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# Parallel Runtime Interface for Fortran

A compiler and implementation independent interface for supporting the parallel features of the Fortran language

<https://go.lbl.gov/prif>

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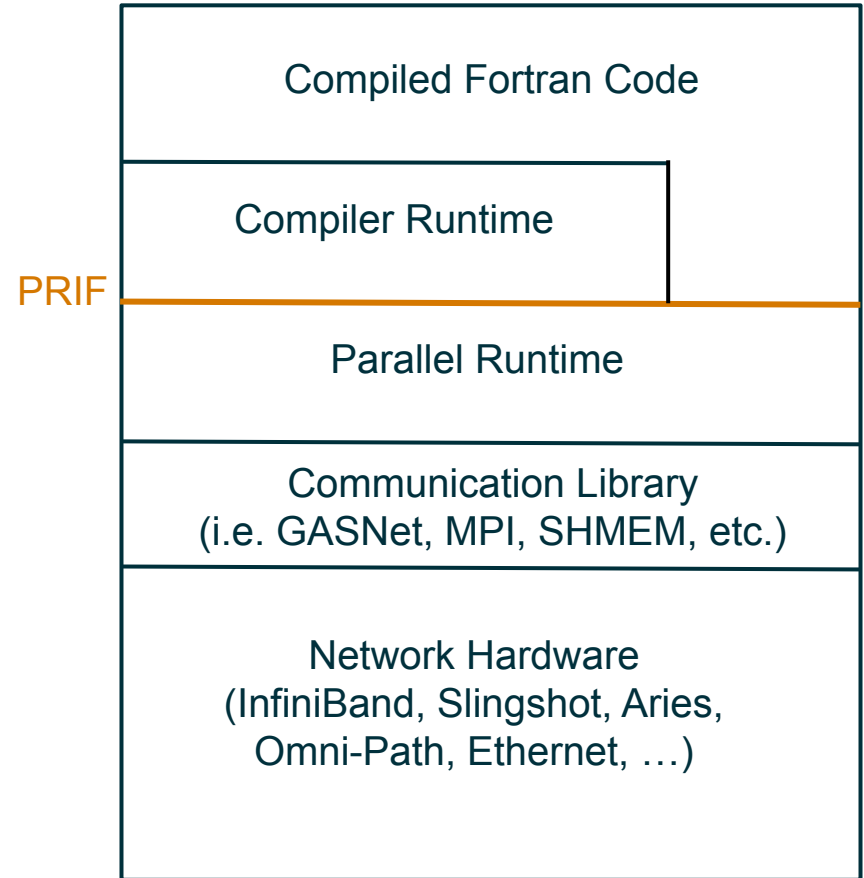
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# Motivation

## What's this for?

- Enable a compiler to target multiple implementations of PRIF
  - I.e. enable a vendor to supply their own parallel runtime
- Enable a PRIF implementation to be used by multiple compilers
- Isolate a compiler's support of the parallel features of the language from any particular details of the communication infrastructure
- Our group's experience with UPC and OpenCoarrays has shown this to be valuable



# Parallel Features

- Statements
  - Synchronization
    - Explicit: `sync all`, `sync images`, `sync memory`, `sync team`
    - Implicit: `allocate`, `deallocate`, `stop`, `end`, `move_alloc`
  - Events: `event post`, `event wait`
  - Notify: `notify wait`
  - Error termination: `error stop`
  - Locks: `lock`, `unlock`
  - Failed images: `fail image`
  - Teams: `form team`, `change team`
  - Critical sections: `critical`, `end critical`
- Coarray Accesses ([...])
- Intrinsic functions: `num_images`, `this_image`, `lcbound`, `ucbound`, `team_number`, `get_team`, `failed_images`, `stopped_images`, `image_status`, `coshape`, `image_index`
- Intrinsic subroutines
  - Collective subroutines: `co_sum`, `co_max`, `co_min`, `co_reduce`, `co_broadcast`
  - Atomic subroutines: `atomic_add`, `atomic_and`, `atomic_cas`, `atomic_define`, `atomic_fetch_add`, `atomic_fetch_and`, `atomic_fetch_or`, `atomic_fetch_xor`, `atomic_or`, `atomic_ref`, `atomic_xor`
  - Other subroutines: `event_query`
- Types, kind type parameters, and values
  - Intrinsic derived types: `event_type`, `team_type`, `lock_type`, `notify_type`
  - Atomic kind type parameters: `atomic_int_kind` and `atomic_logical_kind`
  - Values: `stat_failed_image`, `stat_locked`, `stat_locked_other_image`, `stat_stopped_image`, `stat_unlocked`, `stat_unlocked_failed_image`

# PRIF Design Overview

Parallel Features Directly Translatable to Use of Fortran Library

```
me = this_image()
```

```
call prif_this_image(image_index=me)
```

```
call co_sum(a, result_image=1)
```

```
call prif_co_sum( &  
    a, result_image=1_c_int)
```

```
arr[1] = some_calc()
```



```
call prif_put( &  
    arr_coarray_handle, &  
    int([1], c_intmax_t), &  
    some_calc(), &  
    int(storage_size(arr)/8, c_size_t), &  
    c_loc(arr))
```

# PRIF Design Overview: Responsibilities

## Compiler

- Establish and initialize static coarrays prior to main
- Track corank of coarrays
- Track local coarrays for implicit deallocation when exiting a scope
- Initialize a coarray with SOURCE= as part of allocate-stmt
- Provide prif\_critical\_type coarrays for critical-constructs
- Provide final subroutine for all derived types that are finalizable or that have allocatable components that appear in a coarray
- Variable allocation status tracking, including use of MOVE\_ALLOC

## PRIF Implementation

- Track coarrays for implicit deallocation at end-team-stmt
- Allocate and deallocate a coarray
- Reference a coindexed-object
- Team stack abstraction
- form-team-stmt, change-team-stmt, end-team-stmt
- Intrinsic functions related to parallel Fortran, like num\_images, etc
- Atomic subroutines
- Collective subroutines
- Synchronization statements
- Events, notify
- Locks
- critical-construct

# Next Steps

- Submit PRIF Design Doc to LLVM-Project Repository
- Finish tests for proper behaviour of parallel features
- Finish implementation in Caffeine
- (Find help with) Integration into flang
- Track progress: <https://github.com/BerkeleyLab/flang-testing-project/projects/7>
- Solicit Feedback:
  - [Discourse Post](#)
  - Email: [lbl-flang@lbl.gov](mailto:lbl-flang@lbl.gov)
  - Specification Working Draft: <https://go.lbl.gov/prif>
  - We welcome issues and PRs at the above GitHub Repository

# Questions?

- Email: [lbl-flang@lbl.gov](mailto:lbl-flang@lbl.gov)
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# Who We are

We have experience developing parallel runtimes, parallel applications, Flang frontend parallel features, and parallel unit tests:

- **OpenCoarrays:** Fanfarillo, A., Burnus, T., Cardellini, V., Filippone, S., Nagle, D., & Rouson, D. (2014). [“OpenCoarrays: open-source transport layers supporting coarray Fortran compilers.”](#) In *Proceedings of the 8th International Conference on Partitioned Global Address Space Programming Models* (pp. 1-11). [doi: 10.1145/2676870.2676876](#)
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- **UPC++:** Bachan, Baden, Hofmeyr, Jacquelin, Kamil, Bonachea, Hargrove, Ahmed, [“UPC++: A High-Performance Communication Framework for Asynchronous Computation”](#), 33rd IEEE International Parallel & Distributed Processing Symposium (IPDPS'19), May 2019, [doi: 10.25344/S4V88H](#)

# Why not OpenCoarrays?

- Is hardwired to gfortran, e.g., many procedures manipulate gfortran-specific descriptors
- The interface implicitly assumes a MPI backend
- Only the MPI layer is maintained (GASNet & OpenSHMEM layers are legacy codes)
- Lacks full support for some parallel features (e.g., teams).
- Has a [bus factor](#) of ~1.

# What is GASNet?

