

Lab: Introduction to MPI

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Introduction

- You will learn
 - How to write MPI code
 - How to compile and execute MPI code on Lonestar
- What will you do
 - Compile and execute the code for the programs discussed in the lecture and exercises
 - Modify the code for the exercises to embed MPI routines

Accessing Lab Files

- Log on to Lonestar using **your_login_name**
- Uncompress the tar file, **trainingMPI.tgz**, that is located in the **~train00** directory into your HOME directory.

This is your existing login, or the portal login (and password) you recently created.

```
ssh <your_login_name>@lonestar.tacc.utexas.edu
```

```
tar -xvzf ~train00/trainingMPI.tgz
```

```
cd trainingMPI
```

Exercise 1

- **Objective: Learn to compile and run MPI code**

- Compile the sample code `mpiExample4.c`

```
login3$ mpicc -o mpiExample4 mpiExample4.c
```

- Modify the job script, `myJob.sh`, to provide the name of the executable to the `ibrun` command

- Submit the job script to the SGE queue and check it's status

```
login3$ qsub myJob.sh (you will get a job id)
```

```
login3$ qstat (check the status of your job)
```

- When your job has finished executing, check the output in the file `myMPI.o<job id>`

Exercise 2

- **Objective:** Learn to use the MPI wall-clock timer
- Switch to the subdirectory **exercise** within the directory **trainingMPI**

```
login3$ cd exercise
```

- Modify the code in the file `mpiExample5.c`
 - Read the comments in the file for modifying the code
 - You have to insert two calls to the MPI timer routine, extend the variable declaration section, and modify the print statement
 - By measuring the difference in the value of time returned by the two calls to the MPI timer routine, you can find the total time taken to execute a section of the code
- Compile the code and execute it via job script (see Exercise 1 for details)
- Notice the output (time taken) that gets printed in the output file

Exercise 3

- **Objective: Learn to use MPI collective calls**
- Modify the code in the file `mpiExample8.c` in the subdirectory **exercise** within the directory **trainingMPI**
 - Read the comment in the file for modifying the code
 - You have to replace the `MPI_Reduce` routine with `MPI_Allreduce`
 - See the lecture slides for details on the `MPI_Allreduce` routine
- Compile the code and execute it via job script (see Exercise 1 for details)