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MPI-2.1 – Working Plan

Monday:
• All reviewer are asked for their (formalized) reviews
• Discussions (only if needed)

Tuesday:
• Decisions (straw voted) on open issues from the discussion
• Summary = finishing the official reading
Where we are – a statistical summary

- MPI 1.3 + 2.0, merging 335 distinguished parts
- Ballot 1+2 40 items implemented
- Ballot 3 14 items / 12 accepted + implemented
- Ballot 4 22 items / 22 accepted + implemented + a lot of e-mails
- Reviews until Apr. 19 477 items analyzed
  232 items implemented by myself
- 14 chapter authors 21 chapters / annexes / frontm. / bibl. / index
  read and corrected - great work!
  57 review items implemented
- I checked all modifications so fare done by the chapter authors (“diff”)

It’s time to make the cut!

Version Apr. 19, 2008 + all YYYY modifications + TYPO-corrections
will be my final MPI-2.1
(No chance that I can continue this process any longer)
Reviewer Question & Answer

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Non-negative: MPI_Type_create_indexed_block: count, blocklength

MPI_Pack: incount, + additionally: outsize, but not position
MPI_unpack: insize (outcount maybe handled by MPI-2.2)
MPI_Pack_size: incount, + additionally: size

grey = not present in the April meeting, review statement per e-mail
Chap 3(4): integer -> nonnegative integer

Count arguments in:

MPI_Recv (p.29), MPI_Bsend (p.39), MPI_Ssend (p.40), MPI_Rsend (p.40), MPI_Isend (p.49), MPI_Ibsend (p.50), MPI_Issend (p.50), MPI_Irsend (p.51), MPI_Irecv (p.51), MPI_Send_init (p.68), MPI_Bsend_init (p.69), MPI_Ssend_init (p.69), MPI_Rsend_init (p.70), MPI_Recv_init (p.70), MPI_Sendrecv (p.73), MPI_Sendrecv_replace (p.74)

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MPI_Get_count (p.32), MPI_Get_elements (p.100)

Editor’s comment:

*NO* → OUT argument, MPI_UNDEFINED can be returned

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Count argument in:

MPI_Waitany (p.57), MPI_Testany (p.58), MPI_Waitall (p.59), MPI_Testall (p.60), MPI_Waitsome (p.60), MPI_Testsome (p.61), MPI_Startall (p.71)
Rank arguments (do we want?) in:

MPI_Send (p.26), MPI_Recv (p.29), MPI_Bsend (p.39), MPI_Ssend (p.40),
MPI_Rsend (p.40), MPI_Isend (p.49), MPI_Ibsend (p.50), MPI_Issend
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Editor’s comment:

No, because valid values MPI_ANY_SOURCE, MPI_PROC_NULL,
and MPI_ROOT may be implemented at as negative integers.
Datatypes

- Proposal 1: (p<page>.<line> according to MPI-2.1 Draft Apr. 19, 2008)
  - P494.3: duplicate line 3-4 with
    - **MPI_CHAR** – signed char
    - **MPI::CHAR** – char
  - Reason: this is identical to the inconsistent definition in
    - MPI-1.1 page 28? (same as p28.2 – Table 3.2), and
    - MPI-2.0 page 271? (same as p454.5 – Table 16.1)

- Proposal 2:
  - P494.3 is kept, p454.5 is changed to both signed char
  - Reason: resolve inconsistency by keeping MPI-1 definition

- Proposal 3:
  - P494.3 and P28.2: char (instead of signed char)

- Results of voting:
  - Proposal 2 (3 votes) versus Proposal 3 (14 votes), 5 abstain → Proposal 2 is therefore removed.
  - Proposal 1 (13 votes) versus Proposal 3 (6 votes), 3 abstain

Should go to MPI-2.2.

MPI-2.2 should revisit all the “signed” datatypes and check whether “signed” should be removed.
Datatypes

- P494.4: (treated as printable character)
- P494.11+13: (treated as integral value)
**Reviewer Statements**

**Question:** Do you accept the XXXXX modifications listed on this slide?

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Additional modifications (from Jeff Squyres)

• Chap. 15 Deprecated Functions
  – Predefined Callback routines must be added (C and Fortran):
    • \texttt{MPI\_NULL\_COPY\_FN}
    • \texttt{MPI\_DUP\_FN}
    • \texttt{MPI\_NULL\_DELETE\_FN}

• A.1.2 split into (always C / Fortran / C++)
  – Types
  – Prototypes
    • \texttt{C++: with namespace notation}
  – Deprecated prototypes

• A2.x, A3.x, A4.x
  – Predefined callback routines must be also reported by the script that generates automatically these sections.
  This applies to
  • \texttt{X=4 Groups, Contexts, Communicators, and Caching (title must be corrected)}
  • \texttt{X=14 Deprecated}

• Index sections: Some missing entries will be added by Jeff Squyres
Chap. ......... of MPI-2.1 Draft Apr. 19, 2008 represents fully and exactly (as I can overlook) the text that was given by MPI-1.1 (June 1995) and  MPI-2 (July 1997), MPI-1 errata (Oct. 12, 1998), Ballot 1+2 (May 15, 2002), Ballot 3 (protocol from March 2008 meeting, 1st vote), and Ballot 4 (protocol from March 2008 meeting, official reading)

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Still TO DO = Must be implemented in final MPI-2.1

Rolf Rabenseifner, HLRS, Apr. 20, 2008

40.a OK In Frontmatter, several comitee --> committee (twin t)
40.b OK p.27.10 / p.27.25: below --> in Table 3.1 / 3.2
40.c OK page ii line 14: date --> Apr. 19

Alexander Supalov, Intel, Apr. 22, 2008

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40.a OK In Frontmatter, several comitee --> committee (twin t)
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40.c OK page ii line 14: date --> Apr. 19

Page numbers according to Draft April 19, 2008:

Kannan Narasimhan, HP, Apr. 26, 2008

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Page numbers according to Draft April 19, 2008:

4.1.a OK Pg 265, 8.3 Error Handling (Line 12): Remove the phrase
"On the other hand" and reword the sentence as follows: C and C++ have
distinct typedefs for user defined error handling callback functions
that accept communicator, file, and window arguments.

4.1.b OK Pg 266, 8.3.1 Error Handlers for Communicators (Lines 32-36): Change
all references to HANDLER_FUNCTION to {COMM,WIN,FILE}_ERRHANDLER_FN
in the "Advice to users" para.

4.1.c OK Pg 268, 8.3.2 Error Handlers for Windows (Line 13): 9):
ADD: Creates an error handler that can be attached to a window object.
Editor's comment: okay, but must be added after line 9.

4.1.d OK Pg 269, 8.3.3 Error Handlers for Files (Line 24): 20):
ADD: Creates an error handler that can be attached to a file object.

4.1.e OK Pg 270, 8.3.4 Freeing Error handlers and Retrieving
Error Strings(Line 27-28): Change the sentence to:
The error handler will be deallocated after all of the objects
associated with it (communicator, window, or file) are deallocated.

Chapter 9 (Miscellany)

4.1.f OK Pg 283, 9.1 The Info Object (Line 16): Change the first sentence to:
Many of the routines in MPI take an info argument.
(i.e., MPI instead of MPI-2)

In the frontmatter:

- "NO" Integrate e-mail authors of Ballot 1-4 into credits.tex
  Too many authors (>300) with partially small input to the
  standardization

In the backmatter:

- DONE Using all CONST:MPI.* entries in the Index to build a Constant Index
- TODO Using all TYPEDEF:MPI.* entries in the Index to build a Typedef Index
  it may be possible to add also references to the C types mentioned
  at 486/39-48 and 523/14, 525/21-23, and 503/19-32, 507/40
- DONE Using all MPI_.* entries in the Index to build the Function Index

MPI-1.3 and MPI-2.1:

- D1.3 Title in same format as on MPI-2.1
- TODO References MPI-2.1 [8] and [9] must be corrected
- D1.3 27.x must be implemented also in MPI-1.3 (the second "the" was removed)
Additional Review Files = Describing XXXXX and YYYYY, i.e., must be implemented in final MPI-2.1

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Question:

Is the MPI-2.1 document, including the XXXXX modifications, and if all YYYYY modifications are done, ready for 1st vote in the next meeting?

Yes:
27

No:
0

Abstain:
0
Next steps

- MPI-2.1 → implementing review items until May 30, 2008, still colored
  (no further corrections, only items that are now on the table)
  → Reviewers should make a final check
  → Final version of MPI-2.1 – only black&white June 13, 2008
  → July 1, 2008: 1st vote
  → Sep. 4, 2008: 2nd vote = done

- Text is technically finished
  → implementation can start now!
    (you need not to wait until June 13!)
Implementation of MPI-2.1

- Do you expect that your company/organization is able to implement MPI-2.1 until EuroPVM/MPI 2008 (Sep. 7-10, 2008)?
- If no, please can you give an estimate.

(33 small issues that you should check in Annex B, Change-Log)

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Thanks a lot for all your cooperation!

MPI-2.1 standardization is now nearly done 😊

→ Have a lot of fun with MPI-2.2 and MPI-3.0
Annex: Slides from Mar. 2008 meeting
MPI-2.1 – Working Plan

Monday:
- All reviewer are asked
  - to check whether all editor’s decisions about their review are okay:
    - **OK** = Obvious, typo, correction must be done, ...
or good idea, correction should be done, ...
    - ? = should be decided by the MPI Forum
    - 22 = should be deferred to MPI-2.2.
      It is mainly a suggestion to the content of MPI and not to the merging of MPI-1.1 with MPI-2.
    - Q? = Question & answer only, no need for corrections
    - - = Comment, can be ignored
    - *NO* = Correction must or should not be done
  - OK-items = same opinion of editor and reviewer (~100 items)
    → expectation: no discussion need → should be okay for the forum
  - Especially the *NO* and “?” must be checked and discussed, probably off-line

**Tuesday:** Remaining “?” must be decided by the Forum, see review.txt
Open topics on the path to a fully merged MPI-2.1 (1)

• Chap. 1 – Intro chapter
  – Responsible: Bill Gropp (together with Rusty Lusk)
• Chap. Collectives – Intro Chapter
  – Responsible: Adam Moody
• Move MPI_LONG_LONG, MPI_WCHAR, … into the original text
  Remove the additional MPI-2 sections.
  – Responsible: Rolf Rabenseifner
• Move all deprecated functions into an Annex B
  – Responsible: Rolf Rabenseifner
• Remake the type_ub / type_lb stuff (text is needed, only functions are deprecated)
  – Responsible: Rolf Rabenseifner
Open topics on the path to a fully merged MPI-2.1 (2)

- Producing C++ interfaces that can be included into the chapters
  - Responsible: Jeff Squyres
- Including them into the chapters:
  - Responsible: Rolf Rabenseifner
- Merge of all Language Binding Annexes to one Annex A
  - Responsible: Alexander Supalov
- Extracting Const Index from current total Index
  - Responsible: Rolf Rabenseifner
- Extracting Typedef Index from current total Index
  - Responsible: Rolf Rabenseifner
- Extracting Function Index from current total Index
  - Responsible: Rolf Rabenseifner
Open topics on the path to a fully merged MPI-2.1 (3)

- Producing List of Figures and List of Tables
  - Responsible: Rolf Rabenseifner (trivial)
- Producing List of Examples
  - Responsible: Rainer Keller
- Include Ballots 1-4 into MPI-2.1
  - Responsible: Rolf Rabenseifner
- Include all the OK-marked items from the MPI-2.1 reviews into MPI-2.1
  - Responsible: Rolf Rabenseifner
- Change-Log
  - Responsible: Rolf Rabenseifner (Ballot 1-4)
Open topics on the path to a fully merged MPI-2.1 (4)

- Correcting the Examples – substituting deprecated functions
  - Responsible for examples in Fortran: David Solt
  - Additional Volunteers: Bill Gropp (Datatype)
  - Responsible for examples in C: George Bosilca
  - Additional Volunteers: Pavan Balati (Datatypes)

- Adding a full acknowledgement list in the Frontmatter:
  - Currently MPI-2.1
  - Will be extended to MPI-2.2 and MPI-3.0
  - For MPI 2.2: all institutions and persons who have contributed to January and March 2008 meetings
  - All persons who have contributed to the email lists in the Ballots 1-4 and the review 1.3 and 2.1 process
  - Responsible: Richard Graham
Timescale – MPI-2.1 – Goals

• I would like to have finished all in the next week or two?

• Now:
  – Open Review 2.1 items – see review.txt “?”

• Additional text-merge round with dedicated chapter authors.
  Goal:
  – Remove references to MPI-1 and MPI-2.
  – Substitute by MPI.
  – Necessary modifications to achieve this goal.
  – Responsible authors – see next slide
Annex: Slides from Jan. 2008 meeting
MPI 2.1 Goals

Scope of Effort:

- Clarification to the MPI standards document,
- resulting in a single document describing the full MPI 2.1 standard.
- This includes merging of documents, text corrections, and added clarifying text.

Working plan:

- MPI 1.1 + Chap. 3 of MPI-2 (Version 1.2 of MPI) + some errata will be combined to → MPI 1.3
- MPI 1.2.1 + rest of MPI-2 (MPI 2.0) will be combined to → MPI 2.1 draft (without clarifications)
- adopted MPI 2.1 Ballots 1&2 + new MPI 2.1 ballots 3&4 are combined to the → Ballot 1-4 of MPI 2.1 adopted errata
  (with references still based on MPI 1.1 and MPI-2 documents)
- MPI 2.1 draft + MPI 2.1 adopted errata → MPI 2.1
Why combined documents?

The goals behind this combining of the documents have been already expressed in the MPI-1.1 standard:

"Sect. 1.2 Who should use this standard?
This standard is intended for use by all those who want to write portable message-passing programs in Fortran 77 and C. This includes individual application programmers, developers of software designed to run on parallel machines, and creators of environments and tools. ..."

It is more efficient that the MPI Forum combines the documents once than every user of the MPI documents has to do this in his/her daily work based on the combination of MPI-1.1 and the several updating documents, i.e., MPI-2, and the future updates 2.1, 2.2, ... .
Schedule based on official rules

Rules and Procedures

1. Here is a reminder of the traditional MPI voting rules, which have served us well. These rules have been extended to the email discussion of MPI erratas and have been applied to the errata ballots. We expect to adapt these rules, preserving their spirit, as we go forward.

2. One vote per organization

3. To vote, an organization must have been present at the last two MPI Forum meetings.

4. **Votes are taken twice, at separate meetings. Votes are preceded by a reading at an earlier meeting, to familiarize everyone with the issues.**

5. Measures pass on a simple majority.

6. Only items consistent with the charter can be considered.

From [http://www.mpi-forum.org/mpi2_1/index.htm](http://www.mpi-forum.org/mpi2_1/index.htm)

For **MPI x.x combined documents**:
This reading at the MPI Forum meetings will be substituted by a review report through a review group. Each Forum member can be part of this group.

With the 1st official vote on a combined document (at next meeting), this modification of the voting rules is accept for that document.
MPI 2.1 Review Procedure (Voting plan) – Step 1

- Straw vote on the working plan (see 4 steps on previous slide)
- MPI 1.1 + Chap. 3 of MPI-2 (Version 1.2 of MPI) + some errata will be combined to → MPI 1.3
  - Jan.08 meeting:
    Short discussion and defining a review group who is reviewing the MPI 1.3 merging plan (printed copies available) and the MPI 1.3 combined document
    - See e-mail: From: Rainer Keller, Subject: Re: [mpi-21] Documents
      Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2008 12:13:14 +0100
    - Reporting by e-mail on mpi-21 reflector
    - Corrections if necessary (until Jan. 31, 2008)
      → final version of MPI 1.3 merging plan and MPI 1.3
    - Final report of the reviewers at March 2008 meeting (=substitutes the reading)
    - 1st vote by the MPI Forum at April 2008 meeting
    - 2nd (final) vote by the MPI Forum at June 2008 meeting
MPI 2.1 Review Procedure (Voting plan) – Step 2

- MPI 1.3 combined document + rest of MPI-2 (MPI 2.0) will be combined to 
  **MPI 2.1 draft**
- **Discussion of the 11 major merging decisions** and finishing them with **straw votes** (**Jan.2008** meeting)
  based on the distributed text (printed copies available)
- **Defining a review group** (**Jan.2008** meeting)
  - First draft of combined document (Feb 22, 2008, to be done by Rolf Rabenseifner)
  - Reviewing process and report of the reviewers (until March 10-12, 2008 meeting)
  - Discussion and further corrections if necessary (March 2008 meeting)
  - All necessary straw votes should be done at end of March 2008 meeting.
  - April 1, 2008, the final document should be available for twice voting.
  - Final report of the reviewers at April 2008 meeting (**=substitutes the reading**)
  - **1st vote** by the MPI Forum at June 2008 meeting
  - **2nd (final) vote** by the MPI Forum at Sep. 2008 meeting
MPI 2.1 Review Procedure (Voting plan) – Step 3

- adopted MPI 2.1 Ballots 1&2 + new MPI 2.1 ballots 3&4 are combined to the
  → MPI 2.1 adopted errata
  (with references still based on MPI 1.1 and MPI-2 documents)
  - Ballots 1&2 are done (Chapter 1, Errata for MPI-2, May 15, 2002)
  - Ballot 3
  - **Official Reading** and straw votes (Jan. 14, 2008)
    Re-reading if modifications are necessary (Jan. 15 or 16, 2008)
  - **First official vote** (on all topics with positive straw votes) (March, 2008)
  - Ballot 4 at March 2008 meeting with official reading (1st day and next days).
    Unresolved items are moved to MPI 2.2.
  - → **Final text of Ballot 3+4 is available at end of March meeting,**
    i.e., it can be already included into MPI 2.1 combined document.
  - April 2008: Ballot 3: 2nd vote; Ballot 4: 1st vote
  - June 2008: Ballot 4: 2nd vote (all second votes are based on text in the
    combined documents) → **MPI 2.1 adopted errata** finished
MPI 2.1 Review Procedure (Voting plan) – Step 4

• MPI 2.1 draft + MPI 2.1 adopted errata
  → MPI 2.1 combined document
  – The MPI 2.1 Ballots 1-4 (as after final reading on April 2008 meeting) are included into the MPI 2.1 draft (from April 1, 2008) (as prepared for final review/reading at April 2008 meeting)
  → MPI 2.1 combined document (April 14, 2008)
  – Defining the reviewing group (on March 2008 meeting)
    (may be smaller as for the MPI2.1 draft)
  – Reporting by e-mail on mpi-21 reflector until April 18, 2008
  – Corrections if necessary until April 23, 2008
  – Final report of the reviewers at April 2008 meeting (=substitutes the reading)
  – **First vote** on June 2008 meeting
  – **Second (final) vote** on Sep. 2008 meeting
MPI Standards document plan

Existing and in progress:

- **MPI-1.1**  
  (PS, June 12, 1995)  
  Publish: **External**  
  Status: **Done**

- **MPI-1.1 Errata**  
  (PS, Oct. 12, 1998)  
  Parts are in MPI-2.0/Ch3  
  Needs to be checked.  
  Publish: **External**  
  Status: **Done**

- **MPI-2**  
  (PS, July 18, 1997)  
  Publish: **External**  
  Status: **Done**

- **MPI-1.1 parts**  
  Needs to be checked.  
  Publish: **External**  
  Status: **Done**

- **MPI-1.3 draft**  
  (PDF, …, 2008)  
  Publish: **Internal**  
  Status: **Almost done**  
  Voting: **Straw vote**

- **MPI-1.3**  
  (PDF, …, 2008)  
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  Status: **Not done**  
  Voting: **Not done**

- **Ballots 1-4 for MPI-2.1**  
  Publish: **External**  
  Status: **In progress**

- **MPI-2.1 draft**  
  (PDF, …, 2008)  
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Proposed:

- **MPI-1.3 draft**  
  (PDF, …, 2008)  
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Merging document 1.1 & 1.2 → 1.3  
Publish: **Internal**  
Status: **Almost done**  
Voting: **Straw vote**

Merging document 1.3 & 2.0 → 2.0.1  
Publish: **Internal**  
Status: **Almost done**  
Voting: **Straw vote**
MPI Standards document plan

- **MPI-2.1**
  - (PDF, ..., 2008)
  - Publish: External
  - Status: Not done
  - Voting: Not done
  - Input by the MPI-Forum
  - April 14, 2008

- **MPI-2.2**
  - (PDF, ..., 2008)
  - Publish: External
  - Status: Not done
  - Voting: not done
  - Input by the MPI-Forum
  - Dec. 31, 2008

- **MPI-3.0**
  - (PDF, ..., 2009x)
  - Publish: External
  - Status: Not done
  - Voting: not done
  - Input by the MPI-Forum

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Publish: External

Status: Not done

Voting: Not done

April 14, 2008

Dec. 31, 2008
Change-Log as Annex

- Who wants in MPI 2.1 an Annex telling effective (user and implementors visible) mods between MPI 2.0 and MPI 2.1?
  - Yes: all=43
  - No: 0
  - Abstain: 0

- Should we keep old such histories in future standards?
  - Yes: 8
  - No: 13
  - Abstain: 43-8-13=22

- Changbars for all in the final combined document?
  - Yes: 1
  - No: 28
  - Abstain: 43-28-1=14
MPI 2.0 combined document

• There are 11 topics that must be decided or confirmed by the MPI Forum → next slides
• For further details we need a review group → slide at the end
MPI 2.0 merging decisions

1.) The title of the combined document:

MPI: A Message-Passing Interface Standard
Version 2.1

Question: The MPI 2.0 combined document title-page should be as stated here?

Yes: All=41
No: 0
Abstain: 0
2.) The date of the merged document is fixed when it is released (in 2008).

3.) Ackno on the title page:

"This work was supported in part by ARPA, NSF and DARPA under grant ASC-9310330, the National Science Foundation Science and Technology Center Cooperative Agreement No. CCR-8809615, and the NSF contract CDA-9115428, and by the Commission of the European Community through Esprit project P6643 and under project HPC Standards (21111)."

4.) Do we add on 2.1 already new supporters? Yes – offline per e-mail

Still TODO!
MPI 2.0 merging decisions

4.) Abstract

"This document describes the MPI standard version 2.1 in one combined document. This document combines the content from the previous standards “MPI: A Message-Passing Interface Standard, June 12, 1995” (MPI-1.1) and “MPI-2: Extensions to the Message-Passing Interface, July, 1997” (MPI-1.2 and MPI-2.0). The standard MPI-1.1 includes point-to-point message passing, collective communications, group and communicator concepts, process topologies, environmental management, and a profiling interface. Language bindings for C and Fortran are defined. The MPI-1.2 part of the MPI-2 document contains clarifications and corrections to the MPI-1.1 standard and defines MPI-1.2. The MPI-2 part of the MPI-2 document describes additions to the MPI-1 standard and defines the MPI standard version 2.0. These include miscellaneous topics, process creation and management, one-sided communications, extended collective operations, external interfaces, I/O, and additional language bindings (C++). Additional clarifications and errata corrections are included."

→ offline e-mail : be specific on errata doc. And include MPI 1.3

Still TODO !
MPI 2.0 merging decisions

5.) Copyright years

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6.) New entries on the history page  \(\rightarrow\) Offline per e-mail

**Version 2.1: <date>, 2008.** This document combines the previous documents MPI 1.3 (????, 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: <date>, 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: <date>, 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 don't fit elsewhere, in particular language interoperability.“

**Version 1.2: July, 18 1997.** The MPI-2 Forum introduced MPI 1.2 as Chap.3 in the standard "MPI-2: Extensions to the Message-Passing Interface", July 18, 2007.“ …

**Version 1.1: June, 1995.** Beginning in March, 1995, the Message …

**Version 1.0: June, 1994.** The Message Passing Interface Forum …

As already voted for MPI 1.2.1

**Question:**

The MPI 2.0 combined document Versions-list should be as stated here?

**Yes:**

**No:**

**Abstain:**

Still TODO!
MPI 2.0 merging decisions

7.) The acknowledgment pages of both documents are printed one after the next.

The first list of persons is introduced with the following new line:
"Those who served as primary coordinators in MPI 1.0 and MPI 1.1 are:"

And the MPI-2 list of persons is introduced with:
"Those who served as primary coordinators in MPI 1.2 and MPI 2.0 are:"

For the merging process I would add:
"The editors of the combined documents have been:
-- Rainer Keller (MPI 1.3 - combined document)
-- Rolf Rabenseifner (MPI 2.1 - combined document)"
8.) Before the definition of each deprecated interface, the following sentence is added:

"The following function is deprecated and is superseded by ................. in MPI 2.0"
MPI 2.0 merging decisions

9.) Sequence of all chapters:

- First all MPI-1, except Profiling
- All MPI-2, except Extended Collective (it is fully merged into corresponding MPI-1.1 chapters)
- Profiling Chapter
- Only one merged Appendix

The following MPI-2.0 sections are merged into the corresponding MPI-1.1 sections:

- MPI-2.0 Chap. 4 Miscellany, except
  -- MPI-2.0 Sect. 4.10 (The Info Object)  (Move? Yes:no:abstain)
  -- MPI-2.0 Sect. 4.11 (Memory Allocation) \( \rightarrow \) MPI-1 Env. Manag. (5:2:?)
  -- MPI-2.0 Sect. 4.12 (Language Interoper.) \( \rightarrow \) End of Lang.Bind 10.3 (17:0:?)
  -- MPI-2.0 Sect. 4.17 (Functions and Macros) \( \rightarrow \) Terms & Conven. 2.6.5 (5:0:?)

- MPI-2.0 Chap. 5 Extended Collective Operations
- MPI-2.0 Sect. 8.8 New Attribute Cacching Functions
- MPI-2.0 Sect. 8.9 Duplicating a Datatype
Describe the chapter moving in a change-log

- Describe the chapter moving in a change-log?
  - Yes: all
  - No: 0
  - Abstain: 0
10.) The new "Version Number" section was put at the beginning of the MPI-1.1 Chap. "Environmental Management" (done in MPI 1.2) The Section "Portable MPI Process Startup" is put at the end of the MPI-1.1 Chapter "Environmental Management".

Okay?

7 MPI Environmental Management

- 7.1 Implementation information
  - 7.1.1 Version number
  - 7.1.2 Environmental Interface

- 7.2 Error handling
- 7.3 Error codes and classes
- 7.4 Timers and synchronization
- 7.5 Startup
- 7.6 Portable MPI Process Startup

Where to include Section „Memory Allocation“?

From MPI 1.2

From MPI 2.0

Question:
The MPI 2.0 combined document...should be as stated here?

Yes:

No:

Abstain:

Not decided by the Forum
11.) The MPI-1.2 C++ interfaces in MPI-2.0 App. B.3 - B.12 are written in a syntax that is different to the syntax used in all other C++ declarations.

For consistency, in B.3 - B.12, the
"namespace MPI {
    standard-type mpi-routine(standard-type arg1, mpi-type arg2...)
    mpi-type      mpi-routine(standard-type arg1, mpi-type arg2...)
}"

should be modified into
"standard-type MPI::mpi-routine(standard-type arg1, MPI::mpi-type arg2...)
"MPI::mpi-type MPI::mpi-routine(standard-type arg1, MPI::mpi-type arg2...)"

Examples: static MPI::Intercomm MPI::Comm::Join(const int fd)
MPI::Intercomm MPI::Intercomm::Create(const Group& group) const
MPI::Intercomm MPI::Intracomm::Create(const Group& group) const
void MPI::Comm::Barrier() const = 0
Straw votes okay for merging details?

With MPI 1.3 and MPI 2.1 documents:

• Is it okay to have only a final „reading“ (=review report) and two official votes, instead of already doing official votes on some details?

Official (institutional) votes:
  – Yes:
  – No:
  – Abstain:

• Reason: The merging does not modify the standard. Only formatting and editorial wording is rarely modified.

• (This slide was skipped at January 2008 meeting.)
MPI 2.0 Merging Review Group

We need reviewers for: (bold=large)

- **Frontmatter**
- **Chapter 1: Introduction to MPI**
- Chapter 2: MPI-2 Terms and Conventions
- **Chapter 3: Point-to-Point Communication**
- **Chapter 4: Collective Communication**
- **Chapter 5: Groups, Context, and Communicators**
- Chapter 6: Process Topologies
- **Chapter 7: MPI Environmental Management**
- Chapter 8: Miscellany
- Chapter 9: Process Creation and Management
- Chapter 10: One-Sided Communication
- Chapter 11: External Interfaces
- Chapter 12: I/O
- **Chapter 13: Language Bindings**
- Chapter 14: Profiling Interface
- Bibliography
- Annex A

Reviewers: (next slide)
We need reviewers for: **(bold=large)**

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MPI 2.1 - Telecon

- I’ll not be available on Feb. 11-13 (scheduled dates)
- There is no need because all Ballot 4 work will be done by e-mail
- And MPI 1.3, MPI 2.1 merging and Ballot 3 is done.

- → No telecon for the MPI 2.1 chapter
- Okay?

- (Accepted by the Forum due to the reasons mentioned above)
• Thank you very much for your strong support on MPI 2.1!