

An MPI Dialect for MLIR

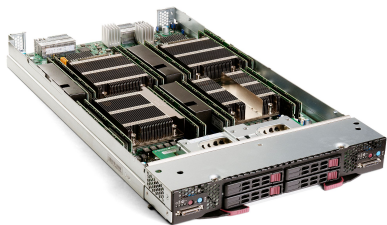
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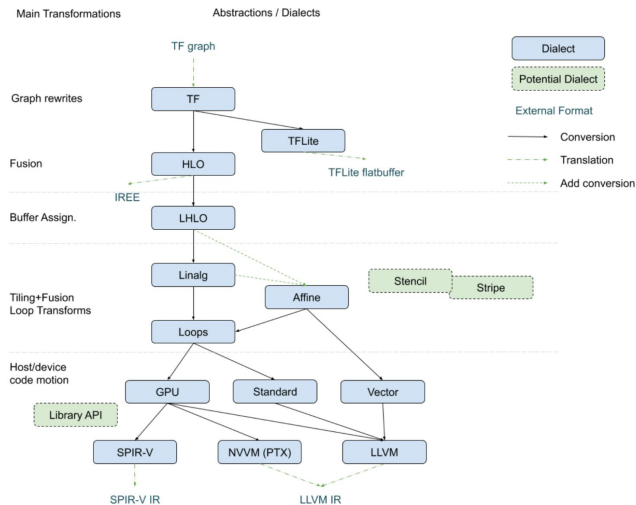
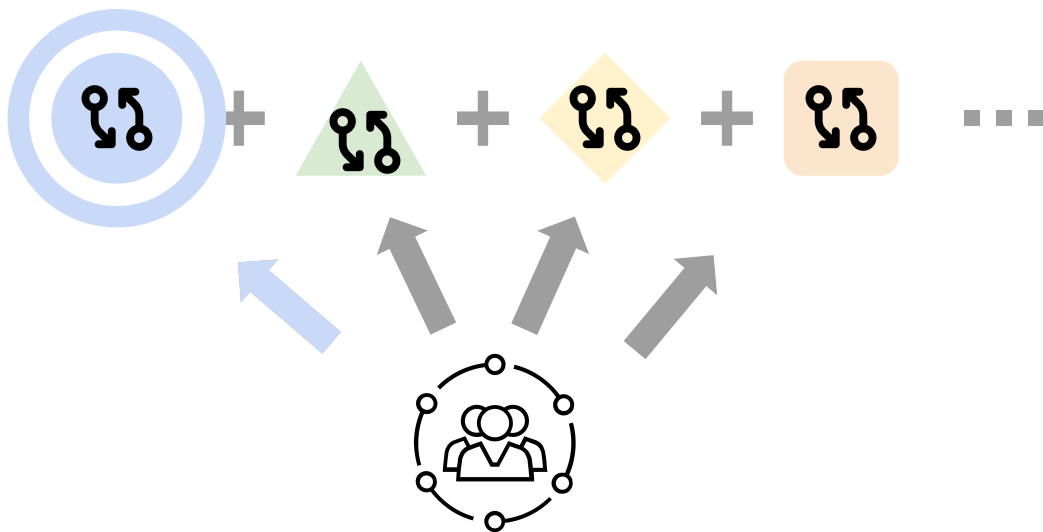
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Scope and Goals



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    MPI_Send message to rank 1
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    MPI_Send(message, strlen(message) + 1, MPI_CHAR,
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}
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→ mpi.init

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%zero = arith.constant 0 : i32
%one = arith.constant 1 : i32

%message = memref.alloc() : memref<12xi8>
%data = memref.get_global @hello_there : memref<12xi8>

%myrank = mpi.comm_rank : i32
%is_rank_zero = arith.cmpi eq, %myrank, %zero : i32
scf.if %is_rank_zero
{ // code for process zero
    memref.copy %data, %message : memref<12xi8> to memref<12xi8>
    mpi.send(%message, %one, %zero) : (memref<12xi8>, i32, i32)
} else { // code for process one
    mpi.recv(%message, %zero, %zero) : (memref<12xi8>, i32, i32)
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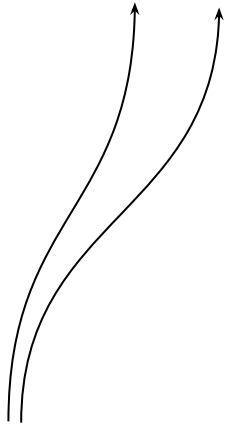
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What's Next

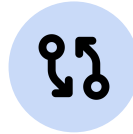
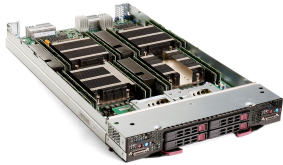
- Use this as a starting off point for
 - Nonblocking sends
 - Return value handling
 - Custom communicators
 - Collectives
 - ...
- Start working on a lowering
 - Support for strided memrefs
 - Error handling
 - ...

Conclusions

- We present a minimal first draft of an MPI dialect design
- We plan to continue development in small incremental PRs
- Our long-term goal is to build a stack of dialects for distributed computing

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```
mpi.send(%mlir, %future, %tag)
```



```
mpi.recv(%mlir, %past, %tag)
```

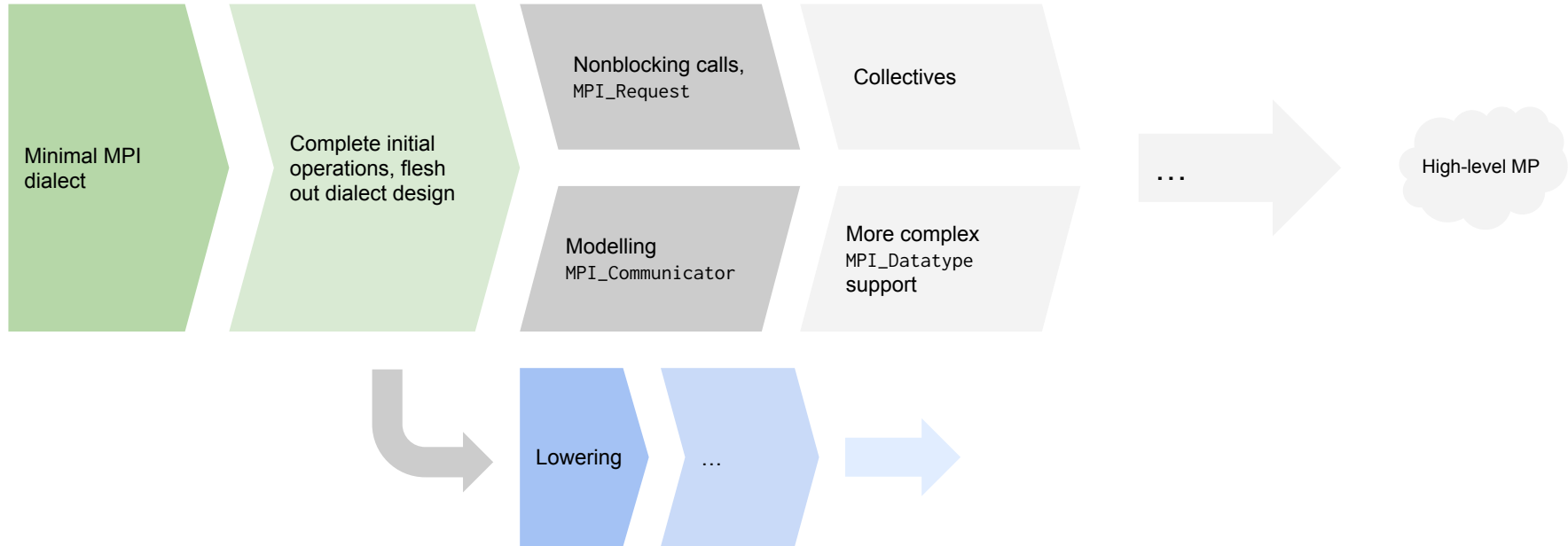


Status

Thing	Status
Init, Finalize, Comm_rank, Send, Receive	PR Ready
Lowering to MPICH	Draft
Lowering to OpenMPI	Draft

Spare Slides

Roadmap



Strided memrefs

```
func.func @test(%ref: memref<12x12x12xf32>) {  
  %view = memref.subview %ref[2,10,0][8,8,4][1,1,1]  
  : memref<12x12x12xf32> to  
  memref<8x8x4xf32, strided<[144, 12, 1], offset: 408>  
  
  %cst0 = arith.constant 0 : i32  
  
  mpi.send(%view, %cst0, %cst0)  
}
```

```
void test(struct memref_f32_rank_2 ref) {  
  MPI_Datatype strided_vec;  
  
  // create MPI_Datatype for strided memref  
  MPI_Type_vector(  
    /*count =*/      8*8,  
    /*blocklength =*/ 4,  
    /*stride =*/     144,  
    /*oldtype =*/    MPI_FLOAT,  
    /*newtype =*/    &strided_vec  
  );  
  
  // get offset pointer (base + 408 * sizeof(float))  
  void * offset_ptr = (void *) (  
    ((float *) ref.aligned) + ref.offset  
  );  
  
  MPI_Send(  
    offset_ptr, 1, strided_vec, 0, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD  
  );  
}
```

MPI ABI

- Two big targets: MPICH (Intel-style) and OpenMPI
 - **MPICH:** Handles are of type `int` and have compile-time known values for constants
 - **OpenMPI:** Handles are external opaque struct pointers
- Stable ABI:
 - Handles are opaque struct pointers with compile time known values for constants
- We have Prototypes showing we can both lower our design to MPICH and OpenMPI

MPI Dialect Role

