case is not significant in the names.
Table 19.1: Specific Fortran procedure names and related calling conventions. MPI\_ISEND is used as an example. For routines without choice buffers, only 1A and 2A apply.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>No.</th>
<th>Specific procedure name</th>
<th>Calling convention</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1A</td>
<td>MPI_Isend_f08</td>
<td>Fortran interface and arguments, as in Annex A.4, except that in routines with a choice buffer dummy argument, this dummy argument is implemented with nonstandard extensions like !$PRAGMA IGNORE_TKR, which provides a call-by-reference argument without type, kind, and dimension checking.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1B</td>
<td>MPI_Isend_f08ts</td>
<td>Fortran interface and arguments, as in Annex A.4, but only for routines with one or more choice buffer dummy arguments; these dummy arguments are implemented with TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2A</td>
<td>MPI_ISEND</td>
<td>Fortran interface and arguments, as in Annex A.5, except that in routines with a choice buffer dummy argument, this dummy argument is implemented with nonstandard extensions like !$PRAGMA IGNORE_TKR, which provides a call-by-reference argument without type, kind, and dimension checking.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2B</td>
<td>MPI_ISEND_FTS</td>
<td>Fortran interface and arguments, as in Annex A.5, but only for routines with one or more choice buffer dummy arguments; these dummy arguments are implemented with TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..). In the (deprecated) mpif.h only, the postfix “_FTS” for MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV_INIT, MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV_INIT, and MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW_INIT is shortened to “_F”.</td>
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Note that for the deprecated routines in Section 16.1, which are reported only in Annex A.5, scheme 2A is utilized in the mpi module and (deprecated) mpif.h, and also in the mpi_f08 module.

To set MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED to .TRUE. within a Fortran support method, it is required that all nonblocking and split-collective routines with buffer arguments are implemented according to 1B and 2B, i.e., with MPI_XXXX_f08ts in the mpi_f08 module, and with MPI_XXXX_FTS in the mpi module and the (deprecated) mpif.h include file.

The mpi and mpi_f08 modules and the (deprecated) mpif.h include file will each correspond to exactly one implementation scheme from Table 19.1. However, the MPI library may contain multiple implementation schemes from Table 19.1.

Advice to implementors. This may be desirable for backwards binary compatibility in the scope of a single MPI implementation, for example. (End of advice to implementors.)

Rationale. After a compiler provides the facilities TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) from Fortran 2018, it is possible to change the bindings within a Fortran support method to support subarrays without recompiling the complete application provided that the previous interfaces with their specific procedure names are still included in the library. Of course, only recompiled routines can benefit from the added facilities. There is no binary compatibility conflict because each interface uses its own specific procedure names and all interfaces use the same constants (except the value of MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED and MPI_ASYNC_PROTECTS_NONBLOCKING) and type definitions. After a compiler also ensures that buffer arguments of nonblocking MPI operations can be protected through the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute, and the procedure declarations in the mpi_f08 and mpi module and the (deprecated) mpif.h include file declare choice buffers with the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute, then the value of MPI_ASYNC_PROTECTS_NONBLOCKING can be switched to .TRUE. in the module definition and include file. (End of rationale.)

Advice to users. Partial recompilation of user applications when upgrading MPI implementations is a highly complex and subtle topic. Users are strongly advised to consult their MPI implementation’s documentation to see exactly what is—and what is not—supported. (End of advice to users.)

Within the mpi_f08 and mpi modules and (deprecated) mpif.h include file, for all MPI procedures, a second procedure with the same calling conventions shall be supplied, except that the name is modified by prefixing with the letter “P”, e.g., PMPI_Isend. The specific procedure names for these PMPI_Xxxx procedures must be different from the specific procedure names for the MPI_Xxxx procedures and are not specified by this standard.

A user-written or middleware profiling routine should provide the same specific Fortran procedure names and calling conventions, and therefore can interpose itself as the MPI library routine. The profiling routine can internally call the matching PMPI routine with any of its existing bindings, except for routines that have callback routine dummy arguments, choice buffer arguments, or that are attribute caching routines (MPI_{COMM|WIN|TYPE}_{SET|GET}_ATTR). In this case, the profiling software should invoke the corresponding PMPI routine using the same Fortran support method as used in the calling application program, because the C, mpi_f08 and mpi callback prototypes are different or the meaning of the choice buffer or attribute_val arguments are different.
Advice to users. Although for each support method and MPI routine (e.g., MPI::Isend in mpi_f08), multiple routines may need to be provided to intercept the specific procedures in the MPI library (e.g., MPI::Isend_f08 and MPI::Isend_f08ts), each profiling routine itself uses only one support method (e.g., mpi_f08) and calls the real MPI routine through the one PMPI routine defined in this support method (i.e., PMPI::Isend in this example). (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. If all of the following conditions are fulfilled:

- the handles in the mpi_f08 module occupy one Fortran numerical storage unit (same as an INTEGER handle),
- the internal argument passing mechanism used to pass an actual ierror argument to a nonoptional ierror dummy argument is binary compatible to passing an actual ierror argument to an ierror dummy argument that is declared as OPTIONAL,
- the internal argument passing mechanism for ASYNCHRONOUS and non-ASYNCHRONOUS arguments is the same,
- the internal routine call mechanism is the same for the Fortran and the C compilers for which the MPI library is compiled, and
- the compiler does not provide the appropriate features from Fortran 2018,

then the implementor may use the same internal routine implementations for all Fortran support methods but with several different specific procedure names. If the accompanying Fortran compiler supports Fortran 2018 or at least Fortran 2008 with TS 29113, then the new routines are needed only for routines with choice buffer arguments. (End of advice to implementors.)

Advice to implementors. In the (deprecated) Fortran support method mpif.h, compile-time argument checking can be also implemented for all routines. For mpif.h, the argument names are not specified through the MPI standard, i.e., only positional argument lists are defined, and not key-word based lists. Due to the rule that mpif.h must be valid for fixed and free source form, the subroutine declaration is restricted to one line with 72 characters. To keep the argument lists short, each argument name can be shortened to a minimum of one character. With this, the three longest subroutine declaration statements are

```
SUBROUTINE PMPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT(a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k)
SUBROUTINE PMPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW_INIT(a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k,l)
SUBROUTINE PMPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV_INIT(a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k,l)
```

with 71 and 70 characters each. With buffers implemented with Fortran 2018 (or TS 29113), the specific procedure names have an additional postfix. Some of the longest of such interface definitions are

```
INTERFACE PMPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW_INIT
SUBROUTINE PMPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW_INIT_F(a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,j,k)
INTERFACE PMPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV_INIT
SUBROUTINE PMPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV_INIT_F(a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k)
INTERFACE PMPI_RGET_ACCUMULATE
SUBROUTINE PMPI_RGET_ACCUMULATE_FTS(a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k,l,m,n)
```

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with 72, 71, and 70 characters. In principle, continuation lines would be possible in
mpif.h (spaces in columns 73–131, & in column 132, and in column 6 of the con-

If an implementation applies the rules of Table 19.1 also for the PMPI interface, then
the longest specific procedure name is PMPI_Reduce_scatter_block_init_c_f08ts with
38 characters in the mpi_f08 module.

For example, the interface specifications together with the specific procedure names
can be implemented with

And if interfaces are provided in mpif.h, they might look like this (outside of any
module and in fixed source format):

(End of advice to implementors.)

Advice to users. The following is an example of how a user-written or middleware
profiling routine can be implemented:

SUBROUTINE MPI_Isend_f08ts(buf,count,datatype,dest,tag,comm,request,ierror)
USE :: mpi_f08, my_noname => MPI_Isend_f08ts

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```fortran
TYPE(*) , DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER , INTENT(IN) :: count , dest , tag
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER , OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
!
! ... some code for the begin of profiling
!
call PMPI_Isend (buf , count , datatype , dest , tag , comm , request , ierror)
!
! ... some code for the end of profiling
END SUBROUTINE MPI_Isend_f08ts
```

Note that this routine is used to intercept the existing specific procedure name MPI_Isend_f08ts in the MPI library. This routine must not be part of a module. This routine itself calls PMPI_Isend. The USE of the mpi_f08 module is needed for definitions of handle types and the interface for PMPI_Isend. However, this module also contains an interface definition for the specific procedure name MPI_Isend_f08ts that conflicts with the definition of this profiling routine (i.e., the name is doubly defined). Therefore, the USE here specifically excludes the interface from the module by renaming the unused routine name in the mpi_f08 module into “my_noname” in the scope of this routine. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to users. The PMPI interface allows intercepting MPI routines. For example, an additional MPI_ISEND profiling wrapper can be provided that is called by the application and internally calls PMPI_ISEND. There are two typical use cases: a profiling layer that is developed independently from the application and the MPI library, and profiling routines that are part of the application and have access to the application data. With MPI-3.0, new Fortran interfaces and implementation schemes were introduced that have several implications on how Fortran MPI routines are internally implemented and optimized. For profiling layers, these schemes imply that several internal interfaces with different specific procedure names may need to be intercepted, as shown in the example code above. Therefore, for wrapper routines that are part of a Fortran application, it may be more convenient to make the name shift within the application, i.e., to substitute the call to the MPI routine (e.g., MPI_ISEND) by a call to a user-written profiling wrapper with a new name (e.g., X_MPI_ISEND) and to call the Fortran MPI_ISEND from this wrapper, instead of using the PMPI interface. (End of advice to users.)

Advice to implementors. An implementation that provides a Fortran interface must provide a combination of MPI library and module or include file that uses the specific procedure names as described in Table 19.1 so that the MPI Fortran routines are interceptable as described above. (End of advice to implementors.)

19.1.6 MPI for Different Fortran Standard Versions

This section describes which Fortran interface functionality can be provided for different versions of the Fortran standard.

- For Fortran 77 with some extensions:
  - MPI identifiers may be up to 30 characters (31 with the profiling interface).
  - MPI identifiers may contain underscores after the first character.
An MPI subroutine with a choice argument may be called with different argument types.

Although not required by the MPI standard, the INCLUDE statement should be available for including mpif.h into the user application source code.

Only MPI-1.1, MPI-1.2, and MPI-1.3 can be implemented. The use of absolute addresses from MPI_ADDRESS and MPI_BOTTOM may cause problems if an address does not fit into the memory space provided by an INTEGER. (In MPI-2.0 this problem is solved with MPI_GET_ADDRESS, but not for Fortran 77.)

For Fortran 90:
The major additional features that are needed from Fortran 90 are:

- The MODULE and INTERFACE concept.
- The KIND= and SELECTED_XXX_KIND concept.
- Fortran derived TYPES and the SEQUENCE attribute.
- The OPTIONAL attribute for dummy arguments.
- Cray pointers, which are a nonstandard compiler extension, are needed for the use of MPI_ALLOC_MEM.

With these features, MPI-1.1 – MPI-2.2 can be implemented without restrictions. MPI-3.0 and later can be implemented with some restrictions. The Fortran support methods are abbreviated with S1 = the mpi_f08 module, S2 = the mpi module, and S3 = the mpif.f include file. If not stated otherwise, restrictions exist for each method that prevent implementing the complete semantics of MPI.

- MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED equals .FALSE., i.e., subscript triplets and non-contiguous subarrays cannot be used as buffers in nonblocking routines, RMA, or split-collective I/O.

- S1, S2, and S3 can be implemented, but for S1, only a preliminary implementation is possible.

- In this preliminary interface of S1, the following changes are necessary:
  * TYPE(*), DIMENSION(...) is substituted by nonstandardized extensions like !$PRAGMA IGNORE_TKR.
  * The ASYNCHRONOUS attribute is omitted.
  * PROCEDURE(...) callback declarations are substituted by EXTERNAL.

- The specific procedure names are specified in Section 19.1.5.

- Due to the rules specified in Section 19.1.5, choice buffer declarations should be implemented only with nonstandardized extensions like !$PRAGMA IGNORE_TKR (as long as F2008 with TS 29113 or Fortran 2018 is not available).

In S2 and S3: Without such extensions, routines with choice buffers should be provided with an implicit interface, instead of overloading with a different MPI function for each possible buffer type (as mentioned in Section 19.1.11). Such overloading would also imply restrictions for passing Fortran derived types as choice buffer, see also Section 19.1.15.
Only in S1: The implicit interfaces for routines with choice buffer arguments imply that the ierror argument cannot be defined as \texttt{OPTIONAL}. For this reason, it is recommended not to provide the \texttt{mpi\_f08} module if such an extension is not available.

- The \texttt{ASYNCHRONOUS} attribute can not be used in applications to protect buffers in nonblocking MPI calls (S1–S3).
- The \texttt{TYPE}(C\_PTR) binding of the \texttt{MPI\_ALLOC\_MEM} and \texttt{MPI\_WIN\_ALLOCATE} routines is not available.
- In S1 and S2, the definition of the handle types (e.g., \texttt{TYPE(MPI\_Comm)} and the status type \texttt{TYPE(MPI\_Status)} must be modified: The \texttt{SEQUENCE} attribute must be used instead of \texttt{BIND(C)} (which is not available in Fortran 90/95). This restriction implies that the application must be fully recompiled if one switches to an MPI library for Fortran 2003 and later because the internal memory size of the handles may have changed. For this reason, an implementor may choose not to provide the \texttt{mpi\_f08} module for Fortran 90 compilers. In this case, the \texttt{mpi\_f08} handle types and all routines, constants and types related to \texttt{TYPE(MPI\_Status)} (see Section 19.3.5) are also not available in the \texttt{mpi} module and \texttt{mpif.h}.

- \textit{For Fortran 95:}
  The quality of the MPI interface and the restrictions are the same as with Fortran 90.

- \textit{For Fortran 2003:}
  The major features that are needed from Fortran 2003 are:
  - Interoperability with C, i.e.,
    * \texttt{BIND(C)} derived types.
    * The \texttt{ISO\_C\_BINDING} intrinsic type \texttt{C\_PTR} and routine \texttt{C\_F\_POINTER}.
  - The ability to define an \texttt{ABSTRACT INTERFACE} and to use it for \texttt{PROCEDURE} dummy arguments.
  - The ability to overload the operators \texttt{.EQ.} and \texttt{.NE.} to allow the comparison of derived types (used in MPI-3.0 and later for MPI handles).
  - The \texttt{ASYNCHRONOUS} attribute is available to protect Fortran asynchronous I/O. This feature is not yet used by MPI, but it is the basis for the enhancement for MPI communication in the TS 29113.

With these features (but still without the features of TS 29113), MPI-1.1 – MPI-2.2 can be implemented without restrictions, but with one enhancement:

- The user application can use \texttt{TYPE(C\_PTR)} together with \texttt{MPI\_ALLOC\_MEM} as long as \texttt{MPI\_ALLOC\_MEM} is defined with an implicit interface because a \texttt{C\_PTR} and an \texttt{INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND)} argument must both map to a \texttt{void *} argument.

MPI-3.0 and later can be implemented with the following restrictions:

- \texttt{MPI\_SUBARRAYS\_SUPPORTED} equals \texttt{.FALSE.}
- For S1, only a preliminary implementation is possible. The following changes are necessary:
* TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) is substituted by nonstandardized extensions like
!$PRAGMA IGNORE_TKR.

– The specific procedure names are specified in Section 19.1.5.

– With S1, the ASYNCHRONOUS is required as specified in the second Fortran interfaces. With S2 and S3 the implementation can also add this attribute if explicit interfaces are used.

– The ASYNCHRONOUS Fortran attribute can be used in applications to try to protect buffers in nonblocking MPI calls, but the protection can work only if the compiler is able to protect asynchronous Fortran I/O and makes no difference between such asynchronous Fortran I/O and MPI communication.

– The TYPE(C_PTR) binding of the MPI_ALLOC_MEM, MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE, MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED, and MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY routines can be used only for Fortran types that are C compatible.

– The same restriction as for Fortran 90 applies if nonstandardized extensions like !$PRAGMA IGNORE_TKR are not available.

• For Fortran 2008 with TS 29113 and later and
For Fortran 2003 with TS 29113:
The major features that are needed from TS 29113 are:

– TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) is available.

– The ASYNCHRONOUS attribute is extended to protect also nonblocking MPI communication.

– The array dummy argument of the ISO_C_BINDING intrinsic C_F_POINTER is not restricted to Fortran types for which a corresponding type in C exists.

Using these features, MPI-3.0 and later can be implemented without any restrictions.

– With S1, MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED equals .TRUE.. The ASYNCHRONOUS attribute can be used to protect buffers in nonblocking MPI calls. The TYPE(C_PTR) binding of the MPI_ALLOC_MEM, MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE, MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED, and MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY routines can be used for any Fortran type.

– With S2 and S3, the value of MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED is implementation dependent. A high quality implementation will also provide MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED set to .TRUE. and will use the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute in the same way as in S1.

– If nonstandardized extensions like !$PRAGMA IGNORE_TKR are not available then S2 must be implemented with TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..).

Advice to implementors. If MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED=.FALSE., the choice argument may be implemented with an explicit interface using compiler directives, for example:

```
INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI...(buf, ...)
  !DEC$ ATTRIBUTES NO_ARG_CHECK :: buf
  !$PRAGMA IGNORE_TKR buf
  !DIR$ IGNORE_TKR buf
```

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! IBM* IGNORE_TKR buf
REAL, DIMENSION(*) :: buf
... ! declarations of the other arguments
END SUBROUTINE
END INTERFACE

(End of advice to implementors.)

19.1.7 Requirements on Fortran Compilers

MPI-3.0 (and later) compliant Fortran bindings are not only a property of the MPI library itself, but rather a property of an MPI library together with the Fortran compiler suite for which it is compiled.

Advice to users. Users must take appropriate steps to ensure that proper options are specified to compilers. MPI libraries must document these options. Some MPI libraries are shipped together with special compilation scripts (e.g., mpif90, mpicc) that set these options automatically. (End of advice to users.)

An MPI library together with the Fortran compiler suite is only compliant with MPI-3.0 (and later), as referred by MPL_GET_VERSION, if all the solutions described in Sections 19.1.11 through 19.1.19 work correctly. Based on this rule, major requirements for all three Fortran support methods (i.e., the mpi_f08 and mpi modules, and mpif.h) are:

• The language features assumed-type and assumed-rank from Fortran 2008 TS 29113 [47] are available. This is required only for mpi_f08. As long as this requirement is not supported by the compiler, it is valid to build an MPI library that implements the mpi_f08 module with MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED set to .FALSE..

• “Simply contiguous” arrays and scalars must be passed to choice buffer dummy arguments of nonblocking routines with call by reference. This is needed only if one of the support methods does not use the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute. See Section 19.1.12 for more details.

• SEQUENCE and BIND(C) derived types are valid as actual arguments passed to choice buffer dummy arguments, and, in the case of MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED set to .FALSE., they are passed with call by reference, and passed by descriptor in the case of .TRUE..

• All actual arguments that are allowed for a dummy argument in an implicitly defined and separately compiled Fortran routine with the given compiler (e.g., CHARACTER(LEN=*) strings and array of strings) must also be valid for choice buffer dummy arguments with all Fortran support methods.

• The array dummy argument of the ISO_C_BINDING intrinsic module procedure C_F_POINTER is not restricted to Fortran types for which a corresponding type in C exists.

• The Fortran compiler shall not provide TYPE(*) unless the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute protects MPI communication as described in TS 29113. Specifically, the TS 29113 must be implemented as a whole.
The following rules are required at least as long as the compiler does not provide the extension of the \texttt{ASYNCHRONOUS} attribute as part of TS 29113 and there still exists a Fortran support method with \texttt{MPI\_ASYNC\_PROTECTS\_NONBLOCKING} set to \texttt{.FALSE.}. Observation of these rules by the MPI application developer is especially recommended for backward compatibility of existing applications that use the mpi module or the (deprecated) mpif.h include file. The rules are as follows:

- Separately compiled empty Fortran routines with implicit interfaces and separately compiled empty C routines with \texttt{BIND(C)} Fortran interfaces (e.g., \texttt{MPI\_F\_SYNC\_REG} on page 826 and Section 19.1.8, and DD on page 827) solve the problems described in Section 19.1.17.

- The problems with temporary data movement (described in detail in Section 19.1.18) are solved as long as the application uses different sets of variables for the nonblocking communication (or nonblocking or split collective I/O) and the computation when overlapping communication and computation.

- Problems caused by automatic and permanent data movement (e.g., within a garbage collection, see Section 19.1.19) are resolved \textbf{without} any further requirements on the application program, neither on the usage of the buffers, nor on the declaration of application routines that are involved in invoking MPI procedures.

All of these rules are valid for the mpi\_f08 and mpi modules and independently of whether mpif.h uses explicit interfaces.

\textit{Advice to implementors.} Some of these rules are already part of the Fortran 2003 standard, some of these requirements require the Fortran TS 29113 [47], and some of these requirements for MPI are beyond the scope of TS 29113. \textit{(End of advice to implementors.)}

### 19.1.8 Additional Support for Fortran Register-Memory-Synchronization

As described in Section 19.1.17, a dummy call may be necessary to tell the compiler that registers are to be flushed for a given buffer or that accesses to a buffer may not be moved across a given point in the execution sequence. Only a Fortran binding exists for this call.

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_F\_SYNC\_REG(buf)
   INOUT   buf             initial address of buffer (choice)
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran 2008 binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_F\_sync\_reg(buf)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
\end{verbatim}

\textbf{Fortran binding}

\begin{verbatim}
MPI\_F\_SYNC\_REG(BUF)
   <type> BUF(*)
\end{verbatim}

This routine has no executable statements. It must be compiled in the MPI library in such a manner that a Fortran compiler cannot detect in the module that the routine has an empty body. It is used only to force the compiler to flush a cached register value of a variable or buffer back to memory (when necessary), or to invalidate the register value.
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**Rationale.** This function is not available in other languages because it would not be useful. This routine has no ierror return argument because there is no operation that can fail. (*End of rationale.*)

**Advice to implementors.** This routine can be bound to a C routine to minimize the risk that the Fortran compiler can learn that this routine is empty (and that the call to this routine can be removed as part of an optimization). However, it is explicitly allowed to implement this routine within the mpi_f08 module according to the definition for the mpi module or mpif.h to circumvent the overhead of building the internal dope vector to handle the assumed-type, assumed-rank argument. (*End of advice to implementors.*)

**Rationale.** This routine is not defined with TYPE(*), DIMENSION(*), i.e., assumed size instead of assumed rank, because this would restrict the usability to “simply contiguous” arrays and would require overloading with another interface for scalar arguments. (*End of rationale.*)

**Advice to users.** If only a part of an array (e.g., defined by a subscript triplet) is used in a nonblocking routine, it is recommended to pass the whole array to MPI\_F\_SYNC\_REG anyway to minimize the overhead of this no-operation call. Note that this routine need not be called if MPI\_ASYNC\_PROTECTS\_NONBLOCKING is .TRUE. and the application fully uses the facilities of ASYNCHRONOUS arrays. (*End of advice to users.*)

### 19.1.9 Additional Support for Fortran Numeric Intrinsic Types

MPI provides a small number of named datatypes that correspond to named intrinsic types supported by C and Fortran. These include MPI\_INTEGER, MPI\_REAL, MPI\_INT, MPI\_DOUBLE, etc., as well as the optional types MPI\_REAL4, MPI\_REAL8, etc. There is a one-to-one correspondence between language declarations and MPI types.

Fortran (starting with Fortran 90) provides so-called KIND-parameterized types. These types are declared using an intrinsic type (one of INTEGER, REAL, COMPLEX, LOGICAL, and CHARACTER) with an optional integer KIND parameter that selects from among one or more variants. The specific meaning of different KIND values themselves are implementation dependent and not specified by the language. Fortran provides the KIND selection functions selected_real_kind for REAL and COMPLEX types, and selected_int_kind for INTEGER types that allow users to declare variables with a minimum precision or number of digits. These functions provide a portable way to declare KIND-parameterized REAL, COMPLEX, and INTEGER variables in Fortran. This scheme is backward compatible with Fortran 77. REAL and INTEGER Fortran variables have a default KIND if none is specified. Fortran DOUBLE PRECISION variables are of intrinsic type REAL with a nondefault KIND. The following two declarations are equivalent:

```fortran
  double precision x
  real(KIND(0.0d0)) x
```

MPI provides two orthogonal methods for handling communication buffers of numeric intrinsic types. The first method (see the following section) can be used when variables have been declared in a portable way—using default KIND or using KIND parameters obtained with the selected_int_kind or selected_real_kind functions. With this method, MPI
automatically selects the correct data size (e.g., 4 or 8 bytes) and provides representation
cconversion in heterogeneous environments. The second method (see “Support for size-
specific MPI Datatypes” on page 810) gives the user complete control over communication
by exposing machine representations.

**Parameterized Datatypes with Specified Precision and Exponent Range**

MPI provides named datatypes corresponding to standard Fortran 77 numeric types:

- `MPI_INTEGER`, `MPI_COMPLEX`, `MPI_REAL`, `MPI_DOUBLE_PRECISION` and
- `MPI_DOUBLE_COMPLEX`. MPI automatically selects the correct data size and provides rep-
  resentation conversion in heterogeneous environments. The mechanism described in this
  section extends this model to support portable parameterized numeric types.

The model for supporting portable parameterized types is as follows. Real variables
are declared (perhaps indirectly) using `selected_real_kind(p, r)` to determine the `KIND`
parameter, where `p` is decimal digits of precision and `r` is an exponent range. Implicitly
MPI maintains a two-dimensional array of predefined MPI datatypes `D(p, r)`. `D(p, r)` is
defined for each value of `(p, r)` supported by the compiler, including pairs for which one
value is unspecified. Attempting to access an element of the array with an index `(p, r)` not
supported by the compiler is erroneous. MPI implicitly maintains a similar array of `COMPLEX`
datatypes. For integers, there is a similar implicit array related to `selected_int_kind` and
indexed by the requested number of digits `r`. Note that the predefined datatypes contained
in these implicit arrays are not the same as the named MPI datatypes `MPI_REAL`, etc., but
a new set.

*Advice to implementors.* The above description is for explanatory purposes only. It
is not expected that implementations will have such internal arrays. *(End of advice
to implementors.)*

*Advice to users.* `selected_real_kind()` maps a large number of `(p,r)` pairs to a
much smaller number of `KIND` parameters supported by the compiler. `KIND` parameters
are not specified by the language and are not portable. From the language point of
view intrinsic types of the same base type and `KIND` parameter are of the same type. In
order to allow interoperability in a heterogeneous environment, MPI is more stringent.
The corresponding MPI datatypes match if and only if they have the same `(p, r)` value
(`REAL` and `COMPLEX`) or `r` value (`INTEGER`). Thus MPI has many more datatypes than
there are fundamental language types. *(End of advice to users.)*

```c
int MPI_Type_create_f90_real(int p, int r, MPI_Datatype *newtype)
```

```fortran
MPI_Type_create_f90_real(p, r, newtype, ierror)
```

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```fortran
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: p, r
 TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
 INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL(P, R, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
   INTEGER P, R, NEWTYPE, IERROR

This function returns a predefined MPI datatype that matches a REAL
variable of KIND selected_real_kind(p, r). In the model described above it returns a handle for the
element D(p, r). Either p or r may be omitted from calls to selected_real_kind(p, r)
(but not both). Analogously, either p or r may be set to MPI_UNDEFINED. In communication,
an MPI datatype A returned by MPI_TYPE>Create_F90_REAL matches a datatype B
if and only if B was returned by MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL called with the same values
for p and r or B is a duplicate of such a datatype. Restrictions on using the returned
datatype with the "external32" data representation are given on page 809.

It is erroneous to supply values for p and r not supported by the compiler.
```

```fortran
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_COMPLEX(p, r, newtype)
   IN p         precision, in decimal digits (integer)
   IN r         decimal exponent range (integer)
   OUT newtype  the requested MPI datatype (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Type_create_f90_complex(int p, int r, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_create_f90_complex(p, r, newtype, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: p, r
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_COMPLEX(P, R, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
   INTEGER P, R, NEWTYPE, IERROR

This function returns a predefined MPI datatype that matches a COMPLEX
variable of KIND selected_real_kind(p, r). Either p or r may be omitted from calls to
selected_real_kind(p, r) (but not both). Analogously, either p or r may be set to
MPI_UNDEFINED. Matching rules for datatypes created by this function are analogous to the
matching rules for datatypes created by MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL. Restrictions on
using the returned datatype with the "external32" data representation are given on page 809.

It is erroneous to supply values for p and r not supported by the compiler.
```
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_INTEGER(r, newtype)

IN r decimal exponent range, i.e., number of decimal digits (integer)

OUT newtype the requested MPI datatype (handle)

C binding
int MPI_Type_create_f90_integer(int r, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

Fortran 2008 binding
MPI_Type_create_f90_integer(r, newtype, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: r
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

Fortran binding
MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_INTEGER(R, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
   INTEGER R, NEWTYPE, IERROR

This function returns a predefined MPI datatype that matches an INTEGER variable of KIND selected_int_kind(r). Matching rules for datatypes created by this function are analogous to the matching rules for datatypes created by MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL. Restrictions on using the returned datatype with the "external32" data representation are given on page 809.

It is erroneous to supply a value for r that is not supported by the compiler.

Example 19.1. Fortran selected integer and real kind buffers in MPI communications.

integer longtype, quadtype
integer, parameter :: long = selected_int_kind(15)
integer(long) ii(10)
real(selected_real_kind(30)) x(10)
call MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_INTEGER(15, longtype, ierror)
call MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL(30, MPI_UNDEFINED, quadtype, ierror)
...
call MPI_SEND(ii, 10, longtype, ...)
call MPI_SEND(x, 10, quadtype, ...)
If a variable was declared specifying a nondefault KIND value that was not obtained with selected_real_kind() or selected_int_kind(), the only way to obtain a matching MPI datatype is to use the size-based mechanism described in the next section. *(End of advice to users.)*

**Advice to implementors.** An application may often repeat a call to MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_XXX with the same combination of (XXX,p,r). The application is not allowed to free the returned predefined, unnamed datatype handles. To prevent the creation of a potentially huge amount of handles, a high quality MPI implementation should return the same datatype handle for the same (REAL/COMPLEX/INTEGER,p,r) combination. Checking for the combination (p,r) in the preceding call to MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_XXX and using a hash table to find formerly generated handles should limit the overhead of finding a previously generated datatype with same combination of (XXX,p,r). *(End of advice to implementors.)*

**Rationale.** The MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL/COMPLEX/INTEGER interface needs as input the original range and precision values to be able to define useful and compiler-independent external (Section 14.5.2) or user-defined (Section 14.5.3) data representations, and in order to be able to perform automatic and efficient data conversions in a heterogeneous environment. *(End of rationale.)*

We now specify how the datatypes described in this section behave when used with the "external32" external data representation described in Section 14.5.2.

The "external32" representation specifies data formats for integer and floating point values. Integer values are represented in two’s complement big-endian format. Floating point values are represented by one of three IEEE formats. These are the IEEE “Single,” “Double,” and “Double Extended” formats, requiring 4, 8, and 16 bytes of storage, respectively. For the IEEE “Double Extended” formats, MPI specifies a Format Width of 16 bytes, with 15 exponent bits, bias = +10383, 112 fraction bits, and an encoding analogous to the “Double” format.

The "external32" representations of the datatypes returned by MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL/COMPLEX/INTEGER are given by the following rules.

For MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL:

```plaintext
if (p > 33) or (r > 4931) then external32 representation is undefined
else if (p > 15) or (r > 307) then external32_size = 16
else if (p > 6) or (r > 37) then external32_size = 8
else external32_size = 4
```

For MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_COMPLEX: twice the size as for MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL.

For MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_INTEGER:

```plaintext
if (r > 38) then external32 representation is undefined
else if (r > 18) then external32_size = 16
else if (r > 9) then external32_size = 8
else if (r > 4) then external32_size = 4
else if (r > 2) then external32_size = 2
else external32_size = 1
```
If the "external32" representation of a datatype is undefined, the result of using the datatype directly or indirectly (i.e., as part of another datatype or through a duplicated datatype) in operations that require the "external32" representation is undefined. These operations include MPI_PACK_EXTERNAL, MPI_UNPACK_EXTERNAL, and many MPI_FILE functions, when the "external32" data representation is used. The ranges for which the "external32" representation is undefined are reserved for future standardization.

Support for Size-specific MPI Datatypes

MPI provides named datatypes corresponding to optional Fortran 77 numeric types that contain explicit byte lengths—MPI_REAL4, MPI_INTEGER8, etc. This section describes a mechanism that generalizes this model to support all Fortran numeric intrinsic types.

We assume that for each typeclass (integer, real, complex) and each word size n there is a unique machine representation. For every pair (typeclass, n) supported by a compiler, MPI must provide a named size-specific datatype. The name of this datatype is of the form MPI_<TYPECLASS><n> in C and Fortran where <TYPECLASS> is one of REAL, INTEGER, or COMPLEX, and <n> is the length in bytes of the machine representation. This datatype locally matches all variables of type (typeclass, n) in Fortran. The list of names for such types includes:

- MPI_REAL4
- MPI_REAL8
- MPI_REAL16
- MPI_COMPLEX8
- MPI_COMPLEX16
- MPI_COMPLEX32
- MPI_INTEGER1
- MPI_INTEGER2
- MPI_INTEGER4
- MPI_INTEGER8
- MPI_INTEGER16

One datatype is required for each representation supported by the Fortran compiler.

Rationale. Particularly for the longer floating-point types, C and Fortran may use different representations. For example, a Fortran compiler may define a 16-byte REAL type with 33 decimal digits of precision while a C compiler may define a 16-byte long double type that implements an 80-bit (10 byte) extended precision floating point value. Both of these types are 16 bytes long, but they are not interoperable. Thus, these types are defined by Fortran, even though C may define types of the same length.

(End of rationale.)

To be backward compatible with the interpretation of these types in MPI-1, we assume that the nonstandard declarations REAL*n, INTEGER*n, always create a variable whose representation is of size n. These datatypes may also be used for variables declared with KIND=INT8/16/32/64 or KIND=REAL32/64/128, which are defined in the ISO_FORTRAN_ENV intrinsic module. Note that the MPI datatypes and the REAL*n, INTEGER*n declarations count bytes whereas the Fortran KIND values count bits. All these datatypes are predefined.

The following function allows a user to obtain a size-specific MPI datatype for any intrinsic Fortran type.
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MPI\_TYPE\_MATCH\_SIZE\(\text{typeclass, size, datatypes}\)

\text{IN} \quad \text{typeclass} \quad \text{generic type specifier (integer)}

\text{IN} \quad \text{size} \quad \text{size, in bytes, of representation (integer)}

\text{OUT} \quad \text{datatype} \quad \text{datatype with correct type, size (handle)}

\text{C binding}

\text{int MPI\_Type\_match\_size(int typeclass, int size, MPI\_Datatype *datatype)}

\text{Fortran 2008 binding}

\text{MPI\_Type\_match\_size(typeclass, size, datatype, ierr)}

\text{INTEGER, INTENT(IN)} :: typeclass, size
\text{TYPE(MPI\_Datatype), INTENT(OUT)} :: datatype
\text{INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT)} :: ierr

\text{Fortran binding}

\text{MPI\_TYPE\_MATCH\_SIZE(TYPECLASS, SIZE, DATATYPE, IERROR)}

\text{INTEGER TYPECLASS, SIZE, DATATYPE, IERROR}

\text{typeclass} \text{is one of MPI\_TYPECLASS\_REAL, MPI\_TYPECLASS\_INTEGER and}
\text{MPI\_TYPECLASS\_COMPLEX, corresponding to the desired typeclass. The function returns}
\text{an MPI datatype matching a local variable of type (typeclass, size).}

This function returns a reference (handle) to one of the predefined named datatypes,
not a duplicate. This type cannot be freed. \text{MPI\_TYPE\_MATCH\_SIZE} can be used to
obtain a size-specific type that matches a Fortran numeric intrinsic type by first calling
\text{storage\_size()} in order to compute the variable size in bits, dividing it by eight, and then
calling \text{MPI\_TYPE\_MATCH\_SIZE} to find a suitable datatype. In C, one can use the C
operator \text{sizeof()} (which returns the size in bytes) instead of \text{storage\_size()} (which returns
the size in bits). In addition, for variables of default kind the variable’s size can be computed
by a call to \text{MPI\_TYPE\_GET\_EXTENT}, if the \text{typeclass} is known. It is erroneous to specify
a size not supported by the compiler.

\text{Rationale.} This is a convenience function. Without it, it can be tedious to find the
\text{correct named type. See note to implementors below. (End of rationale.)}

\text{Advice to implementors.} This function could be implemented as a series of tests.

\text{Example 19.2. Example of an implementation of MPI\_TYPE\_MATCH\_SIZE.}

\text{int MPI\_Type\_match\_size(int typeclass, int size, MPI\_Datatype *rtype)}
\{ \text{switch(typeclass)} \{
\text{case MPI\_TYPECLASS\_REAL: switch(size) \{}
\text{case 4: rtype = MPI\_REAL4; return MPI\_SUCCESS;}
\text{case 8: rtype = MPI\_REAL8; return MPI\_SUCCESS;}
\text{default: error(...)};
\text{\}}
\text{case MPI\_TYPECLASS\_INTEGER: switch(size) \{}
\text{case 4: rtype = MPI\_INTEGER4; return MPI\_SUCCESS;}
\text{case 8: rtype = MPI\_INTEGER8; return MPI\_SUCCESS;}
\text{default: error(...)};
\text{\}}
\text{\}}
\text{... etc. ...}
Communication With Size-specific Types

The usual type matching rules apply to size-specific datatypes: a value sent with datatype MPI_TYPECLASS\(<n>\) can be received with this same datatype on another MPI process. Most modern computers use two's complement for integers and IEEE format for floating point. Thus, communication using these size-specific datatypes will not entail loss of precision or truncation errors.

Advice to users. Care is required when communicating in a heterogeneous environment. Consider the following code:

Example 19.3. Unsafe heterogeneous communication due to the use of MPI_TYPE_MATCH_SIZE.

```fortran
real(selected_real_kind(5)) x(100)
size = storage_size(x) / 8
call MPI_TYPE_MATCH_SIZE(MPI_TYPECLASS_REAL, size, xtype, ierror)
if (myrank.eq. 0)
    ... initialize x ...
call MPI_SEND(x, xtype, 100, 1, ...)
else if (myrank.eq. 1) then
    call MPI_RECV(x, xtype, 100, 0, ...)
endif
```

This may not work in a heterogeneous environment if the value of size is not the same on the MPI processes with ranks 0 and 1. There should be no problem in a homogeneous environment. To communicate in a heterogeneous environment, there are at least four options. The first is to declare variables of default type and use the MPI datatypes for these types, e.g., declare a variable of type REAL and use MPI_REAL. The second is to use selected_real_kind or selected_int_kind and with the functions of the previous section. The third is to declare a variable that is known to be the same size on all architectures (e.g., selected_real_kind(12) on almost all compilers will result in an 8-byte representation). The fourth is to carefully check representation size before communication. This may require explicit conversion to a variable of size that can be communicated and handshaking between sender and receiver to agree on a size.

Note finally that using the "external32" representation for I/O requires explicit attention to the representation sizes. Consider the following code:

Example 19.4. Unsafe heterogeneous MPI file I/O due to the use of MPI_TYPE_MATCH_SIZE.

```fortran
real(selected_real_kind(5)) x(100)
```
size = storage_size(x) / 8
call MPI_TYPE_MATCH_SIZE(MPI_TYPECLASS_REAL, size, xtype, ierror)

if (myrank .eq. 0) then
  call MPI_FILE_OPEN(MPI_COMM_SELF, 'foo',
                    MPI_MODE_CREATE+MPI_MODE_WRONLY, &
                    MPI_INFO_NULL, fh, ierror)
  call MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW(fh, zero, xtype, xtype, 'external32', &
                         MPI_INFO_NULL, ierror)
  call MPI_FILE_WRITE(fh, x, 100, xtype, status, ierror)
call MPI_FILE_CLOSE(fh, ierror)
endif

call MPI_BARRIER(MPI_COMM_WORLD, ierror)

if (myrank .eq. 1) then
  call MPI_FILE_OPEN(MPI_COMM_SELF, 'foo', MPI_MODE_RDONLY, &
                    MPI_INFO_NULL, fh, ierror)
  call MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW(fh, zero, xtype, xtype, 'external32', &
                         MPI_INFO_NULL, ierror)
  call MPI_FILE_READ(fh, x, 100, xtype, status, ierror)
call MPI_FILE_CLOSE(fh, ierror)
endif

If the MPI processes with ranks 0 and 1 are on different machines, this code may not work as expected if the size is different on the two machines. (End of advice to users.)

19.1.10 Problems With Fortran Bindings for MPI

This section discusses a number of problems that may arise when using MPI in a Fortran program. It is intended as advice to users, and clarifies how MPI interacts with Fortran. It is intended to clarify, not add to, this standard.

As noted in the original MPI specification, the interface violates the Fortran standard in several ways. While these may cause few problems for Fortran 77 programs, they become more significant for Fortran 90 programs, so that users must exercise care when using new Fortran 90 features. With Fortran 2008 and the semantics defined in TS 29113, most violations are resolved, and this is hinted at in an addendum to each item. The violations were originally adopted and have been retained because they are important for the usability of MPI. The rest of this section describes the potential problems in detail.

The following MPI features are inconsistent with Fortran 90 and Fortran 77.

1. An MPI subroutine with a choice argument may be called with different argument types. When using the mpi_f08 module together with a compiler that supports Fortran 2008 with TS 29113, this problem is resolved.

2. An MPI subroutine with an assumed-size dummy argument may be passed an actual scalar argument. This is only solved for choice buffers through the use of DIMENSION(....).

3. Nonblocking and split-collective MPI routines assume that actual arguments are passed by address or descriptor and that arguments and the associated data are not copied
on entrance to or exit from the subroutine. This problem is solved with the use of the 
ASYNCHRONOUS attribute.

4. An MPI implementation may read or modify user data (e.g., communication buffers 
used by nonblocking communications) concurrently with a user program that is ex-
ecuting outside of MPI calls. This problem is resolved by relying on the extended 
semantics of the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute as specified in TS 29113.

5. Several named “constants,” such as MPI_BOTTOM, MPI_IN_PLACE, 
MPI_STATUS_IGNORE, MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE, MPI_ERRCODES_IGNORE, 
MPI_UNWEIGHTED, MPI_WEIGHTS_EMPTY, MPI_ARGV_NULL, and MPI_ARGVS_NULL 
are not ordinary Fortran constants and require a special implementation. See Sec-
tion 2.5.4 for more information.

6. The memory allocation routine MPI_ALLOC_MEM cannot be used from 
Fortran 77/90/95 without a language extension (for example, Cray pointers) that 
allows the allocated memory to be associated with a Fortran variable. Therefore, 
address sized integers were used in MPI-2.0 – MPI-2.2. In Fortran 2003, 
TYPE(C_PTR) entities were added, which allow a standard-conforming implementation 
of the semantics of MPI_ALLOC_MEM. In MPI-3.0 and later, MPI_ALLOC_MEM has 
an additional, overloaded interface to support this language feature. The use of Cray 
pointers is deprecated. The mpi_f08 module only supports TYPE(C_PTR) pointers.

Additionally, MPI is inconsistent with Fortran 77 in a number of ways, as noted below.

- MPI identifiers exceed 6 characters.
- MPI identifiers may contain underscores after the first character.
- MPI requires an include file, mpif.h (deprecated). On systems that do not support 
include files, the implementation should specify the values of named constants.
- Many routines in MPI have KIND-parameterized integers (e.g., MPI_ADDRESS_KIND and 
MPI_OFFSET_KIND) that hold address information. On systems that do not support 
Fortran 90-style parameterized types, INTEGER*8 or INTEGER should be used instead.

MPI-1 contained several routines that take address-sized information as input or return 
address-sized information as output. In C such arguments were of type 
MPI_Aint and in Fortran of type INTEGER. On machines where integers are smaller than 
addresses, these routines can lose information. In MPI-2 the use of these functions has 
been deprecated and they have been replaced by routines taking INTEGER arguments of 
KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND. A number of MPI-2 functions also take INTEGER arguments of 
nondefault KIND. See Section 2.6 and Section 5.1.1 for more information.

Sections 19.1.11 through 19.1.19 describe several problems in detail that concern the 
interaction of MPI and Fortran as well as their solutions. Some of these solutions require special 
capabilities from the compilers. Major requirements are summarized in Section 19.1.7.

19.1.11 Problems Due to Strong Typing

All MPI functions with choice arguments associate actual arguments of different Fortran datatypes with the same dummy argument. This is not allowed by Fortran 77, and in
Fortran 90, it is technically only allowed if the function is overloaded with a different function for each type (see also Section 19.1.6). In C, the use of `void*` formal arguments avoids these problems. Similar to C, with Fortran 2008 with TS 29113 (and later) together with the mpi_f08 module, the problem is avoided by declaring choice arguments with `TYPE(*), DIMENSION(...)`, i.e., as assumed-type and assumed-rank dummy arguments.

Using `INCLUDE 'mpif.h'` (deprecated), the following code fragment is technically invalid and may generate a compile-time error.

```fortran
integer i(5)
real x(5)
...
call mpi_send(x, 5, MPI_REAL, ...)
call mpi_send(i, 5, MPI_INTEGER, ...)
```

In practice, it is rare for compilers to do more than issue a warning. When using either the mpi_f08 or mpi module, the problem is usually resolved through the assumed-type and assumed-rank declarations of the dummy arguments, or with a compiler-dependent mechanism that overrides type checking for choice arguments.

It is also technically invalid in Fortran to pass a scalar actual argument to an array dummy argument that is not a choice buffer argument. Thus, when using the mpi_f08 or mpi module, the following code fragment usually generates an error since the `dims` and `periods` arguments to `MPI_CART_CREATE` are declared as assumed size arrays `INTEGER :: DIMS(*)` and `LOGICAL :: PERIODS(*)`.

### Example 19.5

It is erroneous to pass a variable instead of an array with one element.

```fortran
! ---------------- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS ---------------
USE mpi_f08 ! or USE mpi
INTEGER size
CALL MPI_CART_CREATE(comm_old, 1, size, .TRUE., .TRUE., comm_cart, ierror)
```

Although this is a nonconforming MPI call, compiler warnings are not expected (but may occur) when using `INCLUDE 'mpif.h'` (deprecated) and this include file does not use Fortran explicit interfaces.

#### 19.1.12 Problems Due to Data Copying and Sequence Association with Subscript Triplets

Arrays with subscript **triplets** describe Fortran subarrays with or without strides, e.g.,

### Example 19.6

Fortran subarrays as actual buffer in MPI procedures.

```fortran
REAL a(100,100,100)
call MPI_Send(a(11:17, 12:99:3, 1:100), 7*30*100, MPI_REAL, ...)
```

The handling of subscript triplets depends on the value of the constant `MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED`:

- If `MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED` equals `.TRUE.`:

  Choice buffer arguments are declared as `TYPE(*), DIMENSION(...)`. For example, consider the following code fragment:
Example 19.7. Fortran subarrays without restrictions if
MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED equals .TRUE..

REAL s(100), r(100)
CALL MPI_Isend(s(1:100:5), 3, MPI_REAL, ..., rq, ierror)
CALL MPI_Wait(rq, status, ierror)
CALL MPI_Irecv(r(1:100:5), 3, MPI_REAL, ..., rq, ierror)
CALL MPI_Wait(rq, status, ierror)

In this case, the individual elements s(1), s(6), and s(11) are sent between the start of
MPI_Isend and the end of MPI_Wait even though the compiled code will not copy
s(1:100:5) to a real contiguous temporary scratch buffer. Instead, the compiled code
will pass a descriptor to MPI_Isend that allows MPI to operate directly on
s(1), s(6), s(11), ..., s(96). The called MPI_Isend routine will take only the first three
of these elements due to the type signature “3, MPI_REAL”.

All nonblocking MPI functions (e.g., MPI_Isend, MPI_Put,
MPI_File_Write_All_Begin) behave as if the user-specified elements of choice buff-
ers are copied to a contiguous scratch buffer in the MPI runtime environment. All
datatype descriptions (in the example above, “3, MPI_REAL”) read and store data from
and to this virtual contiguous scratch buffer. Displacements in MPI derived datatypes
are relative to the beginning of this virtual contiguous scratch buffer. Upon com-
pletion of a nonblocking receive operation (e.g., when MPI_Wait on a corresponding
MPI_Request returns), it is as if the received data has been copied from the virtual
contiguous scratch buffer back to the noncontiguous application buffer. In the exam-
ple above, r(1), r(6), and r(11) are guaranteed to be defined with the received data
when MPI_Wait returns.

Note that the above definition does not supersede restrictions about buffers used with
nonblocking operations (e.g., those specified in Section 3.7.2).

Advice to implementors. The Fortran descriptor for TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..)
arguments contains enough information that, if desired, the MPI library can
make a real contiguous copy of noncontiguous user buffers when the nonblocking
operation is started, and release this buffer not before the nonblocking commu-
nication has completed (e.g., the MPI_Wait routine). Efficient implementations
may avoid such additional memory-to-memory data copying. (End of advice to
implementors.)

Rationale. If MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED equals .TRUE., non-contiguous buff-
ers are handled inside the MPI library instead of by the compiler through argu-
ment association conventions. Therefore, the scope of MPI library scratch buffers
can be from the beginning of a nonblocking operation until the completion of the
operation although beginning and completion are implemented in different rou-
tines. (End of rationale.)

• If MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED equals .FALSE.:
In this case, the use of Fortran arrays with subscript triplets as actual choice buffer
arguments in any nonblocking MPI operation (which also includes persistent request,
and split collectives) may cause undefined behavior. They may, however, be used in
blocking MPI operations.
Implicit in MPI is the idea of a contiguous chunk of memory accessible through a linear address space. MPI copies data to and from this memory. An MPI program specifies the location of data by providing memory addresses and offsets. In the C language, sequence association rules plus pointers provide all the necessary low-level structure.

In Fortran, array data is not necessarily stored contiguously. For example, the array section \( A(1:N:2) \) involves only the elements of \( A \) with indices 1, 3, 5, \ldots. The same is true for a pointer array whose target is such a section. Most compilers ensure that an array that is a dummy argument is held in contiguous memory if it is declared with an explicit shape (e.g., \( B(N) \)) or is of assumed size (e.g., \( B(*) \)). If necessary, they do this by making a copy of the array into contiguous memory.\footnote{Technically, the Fortran standard is worded to allow noncontiguous storage of any array data, unless the dummy argument has the \texttt{CONTIGUOUS} attribute.}

Because MPI dummy buffer arguments are assumed-size arrays if \texttt{MPI\_SUBARRAYS\_SUPPORTED} equals \texttt{.FALSE.}, this leads to a serious problem for a nonblocking call: the compiler copies the temporary array back on return but MPI continues to copy data to the memory that held it. For example, consider the following code fragment:

\begin{example}

Fortran subarrays cannot be used if \texttt{MPI\_SUBARRAYS\_SUPPORTED} equals \texttt{.FALSE.}.

\begin{verbatim}
! -- THIS EXAMPLE IS ERRONEOUS if MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED == .FALSE. --
real a(100)
call MPI_Irecv(a(1:100:2), MPI_REAL, 50, ...)
\end{verbatim}

\end{example}

Since the first dummy argument to \texttt{MPI\_IRECV} is an assumed-size array (\texttt{<type> buf(*)}), the array section \( a(1:100:2) \) is copied to a temporary before being passed to \texttt{MPI\_IRECV}, so that it is contiguous in memory. \texttt{MPI\_IRECV} returns immediately, and data is copied from the temporary back into the array \( a \). Sometime later, MPI may write to the address of the deallocated temporary. Copying is also a problem for \texttt{MPI\_ISEND} since the temporary array may be deallocated before the data has all been sent from it.

Most Fortran 90 compilers do not make a copy if the actual argument is the whole of an explicit-shape or assumed-size array or is a “simply contiguous” section such as \( A(1:N) \) of such an array. (“Simply contiguous” is defined in the next paragraph.) Also, many compilers treat allocatable arrays the same as they treat explicit-shape arrays in this regard (though we know of one that does not). However, the same is not true for assumed-shape and pointer arrays; since they may be discontiguous, copying is often done. It is this copying that causes problems for MPI as described in the previous paragraph.

According to the Fortran 2008 Standard, Section 6.5.4, a “simply contiguous” array section is

\begin{verbatim}
name ( [:]... [::<<subscript>>]:::<subscript>>] [,::<subscript>>]... )
\end{verbatim}

That is, there are zero or more dimensions that are selected in full, then one dimension selected without a stride, then zero or more dimensions that are selected with a simple
subscript. The compiler can detect from analyzing the source code that the array is
contiguous. Examples are

A(1:N), A(:,N), A(:,1:N,1), A(1:6,N), A(:,,:),1:N)

Because of Fortran’s column-major ordering, where the first index varies fastest, a
“simply contiguous” section of a contiguous array will also be contiguous.

The same problem can occur with a scalar argument. A compiler may make a copy of
scalar dummy arguments within a called procedure when passed as an actual argument
to a choice buffer routine. That this can cause a problem is illustrated by the example

Example 19.9. Problem with scalar arguments.

real :: a
call user1(a,rq)
call MPI_WAIT(rq,status,ierr)
write (*,*), a

subroutine user1(buf, request)
call MPI_Irecv(buf,...,request,...)
end

If a is copied, MPI_Irecv will alter the copy when it completes the communication
and will not alter a itself.

Note that copying will almost certainly occur for an argument that is a nontrivial
expression (one with at least one operator or function call), a section that does not
select a contiguous part of its parent (e.g., A(1:n:2)), a pointer whose target is such
a section, or an assumed-shape array that is (directly or indirectly) associated with
such a section.

If a compiler option exists that inhibits copying of arguments, in either the calling or
called procedure, this must be employed.

If a compiler makes copies in the calling procedure of arguments that are explicit-
shape or assumed-size arrays, “simply contiguous” array sections of such arrays, or
scalars, and if no compiler option exists to inhibit such copying, then the compiler
cannot be used for applications that use MPI_GET_ADDRESS, or any nonblocking
MPI routine. If a compiler copies scalar arguments in the called procedure and there
is no compiler option to inhibit this, then this compiler cannot be used for applications
that use memory references across subroutine calls as in the example above.

19.1.13 Problems Due to Data Copying and Sequence Association with Vector
Subscripts

Fortran arrays with vector subscripts describe subarrays containing a possibly irregular
set of elements

Example 19.10. Fortran irregular subarrays through using vector subscripts.

REAL a(100)
call MPI_Send(a(/7,9,23,81,82/), 5, MPI_REAL, ...)

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Fortran arrays with a vector subscript must not be used as actual choice buffer arguments in any nonblocking or split collective MPI operations. They may, however, be used in blocking MPI operations.

19.1.14 Special Constants

MPI requires a number of special "constants" that cannot be implemented as normal Fortran constants, e.g., MPI_BOTTOM. The complete list can be found in Section 2.5.4. In C, these are implemented as constant pointers, usually as NULL and are used where the function prototype calls for a pointer to a variable, not the variable itself.

In Fortran, using special values for the constants (e.g., by defining them through parameter statements) is not possible because an implementation cannot distinguish these values from valid data. Typically these constants are implemented as predefined static variables (e.g., a variable in an MPI-declared COMMON block), relying on the fact that the target compiler passes data by address. Inside the subroutine, the address of the actual choice buffer argument can be compared with the address of such a predefined static variable.

These special constants also cause an exception with the usage of Fortran INTENT: with USE mpi_f08, the attributes INTENT(IN), INTENT(OUT), and INTENT(INOUT) are used in the Fortran interface. In most cases, INTENT(IN) is used if the C interface uses call-by-value. For all buffer arguments and for dummy arguments that may be modified and allow one of these special constants as input, an INTENT is not specified.

19.1.15 Fortran Derived Types

MPI supports passing Fortran entities of BIND(C) and SEQUENCE derived types to choice dummy arguments, provided no type component has the ALLOCATABLE or POINTER attribute.

The following code fragment shows some possible ways to send scalars or arrays of interoperable derived types in Fortran. The example assumes that all data is passed by address.

Example 19.11. Fortran array of derived Fortran types: the struct MPI derived type should be resized.

```fortran
 type, BIND(C) :: mytype
   integer :: i
   real :: x
   double precision :: d
   logical :: l
 end type mytype

 type(mytype) :: foo , fooarr (5)

 integer :: blocklen(4) , dtype (4)
 integer(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: disp (4) , base , lb , extent

call MPI_GET_ADDRESS(foo%i, disp(1), ierr)
call MPI_GET_ADDRESS(foo%x, disp(2), ierr)
call MPI_GET_ADDRESS(foo%d, disp(3), ierr)
call MPI_GET_ADDRESS(foo%l, disp(4), ierr)

 base = disp(1)
disp(1) = disp(1) - base
```
disp(2) = disp(2) - base
disp(3) = disp(3) - base
disp(4) = disp(4) - base

blocklen(1) = 1
blocklen(2) = 1
blocklen(3) = 1
blocklen(4) = 1
dtype(1) = MPI_INTEGER
dtype(2) = MPI_REAL
dtype(3) = MPI_DOUBLE PRECISION
dtype(4) = MPI_LOGICAL

call MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT(4, blocklen, disp, dtype, newtype, ierr)
call MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(newtype, ierr)

! or
call MPI_SEND(foo %i, 1, newtype, dest, tag, comm, ierr)
! expects that base == address (foo %i) == address (foo)
call MPI_TYPE_CREATE_RESIZED(newtype, lb, extent, newarrtype, ierr)
call MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(newarrtype, ierr)
call MPI_SEND(fooarr, 5, newarrtype, dest, tag, comm, ierr)

Using the derived type variable foo instead of its first basic type element foo %i may be impossible if the MPI library implements choice buffer arguments through overloading instead of using TYPE(*), DIMENSION(...), or through a nonstandardized extension such as !$PRAGMA IGNORE_TKR; see Section 19.1.6.

To use a derived type in an array requires a correct extent of the datatype handle to take care of the alignment rules applied by the compiler. These alignment rules may imply that there are gaps between the components of a derived type, and also between the subsequent elements of an array of a derived type. The extent of an interoperable derived type (i.e., defined with BIND(C)) and a SEQUENCE derived type with the same content may be different because C and Fortran may apply different alignment rules. As recommended in the advice to users in Section 5.1.6, one should add an additional fifth structure element with one numerical storage unit at the end of this structure to force in most cases that the array of structures is contiguous. Even with such an additional element, one should keep this resizing due to the special alignment rules that can be used by the compiler for structures, as also mentioned in this advice.

Using the extended semantics defined in TS 29113, it is also possible to use entities or derived types without either the BIND(C) or the SEQUENCE attribute as choice buffer arguments; some additional constraints must be observed, e.g., no ALLOCATABLE or POINTER type components may exist. In this case, the base address in the example must be changed to become the address of foo instead of foo %i, because the Fortran compiler may rearrange...
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Table 19.2: Occurrence of Fortran optimization problems in several usage areas

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type components or add padding. Sending the structure foo should then also be performed by providing it (and not foo%i) as actual argument for MPI_Send.

19.1.16 Optimization Problems, an Overview

MPI provides operations that may be hidden from the user code and run concurrently with it, accessing the same memory as user code. Examples include the data transfer for an MPI_IRECV. The optimizer of a compiler will assume that it can recognize periods when a copy of a variable can be kept in a register without reloading from or storing to memory. When the user code is working with a register copy of some variable while the hidden operation reads or writes the memory copy, problems occur. These problems are independent of the Fortran support method; i.e., they occur with the mpi_f08 module, the mpi module, and the (deprecated) mpif.h include file.

This section shows four problematic usage areas (the abbreviations in parentheses are used in the table below):

- Use of nonblocking routines or persistent requests (Nonbl.).
- Use of one-sided routines (1-sided).
- Use of MPI parallel file I/O split collective operations (Split).
- Use of MPI_BOTTOM together with absolute displacements in MPI datatypes, or relative displacements between two variables in such datatypes (Bottom).

The following compiler optimization strategies (valid for serial code) may cause problems in MPI applications:

- Code movement and register optimization problems; see Section 19.1.17.
- Temporary data movement and temporary memory modifications; see Section 19.1.18.
- Permanent data movement (e.g., through garbage collection); see Section 19.1.19.

Table 19.2 shows the only usage areas where these optimization problems may occur.

The solutions in the following sections are based on compromises:

- to minimize the burden for the application programmer, e.g., as shown in Sections Solutions through The (Poorly Performing) Fortran VOLATILE Attribute on pages 824–828,
● to minimize the drawbacks on compiler based optimization, and

● to minimize the requirements defined in Section 19.1.7.

19.1.17 Problems with Code Movement and Register Optimization

Nonblocking Operations

If a variable is local to a Fortran subroutine (i.e., not in a module or a COMMON block), the compiler will assume that it cannot be modified by a called subroutine unless it is an actual argument of the call. In the most common linkage convention, the subroutine is expected to save and restore certain registers. Thus, the optimizer will assume that a register that held a valid copy of such a variable before the call will still hold a valid copy on return.


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<tr>
<th>Source</th>
<th>compiled as</th>
<th>or compiled as</th>
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<tr>
<td>REAL :: buf, b1</td>
<td>REAL :: buf, b1</td>
<td>REAL :: buf, b1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>call MPI_IRecv(buf,..req)</td>
<td>call MPI_IRecv(buf,..req)</td>
<td>call MPI_IRecv(buf,..req)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>register = buf</td>
<td>b1 = buf</td>
<td>b1 = register</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>call MPI_WAIT(req,..)</td>
<td>call MPI_WAIT(req,..)</td>
<td>call MPI_WAIT(req,..)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b1 = buf</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Example 19.12 shows extreme, but allowed, possibilities. MPI_WAIT on a concurrent thread modifies buf between the invocation of MPI_IRecv and the completion of MPI_WAIT. But the compiler cannot see any possibility that buf can be changed after MPI_IRecv has returned, and may schedule the load of buf earlier than typed in the source. The compiler has no reason to avoid using a register to hold buf across the call to MPI_WAIT. It also may reorder the instructions as illustrated in the rightmost column.

Example 19.13. Similar example with MPI_ISEND

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Source</th>
<th>compiled as</th>
<th>with a possible MPI-internal execution sequence</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>REAL :: buf, copy</td>
<td>REAL :: buf, copy</td>
<td>REAL :: buf, copy</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>buf = val</td>
<td>buf = val</td>
<td>buf = val</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>call MPI_ISEND(buf,..req)</td>
<td>call MPI_ISEND(buf,..req)</td>
<td>addr = &amp;buf</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>copy = buf</td>
<td>copy = buf</td>
<td>copy = buf</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>call MPI_WAIT(req,..)</td>
<td>call MPI_WAIT(req,..)</td>
<td>call send(*addr) ! within</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>buf = val_overwrite</td>
<td></td>
<td>! MPI_WAIT</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>buf = val_overwrite</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Due to valid compiler code movement optimizations in Example 19.13, the content of buf may already have been overwritten by the compiler when the content of buf is sent. The code movement is permitted because the compiler cannot detect a possible access to buf in MPI_WAIT (or in a second thread between the start of MPI_ISEND and the end of MPI_WAIT). Such register optimization is based on moving code; here, the access to buf was moved from after MPI_WAIT to before MPI_WAIT. Note that code movement may also occur across subroutine boundaries when subroutines or functions are inlined.

This register optimization/code movement problem for nonblocking operations does not occur with MPI parallel file I/O split collective operations, because in the MPI_XXX_BEGIN and MPI_XXX_END calls, the same buffer has to be provided as an actual
argument. The register optimization / code movement problem for MPI_BOTTOM and derived MPI datatypes may occur in each blocking and nonblocking communication call, as well as in each parallel file I/O operation.

**Persistent Operations**

With persistent requests, the buffer argument is hidden from the MPI_START and MPI_STARTALL calls, i.e., the Fortran compiler may move buffer accesses across the MPI_START or MPI_STARTALL call, similar to the MPI_WAIT call as described in the Nonblocking Operations subsection in Section 19.1.17.

**One-sided Communication**

An example with instruction reordering due to register optimization can be found in Section 12.7.4.

**MPI_BOTTOM and Combining Independent Variables in Datatypes**

This section is only relevant if the MPI program uses a buffer argument to an MPI_SEND, MPI_RECV, etc., that hides the actual variables involved in the communication. MPI_BOTTOM with an MPI_Datatype containing absolute addresses is one example. Creating a datatype that uses one variable as an anchor and brings along others by using MPI_GET_ADDRESS to determine their offsets from the anchor is another. The anchor variable would be the only one referenced in the call. Also attention must be paid if MPI operations are used that run in parallel with the user’s application.

Example 19.14 shows what Fortran compilers are allowed to do.

**Example 19.14.** Fortran 90 register optimization.

```
This source can be compiled as

call MPI_GET_ADDRESS(buf,bufaddr,ierror)
call MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT(1,1,bufaddr,MPI_REAL,dtype,ierror)
call MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(dtype,ierror)
val_old = buf
val_new = buf

call MPI_RECV(MPI_BOTTOM,1,dtype,...)
val_new = register

call MPI_GET_ADDRESS(buf,...)
call MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT(...)
call MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(...)
register = buf
val_old = register
val_new = register
```

In Example 19.14, the compiler does not invalidate the register because it cannot see that MPI_RECV changes the value of buf. The access to buf is hidden by the use of MPI_GET_ADDRESS and MPI_BOTTOM.

**Example 19.15.** Similar example with MPI_SEND

```
This source can be compiled as

! buf contains val_old
buf = val_new

call MPI_SEND(MPI_BOTTOM,1,dtype,...)
! with buf as a displacement in dtype
! i.e., val_old is sent
```

Example 19.15.

```
! buf contains val_old
buf = val_new

call MPI_SEND(MPI_BOTTOM,1,dtype,...)
! with buf as a displacement in dtype
! i.e., val_old is sent
```
In Example 19.15, several successive assignments to the same variable *buf* can be combined in a way such that only the last assignment is executed. “Successive” means that no interfering load access to this variable occurs between the assignments. The compiler cannot detect that the call to MPI\_SEND statement is interfering because the load access to *buf* is hidden by the usage of MPI\_BOTTOM.

**Solutions**

The following sections show in detail how the problems with code movement and register optimization can be portably solved. Application writers can partially or fully avoid these compiler optimization problems by using one or more of the special Fortran declarations with the send and receive buffers used in nonblocking operations, or in operations in which MPI\_BOTTOM is used, or if datatype handles that combine several variables are used:

- Use of the Fortran ASYNCHRONOUS attribute.
- Use of the helper routine MPI\_F\_SYNC\_REG, or an equivalent user-written dummy routine.
- Declare the buffer as a Fortran module variable or within a Fortran common block.
- Use of the Fortran VOLATILE attribute.

**Example 19.16.** Protecting nonblocking communication with the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute.

```fortran
USE mpi_f08
REAL, ASYNCHRONOUS :: b(0:101) ! elements 0 and 101 are halo cells
REAL :: bnew(0:101) ! elements 1 and 100 are newly computed
TYPE(MPI\_Request) :: req(4)
INTEGER :: left, right, i
CALL MPI\_Cart\_shift(...,left,right,...)
CALL MPI\_Irecv(b( 0), ..., left, ..., req(1), ...)
CALL MPI\_Irecv(b(101), ..., right, ..., req(2), ...)
CALL MPI\_Isend(b( 1), ..., left, ..., req(3), ...)
CALL MPI\_Isend(b(100), ..., right, ..., req(4), ...)

# ifdef WITHOUT\_OVERLAPPING\_COMMUNICATION\_AND\_COMPUTATION
  ! Case (a)
  CALL MPI\_Waitall(4, req, ...)
  DO i=1,100 ! compute all new local data
    bnew(i) = function(b(i-1), b(i), b(i+1))
  END DO
# endif

# ifdef WITH\_OVERLAPPING\_COMMUNICATION\_AND\_COMPUTATION
```

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Each of these methods solves the problems of code movement and register optimization, but may incur various degrees of performance impact, and may not be usable in every application context. These methods may not be guaranteed by the Fortran standard, but they must be guaranteed by a MPI-3.0 (and later) compliant MPI library and associated compiler suite according to the requirements listed in Section 19.1.7. The performance impact of using MPI_F_SYNC_REG is expected to be low, that of using module variables or the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute is expected to be low to medium, and that of using the VOLATILE attribute is expected to be high or very high. Note that there is one attribute that cannot be used for this purpose: the Fortran TARGET attribute does not solve code movement problems in MPI applications.

The Fortran ASYNCHRONOUS Attribute

Declaring an actual buffer argument with the ASYNCHRONOUS Fortran attribute in a scoping unit (or BLOCK) informs the compiler that any statement in the scoping unit may be executed while the buffer is affected by a pending asynchronous Fortran input/output operation (since Fortran 2003) or by an asynchronous communication (TS 29113 extension). Without the extensions specified in TS 29113, a Fortran compiler may totally ignore this attribute if the Fortran compiler implements asynchronous Fortran input/output operations with blocking I/O. The ASYNCHRONOUS attribute protects the buffer accesses from optimizations through code movements across routine calls, and the buffer itself from temporary and permanent data movements. If the choice buffer dummy argument of a nonblocking MPI routine is declared with ASYNCHRONOUS (which is mandatory for the mpi_f08 module, with allowable exceptions listed in Section 19.1.6), then the compiler has to guarantee call by reference and should report a compile-time error if call by reference is impossible, e.g., if vector subscripts are used. The MPI_ASYNC_PROTECTS_NONBLOCKING is set to .TRUE. if both the protection of the actual buffer argument through ASYNCHRONOUS according to the TS 29113 extension and the declaration of the dummy argument with ASYNCHRONOUS in the Fortran support method is guaranteed for all nonblocking routines, otherwise it is set to .FALSE..

The ASYNCHRONOUS attribute has some restrictions. Section 5.4.2 of the TS 29113 specifies:

“Asynchronous communication for a Fortran variable occurs through the action of procedures defined by means other than Fortran. It is initiated by execution of an asynchronous communication initiation procedure and completed by execution of an asynchronous communication completion procedure. Between the execution of the initiation and completion procedures, any variable of which any part is associated with any part of the asynchronous communication variable is a
**pending communication affector.** Whether a procedure is an asynchronous communication initiation or completion procedure is processor dependent.

Asynchronous communication is either input communication or output communication. For input communication, a pending communication affector shall not be referenced, become defined, become undefined, become associated with a dummy argument that has the VALUE attribute, or have its pointer association status changed. For output communication, a pending communication affector shall not be redefined, become undefined, or have its pointer association status changed."

In Example 19.16 Case (a) on page 824, the read accesses to b within `function(b(i-1), b(i), b(i+1))` cannot be moved by compiler optimizations to before the wait call because b was declared as ASYNCHRONOUS. Note that only the elements 0, 1, 100, and 101 of b are involved in asynchronous communication but by definition, the total variable b is the pending communication affector and is usable for input and output asynchronous communication between the MPI_IXXX routines and MPI_Waitall. Case (a) works fine because the read accesses to b occur after the communication has completed.

In Case (b), the read accesses to b(1:100) in the loop i=2,99 are read accesses to a pending communication affector while input communication (i.e., the two MPI_Irecv calls) is pending. This is a contradiction to the rule that for input communication, a pending communication affector shall not be referenced. The problem can be solved by using separate variables for the halos and the inner array, or by splitting a common array into disjoint subarrays that are passed through different dummy arguments into a subroutine, as shown in Example 19.21.

If one does not overlap communication and computation on the same variable, then all optimization problems can be solved through the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute.

The problems with MPI_BOTTOM, as shown in Example 19.14 and Example 19.15, can also be solved by declaring the buffer buf with the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute.

In some MPI routines, a buffer dummy argument is defined as ASYNCHRONOUS to guarantee passing by reference, provided that the actual argument is also defined as ASYNCHRONOUS.

**Calling MPI_F_SYNC_REG**

The compiler may be prevented from moving a reference to a buffer across a call to an MPI subroutine by surrounding the call by calls to an external subroutine with the buffer as an actual argument. The MPI library provides the MPI_F_SYNC_REG routine for this purpose; see Section 19.1.8.

- The problems illustrated by the Examples 19.12 and 19.13 can be solved by calling MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf) once immediately after MPI_WAIT.

Example 19.12 can be solved with

```fortran
  call MPI_Irecv(buf,...req)
  call MPI_WAIT(req,...)
  call MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)
  b1 = buf
```

Example 19.13 can be solved with

```fortran
  buf = val
  call MPI_Irecv(buf,...req)
  copy = buf
  call MPI_WAIT(req,...)
  call MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)
  buf = val_overwrite
```
The call to `MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)` prevents moving the last line before the `MPI_WAIT` call. Further calls to `MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)` are not needed because it is still correct if the additional read access `copy=buf` is moved below `MPI_WAIT` and before `buf=val_overwrite`.

- The problems illustrated by the Examples 19.14 and 19.15 can be solved with two additional `MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)` statements; one directly before `MPI_RECV/MPI_SEND`, and one directly after this communication operation.

Example 19.14 can be solved with:

```fortran
  call MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)
  call MPI_RECV(MPI_BOTTOM,...)
  call MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)
```

Example 19.15 can be solved with:

```fortran
  call MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)
  call MPI_SEND(MPI_BOTTOM,...)
  call MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)
```

The first call to `MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)` is needed to finish all load and store references to `buf` prior to `MPI_RECV/MPI_SEND`; the second call is needed to assure that any subsequent access to `buf` is not moved before `MPI_RECV/MPI_SEND`.

- In the Example 12.14 in Section 12.7.4, two asynchronous accesses must be protected: in Process 1, the access to `bbbb` must be protected similar to Example 19.12, i.e., a call to `MPI_F_SYNC_REG(bbbb)` is needed after the second `MPI_WIN_FENCE` to guarantee that further accesses to `bbbb` are not moved ahead of the call to `MPI_WIN_FENCE`. In Process 2, both calls to `MPI_WIN_FENCE` together act as a communication call with `MPI_BOTTOM` as the buffer. That is, before the first fence and after the second fence, a call to `MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)` is needed to guarantee that accesses to `buf` are not moved after or ahead of the calls to `MPI_WIN_FENCE`. Using `MPI_GET` instead of `MPI_PUT`, the same calls to `MPI_F_SYNC_REG` are necessary.

**Example 19.17.** Solution for the Fortran register optimization problems with one-sided communication in Example 12.14.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Source of Process 1</th>
<th>Source of Process 2</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td><code>bbbb</code> = 777</td>
<td><code>buff</code> = 999</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>call MPI_WIN_FENCE</code></td>
<td><code>call MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>call MPI_PUT(bbbb</code></td>
<td><code>call MPI_WIN_FENCE</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>into buff of process 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>call MPI_WIN_FENCE</code></td>
<td><code>call MPI_WIN_FENCE</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>call MPI_F_SYNC_REG(bbbb)</code></td>
<td><code>call MPI_F_SYNC_REG(buf)</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>ccc = buff</code></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- The temporary memory modification problem, i.e., Example 19.18, can not be solved with this method.

**A User Defined Routine Instead of `MPI_F_SYNC_REG`**

Instead of `MPI_F_SYNC_REG`, one can also use a user defined external subroutine, which is separately compiled:
subroutine DD(buf)
    integer buf
end

Note that if the INTENT is declared in an explicit interface for the external subroutine, it must be OUT or INOUT. The subroutine itself may have an empty body, but the compiler does not know this and has to assume that the buffer may be altered. For example, a call to MPI_RECV with MPI_BOTTOM as buffer might be replaced by

```
call DD(buf)
call MPI_RECV(MPI_BOTTOM,...)
call DD(buf)
```

Such a user-defined routine was introduced in MPI-2.0 and is still included here to document such usage in existing application programs although new applications should prefer MPI_F_SYNC_REG or one of the other possibilities. In an existing application, calls to such a user-written routine should be substituted by a call to MPI_F_SYNC_REG because the user-written routine may not be implemented in accordance with the rules specified in Section 19.1.7.

Module Variables and COMMON Blocks

An alternative to the previously mentioned methods is to put the buffer or variable into a module or a common block and access it through a USE or COMMON statement in each scope where it is referenced, defined or appears as an actual argument in a call to an MPI routine. The compiler will then have to assume that the MPI procedure may alter the buffer or variable, provided that the compiler cannot infer that the MPI procedure does not reference the module or common block.

- This method solves problems of instruction reordering, code movement, and register optimization related to nonblocking and one-sided communication, or related to the usage of MPI_BOTTOM and derived datatype handles.
- Unfortunately, this method does not solve problems caused by asynchronous accesses between the start and end of a nonblocking or one-sided communication. Specifically, problems caused by temporary memory modifications are not solved.

The (Poorly Performing) Fortran VOLATILE Attribute

The VOLATILE attribute gives the buffer or variable the properties needed to avoid register optimization or code movement problems, but it may inhibit optimization of any code containing references or definitions of the buffer or variable. On many modern systems, the performance impact will be large because not only register, but also cache optimizations will not be applied. Therefore, use of the VOLATILE attribute to enforce correct execution of MPI programs is discouraged.

The Fortran TARGET Attribute

The TARGET attribute does not solve the code movement problem because it is not specified for the choice buffer dummy arguments of nonblocking routines. If the compiler detects that the application program specifies the TARGET attribute for an actual buffer argument used
in the call to a nonblocking routine, the compiler may ignore this attribute if no pointer reference to this buffer exists.

**Rationale.** The Fortran standardization body decided to extend the **ASYNCHRONOUS** attribute within the TS 29113 to protect buffers in nonblocking calls from all kinds of optimization, instead of extending the **TARGET** attribute. *(End of rationale.)*

### 19.1.18 Temporary Data Movement and Temporary Memory Modification

The compiler is allowed to temporarily modify data in memory. Normally, this problem may occur only when overlapping communication and computation, as in Example 19.16, Case (b) on page 824. Example 19.18 also shows a possibility that could be problematic.


```fortran
USE mpi_f08
REAL :: buf (100,100)
CALL MPI_Irecv(buf(1,1:100),..., req, ...)
DO j=1,100
    DO i=2,100
        buf(i,j)=...
    END DO
END DO
CALL MPI_Wait(req, ...)
```

#### Example 19.19. The compiler may substitute the nested loops through loop fusion.

```fortran
REAL :: buf(100,100), buf_1dim(10000)
EQUIVALENCE (buf(1,1), buf_1dim(1))
CALL MPI_Irecv(buf(1,1:100),..., req, ...)
tmp(1:100) = buf(1,1:100)
DO j=1,10000
    buf_1dim(h) = ...
END DO
buf(1,1:100) = tmp(1:100)
CALL MPI_Wait(req, ...)
```

#### Example 19.20. Another optimization is based on the usage of a separate memory storage area, e.g., in a GPU.

```fortran
REAL :: buf(100,100), local_buf(100,100)
CALL MPI_Irecv(buf(1,1:100),..., req, ...)
local_buf = buf
DO j=1,100
    DO i=2,100
        local_buf(i,j)=...
    END DO
END DO
buf = local_buf ! may overwrite asynchronously received data in buf(1,1:100)
CALL MPI_Wait(req, ...)
```
In the compiler-generated, possible optimization in Example 19.19, \texttt{buf(100,100)} from Example 19.18 is equivalenced with the 1-dimensional array \texttt{buf\_1dim(10000)}. The non-blocking receive may asynchronously receive the data in the boundary \texttt{buf(1,1:100)} while the fused loop is temporarily using this part of the buffer. When the \texttt{tmp} data is written back to \texttt{buf}, the previous data of \texttt{buf(1,1:100)} is restored and the received data is lost. The principle behind this optimization is that the receive buffer data \texttt{buf(1,1:100)} was temporarily moved to \texttt{tmp}.

Example 19.20 shows a second possible optimization. The whole array is temporarily moved to \texttt{local\_buf}.

When storing \texttt{local\_buf} back to the original location \texttt{buf}, then this implies overwriting the section of \texttt{buf} that serves as a receive buffer in the nonblocking MPI call, i.e., this storing back of \texttt{local\_buf} is therefore likely to interfere with asynchronously received data in \texttt{buf(1,1:100)}.

Note that this problem may also occur:

- With the local buffer at the origin process, between an RMA communication call and the ensuing synchronization call; see Chapter 12.
- With the window buffer at the target process between two ensuing RMA synchronization calls.
- With the local buffer in MPI parallel file I/O split collective operations between the \texttt{MPI\_XXX\_BEGIN} and \texttt{MPI\_XXX\_END} calls; see Section 14.4.5.

As already mentioned in Section The Fortran ASYNCHRONOUS Attribute on page 825 of Section 19.1.17, the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute can prevent compiler optimization with temporary data movement, but only if the receive buffer and the local references are separated into different variables, as shown in Example 19.21 and in Example 19.22.

Note also that the methods

- calling \texttt{MPI\_F\_SYNC\_REG} (or such a user-defined routine),
- using module variables and \texttt{COMMON} blocks, and
- the \texttt{TARGET} attribute

cannot be used to prevent such temporary data movement. These methods influence compiler optimization when library routines are called. They cannot prevent the optimizations of the code fragments shown in Example 19.18 and 19.19.

Note also that compiler optimization with temporary data movement should \textbf{not} be prevented by declaring \texttt{buf} as \texttt{VOLATILE} because the \texttt{VOLATILE} implies that all accesses to any storage unit (word) of \texttt{buf} must be directly done in the main memory exactly in the sequence defined by the application program. The \texttt{VOLATILE} attribute prevents all register and cache optimizations. Therefore, \texttt{VOLATILE} may cause a huge performance degradation.

Instead of solving the problem, it is better to \textbf{prevent} the problem: when overlapping communication and computation, the nonblocking communication (or nonblocking or split collective I/O) and the computation should be executed on different variables, and the communication should be protected with the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute. In this case, the temporary memory modifications are done only on the variables used in the computation and cannot have any side effect on the data used in the nonblocking MPI operations.
Rationale. This is a strong restriction for application programs. To weaken this restriction, a new or modified asynchronous feature in the Fortran language would be necessary: an asynchronous attribute that can be used on parts of an array and together with asynchronous operations outside the scope of Fortran. If such a feature becomes available in a future edition of the Fortran standard, then this restriction also may be weakened in a later version of the MPI standard. (*End of rationale.*)

In Example 19.21 (which is a solution for the problem shown in Example 19.16 and in Example 19.22 (which is a solution for the problem shown in Example 19.20), the array is split into inner and halo part and both disjoint parts are passed to a subroutine `separated_sections`. This routine overlaps the receiving of the halo data and the calculations on the inner part of the array. In a second step, the whole array is used to do the calculation on the elements where inner+halo is needed. Note that the halo and the inner area are strided arrays. Those can be used in nonblocking communication only with a Fortran 2018 (or TS 29113) based MPI library.

### 19.1.19 Permanent Data Movement

A Fortran compiler may implement permanent data movement during the execution of a Fortran program. This would require that pointers to such data are appropriately updated. An implementation with automatic garbage collection is one use case. Such permanent data movement is in conflict with MPI in several areas:

- MPI datatype handles with absolute addresses in combination with MPI_BOTTOM.
- All nonblocking MPI operations if the internally used pointers to the buffers are not updated by the Fortran runtime, or if within an MPI process, the data movement is executed in parallel with the MPI operation.

This problem can be also solved by using the `ASYNCHRONOUS` attribute for such buffers. This MPI standard requires that the problems with permanent data movement do not occur by imposing suitable restrictions on the MPI library together with the compiler used; see Section 19.1.7.

**Example 19.21.** Using separated variables for overlapping communication and computation to allow the protection of nonblocking communication with the `ASYNCHRONOUS` attribute.

```fortran
USE mpi_f08
REAL :: b(0:101) ! elements 0 and 101 are halo cells
REAL :: bnew(0:101) ! elements 1 and 100 are newly computed
INTEGER :: i
CALL separated_sections(b(0) , b(1:100) , b(101) , bnew(0:101))
i=1 ! compute leftmost element
   bnew(i) = function(b(i-1) , b(i) , b(i+1))
i=100 ! compute rightmost element
   bnew(i) = function(b(i-1) , b(i) , b(i+1))
END

SUBROUTINE separated_sections(b_lefthalo , b_inner , b_righthalo , bnew)
USE mpi_f08
REAL, ASYNCHRONOUS :: b_lefthalo(0:0) , b_inner(1:100) , b_righthalo(101:101)
REAL :: bnew(0:101) ! elements 1 and 100 are newly computed
TYPE(MPI_Request) :: req(4)
```
Chapter 19 Language Bindings

19.1.20 Comparison with C

In C, subroutines that modify variables that are not in the argument list will not cause register optimization problems. This is because taking pointers to storage objects by using the & operator and later referencing the objects by indirection on the pointer is an integral part of the language. A C compiler understands the implications, so that the problem should not occur, in general. However, some compilers do offer optional aggressive optimization levels that may not be safe. Problems due to temporary memory modifications can also occur in C. As above, the best advice is to avoid the problem: use different variables for buffers in nonblocking MPI operations and computation that is executed while a nonblocking communication operation is pending.

Example 19.22. Protecting GPU optimizations with the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute.

USE mpi_f08
REAL :: buf(100,100)
CALL separated_sections(buf(1:1,1:100), buf(2:100,1:100))
END

SUBROUTINE separated_sections(buf_halo, buf_inner)
REAL, ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf_halo(1:1,1:100)
REAL :: buf_inner(2:100,1:100)
REAL :: local_buf(2:100,100)
CALL MPI_Irecv(buf_halo(1,1:100),..., req,...)
local_buf = buf_inner
DO j=1,100
   DO i=2,100
      local_buf(i,j)=...
   END DO
END DO
buf_inner = local_buf ! buf_halo is not touched!!!
CALL MPI_Wait(req,...)
19.2 Support for Large Count and Large Byte Displacement in MPI Language Bindings

The following types, which were used prior to MPI-4.0, have been deemed too small to hold values that applications wish to use:

- The C `int` type and the Fortran `INTEGER` type were used for `count` parameters.
- The C `int` type and the Fortran `INTEGER` type were used for some parameters that represent `byte displacement` in memory.
- The C `MPI_Aint` type and the Fortran `INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND)` type were used for some parameters that represent `byte displacement` in files (e.g., in constructors of MPI datatypes that can be used with files).

In order to avoid breaking backwards compatibility, this version of MPI supports larger types via separate additional MPI procedures in C (suffixed with “_c”) and via interface polymorphism in Fortran when using USE mpi_f08. For better readability, all Fortran large count procedure declarations are marked with a comment “!(_c)”. No polymorphic support for larger types is provided in Fortran when using mpi.h and use mpi.

For the large count versions of three datatype constructors, `MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED`, `MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED_BLOCK`, and `MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT`, absolute addresses shall not be used to specify byte displacements since the parameter is of type `MPI_COUNT` instead of type `MPI_AINT` (see Section 2.5.8).

In addition, the functions `MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVELOPE` and `MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS` also support large count types via additional parameters in separate additional MPI procedures in C (suffixed with “_c”) and interface polymorphism in Fortran when using USE mpi_f08 (see Section 5.1.13).

Further, the callbacks of type `MPI_User_function` and `MPI_Datatype_conversion_function` also support large count types via separate additional callback prototypes in C (suffixed with “_c”) and multiple abstract interfaces in Fortran when using USE mpi_f08 (see Sections 6.9.5 and 14.5.3, respectively). An additional large count predefined callback function `MPI_CONVERSION_FN_NULL_C` is provided within each of these two language bindings.

In C bindings, for each MPI procedure that had at least one `count` or `byte displacement` parameter that used the `int` and/or `MPI_Aint` types prior to MPI-4.0, an additional MPI procedure is provided, with the same name but suffixed by “_c”. The MPI procedure without the “_c” token has the same name and parameter types as versions prior to MPI-4.0. The “_c” suffixed MPI procedure has MPI_Count for all `count` parameters, MPI_Aint for parameters that represent `byte displacement` in memory, MPI_Offset for parameters that represent `byte displacement` in files, and MPI_Count for parameters that may represent `byte displacement` in both memory and files.

In Fortran, when using USE mpi_f08, for each MPI procedure that had at least one `count` or `byte displacement` parameter that used the `INTEGER` or `INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND)` types prior to MPI-4.0, a polymorphic interface containing two specific procedures is provided. One of the specific procedures has the same name and dummy parameter types as in versions prior to MPI-4.0. `INTEGER` and/or `INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND)` for `count` and `byte displacement` parameters. The other specific procedure has the same name followed by “_c”, and then suffixed by the token specified in Table 19.1 for USE mpi_f08.
It also has INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) for all count parameters, INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) for parameters that represent byte displacement in memory, INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) for parameters that represent byte displacement in files, and INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) for parameters that may represent byte displacement in both memory and files (for more details on specific Fortran procedure names and related calling conventions, refer to Table 19.1 in Section 19.1.5). There is one exception: if the type signatures of the two specific procedures are identical (e.g., if INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) is the same type as INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND)), then the implementation shall not provide the “_c” specific procedure.

It is erroneous to directly invoke the “_c” specific procedures in the Fortran mpi_f08 module with the exception of the following procedures: MPI_Op_create_c and MPI_Register_datarep_c.

In older Fortran bindings (mpif.h (deprecated) and use mpi), no new interfaces and no new specific procedures for larger types are provided beyond what existed in MPI-3.1; all MPI procedures have the same types as in the versions prior to MPI-4.0.

19.3 Language Interoperability

19.3.1 Introduction

It is not uncommon for library developers to use one language to develop an application library that may be called by an application program written in a different language. MPI currently supports ISO (previously ANSI) C and Fortran bindings. It should be possible for applications in any of the supported languages to call MPI-related functions in another language.

Moreover, MPI allows the development of client-server code, with MPI communication used between a parallel client and a parallel server. It should be possible to code the server in one language and the clients in another language. To do so, communications should be possible between applications written in different languages.

There are several issues that need to be addressed in order to achieve interoperability.

Initialization: We need to specify how the MPI environment is initialized for all languages.

Interlanguage passing of MPI opaque objects: We need to specify how MPI object handles are passed between languages. We also need to specify what happens when an MPI object is accessed in one language, to retrieve information (e.g., attributes) set in another language.

Interlanguage communication: We need to specify how messages sent in one language can be received in another language.

It is highly desirable that the solution for interlanguage interoperability be extensible to new languages, should MPI bindings be defined for such languages.

19.3.2 Assumptions

We assume that conventions exist for programs written in one language to call routines written in another language. These conventions specify how to link routines in different languages into one program, how to call functions in a different language, how to pass arguments between languages, and the correspondence between basic datatypes in different
languages. In general, these conventions will be implementation dependent. Furthermore, not every basic datatype may have a matching type in other languages. For example, C character strings may not be compatible with Fortran CHARACTER variables. However, we assume that a Fortran INTEGER, as well as a (sequence associated) Fortran array of INTEGERS, can be passed to a C program. We also assume that Fortran and C have address-sized integers. This does not mean that the default-size integers are the same size as default-sized pointers, but only that there is some way to hold (and pass) a C address in a Fortran integer. It is also assumed that INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) can be passed from Fortran to C as MPI_Offset.

19.3.3 Initialization

Two approaches are available for initializing MPI: the World Model (Section 11.2), and the Sessions Model (Section 11.3).

Concerns specific to the World Model

A call to MPI_INIT or MPI_INIT_THREAD, from any language, initializes MPI for execution in all languages.

Advice to users. Certain implementations use the (inout) argc, argv arguments of the C version of MPI_INIT in order to propagate values for argc and argv to all executing MPI processes. Use of the Fortran version of MPI_INIT to initialize MPI may result in a loss of this ability. *(End of advice to users.)*

The function MPI_INITIALIZED returns the same answer in all languages.
The function MPI_FINALIZE finalizes the MPI environments for all languages.
The function MPI_FINALIZED returns the same answer in all languages.
The MPI environment is initialized in the same manner for all languages by MPI_INIT. E.g., MPI_COMM_WORLD carries the same information regardless of language: same MPI processes, same environmental attributes, same error handlers.

Advice to users. The use of several languages in one MPI program may require the use of special options at compile and/or link time. *(End of advice to users.)*

Advice to implementors. Implementations may selectively link language specific MPI libraries only to codes that need them, so as not to increase the size of binaries for codes that use only one language. The MPI initialization code needs to perform initialization for a language only if that language library is loaded. *(End of advice to implementors.)*

Concerns specific to the Sessions Model

A call to MPI_SESSION_INIT from any language initializes a session that can be used from all languages.

A call to MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE from any language finalizes the session for all languages.
Concerns common to both the World Model and the Sessions Model

The function `MPI_ABORT` kills MPI processes in the group of the supplied communicator, irrespective of the language used by the caller or by the MPI processes killed.

Information can be added to info objects in one language and retrieved in another.

19.3.4 Transfer of Handles

Handles are passed between Fortran and C by using an explicit C wrapper to convert Fortran handles to C handles. There is no direct access to C handles in Fortran.

The type definition `MPI_Fint` is provided in C for an integer of the size that matches a Fortran `INTEGER`; usually, `MPI_Fint` will be equivalent to `int`. With the Fortran `mpi` module or the (deprecated) `mpif.h` include file, a Fortran handle is a Fortran `INTEGER` value that can be used in the following conversion functions. With the Fortran `mpi_f08` module, a Fortran handle is a `BIND(C)` derived type that contains an `INTEGER` component named `MPI_VAL`. This `INTEGER` value can be used in the following conversion functions.

The following functions are provided in C to convert from a Fortran communicator handle (which is an integer) to a C communicator handle, and vice versa.

C binding

```c
MPI_Comm MPI_Comm_f2c(MPI_Fint comm)

MPI_Fint MPI_Comm_c2f(MPI_Comm comm)
```

If `comm` is a valid Fortran handle to a communicator, then `MPI_Comm_f2c` returns a valid C handle to that same communicator; if `comm = MPI_COMM_NULL` (Fortran value), then `MPI_Comm_f2c` returns a null C handle; if `comm` is an invalid Fortran handle, then `MPI_Comm_f2c` returns an invalid C handle.

```c
MPI_Fint MPI_Comm_c2f(MPI_Comm comm)
```

The function `MPI_Comm_c2f` translates a C communicator handle into a Fortran handle to the same communicator; it maps a null handle into a null handle and an invalid handle into an invalid handle.

Similar functions are provided for the other types of opaque objects.

```c
MPI_Datatype MPI_Type_f2c(MPI_Fint datatype)
MPI_Fint MPI_Type_c2f(MPI_Datatype datatype)
MPI_Group MPI_Group_f2c(MPI_Fint group)
MPI_Fint MPI_Group_c2f(MPI_Group group)
MPI_Request MPI_Request_f2c(MPI_Fint request)
MPI_Fint MPI_Request_c2f(MPI_Request request)
MPI_File MPI_File_f2c(MPI_Fint file)
MPI_Fint MPI_File_c2f(MPI_File file)
MPI_Win MPI_Win_f2c(MPI_Fint win)
MPI_Fint MPI_Win_c2f(MPI_Win win)
MPI_Op MPI_Op_f2c(MPI_Fint op)
MPI_Fint MPI_Op_c2f(MPI_Op op)
```
Example 19.23. The example below illustrates how the Fortran MPI function
MPI_TYPE_COMMIT can be implemented by wrapping the C MPI function
MPI_Type_commit with a C wrapper to do handle conversions. In this example a Fortran-C
interface is assumed where a Fortran function is all upper case when referred to from C and
arguments are passed by addresses.

```fortran
! FORTRAN PROCEDURE
SUBROUTINE MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(DATATYPE, IERR)
INTEGER :: DATATYPE, IERR
CALL MPI_X_TYPE_COMMIT(DATATYPE, IERR)
RETURN
END

/* C wrapper */

void MPI_X_TYPE_COMMIT(MPI_Fint *f_handle, MPI_Fint *ierr)
{
    MPI_Datatype datatype;

    datatype = MPI_Type_f2c(*f_handle);
    *ierr = (MPI_Fint)MPI_Type_commit(&datatype);
    *f_handle = MPI_Type_c2f(datatype);
    return;
}
```

The same approach can be used for all other MPI functions. The call to MPI_VOID_f2c (resp.
MPI_VOID_c2f) can be omitted when the handle is an OUT (resp. IN) argument, rather than
INOUT.

**Rationale.** The design here provides a convenient solution for the prevalent case,
where a C wrapper is used to allow Fortran code to call a C library, or C code to
call a Fortran library. The use of C wrappers is much more likely than the use of
Fortran wrappers, because it is much more likely that a variable of type INTEGER can
be passed to C, than a C handle can be passed to Fortran.

Returning the converted value as a function value rather than through the argument
list allows the generation of efficient inlined code when these functions are simple
(e.g., the identity). The conversion function in the wrapper does not catch an invalid
handle argument. Instead, an invalid handle is passed below to the library function,
which, presumably, checks its input arguments. (*End of rationale.*)
19.3.5 Status

The following two procedures are provided in C to convert from a Fortran (with the mpi module or deprecated mpif.h) status (which is an array of integers) to a C status (which is a structure), and vice versa. The conversion occurs on all the information in status, including that which is hidden. That is, no status information is lost in the conversion.

```c
int MPI_Status_f2c(const MPI_Fint *f_status, MPI_Status *c_status)
```

If `f_status` is a valid Fortran status, but not the Fortran value of MPI_STATUS_IGNORE or MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE, then `MPI_Status_f2c` returns in `c_status` a valid C status with the same content. If `f_status` is the Fortran value of MPI_STATUS_IGNORE or MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE, or if `f_status` is not a valid Fortran status, then the call is erroneous.

In C, such an `f_status` array can be defined with `MPI_Fint f_status[MPI_F_STATUS_SIZE]`. Within this array, one can use in C the indexes MPI_F_SOURCE, MPI_F_TAG, and MPI_F_ERROR, to access the same elements as in Fortran with MPI_SOURCE, MPI_TAG and MPI_ERROR. The C indexes are 1 less than the corresponding indexes in Fortran due to the different default array start indexes in both languages.

The C status has the same source, tag and error code values as the Fortran status, and returns the same answers when queried for count, elements, and cancellation. The conversion function may be called with a Fortran status argument that has an undefined error field, in which case the value of the error field in the C status argument is undefined.

Two global variables of type `MPI_Fint*`, MPI_F_STATUS_IGNORE and MPI_F_STATUSES_IGNORE are declared in mpi.h. They can be used to test, in C, whether `f_status` is the Fortran value of MPI_STATUS_IGNORE or MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE defined in the mpi module or (deprecated) mpif.h. These are global variables, not C constant expressions and cannot be used in places where C requires constant expressions. Their value is defined only between the calls to MPI_INIT and MPI_FINALIZE and should not be changed by user code.

To do the conversion in the other direction, we have the following:

```c
int MPI_Status_c2f(const MPI_Status *c_status, MPI_Fint *f_status)
```

This call converts a C status into a Fortran status, and has a behavior similar to `MPI_Status_f2c`. That is, the value of `c_status` must not be either MPI_STATUS_IGNORE or MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE.

Advice to users. There exists no separate conversion function for arrays of statuses, since one can simply loop through the array, converting each status with the routines in Figure 19.1. (End of advice to users.)

Rationale. The handling of MPI_STATUS_IGNORE is required in order to layer libraries with only a C wrapper: if the Fortran call has passed MPI_STATUS_IGNORE, then the C wrapper must handle this correctly. Note that this constant need not have the same value in Fortran and C. If `MPI_Status_f2c` were to handle MPI_STATUS_IGNORE, then the type of its result would have to be MPI_Status**, which was considered an inferior solution. (End of rationale.)

Using the mpi_f08 Fortran module, a status is declared as TYPE(MPI_Status). The C type MPI_F08_Status can be used to pass a Fortran TYPE(MPI_Status) argument into a C routine. Figure 19.1 illustrates all status conversion routines. Some are only available in
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C, some in both C and the Fortran mpi and mpi_f08 interfaces (but not in the deprecated mpif.h include file).

![Diagram of C types and functions](image)

**Fortran types and subroutines**

![Diagram of Fortran types and subroutines](image)

Figure 19.1: Status conversion routines

```c
int MPI_Status_f082c(const MPI_F08_status *f08_status, MPI_Status *c_status)

This C routine converts a Fortran mpi_f08 TYPE(MPI_Status) into a C MPI_Status.

int MPI_Status_c2f08(const MPI_Status *c_status, MPI_F08_status *f08_status)

This C routine converts a C MPI_Status into a Fortran mpi_f08 TYPE(MPI_Status). Two global variables of type MPI_F08_status*, MPI_F08_STATUS_IGNORE and MPI_F08_STATUSES_IGNORE are declared in mpi.h. They can be used to test, in C, whether f_status is the Fortran value of MPI_STATUS_IGNORE or MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE defined in the mpi_f08 module. These are global variables, not C constant expressions and cannot be used in places where C requires constant expressions. Their value is defined only between the calls to MPI_INIT and MPI_FINALIZE and should not be changed by user code.

Conversion between the two Fortran versions of a status can be done with:

```c
MPI_STATUS_F2F08(f_status, f08_status)
```

**C binding**

```c
int MPI_Status_f2f08(const MPI_Fint *f_status, MPI_F08_status *f08_status)
```

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Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Status_f2f08(f_status, f08_status, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: f_status(MPI_STATUS_SIZE)
TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(OUT) :: f08_status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding (the following procedure is not available with mpif.h)

```fortran
MPI_STATUS_F2F08(F_STATUS, F08_STATUS, IERROR)
INTEGER :: F_STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: F08_STATUS
```

This routine converts a Fortran INTEGER, DIMENSION(MPI_STATUS_SIZE) status array into a Fortran mpi_f08 TYPE(MPI_Status).

```fortran
MPI_STATUS_F082F(f08_status, f_status)
  IN  f08_status  status object declared as named type (status)
  OUT f_status    status object declared as array (status)
```

C binding

```c
int MPI_Status_f082f(const MPI_F08_status *f08_status, MPI_Fint *f_status)
```

Fortran 2008 binding

```fortran
MPI_Status_f082f(f08_status, f_status, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: f08_status
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: f_status(MPI_STATUS_SIZE)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

Fortran binding (the following procedure is not available with mpif.h)

```fortran
MPI_STATUS_F082F(F08_STATUS, F_STATUS, IERROR)
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: F08_STATUS
```

This routine converts a Fortran mpi_f08 TYPE(MPI_Status) into a Fortran INTEGER, DIMENSION(MPI_STATUS_SIZE) status array.

19.3.6 MPI Opaque Objects

Unless said otherwise, opaque objects are “the same” in all languages: they carry the same information, and have the same meaning in both languages. The mechanism described in the previous section can be used to pass references to MPI objects from language to language. An object created in one language can be accessed, modified or freed in another language.

We examine below in more detail issues that arise for each type of MPI object.

Datatypes

Datatypes encode the same information in all languages. E.g., a datatype accessor like MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT will return the same information in all languages. If a datatype defined in one language is used for a communication call in another language, then the message sent will be identical to the message that would be sent from the first language:
the same communication buffer is accessed, and the same representation conversion is performed, if needed. All predefined datatypes can be used in datatype constructors in any language. If a datatype is committed, it can be used for communication in any language.

The function \texttt{MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS} returns the same value in all languages. Note that we do not require that the constant \texttt{MPI\_BOTTOM} have the same value in all languages (see Section 19.3.9).

Example 19.24. Absolute addresses and the conversion of datatype handles in a mixed Fortran/C program.

\begin{verbatim}
/* FORTRAN CODE */
REAL :: R(5)
INTEGER :: DTYPE, IERR, AOBLEN(1), AOTYPE(1)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND) :: AODISP(1)

! create an absolute datatype for array R
AOBLEN(1) = 5
CALL MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS(R, AODISP(1), IERR)
AOTYPE(1) = MPI\_REAL
CALL MPI\_TYPE\_CREATE\_STRUCT(1, AOBLEN, AODISP, AOTYPE, DTYPE, IERR)
CALL C\_ROUTINE(DTYPE)

/* C code */

void C\_ROUTINE(MPI\_Fint *ftype)
{
    int count = 5;
    int lens[2] = {1,1};
    MPI\_Aint displs[2];
    MPI\_Datatype types[2], newtype;

    /* create an absolute datatype for buffer that consists */
    /* of count, followed by R(5) */

    MPI\_Get\_address(&count, &displs[0]);
    displs[1] = 0;
    types[0] = MPI\_INT;
    types[1] = MPI\_Type\_f2c(*ftype);
    MPI\_Type\_create\_struct(2, lens, displs, types, &newtype);
    MPI\_Type\_commit(&newtype);

    MPI\_Send(MPI\_BOTTOM, 1, newtype, 1, 0, MPI\_COMM\_WORLD);
    /* the message sent contains an int count of 5, followed */
    /* by the 5 REAL entries of the Fortran array R. */
}
\end{verbatim}

Advice to implementors. The following implementation can be used: MPI addresses, as returned by \texttt{MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS}, will have the same value in all languages. One obvious choice is that MPI addresses be identical to regular addresses. The address is stored in the datatype, when datatypes with absolute addresses are constructed. When a send or receive operation is performed, then addresses stored in a datatype are interpreted as displacements that are all augmented by a base address. This base
address is (the address of) buf, or zero, if \texttt{buf = MPI\_BOTTOM}. Thus, if \texttt{MPI\_BOTTOM}
is zero then a send or receive call with \texttt{buf = MPI\_BOTTOM} is implemented exactly as
a call with a regular buffer argument: in both cases the base address is \texttt{buf}. On the
other hand, if \texttt{MPI\_BOTTOM} is not zero, then the implementation has to be slightly
different. A test is performed to check whether \texttt{buf = MPI\_BOTTOM}. If true, then the
base address is zero, otherwise it is \texttt{buf}. In particular, if \texttt{MPI\_BOTTOM} does not have
the same value in Fortran and C, then an additional test for \texttt{buf = MPI\_BOTTOM} is
needed in at least one of the languages.

It may be desirable to use a value other than zero for \texttt{MPI\_BOTTOM} even in C, so as
to distinguish it from a NULL pointer. If \texttt{MPI\_BOTTOM = c} then one can still avoid
the test \texttt{buf = MPI\_BOTTOM}, by using the displacement from \texttt{MPI\_BOTTOM}, i.e., the
regular address - \texttt{c}, as the MPI address returned by \texttt{MPI\_GET\_ADDRESS} and stored
in absolute datatypes. \textit{(End of advice to implementors.)}

\section*{Callback Functions}

MPI calls may associate callback functions with MPI objects: error handlers are associated
with communicators, files, windows, and sessions; attribute copy and delete functions are
associated with attribute keys; reduce operations are associated with operation objects, etc.
In a multilanguage environment, a function passed in an MPI call in one language may be
invoked by an MPI call in another language. MPI implementations must make sure that
such invocation will use the calling convention of the language the function is bound to.

\textit{Advice to implementors.} Callback functions need to have a language tag. This
tag is set when the callback function is passed in by the library function (which is
presumably different for each language and language support method), and is used
to generate the right calling sequence when the callback function is invoked. \textit{(End of advice to implementors.)}

\textit{Advice to users.} If a subroutine written in one language or Fortran support method
wants to pass a callback routine including the predefined Fortran functions (e.g.,
\texttt{MPI\_COMM\_NULL\_COPY\_FN}) to another application routine written in another lan-
guage or Fortran support method, then it must be guaranteed that both routines use
the callback interface definition that is defined for the argument when passing the
callback to an MPI routine (e.g., \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_CREATE\_KEYVAL}); see also the advice
to users on page 364. \textit{(End of advice to users.)}

\section*{Error Handlers}

\textit{Advice to implementors.} Error handlers, have, in C, a variable length argument list.
It might be useful to provide to the handler information on the language environment
where the error occurred. \textit{(End of advice to implementors.)}

\section*{Reduce Operations}

All predefined named and unnamed datatypes as listed in Section 6.9.2 can be used in the
listed predefined operations independent of the programming language from which the MPI
routine is called.
Advice to users. Reduce operations receive as one of their arguments the datatype of the operands. Thus, one can define “polymorphic” reduce operations that work for C and Fortran datatypes. (End of advice to users.)

19.3.7 Attributes

Attribute keys can be allocated in one language and freed in another. Similarly, attribute values can be set in one language and accessed in another. To achieve this, attribute keys will be allocated in an integer range that is valid all languages. The same holds true for system-defined attribute values (such as MPI_TAG_{UB}, MPI_WTIME_{IS_GLOBAL}, etc.).

Attribute keys declared in one language are associated with copy and delete functions in that language (the functions provided by the MPI_{XXX_CREATE_KEYVAL} call). When a communicator is duplicated, for each attribute, the corresponding copy function is called, using the right calling convention for the language of that function; and similarly, for the delete callback function.

Advice to implementors. This requires that attributes be tagged either as “C” or “Fortran” and that the language tag be checked in order to use the right calling convention for the callback function. (End of advice to implementors.)

The attribute manipulation functions described in Section 7.7 defines attributes arguments to be of type void* in C, and of type INTEGER, in Fortran. On some systems, INTEGERs will have 32 bits, while C pointers will have 64 bits. This is a problem if communicator attributes are used to move information from a Fortran caller to a C callee, or vice-versa.

MPI behaves as if it stores, internally, address sized attributes. If Fortran INTEGERs are smaller, then the (deprecated) Fortran function MPI_{ATTR_GET} will return the least significant part of the attribute word; the (deprecated) Fortran function MPI_{ATTR_PUT} will set the least significant part of the attribute word, which will be sign extended to the entire word. (These two functions may be invoked explicitly by user code, or implicitly, by attribute copying callback functions.)

As for addresses, new functions are provided that manipulate Fortran address sized attributes, and have the same functionality as the old functions in C. These functions are described in Section 7.7. Users are encouraged to use these new functions.

MPI supports two types of attributes: address-valued (pointer) attributes, and integer-valued attributes. C attribute functions put and get address-valued attributes. Fortran attribute functions put and get integer-valued attributes. When an integer-valued attribute is accessed from C, then MPI_{XXX_get_attr} will return the address of (a pointer to) the integer-valued attribute, which is a pointer to MPI_Aint if the attribute was stored with Fortran MPI_{XXX_SET_ATTR}, and a pointer to int if it was stored with the deprecated Fortran MPI_{ATTR_PUT}. When an address-valued attribute is accessed from Fortran, then MPI_{XXX_GET_ATTR} will convert the address into an integer and return the result of this conversion. This conversion is lossless if new style attribute functions are used, and an integer of kind MPI_ADDRESS_KIND is returned. The conversion may cause truncation if deprecated attribute functions are used. In C, the deprecated routines MPI_Attr_put and MPI_Attr_get behave identical to MPI_Comm_set_attr and MPI_Comm_get_attr.

Example 19.25 Setting an attribute in C and reading in C or Fortran.
A. Setting an attribute value in C
Example 19.26. Setting an attribute in Fortran and reading in C or Fortran.

A. Setting an attribute value with the (deprecated) Fortran MPI-1 call

```fortran
INTEGER IERR, VAL
CALL MPI_COMM_SETATTR(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL1, GET_VAL, FLAG, IERR)
CALL MPI_COMM_SETATTR(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL2, GET_STRUCT, FLAG, IERR)
CALL MPI_COMM_SETATTR(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL3, GET_VAL, FLAG, IERR)
```

B. Reading the attribute value with Fortran MPI-1 calls

```fortran
LOGICAL FLAG
INTEGER IERR, GET_VAL, GET_STRUCT
CALL MPI_ATTR_GET(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL1, GET_VAL, FLAG, IERR)
CALL MPI_ATTR_GET(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL2, GET_STRUCT, FLAG, IERR)
CALL MPI_ATTR_GET(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL3, GET_VAL, FLAG, IERR)
```

C. Reading the attribute value with Fortran MPI-2 calls

```fortran
LOGICAL FLAG
INTEGER IERR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) GET_VAL, GET_STRUCT
CALL MPI_COMM_GETATTR(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL1, GET_VAL, FLAG, IERR)
CALL MPI_COMM_GETATTR(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL2, GET_STRUCT, FLAG, IERR)
CALL MPI_COMM_GETATTR(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL3, GET_VAL, FLAG, IERR)
```
19.3 Language Interoperability

Example 19.27. Setting an attribute in Fortran and reading in C or Fortran.

A. Setting an attribute value via a Fortran MPI-2 call

```fortran
INTEGER IERR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) VALUE1
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) VALUE2
VALUE1 = 42
VALUE2 = INT(2, KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ** 40
CALL MPI_COMM_SET_ATTR(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL1, VALUE1, IERR)
CALL MPI_COMM_SET_ATTR(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL2, VALUE2, IERR)
```

B. Reading the attribute value in C

```c
int flag;
MPI_Aint *value1, *value2;

/* Upon successful return, value1 points to internal MPI storage and
 * value1 == 42 */
MPI_Comm_get_attr(MPI_COMM_WORLD, keyval1, &value1, &flag);
/* Upon successful return, value2 points to internal MPI storage and
 * value2 == 2^40 */
MPI_Comm_get_attr(MPI_COMM_WORLD, keyval2, &value2, &flag);
```

C. Reading the attribute value with (deprecated) Fortran MPI-1 calls

```fortran
LOGICAL FLAG
INTEGER IERR
INTEGER VALUE
! Upon successful return, VALUE == 7
CALL MPI_COMM_GET_ATTR(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL, VALUE, FLAG, IERR)
```

D. Reading the attribute value with Fortran MPI-2 calls

```fortran
LOGICAL FLAG
INTEGER IERR
INTEGER(VALUE_KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) VALUE
! Upon successful return, VALUE == 7 (sign extended)
CALL MPI_COMM_GET_ATTR(MPI_COMM_WORLD, KEYVAL, VALUE, FLAG, IERR)
```
The predefined MPI attributes can be integer valued or address-valued. Predefined integer valued attributes, such as MPI_TAG_UB, behave as if they were put by a call to the deprecated Fortran routine MPI_ATTR_PUT, i.e., in Fortran, MPI_COMM_GET_ATTR(MPI_COMM_WORLD, MPI_TAG_UB, val, flag, ierr) will return in val the upper bound for tag value; in C, MPI_Comm_get_attr(MPI_COMM_WORLD, MPI_TAG_UB, &p, &flag) will return in p a pointer to an int containing the upper bound for tag value.

Address-valued predefined attributes, such as MPI_WIN_BASE behave as if they were put by a C call, i.e., in Fortran, MPI_WIN_GET_ATTR(win, MPI_WIN_BASE, val, flag, ierror) will return in val the base address of the window, converted to an integer. In C, MPI_Win_get_attr(win, MPI_WIN_BASE, &p, &flag) will return in p a pointer to the window base, cast to (void *).

Rationale. The design is consistent with the behavior specified for predefined attributes, and ensures that no information is lost when attributes are passed from language to language. Because the language interoperability for predefined attributes was defined based on MPI_ATTR_PUT, this definition is kept for compatibility reasons although the routine itself is now deprecated. (End of rationale.)

Advice to implementors. Implementations should tag attributes either as (1) address attributes, (2) as INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) attributes or (3) as INTEGER attributes, according to whether they were set in (1) C (with MPI_Attr_put or MPI_XXX_set_attr), (2) in Fortran with MPI_XXX_SET_ATTRIB or (3) with the deprecated Fortran routine MPI_ATTR_PUT. Thus, the right choice can be made when the attribute is retrieved. (End of advice to implementors.)

19.3.8 Extra-State

Extra-state should not be modified by the copy or delete callback functions. (This is obvious from the C binding, but not obvious from the Fortran binding). However, these functions may update state that is indirectly accessed via extra-state. E.g., in C, extra-state can be a pointer to a data structure that is modified by the copy or callback functions; in Fortran,
extra-state can be an index into an entry in a COMMON array that is modified by the copy or callback functions. In a multithreaded environment, users should be aware that distinct threads may invoke the same callback function concurrently: if this function modifies state associated with extra-state, then mutual exclusion code must be used to protect updates and accesses to the shared state.

19.3.9 Constants

MPI constants have the same value in all languages, unless specified otherwise. This does not apply to constant handles (MPI_INT, MPI_COMM_WORLD, MPI_ERRORS_RETURN, MPI_SUM, etc.) These handles need to be converted, as explained in Section 19.3.4. Constants that specify maximum lengths of strings (see Section A.1.1 for a listing) have a value one less in Fortran than in C since in C the length includes the null terminating character. Thus, these constants represent the amount of space that must be allocated to hold the largest possible such string, rather than the maximum number of printable characters the string could contain.

Advice to users. This definition means that it is safe in C to allocate a buffer to receive a string using a declaration like

```c
char name [MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME];
```

(End of advice to users.)

Also constant “addresses,” i.e., special values for reference arguments that are not handles, such as MPI_BOTTOM or MPI_STATUS_IGNORE may have different values in different languages.

Rationale. The current MPI standard specifies that MPI_BOTTOM can be used in initialization expressions in C, but not in Fortran. Since Fortran does not normally support call by value, then MPI_BOTTOM in Fortran must be the name of a predefined static variable, e.g., a variable in an MPI declared COMMON block. On the other hand, in C, it is natural to take MPI_BOTTOM = 0 (Caveat: Defining MPI_BOTTOM = 0 implies that NULL pointer cannot be distinguished from MPI_BOTTOM; it may be that MPI_BOTTOM = 1 is better. See the advice to implementors in the Datatypes subsection in Section 19.3.6) Requiring that the Fortran and C values be the same will complicate the initialization process. (End of rationale.)

19.3.10 Interlanguage Communication

The type matching rules for communication in MPI are not changed: the datatype specification for each item sent should match, in type signature, the datatype specification used to receive this item (unless one of the types is MPI_PACKED). Also, the type of a message item should match the type declaration for the corresponding communication buffer location, unless the type is MPI_BYTE or MPI_PACKED. Interlanguage communication is allowed if it complies with these rules.

Example 19.28. In the example below, a Fortran array is sent from Fortran and received in C.

```fortran
! FORTRAN CODE
```
SUBROUTINE MYEXAMPLE()
USE mpi_f08
REAL :: R(5)
INTEGER :: IERR, MYRANK, AOBLEN(1)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: DTYPE, AOTYPE(1)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: AODISP(1)
!

! create an absolute datatype for array R
AOBLEN(1) = 5
CALL MPI_GET_ADDRESS(R, AODISP(1), IERR)
AOTYPE(1) = MPI_REAL
CALL MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT(1, AOBLEN, AODISP, AOTYPE, DTYPE, IERR)
CALL MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(DTYPE, IERR)
CALL MPI_COMM_RANK(MPI_COMM_WORLD, MYRANK, IERR)
IF (MYRANK .EQ. 0) THEN
  CALL MPI_SEND(MPI_BOTTOM, 1, DTYPE, 1, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, IERR)
ELSE
  CALL C_ROUTINE(DTYPE%MPI_VAL)
END IF
END SUBROUTINE

/* C code */
void C_ROUTINE(MPI_Fint *fhandle)
{
  MPI_Datatype type;
  MPI_Status status;
  type = MPI_Type_f2c(*fhandle);
  MPI_Recv(MPI_BOTTOM, 1, type, 0, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &status);
}

MPI implementors may weaken these type matching rules, and allow messages to be
sent with Fortran types and received with C types, and vice versa, when those types match.
I.e., if the Fortran type INTEGER is identical to the C type int, then an MPI implementation
may allow data to be sent with datatype MPI_INTEGER and be received with datatype
MPI_INT. However, such code is not portable.
Appendix A

Language Bindings Summary

In this section we summarize the specific bindings for C and Fortran. First we present the constants, type definitions, info values and keys. Then we present the routine prototypes separately for each binding. Listings are alphabetical within chapter.

A.1 Defined Values and Handles

A.1.1 Defined Constants

The C and Fortran names are listed below. Constants described as “integer constant expression” may be implemented as literal integer constants of the specified integer type substituted by the preprocessor or (where possible) as enum members.

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<td>Fortran type: INTEGER</td>
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Error classes (continued)

C type: integer constant expression of type int
Fortran type: INTEGER

MPI_ERR_IN_STATUS
MPI_ERR_ACCESS
MPI_ERR_AMODE
MPI_ERR_ASSERT
MPI_ERR_BAD_FILE
MPI_ERR_BASE
MPI_ERR_CONVERSION
MPI_ERR_DISP
MPI_ERR_DUP_DATAREP
MPI_ERR_ERRHANDLER
MPI_ERR_FILE_EXISTS
MPI_ERR_FILE_IN_USE
MPI_ERR_FILE
MPI_ERR_INFO_KEY
MPI_ERR_INFO_NOKEY
MPI_ERR_INFO_VALUE
MPI_ERR_INFO
MPI_ERR_IO
MPI_ERR_KEYVAL
MPI_ERR_LOCKTYPE
MPI_ERR_NAME
MPI_ERR_NO_MEM
MPI_ERR_NOTSAME
MPI_ERR_NO_SPACE
MPI_ERR_NO_SUCH_FILE
MPI_ERR_PORT
MPI_ERR_PROC_ABORTED
MPI_ERR_QUOTA
MPI_ERR_READ_ONLY
MPI_ERR_RMA_ATTACH
MPI_ERR_RMA_CONFLICT
MPI_ERR_RMA_RANGE
MPI_ERR_RMA_SHARED
MPI_ERR_RMA_SYNC
MPI_ERR_RMA_FLAVOR
MPI_ERR_SERVICE
MPI_ERR_SESSION
MPI_ERR_SIZE
MPI_ERR_SPAWN
MPI_ERR_UNSUPPORTED_DATAREP
MPI_ERR_UNSUPPORTED_OPERATION
MPI_ERR_VALUE_TOO_LARGE
MPI_ERR_VALUE

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### Error classes (continued)

C type: integer constant expression of type `int`

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<tr>
<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_CANT_INIT</code></td>
<td>Cannot initialize</td>
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<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_NOT_ACCESSIBLE</code></td>
<td>Not accessible</td>
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<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_NOT_INITIALIZED</code></td>
<td>Not initialized</td>
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<tr>
<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED</code></td>
<td>Not supported</td>
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<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_MEMORY</code></td>
<td>Memory error</td>
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<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_INVALID</code></td>
<td>Invalid</td>
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<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_INDEX</code></td>
<td>Invalid index</td>
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<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_ITEM</code></td>
<td>Invalid item</td>
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<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_SESSION</code></td>
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<td>Out of handles</td>
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<td>Out of sessions</td>
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<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_CVAR_SET_NOT_NOW</code></td>
<td>CVAR set not now</td>
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<td>CVAR set never</td>
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<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_PVAR_NO_STARTSTOP</code></td>
<td>PVAR no start/stop</td>
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<tr>
<td><code>MPI_T_ERR_PVAR_NO_ATOMIC</code></td>
<td>PVAR no atomic</td>
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<td><code>MPI_ERR_LASTCODE</code></td>
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### Buffer Address Constants

C type: `void * const`

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<th>Fortran type</th>
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<td><code>MPI_BOTTOM</code></td>
<td>Bottom</td>
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<tr>
<td><code>MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC</code></td>
<td>Buffer automatic</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_IN_PLACE</code></td>
<td>In place</td>
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1 Note that in Fortran these constants are not usable for initialization expressions or assignment. See Section 2.5.4.

### Assorted Constants

C type: integer constant expression of type `int`

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<td><code>MPI_PROC_NULL</code></td>
<td>Proc null</td>
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<td><code>MPI_ANY_SOURCE</code></td>
<td>Any source</td>
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<tr>
<td><code>MPI_ANY_TAG</code></td>
<td>Any tag</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_UNDEFINED</code></td>
<td>Undefined</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_BSEND_OVERHEAD</code></td>
<td>Bsend overhead</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>MPI_KEYVAL_INVALID</code></td>
<td>Keyval invalid</td>
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<tr>
<td><code>MPI_LOCK_EXCLUSIVE</code></td>
<td>Lock exclusive</td>
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<tr>
<td><code>MPI_LOCK_SHARED</code></td>
<td>Lock shared</td>
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<td><code>MPI_ROOT</code></td>
<td>Root</td>
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### No Process Message Handle

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<th>MPI_Message</th>
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### Fortran Support Method Specific Constants

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<td>MPI_ASYNC_PROTECTS_NONBLOCKING (Fortran only)</td>
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### Status array size and reserved index values (Fortran only)

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<td>MPI_SOURCE</td>
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<td>MPI_TAG</td>
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<td>MPI_ERROR</td>
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### Fortran status array size and reserved index values (C only)

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<th>integer constant expression of type int</th>
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### Variable Address Size (Fortran only)

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### Error-handling specifiers

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<td>MPI_ERRORS_RETURN</td>
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### Maximum Sizes for Strings

- C type: integer constant expression of type `int`
- Fortran type: `INTEGER`

- `MPI_MAX_DATAREP_STRING`
- `MPI_MAX_ERROR_STRING`
- `MPI_MAX_INFO_KEY`
- `MPI_MAX_INFO_VAL`
- `MPI_MAX_LIBRARY_VERSION_STRING`
- `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME`
- `MPI_MAX_PORT_NAME`
- `MPI_MAX_PROCESSOR_NAME`
- `MPI_MAX_STRINGTAG_LEN`
- `MPI_MAX_PSET_NAME_LEN`
## Named Predefined Datatypes

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<th>MPI_CHAR</th>
<th>char</th>
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<td>(treated as printable character)</td>
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<th>MPI_SHORT</th>
<th>signed short int</th>
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<td>MPI_INT</td>
<td>signed int</td>
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<td>MPI_LONG</td>
<td>signed long</td>
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<tr>
<td>MPI_LONG_LONG</td>
<td>signed long long</td>
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<td>MPI_LONG_LONG (as a synonym)</td>
<td>signed long long</td>
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<tr>
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<td>signed char</td>
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| MPI_UNSIGNED_CHAR | unsigned char |
| (treated as integral value) |

| MPI_UNSIGNED_SHORT | unsigned short |
| MPI_UNSIGNED | unsigned int |
| MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG | unsigned long |
| MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG_LONG | unsigned long long |
| MPI_FLOAT | float |
| MPI_DOUBLE | double |
| MPI_LONG_DOUBLE | long double |
| MPI_WCHAR | wchar_t |
| (defined in `<stddef.h>`) |
| (treated as printable character) |

| MPI_C_BOOL | _Bool |
| MPI_INT8_T | int8_t |
| MPI_INT16_T | int16_t |
| MPI_INT32_T | int32_t |
| MPI_INT64_T | int64_t |
| MPI_UINT8_T | uint8_t |
| MPI_UINT16_T | uint16_t |
| MPI_UINT32_T | uint32_t |
| MPI_UINT64_T | uint64_t |
| MPI_AINT | MPI_Aint |
| MPI_COUNT | MPI_Count |
| MPI_OFFSET | MPI_Offset |
| MPI_C_COMPLEX | float _Complex |
| MPI_C_FLOAT_COMPLEX (as a synonym) | float _Complex |
| MPI_C_DOUBLE_COMPLEX | double _Complex |
| MPI_C_LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX | long double _Complex |
| MPI_BYTE | (any C type) |
| MPI_PACKED | (any C type) |
### A.1 Defined Values and Handles

#### Named Predefined Datatypes

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<td>MPI_COMPLEX</td>
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<td>MPI_LOGICAL</td>
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<td>MPI_CHARACTER</td>
<td>CHARACTER(1)</td>
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<td>MPI_AINT</td>
<td>INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND)</td>
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<td>INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND)</td>
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<td>std::complex&lt;float&gt;</td>
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<td>std::complex&lt;double&gt;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MPI_CXX_LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX</td>
<td>std::complex&lt;long double&gt;</td>
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1 If an accompanying C++ compiler is missing, then the MPI datatypes in this table are not defined.

#### Optional datatypes (Fortran)

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MPI_LONG_INT
MPI_2INT
MPI_SHORT_INT
MPI_LONG_DOUBLE_INT

Datatypes for reduction functions (Fortran)

C type: MPI_Datatype
Fortran type: INTEGER or TYPE(MPI_Datatype)

MPI_2REAL
MPI_2DOUBLE_PRECISION
MPI_2INTEGER

Reserved communicators

C type: MPI_Comm
Fortran type: INTEGER or TYPE(MPI_Comm)

MPI_COMM_WORLD
MPI_COMM_SELF

Communicator split type constants

C type: int
Fortran type: INTEGER

MPI_COMM_TYPE_SHARED
MPI_COMM_TYPE_HW_UNGUIDED
MPI_COMM_TYPE_HW_GUIDED
MPI_COMM_TYPE_RESOURCE_GUIDED

Results of communicator and group comparisons

C type: int
Fortran type: INTEGER

MPI_IDENT
MPI_CONGRUENT
MPI_SIMILAR
MPI_UNEQUAL

Environmental inquiry info key

C type: MPI_Info
Fortran type: INTEGER or TYPE(MPI_Info)

MPI_INFO_ENV
Environmental inquiry keys
C type: integer constant expression of type int
Fortran type: INTEGER

MPI_TAG_UB
MPI_IO
MPI_HOST (deprecated)
MPI_WTIME_IS_GLOBAL

Collective Operations
C type: MPI_Op
Fortran type: INTEGER or TYPE(MPI_Op)

MPI_MAX
MPI_MIN
MPI_SUM
MPI_PROD
MPI_MAXLOC
MPI_MINLOC
MPI_BAND
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Appendix A Language Bindings Summary

File Operation Constants, Part 1

| C type: integer constant expression of type MPI_Offset |
| Fortran type: INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) |

MPI_DISPLACEMENT_CURRENT

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File Operation Constants, Part 2

| C type: integer constant expression of type int |
| Fortran type: INTEGER |

MPI_DISTRIBUTE_BLOCK
MPI_DISTRIBUTE_CYCLIC
MPI_DISTRIBUTE_DFLT_DARG
MPI_DISTRIBUTE_NONE
MPI_ORDER_C
MPI_ORDER_FORTRAN
MPISEEK_CUR
MPISEEK_END
MPISEEK_SET

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F90 Datatype Matching Constants

| C type: integer constant expression of type int |
| Fortran type: INTEGER |

MPI_TYPECLASS_COMPLEX
MPI_TYPECLASS_INTEGER
MPI_TYPECLASS_REAL

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Constants Specifying Empty or Ignored Input

| C/Fortran name |
| C type / Fortran type |

MPI_ARGVS_NULL

char*** / 2-dim. array of CHARACTER*(*)

MPI_ARGV_NULL

char** / array of CHARACTER*(*)

MPI_ERRCODES_IGNORE

int* / INTEGER array

MPI_STATUSES_IGNORE

MPI_Status* / INTEGER, DIMENSION(MPI_STATUS_SIZE,*)
or TYPE(MPI_Status), DIMENSION(*)

MPI_STATUS_IGNORE

MPI_Status* / INTEGER, DIMENSION(MPI_STATUS_SIZE)
or TYPE(MPI_Status)

MPI_UNWEIGHTED

int* / INTEGER array

MPI_WEIGHTS_EMPTY

int* / INTEGER array

1 Note that in Fortran these constants are not usable for initialization expressions or assignment. See Section 2.5.4.
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#### C Constants Specifying Ignored Input (no Fortran)

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#### C preprocessor Constants and Fortran Parameters

- C type: C-preprocessor macro that expands to an int value
- Fortran type: INTEGER

- MPI_SUBVERSION
- MPI_VERSION

#### Null handles used in the MPI tool information interface

- MPI_T_ENUM_NULL
  - MPI_T_enum
- MPI_T_CVAR_HANDLE_NULL
  - MPI_T_cvar_handle
- MPI_T_PVAR_HANDLE_NULL
  - MPI_T_pvar_handle
- MPI_T_PVAR_SESSION_NULL
  - MPI_T_pvar_session

#### Verbosity Levels in the MPI tool information interface

- C type: integer constant expression of type int

- MPI_T_VERBOSITY_USER_BASIC
- MPI_T_VERBOSITY_USER_DETAIL
- MPI_T_VERBOSITY_USER_ALL
- MPI_T_VERBOSITY_TUNER_BASIC
- MPI_T_VERBOSITY_TUNER_DETAIL
- MPI_T_VERBOSITY_TUNER_ALL
- MPI_T_VERBOSITY_MPIDEV_BASIC
- MPI_T_VERBOSITY_MPIDEV_DETAIL
- MPI_T_VERBOSITY_MPIDEV_ALL
Constants to identify associations of variables in the MPI tool information interface

C type: integer constant expression of type int

- `MPI_T_BIND_NO_OBJECT`
- `MPI_T_BIND_MPI_COMM`
- `MPI_T_BIND_MPI_DATATYPE`
- `MPI_T_BIND_MPI_ERRHANDLER`
- `MPI_T_BIND_MPI_FILE`
- `MPI_T_BIND_MPI_GROUP`
- `MPI_T_BIND_MPI_OP`
- `MPI_T_BIND_MPI_REQUEST`
- `MPI_T_BIND_MPI_WIN`
- `MPI_T_BIND_MPI_MESSAGE`
- `MPI_T_BIND_MPI_INFO`
- `MPI_T_BIND_MPI_SESSION`

Constants describing the scope of a control variable in the MPI tool information interface

C type: integer constant expression of type int

- `MPI_T_SCOPE_CONSTANT`
- `MPI_T_SCOPE_READONLY`
- `MPI_T_SCOPE_LOCAL`
- `MPI_T_SCOPE_GROUP`
- `MPI_T_SCOPE_GROUP_EQ`
- `MPI_T_SCOPE_ALL`
- `MPI_T_SCOPE_ALL_EQ`

Additional constants used by the MPI tool information interface

C type: `MPI_T_pvar_handle`

- `MPI_T_PVAR_ALL_HANDLES`

Performance variables classes used by the MPI tool information interface

C type: integer constant expression of type int

- `MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_STATE`
- `MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_LEVEL`
- `MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_SIZE`
- `MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_PERCENTAGE`
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- `MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_LOWWATERMARK`
- `MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_COUNTER`
- `MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_AGGREGATE`
- `MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_TIMER`
- `MPI_T_PVAR_CLASS_GENERIC`
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Source event ordering guarantees in the MPI tool information interface

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A.1.2 Types

The following are defined C type definitions included in the file mpi.h.

/* C opaque types */
MPI_Aint
MPI_Count
MPI_Fint
MPI_Offset
MPI_Status
MPI_F08_status

/* C handles to assorted structures */
MPI_Comm
MPI_Datatype
MPI_Errhandler
MPI_File
MPI_Group
MPI_Info
MPI_Message
MPI_Op
MPI_Request
MPI_Session
MPI_Win

/* Types for the MPI_T interface */
MPI_T_enum
MPI_T_cvar_handle
MPI_T_pvar_handle
MPI_T_pvar_session
MPI_T_event_instance
MPI_T_event_registration
MPI_T_source_order
MPI_T_cb_safety
The following are defined Fortran type definitions included in the mpi_f08 and mpi modules.

! Fortran opaque types in the mpi_f08 and mpi modules
TYPE(MPI_Status)

! Fortran handles in the mpi_f08 and mpi modules
TYPE(MPI_Comm)
TYPE(MPIDatatype)
TYPE(MPI_Errhandler)
TYPE(MPI_File)
TYPE(MPI_Group)
TYPE(MPI_Info)
TYPE(MPI_Message)
TYPE(MPI_Op)
TYPE(MPI_Request)
TYPE(MPI_Session)
TYPE(MPI_Win)

A.1.3 Prototype Definitions

C Bindings

The following are defined C typedefs for user-defined functions, also included in the file mpi.h.

/* prototypes for user-defined functions */
typedef void MPI_User_function(void *invec, void *inoutvec, int *len,
  MPI_Datatype *datatype);
typedef void MPI_User_function_c(void *invec, void *inoutvec, MPI_Count *len,
  MPI_Datatype *datatype);
typedef int MPI_Comm_copy_attr_function(MPI_Comm oldcomm, int comm_keyval,
  void *extra_state, void *attribute_val_in,
  void *attribute_val_out, int *flag);
typedef int MPI_Comm_delete_attr_function(MPI_Comm comm, int comm_keyval,
  void *attribute_val, void *extra_state);
typedef int MPI_Win_copy_attr_function(MPI_Win oldwin, int win_keyval,
  void *extra_state, void *attribute_val_in,
  void *attribute_val_out, int *flag);
typedef int MPI_Win_delete_attr_function(MPI_Win win, int win_keyval,
  void *attribute_val, void *extra_state);
typedef int MPI_Type_copy_attr_function(MPI_Datatype oldtype, int type_keyval,
  void *extra_state, void *attribute_val_in,
  void *attribute_val_out, int *flag);
typedef int MPI_Type_delete_attr_function(MPI_Datatype datatype, int type_keyval, void *attribute_val, void *extra_state);
typedef void MPI_Comm_errhandler_function(MPI_Comm *comm, int *error_code, ...);
typedef void MPI_Win_errhandler_function(MPI_Win *win, int *error_code, ...);
typedef void MPI_File_errhandler_function(MPI_File *file, int *error_code, ...);
typedef void MPI_Session_errhandler_function(MPI_Session *session, int *error_code, ...);
typedef int MPI_Grequest_query_function(void *extra_state, MPI_Status *status);
typedef int MPI_Grequest_free_function(void *extra_state);
typedef int MPI_Grequest_cancel_function(void *extra_state, int complete);
typedef int MPI_Datarep_extent_function(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Aint *extent, void *extra_state);
typedef int MPI_Datarep_conversion_function(void *userbuf, MPI_Datatype datatype, int count, void *filebuf, MPI_Offset position, void *extra_state);
typedef int MPI_Datarep_conversion_function_c(void *userbuf, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count count, void *filebuf, MPI_Offset position, void *extra_state);
typedef void MPI_T_event_cb_function(MPI_T_event_instance event_instance, MPI_T_event_registration event_registration, MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, void *user_data);
typedef void MPI_T_event_free_cb_function(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration, MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, void *user_data);
typedef void MPI_T_event_dropped_cb_function(MPI_Count count, MPI_T_event_registration event_registration, int source_index, MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, void *user_data);

Fortran 2008 Bindings with the mpi_f08 Module

The callback prototypes when using the Fortran mpi_f08 module are shown below:

The user-function argument to MPI(Op)create and MPI(Op)create_c should be declared according to:

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_User_function(invec, inoutvec, len, datatype)
    USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
    TYPE(C_PTR), VALUE :: invec, inoutvec
    INTEGER :: len
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
  END SUBROUTINE MPI_User_function

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_User_function_c(invec, inoutvec, len, datatype) !(_c)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(C_PTR), VALUE :: invec, inoutvec
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) :: len
TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype

The copy and delete function arguments to MPI_Comm_create_keyval should be declared according to:

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Comm_copy_attr_function(oldcomm, comm_keyval, extra_state,
                                        attribute_val_in, attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm) :: oldcomm
    INTEGER :: comm_keyval, ierror
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state, attribute_val_in,
                                        attribute_val_out
    LOGICAL :: flag

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Comm_delete_attr_function(comm, comm_keyval, attribute_val,
                                         extra_state, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm) :: comm
    INTEGER :: comm_keyval, ierror
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: attribute_val, extra_state

The copy and delete function arguments to MPI_Win_create_keyval should be declared according to:

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Win_copy_attr_function(oldwin, win_keyval, extra_state,
                                        attribute_val_in, attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Win) :: oldwin
    INTEGER :: win_keyval, ierror
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state, attribute_val_in,
                                        attribute_val_out
    LOGICAL :: flag

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Win_delete_attr_function(win, win_keyval, attribute_val,
                                         extra_state, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Win) :: win
    INTEGER :: win_keyval, ierror
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: attribute_val, extra_state

The copy and delete function arguments to MPI_Type_create_keyval should be declared according to:

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Type_copy_attr_function(oldtype, type_keyval, extra_state,
                                        attribute_val_in, attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: oldtype
    INTEGER :: type_keyval, ierror
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state, attribute_val_in,
                                        attribute_val_out
LOGICAL :: flag

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_Type_delete_attr_function(datatype, type_keyval,
                                            attribute_val, extra_state, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
    INTEGER :: type_keyval, ierror
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: attribute_val, extra_state

  The handler-function argument to MPI_Comm_create_errhandler should be declared like this:

  ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_Comm_errhandler_function(comm, error_code)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm) :: comm
    INTEGER :: error_code

  The handler-function argument to MPI_Win_create_errhandler should be declared like this:

  ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_Win_errhandler_function(win, error_code)
    TYPE(MPI_Win) :: win
    INTEGER :: error_code

  The handler-function argument to MPI_File_create_errhandler should be declared like this:

  ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_File_errhandler_function(file, error_code)
    TYPE(MPI_File) :: file
    INTEGER :: error_code

  The handler-function argument to MPI_Session_create_errhandler should be declared like this:

  ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_Session_errhandler_function(session, error_code)
    TYPE(MPI_Session) :: session
    INTEGER :: error_code

  The query, free, and cancel function arguments to MPI_Grequest_start should be declared according to:

  ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_Grequest_query_function(extra_state, status, ierror)
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state
    TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
    INTEGER :: ierror

  ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_Grequest_free_function(extra_state, ierror)
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state
    INTEGER :: ierror

  ABSTRACT INTERFACE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_Grequest_cancel_function(extra_state, complete, ierror)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state
LOGICAL :: complete
INTEGER :: ierror

The extent and conversion function arguments to MPI_Register_datarep and
MPI_Register_datarep_c should be declared according to:

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Datarep_extent_function(datatype, extent, extra_state, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extent, extra_state
  INTEGER :: ierror
END SUBROUTINE

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Datarep_conversion_function(userbuf, datatype, count, filebuf,
  position, extra_state, ierror)
  USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
  TYPE(C_PTR), VALUE :: userbuf, filebuf
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
  INTEGER :: count, ierror
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) :: position
END SUBROUTINE

ABSTRACT INTERFACE
SUBROUTINE MPI_Datarep_conversion_function_c(userbuf, datatype, count,
  filebuf, position, extra_state, ierror)
  USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
  TYPE(C_PTR), VALUE :: userbuf, filebuf
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) :: count
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) :: position
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state
  INTEGER :: ierror
END SUBROUTINE

Fortran Bindings with mpif.h or the mpi Module

With the Fortran mpi module or (deprecated) mpif.h, here are examples of how each of the
user-defined subroutines should be declared.

The user-function argument to MPI_OP_CREATE should be declared like this:
SUBROUTINE USER_FUNCTION(INVEC, INOUTVEC, LEN, DATATYPE)
  <type> INVEC(LEN), INOUTVEC(LEN)
  INTEGER LEN, DATATYPE
END SUBROUTINE

The copy and delete function arguments to MPI_COMM_CREATE_KEYVAL should be
declared like these:
SUBROUTINE COMM_COPY_ATTR_FUNCTION(OLDCOMM, COMM_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE,
  ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER OLDCOMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN,
  ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT
  LOGICAL FLAG

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SUBROUTINE COMM_DELETE_ATTR_FUNCTION(COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
    INTEGER COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE

The copy and delete function arguments to MPI_WIN_CREATE_KEYVAL should be declared like these:

SUBROUTINE WIN_COPY_ATTR_FUNCTION(OLDWIN, WIN_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)
    INTEGER OLDWIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG

SUBROUTINE WIN_DELETE_ATTR_FUNCTION(WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
    INTEGER WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE

The copy and delete function arguments to MPI_TYPE_CREATE_KEYVAL should be declared like these:

SUBROUTINE TYPE_COPY_ATTR_FUNCTION(OLDTYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)
    INTEGER OLDTYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG

SUBROUTINE TYPE_DELETE_ATTR_FUNCTION(DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
    INTEGER DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE

The handler-function argument to MPI_COMM_CREATE_ERRHANDLER should be declared like this:

SUBROUTINE COMM_ERRHANDLER_FUNCTION(COMM, ERROR_CODE)
    INTEGER COMM, ERROR_CODE

The handler-function argument to MPI_WIN_CREATE_ERRHANDLER should be declared like this:

SUBROUTINE WIN_ERRHANDLER_FUNCTION(WIN, ERROR_CODE)
    INTEGER WIN, ERROR_CODE

The handler-function argument to MPI_FILE_CREATE_ERRHANDLER should be declared like this:

SUBROUTINE FILE_ERRHANDLER_FUNCTION(FILE, ERROR_CODE)
    INTEGER FILE, ERROR_CODE

The handler-function argument to MPI_SESSION_CREATE_ERRHANDLER should be declared like this:

SUBROUTINE SESSION_ERRHANDLER_FUNCTION(SESSION, ERROR_CODE)
    INTEGER SESSION, ERROR_CODE
The query, free, and cancel function arguments to \texttt{MPI\_GREQUEST\_START} should be declared like these:

```fortran
SUBROUTINE GREQUEST_QUERY_FUNCTION(EXTRA_STATE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND) EXTRA_STATE
  INTEGER STATUS(MPI\_STATUS\_SIZE), IERROR
SUBROUTINE GREQUEST_FREE_FUNCTION(EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND) EXTRA_STATE
  INTEGER IERROR
SUBROUTINE GREQUEST_CANCEL_FUNCTION(EXTRA_STATE, COMPLETE, IERROR)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND) EXTRA_STATE
  LOGICAL COMPLETE
  INTEGER IERROR
```

The extent and conversion function arguments to \texttt{MPI\_REGISTER\_DATAREP} should be declared like these:

```fortran
SUBROUTINE DATAREP\_EXTENT\_FUNCTION(DATATYPE, EXTENT, EXTRA\_STATE, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND) EXTENT, EXTRA\_STATE
SUBROUTINE DATAREP\_CONVERSION\_FUNCTION(USERBUF, DATATYPE, COUNT, FILEBUF, POSITION, EXTRA\_STATE, IERROR)
  \texttt{<TYPE>} USERBUF(*) , FILEBUF(*)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_OFFSET\_KIND) POSITION
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_ADDRESS\_KIND) EXTRA\_STATE
```

A.1.4 Deprecated Prototype Definitions

The following are defined C typedefs for deprecated user-defined functions, also included in the file \texttt{mpi.h}.

```
/* prototypes for user-defined functions */
typedef int MPI\_Copy\_function(MPI\_Comm oldcomm, int keyval, void *extra\_state,
  void *attribute\_val\_in, void *attribute\_val\_out, int *flag);
typedef int MPI\_Delete\_function(MPI\_Comm comm, int keyval, void *attribute\_val,
  void *extra\_state);
```

The following are deprecated Fortran user-defined callback subroutine prototypes. The deprecated copy and delete function arguments to \texttt{MPI\_KEYVAL\_CREATE} should be declared like these:

```fortran
SUBROUTINE COPY\_FUNCTION(OLDCOMM, KEYVAL, EXTRA\_STATE, ATTRIBUTE\_VAL\_IN, ATTRIBUTE\_VAL\_OUT, FLAG, IERR)
  INTEGER OLDCOMM, KEYVAL, EXTRA\_STATE, ATTRIBUTE\_VAL\_IN, ATTRIBUTE\_VAL\_OUT, IERR
  LOGICAL FLAG
SUBROUTINE DELETE\_FUNCTION(COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE\_VAL, EXTRA\_STATE, IERR)
  INTEGER COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE\_VAL, EXTRA\_STATE, IERR
```

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A.1.5 String Values

Default Communicator Names

The following default communicator names are defined by MPI.
"MPI_COMM_WORLD"
"MPI_COMM_SELF"
"MPI_COMM_PARENT"
"MPI_COMM_NULL"

Default Datatype Names

Named predefined datatypes have the default names of the datatype name. In addition, the following default datatype name is defined by MPI.
"MPI_DATATYPE_NULL"

Default Window Names

The following default window name is defined by MPI.
"MPI_WIN_NULL"

Reserved Data Representations

The following data representations are supported by MPI.
"native"
"internal"
"external32"

Process Set Names

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Info Keys

The following info keys are reserved. They are strings.
"access_style"
"accumulate_ops"
"accumulate_ordering"
"alloc_shared_noncontig"
"appnum"
"arch"
"argv"
"cb_block_size"
"cb_buffer_size"
"cb_nodes"
"chunked_item"
"chunked_size"
"chunked"
"collective_buffering"
"command"
"file"
"file_perm"
"filename"
"host"
"io_node_list"
"ip_address"
"ip_port"
"maxprocs"
"mpi_accumulate_granularity"
"mpi_assert_allow_overtaking"
"mpi_assert_exact_length"
"mpi_assert_memory_alloc_kinds"
"mpi_assert_no_any_source"
"mpi_assert_no_any_tag"
"mpi_hw_resource_type"
"mpi_initial_errhandler"
"mpi_memory_alloc_kinds"
"mpi_minimum_memory_alignment"
"mpi_pset_name"
"mpi_size"
"nb_proc"
"no_locks"
"num_io_nodes"
"path"
"same_disp_unit"
"same_size"
"soft"
"striping_factor"
"striping_unit"
"thread_level"
"wdir"

Info Values

The following info values are reserved. They are strings.

"alloc_mem"
"false"
"mpi"
"mpi_errors_abort"
"mpi_errors_are_fatal"
"mpi_errors_return"
"mpi_shared_memory"
"MPI_THREAD_FUNNELED"
"MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE"
A.2 Summary of the Semantics of all Operation-Related MPI Procedures

This annex provides the list of MPI procedures that are associated with an MPI operation, or inquiry procedures providing information about an operation.

In many cases, the MPI procedures and their properties are listed under certain constraints, e.g., a call to MPI_WAIT that completes either a nonblocking or a persistent operation, or RMA calls in combination with various synchronization methods.

Table Legend:
- **Stages**: i=initialization, s=starting, c=completion, f=freeing. The procedure does at least part of the indicated stage(s).
- **Cpl**: ic=incomplete procedure, c=completing procedure, f=freeing procedure
- **Loc**: l=local procedure, nl=non-local procedure
- *****: exceptions, e.g., ic+nl = incomplete+non-local, and c+l = completing+local (both are defined as blocking)
- **Blk**: b=blocking procedure, nb=nonblocking procedure. Note that from a user’s view point, this column is only a hint. Relevant is, whether a routine is local or not and which resources are blocked until when. See both previous and last columns.
- **‡**: exceptions, e.g., nonblocking procedures without prefix l, or that prefix l only marks immediate return.
- **Op**: part of operation type: b-op = blocking operation, nb-op = nonblocking operation, p-op = persistent operation, pp-op = persistent partitioned operation
- **Collective procedures**:

"MPI_THREAD_SERIALIZED"
"MPI_THREAD_SINGLE"
"none"
"random"
"rar"
"raw"
"read_mostly"
"read_once"
"reverse_sequential"
"same_op"
"same_op_no_op"
"sequential"
"system"
"true"
"war"
"waw"
"win_allocate"
"win_allocate_shared"
"write_mostly"
"write_once"
- C = all processes of the group must call the procedure
- sq = in the same sequence
- S1 = blocking synchronization, i.e., no process shall return from this procedure until all processes on the associated process group called this procedure
- W1 = the implementation is permitted to do S1 but not required to do S1
- S2 = start-complete-synchronization, i.e., no process shall complete the associated operation until all processes on the associated process group have called the associated starting procedure
- W2 = the implementation is permitted to do S2 but not required to do S2

- **Blocked resources**: They are blocked after the call until the end of the subsequent stage where this resource is not mentioned further in the table.

**Table Remarks:**

1. Must not return before the corresponding MPI receive operation is started.
2. Not related to an MPI operation. Prior to MPI-4.0, MPI_PROBE and MPI_IPROBE were also described as blocking and nonblocking. From MPI-4.0 onwards, only non-local and local are used to describe these procedures.
3. Usually, MPI_WAIT is non-local, but in this case it is local.
4. In case of a MPI_(I)BARRIER on an intra-communicator, the S1/S2 synchronization is required (instead of W1/W2).
5. Collective: all processes must complete, but with the free choice of using MPI_WAIT or MPI_TEST returning flag = TRUE.
6. It also may not return until MPI_INIT was called in the children.
7. Addresses are cached on the request handle.
8. One of the rare cases that an incomplete call is non-local and therefore blocking.
9. One shall not free or deallocate the buffer before the operation is freed, that is MPI_REQUEST_FREE returned.
10. For MPI_WAIT and MPI_TEST, see corresponding lines for a) MPI_BSEND, or b) MPI_IBCAST.
11. The prefix I marks only that this procedure returns immediately.
12. One of the exceptions that a completing and therefore blocking operation-related procedure is local.
13. MPI_(I)MPROBE initializes the operation through generating the message handle whereas MPI_(I)MRCV initializes the receive buffer (i.e., two MPI procedures together implement the initialization stage).
15. Initialization stage (“i”) only if flag = TRUE is returned else no operation is progressed.
16. Collective: all processes must start, but with the free choice of using MPI_START or MPI_STARTALL for a given persistent request handle (i.e., if one process starts a persistent request handle then all processes of the associated process group must start their corresponding request handle, and if any process starts then all processes must complete their handles).
17. In a correct MPI program, a call to MPI_(I)RSEND requires that the receiver has already started the corresponding receive. Under this assumption, the call to MPI_RSEND and the call to MPI_WAIT with an (active) ready send request handle are local.
Based on their semantics, when called using an intra-communicator, MPI_ALLGATHER, MPI_ALLTOALL, and their V and W variants, MPI_ALLREDUCE, MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER, and MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK must synchronize (i.e., S1/S2 instead of W1/W2) provided that all counts and the size of all datatypes are larger than zero.

MPI_COMM_FREE may return before any pending communication has finished and the communicator is deallocated. In contrast, MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT waits for pending communication to finish and deallocates the communicator before it returns.

The request handle is in the “active” state after MPI_START, i.e., MPI_REQUEST_FREE is now forbidden. But the starting stage is not yet finished, and the contents of the buffer are not yet “blocked.” An additional MPI_PREADY and variants MPI_PREADY_RANGE MPI_PREADY_LIST are required to activate each partition of the send buffer to finish the starting stage.

As part of the completion stage, the user is allowed to read part of the output buffer after returning from MPI_PARRIVED with flag = TRUE before completing the whole operation with a MPI_WAIT/MPI_TEST procedure.

It initializes the attached buffer as completely free.

It uses the attached buffer and performs all four stages on the send buffer. It occupies the needed part of the attached buffer.

It waits until the attached buffer is empty, i.e., all messages have been transmitted, and then releases the attached buffer.

Although in case of flag = TRUE the operation is completed, a subsequent call to test, wait, or free must be executed for deallocating or inactivating the request handle as final part of the stages c and f. It is listed only in this scenario, but can be used everywhere, where MPI_TEST can be called.

It frees the request handle. If the related communication operation is still ongoing then the completion and freeing stage can take place after the procedure returned.

Cancelling a send request is deprecated.

Can also be applied to active persistent requests.

As an exception, MPI_WAIT is local and MPI_TEST repeatedly called will eventually return flag=true. The cancelled send or receive operation is completed and the buffer can be reused. Whether the message is sent out from the buffer or received in the buffer, this part of the completion stage is only executed if a subsequent MPI_TEST_CANCELLER for the returned status would return flag = FALSE. The freeing stage will be performed only for non-persistent requests.

In some cases, more than one MPI procedure may be needed to implement one stage of an MPI one-sided operation. For details on the semantics of one-sided operations, see Chapter 12.

Local completion only (at origin).

Local completion only (at target).

Completion at target and locally at origin.

Return from MPI_WIN_START and these subsequent procedures at the origin process may be delayed until MPI_WIN_POST has been called at the target process (see Section 12.5 and Example 12.4).

Return from MPI_WIN_LOCK and these subsequent procedures may be delayed until other origin processes have released their lock (see Section 12.5 and Example 12.5).

The init and freeing stages and the buffer address of the target window only apply to MPI processes in the role of a target of an RMA operation.
37. The freeing stage applies to operations only and does not apply to any request.

38. The same procedure call may serve different stages for different operations, i.e., the completion of a previous RMA and/or exposure epoch and/or the start of a next RMA and/or exposure epoch.

39. In addition to the completion and freeing of the RMA operations prior the the flush call (stages “c+f”), this call initializes the next RMA epoch (stage “i”).

40. The stages represent the invocation as part of an RMA operation. As collective procedure itself, it is a blocking procedure with all stages.
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A.3 C Bindings

A.3.1 Point-to-Point Communication C Bindings

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

int MPI_Bsend_c(const void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                 int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm)

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

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

int MPI_Buffer_attach(void *buffer, int size)

int MPI_Buffer_attach_c(void *buffer, MPI_Count size)

int MPI_Buffer_detach(void *buffer_addr, int *size)

int MPI_Buffer_detach_c(void *buffer_addr, MPI_Count *size)

int MPI_Buffer_flush(void)

int MPI_Buffer_iflush(MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Cancel(MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Comm_attach_buffer(MPI_Comm comm, void *buffer, int size)

int MPI_Comm_attach_buffer_c(MPI_Comm comm, void *buffer, MPI_Count size)

int MPI_Comm_detach_buffer(MPI_Comm comm, void *buffer_addr, int *size)

int MPI_Comm_detach_buffer_c(MPI_Comm comm, void *buffer_addr, MPI_Count *size)

int MPI_Comm_flush_buffer(MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Comm_iflush_buffer(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

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

int MPI_Get_count_c(const MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                     MPI_Count *count)

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

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

int MPI_Improbe(int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, int *flag,
                MPI_Message *message, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_Imrecv(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
               MPI_Message *message, MPI_Request *request)

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

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

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

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

int MPI_Isendrecv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
                  int dest, int sendtag, void *recvbuf, int recvcount,
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                  MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Isendrecv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                    MPI_Datatype sendtype, int dest, int sendtag, void *recvbuf,
                    MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int source,
                    int recvtag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Isendrecv_replace(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
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int MPI_Isendrecv_replace_c(void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
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int MPI_Issend(const void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest,
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int MPI_Mprobe(int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Message *message,
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int MPI_Mrecv(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
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int MPI_Mrecv_c(void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
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int MPI_Probe(int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Status *status)

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

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

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

int MPI_Request_free(MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Request_get_status(MPI_Request request, int *flag, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_Request_get_status_all(int count,
                                const MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *flag,
                                MPI_Status array_of_statuses[])

int MPI_Request_get_status_any(int count,
                                const MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *index, int *flag,
                                MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_Request_get_status_some(int incount,
                                 const MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *outcount,
                                 int array_of_indices[], MPI_Status array_of_statuses[])

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

int MPI_Send_c(const void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
               int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm)

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

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

int MPI_Sendrecv(const 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)

int MPI_Sendrecv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                   MPI_Datatype sendtype, int dest, int sendtag, void *recvbuf,
                   MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int source,
                   int recvtag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Status *status)
int MPI_Sendrecv_replace(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest, int sendtag, int source, int recvtag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_Sendrecv_replace_c(void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest, int sendtag, int source, int recvtag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_Session_attach_buffer(MPI_Session session, void *buffer, int size)

int MPI_Session_attach_buffer_c(MPI_Session session, void *buffer, MPI_Count size)

int MPI_Session_detach_buffer(MPI_Session session, void *buffer_addr, int *size)

int MPI_Session_detach_buffer_c(MPI_Session session, void *buffer_addr, MPI_Count *size)

int MPI_Session_flush_buffer(MPI_Session session)

int MPI_Session_iflush_buffer(MPI_Session session, MPI_Request *request)

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

int MPI_Ssend_c(const void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm)

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

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

int MPI_Start(MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Startall(int count, MPI_Request array_of_requests[])

int MPI_Status_get_error(MPI_Status *status, int *err)

int MPI_Status_get_source(MPI_Status *status, int *source)

int MPI_Status_get_tag(MPI_Status *status, int *tag)

int MPITest(MPI_Request *request, int *flag, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_Test_cancelled(const MPI_Status *status, int *flag)

int MPI_Testall(int count, MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *flag, MPI_Status array_of_statuses[])

int MPI_Testany(int count, MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *index, int *flag, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_Testsome(int incount, MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *outcount, int array_of_indices[], MPI_Status array_of_statuses[])

int MPI_Wait(MPI_Request *request, MPI_Status *status)
int MPI_Waitall(int count, MPI_Request array_of_requests[],
                MPI_Status array_of_statuses[]) 

int MPI_Waitany(int count, MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *index,
                 MPI_Status *status) 

int MPI_Waitsome(int incount, MPI_Request array_of_requests[], int *outcount,
                  int array_of_indices[], MPI_Status array_of_statuses[]) 

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int MPI_Parrived(MPI_Request request, int partition, int *flag) 

int MPI_Pready(int partition, MPI_Request request) 

int MPI_Pready_list(int length, const int array_of_partitions[],
                    MPI_Request request) 

int MPI_Pready_range(int partition_low, int partition_high,
                     MPI_Request request) 

int MPI_Precv_init(void *buf, int partitions, MPI_Count count,
                    MPI_Datatype datatype, int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm,
                    MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request) 

int MPI_Psend_init(const void *buf, int partitions, MPI_Count count,
                    MPI_Datatype datatype, int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm,
                    MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request) 

A.3.3 Datatypes C Bindings 

MPI_Aint MPI_Aint_add(MPI_Aint base, MPI_Aint disp) 

MPI_Aint MPI_Aint_diff(MPI_Aint addr1, MPI_Aint addr2) 

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

int MPI_Get_elements(const MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                      int *count) 

int MPI_Get_elements_c(const MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                        MPI_Count *count) 

int MPI_Pack(const void *inbuf, int incount, MPI_Datatype datatype,
              void *outbuf, int outsize, int *position, MPI_Comm comm) 

int MPI_Pack_c(const void *inbuf, MPI_Count incount, MPI_Datatype datatype,
               void *outbuf, MPI_Count outsize, MPI_Count *position,
               MPI_Comm comm) 

int MPI_Pack_external(const char datarep[], const void *inbuf, int incount,
                       MPI_Datatype datatype, void *outbuf, MPI_Aint outsize,
                       MPI_Aint *position) 

int MPI_Pack_external_c(const char datarep[], const void *inbuf,
                         MPI_Count incount, MPI_Datatype datatype, void *outbuf,
                         MPI_Count outsize, MPI_Count *position)
int MPI_Pack_external_size(const char datarep[], int incount,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Aint *size)

int MPI_Pack_external_size_c(const char datarep[], MPI_Count incount,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *size)

int MPI_Pack_size(int incount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Comm comm, int *size)

int MPI_Pack_size_c(MPI_Count incount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Count *size)

int MPI_Type_commit(MPI_Datatype *datatype)

int MPI_Type_contiguous(int count, MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_contiguous_c(MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype oldtype,
    MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_darray(int size, int rank, int ndims,
    const int array_of_gsizes[], const int array_of_distribts[],
    const int array_of_dargs[], const int array_of_psizes[],
    int order, MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_darray_c(int size, int rank, int ndims,
    const MPI_Count array_of_gsizes[], const int array_of_distribts[],
    const int array_of_dargs[], const int array_of_psizes[],
    int order, MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_hindexed(int count, const int array_of_blocklengths[],
    const MPI_Aint array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
    MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_hindexed_block(int count, int blocklength,
    const MPI_Aint array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
    MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_hindexed_block_c(MPI_Count count, MPI_Count blocklength,
    const MPI_Count array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
    MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_hindexed_c(MPI_Count count,
    const MPI_Count array_of_blocklengths[],
    const MPI_Count array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
    MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_hvector(int count, int blocklength, MPI_Aint stride,
    MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_hvector_c(MPI_Count count, MPI_Count blocklength,
    MPI_Count stride, MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_indexed_block(int count, int blocklength,
    const int array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
    MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_indexed_block_c(MPI_Count count, MPI_Count blocklength,
    const MPI_Count array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
    MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_indexed_block_c(MPI_Count count, MPI_Count blocklength,
    const MPI_Count array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
    MPI_Datatype *newtype)
int MPI_Type_create_resized(MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Aint lb, MPI_Aint extent, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_resized_c(MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Count lb, MPI_Count extent, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_struct(int count, const int array_of_blocklengths[],
                             const MPI_Aint array_of_displacements[],
                             const MPI_Datatype array_of_types[], MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_create_struct_c(MPI_Count count,
                              const MPI_Count array_of_blocklengths[],
                              const MPI_Count array_of_displacements[],
                              const MPI_Datatype array_of_types[], MPI_Datatype *newtype)

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

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

int MPI_Type_dup(MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_free(MPI_Datatype *datatype)

int MPI_Type_get_contents(MPI_Datatype datatype, int max_integers,
                          int max_addresses, int max_datatypes, int array_of_integers[],
                          MPI_Aint array_of_addresses[], MPI_Datatype array_of_datatypes[])

int MPI_Type_get_contents_c(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count max_integers,
                            MPI_Count max_addresses, MPI_Count max_large_counts,
                            MPI_Count max_datatypes, int array_of_integers[],
                            MPI_Aint array_of_addresses[], MPI_Count array_of_large_counts[],
                            MPI_Datatype array_of_datatypes[])

int MPI_Type_get_envelope(MPI_Datatype datatype, int *num_integers,
                          int *num_addresses, int *num_datatypes, int *combiner)

int MPI_Type_get_envelope_c(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *num_integers,
                            MPI_Count *num_addresses, MPI_Count *num_large_counts,
                            MPI_Count *num_datatypes, int *combiner)

int MPI_Type_get_extent(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Aint *lb, MPI_Aint *extent)

int MPI_Type_get_extent_c(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *lb,
                          MPI_Count *extent)

int MPI_Type_get_true_extent(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Aint *true_lb,
                              MPI_Aint *true_extent)

int MPI_Type_get_true_extent_c(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *true_lb,
                                MPI_Count *true_extent)
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```c
int MPI_Type_indexed(int count, const int array_of_blocklengths[],
                     const int array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
                     MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_indexed_c(MPI_Count count,
                       const MPI_Count array_of_blocklengths[],
                       const MPI_Count array_of_displacements[], MPI_Datatype oldtype,
                       MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_size(MPI_Datatype datatype, int *size)

int MPI_Type_size_c(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *size)

int MPI_Type_vector(int count, int blocklength, int stride,
                     MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Type_vector_c(MPI_Count count, MPI_Count blocklength, MPI_Count stride,
                       MPI_Datatype oldtype, MPI_Datatype *newtype)

int MPI_Unpack(const void *inbuf, int insize, int *position, void *outbuf,
                int outcount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Unpack_c(const void *inbuf, MPI_Count insize, MPI_Count *position,
                 void *outbuf, MPI_Count outcount, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                 MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Unpack_external(const char datarep[], const void *inbuf,
                        MPI_Aint insize, MPI_Aint *position, void *outbuf, int outcount,
                        MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_Unpack_external_c(const char datarep[], const void *inbuf,
                         MPI_Count insize, MPI_Count *position, void *outbuf,
                         MPI_Count outcount, MPI_Datatype datatype)
```

A.3.4 Collective Communication C Bindings

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

int MPI_Allgather_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcnt,
                    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Allgather_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
                       MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcnt,
                       MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                       MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Allgather_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                         MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcnt,
                         MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
                         MPI_Request *request)
```
int MPI_Allgatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
    void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int displs[],
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Allgatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
    const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint displs[],
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Allgatherv_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[],
    const int displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Allgatherv_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
    const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint displs[],
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Allreduce(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Allreduce_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Allreduce_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Allreduce_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

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

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

int MPI_Alltoall_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount,
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Alltoall_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Alltoallv(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
    const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Alltoallv_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
    const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Alltoallv_init(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
    const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
    const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Alltoallv_init_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
    const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Alltoallw(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
    const int sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
    void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
    const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Alltoallw_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
    void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint rdispls[], const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[],
    MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Alltoallw_init(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
    const int sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
    void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
    const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Alltoallw_init_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
    void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint rdispls[], const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[],
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Barrier(MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Barrier_init(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

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

int MPI_Bcast_c(void *buffer, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int root,
    MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Bcast_init(void *buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int root,
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Bcast_init_c(void *buffer, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
        int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Exscan(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
        MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Exscan_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
        MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Exscan_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
        MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
        MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Exscan_init_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
        MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
        MPI_Request *request)

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

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

int MPI_Gather_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
        void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,
        MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Gather_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
        MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
        MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
        MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Gatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
        void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int displs[],
        MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Gatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
        MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
        const MPI_Aint displs[],
        MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Gatherv_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
        void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int displs[],
        MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
        MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Gatherv_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
        MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
        const MPI_Aint displs[],
        MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
        MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Iallgather(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
                    void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype,
                    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iallgather_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                      MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
                      MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iallgatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
                     void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int displs[],
                     MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iallgatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                       MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
                       const MPI_Aint displs[],
                       MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iallreduce(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
                    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
                    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iallreduce_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
                      MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
                      MPI_Request *request)

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

int MPI_Ialltoall_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                     MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
                     MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ialltoallv(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
                    const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
                    const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
                    MPI_Datatyperecvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ialltoallv_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
                      const MPI_Aint sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
                      const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
                      MPI_Datatyperecvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ialltoallw(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
                    const int sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
                    void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
                    const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm,
                    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ialltoallw_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
                      const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
                      void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
                      const MPI_Aint rdispls[], const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[],
                      MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ibarrier(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ibcast(void *buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int root,
                MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ibcast_c(void *buffer, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
                 int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Iexscan(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
                MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
                MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Iexscan_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
                 MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
                 MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Igather(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
                void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,
                MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Igather_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                  MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
                  MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
                  MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Igatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
                 void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int displs[],
                 MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
                 MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Igatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
                  MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
                  const MPI_Aint displs[],
                  MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
                  MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ireduce(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
                MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
                MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ireduce_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
                 MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
                 MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ireduce_scatter(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
                        const int recvcounts[], MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
                        MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ireduce_scatter_block(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
                         int recvcount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
                         MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ireduce_scatter_block_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
                         MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
                         MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ireduce_scatter_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
    const MPI_Count recvcounts[], MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iscan(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iscan_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iscatter(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
    void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iscatter_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iscatterv(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
    const int displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
    int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Iscatterv_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
    MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Op_commutative(MPI_Op op, int *commute)

int MPI_Op_create(MPI_User_function *user_fn, int commute, MPI_Op *op)

int MPI_Op_create_c(MPI_User_function_c *user_fn, int commute, MPI_Op *op)

int MPI_Op_free(MPI_Op *op)

int MPI_Reduce(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op)

int MPI_Reduce_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op)

int MPI_Reduce_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Reduce_init_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Reduce_local(const void *inbuf, void *inoutbuf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op)
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int MPI_Reduce_local_c(const void *inbuf, void *inoutbuf, MPI_Count count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op)
int MPI_Reduce_scatter(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
   const int recvcounts[], MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
   MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Reduce_scatter_block(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int recvcount,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Reduce_scatter_block_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
   MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
   MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Reduce_scatter_block_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
   int recvcount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm,
   MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Reduce_scatter_block_init_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
   MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
   MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Reduce_scatter_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
   const MPI_Count recvcounts[], MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
   MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Reduce_scatter_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
   const int recvcounts[], MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
   MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Reduce_scatter_init_c(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf,
   const MPI_Count recvcounts[], MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op,
   MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Scan(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Scan_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Scan_init(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
   MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Scan_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
   MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Scatter(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,
   void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,
   MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Scatter_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)
int MPI_Scatter_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype,  
    void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,  
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Scatter_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,  
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,  
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,  
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Scatterv(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],  
    const int displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,  
    int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Scatterv_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],  
    const MPI_Aint displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,  
    MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,  
    MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Scatterv_init(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],  
    const int displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,  
    int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm,  
    MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Scatterv_init_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],  
    const MPI_Aint displs[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,  
    MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root,  
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Type_get_value_index(MPI_Datatype value_type, MPI_Datatype index_type,  
    MPI_Datatype *pair_type)

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int MPI_Comm_compare(MPI_Comm comm1, MPI_Comm comm2, int *result)

int MPI_Comm_create(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Group group, MPI_Comm *newcomm)

int MPI_Comm_create_from_group(MPI_Group group, const char *stringtag,  
    MPI_Info info, MPI_Errhandler errhandler, MPI_Comm *newcomm)

int MPI_Comm_create_group(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Group group, int tag,  
    MPI_Comm *newcomm)

int MPI_Comm_create_keyval(MPI_Comm_copy_attr_function *comm_copy_attr_fn,  
    MPI_Comm_delete_attr_function *comm_delete_attr_fn,  
    int *comm_keyval, void *extra_state)

int MPI_Comm_delete_attr(MPI_Comm comm, int comm_keyval)

int MPI_Comm_dup(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Comm *newcomm)

int MPI_COMM_DUP_FN(MPI_Comm oldcomm, int comm_keyval, void *extra_state,  
    void *attribute_val_in, void *attribute_val_out, int *flag)

int MPI_Comm_dup_with_info(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Comm *newcomm)
int MPI_Comm_free(MPI_Comm *comm)
int MPI_Comm_free_keyval(int *comm_keyval)
int MPI_Comm_get_attr(MPI_Comm comm, int comm_keyval, void *attribute_val,
                      int *flag)
int MPI_Comm_get_info(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info *info_used)
int MPI_Comm_get_name(MPI_Comm comm, char *comm_name, int *resultlen)
int MPI_Comm_group(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Group *group)
int MPI_Comm_idup(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Comm *newcomm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Comm_idup_with_info(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info, MPI_Comm *newcomm,
                           MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_COMM_NULL_COPY_FN(MPI_Comm oldcomm, int comm_keyval, void *extra_state,
                           void *attribute_val_in, void *attribute_val_out, int *flag)
int MPI_COMM_NULL_DELETE_FN(MPI_Comm comm, int comm_keyval,
                            void *attribute_val, void *extra_state)
int MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_Comm comm, int *rank)
int MPI_Comm_remote_group(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Group *group)
int MPI_Comm_remote_size(MPI_Comm comm, int *size)
int MPI_Comm_set_attr(MPI_Comm comm, int comm_keyval, void *attribute_val)
int MPI_Comm_set_info(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info)
int MPI_Comm_set_name(MPI_Comm comm, const char *comm_name)
int MPI_Comm_size(MPI_Comm comm, int *size)
int MPI_Comm_split(MPI_Comm comm, int color, int key, MPI_Comm *newcomm)
int MPI_Comm_split_type(MPI_Comm comm, int split_type, int key, MPI_Info info,
                       MPI_Comm *newcomm)
int MPI_Comm_test_inter(MPI_Comm comm, int *flag)
int MPI_Group_compare(MPI_Group group1, MPI_Group group2, int *result)
int MPI_Group_difference(MPI_Group group1, MPI_Group group2, 
                          MPI_Group *newgroup)
int MPI_Group_excl(MPI_Group group, int n, const int ranks[],
                  MPI_Group *newgroup)
int MPI_Group_free(MPI_Group *group)
int MPI_Group_from_session_pset(MPI_Session session, const char *pset_name,
                               MPI_Group *newgroup)
int MPI_Group_incl(MPI_Group group, int n, const int ranks[],
                  MPI_Group *newgroup)
int MPI_Group_intersection(MPI_Group group1, MPI_Group group2, 
                          MPI_Group *newgroup)
int MPI_Group_range_excl(MPI_Group group, int n, int ranges[][3],
   MPI_Group *newgroup)

int MPI_Group_range_incl(MPI_Group group, int n, int ranges[][3],
   MPI_Group *newgroup)

int MPI_Group_rank(MPI_Group group, int *rank)

int MPI_Group_size(MPI_Group group, int *size)

int MPI_Group_translate_ranks(MPI_Group group1, int n, const int ranks1[],
   MPI_Group group2, int ranks2[])

int MPI_Group_union(MPI_Group group1, MPI_Group group2, MPI_Group *newgroup)

int MPI_Intercomm_create(MPI_Comm local_comm, int local_leader,
   MPI_Comm peer_comm, int remote_leader, int tag,
   MPI_Comm *new_intercomm)

int MPI_Intercomm_create_from_groups(MPI_Group local_group, int local_leader,
   MPI_Group remote_group, int remote_leader, const char *string_tag,
   MPI_Info info, MPI_Errhandler errhandler, MPI_Comm *new_intercomm)

int MPI_Intercomm_merge(MPI_Comm intercomm, int high, MPI_Comm *new_intra_comm)

int MPI_Type_create_keyval(MPI_Type_copy_attr_function *type_copy_attr_fn,
   MPI_Type_delete_attr_function *type_delete_attr_fn,
   int *type_keyval, void *extra_state)

int MPI_Type_delete_attr(MPI_Datatype datatype, int type_keyval)

int MPI_TYPE_DUP_FN(MPI_Datatype oldtype, int type_keyval, void *extra_state,
   void *attribute_val_in, void *attribute_val_out, int *flag)

int MPI_Type_free_keyval(int *type_keyval)

int MPI_Type_get_attr(MPI_Datatype datatype, int type_keyval,
   void *attribute_val, int *flag)

int MPI_Type_get_name(MPI_Datatype datatype, char *type_name, int *result_len)

int MPI_TYPE_NULL_COPY_FN(MPI_Datatype oldtype, int type_keyval,
   void *extra_state, void *attribute_val_in,
   void *attribute_val_out, int *flag)

int MPI_TYPE_NULL_DELETE_FN(MPI_Datatype datatype, int type_keyval,
   void *attribute_val, void *extra_state)

int MPI_Type_set_attr(MPI_Datatype datatype, int type_keyval,
   void *attribute_val)

int MPI_Type_set_name(MPI_Datatype datatype, const char *type_name)

int MPI_Win_create_keyval(MPI_Win_copy_attr_function *win_copy_attr_fn,
   MPI_Win_delete_attr_function *win_delete_attr_fn,
   int *win_keyval, void *extra_state)

int MPI_Win_delete_attr(MPI_Win win, int win_keyval)
int MPI_WIN_DUP_FN(MPI_Win oldwin, int win_keyval, void *extra_state,
      void *attribute_val_in, void *attribute_val_out, int *flag)

int MPI_Win_free_keyval(int *win_keyval)

int MPI_Win_get_attr(MPI_Win win, int win_keyval, void *attribute_val,
      int *flag)

int MPI_Win_get_name(MPI_Win win, char *win_name, int *resultlen)

int MPI_WIN_NULL_COPY_FN(MPI_Win oldwin, int win_keyval, void *extra_state,
      void *attribute_val_in, void *attribute_val_out, int *flag)

int MPI_WIN_NULL_DELETE_FN(MPI_Win win, int win_keyval, void *attribute_val,
      void *extra_state)

int MPI_Win_set_attr(MPI_Win win, int win_keyval, void *attribute_val)

int MPI_Win_set_name(MPI_Win win, const char *win_name)

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int MPI_Cart_coords(MPI_Comm comm, int rank, int maxdims, int coords[])

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

int MPI_Cart_get(MPI_Comm comm, int maxdims, int dims[], int periods[],
      int coords[])

int MPI_Cart_map(MPI_Comm comm, int ndims, const int dims[],
      const int periods[], int *newrank)

int MPI_Cart_rank(MPI_Comm comm, const int coords[], int *rank)

int MPI_Cart_shift(MPI_Comm comm, int direction, int disp, int *rank_source,
      int *rank_dest)

int MPI_Cart_sub(MPI_Comm comm, const int remain_dims[], MPI_Comm *newcomm)

int MPI_Cartdim_get(MPI_Comm comm, int *ndims)

int MPI_Dims_create(int nnodes, int ndims, int dims[])

int MPI_Dist_graph_create(MPI_Comm comm_old, int n, const int sources[],
      const int degrees[], const int destinations[],
      const int weights[], MPI_Info info, int reorder,
      MPI_Comm *comm_dist_graph)

int MPI_Dist_graph_create_adjacent(MPI_Comm comm_old, int indegree,
      const int sources[], const int sourceweights[], int outdegree,
      const int destinations[], const int destweights[], MPI_Info info,
      int reorder, MPI_Comm *comm_dist_graph)

int MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors(MPI_Comm comm, int maxindegree, int sources[],
      int sourceweights[], int maxoutdegree, int destinations[],
      int destweights[])
int MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors_count(MPI_Comm comm, int *indegree, int *outdegree, int *weighted)

int MPI_Graph_create(MPI_Comm comm_old, int nnodes, const int index[], const int edges[], int reorder, MPI_Comm *comm_graph)

int MPI_Graph_get(MPI_Comm comm, int maxindex, int maxedges, int index[], int edges[])

int MPI_Graph_neighbors(MPI_Comm comm, int rank, int maxneighbors, int neighbors[])

int MPI_Graph_neighbors_count(MPI_Comm comm, int rank, int *nneighbors)

int MPI_Graphdims_get(MPI_Comm comm, int *nnodes, int *nedges)

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

int MPI_Ineighbor_allgatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

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

int MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallv(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[], const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ineighbor_allgather_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ineighbor_allgatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ineighbor_alltoall_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallv_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[], const MPI_Aint sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallw(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
    void *recvbuf, const int recvcounds[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
    const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallw_c(const void *sendbuf,
    const MPI_Count sendcounts[], const MPI_Aint sdispls[],
    const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[], void *recvbuf,
    const MPI_Count recvcounds[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
    const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm,
    MPI_Request *request)

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

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

int MPI_Neighbor_allgather_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount,
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Neighbor_allgather_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
    MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[],
    const int displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[],
    const int displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
    MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[],
    const MPI_Aint displs[], MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

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

int MPI_Neighbor_alltoall_init(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount,
   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount,
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
   MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Neighbor_alltoall_init_c(const void *sendbuf, MPI_Count sendcount,
   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, MPI_Count recvcount,
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
   MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Neighbor_alltoally(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
   const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
   const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Neighbor_alltoally_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
   const MPI_Aint sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
   const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Neighbor_alltoally_init(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
   const int sdispls[], MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
   const int recvcounts[], const int rdispls[],
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
   MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Neighbor_alltoally_init_c(const void *sendbuf,
   const MPI_Count sendcounts[], const MPI_Aint sdispls[],
   MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,
   const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
   MPI_Datatype recvtype, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
   MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
   const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
   void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
   const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw_c(const void *sendbuf, const MPI_Count sendcounts[],
   const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
   void *recvbuf, const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
   const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm)

int MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw_init(const void *sendbuf, const int sendcounts[],
   const MPI_Aint sdispls[], const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[],
   void *recvbuf, const int recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
   const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
   MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw_init_c(const void *sendbuf,
    const MPI_Count sendcounts[], const MPI_Aint sdispls[],
    const MPI_Datatype sendtypes[], void *recvbuf,
    const MPI_Count recvcounts[], const MPI_Aint rdispls[],
    const MPI_Datatype recvtypes[], MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Topo_test(MPI_Comm comm, int *status)

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int MPI_Add_error_class(int *errorclass)
int MPI_Add_error_code(int errorclass, int *errorcode)
int MPI_Add_error_string(int errorcode, const char *string)
int MPI_Alloc_mem(MPI_Aint size, MPI_Info info, void *baseptr)
int MPI_Comm_call_errhandler(MPI_Comm comm, int errorcode)
int MPI_Comm_create_errhandler(
    MPI_Comm_errhandler_function *comm_errhandler_fn,
    MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)
int MPI_Comm_get_errhandler(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)
int MPI_Comm_set_errhandler(MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Errhandler errhandler)
int MPI_Errhandler_free(MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)
int MPI_Error_class(int errorcode, int *errorclass)
int MPI_Error_string(int errorcode, char *string, int *resultlen)
int MPI_File_call_errhandler(MPI_File fh, int errorcode)
int MPI_File_create_errhandler(
    MPI_File_errhandler_function *file_errhandler_fn,
    MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)
int MPI_File_get_errhandler(MPI_File file, MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)
int MPI_File_set_errhandler(MPI_File file, MPI_Errhandler errhandler)
int MPI_Free_mem(void *base)
int MPI_Get_hw_resource_info(MPI_Info *hw_info)
int MPI_Get_library_version(char *version, int *resultlen)
int MPI_Get_processor_name(char *name, int *resultlen)
int MPI_Get_version(int *version, int *subversion)
int MPI_Remove_error_class(int errorclass)
int MPI_Remove_error_code(int errorcode)
int MPI_Remove_error_string(int errorcode)
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int MPI_Session_call_errhandler(MPI_Session session, int errorcode)
int MPI_Session_create_errhandler(
    MPI_Session_errhandler_function *session_errhandler_fn,
    MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)
int MPI_Session_get_errhandler(MPI_Session session, MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)
int MPI_Session_set_errhandler(MPI_Session session, MPI_Errhandler errhandler)
int MPI_Win_call_errhandler(MPI_Win win, int errorcode)
int MPI_Win_create_errhandler(MPI_Win_errhandler_function *win_errhandler_fn,
    MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)
int MPI_Win_get_errhandler(MPI_Win win, MPI_Errhandler *errhandler)
int MPI_Win_set_errhandler(MPI_Win win, MPI_Errhandler errhandler)
double MPI_Wtick(void)
double MPI_Wtime(void)

A.3.8 The Info Object C Bindings
int MPI_Info_create(MPI_Info *info)
int MPI_Info_create_env(int argc, char *argv[], MPI_Info *info)
int MPI_Info_delete(MPI_Info info, const char *key)
int MPI_Info_dup(MPI_Info info, MPI_Info *newinfo)
int MPI_Info_free(MPI_Info *info)
int MPI_Info_get_nkeys(MPI_Info info, int *nkeys)
int MPI_Info_get_nthkey(MPI_Info info, int n, char *key)
int MPI_Info_get_string(MPI_Info info, const char *key, int *buflen,
    char *value, int *flag)
int MPI_Info_set(MPI_Info info, const char *key, const char *value)

A.3.9 Process Creation and Management C Bindings
int MPI_Abort(MPI_Comm comm, int errorcode)
int MPI_Close_port(const char *port_name)
int MPI_Comm_accept(const char *port_name, MPI_Info info, int root,
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Comm *newcomm)
int MPI_Comm_connect(const char *port_name, MPI_Info info, int root,
    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Comm *newcomm)
int MPI_Comm_disconnect(MPI_Comm *comm)
int MPI_Comm_get_parent(MPI_Comm *parent)
int MPI_Comm_join(int fd, MPI_Comm *intercomm)
int MPI_Comm_spawn(const char *command, char *argv[], int maxprocs,
                  MPI_Info info, int root, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Comm *intercomm,
                  int array_of_errcodes[])

int MPI_Comm_spawn_multiple(int count, char **array_of_commands[],
                            char **array_of_argv[], const int array_of_maxprocs[],
                            const MPI_Info array_of_info[], int root, MPI_Comm comm,
                            MPI_Comm *intercomm, int array_of_errcodes[])

int MPI_Finalize(void)

int MPI_Finalized(int *flag)

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

int MPI_Init_thread(int *argc, char ***argv, int required, int *provided)

int MPI_Initialized(int *flag)

int MPI_Is_thread_main(int *flag)

int MPI_Lookup_name(const char *service_name, MPI_Info info, char *port_name)

int MPI_Open_port(MPI_Info info, char *port_name)

int MPI_Publish_name(const char *service_name, MPI_Info info,
                     const char *port_name)

int MPI_Query_thread(int *provided)

int MPI_Session_finalize(MPI_Session *session)

int MPI_Session_get_info(MPI_Session session, MPI_Info *info_used)

int MPI_Session_get_nth_pset(MPI_Session session, MPI_Info info, int n,
                              int *pset_len, char *pset_name)

int MPI_Session_get_num_psets(MPI_Session session, MPI_Info info,
                               int *npset_names)

int MPI_Session_get_pset_info(MPI_Session session, const char *pset_name,
                               MPI_Info *info)

int MPI_Session_init(MPI_Info info, MPI_Errhandler errhandler,
                     MPI_Session *session)

int MPI_Unpublish_name(const char *service_name, MPI_Info info,
                       const char *port_name)

A.3.10 One-Sided Communications C Bindings

int MPI_Accumulate(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count,
                    MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
                    MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
                    MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Accumulate_c(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
                     MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
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MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Compare_and_swap(const void *origin_addr, const void *compare_addr,
void *result_addr, MPI_Datatype datatype, int target_rank,
MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Fetch_and_op(const void *origin_addr, void *result_addr,
MPI_Datatype datatype, int target_rank, MPI_Aint target_disp,
MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Get(void *origin_addr, int origin_count, MPI_Datatype origin_datatype,
int target_rank, MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Get_accumulate(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count,
MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, void *result_addr,
int result_count, MPI_Datatype result_datatype, int target_rank,
MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Get_accumulate_c(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, void *result_addr,
MPI_Count result_count, MPI_Datatype result_datatype,
int target_rank, MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Get_c(void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Put(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count,
MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Put_c(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Raccumulate(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count,
MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win,
MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Raccumulate_c(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Op op, MPI_Win win,
MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Rget(void *origin_addr, int origin_count, MPI_Datatype origin_datatype,
              int target_rank, MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
              MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Rget_accumulate(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count,
                        MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, void *result_addr,
                        int result_count, MPI_Datatype result_datatype, int target_rank,
                        MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
                        MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win,
                        MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Rget_accumulate_c(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
                           MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, void *result_addr,
                           MPI_Count result_count, MPI_Datatype result_datatype,
                           int target_rank, MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
                           MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win,
                           MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Rget_c(void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
               MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
               MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
               MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Rput(const void *origin_addr, int origin_count,
             MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
             MPI_Aint target_disp, int target_count,
             MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Rput_c(const void *origin_addr, MPI_Count origin_count,
               MPI_Datatype origin_datatype, int target_rank,
               MPI_Aint target_disp, MPI_Count target_count,
               MPI_Datatype target_datatype, MPI_Win win, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_Win_allocate(MPI_Aint size, int disp_unit, MPI_Info info,
                     MPI_Comm comm, void *baseptr, MPI_Win *win)

int MPI_Win_allocate_c(MPI_Aint size, MPI_Aint disp_unit, MPI_Info info,
                        MPI_Comm comm, void *baseptr, MPI_Win *win)

int MPI_Win_allocate_shared(MPI_Aint size, int disp_unit, MPI_Info info,
                           MPI_Comm comm, void *baseptr, MPI_Win *win)

int MPI_Win_allocate_shared_c(MPI_Aint size, MPI_Aint disp_unit, MPI_Info info,
                             MPI_Comm comm, void *baseptr, MPI_Win *win)

int MPI_Win_attach(MPI_Win win, void *base, MPI_Aint size)

int MPI_Win_complete(MPI_Win win)

int MPI_Win_create(void *base, MPI_Aint size, int disp_unit, MPI_Info info,
                    MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Win *win)

int MPI_Win_create_c(void *base, MPI_Aint size, MPI_Aint disp_unit,
                      MPI_Info info, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Win *win)

int MPI_Win_create_dynamic(MPI_Info info, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Win *win)
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int MPI_Win_detach(MPI_Win win, const void *base)
int MPI_Win_fence(int assert, MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_flush(int rank, MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_flush_all(MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_flush_local(int rank, MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_flush_local_all(MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_free(MPI_Win *win)
int MPI_Win_get_group(MPI_Win win, MPI_Group *group)
int MPI_Win_get_info(MPI_Win win, MPI_Info *info_used)
int MPI_Win_lock(int lock_type, int rank, int assert, MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_lock_all(int assert, MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_post(MPI_Group group, int assert, MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_set_info(MPI_Win win, MPI_Info info)
int MPI_Win_shared_query(MPI_Win win, int rank, MPI_Aint *size, int *disp_unit, void *baseptr)
int MPI_Win_shared_query_c(MPI_Win win, int rank, MPI_Aint *size, MPI_Aint *disp_unit, void *baseptr)
int MPI_Win_start(MPI_Group group, int assert, MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_sync(MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_test(MPI_Win win, int *flag)
int MPI_Win_unlock(int rank, MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_unlock_all(MPI_Win win)
int MPI_Win_wait(MPI_Win win)
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int MPI_Grequest_complete(MPI_Request request)
int MPI_Grequest_start(MPI_Grequest_query_function *query_fn,
                      MPI_Grequest_free_function *free_fn,
                      MPI_Grequest_cancel_function *cancel_fn, void *extra_state,
                      MPI_Request *request)
int MPI_Status_set_cancelled(MPI_Status *status, int flag)
int MPI_Status_set_elements(MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype, int count)
int MPI_Status_set_elements_c(MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count count)
int MPI_Status_set_error(MPI_Status *status, int err)
int MPI_Status_set_source(MPI_Status *status, int source)
int MPI_Status_set_tag(MPI_Status *status, int tag)
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int MPI_CONVERSION_FN_NULL(void *userbuf, MPI_Datatype datatype, int count,
    void *filebuf, MPI_Offset position, void *extra_state)

int MPI_CONVERSION_FN_NULL_C(void *userbuf, MPI_Datatype datatype,
    MPI_Count count, void *filebuf, MPI_Offset position,
    void *extra_state)

int MPI_File_close(MPI_File *fh)

int MPI_File_delete(const char *filename, MPI_Info info)

int MPI_File_get_amode(MPI_File fh, int *amode)

int MPI_File_get_atomicity(MPI_File fh, int *flag)

int MPI_File_get_byte_offset(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, MPI_Offset *disp)

int MPI_File_get_group(MPI_File fh, MPI_Group *group)

int MPI_File_get_info(MPI_File fh, MPI_Info *info_used)

int MPI_File_get_position(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset *offset)

int MPI_File_get_position_shared(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset *offset)

int MPI_File_get_size(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset *size)

int MPI_File_get_type_extent(MPI_File fh, MPI_Datatype datatype,
    MPI_Aint *extent)

int MPI_File_get_type_extent_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Datatype datatype,
    MPI_Count *extent)

int MPI_File_get_view(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset *disp, MPI_Datatype *etype,
    MPI_Datatype *filetype, char *datarep)

int MPI_File_iread(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
    MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iread_all(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iread_all_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iread_at(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iread_at_all(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iread_at_all_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf,
    MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iread_at_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf,
    MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iread_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)
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int MPI_File_iread_shared(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iread_shared_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite_all(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite_all_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite_at(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, const void *buf,
    int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite_at_all(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, const void *buf,
    int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite_at_all_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, const void *buf,
    MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite_shared(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_iwrite_shared_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Request *request)

int MPI_File_open(MPI_Comm comm, const char *filename, int amode,
    MPI_Info info, MPI_File *fh)

int MPI_File_preallocate(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset size)

int MPI_File_read(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
    MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_all(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
    MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_all_begin(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_File_read_all_begin_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_File_read_all_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_all_end(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_at(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf, int count,
    MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)
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int MPI_File_read_at_all(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf, int count,
                         MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_at_all_begin(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf,
                                int count, MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_File_read_at_all_begin_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf,
                                 MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_File_read_at_all_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf,
                           MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_at_all_end(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_at_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, void *buf,
                       MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,
                     MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_ordered(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,
                          MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_ordered_begin(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,
                                 MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_File_read_ordered_begin_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
                                  MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_File_read_ordered_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
                            MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_ordered_end(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_shared(MPI_File fh, void *buf, int count,
                         MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_read_shared_c(MPI_File fh, void *buf, MPI_Count count,
                           MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

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

int MPI_File_seek_shared(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset, int whence)

int MPI_File_set_atomicity(MPI_File fh, int flag)

int MPI_File_set_info(MPI_File fh, MPI_Info info)

int MPI_File_set_size(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset size)

int MPI_File_set_view(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset disp, MPI_Datatype etype,
                       MPI_Datatype filetype, const char *datarep, MPI_Info info)

int MPI_File_sync(MPI_File fh)

int MPI_File_write(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
                   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_write_all(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
                        MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)
int MPI_File_write_all_begin(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_File_write_all_begin_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_File_write_all_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_write_all_end(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Status *status)

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

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

int MPI_File_write_at_all_begin(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset,
   const void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_File_write_at_all_begin_c(MPI_File fh, MPI_Offset offset,
   const void *buf, MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype)

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

int MPI_File_write_at_all_end(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Status *status)

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

int MPI_File_write_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_write_ordered(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_write_ordered_begin(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_File_write_ordered_begin_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf,
   MPI_Count count, MPI_Datatype datatype)

int MPI_File_write_ordered_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_write_ordered_end(MPI_File fh, const void *buf,
   MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_write_shared(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, int count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_File_write_shared_c(MPI_File fh, const void *buf, MPI_Count count,
   MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Status *status)

int MPI_Register_datarep(const char *datarep,
   MPI_Datarep_conversion_function *read_conversion_fn,
   MPI_Datarep_conversion_function *write_conversion_fn,
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MPI_Fint MPI_Comm_c2f(MPI_Comm comm)
MPI_Comm MPI_Comm_f2c(MPI_Fint comm)
MPI_Fint MPI_Errhandler_c2f(MPI_Errhandler errhandler)
MPI_Errhandler MPI_Errhandler_f2c(MPI_Fint errhandler)
MPI_Fint MPI_File_c2f(MPI_File file)
MPI_File MPI_File_f2c(MPI_Fint file)
MPI_Fint MPI_Group_c2f(MPI_Group group)
MPI_Group MPI_Group_f2c(MPI_Fint group)
MPI_Fint MPI_Info_c2f(MPI_Info info)
MPI_Info MPI_Info_f2c(MPI_Fint info)
MPI_Fint MPI_Message_c2f(MPI_Message message)
MPI_Message MPI_Message_f2c(MPI_Fint message)
MPI_Fint MPI_Op_c2f(MPI_Op op)
MPI_Op MPI_Op_f2c(MPI_Fint op)
MPI_Fint MPI_Request_c2f(MPI_Request request)
MPI_Request MPI_Request_f2c(MPI_Fint request)
MPI_Fint MPI_Session_c2f(MPI_Session session)
MPI_Session MPI_Session_f2c(MPI_Fint session)
int MPI_Status_c2f(const MPI_Status *c_status, MPI_Fint *f_status)
int MPI_Status_c2f08(const MPI_Status *c_status, MPI_F08_status *f08_status)
int MPI_Status_f082c(const MPI_F08_status *f08_status, MPI_Status *c_status)
int MPI_Status_f082f(const MPI_F08_status *f08_status, MPI_Fint *f_status)
int MPI_Status_f2c(const MPI_Fint *f_status, MPI_Status *c_status)
int MPI_Status_f2f08(const MPI_Fint *f_status, MPI_F08_status *f08_status)
MPI_Fint MPI_Type_c2f(MPI_Datatype datatype)
int MPI_Type_create_f90_complex(int p, int r, MPI_Datatype *newtype)
int MPI_Type_create_f90_integer(int r, MPI_Datatype *newtype)
int MPI_Type_create_f90_real(int p, int r, MPI_Datatype *newtype)
MPI_Datatype MPI_Type_f2c(MPI_Fint datatype)
int MPI_Type_match_size(int typeclass, int size, MPI_Datatype *datatype)
MPI_Fint MPI_Win_c2f(MPI_Win win)
MPI_Win MPI_Win_f2c(MPI_Fint win)

A.3.14 Tools / Profiling Interface C Bindings
int MPI_Pcontrol(const int level, ...)

A.3.15 Tools / MPI Tool Information Interface C Bindings
int MPI_T_category_changed(int *update_number)
int MPI_T_category_get_categories(int cat_index, int len, int indices[])
int MPI_T_category_get_cvars(int cat_index, int len, int indices[])
int MPI_T_category_get_events(int cat_index, int len, int indices[])
int MPI_T_category_get_index(const char *name, int *cat_index)
int MPI_T_category_get_info(int cat_index, char *name, int *name_len, 
                             char *desc, int *desc_len, int *num_cvars, int *num_pvars, 
                             int *num_categories)
int MPI_T_category_get_num(int *num_cat)
int MPI_T_category_get_num_events(int cat_index, int *num_events)
int MPI_T_category_get_pvars(int cat_index, int len, int indices[])
int MPI_T_cvar_get_index(const char *name, int *cvar_index)
int MPI_T_cvar_get_info(int cvar_index, char *name, int *name_len, 
                         int *verbosity, MPI_Datatype *datatype, MPI_T_enum *enumtype, 
                         char *desc, int *desc_len, int *bind, int *scope)
int MPI_T_cvar_get_num(int *num_cvar)
int MPI_T_cvar_handle_alloc(int cvar_index, void *obj_handle, 
                             MPI_T_cvar_handle *handle, int *count)
int MPI_T_cvar_handle_free(MPI_T_cvar_handle *handle)
int MPI_T_cvar_read(MPI_T_cvar_handle handle, void *buf)
int MPI_T_cvar_write(MPI_T_cvar_handle handle, const void *buf)
int MPI_T_enum_get_info(MPI_T_enum enumtype, int *num, char *name, 
                        int *name_len)
int MPI_T_enum_get_item(MPI_T_enum enumtype, int index, int *value, char *name, 
                        int *name_len)
int MPI_T_event_callback_get_info(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
    MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, MPI_Info *info_used)

int MPI_T_event_callback_set_info(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
    MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, MPI_Info info)

int MPI_T_event_copy(MPI_T_event_instance event_instance, void *buffer)

int MPI_T_event_get_index(const char *name, int *event_index)

int MPI_T_event_get_info(int event_index, char *name, int *name_len,
    int *verbosity, MPI_Datatype array_of_datatypes[],
    MPI_Aint array_of_displacements[], int *num_elements,
    MPI_T_enum *enumtype, MPI_Info *info, char *desc, int *desc_len,
    int *bind)

int MPI_T_event_get_num(int *num_events)

int MPI_T_event_get_source(MPI_T_event_instance event_instance,
    int *source_index)

int MPI_T_event_get_timestamp(MPI_T_event_instance event_instance,
    MPI_Count *event_timestamp)

int MPI_T_event_handle_alloc(int event_index, void *obj_handle, MPI_Info info,
    MPI_T_event_registration *event_registration)

int MPI_T_event_handle_free(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
    void *user_data, MPI_T_event_free_cb_function free_cb_function)

int MPI_T_event_handle_get_info(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
    MPI_Info *info_used)

int MPI_T_event_handle_set_info(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
    MPI_Info info)

int MPI_T_event_read(MPI_T_event_instance event_instance, int element_index,
    void *buffer)

int MPI_T_event_register_callback(MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
    MPI_T_cb_safety cb_safety, MPI_Info info, void *user_data,
    MPI_T_event_cb_function event_cb_function)

int MPI_T_event_set_dropped_handler(
    MPI_T_event_registration event_registration,
    MPI_T_event_dropped_cb_function dropped_cb_function)

int MPI_T_finalize(void)

int MPI_T_init_thread(int required, int *provided)

int MPI_T_pvar_get_index(const char *name, int var_class, int *pvar_index)

int MPI_T_pvar_get_info(int pvar_index, char *name, int *name_len,
    int *verbosity, int *var_class, MPI_Datatype *datatype,
    MPI_T_enum *enumtype, char *desc, int *desc_len, int *bind,
    int *readonly, int *continuous, int *atomic)

int MPI_T_pvar_get_num(int *num_pvar)
int MPI_T_pvar_handle_alloc(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, int pvar_index, 
    void *obj_handle, MPI_T_pvar_handle *handle, int *count)

int MPI_T_pvar_handle_free(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, 
    MPI_T_pvar_handle *handle)

int MPI_T_pvar_read(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, MPI_T_pvar_handle handle, 
    void *buf)

int MPI_T_pvar_readreset(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, 
    MPI_T_pvar_handle handle, void *buf)

int MPI_T_pvar_reset(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, MPI_T_pvar_handle handle)

int MPI_T_pvar_session_create(MPI_T_pvar_session *pe_session)

int MPI_T_pvar_session_free(MPI_T_pvar_session *pe_session)

int MPI_T_pvar_start(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, MPI_T_pvar_handle handle)

int MPI_T_pvar_stop(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, MPI_T_pvar_handle handle)

int MPI_T_pvar_write(MPI_T_pvar_session pe_session, MPI_T_pvar_handle handle, 
    const void *buf)

int MPI_T_source_get_info(int source_index, char *name, int *name_len, 
    char *desc, int *desc_len, MPI_T_source_order *ordering, 
    MPI_Count *ticks_per_second, MPI_Count *max_ticks, 
    MPI_Info *info)

int MPI_T_source_get_num(int *num_sources)

int MPI_T_source_get_timestamp(int source_index, MPI_Count *timestamp)

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int MPI_Attr_delete(MPI_Comm comm, int keyval)

int MPI_Attr_get(MPI_Comm comm, int keyval, void *attribute_val, int *flag)

int MPI_Attr_put(MPI_Comm comm, int keyval, void *attribute_val)

int MPI_DUP_FN(MPI_Comm oldcomm, int keyval, void *extra_state, 
    void *attribute_val_in, void *attribute_val_out, int *flag)

int MPI_Get_elements_x(const MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype, 
    MPI_Count *count)

int MPI_Info_get(MPI_Info info, const char *key, int valuelen, char *value, 
    int *flag)

int MPI_Info_get_valuelen(MPI_Info info, const char *key, int *valuelen, 
    int *flag)

int MPI_Keyval_create(MPI_Copy_function *copy_fn, 
    MPI_Delete_function *delete_fn, int *keyval, void *extra_state)

int MPI_Keyval_free(int *keyval)
int MPI_NULL_COPY_FN(MPI_Comm oldcomm, int keyval, void *extra_state, 
                      void *attribute_val_in, void *attribute_val_out, int *flag)

int MPI_NULL_DELETE_FN(MPI_Comm comm, int keyval, void *attribute_val, 
                        void *extra_state)

int MPI_Status_set_elements_x(MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype, 
                               MPI_Count count)

int MPI_Type_get_extent_x(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *lb, 
                          MPI_Count *extent)

int MPI_Type_get_true_extent_x(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *true_lb, 
                               MPI_Count *true_extent)

int MPI_Type_size_x(MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Count *size)
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A.4.1 Point-to-Point Communication Fortran 2008 Bindings

MPI_Bsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Bsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Bsend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Bsend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Buffer_attach(buffer, size, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Buffer_attach(buffer, size, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Buffer_detach(buffer_addr, size, ierror)
  USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
  TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: buffer_addr
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Buffer_detach(buffer_addr, size, ierror) !(_c)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: buffer_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Buffer_flush(ierr)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Buffer_iflush(request, ierr)
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Cancel(request, ierr)
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Comm_attach_buffer(comm, buffer, size, ierr)
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Comm_detach_buffer(comm, buffer_addr, size, ierr)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: buffer_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Comm_flush_buffer(comm, ierr)
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Comm_iflush_buffer(comm, request, ierr)
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Get_count(status, datatype, count, ierr)
TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Get_count(status, datatype, count, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: count
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ibsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ibsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Improbe(source, tag, comm, flag, message, status, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
TYPE(MPI_Message), INTENT(INOUT) :: message
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Imrecv(buf, count, datatype, message, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Message), INTENT(INOUT) :: message
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Imrecv(buf, count, datatype, message, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Message), INTENT(INOUT) :: message
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_Iprobe(source, tag, comm, flag, status, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Irecv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, source, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Irsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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```fortran
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Isendrecv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, dest, sendtag, recvbuf, recvcount,
   recvtype, source, recvtag, comm, request, ierror)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, dest, sendtag, recvcount, source, recvtag
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Isendrecv_replace(buf, count, datatype, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag,
   comm, request, ierror)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, sendtag, source, recvtag
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Issend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
```

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TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Issend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(\_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Mprobe(source, tag, comm, message, status, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Message), INTENT(OUT) :: message
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Mrecv(buf, count, datatype, message, status, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Message), INTENT(INOUT) :: message
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Mrecv(buf, count, datatype, message, status, ierror) !(\_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Message), INTENT(INOUT) :: message
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Probe(source, tag, comm, status, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Recv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, status, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, source, tag
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Recv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, status, ierror) !(\_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: source, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Recv_init(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, request, ierror)

MPI_Recv_init(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)

MPI_Request_free(request, ierror)

MPI_Request_get_status(request, flag, status, ierror)

MPI_Request_get_status_all(count, array_of_requests, flag, array_of_statuses, ierror)

MPI_Request_get_status_any(count, array_of_requests, index, flag, status, ierror)
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- **MPI_Request_get_status_some**
  ```
  MPI_Request_get_status_some(incount, array_of_requests, outcount, array_of_indices, array_of_statuses, ierr)  
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount  
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_requests(incount)  
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: outcount, array_of_indices(*)  
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: array_of_statuses(*)  
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr  
  ```

- **MPI_Rsend**
  ```
  MPI_Rsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierr)  
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf  
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag  
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype  
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm  
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr  
  ```

- **MPI_Rsend_init**
  ```
  MPI_Rsend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierr)  
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf  
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag  
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype  
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm  
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request  
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr  
  ```

- **MPI_Send**
  ```
  MPI_Send(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierr)  
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf  
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag  
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype  
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm  
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr  
  ```
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Send_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Send_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ssendrecv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, dest, sendtag, recvbuf, recvcount,
  recvtype, source, recvtag, comm, status, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, dest, sendtag, recvcount, source, recvtag
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(OUT) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ssendrecv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, dest, sendtag, recvbuf, recvcount,
  recvtype, source, recvtag, comm, status, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, sendtag, source, recvtag
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(OUT) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ssendrecv_replace(buf, count, datatype, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag,
  comm, status, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(OUT) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Sendrecv_replace(buf, count, datatype, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag,
    comm, status, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, sendtag, source, recvtag
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_attach_buffer(session, buffer, size, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: size
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_attach_buffer(session, buffer, size, ierror) !(_c)
    TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_detach_buffer(session, buffer_addr, size, ierror)
    USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
    TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
    TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: buffer_addr
    INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_detach_buffer(session, buffer_addr, size, ierror) !(_c)
    USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
    TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
    TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: buffer_addr
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_flush_buffer(session, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_iflush_buffer(session, request, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ssend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Ssend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ssend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, dest, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Start(request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Startall(count, array_of_requests, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(count)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Status_get_error(status, err, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: err
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Status_get_source(status, source, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: source
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Status_get_tag(status, tag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: tag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Test(request, flag, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: request
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
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TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Test_cancelled(status, flag, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Testall(count, array_of_requests, flag, array_of_statuses, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(count)
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: array_of_statuses(*)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Testany(count, array_of_requests, index, flag, status, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(count)
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: index
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Testsome(incount, array_of_requests, outcount, array_of_indices,
array_of_statuses, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(incount)
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: outcount, array_of_indices(*)
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: array_of_statuses(*)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Wait(request, status, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: request
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Waitall(count, array_of_requests, array_of_statuses, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(count)
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: array_of_statuses(*)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Waitany(count, array_of_requests, index, status, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(count)
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: index
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Waitsome(incount, array_of_requests, outcount, array_of_indices,
array_of_statuses, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(INOUT) :: array_of_requests(incount)
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: outcount, array_of_indices(*)
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: array_of_statuses(*)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

A.4.2 Partitioned Communication Fortran 2008 Bindings

MPI_Parrived(request, partition, flag, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: partition
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Pready(partition, request, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: partition
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Pready_list(length, array_of_partitions, request, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: length, array_of_partitions(length)
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Pready_range(partition_low, partition_high, request, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: partition_low, partition_high
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Precv_init(buf, partitions, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, info,
request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: partitions, source, tag
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Psend_init(buf, partitions, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, info,
request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: partitions, dest, tag
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
A.4.3 Datatypes Fortran 2008 Bindings

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) MPI_Aint_add(base, disp)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: base, disp

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) MPI_Aint_diff(addr1, addr2)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: addr1, addr2

MPI_Get_address(location, address, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: location
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: address
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Get_elements(status, datatype, count, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: count
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Pack(inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outsize, position, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount, outsize
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: position
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Pack(inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outsize, position, comm, ierror)
  !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: incount, outsize
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Pack_external(datarep, inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outsize, position, comm, ierror)
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) :: datarep
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: outsize
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INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Pack_external(datarep, inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outsize, position, ierror) !(_c)
CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: datarep
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: incount, outsize
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Pack_external_size(datarep, incount, datatype, size, ierror)
CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: datarep
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Pack_size(incount, datatype, comm, size, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: incount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_commit(datatype, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(INOUT) :: datatype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_contiguous(count, oldtype, newtype, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_contiguous(count, oldtype, newtype, ierror) !(_c)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype

INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_darray(size, rank, ndims, array_of_gsizes, array_of_distribs,
array_of_dargs, array_of_psizes, order, oldtype, newtype, ierror)

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: size, rank, ndims, array_of_gsizes(ndims),
array_of_distribs(ndims), array_of_dargs(ndims),
array_of_psizes(ndims), order

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype

INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_darray(size, rank, ndims, array_of_gsizes, array_of_distribs,
array_of_dargs, array_of_psizes, order, oldtype, newtype, ierror)

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_displacements(count)

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype

INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_hindexed(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements,
oldtype, newtype, ierror)

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, array_of_blocklengths(count)

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_displacements(count)

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype

INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_hindexed(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements,
oldtype, newtype, ierror)

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_displacements(count)

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype

INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_hindexed_block(count, blocklength, array_of_displacements,
oldtype, newtype, ierror)

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_displacements(count)

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype

INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_hindexed_block(count, blocklength, array_of_displacements,
oldtype, newtype, ierror)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength,
array_of_displacements(count)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_hvector(count, blocklength, stride, oldtype, newtype, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: stride
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_hvector(count, blocklength, stride, oldtype, newtype, ierror)
!(_c)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength, stride
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_indexed_block(count, blocklength, array_of_displacements, 
oldtype, newtype, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength, array_of_displacements(count)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_indexed_block(count, blocklength, array_of_displacements, 
oldtype, newtype, ierror)
!(_c)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength, 
array_of_displacements(count)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_resized(oldtype, lb, extent, newtype, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: lb, extent
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_resized(oldtype, lb, extent, newtype, ierror)
!(_c)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: lb, extent
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_struct(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements, 
array_of_types, newtype, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, array_of_blocklengths(count)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_displacements(count)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_types(count)

TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (OUT) :: newtype
INT INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT (OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_struct(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements,
array_of_types, newtype, ierror) !(_c)
INTEGER (KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT (IN) :: count,
array_of_blocklengths (count), array_of_displacements (count)
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (IN) :: array_of_types (count)
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT (OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_subarray(ndims, array_of_sizes, array_of_subsizes,
array_of_starts, order, oldtype, newtype, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT (IN) :: ndims, array_of_sizes (ndims),
array_of_subsizes (ndims), array_of_starts (ndims), order
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (IN) :: oldtype
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT (OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_subarray(ndims, array_of_sizes, array_of_subsizes,
array_of_starts, order, oldtype, newtype, ierror) !(_c)
INTEGER, INTENT (IN) :: ndims, order
INTEGER (KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT (IN) :: array_of_sizes (ndims),
array_of_subsizes (ndims), array_of_starts (ndims)
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (IN) :: oldtype
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT (OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_dup(oldtype, newtype, ierror)
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (IN) :: oldtype
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (OUT) :: newtype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT (OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_free(datatype, ierror)
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (INOUT) :: datatype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT (OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_get_contents(datatype, max_integers, max_addresses, max_datatypes,
array_of_integers, array_of_addresses, array_of_datatypes,
ierror)
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT (IN) :: max_integers, max_addresses, max_datatypes
INTEGER, INTENT (OUT) :: array_of_integers (max_integers)
INTEGER (KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT (OUT) ::
array_of_addresses (max_addresses)
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (OUT) :: array_of_datatypes (max_datatypes)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT (OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_get_contents(datatype, max_integers, max_addresses, max_large_counts,
max_datatypes, array_of_integers, array_of_addresses,
array_of_large_counts, array_of_datatypes, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE (MPI_Datatype), INTENT (IN) :: datatype
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<td>TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype</td>
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<td>INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: num_integers, num_addresses, num_datatypes, combiner</td>
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MPI_Type_indexed(count, array_of_blocklengths, array_of_displacements, oldtype, newtype, ierror) !(_c)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count,
    array_of_blocklengths(count), array_of_displacements(count)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_size(datatype, size, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_size(datatype, size, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_vector(count, blocklength, stride, oldtype, newtype, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength, stride
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_vector(count, blocklength, stride, oldtype, newtype, ierror) !(_c)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count, blocklength, stride
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: oldtype
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Unpack(inbuf, insize, position, outbuf, outcount, datatype, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: insize, outcount
  INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: position
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Unpack(inbuf, insize, position, outbuf, outcount, datatype, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: insize, outcount
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Unpack_external(datarep, inbuf, insize, position, outbuf, outcount, datatype, ierror)
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: datarep
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TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: insize
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: outcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Unpack_external(datarep, inbuf, insize, position, outbuf, outcount, datatype, ierror) !(_c)

CHARACTER(LEN=*), INTENT(IN) :: datarep
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: insize, outcount
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(INOUT) :: position
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: outbuf
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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A.4.4 Collective Communication Fortran 2008 Bindings

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MPI_Allgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Allgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Allgather_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_Allgatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcounts(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Allgatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcounts(*), displs(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Allreduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Allreduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Allreduce_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Allreduce_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm,
  ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoall_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
  comm, info, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoall_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
  comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
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  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
  rdispls, recvtype, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*), recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts,
  rdispls, recvtype, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoallv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, 
                  rdispls, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*), 
                  recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoallv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, 
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INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), 
                  recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*), 
                  rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, 
               rdispls, recvtypes, comm, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*), recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, 
               rdispls, recvtypes, comm, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Alltoallw_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf,
recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, info, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*),
recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
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  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alltoallw_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf,
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  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*),
recvcounts(*)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*),
rdispls(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Bcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buffer
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Bcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buffer
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_Bcast_init(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, info, request, ierror)

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MPI_Exscan_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Gather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, ierror)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Gather_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, info, request, ierror)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Gather_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Gatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, 
  recvtpe, root, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcounts(*), displs(*), root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtpe
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: ierror
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Gatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, 
  recvtpe, root, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcounts(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtpe
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: displs(*)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Gatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, 
  recvtpe, root, comm, info, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtpe
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*), displs(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Gatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, 
  recvtpe, root, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtpe
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: displs(*)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Iallgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,  
    comm, request, ierr)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Iallgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs,  
    recvtype, comm, request, ierr) !(_c)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*), displs(*)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Iallreduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request, ierr)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
    TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
    TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
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TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Iallreduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request, ierror)
   !(c)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ialltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
   !(c)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ialltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
   !(c)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*),
      recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ialltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, request, ierror) !(c)
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*),
      recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*), 
   rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ialltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, 
   rdispls, recvtypes, comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf 
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*), 
   recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ialltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, 
   rdispls, recvtypes, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf 
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), 
   recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*), 
   rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ibarrier(comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ibcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer 
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, root
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ibcast(buffer, count, datatype, root, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buffer 
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
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TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Iexscan(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Iexscan(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request, ierror) !_c
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Igather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Igather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm, request, ierror) !_c
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Igatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, root, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
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INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*), displs(*)
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Igatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs,
recvtype, root, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: displs(*)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ireduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, root
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ireduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, request, ierror)
!(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ireduce_scatter(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Ireduce_scatter(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm, request, ierror) (!(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
)

MPI_Ireduce_scatter_block(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
)

MPI_Iscan(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
)
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Iscatter(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root,
  comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount, root
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Iscatter(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root,
  comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Iscatterv(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
  root, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), displs(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: recvcount, root
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Iscatterv(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype,
  root, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: displs(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: recvcount
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Op_commutative(op, commute, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: commute
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Op_create(user_fn, commute, op, ierror)
PROCEDURE(MPI_User_function) :: user_fn
LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: commute
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(OUT) :: op
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Op_create_c(user_fn, commute, op, ierror) !(_c)
PROCEDURE(MPI_User_function_c) :: user_fn
LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: commute
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(OUT) :: op
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Op_free(op, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(INOUT) :: op
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, root
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, info, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, root
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
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MPI_Reduce_local(inbuf, inoutbuf, count, datatype, op, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: inbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: inoutbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce_scatter(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: recvcounts(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce_scatter_block(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: recvcounts(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce_scatter_block(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm, ierror) !(_c)

MPI_Reduce_scatter_block_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcount, datatype, op, comm, info, request, ierror)

MPI_Reduce_scatter_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm, info, request, ierror)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Reduce_scatter_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcounts, datatype, op, comm, info,
request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scan(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scan_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request,
ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scan_init(sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm, info, request,
ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scatter(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root,
  comm, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount, root
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scatter(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root,
  comm, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scatter_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root,
  comm, info, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount, root
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scatter_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root,
  comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scatterv(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root,
  comm, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), displs(*), recvcount, root
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scatterv(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, 
  recvtype, root, comm, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcount
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: displs(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scatterv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, 
  recvtype, root, comm, info, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), displs(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: recvcount, root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Scatterv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, 
  recvtype, root, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: displs(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: recvcount
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_get_value_index(value_type, index_type, pair_type, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: value_type, index_type
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: pair_type
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_Comm_compare(comm1, comm2, result, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm1, comm2
   INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: result
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_create(comm, group, newcomm, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_create_from_group(group, stringtag, info, errhandler, newcomm, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
   CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: stringtag
   TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
   TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(IN) :: errhandler
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_create_group(comm, group, tag, newcomm, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: tag
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_create_keyval(comm_copy_attr_fn, comm_delete_attr_fn, comm_keyval,
   extra_state, ierror)
   PROCEDURE(MPI_Comm_copy_attr_function) :: comm_copy_attr_fn
   PROCEDURE(MPI_Comm_delete_attr_function) :: comm_delete_attr_fn
   INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: comm_keyval
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_delete_attr(comm, comm_keyval, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: comm_keyval
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_dup(comm, newcomm, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_COMM_DUP_FN(oldcomm, comm_keyval, extra_state, attribute_val_in,
   attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm) :: oldcomm
   INTEGER :: comm_keyval
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state
   attribute_val_in
   attribute_val_out
LOGICAL :: flag

MPI_Comm_dup_with_info(comm, info, newcomm, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_free(comm, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(INOUT) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_free_keyval(comm_keyval, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: comm_keyval
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_get_attr(comm, comm_keyval, attribute_val, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: comm_keyval
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: attribute_val
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_get_info(comm, info_used, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info_used
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_get_name(comm, comm_name, resultlen, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME), INTENT(OUT) :: comm_name
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: resultlen
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_group(comm, group, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: group
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_idup(comm, newcomm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT), ASYNCHRONOUS :: newcomm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_idup_with_info(comm, info, newcomm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT), ASYNCHRONOUS :: newcomm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_COMM_NULL_COPY_FN(oldcomm, comm_keyval, extra_state, attribute_val_in,
  attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)
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TYPE(MPI_Comm) :: oldcomm
INTEGER :: comm_keyval, ierror
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state, attribute_val_in,
  attribute_val_out
LOGICAL :: flag

MPI_COMM_NULL_DELETE_FN(comm, comm_keyval, attribute_val, extra_state, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm) :: comm
  INTEGER :: comm_keyval, ierror
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: attribute_val, extra_state

MPI_Comm_rank(comm, rank, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: rank
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_remote_group(comm, group, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: group
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_remote_size(comm, size, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_set_attr(comm, comm_keyval, attribute_val, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: comm_keyval
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: attribute_val
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_set_info(comm, info, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_set_name(comm, comm_name, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) :: comm_name
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_size(comm, size, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_split(comm, color, key, newcomm, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: color, key
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_split_type(comm, split_type, key, info, newcomm, ierror)
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TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: split_type, key
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_test_inter(comm, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_compare(group1, group2, result, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group1, group2
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: result
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_difference(group1, group2, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group1, group2
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_excl(group, n, ranks, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, ranks(n)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_free(group, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(INOUT) :: group
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_from_session_pset(session, pset_name, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: pset_name
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_incl(group, n, ranks, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, ranks(n)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_intersection(group1, group2, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group1, group2
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_range_excl(group, n, ranges, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, ranges(3, n)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_Group_range_incl(group, n, ranges, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, ranges(3, n)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_rank(group, rank, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: rank
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_size(group, size, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_translate_ranks(group1, n, ranks1, group2, ranks2, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group1, group2
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, ranks1(n)
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: ranks2(n)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Group_union(group1, group2, newgroup, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group1, group2
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: newgroup
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Intercomm_create(local_comm, local_leader, peer_comm, remote_leader, tag,
  newintercomm, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: local_comm, peer_comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: local_leader, remote_leader, tag
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newintercomm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Intercomm_create_from_groups(local_group, local_leader, remote_group,
  remote_leader, stringtag, info, errhandler, newintercomm, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: local_group, remote_group
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: local_leader, remote_leader
  CHARACTER(LEN=*), INTENT(IN) :: stringtag
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(IN) :: errhandler
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newintercomm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Intercomm_merge(intercomm, high, newintracomm, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: intercomm
  LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: high
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newintracomm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_keyval(type_copy_attr_fn, type_delete_attr_fn, type_keyval,
  extra_state, ierror)
PROCEDURE(MPI_Type_copy_attr_function) :: type_copy_attr_fn
PROCEDURE(MPI_Type_delete_attr_function) :: type_delete_attr_fn
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: type_keyval
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: extra_state
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_delete_attr(datatype, type_keyval, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: type_keyval
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_TYPE_DUP_FN(oldtype, type_keyval, extra_state, attribute_val_in,
    attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: oldtype
  INTEGER :: type_keyval, ierror
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state, attribute_val_in,
    attribute_val_out
  LOGICAL :: flag

MPI_Type_free_keyval(type_keyval, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: type_keyval
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_get_attr(datatype, type_keyval, attribute_val, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: type_keyval
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: extra_state
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_get_name(datatype, type_name, resultlen, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME), INTENT(OUT) :: type_name
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: resultlen
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_TYPE_NULL_COPY_FN(oldtype, type_keyval, extra_state, attribute_val_in,
    attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: oldtype
  INTEGER :: type_keyval, ierror
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state, attribute_val_in,
    attribute_val_out
  LOGICAL :: flag

MPI_TYPE_NULL_DELETE_FN(datatype, type_keyval, attribute_val, extra_state,
    ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
  INTEGER :: type_keyval
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: attribute_val, extra_state
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_set_attr(datatype, type_keyval, attribute_val, ierror)
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TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: type_keyval
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: attribute_val
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_set_name(datatype, type_name, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
CHARACTER(LEN=*), INTENT(IN) :: type_name
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_create_keyval(win_copy_attr_fn, win_delete_attr_fn, win_keyval,
extra_state, ierror)

PROCEDURE(MPI_Win_copy_attr_function) :: win_copy_attr_fn
PROCEDURE(MPI_Win_delete_attr_function) :: win_delete_attr_fn
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: win_keyval
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: extra_state
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_delete_attr(win, win_keyval, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: win_keyval
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_WIN_DUP_FN(oldwin, win_keyval, extra_state, attribute_val_in,
attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_Win) :: oldwin
INTEGER :: win_keyval, ierror
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state, attribute_val_in,
attribute_val_out
LOGICAL :: flag

MPI_Win_free_keyval(win_keyval, ierror)

INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: win_keyval
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_get_attr(win, win_keyval, attribute_val, flag, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: win_keyval
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: attribute_val
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_get_name(win, win_name, resultlen, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME), INTENT(OUT) :: win_name
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: resultlen
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_WIN_NULL_COPY_FN(oldwin, win_keyval, extra_state, attribute_val_in,
attribute_val_out, flag, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_Win) :: oldwin
INTEGER :: win_keyval, ierror
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 INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state, attribute_val_in,
   attribute_val_out
 LOGICAL :: flag

 MPI_WIN_NULL_DELETE_FN(win, win_keyval, attribute_val, extra_state, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Win) :: win
   INTEGER :: win_keyval, ierror
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: attribute_val, extra_state

 MPI_Win_set_attr(win, win_keyval, attribute_val, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: win_keyval
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: attribute_val
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

 MPI_Win_set_name(win, win_name, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
   CHARACTER(LEN=*) :: win_name
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

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 MPI_Cart_coords(comm, rank, maxdims, coords, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank, maxdims
   INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: coords(maxdims)
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

 MPI_Cart_create(comm_old, ndims, dims, periods, reorder, comm_cart, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm_old
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: ndims, dims(ndims)
   LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: periods(ndims), reorder
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: comm_cart
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

 MPI_Cart_get(comm, maxdims, dims, periods, coords, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: maxdims
   INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: dims(maxdims), coords(maxdims)
   LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: periods(maxdims)
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

 MPI_Cart_map(comm, ndims, dims, periods, newrank, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: ndims, dims(ndims)
   LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: periods(ndims)
   INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: newrank
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

 MPI_Cart_rank(comm, coords, rank, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: coords(*)
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INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: rank
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Cart_shift(comm, direction, disp, rank_source, rank_dest, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: direction, disp
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: rank_source, rank_dest
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Cart_sub(comm, remain_dims, newcomm, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: remain_dims(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Cartdim_get(comm, ndims, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: ndims
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Dims_create(nnodes, ndims, dims, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: nnodes, ndims
  INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: dims(ndims)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Dist_graph_create(comm_old, n, sources, degrees, destinations, weights, info, reorder, comm_dist_graph, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm_old
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, sources(n), degrees(n), destinations(*), weights(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: reorder
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: comm_dist_graph
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Dist_graph_create_adjacent(comm_old, indegree, sources, sourceweights, outdegree, destinations, destweights, info, reorder, comm_dist_graph, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm_old
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: indegree, sources(indegree), sourceweights(*), outdegree, destinations(outdegree), destweights(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: reorder
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: comm_dist_graph
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors(comm, maxindegree, sources, sourceweights, maxoutdegree, destinations, destweights, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: maxindegree, sources(maxindegree), sourceweights(*), maxoutdegree, destinations(maxoutdegree)
  INTEGER :: sourceweights(*), destweights(*)
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INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Dist_graph_neighbors_count(comm, indegree, outdegree, weighted, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: indegree, outdegree
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: weighted
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Graph_create(comm_old, nnodes, index, edges, reorder, comm_graph, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm_old
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: nnodes, index(nnodes), edges(*)
  LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: reorder
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: comm_graph
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Graph_get(comm, maxindex, maxedges, index, edges, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: maxindex, maxedges
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: index(maxindex), edges(maxedges)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Graph_map(comm, nnodes, index, edges, newrank, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: nnodes, index(nnodes), edges(*)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: newrank
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Graph_neighbors(comm, rank, maxneighbors, neighbors, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank, maxneighbors
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: neighbors(maxneighbors)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Graph_neighbors_count(comm, rank, nneighbors, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: nneighbors
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Graphdims_get(comm, nnodes, nedges, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: nnodes, nedges
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ineighbor_allgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ineighbor_allgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, 
  recvtype, comm, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ineighbor_allgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, 
  displs, recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*), displs(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ineighbor_alltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, 
  recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf,
    recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*),
    recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf,
    recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*),
    recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*),
    rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf,
    recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*),
    rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Ineighbor_alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf,
    recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*),
    recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*),
    rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm

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TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_allgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtpe, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_allgather(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtpe, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, comm, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, comm, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, comm, ierr) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcounts(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: displs(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierr)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, displs(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Neighbor_allgatherv_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierr) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvcounts(*)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: displs(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Neighbor_alltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, ierr)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Neighbor_alltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm, ierr) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoall_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount,
recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoall_init(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount,
recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcount, recvcount
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf,
recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*), recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoallv(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf,
recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoallv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf,
recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), sdispls(*),
recvcounts(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
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TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoallv_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtype, comm, info, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtype, recvtype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, info, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
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INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Neighbor_alltoallw_init(sendbuf, sendcounts, sdispls, sendtypes, recvbuf, recvcounts, rdispls, recvtypes, comm, info, request, ierror)

  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendbuf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendcounts(*), recvcounts(*)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sdispls(*), rdispls(*)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: sendtypes(*), recvtypes(*)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: recvbuf
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Topo_test(comm, status, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

A.4.7 MPI Environmental Management Fortran 2008 Bindings

DOUBLE PRECISION MPI_Wtick()

DOUBLE PRECISION MPI_Wtime()

MPI_Add_error_class(errorclass, ierror)

  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: errorclass
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Add_error_code(errorclass, errorcode, ierror)

  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorclass
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: errorcode
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Add_error_string(errorcode, string, ierror)

  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) :: string
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Alloc_mem(size, info, baseptr, ierror)

  USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: baseptr
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_call_errhandler(comm, errorcode, ierror)

  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_create_errhandler(comm_errhandler_fn, errhandler, ierror)
    PROCEDURE(MPI_Comm_errhandler_function) :: comm_errhandler_fn
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_get_errhandler(comm, errhandler, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_set_errhandler(comm, errhandler, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(IN) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Errhandler_free(errhandler, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(INOUT) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Error_class(errorcode, errorclass, ierror)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
    INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: errorclass
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Error_string(errorcode, string, resultlen, ierror)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
    CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_ERROR_STRING), INTENT(OUT) :: string
    INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: resultlen
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_call_errhandler(fh, errorcode, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_create_errhandler(file_errhandler_fn, errhandler, ierror)
    PROCEDURE(MPI_File_errhandler_function) :: file_errhandler_fn
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_errhandler(file, errhandler, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: file
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(OUT) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_set_errhandler(file, errhandler, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: file
    TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(IN) :: errhandler
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Free_mem(base, ierror)
    TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: base
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Get_hw_resource_info(hw_info, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT.OUT :: hw_info
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Get_library_version(version, resultlen, ierror)
   CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_LIBRARY_VERSION_STRING), INTENT.OUT :: version
   INTEGER, INTENT.OUT :: resultlen
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Get_processor_name(name, resultlen, ierror)
   CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_PROCESSOR_NAME), INTENT.OUT :: name
   INTEGER, INTENT.OUT :: resultlen
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Get_version(version, subversion, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT.OUT :: version, subversion
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Remove_error_class(errorclass, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT.IN :: errorclass
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Remove_error_code(errorcode, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT.IN :: errorcode
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Remove_error_string(errorcode, ierror)
   INTEGER, INTENT.IN :: errorcode
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Session_call_errhandler(session, errorcode, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT.IN :: session
   INTEGER, INTENT.IN :: errorcode
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Session_create_errhandler(session_errhandler_fn, errhandler, ierror)
   PROCEDURE(MPI_Session_errhandler_function) :: session_errhandler_fn
   TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT.OUT :: errhandler
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Session_get_errhandler(session, errhandler, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT.IN :: session
   TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT.OUT :: errhandler
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Session_set_errhandler(session, errhandler, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT.IN :: session
   TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT.IN :: errhandler
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT.OUT :: ierror

MPI_Win_call_errhandler(win, errorcode, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT.IN :: win
   INTEGER, INTENT.IN :: errorcode
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A.4.8 The Info Object Fortran 2008 Bindings

MPI_Info_create(info, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Info_create_env(info, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Info_delete(info, key, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    CHARACTER(LEN=*), INTENT(IN) :: key
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Info_dup(info, newinfo, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: newinfo
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Info_free(info, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(INOUT) :: info
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Info_get_nkeys(info, nkeys, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: nkeys
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Info_get_nthkey(info, n, key, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n
    CHARACTER(LEN=*), INTENT(OUT) :: key
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Info_get_string(info, key, buflen, value, flag, ierror)
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```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: key
INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: buflen
CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(OUT) :: value
LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Info_set(info, key, value, ierror)
```

A.4.9 Process Creation and Management Fortran 2008 Bindings

```fortran
MPI_Abort(comm, errorcode, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: errorcode
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Close_port(port_name, ierror)
    CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: port_name
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_accept(port_name, info, root, comm, newcomm, ierror)
    CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: port_name
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_connect(port_name, info, root, comm, newcomm, ierror)
    CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: port_name
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: root
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: newcomm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_disconnect(comm, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(INOUT) :: comm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_get_parent(parent, ierror)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: parent
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_join(fd, intercomm, ierror)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: fd
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: intercomm
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
```

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MPI_Comm_spawn(command, argv, maxprocs, info, root, comm, intercomm,
    array_of_errcodes, ierror)
    CHARACTER(LEN=*), INTENT(IN) :: command, argv(*)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: maxprocs, root
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: intercomm
    INTEGER :: array_of_errcodes(*)
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Comm_spawn_multiple(count, array_of_commands, array_of_argv,
    array_of_maxprocs, array_of_info, root, comm, intercomm,
    array_of_errcodes, ierror)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count, array_of_maxprocs(*), root
    CHARACTER(LEN=*), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_commands(*),
        array_of_argv(count, *)
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: array_of_info(*)
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
    TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(OUT) :: intercomm
    INTEGER :: array_of_errcodes(*)
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Finalize(ierr)
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Finalized(flag, ierr)
    LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Init(ierr)
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Init_thread(required, provided, ierr)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: required
    INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: provided
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Initialized(flag, ierr)
    LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Is_thread_main(flag, ierr)
    LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Lookup_name(service_name, info, port_name, ierr)
    CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: service_name
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
    CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_PORT_NAME), INTENT(OUT) :: port_name
    INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Open_port(info, port_name, ierr)
    TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
CHARACTER(LEN=MPI_MAX_PORT_NAME), INTENT(OUT) :: port_name
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Publish_name(service_name, info, port_name, ierror)
CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: service_name, port_name
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Query_thread(provided, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: provided
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_finalize(session, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(INOUT) :: session
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_get_info(session, info_used, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info_used
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_get_nth_pset(session, info, n, pset_len, pset_name, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n
INTEGER, INTENT(INOUT) :: pset_len
CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(OUT) :: pset_name
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_get_num_psets(session, info, npset_names, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: npset_names
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_get_pset_info(session, pset_name, info, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(IN) :: session
CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: pset_name
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Session_init(info, errhandler, session, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Errhandler), INTENT(IN) :: errhandler
TYPE(MPI_Session), INTENT(OUT) :: session
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Unpublish_name(service_name, info, port_name, ierror)
CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: service_name, port_name
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_Accumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, op, win, ierr)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Accumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, op, win, ierr)

!(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Compare_and_swap(origin_addr, compare_addr, result_addr, datatype, target_rank, target_disp, win, ierr)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr, compare_addr
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: result_addr
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Fetch_and_op(origin_addr, result_addr, datatype, target_rank, target_disp, op, win, ierr)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: result_addr
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierr

MPI_Get(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, win, ierr)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Get(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
         target_count, target_datatype, win, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp

MPI_Get_accumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, result_addr,
                    result_count, result_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
                    target_count, target_datatype, op, win, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, result_count, target_rank,
                        target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, result_datatype,
                                target_datatype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: result_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Get_accumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, result_addr,
                    result_count, result_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
                    target_count, target_datatype, op, win, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, result_count,
                        target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, result_datatype,
                                target_datatype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: result_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Put(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp,
         target_count, target_datatype, win, ierror)

TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Put(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, 
    target_count, target_datatype, win, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Raccumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, 
    target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, op, win, request, 
    ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Rget(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, 
    target_count, target_datatype, win, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Rget(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, 
    target_count, target_datatype, win, request, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
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```fortran
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: targetDisp
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Rget_accumulate(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, result_addr,
result_count, result_datatype, target_rank, targetDisp,
target_count, target_datatype, op, win, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, result_count, target_rank,
targetDisp
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, result_datatype,
target_datatype
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: result_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: targetDisp
TYPE(MPI_Op), INTENT(IN) :: op
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Rput(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, targetDisp,
target_count, target_datatype, win, request, ierror)
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: origin_addr
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_rank, targetDisp
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: targetDisp
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_Rput(origin_addr, origin_count, origin_datatype, target_rank, target_disp, target_count, target_datatype, win, request, ierror) !(_c)

TYPE(*) :: origin_addr
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: origin_count, target_count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: origin_datatype, target_datatype
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: target_rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: target_disp
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_allocate(size, disp_unit, info, comm, baseptr, win, ierror)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: disp_unit
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: baseptr
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(OUT) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_allocate_shared(size, disp_unit, info, comm, baseptr, win, ierror)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size, disp_unit
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: baseptr
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(OUT) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_attach(win, base, size, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: base
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_complete(win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_create(base, size, disp_unit, info, comm, win, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: base
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: disp_unit
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(OUT) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_create(base, size, disp_unit, info, comm, win, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: base
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size, disp_unit
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(OUT) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_create_dynamic(info, comm, win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(OUT) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_detach(win, base, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: base
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_fence(assert, win, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: assert
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_flush(rank, win, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_flush_all(win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_flush_local(rank, win, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
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TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_flush_local_all(win, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_free(win, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(INOUT) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_get_group(win, group, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: group
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_get_info(win, info_used, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info_used
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_lock(lock_type, rank, assert, win, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: lock_type, rank, assert
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_lock_all(assert, win, ierror)
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: assert
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_post(group, assert, win, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: assert
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_set_info(win, info, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_shared_query(win, rank, size, disp_unit, baseptr, ierror)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: disp_unit
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: baseptr
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_shared_query(win, rank, size, disp_unit, baseptr, ierror) !(_c)
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
```
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```fortran
TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size, disp_unit
TYPE(C_PTR), INTENT(OUT) :: baseptr
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_start(group, assert, win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(IN) :: group
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: assert
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_sync(win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_test(win, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_unlock(rank, win, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: rank
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_unlock_all(win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Win_wait(win, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Win), INTENT(IN) :: win
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

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MPI_Grequest_complete(request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(IN) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Grequest_start(query_fn, free_fn, cancel_fn, extra_state, request, ierror)
  PROCEDURE(MPI_Grequest_query_function) :: query_fn
  PROCEDURE(MPI_Grequest_free_function) :: free_fn
  PROCEDURE(MPI_Grequest_cancel_function) :: cancel_fn
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: extra_state
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Status_set_cancelled(status, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(INOUT) :: status
  LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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MPI_CONVERSION_FN_NULL(userbuf, datatype, count, filebuf, position, extra_state, ierror)
  USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
  TYPE(C_PTR), VALUE :: userbuf, filebuf
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
  INTEGER :: count, ierror
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) :: position
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state

MPI_CONVERSION_FN_NULL_C(userbuf, datatype, count, filebuf, position, extra_state, ierror) !(_c)
  USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
  TYPE(C_PTR), VALUE :: userbuf, filebuf
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) :: count
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) :: position
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: extra_state
  INTEGER :: ierror

MPI_File_close(fh, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(INOUT) :: fh
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_File_delete(filename, info, ierror)
   CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: filename
   TYPE(MPI_Info) , INTENT(IN) :: info
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_amode(fh, amode, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File) , INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: amode
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_atomicity(fh, flag, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File) , INTENT(IN) :: fh
   LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_byte_offset(fh, offset, disp, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File) , INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: disp
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_group(fh, group, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File) , INTENT(IN) :: fh
   TYPE(MPI_Group), INTENT(OUT) :: group
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_info(fh, info_used, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File) , INTENT(IN) :: fh
   TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(OUT) :: info_used
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_position(fh, offset, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File) , INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: offset
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_position_shared(fh, offset, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File) , INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: offset
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_size(fh, size, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File) , INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_type_extent(fh, datatype, extent, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File) , INTENT(IN) :: fh
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: extent
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_type_extent(fh, datatype, extent, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: extent
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_get_view(fh, disp, etype, filetype, datarep, ierror)

TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: disp
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: etype, filetype
CHARACTER(LEN=*), INTENT(OUT) :: datarep
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iread(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)

MPI_File_iread_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)

MPI_File_iread_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
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INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iread_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iread_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iread_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request

MPI_File_iwrite(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite_shared(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_iwrite_shared(fh, buf, count, datatype, request, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Request), INTENT(OUT) :: request
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_open(comm, filename, amode, info, fh, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Comm), INTENT(IN) :: comm
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: filename
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: amode
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(OUT) :: fh
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_preallocate(fh, size, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
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1  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
2  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
3  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_all_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_all_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror) !(_c)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_all_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
   TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
   TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
   INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
   TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
   TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
   INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
   TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
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TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_at_all_begin(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_at_all_begin(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_at_all_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_ordered(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
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TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_ordered(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_ordered_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_ordered_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_read_shared(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_seek(fh, offset, whence, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: whence
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
MPI_File_seek_shared(fh, offset, whence, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: whence
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_set_atomicity(fh, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_set_info(fh, info, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_set_size(fh, size, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_set_view(fh, disp, etype, filetype, datarep, info, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: disp
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: etype, filetype
  CHARACTER(LEN=*_), INTENT(IN) :: datarep
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_sync(fh, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_all(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_all_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_all_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_all_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: status
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_at(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_at_all(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_at_all_begin(fh, offset, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: offset
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_at_all_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_ordered(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_ordered(fh, buf, count, datatype, status, ierror) !(_c)
TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN) :: buf
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
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TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_ordered_begin(fh, buf, count, datatype, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: count
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_File_write_ordered_end(fh, buf, status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_File), INTENT(IN) :: fh
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), INTENT(IN), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Register_datarep(datarep, read_conversion_fn, write_conversion_fn,
                      dtype_file_extent_fn, extra_state, ierror)
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) :: datarep
  PROCEDURE(MPI_Datarep_conversion_function) :: read_conversion_fn,
                                                   write_conversion_fn
  PROCEDURE(MPI_Datarep_extent_function) :: dtype_file_extent_fn
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: extra_state
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Register_datarep_c(datarep, read_conversion_fn, write_conversion_fn,
                        dtype_file_extent_fn, extra_state, ierror) !(_c)
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) :: datarep
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PROCEDURE(MPI_Datarep_conversion_function_c) :: read_conversion_fn, write_conversion_fn
PROCEDURE(MPI_Datarep_extent_function) :: dtype_file_extent_fn
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: extra_state
INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

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MPI_F_sync_reg(buf)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..), ASYNCHRONOUS :: buf

MPI_Status_f082f(f08_status, f_status, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: f08_status
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: f_status(MPI_STATUS_SIZE)
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Status_f2f08(f_status, f08_status, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: f_status(MPI_STATUS_SIZE)
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(OUT) :: f08_status
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_f90_complex(p, r, newtype, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: p, r
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_f90_integer(r, newtype, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: r
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_create_f90_real(p, r, newtype, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: p, r
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: newtype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_match_size(typeclass, size, datatype, ierror)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: typeclass, size
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(OUT) :: datatype
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

A.4.14 Tools / Profiling Interface Fortran 2008 Bindings

MPI_Pcontrol(level)
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: level
A.4.15 Deprecated Fortran 2008 Bindings

MPI_Get_elements_x(status, datatype, count, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(IN) :: status
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: count
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Info_get(info, key, valuelen, value, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: key
  INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: valuelen
  CHARACTER(LEN=valuelen), INTENT(OUT) :: value
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Info_get_valuelen(info, key, valuelen, flag, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Info), INTENT(IN) :: info
  CHARACTER(LEN=*) , INTENT(IN) :: key
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: valuelen
  LOGICAL, INTENT(OUT) :: flag
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Sizeof(x, size, ierror)
  TYPE(*), DIMENSION(..) :: x
  INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Status_set_elements_x(status, datatype, count, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Status), INTENT(INOUT) :: status
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(IN) :: count
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_get_extent_x(datatype, lb, extent, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: lb, extent
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_get_true_extent_x(datatype, true_lb, true_extent, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: true_lb, true_extent
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror

MPI_Type_size_x(datatype, size, ierror)
  TYPE(MPI_Datatype), INTENT(IN) :: datatype
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND), INTENT(OUT) :: size
  INTEGER, OPTIONAL, INTENT(OUT) :: ierror
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A.5.1 Point-to-Point Communication Fortran Bindings

MPI_BSEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR

MPI_BSEND_INIT(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_BUFFER_ATTACH(BUFFER, SIZE, IERROR)
  <type> BUFFER(*)
  INTEGER SIZE, IERROR

MPI_BUFFER_DETACH(BUFFER_ADDR, SIZE, IERROR)
  <type> BUFFER_ADDR(*)
  INTEGER SIZE, IERROR

MPI_BUFFER_FLUSH(IERROR)
  INTEGER IERROR

MPI_BUFFER_IFLUSH(REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_CANCEL(REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_COMM_ATTACH_BUFFER(COMM, BUFFER, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, SIZE, IERROR
  <type> BUFFER(*)

MPI_COMM_DETACH_BUFFER(COMM, BUFFER_ADDR, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, SIZE, IERROR
  <type> BUFFER_ADDR(*)

MPI_COMM_FLUSH_BUFFER(COMM, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_IFLUSH_BUFFER(COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_GET_COUNT(STATUS, DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR)
  INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR

MPI_IBSEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IMPROBE(SOURCE, TAG, COMM, FLAG, MESSAGE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER SOURCE, TAG, COMM, MESSAGE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_IMRECVM(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, MESSAGE, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, MESSAGE, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IPROBE(SOURCE, TAG, COMM, FLAG, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER SOURCE, TAG, COMM, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_IRecv(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IRsend(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_Isend(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_Isendrecv(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT,
  RECVTYPE, SOURCE, RECVTAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
  INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, SOURCE,
  RECVTAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_Isendrecv_replace(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, SOURCE, RECVTAG,
  COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, SOURCE, RECVTAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_Isend(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_Mprobe(SOURCE, TAG, COMM, MESSAGE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER SOURCE, TAG, COMM, MESSAGE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

MPI_Mrecv(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, MESSAGE, STATUS, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, MESSAGE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

MPI_Probe(SOURCE, TAG, COMM, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER SOURCE, TAG, COMM, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

MPI_Recv(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, STATUS, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

MPI_Recv_init(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_Request_free(REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_Request_get_status(REQUEST, FLAG, STATUS, IERROR)
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INTEGER REQUEST, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ALL(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, FLAG, ARRAY_OF_STATUSES, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *), IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ANY(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, INDEX, FLAG, STATUS, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), INDEX, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_SOME(INCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, OUTCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_INDICES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *), IERROR)
INTEGER INCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), OUTCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_INDICES(*), IERROR

MPI_RSEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR)
<type> BUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR

MPI_RSEND_INIT(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> BUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_SEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR)
<type> BUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR

MPI_SEND_INIT(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> BUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_SENDRECV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, SOURCE, RECVTAG, COMM, STATUS, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, SOURCE, RECVTAG, COMM, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

MPI_SENDRECV_REPLACE(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, SOURCE, RECVTAG, COMM, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR)
<type> BUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, SENDTAG, SOURCE, RECVTAG, COMM, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

MPI_SESSION_ATTACH_BUFFER(SESSION, BUFFER, SIZE, IERROR)
INTEGER SESSION, SIZE, IERROR
<type> BUFFER(*)

MPI_SESSION_DETACH_BUFFER(SESSION, BUFFER_ADDR, SIZE, IERROR)
INTEGER SESSION, SIZE, IERROR
<type> BUFFER_ADDR(*)
MPI_SESSION_FLUSH_BUFFER(SESSION, IERROR)
INTEGER SESSION, IERROR

MPI_SESSION_FLUSH_BUFFER(SESSION, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER SESSION, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_SSEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR)
<type> BUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, IERROR

MPI_SSEND_INIT(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> BUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_START(REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_STARTALL(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), IERROR

MPI_STATUS_GET_ERROR(STATUS, ERR, IERROR)
INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), ERR, IERROR

MPI_STATUS_GET_SOURCE(STATUS, SOURCE, IERROR)
INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), SOURCE, IERROR

MPI_STATUS_GET_TAG(STATUS, TAG, IERROR)
INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), TAG, IERROR

MPI_TEST(REQUEST, FLAG, STATUS, IERROR)
INTEGER REQUEST, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_TEST_CANCELLED(STATUS, FLAG, IERROR)
INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_TESTALL(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, FLAG, ARRAY_OF_STATUSES, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *), IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_TESTANY(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, INDEX, FLAG, STATUS, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), INDEX, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_TESTSOME(INCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, OUTCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_INDICES,
ARRAY_OF_STATUSES, IERROR)
INTEGER INCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), OUTCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_INDICES(*),
ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *), IERROR

MPI_WAIT(REQUEST, STATUS, IERROR)
INTEGER REQUEST, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

MPI_WAITALL(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, ARRAY_OF_STATUSES, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *),
IERROR
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MPI_WAITANY(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, INDEX, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), INDEX, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR

MPI_WAITSOME(INCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, OUTCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_INDICES,
  ARRAY_OF_STATUSES, IERROR)
  INTEGER INCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(*), OUTCOUNT, ARRAY_OF_INDICES(*),
  ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE, *), IERROR

A.5.2 Partitioned Communication Fortran Bindings

MPI_PARRIVED(REQUEST, PARTITION, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER REQUEST, PARTITION, IERROR
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_PREADY(PARTITION, REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER PARTITION, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_PREADY_LIST(LENGTH, ARRAY_OF_PARTITIONS, REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER LENGTH, ARRAY_OF_PARTITIONS(*), REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_PREADY_RANGE(PARTITION_LOW, PARTITION_HIGH, REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER PARTITION_LOW, PARTITION_HIGH, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_PRECV_INIT(BUF, PARTITIONS, COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, INFO,
  REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER PARTITIONS, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) COUNT

MPI_PSEND_INIT(BUF, PARTITIONS, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, INFO,
  REQUEST, IERROR)
  <type> BUF(*)
  INTEGER PARTITIONS, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) COUNT

A.5.3 Datatypes Fortran Bindings

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) MPI_AINT_ADD(BASE, DISP)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) BASE, DISP

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) MPI_AINT_DIFF(ADDR1, ADDR2)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ADDR1, ADDR2

MPI_GET_ADDRESS(LOCATION, ADDRESS, IERROR)
  <type> LOCATION(*)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ADDRESS
  INTEGER IERROR

MPI_GET_ELEMENTS(STATUS, DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR)
  INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR

MPI_PACK(INBUF, INCOUNT, DATATYPE, OUTBUF, OUTSIZE, POSITION, COMM, IERROR)
  <type> INBUF(*), OUTBUF(*)
INTEGER INCOUNT, DATATYPE, OUTSIZE, POSITION, COMM, IERROR

MPI_PACK_EXTERNAL(DATAREP, INBUF, INCOUNT, DATATYPE, OUTBUF, OUTSIZE, POSITION,
                IERROR)
  CHARACTER(*) DATAREP
  <type> INBUF(*), OUTBUF(*)
  INTEGER INCOUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) OUTSIZE, POSITION

MPI_PACK_EXTERNAL_SIZE(DATAREP, INCOUNT, DATATYPE, SIZE, IERROR)
  CHARACTER(*) DATAREP
  INTEGER INCOUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SIZE

MPI_PACK_SIZE(INCOUNT, DATATYPE, COMM, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER INCOUNT, DATATYPE, COMM, SIZE, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_COMMIT(DATATYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_CONTIGUOUS(COUNT, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COUNT, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_DARRAY(SIZE, RANK, NDIMS, ARRAY_OF_GSIZES, ARRAY_OF_DISTRIBS,
  ARRAY_OF_DARGS, ARRAY_OF_PSIZES, ORDER, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER SIZE, RANK, NDIMS, ARRAY_OF_GSIZES(*), ARRAY_OF_DISTRIBS(*),
  ARRAY_OF_DARGS(*), ARRAY_OF_PSIZES(*), ORDER, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE,
  IERROR

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS,
  OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS(*), OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS(*)

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED_BLOCK(COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS,
  OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS(*)

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HVECTOR(COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, STRIDE, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) STRIDE

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_INDEXED_BLOCK(COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS,
  OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS(*), OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE,
  IERROR

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_RESIZED(OLDTYPE, LB, EXTENT, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) LB, EXTENT

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_STRUCT(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS,
  ARRAY_OF_TYPES, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS(*), ARRAY_OF_TYPES(*), NEWTYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS(*)

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_SUBARRAY(NDIMS, ARRAY_OF_SIZES, ARRAY_OF_SUBSIZES,
ARRAY_OF_STARTS, ORDER, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
INTEGER NDIMS, ARRAY_OF_SIZES(*), ARRAY_OF_SUBSIZES(*), ARRAY_OF_STARTS(*),
ORDER, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_DUP(OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
INTEGER OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_FREE(DATATYPE, IERROR)
INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_GET_CONTENTS(DATATYPE, MAX_INTEGERS, MAX_ADDRESSES, MAX_DATATYPES,
ARRAY_OF_INTEGERS, ARRAY_OF_ADDRESSES, ARRAY_OF_DATATYPES,
IERROR)
INTEGER DATATYPE, MAX_INTEGERS, MAX_ADDRESSES, MAX_DATATYPES,
ARRAY_OF_INTEGERS(*), ARRAY_OF_DATATYPES(*), IERROR

MPI_TYPE_GET_ENVELOPE(DATATYPE, NUM_INTEGERS, NUM_ADDRESSES, NUM_DATATYPES,
COMBINER, IERROR)
INTEGER DATATYPE, NUM_INTEGERS, NUM_ADDRESSES, NUM_DATATYPES, COMBINER,
IERROR

MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT(DATATYPE, LB, EXTENT, IERROR)
INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) LB, EXTENT

MPI_TYPE_GET_TRUE_EXTENT(DATATYPE, TRUE_LB, TRUE_EXTENT, IERROR)
INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TRUE_LB, TRUE_EXTENT

MPI_TYPE_INDEXED(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS, ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS, OLDTYPE,
NEWTYPE, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_BLOCKLENGTHS(*), ARRAY_OF_DISPLACEMENTS(*),
OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_SIZE(DATATYPE, SIZE, IERROR)
INTEGER DATATYPE, SIZE, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_VECTOR(COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, STRIDE, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, BLOCKLENGTH, STRIDE, OLDTYPE, NEWTYPE, IERROR

MPI_UNPACK(INBUF, INSIZE, POSITION, OUTBUF, OUTCOUNT, DATATYPE, COMM, IERROR)
<type> INBUF(*), OUTBUF(*)
INTEGER INSIZE, POSITION, OUTCOUNT, DATATYPE, COMM, IERROR

MPI_UNPACK_EXTERNAL(DATAREP, INBUF, INSIZE, POSITION, OUTBUF, OUTCOUNT,
DATATYPE, IERROR)
CHARACTER(*) DATAREP
<type> INBUF(*), OUTBUF(*)
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) INSIZE, POSITION
INTEGER OUTCOUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
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MPI_ALLGATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR

MPI_ALLGATHER_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_ALLGATHERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR

MPI_ALLGATHERV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_ALLREDUCE(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR

MPI_ALLREDUCE_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_ALLTOALL(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR

MPI_ALLTOALL_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_ALLTOALLV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR)
   <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
   INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR

MPI_ALLTOALLV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)

INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), SENDTYPE, RECVTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*),
    COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_ALLTOALLW(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPES, RECVBUF, RECVTYPE, RDISPLS, RECVCOUNTS, COMM, IERROR)

 INTEGER SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)

MPI_ALLTOALLW_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPES, RECVBUF, RECVTYPE, RDISPLS, RECVCOUNTS, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

 INTEGER COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_BARRIER(COMM, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_BARRIER_INIT(COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_BCAST(BUFFER, COUNT, DATATYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR)

 INTEGER BUFFER(*)

MPI_BCAST_INIT(BUFFER, COUNT, DATATYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

 INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_EXSCAN(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR)

 INTEGER SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)

MPI_EXSCAN_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

 INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_GATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR)

 INTEGER SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)

MPI_GATHER_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, REVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

 INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_GATHERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, REVCOUNTS, DISPLS, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR)

 INTEGER SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)

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INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR

MPI_GATHERV_INIT(SENDSUB, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECEVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
<Type> SENDBUF(*), RECEVBUF(*)

INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IALLGATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECEVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<Type> SENDBUF(*), RECEVBUF(*)

INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IALLGATHERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECEVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<Type> SENDBUF(*), RECEVBUF(*)

INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IALLREDUCE(SENDBUF, RECEVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<Type> SENDBUF(*), RECEVBUF(*)

INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IALLTOALL(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECEVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<Type> SENDBUF(*), RECEVBUF(*)

INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IALLTOALLV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECEVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<Type> SENDBUF(*), RECEVBUF(*)

INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IALLTOALLW(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPES, RECEVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPES, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<Type> SENDBUF(*), RECEVBUF(*)

INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), SENDTYPES(*), RECVCOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*), RECVTYPES(*), COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI(IBARRIER(COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IBCAST(BUFFER, COUNT, DATATYPE, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<Type> BUFFER(*)

INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IEXSCAN(SENDBUF, RECEVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
<Type> SENDBUF(*), RECEVBUF(*)

INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_IGATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECEVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
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MPI_IREDUCE(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

MPI_IREDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

MPI_ISCAN(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

MPI_ISCATTER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

MPI_ISCATTERTV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, DISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

MPI_OP_COMMUTATIVE(OP, COMMUTE, IERROR)

MPI_OP_CREATE(USER_FN, COMMUTE, OP, IERROR)

MPI_OP_FREE(OP, IERROR)

MPI_REDUCE(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, ROOT, COMM, IERROR)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, ROOT, COMM, IERROR

MPI_REDUCE_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, ROOT, COMM, INFO,
    REQUEST, IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_REDUCE_LOCAL(INBUF, INOUTBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, IERROR)
    <type> INBUF(*), INOUTBUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, IERROR

MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER RECVCOUNTS(*), DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR

MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM,
    IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER RECVCOUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR

MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM,
    INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER RECVCOUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO,
    REQUEST, IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER RECVCOUNTS(*), DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_SCAN(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, IERROR

MPI_SCAN_INIT(SENDBUF, RECVBUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER COUNT, DATATYPE, OP, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_SCATTER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT,
    COMM, IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR

MPI_SCATTER_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE,
    ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO,
    REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_SCATTERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, DISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT,
    RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR)
    <type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
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INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, IERROR

MPI_SCATTERV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, DISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), SENDTYPE, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPE, ROOT, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_GET_VALUE_INDEX(VALUE_TYPE, INDEX_TYPE, PAIR_TYPE, IERROR)

INTEGER VALUE_TYPE, INDEX_TYPE, PAIR_TYPE, IERROR

A.5.5 Groups, Contexts, Communicators, and Caching Fortran Bindings

MPI_COMM_COMPARE(COMM1, COMM2, RESULT, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM1, COMM2, RESULT, IERROR

MPI_COMM_CREATE(COMM, GROUP, NEWCOMM, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM, GROUP, NEWCOMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP(GROUP, STRINGTAG, INFO, ERRHANDLER, NEWCOMM, IERROR)

INTEGER GROUP, INFO, ERRHANDLER, NEWCOMM, IERROR

CHARACTER*(*) STRINGTAG

MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP(COMM, GROUP, TAG, NEWCOMM, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM, GROUP, TAG, NEWCOMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_CREATE_KEYVAL(COMM_COPY_ATTR_FN, COMM_DELETE_ATTR_FN, COMM_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)

EXTERNAL COMM_COPY_ATTR_FN, COMM_DELETE_ATTR_FN

INTEGER COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE

MPI_COMM_DELETE_ATTR(COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR

MPI_COMM_DUP(COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_DUP_FN(OLDCOMM, COMM_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)

INTEGER OLDCOMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT

LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO(COMM, INFO, NEWCOMM, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM, INFO, NEWCOMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_FREE(COMM, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_FREE_KEYVAL(COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR)

INTEGER COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR
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MPI_COMM_GET_ATTR(COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_COMM_GET_INFO(COMM, INFO_USED, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, INFO_USED, IERROR

MPI_COMM_GET_NAME(COMM, COMM_NAME, RESULTLEN, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, RESULTLEN, IERROR
  CHARACTER(*) COMM_NAME

MPI_COMM_GROUP(COMM, GROUP, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, GROUP, IERROR

MPI_COMM_IDUP(COMM, NEWCOMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, NEWCOMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_COMM_IDUP_WITH_INFO(COMM, INFO, NEWCOMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, INFO, NEWCOMM, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_COMM_NULL_COPY_FN(OLDCOMM, COMM_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN,
  ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER OLDCOMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN,
  ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_COMM_NULL_DELETE_FN(COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE

MPI_COMM_RANK(COMM, RANK, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, RANK, IERROR

MPI_COMM_REMOTE_GROUP(COMM, GROUP, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, GROUP, IERROR

MPI_COMM_REMOTE_SIZE(COMM, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, SIZE, IERROR

MPI_COMM_SET_ATTR(COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, COMM_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL

MPI_COMM_SET_INFO(COMM, INFO, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, INFO, IERROR

MPI_COMM_SET_NAME(COMM, COMM_NAME, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, IERROR
  CHARACTER(*) COMM_NAME

MPI_COMM_SIZE(COMM, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, SIZE, IERROR

MPI_COMM_SPLIT(COMM, COLOR, KEY, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
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  INTEGER COMM, COLOR, KEY, NEWCOMM, IERROR
  MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE(COMM, SPLIT_TYPE, KEY, INFO, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
     INTEGER COMM, SPLIT_TYPE, KEY, INFO, NEWCOMM, IERROR
  MPI_COMM_TEST_INTER(COMM, FLAG, IERROR)
     INTEGER COMM, IERROR
     LOGICAL FLAG
  MPI_GROUP_COMPARE(GROUP1, GROUP2, RESULT, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP1, GROUP2, RESULT, IERROR
  MPI_GROUP_DIFFERENCE(GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR
  MPI_GROUP_EXCL(GROUP, N, RANKS, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP, N, RANKS(*), NEWGROUP, IERROR
  MPI_GROUP_FREE(GROUP, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP, IERROR
  MPI_GROUP_FROM_SESSION_PSET(SESSION, PSET_NAME, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
     INTEGER SESSION, NEWGROUP, IERROR
     CHARACTER*(*) PSET_NAME
  MPI_GROUP_INCL(GROUP, N, RANKS, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP, N, RANKS(*), NEWGROUP, IERROR
  MPI_GROUP_INTERSECTION(GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR
  MPI_GROUP_RANGE_EXCL(GROUP, N, RANGES, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP, N, RANGES(3, *), NEWGROUP, IERROR
  MPI_GROUP_RANGE_INCL(GROUP, N, RANGES, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP, N, RANGES(3, *), NEWGROUP, IERROR
  MPI_GROUP_RANK(GROUP, RANK, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP, RANK, IERROR
  MPI_GROUP_SIZE(GROUP, SIZE, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP, SIZE, IERROR
  MPI_GROUP_TRANSLATE_RANKS(GROUP1, N, RANKS1, GROUP2, RANKS2, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP1, N, RANKS1(*), GROUP2, RANKS2(*), IERROR
  MPI_GROUP_UNION(GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR)
     INTEGER GROUP1, GROUP2, NEWGROUP, IERROR
  MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE(LOCAL_COMM, LOCAL_LEADER, PEER_COMM, REMOTE_LEADER, TAG,
                       NEWINTERCOMM, IERROR)
     INTEGER LOCAL_COMM, LOCAL_LEADER, PEER_COMM, REMOTE_LEADER, TAG,
               NEWINTERCOMM, IERROR
  MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUPS(LOCAL_GROUP, LOCAL_LEADER, REMOTE_GROUP,
                                   REMOTE_LEADER, STRINGTAG, INFO, ERRHANDLER, NEWINTERCOMM, IERROR)
     INTEGER LOCAL_GROUP, LOCAL_LEADER, REMOTE_GROUP, REMOTE_LEADER, INFO,
               ERRHANDLER, NEWINTERCOMM, IERROR
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CHARACTER(*) STRINGTAG

MPI_INTERCOMM_MERGE(INTERCOMM, HIGH, NEWINTRACOMM, IERROR)
  INTEGER INTERCOMM, NEWINTRACOMM, IERROR
  LOGICAL HIGH

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_KEYVAL(TYPE_COPY_ATTR_FN, TYPE_DELETE_ATTR_FN, TYPE_KEYVAL,
  EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
  EXTERNAL TYPE_COPY_ATTR_FN, TYPE_DELETE_ATTR_FN
  INTEGER TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE

MPI_TYPE_DELETE_ATTR(DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_DUP_FN(OLDTYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN,
  ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER OLDTYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN,
  ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_TYPE_FREE_KEYVAL(TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR)
  INTEGER TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_GET_ATTR(DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_TYPE_GET_NAME(DATATYPE, TYPE_NAME, RESULTLEN, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, RESULTLEN, IERROR
  CHARACTER(*) TYPE_NAME

MPI_TYPE_NULL_COPY_FN(OLDTYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN,
  ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER OLDTYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN,
  ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_TYPE_NULL_DELETE_FN(DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE,
  IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE

MPI_TYPE_SET_ATTR(DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, TYPE_KEYVAL, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL

MPI_TYPE_SET_NAME(DATATYPE, TYPE_NAME, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
  CHARACTER(*) TYPE_NAME

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MPI_WIN_CREATE_KEYVAL(WIN_COPY_ATTR_FN, WIN_DELETE_ATTR_FN, WIN_KEYVAL, 
    EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
EXTERNAL WIN_COPY_ATTR_FN, WIN_DELETE_ATTR_FN
INTEGER WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE

MPI_WIN_DELETE_ATTR(WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR

MPI_WIN_DUP_FN(OLDWIN, WIN_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, 
    ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)
INTEGER OLDWIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, 
    ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT
LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_WIN_FREE_KEYVAL(WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR

MPI_WIN_GET_ATTR(WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, FLAG, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL
LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_WIN_GET_NAME(WIN, WIN_NAME, RESULTLEN, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN, RESULTLEN, IERROR
CHARACTER*(*) WIN_NAME

MPI_WIN_NULL_COPY_FN(OLDWIN, WIN_KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, 
    ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERROR)
INTEGER OLDWIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, 
    ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT
LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_WIN_NULL_DELETE_FN(WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE

MPI_WIN_SET_ATTR(WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN, WIN_KEYVAL, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) ATTRIBUTE_VAL

MPI_WIN_SET_NAME(WIN, WIN_NAME, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN, IERROR
CHARACTER*(*) WIN_NAME

A.5.6 Virtual Topologies for MPI Processes Fortran Bindings

MPI_CART_COORDS(COMM, RANK, MAXDIMS, COORDS, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, RANK, MAXDIMS, COORDS(*), IERROR

MPI_CART_CREATE(COMM_OLD, NDIMS, DIMS, PERIODS, REORDER, COMM_CART, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM_OLD, NDIMS, DIMS(*), COMM_CART, IERROR
LOGICAL PERIODS(*), REORDER

MPI_CART_GET(COMM, MAXDIMS, DIMS, PERIODS, COORDS, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, MAXDIMS, DIMS(*), COORDS(*), IERROR
LOGICAL PERIODS(*)

MPI_CART_MAP(COMM, NDIMS, DIMS, PERIODS, NEWRANK, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, NDIMS, DIMS(*), NEWRANK, IERROR
LOGICAL PERIODS(*)

MPI_CART_RANK(COMM, COORDS, RANK, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, COORDS(*), RANK, IERROR

MPI_CART_SHIFT(COMM, DIRECTION, DISP, RANK_SOURCE, RANK_DEST, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, DIRECTION, DISP, RANK_SOURCE, RANK_DEST, IERROR

MPI_CART_SUB(COMM, REMAIN_DIMS, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR
LOGICAL REMAIN_DIMS(*)

MPI_CARTDIM_GET(COMM, NDIMS, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, NDIMS, IERROR

MPI_DIMS_CREATE(NNODES, NDIMS, DIMS, IERROR)
INTEGER NNODES, NDIMS, DIMS(*), IERROR

MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE(COMM_OLD, N, SOURCES, DEGREES, DESTINATIONS, WEIGHTS,
INFO, REORDER, COMM_DIST_GRAPH, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM_OLD, N, SOURCES(*), DEGREES(*), DESTINATIONS(*), WEIGHTS(*),
INFO, COMM_DIST_GRAPH, IERROR
LOGICAL REORDER

MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT(COMM_OLD, INDEGREE, SOURCES, SOURCEWEIGHTS,
OUTDEGREE, DESTINATIONS, DESTWEIGHTS, INFO, REORDER,
COMM_DIST_GRAPH, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM_OLD, INDEGREE, SOURCES(*), SOURCEWEIGHTS(*), OUTDEGREE,
DESTINATIONS(*), DESTWEIGHTS(*), INFO, COMM_DIST_GRAPH, IERROR
LOGICAL REORDER

MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS(COMM, MAXINDEGREE, SOURCES, SOURCEWEIGHTS,
MAXOUTDEGREE, DESTINATIONS, DESTWEIGHTS, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, MAXINDEGREE, SOURCES(*), SOURCEWEIGHTS(*), MAXOUTDEGREE,
DESTINATIONS(*), DESTWEIGHTS(*), IERROR

MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT(COMM, INDEGREE, OUTDEGREE, WEIGHTED, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, INDEGREE, OUTDEGREE, IERROR
LOGICAL WEIGHTED

MPI_GRAPH_CREATE(COMM_OLD, NNODES, INDEX, EDGES, REORDER, COMM_GRAPH, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM_OLD, NNODES, INDEX(*), EDGES(*), COMM_GRAPH, IERROR
LOGICAL REORDER

MPI_GRAPH_GET(COMM, MAXINDEX, MAXEDGES, INDEX, EDGES, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, MAXINDEX, MAXEDGES, INDEX(*), EDGES(*), IERROR
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MPI_GRAPH_MAP(COMM, NNODES, INDEX, EDGES, NEWRANK, IERROR)
    INTEGER COMM, NNODES, INDEX(*), EDGES(*), NEWRANK, IERROR

MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS(COMM, RANK, MAXNEIGHBORS, NEIGHBORS, IERROR)
    INTEGER COMM, RANK, MAXNEIGHBORS, NEIGHBORS(*), IERROR

MPI_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT(COMM, RANK, NNEIGHBORS, IERROR)
    INTEGER COMM, RANK, NNEIGHBORS, IERROR

MPI_GRAPHDIMS_GET(COMM, NNODES, NEDGES, IERROR)
    INTEGER COMM, NNODES, NEDGES, IERROR

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPe, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
    INTEGER SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS, RECVTYPe, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
    INTEGER SENDCOUNT, RECVBUF(*), RECVCOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), IERROR

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPe, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
    INTEGER SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPe, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
    INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), RECVBUF(*), RECVCOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*), IERROR

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SENDTYPES, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, RDISPLS, RECVTYPe, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)
    INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), SENDTYPES(*), RECVCOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*), IERROR

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHER(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPe, COMM, IERROR)
    INTEGER SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHER_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNT, RECVTYPe, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)
    INTEGER SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)

MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, SENDTYPE, RECVBUF, RECVCOUNTS, DISPLS, RECVTYPe, COMM, IERROR)
<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, Sendtype, RecvcOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, Sendtype, RECVBUF, RecvcOUNTS, DISPLS, RecvTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, Sendtype, RecvcOUNTS(*), DISPLS(*), RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, Sendtype, RECVBUF, RecvcOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNT, Sendtype, RecvcOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, IERROR

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNT, Sendtype, RECVBUF, RecvcOUNT, RECVTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SDISPLS(*), Sendtype, RecvcOUNTS(*), RDISPLS(*), RecvTYPE, COMM, IERROR

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, Sendtype, RECVBUF, RecvcOUNTS, RDISPLS, RecvTYPE, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SENDTYPES(*), RecvcOUNT, RECVTYPES(*), COMM, IERROR

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SDISPLS(*), RDISPLS(*)

MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW_INIT(SENDBUF, SENDCOUNTS, SDISPLS, SendTYPES, RECVBUF, RecvcOUNTS, RDISPLS, RecvTYPES, COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR)

<type> SENDBUF(*), RECVBUF(*)
INTEGER SENDCOUNTS(*), SENDTYPES(*), RecvcOUNTS(*), RECVTYPES(*), COMM, INFO, REQUEST, IERROR

INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SDISPLS(*), RDISPLS(*)

MPI_TOPO_TEST(COMM, STATUS, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, STATUS, IERROR
A.5.7 MPI Environmental Management Fortran Bindings

DOUBLE PRECISION MPI_WTICK()
DOUBLE PRECISION MPI_WTIME()

MPI_ADD_ERROR_CLASS(ERRORCLASS, IERROR)
   INTEGER ERRORCLASS, IERROR

MPI_ADD_ERROR_CODE(ERRORCLASS, ERRORCODE, IERROR)
   INTEGER ERRORCLASS, ERRORCODE, IERROR

MPI_ADD_ERROR_STRING(ERRORCODE, STRING, IERROR)
   INTEGER ERRORCODE, IERROR
   CHARACTER*(*) STRING

MPI_ALLOC_MEM(SIZE, INFO, BASEPTR, IERROR)
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SIZE, BASEPTR
   INTEGER INFO, IERROR

If the Fortran compiler provides TYPE(C_PTR), then overloaded by:

INTERFACE MPI_ALLOC_MEM
   SUBROUTINE MPI_ALLOC_MEM(SIZE, INFO, BASEPTR, IERROR)
   IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
   INTEGER :: INFO, IERROR
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE, BASEPTR
   END SUBROUTINE
   SUBROUTINE MPI_ALLOC_MEM_CPTR(SIZE, INFO, BASEPTR, IERROR)
   USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
   IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
   INTEGER :: INFO, IERROR
   INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE
   TYPE(C_PTR) :: BASEPTR
   END SUBROUTINE
END INTERFACE

MPI_COMM_CALL_ERRHANDLER(COMM, ERRORCODE, IERROR)
   INTEGER COMM, ERRORCODE, IERROR

MPI_COMM_CREATE_ERRHANDLER(COMM_ERRHANDLER_FN, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
   EXTERNAL COMM_ERRHANDLER_FN
   INTEGER ERRHANDLER, IERROR

MPI_COMM_GET_ERRHANDLER(COMM, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
   INTEGER COMM, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

MPI_COMM_SET_ERRHANDLER(COMM, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
   INTEGER COMM, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

MPI_ERRHANDLER_FREE(ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
   INTEGER ERRHANDLER, IERROR

MPI_ERROR_CLASS(ERRORCODE, ERRORCLASS, IERROR)
   INTEGER ERRORCODE, ERRORCLASS, IERROR

MPI_ERROR_STRING(ERRORCODE, STRING, RESULTLEN, IERROR)
INTEGER ERRORCODE, RESULTLEN, IERROR
CHARACTER(*) STRING

MPI_FILE_CALL_ERRHANDLER(FH, ERRORCODE, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, ERRORCODE, IERROR

MPI_FILE_CREATE_ERRHANDLER(FILE_ERRHANDLER_FN, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
EXTERNAL FILE_ERRHANDLER_FN
INTEGER ERRHANDLER, IERROR

MPI_FILE_GET_ERRHANDLER(FILE, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
INTEGER FILE, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

MPI_FILE_SET_ERRHANDLER(FILE, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
INTEGER FILE, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

MPI_FREE_MEM(BASE, IERROR)
ertype BASE(*)
INTEGER IERROR

MPI_GET_HW_RESOURCE_INFO(HW_INFO, IERROR)
INTEGER HW_INFO, IERROR

MPI_GET_LIBRARY_VERSION(VERSION, RESULTLEN, IERROR)
 CHARACTER*(*) VERSION
INTEGER RESULTLEN, IERROR

MPI_GET_PROCESSOR_NAME(NAME, RESULTLEN, IERROR)
 CHARACTER*(*) NAME
INTEGER RESULTLEN, IERROR

MPI_GET_VERSION(VERSION, SUBVERSION, IERROR)
INTEGER VERSION, SUBVERSION, IERROR

MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CLASS(ERRORCLASS, IERROR)
INTEGER ERRORCLASS, IERROR

MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CODE(ERRORCODE, IERROR)
INTEGER ERRORCODE, IERROR

MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_STRING(ERRORCODE, IERROR)
INTEGER ERRORCODE, IERROR

MPI_SESSION_CALL_ERRHANDLER(SESSION, ERRORCODE, IERROR)
INTEGER SESSION, ERRORCODE, IERROR

MPI_SESSION_CREATE_ERRHANDLER(SESSION_ERRHANDLER_FN, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
EXTERNAL SESSION_ERRHANDLER_FN
INTEGER ERRHANDLER, IERROR

MPI_SESSION_GET_ERRHANDLER(SESSION, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
INTEGER SESSION, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

MPI_SESSION_SET_ERRHANDLER(SESSION, ERRHANDLER, IERROR)
INTEGER SESSION, ERRHANDLER, IERROR

MPI_WIN_CALL_ERRHANDLER(WIN, ERRORCODE, IERROR)
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A.5.8 The Info Object Fortran Bindings

MPI_INFO_CREATE(INFO, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR

MPI_INFO_CREATE_ENV(INFO, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR

MPI_INFO_DELETE(INFO, KEY, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR
  CHARACTER*(*) KEY

MPI_INFO_DUP(INFO, NEWINFO, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, NEWINFO, IERROR

MPI_INFO_FREE(INFO, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR

MPI_INFO_GET_NKEYS(INFO, NKEYS, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, NKEYS, IERROR

MPI_INFO_GET_NTHKEY(INFO, N, KEY, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, N, IERROR
  CHARACTER*(*) KEY

MPI_INFO_GET_STRING(INFO, KEY, BUFLEN, VALUE, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, BUFLEN, IERROR
  CHARACTER*(*) KEY, VALUE
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_INFO_SET(INFO, KEY, VALUE, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR
  CHARACTER*(*) KEY, VALUE

A.5.9 Process Creation and Management Fortran Bindings

MPI_ABORT(COMM, ERRORCODE, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, ERRORCODE, IERROR

MPI_CLOSE_PORT(PORT_NAME, IERROR)
  CHARACTER*(*) PORT_NAME
  INTEGER IERROR
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MPI_COMM_ACCEPT(PORT_NAME, INFO, ROOT, COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
  CHARACTER(*) PORT_NAME
  INTEGER INFO, ROOT, COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_CONNECT(PORT_NAME, INFO, ROOT, COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR)
  CHARACTER(*) PORT_NAME
  INTEGER INFO, ROOT, COMM, NEWCOMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT(COMM, IERROR)
  INTEGER COMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_GET_PARENT(PARENT, IERROR)
  INTEGER PARENT, IERROR

MPI_COMM_JOIN(FD, INTERCOMM, IERROR)
  INTEGER FD, INTERCOMM, IERROR

MPI_COMM_SPAWN(COMMAND, ARGV, MAXPROCS, INFO, ROOT, COMM, INTERCOMM, 
                 ARRAY_OF_ERRCODES, IERROR)
  CHARACTER(*) COMMAND, ARGV(*)
  INTEGER MAXPROCS, INFO, ROOT, COMM, INTERCOMM, ARRAY_OF_ERRCODES(*), IERROR

MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_COMMANDS, ARRAY_OF_ARGV, 
                          ARRAY_OF_MAXPROCS, ARRAY_OF_INFO, ROOT, COMM, 
                          INTERCOMM, ARRAY_OF_ERRCODES(*), IERROR)
  INTEGER COUNT, ARRAY_OF_MAXPROCS(*), ARRAY_OF_INFO(*), ROOT, COMM, 
               INTERCOMM, ARRAY_OF_ERRCODES(*), IERROR
  CHARACTER(*) ARRAY_OF_COMMANDS(*), ARRAY_OF_ARGV(COUNT, *)

MPI_FINALIZE(IERROR)
  INTEGER IERROR

MPI_FINALIZED(FLAG, IERROR)
  LOGICAL FLAG
  INTEGER IERROR

MPI_INIT(IERROR)
  INTEGER IERROR

MPI_INIT_THREAD(REQUIRED, PROVIDED, IERROR)
  INTEGER REQUIRED, PROVIDED, IERROR

MPI_INITIALIZED(FLAG, IERROR)
  LOGICAL FLAG
  INTEGER IERROR

MPI_IS_THREAD_MAIN(FLAG, IERROR)
  LOGICAL FLAG
  INTEGER IERROR

MPI_LOOKUP_NAME(SERVICE_NAME, INFO, PORT_NAME, IERROR)
  CHARACTER(*) SERVICE_NAME, PORT_NAME
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR

MPI_OPEN_PORT(INFO, PORT_NAME, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR

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MPI_ACCUMULATE(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK,
TARGET_DISP, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER ORIGIN_ADDR(*), OP, WIN, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

MPI_COMPARE_AND_SWAP(ORIGIN_ADDR, COMPARE_ADDR, RESULT_ADDR, DATATYPE,
TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, WIN, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

MPI_FETCH_AND_OP(ORIGIN_ADDR, RESULT_ADDR, DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP,
OP, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, OP, WIN, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP
MPI_GET(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, IERROR)
<type> ORIGIN_ADDR(*)
INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, RESULT_ADDR, RESULT_COUNT, RESULT_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, IERROR)
<type> ORIGIN_ADDR(*), RESULT_ADDR(*)
INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, RESULT_COUNT, RESULT_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

MPI_PUT(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, IERROR)
<type> ORIGIN_ADDR(*)
INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

MPI_RACCUMULATE(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> ORIGIN_ADDR(*)
INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

MPI_RGET(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> ORIGIN_ADDR(*)
INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

MPI_RGET_ACCUMULATE(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, RESULT_ADDR, RESULT_COUNT, RESULT_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> ORIGIN_ADDR(*), RESULT_ADDR(*)
INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, RESULT_COUNT, RESULT_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, OP, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

MPI_RPUT(ORIGIN_ADDR, ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_DISP, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR)
<type> ORIGIN_ADDR(*)
INTEGER ORIGIN_COUNT, ORIGIN_DATATYPE, TARGET_RANK, TARGET_COUNT, TARGET_DATATYPE, WIN, REQUEST, IERROR
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```
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) TARGET_DISP

MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, BASEPTR, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SIZE, BASEPTR
  INTEGER DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR
If the Fortran compiler provides TYPE(C_PTR), then overloaded by:

INTERFACE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, BASEPTR, &
    WIN, IERROR)
    IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
    INTEGER :: DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE, BASEPTR
  END SUBROUTINE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_CPTR(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, BASEPTR, &
    WIN, IERROR)
    USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
    IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
    INTEGER :: DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE
    TYPE(C_PTR) :: BASEPTR
  END SUBROUTINE
END INTERFACE

MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, BASEPTR, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SIZE, BASEPTR
If the Fortran compiler provides TYPE(C_PTR), then overloaded by:

INTERFACE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED
  SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, &
    BASEPTR, WIN, IERROR)
    IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
    INTEGER :: DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE, BASEPTR
  END SUBROUTINE
  SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED_CPTR(SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, &
    BASEPTR, WIN, IERROR)
    USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
    IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
    INTEGER :: DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE
    TYPE(C_PTR) :: BASEPTR
  END SUBROUTINE
END INTERFACE

MPI_WIN_ATTACH(WIN, BASE, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, IERROR
  <type> BASE(*)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SIZE
```
MPI_WIN_COMPLETE(WIN, IERROR)
INTEGER WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_CREATE(BASE, SIZE, DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR)
  <type> BASE(*)
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SIZE
  INTEGER DISP_UNIT, INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_CREATE_DYNAMIC(INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER INFO, COMM, WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_DETACH(WIN, BASE, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, IERROR
  <type> BASE(*)

MPI_WIN_FENCE(ASSERT, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER ASSERT, WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_FLUSH(RANK, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER RANK, WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_FLUSH_ALL(WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_FLUSH_LOCAL(RANK, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER RANK, WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_FLUSH_LOCAL_ALL(WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_FREE(WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_GET_GROUP(WIN, GROUP, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, GROUP, IERROR

MPI_WIN_GET_INFO(WIN, INFO_USED, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, INFO_USED, IERROR

MPI_WIN_LOCK(LOCK_TYPE, RANK, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER LOCK_TYPE, RANK, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_LOCK_ALL(ASSERT, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER ASSERT, WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_POST(GROUP, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR)
  INTEGER GROUP, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR

MPI_WIN_SET_INFO(WIN, INFO, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, INFO, IERROR

MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY(WIN, RANK, SIZE, DISP_UNIT, BASEPTR, IERROR)
  INTEGER WIN, RANK, DISP_UNIT, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) SIZE, BASEPTR

If the Fortran compiler provides TYPE(C_PTR), then overloaded by:
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 INTERFACE MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY
 SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY(WIN, RANK, SIZE, DISP_UNIT, &
 BASEPTR, IERROR)
 IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
 INTEGER :: WIN, RANK, DISP_UNIT, IERROR
 INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE, BASEPTR
 END SUBROUTINE
 SUBROUTINE MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY_C PTR(WIN, RANK, SIZE, DISP_UNIT, &
 BASEPTR, IERROR)
 USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING, ONLY : C_PTR
 IMPORT :: MPI_ADDRESS_KIND
 INTEGER :: WIN, RANK, DISP_UNIT, IERROR
 INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) :: SIZE
 TYPE(C_PTR) :: BASEPTR
 END SUBROUTINE
 END INTERFACE

 MPI_WIN_START(GROUP, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR)
 INTEGER GROUP, ASSERT, WIN, IERROR

 MPI_WIN_SYNC(WIN, IERROR)
 INTEGER WIN, IERROR

 MPI_WIN_TEST(WIN, FLAG, IERROR)
 INTEGER WIN, IERROR
 LOGICAL FLAG

 MPI_WIN_UNLOCK(RANK, WIN, IERROR)
 INTEGER RANK, WIN, IERROR

 MPI_WIN_UNLOCK_ALL(WIN, IERROR)
 INTEGER WIN, IERROR

 MPI_WIN_WAIT(WIN, IERROR)
 INTEGER WIN, IERROR

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 MPI_GREQUEST_COMPLETE(REQUEST, IERROR)
 INTEGER REQUEST, IERROR

 MPI_GREQUEST_START(QUERY_FN, FREE_FN, CANCEL_FN, EXTRA_STATE, REQUEST, IERROR)
 EXTERNAL QUERY_FN, FREE_FN, CANCEL_FN
 INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE
 INTEGER REQUEST, IERROR

 MPI_STATUS_SET_CANCELLED(STATUS, FLAG, IERROR)
 INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
 LOGICAL FLAG

 MPI_STATUS_SET_ELEMENTS(STATUS, DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR)
 INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR
MPI_STATUS_SET_ERROR(STATUS, ERR, IERROR)
  INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), ERR, IERROR

MPI_STATUS_SET_SOURCE(STATUS, SOURCE, IERROR)
  INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), SOURCE, IERROR

MPI_STATUS_SET_TAG(STATUS, TAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), TAG, IERROR

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MPI_CONVERSION_FN_NULL(USERBUF, DATATYPE, COUNT, FILEBUF, POSITION, 
  EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
  <TYPE> USERBUF(*), FILEBUF(*)
  INTEGER DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) POSITION
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE

MPI_FILE_CLOSE(FH, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR

MPI_FILE_DELETE(FILENAME, INFO, IERROR)
  CHARACTER(*) FILENAME
  INTEGER INFO, IERROR

MPI_FILE_GET_AMODE(FH, AMODE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, AMODE, IERROR

MPI_FILE_GET_ATOMICITY(FH, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_FILE_GET_BYTE_OFFSET(FH, OFFSET, DISP, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET, DISP

MPI_FILE_GET_GROUP(FH, GROUP, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, GROUP, IERROR

MPI_FILE_GET_INFO(FH, INFO_USED, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, INFO_USED, IERROR

MPI_FILE_GET_POSITION(FH, OFFSET, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET

MPI_FILE_GET_POSITION_SHARED(FH, OFFSET, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET

MPI_FILE_GET_SIZE(FH, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) SIZE

MPI_FILE_GET_TYPE_EXTENT(FH, DATATYPE, EXTENT, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, DATATYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTENT

MPI_FILE_GET_VIEW(FH, DISP, ETYP5E, FILETYPE, DATAREP, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, ETYPE, FILETYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) DISP
CHARACTER(*) DATAREP

MPI_FILE_IREAD(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IREAD_ALL(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IREAD_AT(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IREAD_AT_ALL(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IREAD_SHARED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IWRITE(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IWRITE_ALL(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IWRITE_AT(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IWRITE_AT_ALL(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_IWRITE_SHARED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR)
INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, REQUEST, IERROR
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_OPEN(COMM, FILENAME, AMODE, INFO, FH, IERROR)
INTEGER COMM, AMODE, INFO, FH, IERROR
CHARACTER(*) FILENAME
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MPI_FILE_PREALLOCATE(FH, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) SIZE

MPI_FILE_READ(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_ALL(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_BEGIN(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_ALL_END(FH, BUF, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_AT(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_AT_ALL(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_AT_ALL_BEGIN(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_AT_ALL_END(FH, BUF, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_ORDERED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_ORDERED_BEGIN(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_ORDERED_END(FH, BUF, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_READ_SHARED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)
MPI_FILE_SEEK(FH, OFFSET, WHENCE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, WHENCE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET

MPI_FILE_SEEK_SHARED(FH, OFFSET, WHENCE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, WHENCE, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET

MPI_FILE_SET_ATOMICITY(FH, FLAG, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR
  LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_FILE_SET_INFO(FH, INFO, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, INFO, IERROR

MPI_FILE_SET_SIZE(FH, SIZE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) SIZE

MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW(FH, DISP, ETYPE, FILETYPE, DATAREP, INFO, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, ETYPE, FILETYPE, INFO, IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) DISP
  CHARACTER(*) DATAREP

MPI_FILE_SYNC(FH, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, IERROR

MPI_FILE_WRITE(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_ALL(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_ALL_BEGIN(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_ALL_END(FH, BUF, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT_ALL(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT_ALL_BEGIN(FH, OFFSET, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
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```
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_OFFSET_KIND) OFFSET
<type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_AT_ALL_END(FH, BUF, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_ORDERED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_ORDERED_BEGIN(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_ORDERED_END(FH, BUF, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_FILE_WRITE_SHARED(FH, BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER FH, COUNT, DATATYPE, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  <type> BUF(*)

MPI_REGISTER_DATAREP(DATAREP, READ_CONVERSION_FN, WRITE_CONVERSION_FN,
                     DTYPE_FILE_EXTENT_FN, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)
  CHARACTER(*) DATAREP
  EXTERNAL READ_CONVERSION_FN, WRITE_CONVERSION_FN, DTYPE_FILE_EXTENT_FN
  INTEGER(KIND=MPI_ADDRESS_KIND) EXTRA_STATE
  INTEGER IERROR
```

The following procedure is not available with mpif.h:

```
MPI_STATUS_F082F(F08_STATUS, F_STATUS, IERROR)
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: F08_STATUS
  INTEGER :: F_STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
```

The following procedure is not available with mpif.h:

```
MPI_STATUS_F2F08(F_STATUS, F08_STATUS, IERROR)
  INTEGER :: F_STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
  TYPE(MPI_Status) :: F08_STATUS

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_COMPLEX(P, R, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER P, R, NEWTYPE, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_INTEGER(R, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER R, NEWTYPE, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL(P, R, NEWTYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER P, R, NEWTYPE, IERROR

MPI_TYPE_MATCH_SIZE(TYPECLASS, SIZE, DATATYPE, IERROR)
  INTEGER TYPECLASS, SIZE, DATATYPE, IERROR
```
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MPI_PCONTROL(LEVEL)

    INTEGER LEVEL

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MPI_ATTR_DELETE(COMM, KEYVAL, IERROR)

    INTEGER COMM, KEYVAL, IERROR

MPI_ATTR_GET(COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, FLAG, IERROR)

    INTEGER COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR
    LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_ATTR_PUT(COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR)

    INTEGER COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, IERROR

MPI_DUP_FN(OLDCOMM, KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT,

Flag, IERR)

    INTEGER OLDCOMM, KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT,
    IERR
    LOGICAL Flag

MPI_GET_ELEMENTS_X(STATUS, DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR)

    INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), DATATYPE, IERROR
    INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) COUNT

MPI_INFO_GET(INFO, KEY, VALUELEN, VALUE, FLAG, IERROR)

    INTEGER INFO, VALUELEN, IERROR
    CHARACTER*(*) KEY, VALUE
    LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_INFO_GET_VALUELEN(INFO, KEY, VALUELEN, FLAG, IERROR)

    INTEGER INFO, VALUELEN, IERROR
    CHARACTER*(*) KEY
    LOGICAL FLAG

MPI_KEYVAL_CREATE(COPY_FN, DELETE_FN, KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)

    EXTERNAL COPY_FN, DELETE_FN
    INTEGER KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR

MPI_KEYVAL_FREE(KEYVAL, IERROR)

    INTEGER KEYVAL, IERROR

MPI_NULL_COPY_FN(OLDCOMM, KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT, FLAG, IERR)

    INTEGER OLDCOMM, KEYVAL, EXTRA_STATE, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_IN, ATTRIBUTE_VAL_OUT,
    IERR
    LOGICAL Flag

MPI_NULL_DELETE_FN(COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR)

    INTEGER COMM, KEYVAL, ATTRIBUTE_VAL, EXTRA_STATE, IERROR

MPI_SIZEOF(X, SIZE, IERROR)
<type> X
INTEGER SIZE, IERROR

MPI_STATUS_SET_ELEMENTS_X(STATUS, DATATYPE, COUNT, IERROR)
INTEGER STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), DATATYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) COUNT

MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT_X(DATATYPE, LB, EXTENT, IERROR)
INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) LB, EXTENT

MPI_TYPE_GET_TRUE_EXTENT_X(DATATYPE, TRUE_LB, TRUE_EXTENT, IERROR)
INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) TRUE_LB, TRUE_EXTENT

MPI_TYPE_SIZE_X(DATATYPE, SIZE, IERROR)
INTEGER DATATYPE, IERROR
INTEGER(KIND=MPI_COUNT_KIND) SIZE
Appendix B
Change-Log

Annex B.1 summarizes changes from the previous version of the MPI standard to the version presented by this document. Only significant changes (i.e., clarifications and new features) that might either require implementation effort in the MPI libraries or change the understanding of MPI from a user’s perspective are presented. Editorial modifications, formatting, typo corrections and minor clarifications are not shown. If not otherwise noted, the section and page references refer to the locations of the change or new functionality in this version of the standard. Changes in Annexes B.2–B.6 were already introduced in the corresponding sections in previous versions of this standard.

B.1 Changes from Version 4.0 to Version 4.1

B.1.1 Fixes to Errata in Previous Versions of MPI

1. Sections 2.4.1, 3.5, 3.7, 3.8, 6.12, 7.1.2, 7.2.2, 7.4.2, 11.6.2, 14.2.5, 14.6.5, 19.1.17, 19.1.20, on pages 11, 55, 69, 94, 250, 305, 308, 321, 516, 644, 705, 822, 832 and MPI-4.0 Sections 2.4.1, 3.5, 3.7, 3.8, 6.12, 7.1.2, 7.2.2, 7.4.2, 11.6.2, 14.2.5, 14.6.5, 19.1.17, 19.1.20 on pages 13, 54, 60, 84, 250, 312, 314, 327, 518, 650, 713, 826, and 834.

The term pending communication or I/O operation is defined as in the active operation state. If the phrase pending communication operation in MPI-1.1 to MPI-4.0 additionally includes decoupled MPI activities, then this has been added explicitly. If this phrase had a different meaning, it was replaced accordingly, see item 4 in this list and item 15 in Section B.1.2.

2. Sections 2.5.4 and A.1.1 on pages 19 and 849, and MPI-4.0 Sections 2.5.4 and A.1.1 on pages 20 and 857.

The implementation of named MPI constants in C and Fortran and implied usage restrictions were clarified.

3. Section 2.5.4 on page 19, and MPI-4.0 Section 2.5.4 on page 20.

Add MPI_MAX_PSET_NAME_LEN and MPI_MAX_STRINGTAG_LEN to list of named constants.

4. Sections 3.9, 11.2.2, 11.3.1 and 11.10.4 on pages 104, 488, 494 and 542 and MPI-4.0 Sections 3.9, 11.2.2, 11.3.1 and 11.10.4 on pages 94, 494, 501 and 546.

The requirements for calling MPI_FINALIZE, MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE, and MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT and the outcome of MPI_COMM_DISCONNECT, especially for related inactive persistent request handles, were clarified.

5. Section 4.3 on page 121, and MPI-4.0 Section 4.3.3. on page 115. Example 4.4 on page 125, and MPI-4.0 Example 4.4 on page 115.
Fixed and simplified erroneous MPI-4.0 Example 4.4. The example could deadlock due to incorrect use of the flag variable in multiple MPI test procedure calls or thread concurrent access. The example was also simplified by removing unnecessary code and updated according to current best practice in OpenMP.

6. Section 5.1.9 on page 156 and MPI-4.0 Section 5.1.9 on page 150.
The relationship between MPI_TYPE_COMMIT and initialization/finalization of a session (or the World Model) with MPI_INIT, MPI_INIT_THREAD, MPI_FINALIZE, MPI_SESSION_INIT, and MPI_SESSION_FINALIZE was clarified.

7. Sections 7.4.2 on page 321 and 7.6.2 on page 353, and MPI-4.0 Section 7.4.2 on page 343 and Section 7.6.2 on page 360.
Use of the errhandler argument to MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUP and MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE_FROM_GROUPS is clarified. The error handler invoked when an error is encountered during invocation of these functions is also clarified.

8. Section 8.5.5 on page 397 and MPI-4.0 Section 8.5.5 on page 403.
The unintended change in the specification of argument coords in MPI_CART_COORDS in MPI-4.0 is reverted to the original meaning in MPI-1.1 to MPI-3.1. It is clarified that the outcome of MPI_CART_GET and MPI_CART_COORDS is unspecified for the case that maxdims is less than ndims.

9. Section 9.3 on page 449 and MPI-4.0 Section 9.3 on page 459.
The fallback error-handler for the Sessions Model was clarified.

10. Section 9.5 on page 464 and MPI-4.0 Section 9.5 on page 473.
It was clarified that MPI_LASTUSEDCODE is only available in the World Model.

11. Sections 11.1 and 11.7 on pages 481 and 518, and MPI-4.0 Sections 11.1 and 11.7 on pages 487 and 521.
It was clarified that the usage of the Dynamic Process Model requires the World Model to be initialized.

12. Section 12.5.2 on page 593 and MPI-4 Section 12.5.2 on page 598.
The definition of MPI_WIN_TEST was clarified.

13. Section 12.5.4 on page 602, MPI-3 Section 11.5.4 on page 449, MPI-3.1 Section 11.5.4 on page 448, and MPI-4 Section 12.5.4 on page 605.
The description of MPI_WIN_SYNC was clarified to include its use for ordering load/store accesses to shared memory. A statement was added to highlight that a call to MPI_WIN_SYNC does not complete pending RMA operations and that a call to MPI_WIN_SYNC does not guarantee any progress of MPI operations.

14. Section 7.4.2 on page 322, MPI-3 Section 6.4.2 on page 237, MPI-3.1 Section 6.4.2 on page 237, and MPI-4 Section 7.4.2 on page 327.
The description of MPI_COMM_DUP now clarifies that error handlers are also copied in the output communicator produced when this procedure is called.

15. Section 13.3 on page 633, and MPI-4 Section 13.3 on page 640.
Large count interface of MPI_STATUS_SET_ELEMENTS had been missing and was added.
16. Sections 15.3.6 and 15.3.7 on pages 729 and 736.
   The intent of handle arguments of the language independent definition of
   MPI_T_CVAR_WRITE, MPI_T_PVAR_HANDLE_ALLOC,
   MPI_T_PVAR_HANDLE_FREE, MPI_T_PVAR_START, MPI_T_PVAR_STOP,
   MPI_T_PVAR_WRITE, and MPI_T_PVAR_RESET were marked as INOUT in accord-
   dance with the special rule for handles described in Section 2.3.

17. Section 4.3.1 on page 122, MPI-4 Section 4.3.1 on page 112.
   Example 4.2 was corrected.

B.1.2 Changes in MPI-4.1

1. Section 1.13 on page 6.
   Introduced the concept of side documents.

2. Sections 2.4.1 and 2.4.2 on pages 11 and 14.
   Added the definition of the enabled operation state.

3. Sections 2.5.5, 2.6.2, and 19.1 on pages 20, 23, and 787.
   The MPI standard now reflects that TS 29113 was superceded by Fortran 2018.

4. Sections 2.6.1, 5.1.5, 5.1.7, 5.1.8, 5.1.11, 13.3, and 16.4 on pages 22, 148, 153, 155,
   158, 633, and 777.
   MPI_TYPE_SIZE_X, MPI_TYPE_GET_EXTENT_X, 
   MPI_TYPE_GET_TRUE_EXTENT_X, MPI_GET_ELEMENTS_X, and 
   MPI_STATUS_SET_ELEMENTS_X were deprecated and may be removed in a future 
   version of the MPI specification.

5. Sections 2.6.1, 7.2.4 and 9.1.2 on pages 22, 309 and 442.
   MPI_HOST has been deprecated, and a mention to host process has been removed.

   Deprecated the use of mpif.h.

7. Section 2.6.4 on page 25.
   Removed the functions MPI_WTIME, PMPI_WTIME, MPI_WTICK, and PMPI_WTICK
   from the list of functions that may be implemented as a macro.

8. Section 2.6.4 on page 25 and Section 19.3.4 on page 836.
   Removed the ability to implement MPI handle conversion functions as a macro.

9. Sections 2.9, 3.7.6, 12.5.2, and Example 12.13 on pages 27, 90, 593, and 617.
   The progress rules were clarified in general and for MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS and 
   MPI_WIN_TEST. The terms strong and weak progress were introduced. An example 
   showing restrictions on the use of MPI shared memory for synchronizing purposes was 
   introduced.

10. Sections 3.2.5 and 13.3 on pages 39 and 633.
    Added procedures MPI_STATUS_GET_SOURCE, MPI_STATUS_GET_TAG, and 
    MPI_STATUS_GET_ERROR to query MPI status fields and procedures
    MPI_STATUS_SET_SOURCE, MPI_STATUS_SET_TAG, and
MPI_STATUS_SET_ERROR to set MPI status fields. Direct access to these fields remains available.

11. Section 3.6 on page 58.
   Automatic (unlimited) buffering is added, which can be enabled by using
   MPI_BUFFER_AUTOMATIC in any of the buffer attach procedures. New procedures
   MPI_COMM_ATTACH_BUFFER, MPI_SESSION_ATTACH_BUFFER,
   MPI_COMM_DETACH_BUFFER and MPI_SESSION_DETACH_BUFFER have been
   added. The buffers attached with the existing functions MPI_BUFFER_ATTACH and
   MPI_BUFFER_DETACH now only apply to communicators that have no buffer at-
   tached at the communicator or session level. New procedures
   MPI_COMM_FLUSH_BUFFER, MPI_SESSION_FLUSH_BUFFER, and
   MPI_BUFFER_FLUSH were added as a combination of detach and attach, as well as the
   corresponding nonblocking variants MPI_COMM_IFLUSH_BUFFER,
   MPI_SESSION_IFLUSH_BUFFER, and MPI_BUFFER_IFLUSH.

12. Subsection 3.7.6 on page 90
   Added new procedures MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ANY,
   MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_SOME, and MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS_ALL to
   query the statuses of multiple requests without freeing them.

13. Section 6.9.4 and 5.1.13 on pages 229 and 162.
   Added procedure MPI_TYPE_GET_VALUE_INDEX to query predefined datatype han-
   dles for pairs of value and index types to be usable in conjunction with MPI_MINLOC
   and MPI_MAXLOC. Added combiner MPI_COMBINER_VALUE_INDEX for unnamed type
   handles returned by MPI_TYPE_GET_VALUE_INDEX.

14. Section 7.4.2 on page 321.
   MPI_COMM_TYPE_RESOURCE_GUIDED was added as a new possible value for the
   split_type parameter of the MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE procedure, as well as a new
   info key "mpi_pset_name".

15. Section 7.4.3 on page 339.
   The definition of MPI_COMM_FREE was clarified.

16. Section 7.4.4 on page 341.
   A new info key was added, namely "mpi_assert_strict_persistent_collective_ordering".

17. Sections 7.4.4, 11.2.1, 11.3, 11.4.3, 11.8.4, 12.2.1, and 14.2.8 on pages 340, 482, 493,
    508, 527, 548, and 646.
   Added the ability to request support for, query support of, and assert usage of memory
   allocation kinds via two new info keys, "mpi_memory_alloc_kinds" and
   "mpi_assert_memory_alloc_kinds".

18. Section 7.8 on page 376 was amended to allow MPI_COMM_NULL,
    MPI_DATATYPE_NULL, and MPI_WIN_NULL to be passed to MPI_COMM_GET_NAME,
    MPI_TYPE_GET_NAME and MPI_WIN_GET_NAME, respectively.

   Added new procedure MPI_GET_HWRESOURCE_INFO.
20. Section 9.4 on page 460.
   Added new error class MPI_ERR_ERRHANDLER.

21. Section 9.5 on page 464.
   Add procedures MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CLASS, MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_CODE,
   MPI_REMOVE_ERROR_STRING to complement the procedures adding error classes/-
   codes/strings.

22. Section 12.2 on page 548.
   Relaxed the constraints on the windows for which shared memory can be queried using
   MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY to allow windows with flavor MPI_WIN_FLAVOR_CREATE
   and MPI_WIN_FLAVOR_ALLOCATE.

23. Section 12.2.1 on page 548.
   Added new info key "mpi_accumulate_granularity" to specify a desired synchronization
   granularity of accumulate operations.

24. Section 12.2.5 on page 562.
   Implementations may avoid synchronization of processes in MPI_WIN_FREE if the
   "no_locks" info key is set to "true".

25. Section 15.3.2 on page 724.
   The text specifying when entities of the MPI Tool Information Interface can be bound
   to objects during the object’s lifetime was clarified.

26. Section 15.3.8 on page 760 and Section 15.3.9 on page 767.
   Behavior specified when the count of dropped events or category changes overflow,
   respectively.

   The annex has been completed with the operation-related MPI procedures for one-
   sided communication and some other rarely used scenarios. It is now integrated into
   the MPI standard.

28. Section 12.5.2 on page 593.
   In Example 12.4, MPI_PUT has been removed from the list of procedures that may
   delay their return waiting for the call to MPI_WIN_POST to occur at the target.
   MPI RMA communication procedures are generally not intended to delay their return
   waiting for synchronization procedure calls to occur at the target.

29. Section 12.7 on page 609 and Section 12.8 on page 622.
   Clarified the use of MPI_WIN_SYNC for memory synchronization on shared memory.

B.2 Changes from Version 3.1 to Version 4.0

B.2.1 Fixes to Errata in Previous Versions of MPI

1. Sections 8.6.1, 8.6.2 and 8.9 on pages 411, 415 and 436, and MPI-3.1 Sections 7.6.1,
   7.6.2 and 7.8 on pages 315, 318 and 329.
   MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL{\{V|W\}} and MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHER{\{V\}} for Car-
   tesian virtual grids were clarified. An advice to implementors was added to illustrate
a correct implementation for the case of $\text{periods}[d]=1$ or .TRUE. and $\text{dims}[d]=1$ or 2 in a direction $d$.

2. Section 19.3.5 on page 838, and MPI-3.1 Section 17.2.5 on page 657 line 11.
   Clarified that the $\text{MPI\_STATUS\_F2F08}$ and $\text{MPI\_STATUS\_F082F}$ routines and the declaration for TYPE($\text{MPI\_Status}$) are not supposed to appear with mpif.h.

3. Sections 2.5.4, 19.3.5, and A.1.1 on pages 20, 838, and 852, and MPI-3.1 Sections 2.5.4, 17.2.5, and A.1.1 on pages 15, 656, and 669.
   Define the C constants $\text{MPI\_F\_STATUS\_SIZE}$, $\text{MPI\_F\_SOURCE}$, $\text{MPI\_F\_TAG}$, and $\text{MPI\_F\_ERROR}$.

4. Section 19.3.5 on page 839, and MPI-3.1 Section 17.2.5 on page 658.
   Added missing $\text{const}$ to IN parameters for $\text{MPI\_STATUS\_F2F08}$ and $\text{MPI\_STATUS\_F082F}$.

B.2.2 Changes in MPI-4.0

1. Sections 2.2, 18.2.2, and 19.1.5 on pages 9, 786, and 794.
   The limit for the maximum length of MPI identifiers was removed.

   The semantic terms were updated.

3. Sections 2.5.8 and 19.2 on pages 21 and 833, and throughout the entire document.
   New large count functions $\text{MPI\_\{\ldots\\}_c}$ in C and through function overloading in the Fortran mpi_f08 module, (with the exception of the explicit Fortran procedures $\text{MPI\_Op\_create\_c}$ and $\text{MPI\_Register\_datarep\_c}$) and the new large count callbacks $\text{MPI\_User\_function\_c}$ and $\text{MPI\_Datarep\_conversion\_function\_c}$ together with the predefined function $\text{MPI\_CONVERSION\_FN\_NULL\_C}$ were introduced to accommodate large buffers and/or datatypes.
   Clarifications were added to the behavior of INOUT/OUT parameters that cannot represent the value to be returned for the $\text{MPI\_BUFFER\_DETACH}$ and $\text{MPI\_FILE\_GET\_TYPE\_EXTENT}$ functions.
   A new error class $\text{MPI\_ERR\_VALUE\_TOO\_LARGE}$ was introduced.

4. Sections 2.8, 9.3, 9.5, and 11.2.1 on pages 26, 449, 464, and 482.
   MPI calls that are not related to any objects are considered to be attached to the communicator $\text{MPI\_COMM\_SELF}$ instead of $\text{MPI\_COMM\_WORLD}$. The definition of $\text{MPI\_ERRORS\_ARE\_FATAL}$ was clarified to cover all connected processes, and a new error handler, $\text{MPI\_ERRORS\_ABORT}$, was created to limit the scope of aborting.

5. Section 3.7 on page 69.
   The introduction of MPI nonblocking communication was changed to describe correctness and performance reasons for the use of nonblocking communication.

6. Section 3.7.2 on page 71.
   Addition of $\text{MPI\_ISENDRECV}$ and $\text{MPI\_ISENDRECV\_REPLACE}$.
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7. Sections 3.7.3, 3.9, 6.13, 8.8, and 8.9 on pages 78, 104, 273, 429, and 436.
   Persistent collective communication MPI_{\{ALLGATHER\ldots\}_{\text{INIT}} including persistent collective neighborhood communication
   MPI_{\text{NEIGHBOR}}_{\{ALLGATHER\ldots\}_{\text{INIT}} was added to the standard.

8. Sections 3.8.4 and 16.3 on pages 102 and 774.
   Cancelling a send request by calling MPI\_CANCE\_ has been deprecated and may be removed in a future version of the MPI specification.

9. Chapter 4 on page 113.
   A new chapter on partitioned communication with the new MPI procedures
   MPI_{\{PARRIVED\}_{\text{PREADY\{}\ldots\}}} and MPI_{\{PRECV\}_{\text{PSEND\}}}_{\text{INIT}} was added.

10. Section 7.4.2 on page 321.
    MPI_COMM\_TYPE\_HW\_UNGUIDED was added as a new possible value for the split\_type parameter of the MPI\_COMM\_SPLIT\_TYPE function.

11. Section 7.4.2 on page 321.
    MPI_COMM\_TYPE\_HW\_GUIDED was added as a new possible value for the split\_type parameter of the MPI\_COMM\_SPLIT\_TYPE function, as well as a new info key "mpi\_hw\_resource\_type". A specific value associated with this new info key is also defined: "mpi\_shared\_memory".

12. Section 7.4.2 on page 321.
    The functions MPI\_COMM\_DUP and MPI\_COMM\_IDUP were updated to no longer propagate info hints.
    This change may affect backward compatibility.

13. Section 7.4.2 on page 321.
    The MPI\_COMM\_IDUP\_WITH\_INFO function was added.

14. Sections 7.4.4, 12.2.7, and 14.2.8 on pages 340, 564, and 646.
    The definition of info hints was updated to allow applications to provide assertions regarding their usage of MPI objects and operations.

15. Section 7.4.4 on page 340.
    The new info hints "mpi\_assert\_no\_any\_tag", "mpi\_assert\_no\_any\_source",
    "mpi\_assert\_exact\_length", and "mpi\_assert\_allow\_overtaking" were added for use with communicators.

16. Sections 7.4.4, 12.2.7, and 14.2.8 on pages 340, 564, and 646.
    The semantics of the MPI\_COMM\_SET\_INFO, MPI\_COMM\_GET\_INFO,
    MPI\_WIN\_SET\_INFO, MPI\_WIN\_GET\_INFO, MPI\_FILE\_SET\_INFO, and
    MPI\_FILE\_GET\_INFO were clarified.

17. Section 8.5 on page 386.
    MPI\_DIMS\_CREATE is now guaranteed to return MPI\_SUCCESS if the number of dimensions passed to the routine is set to 0 and the number of nodes is set to 1.

18. Sections 9.2, 12.2.2, and 12.2.3 on pages 446, 552, and 554.
    Introduced alignment requirements for memory allocated through MPI\_ALLOC\_MEM,
    MPI\_WIN\_ALLOC\_ATE, and MPI\_WIN\_ALLOC\_ATE\_SHARED and added a new info key
    "mpi\_minimum\_memory\_alignment" to specify a desired alternative minimum alignment.
19. Sections 9.3 and 9.4 on pages 449 and 460.
   Clarified definition of errors to say that MPI should continue whenever possible and
   allow the user to recover from errors.

20. Section 9.4 on page 460.
   Added text to clarify what is implied about the status of MPI and user visible buffers
   when MPI functions return MPI_SUCCESS or other error codes.

21. Section 9.4 on page 462.
   The error class MPI_ERR_PROC_ABORTED has been added.

22. Section 10 on page 473.
   Added a new function MPI_INFO_GET_STRING that takes a buffer length argument
   for returning info value strings. This function returns the required buffer length for
   the requested string and guarantees null termination for C strings where buffer size
   is greater than 0.

23. Section 10 on page 473 and Section 16.3 on page 774.
  (MPI_INFO_GET and MPI_INFO_GET_VALUELEN were deprecated.

24. Chapter 11, 3.2.3, 7.2.4, 7.3.2, 7.4.2, 7.6.2, 9.1.1, 9.1.2, 9.3, 9.3.4, 9.5, 11.6, 14.2.1,

14.2.7, 14.7, 15.3.4, 19.3.4, 19.3.6, and Annex A on pages 481, 35, 309, 312, 321, 353,

   The Sessions Model was added to the standard. New MPI procedures are
   MPI_SESSION_{INIT|FINALIZE}, MPI_SESSION_GET_{...},
   MPI_SESSION_{...}_ERRHANDLER, MPI_GROUP_FROM_SESSION_PSET,
   MPI_COMM_CREATE_FROMROUP,

   MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE_FROMROUPS, and new conversion functions are
   MPI_SESSION_{C2F|F2C}. New declarations are MPI_Session in C and
   TYPE(MPI_Session) together with the related overloaded operators .EQ., .NE., == and
   /= in the Fortran mpi_f08 and mpi modules, and the callback function prototype
   MPI_Session_errhandler function. New constants are MPI_SESSION_NULL,
   MPI_ERR_SESSION, MPI_MAX_PSET_NAME_LEN, MPI_MAX_STRINGTAG_LEN,
   MPI_T_BIND_MPI_SESSION and the predefined info key "mpi_size".

25. Section 11.2.1 on page 482.
   A new function MPI_INFO_CREATE_ENV was added.

26. Sections 11.2.1 and 11.10.4 on pages 482 and 542.
   Clarified the semantic of failure and error reporting before (and during) MPI_INIT
   and after MPI_FINALIZE.

27. Section 11.8.4 on page 527.
   Added the "mpi_initial_errhandler" reserved info key with the reserved values
   "mpi_errors_abort", "mpi_errors_are_fatall", and "mpi_errors_return" to the launch keys in
   MPI_COMM_SPAWN, MPI_COMM_SPAWN_MULTIPLE, and mpiexec.

28. Section 12.5.3 on page 597.
   RMA passive target synchronization using locks can now be used portably in memory
   allocated via MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED.
B.3 Changes from Version 3.0 to Version 3.1

29. Section 13.3 on page 633.
The mpi_f08 binding incorrectly had the dummy parameter flag in the MPI F08 binding for MPI_STATUS_SET_CANCELLLED marked as INTENT(OUT). It has been fixed to be INTENT(IN).

30. Sections 15.3 and 15.3.8 on pages 722 and 748.
A callback-driven event interface with the MPI_T\_\{SOURCE\|EVENT\}\_\{\ldots\} and MPI_T\_CATEGORY\_\{GET\|GET_NUM\}\_EVENTS routines, the declaration types MPI_T\_cb\_safety, MPI_T\_event\_\{instance\|registration\}, MPI_T\_source\_order, and the callback function prototypes MPI_T\_event\_\{cb\|dropped\_cb\|free\_cb\}_function, were added to the MPI tool information interface.

31. Section 15.3.9 on page 767.
The argument stamp (previously described as a virtual time stamp) from MPI_T\_CATEGORY\_CHANGED was renamed to update_number and its intended implementation and use was clarified.

32. Section 15.3.10, Table 15.7, and Section 16.3 on pages 768, 769, and 774.
MPI_T\_ERR\_INVALID\_ITEM is deprecated. MPI routines should return MPI_T\_ERR\_INVALID\_INDEX instead of MPI_T\_ERR\_INVALID\_ITEM.

33. Section 16.3 on page 777.
MPI\_SIZEOF was deprecated.

34. Section 19.1.5 on page 794.
An exception was added for the specific Fortran names in the case of TS 29113 interface specifications in mpif.h for MPI\_NEIGHBOR\_ALLTOALLW\_INIT,
MPI\_NEIGHBOR\_ALLTOALLV\_INIT, and MPI\_NEIGHBOR\_ALLGATHERV\_INIT.

B.3 Changes from Version 3.0 to Version 3.1

B.3.1 Fixes to Errata in Previous Versions of MPI

Within the mpi_f08 Fortran support method, BIND(C) was removed from all SUBROUTINE, FUNCTION, and ABSTRACT INTERFACE definitions.

2. Section 3.2.5 on page 39, and MPI-3.0 Section 3.2.5 on page 30.
The three public fields MPI\_SOURCE, MPI\_TAG, and MPI\_ERROR of the Fortran derived type TYPE(MPI\_Status) must be of type INTEGER.

3. Section 3.8.2 on page 97, and MPI-3.0 Section 3.8.2 on page 67.
The flag arguments of the Fortran interfaces of MPI\_IMPROBE were originally incorrectly defined as INTEGER (instead as LOGICAL).

4. Section 7.4.2 on page 321, and MPI-3.0 Section 6.4.2 on page 237.
In the mpi_f08 binding of MPI\_COMM\_IDUP, the output argument newcomm is declared as ASYNCHRONOUS.
5. Section 7.4.4 on page 340, and MPI-3.0 Section 6.4.4 on page 248.
   In the mpi_f08 binding of MPI_COMM_SET_INFO, the INTENT of comm is IN, and the
   optional output argument ierror was missing.

6. Section 8.6 on page 410, and MPI-3.0 Sections 7.6, on pages 314.
   In the case of virtual general graph topologies (created with MPI_CART_CREATE), the
   use of neighborhood collective communication is restricted to adjacency matrices with
   the number of edges between any two processes is defined to be the same for both
   processes (i.e., with a symmetric adjacency matrix).

7. Section 9.1.1 on page 441, and MPI-3.0 Section 8.1.1 on page 335.
   In the mpi_f08 binding of MPI_GET_LIBRARY_VERSION, a typo in the
   resultlen argument was corrected.

8. Sections 9.2 (MPI_ALLOC_MEM and MPI_ALLOC_MEM_CPTR),
    12.2.2 (MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE and MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_CPTR),
    12.2.3 (MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED and MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED_CPTR),
    12.2.3 (MPI_WIN_ALLOCATE_SHARED_QUERY and MPI_WIN_SHARED_QUERY_CPTR),
    15.2.1 and 15.2.6 (Profiling interface), and corresponding sections in MPI-3.0.
    The linker name concept was substituted by defining specific procedure names.

9. Section 12.2.1 on page 548, and MPI-3.0 Section 11.2.2 on page 407.
    The "same_size" info key can be used with all window flavors, and requires that all
    processes in the process group of the communicator have provided this info key with
    the same value.

10. Section 12.3.4 on page 573, and MPI-3.0 Section 11.3.4 on page 424.
     Origin buffer arguments to MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE are ignored when the
     MPI_NO_OP operation is used.

11. Section 12.3.4 on page 573, and MPI-3.0 Section 11.3.4 on page 424.
     Clarify the roles of origin, result, and target communication parameters in
     MPI_GET_ACCUMULATE.

12. Section 15.3 on page 722, and MPI-3.0 Section 14.3 on page 561
     New paragraph and advice to users clarifying intent of variable names in the tools
     information interface.

13. Section 15.3.3 on page 725, and MPI-3.0 Section 14.3.3 on page 563.
     New paragraph clarifying variable name equivalence in the tools information interface.

14. Sections 15.3.6, 15.3.7, and 15.3.9 on pages 729, 736, and 764, and
    MPI-3.0 Sections 14.3.6, 14.3.7, and 14.3.8 on pages 567, 573, and 584.
    In functions MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INFO, MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INFO, and
    MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_INFO, clarification of parameters that must be identical for
    equivalent control variable / performance variable / category names across connected
    processes.

15. Section 15.3.7 on page 736, and MPI-3.0 Section 14.3.7 on page 573.
    Clarify return code of MPI_T_PVAR_{START,STOP,RESET} routines.
16. Section 15.3.7 on page 736, and MPI-3.0 Section 14.3.7 on page 579, line 7.
   Clarify the return code when bad handle is passed to an MPI_T_PVAR_* routine.

17. Section 19.1.4 on page 793, and MPI-3.0 Section 17.1.4 on page 603.
   The advice to implementors at the end of the section was rewritten and moved into
   the following section.

18. Section 19.1.5 on page 794, and MPI-3.0 Section 17.1.5 on page 605.
   The section was fully rewritten. The linker name concept was substituted by defining
   specific procedure names.

19. Section 19.1.6 on page 799, and MPI-3.0 Section 17.1.6 on page 611.
   The requirements on BIND(C) procedure interfaces were removed.

20. Annexes A.3, A.4, and A.5 on pages 884, 921, and 1009, and
    MPI-3.0 Annexes A.2, A.3, and A.4 on pages 685, 707, and 756.
    The predefined callback MPI_CONVERSION_FN_NULL was added to all three an-
    nexes.

    In the mpi_f08 binding of
    MPI_{COMM|TYPE|WIN|{DUP|NULL_COPY|NULL_DELETE}}_FN, all INTENT(...) information was removed.

B.3.2 Changes in MPI-3.1

1. Sections 2.6.4 and 5.1.5 on pages 25 and 148.
   The use of the intrinsic operators “+” and “-” for absolute addresses is substituted
   by MPI_AINT_ADD and MPI_AINT_DIFF. In C, they can be implemented as macros.

2. Sections 9.1.1, 11.2.1, and 11.6 on pages 441, 482, and 514.
   The routines MPI_INITIALIZED, MPI_FINALIZED, MPI_QUERY_THREAD,
   MPI_IS_THREAD_MAIN, MPI_GET_VERSION, and MPI_GET_LIBRARY_VERSION are
   callable from threads without restriction (in the sense of MPI_THREAD_MULTIPLE),
   irrespective of the actual level of thread support provided, in the case where the
   implementation supports threads.

3. Section 12.2.1 on page 548.
   The "same_disp_unit" info key was added for use in RMA window creation routines.

4. Sections 14.4.2 and 14.4.3 on pages 656 and 663.
   Added MPI_FILE_IREAD_AT_ALL, MPI_FILE_IWRITE_AT_ALL,
   MPI_FILE_IREAD_ALL, and MPI_FILE_IWRITE_ALL.

5. Sections 15.3.6, 15.3.7, and 15.3.9 on pages 729, 736, and 764.
   Clarified that NULL parameters can be provided in
   MPI_{CVAR|PVAR|CATEGORY}_GET_INFO routines.

6. Sections 15.3.6, 15.3.7, 15.3.9, and 15.3.10 on pages 729, 736, 764, and 768.
   New routines MPI_T_CVAR_GET_INDEX, MPI_T_PVAR_GET_INDEX,
   MPI_T_CATEGORY_GET_INDEX, were added to support retrieving indices of vari-
   ables and categories. The error codes MPI_T_ERR_INVALID and
   MPI_T_ERR_INVALID_NAME were added to indicate invalid uses of the interface.
B.4 Changes from Version 2.2 to Version 3.0

B.4.1 Fixes to Errata in Previous Versions of MPI

1. Sections 2.6.2 and 2.6.3 on pages 23 and 24, and MPI-2.2 Section 2.6.2 on page 17, lines 41–42, Section 2.6.3 on page 18, lines 15–16, and Section 2.6.4 on page 18, lines 40–41. This is an MPI-2 erratum: The scope for the reserved prefix MPI_ and the C++ namespace MPI is now any name as originally intended in MPI-1.

2. Sections 3.2.2, 6.9.2, 14.5.2 Table 14.2, and Annex A.1.1 on pages 33, 227, 695, and 849, and MPI-2.2 Sections 3.2.2, 5.9.2, 13.5.2 Table 13.2, 16.1.16 Table 16.1, and Annex A.1.1 on pages 27, 164, 433, 472 and 513. This is an MPI-2.2 erratum: New named predefined datatypes MPI_CXX_BOOL, MPI_CXX_FLOAT_COMPLEX, MPI_CXX_DOUBLE_COMPLEX, and MPI_CXX_LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX were added in C and Fortran corresponding to the C++ types bool, std::complex<float>, std::complex<double>, and std::complex<long double>. These datatypes also correspond to the deprecated C++ predefined datatypes MPI::BOOL, MPI::COMPLEX, MPI::DOUBLE_COMPLEX, and MPI::LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX, which were removed in MPI-3.0. The nonstandard C++ types Complex<...> were substituted by the standard types std::complex<...>.

3. Sections 6.9.2 on pages 227 and MPI-2.2 Section 5.9.2, page 165, line 47. This is an MPI-2.2 erratum: MPI_C_COMPLEX was added to the “Complex” reduction group.

4. Section 8.5.5 on page 397, and MPI-2.2, Section 7.5.5 on page 257, C++ interface on page 264, line 3. This is an MPI-2.2 erratum: The argument rank was removed and in/outdegree are now defined as int& indegree and int& outdegree in the C++ interface of MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS_COUNT.

5. Section 14.5.2, Table 14.2 on page 695, and MPI-2.2, Section 13.5.3, Table 13.2 on page 433. This was an MPI-2.2 erratum: The MPI_C_BOOL "external32" representation is corrected to a 1-byte size.

6. MPI-2.2 Section 16.1.16 on page 471, line 45. This is an MPI-2.2 erratum: The constant MPI::_LONG_LONG should be MPI::LONG_LONG.

7. Annex A.1.1 on page 849, Table “Optional datatypes (Fortran),” and MPI-2.2, Annex A.1.1, Table on page 517, lines 34, and 37–41. This is an MPI-2.2 erratum: The C++ datatype handles MPI::INTEGER16, MPI::REAL16, MPI::F_COMPLEX4, MPI::F_COMPLEX8, MPI::F_COMPLEX16, MPI::F_COMPLEX32 were added to the table.

B.4.2 Changes in MPI-3.0

1. Section 2.6.1 on page 22, Section 17.2 on page 784 and all other chapters. The C++ bindings were removed from the standard. See errata in Section B.4.1 on
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2. Section 2.6.1 on page 22, Section 16.1 on page 771 and Section 17.1 on page 783.

The deprecated functions \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_HVECTOR}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_HINDEXED}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_STRUCT}, \texttt{MPI\_ADDRESS}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_EXTENT}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_LB}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_UB}, \texttt{MPI\_ERRHANDLER\_CREATE} (and its callback function prototype \texttt{MPI\_Handler\_function}), \texttt{MPI\_ERRHANDLER\_SET}, \texttt{MPI\_ERRHANDLER\_GET}, the deprecated special datatype handles \texttt{MPI\_LB}, \texttt{MPI\_UB}, and the constants \texttt{MPI\_COMBINER\_HINDEXED\_INTEGER}, \texttt{MPI\_COMBINER\_HVECTOR\_INTEGER}, \texttt{MPI\_COMBINER\_STRUCT\_INTEGER} were removed from the standard.

This change may affect backward compatibility.

3. Section 2.3 on page 10.

Clarified parameter usage for \texttt{IN} parameters. C bindings are now const-correct where backward compatibility is preserved.

4. Section 2.5.4 on page 19 and Section 8.5.4 on page 390.

The recommended C implementation value for \texttt{MPI\_UNWEIGHTED} changed from \texttt{NULL} to non-\texttt{NULL}. An additional weight array constant (\texttt{MPI\_WEIGHTS\_EMPTY}) was introduced.

5. Section 2.5.4 on page 19 and Section 9.1.1 on page 441.

Added the new routine \texttt{MPI\_GET\_LIBRARY\_VERSION} to query library specific versions, and the new constant \texttt{MPI\_MAX\_LIBRARY\_VERSION\_STRING}.

6. Sections 2.5.8, 3.2.2, 3.3, 6.9.2, on pages 21, 33, 35, 227, Sections 5.1, 5.1.7, 5.1.8, 5.1.11, 16.4 on pages 127, 153, 155, 158, 780, and Annex A.1.1 on page 849.

New inquiry functions, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_SIZE\_X}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_GET\_EXTENT\_X}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_GET\_TRUE\_EXTENT\_X}, and \texttt{MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS\_X}, return their results as an \texttt{MPI\_Count} value, which is a new type large enough to represent element counts in memory, file views, etc. A new function, \texttt{MPI\_STATUS\_SET\_ELEMENTS\_X}, modifies the opaque part of an \texttt{MPI\_Status} object so that a call to \texttt{MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS\_X} returns the provided \texttt{MPI\_Count} value (in Fortran, \texttt{INTEGER(KIND=MPI\_COUNT\_KIND)}). The corresponding predefined datatype is \texttt{MPI\_COUNT}.

7. Chapter 3 on page 31 through Chapter 19 on page 787.

In the C language bindings, the array-arguments’ interfaces were modified to consistently use [] instead of *.

Exceptions are \texttt{MPI\_INIT}, which continues to use \texttt{char **argv} (correct because of subtle rules regarding the use of the & operator with \texttt{char *argv[]}), and \texttt{MPI\_INIT\_THREAD}, which is changed to be consistent with \texttt{MPI\_INIT}.

8. Sections 3.2.5, 5.1.5, 5.1.11, 5.2 on pages 39, 148, 158, 178.

The functions \texttt{MPI\_GET\_COUNT} and \texttt{MPI\_GET\_ELEMENTS} were defined to set the \texttt{count} argument to \texttt{MPI\_UNDEFINED} when that argument would overflow. The functions \texttt{MPI\_PACK\_SIZE} and \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_SIZE} were defined to set the \texttt{size} argument.

page 1056 for the latest changes to the MPI C++ binding defined in MPI-2.2.

This change may affect backward compatibility.

1. Section 2.6.1 on page 22, Section 16.1 on page 771 and Section 17.1 on page 783.

The deprecated functions \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_HVECTOR}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_HINDEXED}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_STRUCT}, \texttt{MPI\_ADDRESS}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_EXTENT}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_LB}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_UB}, \texttt{MPI\_ERRHANDLER\_CREATE} (and its callback function prototype \texttt{MPI\_Handler\_function}), \texttt{MPI\_ERRHANDLER\_SET}, \texttt{MPI\_ERRHANDLER\_GET}, the deprecated special datatype handles \texttt{MPI\_LB}, \texttt{MPI\_UB}, and the constants \texttt{MPI\_COMBINER\_HINDEXED\_INTEGER}, \texttt{MPI\_COMBINER\_HVECTOR\_INTEGER}, \texttt{MPI\_COMBINER\_STRUCT\_INTEGER} were removed from the standard.

This change may affect backward compatibility.

2. Section 2.6.1 on page 22, Section 16.1 on page 771 and Section 17.1 on page 783.

The deprecated functions \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_HVECTOR}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_HINDEXED}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_STRUCT}, \texttt{MPI\_ADDRESS}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_EXTENT}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_LB}, \texttt{MPI\_TYPE\_UB}, \texttt{MPI\_ERRHANDLER\_CREATE} (and its callback function prototype \texttt{MPI\_Handler\_function}), \texttt{MPI\_ERRHANDLER\_SET}, \texttt{MPI\_ERRHANDLER\_GET}, the deprecated special datatype handles \texttt{MPI\_LB}, \texttt{MPI\_UB}, and the constants \texttt{MPI\_COMBINER\_HINDEXED\_INTEGER}, \texttt{MPI\_COMBINER\_HVECTOR\_INTEGER}, \texttt{MPI\_COMBINER\_STRUCT\_INTEGER} were removed from the standard.

This change may affect backward compatibility.
to MPI_UNDEFINED when that argument would overflow. In all other MPI-2.2 routines, the type and semantics of the count arguments remain unchanged, i.e., int or INTEGER.

9. Section 3.2.6 on page 42, and Section 3.8 on page 94.
MPI_STATUS_IGNORE can also be used in MPI_IPROBE, MPI_PROBE, MPI_IMPROBE, and MPI_MPROBE.

10. Section 3.8 on page 94 and Section 3.10 on page 111.
The use of MPI_PROC_NULL in probe operations was clarified. A special predefined message MPI_MESSAGE_NO_PROC was defined for the use of matching probe (i.e., the new MPI_MPROBE and MPI_IMPROBE) with MPI_PROC_NULL.

11. Sections 3.8.2, 3.8.3, 19.3.4, A.1.1 on pages 97, 100, 836, 849.
Like MPI_PROBE and MPI_IPROBE, the new MPI_MPROBE and MPI_IMPROBE operations allow incoming messages to be queried without actually receiving them, except that MPI_MPROBE and MPI_IMPROBE provide a mechanism to receive the specific message with the new routines MPI_MRECV and MPI_IMRECV regardless of other intervening probe or receive operations. The opaque object MPI_Message, the null handle MPI_MESSAGE_NULL, and the conversion functions MPI_Message_c2f and MPI_Message_f2c were defined.

12. Section 5.1.2 on page 129 and Section 5.1.13 on page 162.
The routine MPI_TYPE_CREATE_HINDEXED_BLOCK and constant MPI_COMBINER_HINDEXED_BLOCK were added.

13. Chapter 6 on page 189 and Section 6.12 on page 250.
Added nonblocking interfaces to all collective operations.

14. Sections 7.4.2, 7.4.4, 12.2.7, on pages 321, 340, 564.
The new routines MPI_COMM_DUP_WITH_INFO, MPI_COMM_SET_INFO, MPI_COMM_GET_INFO, MPI_WIN_SET_INFO, and MPI_WIN_GET_INFO were added. The routine MPI_COMM_DUP must also duplicate info hints.

15. Section 7.4.2 on page 321.
Added MPI_COMM_IDUP.

16. Section 7.4.2 on page 321.
Added the new communicator construction routine MPI_COMM_CREATE_GROUP, which is invoked only by the processes in the group of the new communicator being constructed.

17. Section 7.4.2 on page 321.
Added the MPI_COMM_SPLIT_TYPE routine and the communicator split type constant MPI_COMM_TYPE_SHARED.

18. Section 7.6.2 on page 353.
In MPI-2.2, communication involved in an MPI_INTERCOMM_CREATE operation could interfere with point-to-point communication on the parent communicator with the same tag or MPI_ANY_TAG. This interference has been removed in MPI-3.0.
19. Section 7.8 on page 376. Section 6.8 on page 238. The constant `MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME` also applies for type and window names.

20. Section 8.5.8 on page 408. `MPI_CART_MAP` can also be used for a zero-dimensional topologies.

21. Section 8.6 on page 410 and Section 8.7 on page 422. The following neighborhood collective communication routines were added to support sparse communication on virtual topology grids: `MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHER`, `MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV`, `MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL`, `MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV`, `MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW` and the nonblocking variants `MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHER`, `MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLGATHERV`, `MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALL`, `MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLV`, and `MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW`. The displacement arguments in `MPI_NEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW` and `MPI_INEIGHBOR_ALLTOALLW` were defined as address size integers. In `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_NEIGHBORS`, an ordering rule was added for communicators created with `MPI_DIST_GRAPH_CREATE_ADJACENT`.

22. Section 11.2.1 on page 482 and Section 11.2.1 on page 485. The use of `MPI_INIT`, `MPI_INIT_THREAD` and `MPI_FINALIZE` was clarified. After MPI is initialized, the application can access information about the execution environment by querying the new predefined info object `MPI_INFO_ENV`.

23. Section 11.2.1 on page 482. Allow calls to `MPI_T` routines before `MPI_INIT` and after `MPI_FINALIZE`.

24. Chapter 12 on page 547. Substantial revision of the entire One-sided chapter, with new routines for window creation, additional synchronization methods in passive target communication, new one-sided communication routines, a new memory model, and other changes.

25. Section 15.3 on page 722. A new MPI Tool Information Interface was added. The following changes are related to the Fortran language support.

26. Section 2.3 on page 10, and Sections 19.1.1, 19.1.2, 19.1.7 on pages 787, 788, and 803. The new `mpi_f08` Fortran module was introduced.

27. Section 2.5.1 on page 17, and Sections 19.1.2, 19.1.3, 19.1.7 on pages 788, 791, and 803. Handles to opaque objects were defined as named types within the `mpi_f08` Fortran module. The operators `.EQ., .NE., ==, and /=` were overloaded to allow the comparison of these handles. The handle types and the overloaded operators are also available through the `mpi` Fortran module.

28. Sections 2.5.4, 2.5.5 on pages 19, 20, Sections 19.1.1, 19.1.10, 19.1.11, 19.1.12, 19.1.13 on pages 787, 813, 814, 815, 818, and Sections 19.1.2, 19.1.3, 19.1.7 on pages 788, 791, 803. Within the `mpi_f08` Fortran module, choice buffers were defined as assumed-type and assumed-rank according to Fortran 2008 with TS 29113 [47], and the compile-time constant `MPI_SUBARRAYS_SUPPORTED` was set to `.TRUE.`. With this, Fortran
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subscript triplets can be used in nonblocking MPI operations; vector subscripts are not supported in nonblocking operations. If the compiler does not support this Fortran TS 29113 feature, the constant is set to .FALSE..

29. Section 2.6.2 on page 23, Section 19.1.2 on page 788, and Section 19.1.7 on page 803. The ierror dummy arguments are OPTIONAL within the mpi_f08 Fortran module.

30. Section 3.2.5 on page 39, Sections 19.1.2, 19.1.3, 19.1.7, on pages 788, 791, 803, and Section 19.3.5 on page 838. Within the mpi_f08 Fortran module, the status was defined as TYPE(MPI_Status). Additionally, within both the mpi and the mpi_f08 modules, the constants MPI_STATUS_SIZE, MPI_SOURCE, MPI_TAG, MPI_ERROR, and TYPE(MPI_Status) are defined. New conversion routines were added:

   MPI_STATUS_F2F08, MPI_STATUS_F082F, MPI_Status_c2f08, and MPI_Status_f082c. In mpi.h, the new type MPI_F08_Status, and the external variables MPI_F08_STATUS_IGNORE and MPI_F08_STATUSES_IGNORE were added.

31. Section 3.6 on page 58.

   In Fortran with the mpi module or mpif.h, the type of the buffer_addr argument of MPI_BUFFER_DETACH is incorrectly defined and the argument is therefore unused.

32. Section 5.1 on page 127, Section 5.1.6 on page 151, and Section 19.1.15 on page 819. The Fortran alignments of basic datatypes within Fortran derived types are implementation dependent; therefore it is recommended to use the BIND(C) attribute for derived types in MPI communication buffers. If an array of structures (in C/C++) or derived types (in Fortran) is to be used in MPI communication buffers, it is recommended that the user creates a portable datatype handle and additionally applies MPI_TYPE_CREATE_RESIZED to this datatype handle.

33. Sections 5.1.10, 6.9.5, 6.9.7, 7.7.4, 7.8, 9.3.1, 9.3.2, 9.3.3, 16.1, 19.1.9 on pages 158, 235, 242, 370, 376, 452, 454, 456, 771, and 805. In some routines, the dummy argument names were changed because they were identical to the Fortran keywords TYPE and FUNCTION. The new dummy argument names must be used because the mpi and mpi_f08 modules guarantee keyword-based actual argument lists. The argument name type was changed in MPI_TYPE_DUP, the Fortran USER_FUNCTION of MPI_OP_CREATE, MPI_TYPE_SET_ATTR, MPI_TYPE_GET_ATTR, MPI_TYPE_DELETE_ATTR, MPI_TYPE_SET_NAME, MPI_TYPE_GET_NAME, MPI_TYPE_MATCH_SIZE, the callback prototype definition MPI_Type_delete_attr_function, and the predefined callback function MPI_TYPE_NULL_DELETE_FN; function was changed in MPI_OP_CREATE, MPI_COMM_CREATE_ERRHANDLER, MPI_WIN_CREATE_ERRHANDLER, MPI_FILE_CREATE_ERRHANDLER, and MPI_ERRHANDLER_CREATE. For consistency reasons, INOUTBUF was changed to INOUTBUF in MPI_REDUCE_LOCAL, and intracomm to newintracomm in MPI_INTERCOMM_MERGE.

34. Section 7.7.2 on page 361.

   It was clarified that in Fortran, the flag values returned by a comm_copy_attr_fn callback, including MPI_COMM_NULL_COPY_FN and MPI_COMM_DUP_FN, are .FALSE. and .TRUE.; see MPI_COMM_CREATE_KEYVAL.
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35. Section 9.2 on page 446.
With the mpi and mpi_f08 Fortran modules, MPI_ALLOC_MEM now also supports
TYPE(C_PTR) C-pointers instead of only returning an address-sized integer that may
be usable together with a nonstandard Cray-pointer.

36. Section 19.1.15 on page 819, and Section 19.1.7 on page 803.
Fortran SEQUENCE and BIND(C) derived application types can now be used as buffers
in MPI operations.

37. Section 19.1.16 on page 821 to Section 19.1.19 on page 831, Section 19.1.7 on page 803,
and Section 19.1.8 on page 804.
The sections about Fortran optimization problems and their solutions were partially
rewritten and new methods are added, e.g., the use of the ASYNCHRONOUS attribute. The
constant MPI_ASYNC_PROTECTS_NONBLOCKING tells whether the semantics of the
ASYNCHRONOUS attribute is extended to protect nonblocking operations. The Fortran
routine MPI_F_SYNC_REG is added. MPI-3.0 compliance for an MPI library together
with a Fortran compiler is defined in Section 19.1.7.

38. Section 19.1.2 on page 788.
Within the mpi_f08 Fortran module, dummy arguments are now declared with
INTENT=IN, OUT, or INOUT as defined in the mpi_f08 interfaces.

The existing mpi Fortran module must implement compile-time argument checking.

40. Section 19.1.4 on page 793.
The use of the mpif.h Fortran include file is now strongly discouraged.

41. Section A.1.1, Table Predefined functions on page 858, Section A.1.3 on page 866,
and Section A.4.5 on page 963.
Within the new mpi_f08 module, all callback prototype definitions are now defined
with explicit interfaces PROCEDURE(MPI_. . .) that have the BIND(C) attribute; user-
written callbacks must be modified if the mpi_f08 module is used.

42. Section A.1.3 on page 866.
In some routines, the Fortran callback prototype names were changed from . . .FN to
. . .FUNCTION to be consistent with the other language bindings.

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1. Section 2.5.4 on page 19.
It is now guaranteed that predefined named constant handles (as other constants)
can be used in initialization expressions or assignments, i.e., also before the call to
MPI_INIT.

2. Section 2.6 on page 22, and Section 17.2 on page 784.
The C++ language bindings have been deprecated and may be removed in a future
version of the MPI specification.

3. Section 3.2.2 on page 33.
MPI_CHAR for printable characters is now defined for C type char (instead of signed
This change should not have any impact on applications nor on MPI libraries (except some comment lines), because printable characters could and can be stored in any of the C types char, signed char, and unsigned char, and MPI_CHAR is not allowed for predefined reduction operations.

4. Section 3.2.2 on page 33.
   MPI_(U)INT{8,16,32,64}_T, MPI_AINT, MPI_OFFSET, MPI_C_BOOL, MPI_C_COMPLEX, MPI_C_FLOAT_COMPLEX, MPI_C_DOUBLE_COMPLEX, and MPI_C_LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX are now valid predefined MPI datatypes.

5. Section 3.4 on page 50, Section 3.7.2 on page 71, Section 3.9 on page 104, and Section 6.1 on page 189.

The read access restriction on the send buffer for blocking, non blocking and collective API has been lifted. It is permitted to access for read the send buffer while the operation is in progress.

6. Section 3.7 on page 69.

   The Advice to users for IBSEND and IRSEND was slightly changed.

7. Section 3.7.3 on page 78.

   The advice to free an active request was removed in the Advice to users for MPI_REQUEST_FREE.

8. Section 3.7.6 on page 90.

   MPI_REQUEST_GET_STATUS changed to permit inactive or null requests as input.

9. Section 6.8 on page 218.

   “In place” option is added to MPI_ALLTOALL, MPI_ALLTOALLV, and MPI_ALLTOALLW for intra-communicators.

10. Section 6.9.2 on page 227.

    Predefined parameterized datatypes (e.g., returned by MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_REAL) and optional named predefined datatypes (e.g. MPI_REAL8) have been added to the list of valid datatypes in reduction operations.


    MPI_(U)INT{8,16,32,64}_T are all considered C integer types for the purposes of the predefined reduction operators. MPI_AINT and MPI_OFFSET are considered Fortran integer types. MPI_C_BOOL is considered a Logical type. MPI_C_COMPLEX, MPI_C_FLOAT_COMPLEX, MPI_C_DOUBLE_COMPLEX, and MPI_C_LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX are considered Complex types.


    The local routines MPI_REDUCE_LOCAL and MPI_OP_COMMUTATIVE have been added.

13. Section 6.10.1 on page 243.

    The collective function MPI_REDUCE_SCATTER_BLOCK is added to the MPI standard.


    Added in place argument to MPI_EXSCAN.
15. Section 7.4.2 on page 321, and Section 7.6 on page 349.
   Implementations that did not implement \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_CREATE} on inter-communicators will need to add that functionality. As the standard described the behavior of this operation on inter-communicators, it is believed that most implementations already provide this functionality. Note also that the C++ binding for both \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_CREATE} and \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_SPLIT} explicitly allow Intercomms.

16. Section 7.4.2 on page 321.
   \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_CREATE} is extended to allow several disjoint subgroups as input if \texttt{comm} is an intra-communicator. If \texttt{comm} is an inter-communicator it was clarified that all processes in the same local group of \texttt{comm} must specify the same value for \texttt{group}.

17. Section 8.5.4 on page 390.
   New functions for a scalable distributed graph topology interface has been added. In this section, the functions \texttt{MPI\_DIST\_GRAPH\_CREATE\_ADJACENT} and \texttt{MPI\_DIST\_GRAPH\_CREATE}, the constants \texttt{MPI\_UNWEIGHTED}, and the derived C++ class Distgraphcomm were added.

18. Section 8.5.5 on page 397.
   For the scalable distributed graph topology interface, the functions \texttt{MPI\_DIST\_GRAPH\_NEIGHBORS\_COUNT} and \texttt{MPI\_DIST\_GRAPH\_NEIGHBORS} and the constant \texttt{MPI\_DIST\_GRAPH} were added.

19. Section 8.5.5 on page 397.
   Remove ambiguity regarding duplicated neighbors with \texttt{MPI\_GRAPH\_NEIGHBORS} and \texttt{MPI\_GRAPH\_NEIGHBORS\_COUNT}.

20. Section 9.1.1 on page 441.
    The subversion number changed from 1 to 2.

    Changed function pointer typedef names \texttt{MPI\_\{Comm,File,Win\}_errhandler\_fn} to \texttt{MPI\_\{Comm,File,Win\}_errhandler\_function}. Deprecated old “\_fn” names.

22. Section 11.2.4 on page 492.
    Attribute deletion callbacks on \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_SELF} are now called in LIFO order. Implementors must now also register all implementation-internal attribute deletion callbacks on \texttt{MPI\_COMM\_SELF} before returning from \texttt{MPI\_INIT/MPI\_INIT\_THREAD}.

23. Section 12.3.4 on page 573.
    The restriction added in MPI 2.1 that the operation \texttt{MPI\_REPLACE} in \texttt{MPI\_ACCUMULATE} can be used only with predefined datatypes has been removed. \texttt{MPI\_REPLACE} can now be used even with derived datatypes, as it was in MPI 2.0. Also, a clarification has been made that \texttt{MPI\_REPLACE} can be used only in \texttt{MPI\_ACCUMULATE}, not in collective operations that do reductions, such as \texttt{MPI\_REDUCE} and others.

24. Section 13.2 on page 627.
    Add “*” to the \texttt{query\_fn}, \texttt{free\_fn}, and \texttt{cancel\_fn} arguments to the C++ binding for \texttt{MPI::Grequest::Start()} for consistency with the rest of MPI functions that take function pointer arguments.
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25. Section 14.5.2 on page 693, and Table 14.2 on page 695.

MPI_{(U)INT\{8,16,32,64\}}_T, MPI_AINT, MPI_OFFSET, MPI_C_COMPLEX,
MPI_C_FLOAT_COMPLEX, MPI_C_DOUBLE_COMPLEX,
MPI_C_LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX, and MPI_C_BOOL are added as predefined datatypes
in the "external32" representation.

26. Section 19.3.7 on page 843.

The description was modified that it only describes how an MPI implementation beha-
ves, but not how MPI stores attributes internally. The erroneous MPI-2.1 Example
16.17 was replaced with three new examples 19.25, 19.26, and 19.27 on pages 843–845
explicitly detailing cross-language attribute behavior. Implementations that matched
the behavior of the old example will need to be updated.

27. Annex A.1.1 on page 849.

Removed type MPI::Fint (compare MPI_Fint in Section A.1.2 on page 865).


Added MPI_{(U)INT\{8,16,32,64\}}_T, MPI_AINT, MPI_OFFSET, MPI_C_BOOL,
MPI_C_FLOAT_COMPLEX, MPI_C_COMPLEX, MPI_C_DOUBLE_COMPLEX, and
MPI_C_LONG_DOUBLE_COMPLEX are added as predefined datatypes.

B.6 Changes from Version 2.0 to Version 2.1

1. Section 3.2.2 on page 33, and Annex A.1 on page 849.

In addition, the MPI_LONG_LONG should be added as an optional type; it is a synonym
for MPI_LONG_LONG_INT.

2. Section 3.2.2 on page 33, and Annex A.1 on page 849.

MPI_LONG_LONG_INT, MPI_LONG_LONG (as synonym),
MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG_LONG, MPI_SIGNED_CHAR, and MPI_WCHAR are moved from
optional to official and they are therefore defined for all three language bindings.

3. Section 3.2.5 on page 39.

MPI_GET_COUNT with zero-length datatypes: The value returned as the
count argument of MPI_GET_COUNT for a datatype of length zero where zero bytes
have been transferred is zero. If the number of bytes transferred is greater than zero,
MPI_UNDEFINED is returned.

4. Section 5.1 on page 127.

General rule about derived datatypes: Most datatype constructors have replication
count or block length arguments. Allowed values are nonnegative integers. If the
value is zero, no elements are generated in the type map and there is no effect on
datatype bounds or extent.

5. Section 5.3 on page 185.

MPI_BYTE should be used to send and receive data that is packed using
MPI_PACK_EXTERNAL.

6. Section 6.9.6 on page 240.

If comm is an inter-communicator in MPI_ALLREDUCE, then both groups should
provide count and datatype arguments that specify the same type signature (i.e., it is not necessary that both groups provide the same count value).

7. Section 7.3.1 on page 310.
MPI_GROUP_TRANSLATE_RANKS and MPI_PROC_NULL: MPI_PROC_NULL is a valid rank for input to MPI_GROUP_TRANSLATE_RANKS, which returns MPI_PROC_NULL as the translated rank.

8. Section 7.7 on page 359.
About the attribute caching functions:

Advice to implementors. High-quality implementations should raise an error when a keyval that was created by a call to MPI_XXX_CREATE_KEYVAL is used with an object of the wrong type with a call to MPI_YYY_GET_ATTR, MPI_YYY_SET_ATTR, MPI_YYY_DELETE_ATTR, or MPI_YYY_FREE_KEYVAL. To do so, it is necessary to maintain, with each keyval, information on the type of the associated user function. (End of advice to implementors.)

9. Section 7.8 on page 376.
In MPI_COMM_GET_NAME: In C, a null character is additionally stored at name[resultlen]. resultlen cannot be larger then MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME-1. In Fortran, name is padded on the right with blank characters. resultlen cannot be larger then MPI_MAX_OBJECT_NAME.

10. Section 8.4 on page 385.
About MPI_GRAPH_CREATE and MPI_CART_CREATE: All input arguments must have identical values on all processes of the group of comm_old.

11. Section 8.5.1 on page 386.
In MPI_CART_CREATE: If ndims is zero then a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology is created. The call is erroneous if it specifies a grid that is larger than the group size or if ndims is negative.

12. Section 8.5.3 on page 388.
In MPI_GRAPH_CREATE: If the graph is empty, i.e., nnodes = 0, then MPI_COMM_NULL is returned in all processes.

13. Section 8.5.3 on page 388.
In MPI_GRAPH_CREATE: A single process is allowed to be defined multiple times in the list of neighbors of a process (i.e., there may be multiple edges between two processes). A process is also allowed to be a neighbor to itself (i.e., a self loop in the graph). The adjacency matrix is allowed to be nonsymmetric.

Advice to users. Performance implications of using multiple edges or a nonsymmetric adjacency matrix are not defined. The definition of a node-neighbor edge does not imply a direction of the communication. (End of advice to users.)

14. Section 8.5.5 on page 397.
In MPI_CARTDIM_GET and MPI_CART_GET: If comm is associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology, MPI_CARTDIM_GET returns ndims=0 and MPI_CART_GET will keep all output arguments unchanged.
15. Section 8.5.5 on page 397.
   In MPI_CART_RANK: if comm is associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology, coord is not significant and 0 is returned in rank.

16. Section 8.5.5 on page 397.
   In MPI_CART_COORDS: if comm is associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology, coords will be unchanged.

17. Section 8.5.6 on page 405.
   In MPI_CART_SHIFT: it is erroneous to call MPI_CART_SHIFT with a direction that is either negative or greater than or equal to the number of dimensions in the Cartesian communicator. This implies that it is erroneous to call MPI_CART_SHIFT with a comm that is associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology.

18. Section 8.5.7 on page 407.
   In MPI_CART_SUB: if all entries in remain_dims are false or comm is already associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology then newcomm is associated with a zero-dimensional Cartesian topology.

18.1. Section 9.1.1 on page 441.
   The subversion number changed from 0 to 1.

19. Section 9.1.2 on page 442.
   In MPI_GET_PROCESSOR_NAME: in C, a null character is additionally stored at name[resultlen]. resultlen cannot be larger than MPI_MAX_PROCESSOR_NAME-1. In Fortran, name is padded on the right with blank characters. resultlen cannot be larger than MPI_MAX_PROCESSOR_NAME.

20. Section 9.3 on page 449.
   MPI_{COMM,WIN,FILE}_GET_ERRHANDLER behave as if a new error handler object is created. That is, once the error handler is no longer needed, MPI_ERRHANDLER_FREE should be called with the error handler returned from MPI_ERRHANDLER_GET or MPI_{COMM,WIN,FILE}_GET_ERRHANDLER to mark the error handler for deallocation. This provides behavior similar to that of MPI_COMM_GROUP and MPI_GROUP_FREE.

21. Section 11.2.1 on page 482, see explanations to MPI_FINALIZE.
   MPI_FINALIZE is collective over all connected processes. If no processes were spawned, accepted or connected then this means over MPI_COMM_WORLD; otherwise it is collective over the union of all processes that have been and continue to be connected, as explained in Section 11.10.4 on page 542.

22. Section 11.2.1 on page 482.
   About MPI_ABORT:

   *Advice to users.* Whether the errorcode is returned from the executable or from the MPI process startup mechanism (e.g., mpiexec), is an aspect of quality of the MPI library but not mandatory. (*End of advice to users.*)

   *Advice to implementors.* Where possible, a high-quality implementation will try to return the errorcode from the MPI process startup mechanism (e.g. mpiexec or singleton init). (*End of advice to implementors.*)
23. Section 10 on page 473.
An implementation must support info objects as caches for arbitrary (key, value) pairs, regardless of whether it recognizes the key. Each function that takes hints in the form of an MPI_Info must be prepared to ignore any key it does not recognize. This description of info objects does not attempt to define how a particular function should react if it recognizes a key but not the associated value. MPI_INFO_GET_NKEYS, MPI_INFO_GET_NTHKEY, MPI_INFO_GET_VALUELEN, and MPI_INFO_GET must retain all (key,value) pairs so that layered functionality can also use the Info object.

24. Section 12.3 on page 566.
MPI_PROC_NULL is a valid target rank in the MPI RMA calls MPI_ACCUMULATE, MPI_GET, and MPI_PUT. The effect is the same as for MPI_PROC_NULL in MPI point-to-point communication. See also item 25 in this list.

25. Section 12.3 on page 566.
After any RMA operation with rank MPI_PROC_NULL, it is still necessary to finish the RMA epoch with the synchronization method that started the epoch. See also item 24 in this list.

26. Section 12.3.4 on page 573.
MPI_REPLACE in MPI_ACCUMULATE, like the other predefined operations, is defined only for the predefined MPI datatypes.

27. Section 14.2.8 on page 646.
About MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW and MPI_FILE_SET_INFO: When an info object that specifies a subset of valid hints is passed to MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW or MPI_FILE_SET_INFO, there will be no effect on previously set or defaulted hints that the info does not specify.

28. Section 14.2.8 on page 646.
About MPI_FILE_GET_INFO: If no hint exists for the file associated with fh, a handle to a newly created info object is returned that contains no key/value pair.

29. Section 14.3 on page 650.
If a file does not have the mode MPI_MODE_SEQUENTIAL, then MPI_DISPLACEMENT_CURRENT is invalid as disp in MPI_FILE_SET_VIEW.

30. Section 14.5.2 on page 693.
The bias of 16 byte doubles was defined with 10383. The correct value is 16383.

31. MPI-2.2, Section 16.1.4 (Section was removed in MPI-3.0).
In the example in this section, the buffer should be declared as const void* buf.

32. Section 19.1.9 on page 805.
About MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_XXX:
Advice to implementors. An application may often repeat a call to MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90_XXX with the same combination of (XXX,p,r). The application is not allowed to free the returned predefined, unnamed datatype handles. To prevent the creation of a potentially huge amount of handles, the MPI implementation should return the same datatype handle for the same (REAL/COMPLEX/INTEGER,p,r) combination. Checking for the combination (
p.r) in the preceding call to MPI_TYPE_CREATE_F90 XXX and using a hash-
table to find formerly generated handles should limit the overhead of finding
a previously generated datatype with same combination of (XXX,p,r). (End of
advice to implementors.)

33. Section A.1.1 on page 849.

MPI_BOTTOM is defined as void * const MPI::BOTTOM.
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