



Roadmap for parallel computing framework

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JRA1.1.2 Tasks

Subtask	Name	Owner	Due
A11.1	define a proposal for a parallel execution framework within EMI	MPI TF	M18
A12.1	implementation of the proposal for a parallel execution framework within EMI	MPI TF	M32
A13.1	enable capabilities to support multi-core, multi-node execution in ARC	Arc CE	M36
A13.2	enable capabilities to support multi-core, multi-node execution in gLite	gLite JM	M36
A13.3	enable capabilities to support multi-core, multi-node execution in UNICORE	UNICORE *	M36
A13.4	enable capabilities to support cross-middleware multi-core, multi-node execution	MPI TF	M36

A11.1 Common Execution Framework

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- Modifications proposal by the MPI TF:
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ParallelEnvironment Implementation

- There is not a single parallel environment that can cover all kinds of parallel jobs.
- Each middleware stack provides its own mechanism for developing them:
 - ARC: based on shell scripts
 - gLite: ?
 - Unicore: based on XML templates

ParallelEnvironment Implementation

- mpi-start provides PE functionality for common MPI implementations & batch systems:
 - It is independent of the middleware
 - It just interacts with the batch system and the MPI implementation
 - Extensible and open to new parallel applications
 - Easy to configure by the sysadmins (shell scripts)

A12.1: Implementation of the proposal

- EMI-ES + mpi-start as basis for PE implementation
 - Already performed adaptation for ARC RuntimeEnvironments and UNICORE ParallelEnvironmnet.
- To be finished by M32, but should be fast once the EMI-ES implementations are ready

mpi-start roadmap

- Current version in EMI: 1.1.0
 - Open MPI, MPICH, MPICH2, LAM MPI
 - PBS/Torque, (S)GE, LSF, Slurm, Condor
 - Hybrid MPI/OpenMP support
 - Support for binding to core/socket/node
 - Processor/Memory affinity in Open MPI
- Towards EMI 2:
 - Processor/Memory affinity in MPICH2
 - Improved extensibility
 - Improved Slurm & Condor support
 - Bug fixing

A13.4

- A13.4: enable capabilities to support cross-middleware multi-core, multi-node execution (M36)
 - any ideas?
- mpi-start was used in int.eu.grid for multi-site execution using PACX-MPI
 - Requires a node with public IP
 - Main issue: co-scheduling/reservation



Parallel jobs consolidation

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- Currently in discussion by MPI TF

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- mpi-start *consolidates* PE backend for common MPI vendors:
 - Will be adapted to each middleware mechanism

Consolidation Plan

- Consolidation plan created by MPI TF
- EMI-ES and ParallelEnvironment are already agreed
- No products phased out:
 - Each “CE” implements the EMI-ES
 - mpi-start provides backend implementation
- what are the main difficulties in the consolidation of your area?
 - Agreement on common attributes for PE

Consolidation Plan

- Common EMI cli/API, maintenance:
 - EMI-ES will be the common API, maintained by each CE
 - Backend maintained by gLite MPI (mpi-start)
- New products do not affect consolidation, no replacements.



Thank you

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