



Advanced MPI

Abhinav Bhatele, Department of Computer Science



Announcements

- Resources for learning MPI:
 - <https://mpitutorial.com>
 - <https://www.rookiehpc.com>
- Assignment 0 has been posted (due on Sept 26)

Non-blocking point-to-point calls

- `MPI_Isend` and `MPI_Irecv`
- Two parts:
 - post the operation
 - Wait for results: need to call `MPI_Wait` or `MPI_Test`
- Can help with overlapping computation with communication

MPI_Isend

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

buf: address of send buffer

count: number of elements in send buffer

datatype: datatype of each send buffer element

dest: rank of destination process

tag: message tag

comm: communicator

request: communication request

MPI_Irecv

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

buf: address of receive buffer

count: maximum number of elements in receive buffer

datatype: datatype of each receive buffer element

source: rank of source process

tag: message tag

comm: communicator

request: communication request

MPI_Wait

```
int MPI_Wait( MPI_Request *request, MPI_Status *status )
```

request: communication request

status: status object

- Status object can provide information about:
 - Source process for a message: `status.source`
 - Message tag: `status.tag`
 - Number of elements: `MPI_Get_count(MPI_Status *status, MPI_Datatype datatype, int count)`
- If you don't want to inspect it, you can use `MPI_STATUS_IGNORE`

Using non-blocking send/recv

```
int main(int argc, char *argv) {  
    ...  
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);  
    ...  
    if (rank % 2 == 0) {  
        data = rank;  
        MPI_Isend(&data, 1, MPI_INT, rank+1, 0, ...);  
    } else {  
        data = rank * 2;  
        MPI_Irecv(&data, 1, MPI_INT, rank-1, 0, ...);  
  
        ...  
        MPI_Wait(&req, &stat);  
        printf("Process %d received data %d\n", data);  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

0 rank = 0

1 rank = 1

2 rank = 2

3 rank = 3

Time



Using non-blocking send/recv

```
int main(int argc, char *argv) {  
    ...  
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);  
    ...  
    if (rank % 2 == 0) {  
        data = rank;  
        MPI_Isend(&data, 1, MPI_INT, rank+1, 0, ...);  
    } else {  
        data = rank * 2;  
        MPI_Irecv(&data, 1, MPI_INT, rank-1, 0, ...);  
  
        ...  
        MPI_Wait(&req, &stat);  
        printf("Process %d received data %d\n", data);  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

0 rank = 0 data = 0

1 rank = 1 data = 2

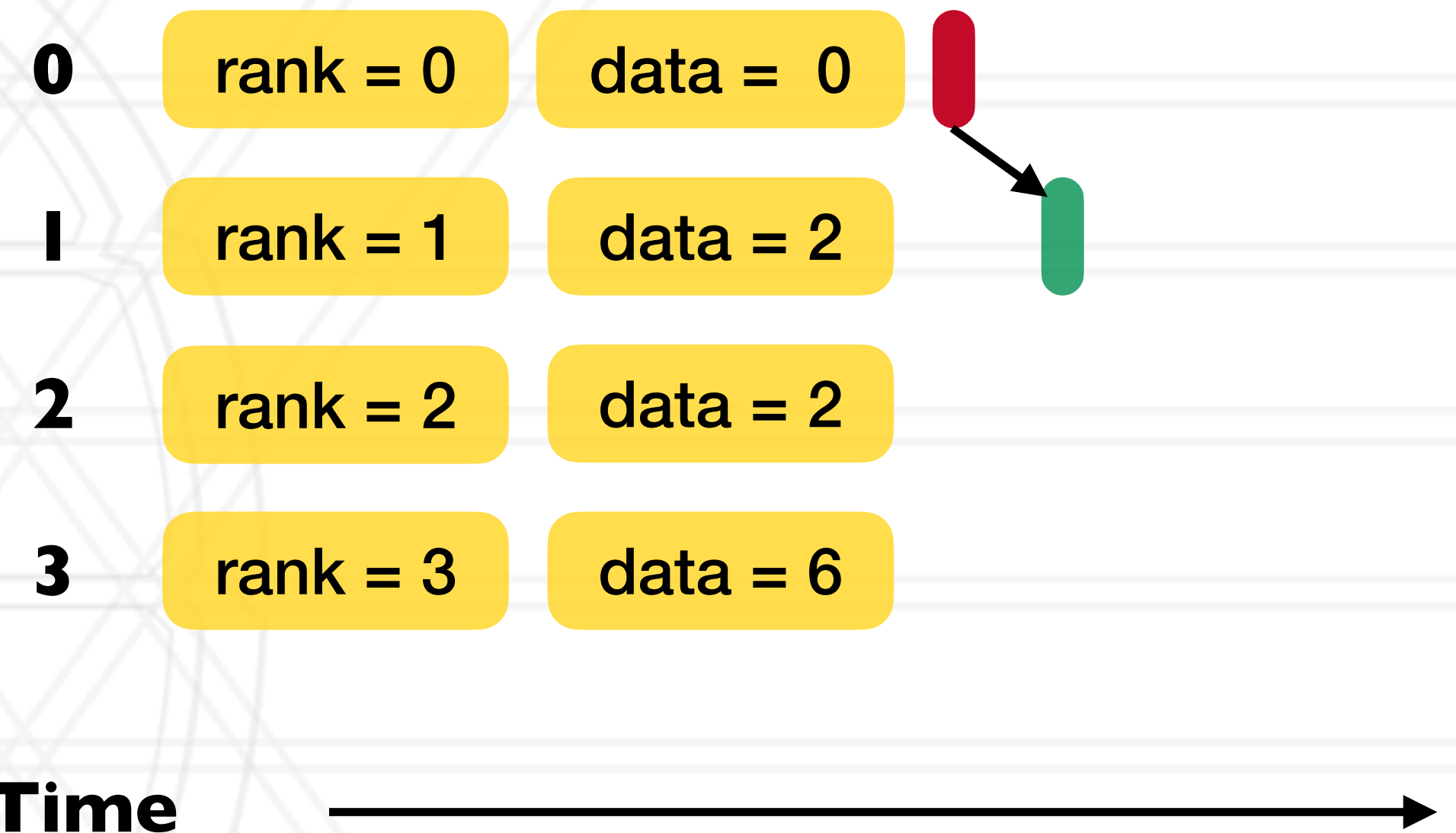
2 rank = 2 data = 2

3 rank = 3 data = 6

Time 

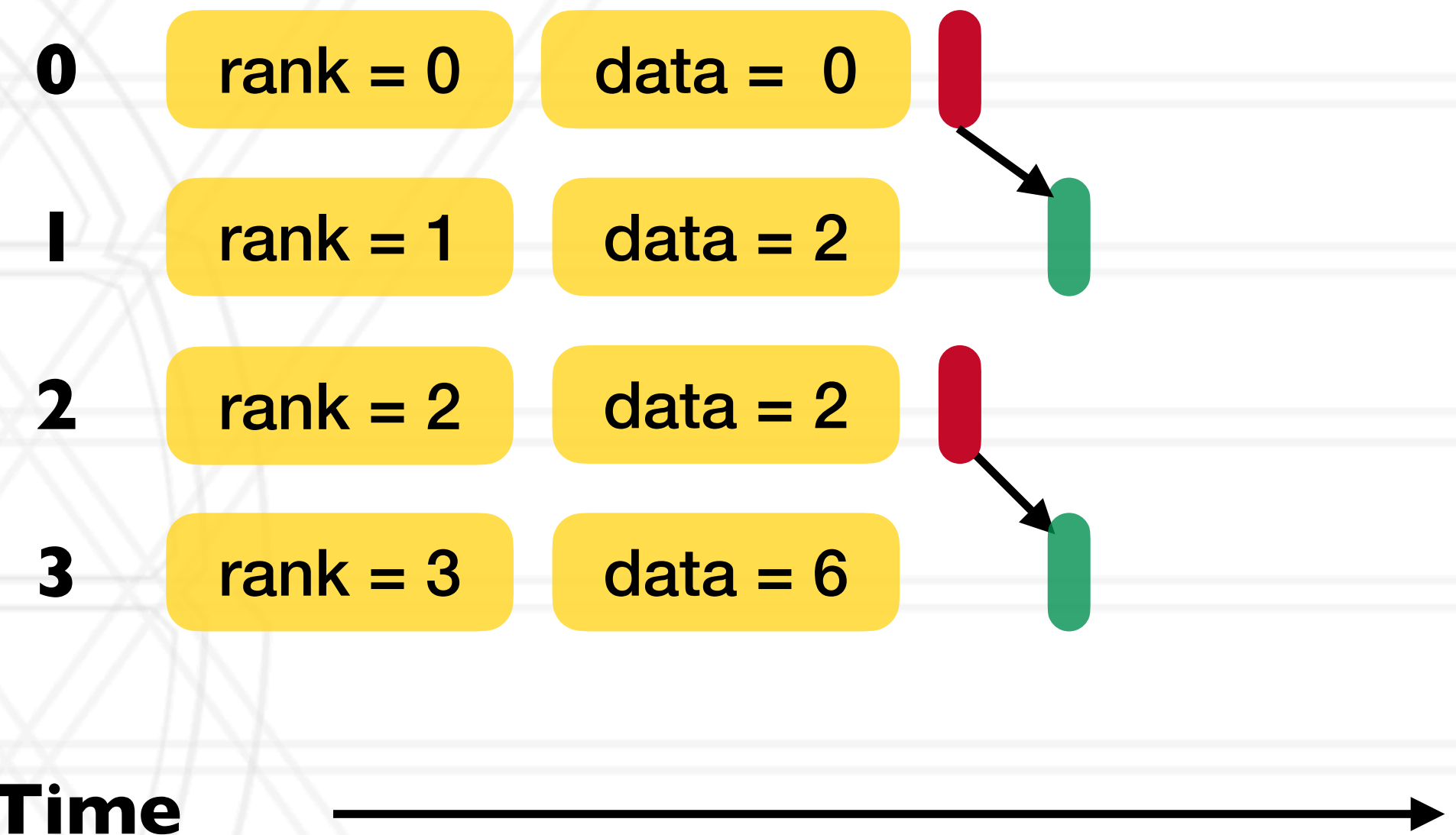
Using non-blocking send/recv

```
int main(int argc, char *argv) {  
    ...  
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);  
    ...  
    if (rank % 2 == 0) {  
        data = rank;  
        MPI_Isend(&data, 1, MPI_INT, rank+1, 0, ...);  
    } else {  
        data = rank * 2;  
        MPI_Irecv(&data, 1, MPI_INT, rank-1, 0, ...);  
  
        ...  
        MPI_Wait(&req, &stat);  
        printf("Process %d received data %d\n", data);  
    }  
    ...  
}
```



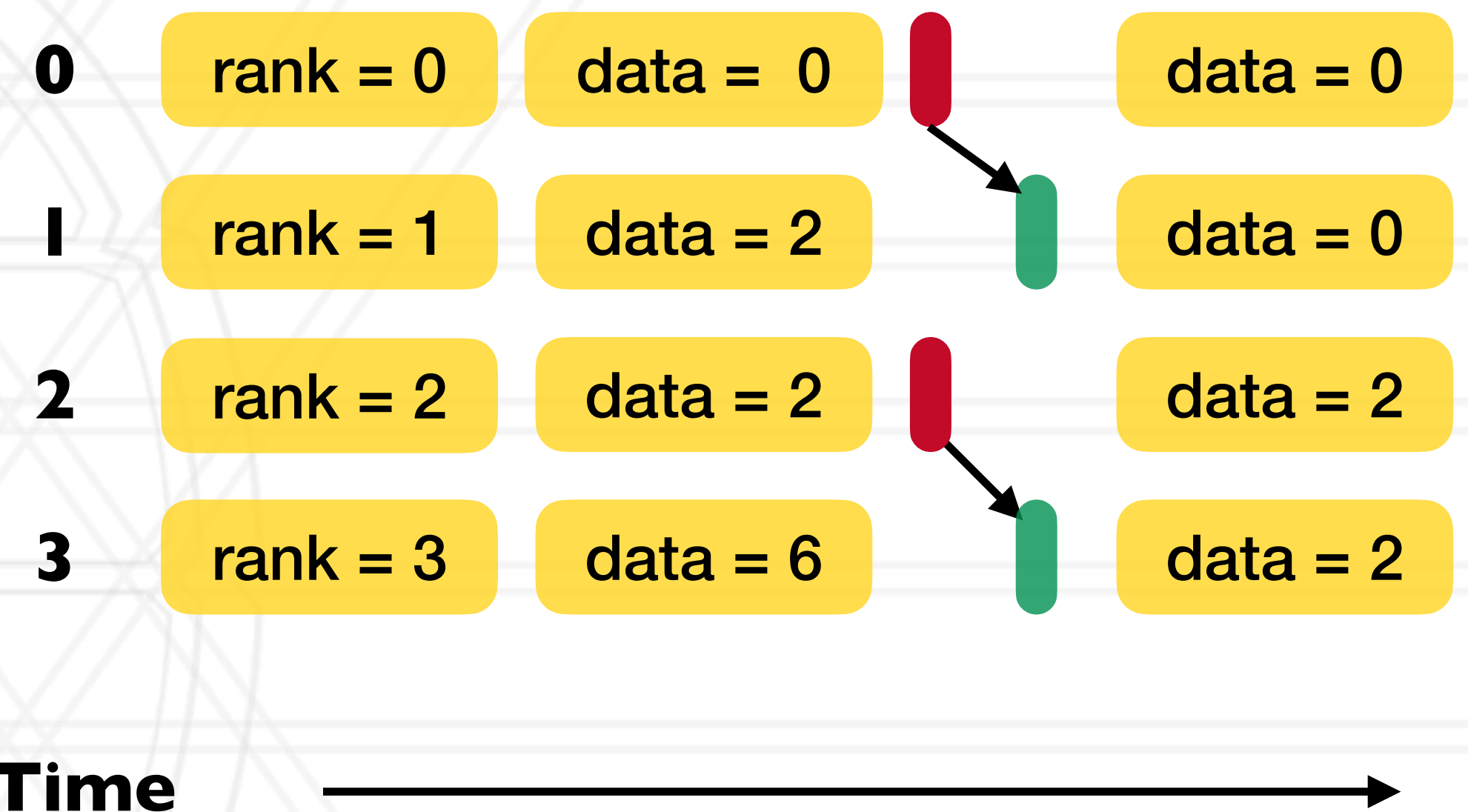
Using non-blocking send/recv

```
int main(int argc, char *argv) {  
    ...  
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);  
    ...  
    if (rank % 2 == 0) {  
        data = rank;  
        MPI_Isend(&data, 1, MPI_INT, rank+1, 0, ...);  
    } else {  
        data = rank * 2;  
        MPI_Irecv(&data, 1, MPI_INT, rank-1, 0, ...);  
  
        ...  
        MPI_Wait(&req, &stat);  
        printf("Process %d received data %d\n", data);  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

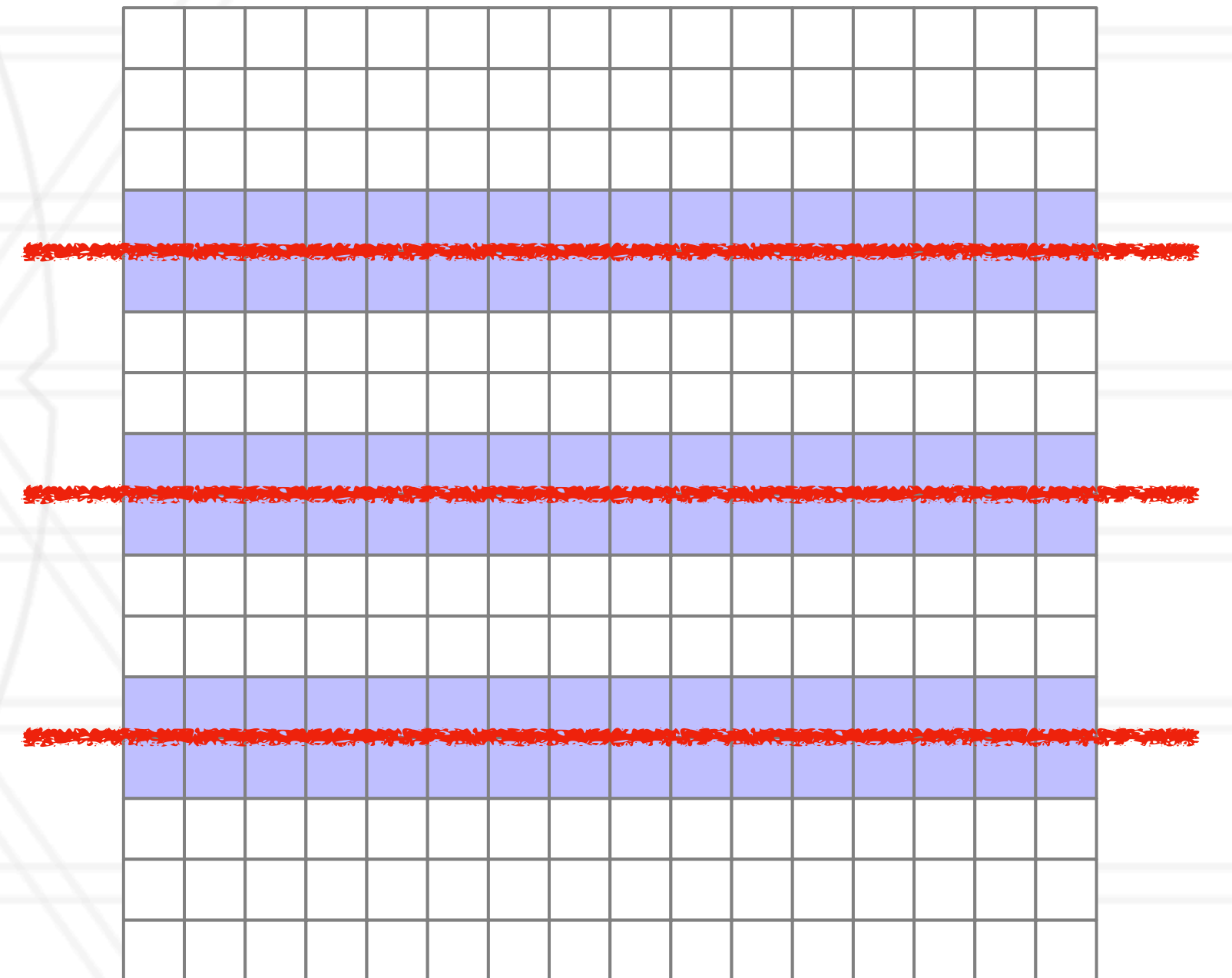


Using non-blocking send/recv

```
int main(int argc, char *argv) {  
    ...  
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);  
    ...  
    if (rank % 2 == 0) {  
        data = rank;  
        MPI_Isend(&data, 1, MPI_INT, rank+1, 0, ...);  
    } else {  
        data = rank * 2;  
        MPI_Irecv(&data, 1, MPI_INT, rank-1, 0, ...);  
    }  
    ...  
    MPI_Wait(&req, &stat);  
    printf("Process %d received data %d\n", data);  
}  
    ...  
}
```

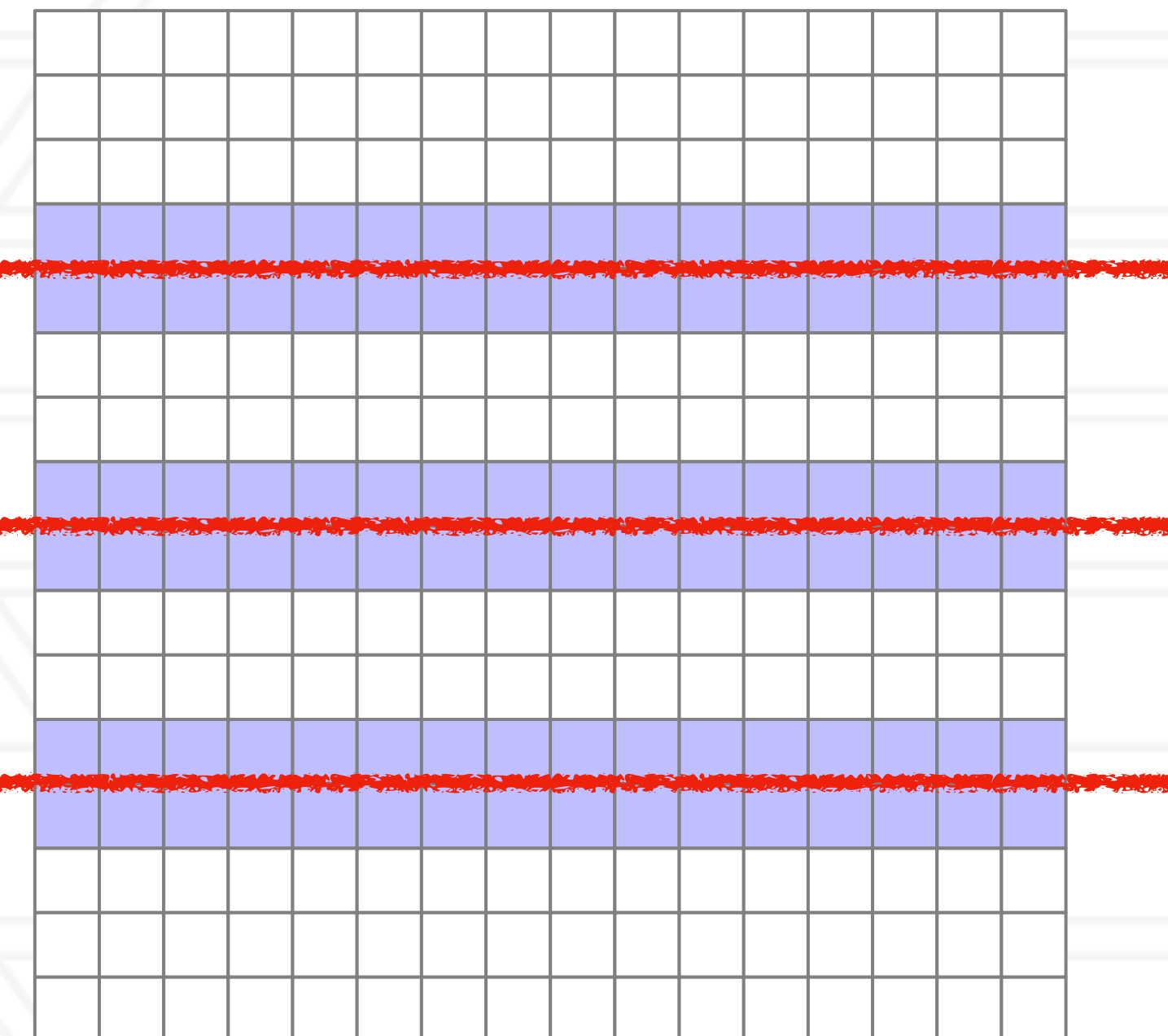


2D stencil computation



2D stencil computation

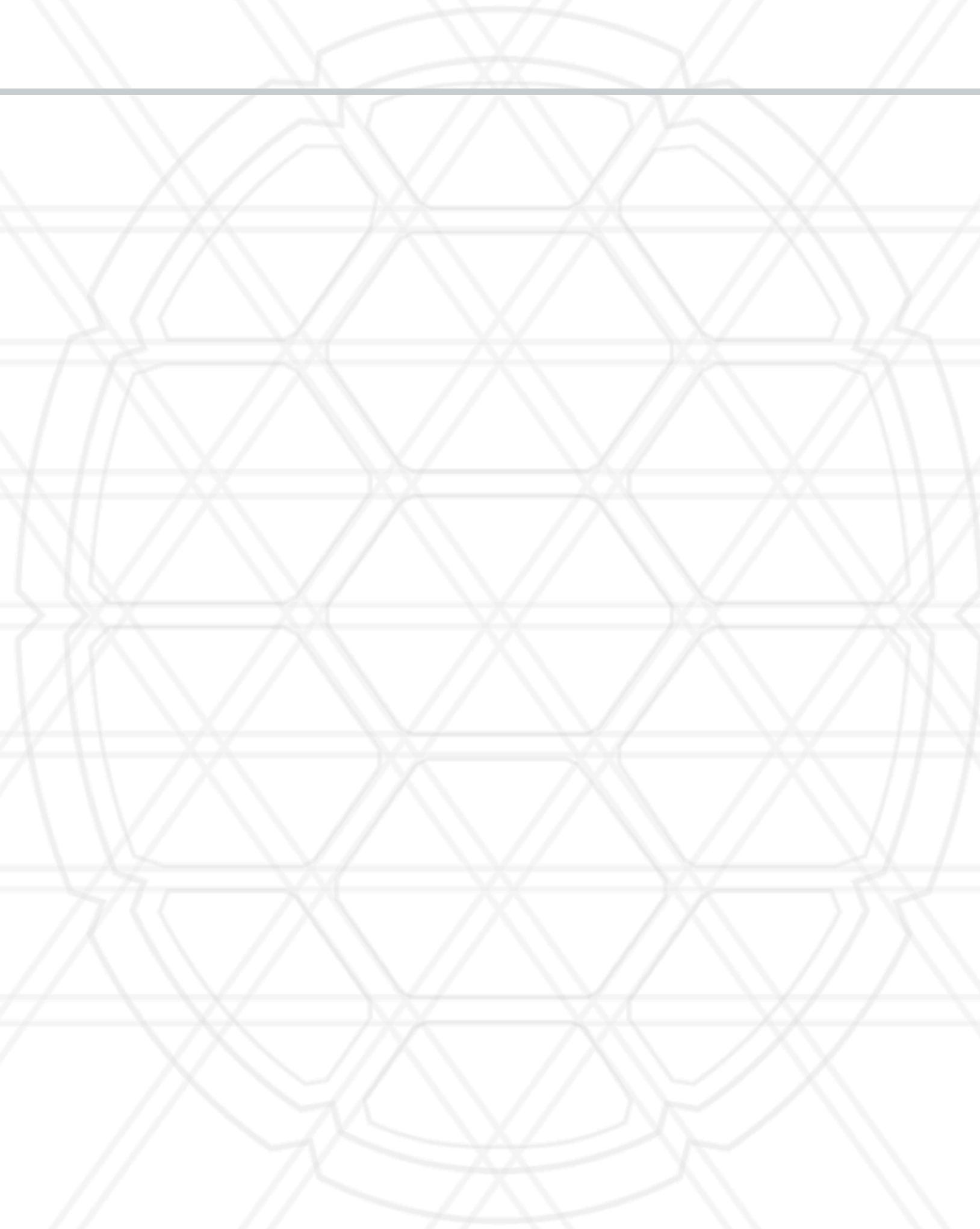
```
int main(int argc, char *argv) {  
    ...  
  
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);  
  
    MPI_Irecv(&data1, 16, MPI_DOUBLE, (rank-1)%4, 0, ...);  
    MPI_Irecv(&data2, 16, MPI_DOUBLE, (rank+1)%4, 0, ...);  
  
    MPI_Isend(&data3, 16, MPI_DOUBLE, (rank-1)%4, 0, ...);  
    MPI_Isend(&data4, 16, MPI_DOUBLE, (rank+1)%4, 0, ...);  
  
    MPI_Waitall(...);  
  
    compute();  
  
    ...  
}
```



Other MPI calls

- `int MPI_Test(MPI_Request *request, int *flag, MPI_Status *status)`
- `int MPI_Waitall(int count, MPI_Request array_of_requests[], MPI_Status *array_of_statuses[])`
- `MPI_Waitany`
- `MPI_Waitsome`

Collective operations



0

1

2

3

0

1

2

3

0

Collective operations

- `int MPI_Barrier(MPI_Comm comm)`
 - Blocks until all processes in the communicator have reached this routine

0

1

2

3

0

1

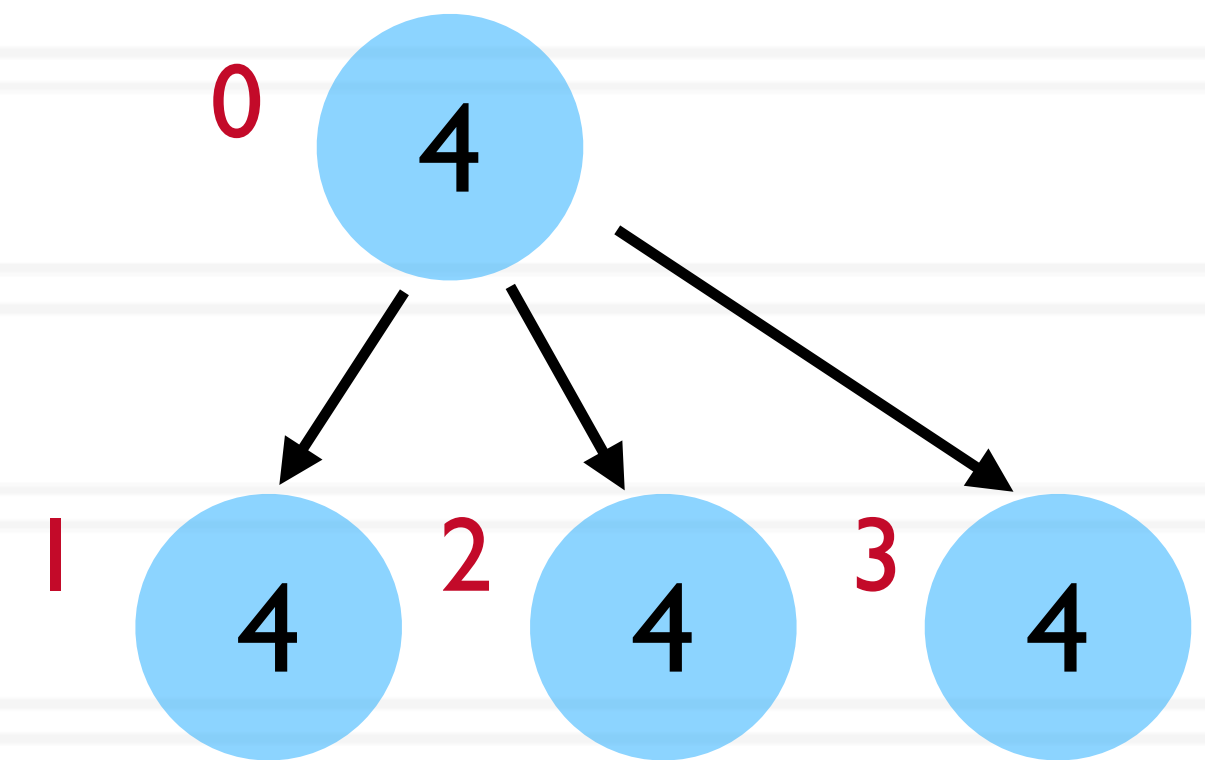
2

3

0

Collective operations

- `int MPI_Barrier(MPI_Comm comm)`
 - Blocks until all processes in the communicator have reached this routine
- `int MPI_Bcast(void *buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)`
 - Send data from root to all processes

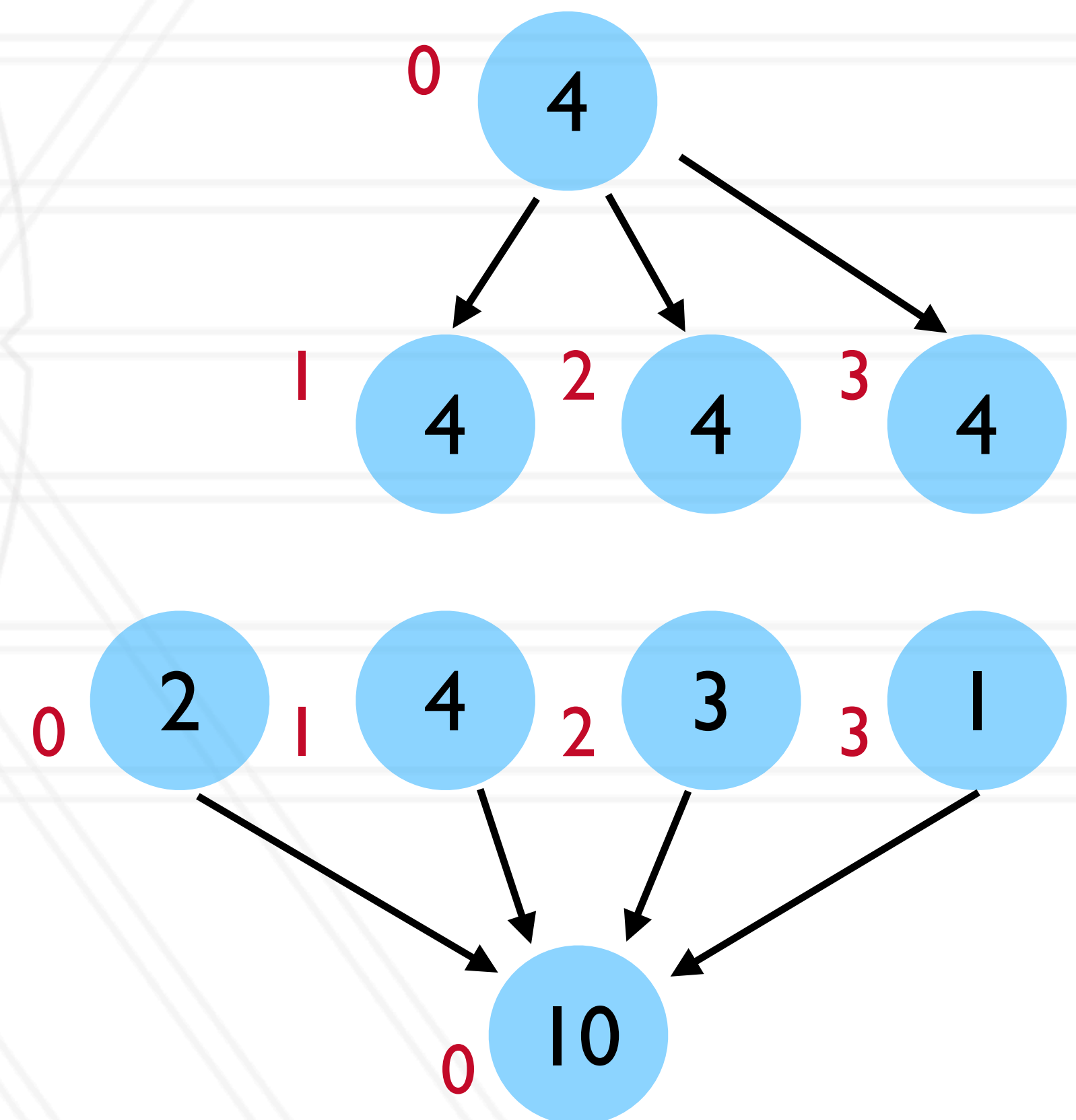


0 1 2 3

0

Collective operations

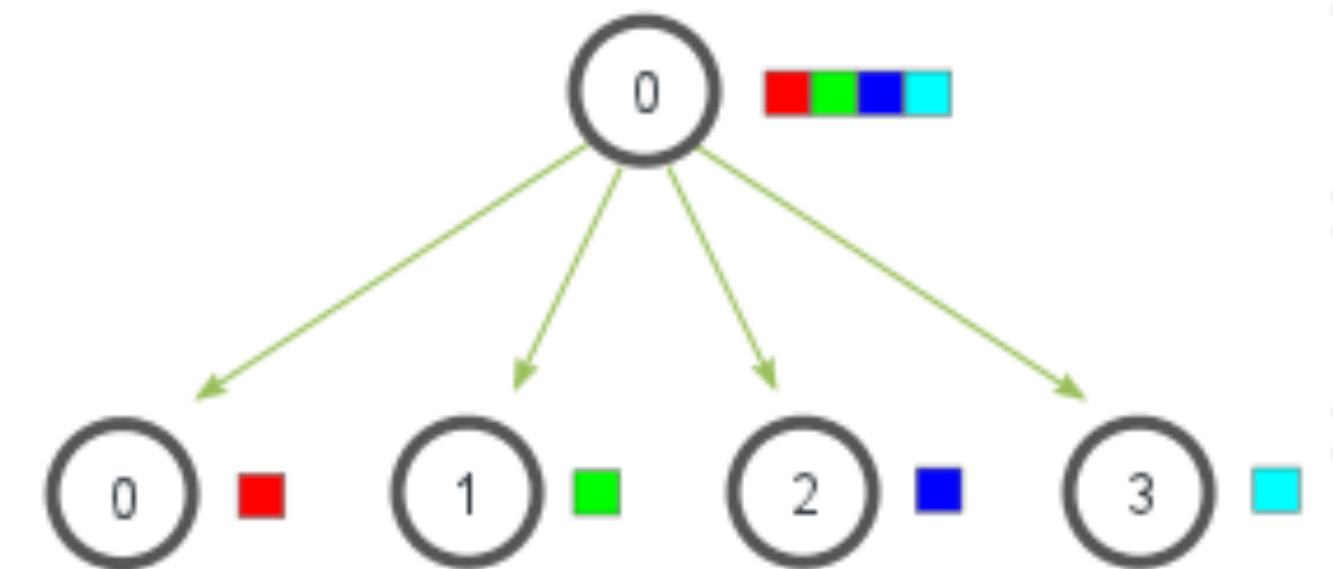
- `int MPI_Barrier(MPI_Comm comm)`
 - Blocks until all processes in the communicator have reached this routine
- `int MPI_Bcast(void *buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)`
 - Send data from root to all processes
- `int MPI_Reduce(const void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm)`
 - Reduce data from all processes to the root



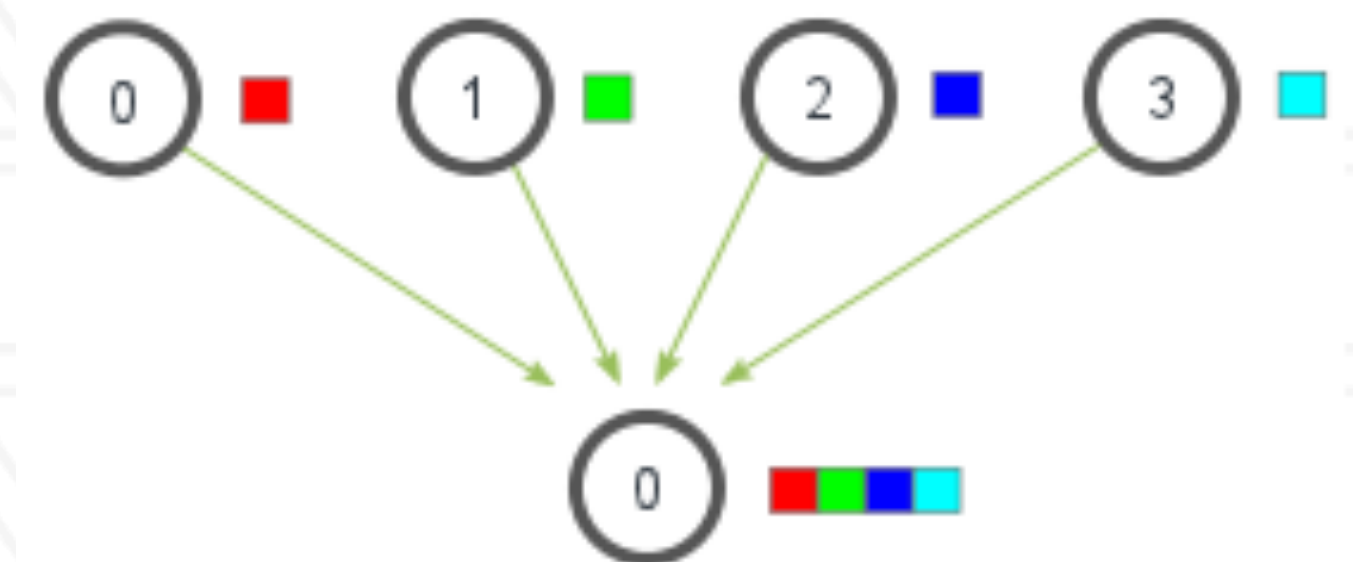
Collective operations

- `int MPI_Scatter(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)`
 - Send data from root to all processes
- `int MPI_Gather(const void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf, int recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm)`
 - Gather data from all processes to the root
- `MPI_Scan`

MPI_Scatter



MPI_Gather



<https://mpitutorial.com/tutorials/mpi-scatter-gather-and-allgather/>

Other MPI calls

- MPI_Wtime
 - Returns elapsed time

```
{
double starttime, endtime;
starttime = MPI_Wtime();

.... code region to be timed ...

endtime = MPI_Wtime();
printf("Time %f seconds\n",endtime-starttime);
}
```

Calculate the value of $\pi = \int_0^1 \frac{4}{1+x^2}$

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    ...

    n = 10000;

    h = 1.0 / (double) n;
    sum = 0.0;

    for (i = 1; i <= n; i += 1) {
        x = h * ((double)i - 0.5);
        sum += (4.0 / (1.0 + x * x));
    }
    pi = h * sum;

    ...
}
```

Calculate the value of $\pi = \int_0^1 \frac{4}{1+x^2}$

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    ...

    n = 10000;
    MPI_Bcast(&n, 1, MPI_INT, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD);

    h = 1.0 / (double) n;
    sum = 0.0;

    for (i = myrank + 1; i <= n; i += numranks) {
        x = h * ((double)i - 0.5);
        sum += (4.0 / (1.0 + x * x));
    }
    pi = h * sum;

    MPI_Reduce(&pi, &globalpi, 1, MPI_DOUBLE, MPI_SUM, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD);

    ...
}
```

Protocols for sending message

- Eager

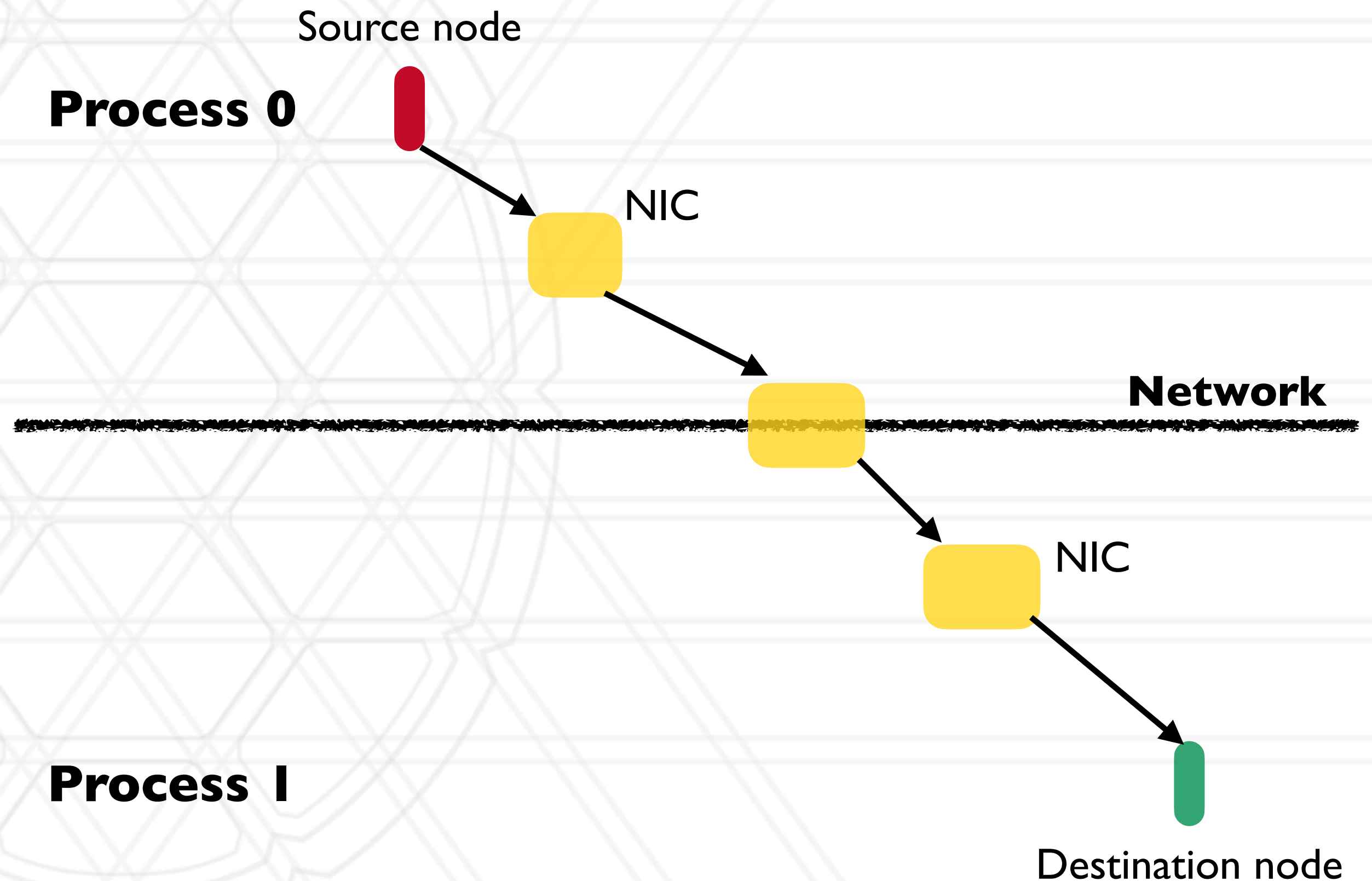
- Message sent assuming destination can store

- Rendezvous

- Message only sent after handshake (receiving ack) with destination

- Short

- Data sent with the message envelope



Other MPI send modes

- Basic mode:

- MPI_Send

- Buffered mode:

- MPI_Bsend
- Use MPI_Buffer_attach to provide space for buffering

- Synchronous mode

- MPI_Ssend

- Ready mode

- MPI_Rsend

<https://www.mcs.anl.gov/research/projects/mpi/sendmode.html>



UNIVERSITY OF
MARYLAND

Abhinav Bhatele

5218 Brendan Iribe Center (IRB) / College Park, MD 20742

phone: 301.405.4507 / e-mail: bhatele@cs.umd.edu