REFINING FORTRAN FAILED IMAGES

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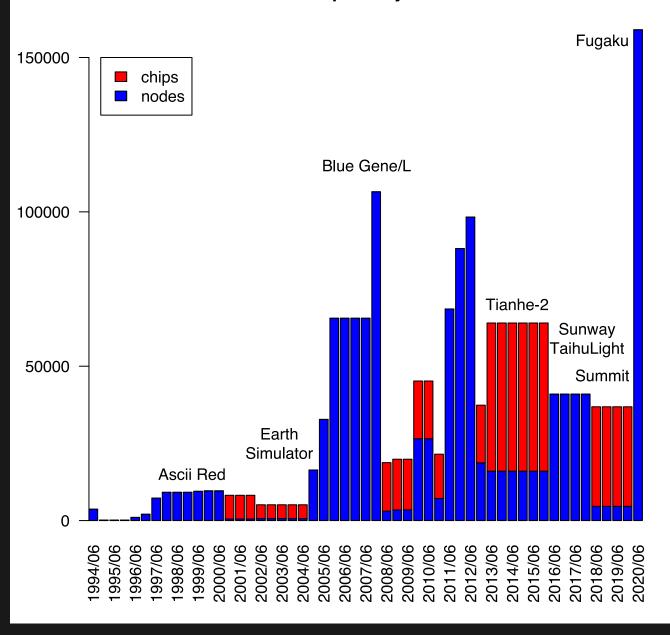
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PRESENTATION TOPICS

- Fortran 2018 features for fault-tolerant parallel programming
- Prototype implementation ("OpenCoarrays-ft")
- Proposed changes to Fortran 2018 standard

MOTIVATION





For Tianhe-2, the MTBF is about 2h on 8192 nodes.

Chen et al., Toward fault-tolerant hybrid programming over large-scale heterogeneous clusters via checkpointing/restart optimization (2019)

On average [over 261 days], an application failure caused by a system-related issue [on Blue Waters] occurs every 15 min...

1.53% of applications failed due to system problems, these... account for about 9% of total production node hours.

...an increase of 20x in the application failure probability... when scaling XE applications from 10,000 to 22,000 nodes.

...failed applications that are not recovered through checkpoint/restart add potentially \$421,878 to the Blue Waters energy bill...

Therefore, the impact of system errors on applications and costs of ownership is substantial and destined to grow for larger machines.

STATE OF THE PRACTICE

STATE OF THE PRACTICE COORDINATED CHECKPOINT/RESTART

- Processes periodically save state off node
- Global rollback (backward) recovery if a process fails:
 - All (non-failed) processes terminate
 - Newly-launched processes read state and resume execution

EXAMPLES OF OTHER RECOVERY MODELS

- Local non-shrinking backward recovery
 - Can use in-memory checkpoint from peer/buddy process
- Forward shrinking recovery

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MPI itself provides no mechanisms for handling processor failures.

MPI 3.1 (2015)

- MPI Extensions:
 - Reinit
 - User-Level Failure Mitigation (ULFM)

FORTRAN 2018

FORTRAN 2018 FAILED IMAGES

FAILED IMAGES

- OpenCoarrays
 - partial support, to allow an application to detect & exit
- Intel Fortran 19.1
- NAG Fortran Compiler 7.0
 - Single node

INTRODUCING OPENCOARRAYS-FT

- Prototype extensions to OpenCoarrays
- Adds support for:
 - FORM TEAM
 - New teams excludes failed images
 - O NEW_INDEX=
 - STAT= and ERRMSG= in:
 - FORM TEAM
 - CHANGE TEAM / END TEAM
 - SYNC TEAM
 - CRITICAL
 - ULFM2 (Open-MPI)

OVERVIEW OF FORTRAN 2018 FEATURES FOR FAULT-TOLERANT PARALLEL PROGRAMMING

Fortran	MPI
image	process
image index	rank
team	communicator

An *image* can be in one of 3 states:

Failed

Fail-stop/crash failure

Stopped

- Reached end of program or STOP statement
- Coarray data can still be accessed by active images

Active

An image that has neither stopped nor failed

FAILED IMAGES SEMANTICS

```
integer :: X[*]
...
X = X[1]
```

FAILED IMAGES SEMANTICS

```
use intrinsic :: iso_fortran_env, only: STAT_FAILED_IMAGE
integer :: s, X[*]
...
X = X[1, STAT=s]
if (s == STAT_FAILED_IMAGE) then
... handle image failure ...
```

FAILED IMAGES SEMANTICS IMAGE CONTROL STATEMENTS

An *image control statement* "affects the execution ordering between images" (\Longrightarrow synchronization)

FAILED IMAGES SEMANTICS IMAGE CONTROL STATEMENTS

```
SYNC TEAM(STAT=s)
if (s == STAT_FAILED_IMAGE) then
  failed = FAILED_IMAGES()
   ... handle image failure ...
```

FAILED IMAGES SEMANTICS IMAGE CONTROL STATEMENTS

SYNC TEAM

! error termination of image failure detected

IMAGE CONTROL STATEMENTS

If the STAT= specifier appears in... a CHANGE TEAM, END TEAM, EVENT POST, FORM TEAM, SYNC ALL, SYNC IMAGES, or SYNC TEAM statement... [and] one of the images involved has failed... the intended action is performed on the active images involved and stat-variable is assigned the value STAT_FAILED_IMAGE...

If Fortran 2018 requires many image control statements to perform their intended action in the presence of failed images

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Some of these image control statements involve synchronization among all images in a team.

```
1 // OpenCoarray-ft implementation
 2 MPI Comm team comm;
 3 . . .
 4 int rc, flag = 1;
 5 do {
 6 MPIX Comm failure ack(team comm);
 7 rc = MPIX Comm agree(team comm, &flag);
 8 } while (rc != MPI SUCCESS);
 9 MPIX Comm failure get acked(team comm, &failed group);
10 MPI Group size(failed group, &num failed in group);
11 if (num failed in group > 0) {
**stat = STAT FAILED IMAGE;
13 ... translate ranks to MPI COMM WORLD (initial team)
14 ... and add to MPI group of known process failures
```

See ULFM spec: "Fault-Tolerant Consistent Group of Failures Example (Agree variant)"

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MPI_COMM_FAILURE_ACK acknowledges process failures in team_comm detected by the caller

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```

MPI_COMM_AGREE: fault-tolerant consensus

- 1. MPI_ALLREDUCE w/ MPI_BAND on flag (unused)
- 2. Synchronizes acknowledged failed processes

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 4 int rc, flag = 1;
 6 MPIX Comm failure ack(team comm);
 7 rc = MPIX Comm agree(team comm, &flag);
 8 } while (rc != MPI SUCCESS);
   MPIX Comm failure get acked(team comm, &failed_group);
10 MPI Group size(failed group, &num failed in group);
11 if (num failed in group > 0) {
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- Propagates a consistent knowledge of failed images in team
 - FAILED_IMAGES() returns list of images (in current team) known by caller to have failed
 - Fortran 2018 requires only at least 1 failed image

Rationale:

1. OpenCoarrays-ft doesn't reliably support detecting new image failures in coarray operations, e.g.

```
X = X[1, STAT=s]
```

- ULFM2 lacks explicit support for detecting process failure in MPI one-sided operations
- 2. Consistent knowledge of image failure can aid recovery
 - And not that costly, as we'll see later...

COLLECTIVE SUBROUTINES

defn:

intrinsic subroutine that performs a calculation on a team of images without requiring synchronization

• CO_BROADCAST, CO_MAX, CO_MIN, CO_REDUCE, CO_SUM

COLLECTIVE SUBROUTINES

```
call co_sum(A, STAT=s)
```

- s == STAT_FAILED_IMAGE:
 - May be true for subset of images in current team¹
 - Result (A) is undefined
 - Current team cannot be used for collectives
 - Would need to form a new team w/o failed images
- 1. Fortran 2018: implies all images see the same STAT= value; will change in future standard

```
use, intrinsic: iso_fortran_env, only: team_type
type(team_type) :: team_variable
integer :: team_number
...
FORM TEAM (team_number, new_team)
```

Similar to:

CHANGE TEAM CONSTRUCT

```
use, intrinsic: iso_fortran_env, only: team_type
type(team_type) :: team_variable
integer :: team_number
...
FORM TEAM (team_number, new_team)
CHANGE TEAM(new_team)
... image indices & collectives refer to new team ...
END TEAM
```

- All operations in CHANGE TEAM construct refer to new team
- CHANGE/END TEAM cause synchronization among images in new_team

```
use, intrinsic: iso_fortran_env, only: team_type
type(team_type) :: team_variable
...

FORM TEAM (team_number, new_team, STAT=s)
IF (s == STAT_FAILED_IMAGE) ... handle image failure ...
CHANGE TEAM(new_team, STAT=s)
    IF (s == STAT_FAILED_IMAGE) ... handle image failure ...
... image indices & collectives refer to new team ...
END TEAM(STAT=s)
IF (s == STAT_FAILED_IMAGE) ... handle image failure ...
```

Adding FORM TEAM STAT= allows *shrinking* recovery

- Failed images removed from new_team
- Image indices in new_team processor-dependent

EXAMPLE

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```
call random_init(repeatable=.false.,
    image_distinct=.true.)

do sample = 1, SS
    call random_number(x); call random_number(y)
    if (hypot(x, y) <= 1) n = n + 1
end do

call co_sum(n, result_image=1)

if (this_image() == 1) write(*,*) 4.0d0*n/SS/NUM_IMAGES()</pre>
```

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   image_distinct=.true.)
2
3 do sample = 1, SS
4   call random_number(x); call random_number(y)
5   if (hypot(x, y) <= 1) n = n + 1
6 end do
7
8   call co_sum(n, result_image=1)
9
10 if (this_image() == 1) write(*,*) 4.0d0*n/SS/NUM_IMAGES()</pre>
```

Seed the random number generator on each image.

```
1  call random_init(repeatable=.false.,
    image_distinct=.true.)
2
3  do sample = 1, SS
4    call random_number(x); call random_number(y)
5    if (hypot(x, y) <= 1) n = n + 1
6  end do
7
8   call co_sum(n, result_image=1)
9
10  if (this_image() == 1) write(*,*) 4.0d0*n/SS/NUM_IMAGES()</pre>
```

Randomly sample SS ordered pairs $(x,y) \in [0,1)$

```
1  call random_init(repeatable=.false.,
    image_distinct=.true.)
2
3  do sample = 1, SS
4    call random_number(x); call random_number(y)
5    if (hypot(x, y) <= 1) n = n + 1
6  end do
7
8   call co_sum(n, result_image=1)
9
10  if (this_image() == 1) write(*,*) 4.0d0*n/SS/NUM_IMAGES()</pre>
```

Count the number that are within the unit circle.

Note
$$hypot(x,y) == \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

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    image_distinct=.true.)
2
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5    if (hypot(x, y) <= 1) n = n + 1
6 end do
7
8 call co_sum(n, result_image=1)
9
10 if (this_image() == 1) write(*,*) 4.0d0*n/SS/NUM_IMAGES()</pre>
```

Sum counts from each image.

Save the results on image 1.

```
1 call
  random_init(repeatable=.false.,image_distinct=.true.)
2
3 do sample = 1, SS
4   call random_number(x); call random_number(y)
5   if (hypot(x, y) <= 1) n = n + 1
6 end do
7
8   call co_sum(n, result_image=1)
9
10 if (this_image() == 1) write(*,*) 4.0d0*n/SS/NUM_IMAGES()</pre>
```

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m sum}}{SS}}{
m NUM_IMAGES()}$$

```
1 call random init(repeatable=.false.,
   image distinct=.true.)
 2
 3 do sample = 1, SS
     call random number(x); call random number(y)
 5 if (hypot(x, y) <= 1) n = n + 1
 6 end do
  n copy = n
  do
10
11
     form team(1, team active images, stat=status)
     change team (team active images, stat=status)
12
       image in team = this image()
13
14
       call co sum(n, result image=1, stat=status)
```

Forward, shrinking recovery from failure of any image¹

```
1. Except image in team == 1 after END TEAM
```

```
1 call random init(repeatable=.false.,
   image distinct=.true.)
3 do sample = 1, SS
4 call random number(x); call random_number(y)
5 if (hypot(x, y) \leq 1) n = n + 1
8 n copy = n
     form team(1, team active images, stat=status)
     change team (team active images, stat=status)
       image in team = this image()
14
       call co sum(n, result image=1, stat=status)
```

On image failure, restore n from a copy...

```
1 call random init(repeatable=.false.,
   image distinct=.true.)
3 do sample = 1, SS
4 call random number(x); call random number(y)
5 if (hypot(x, y) \leq 1) n = n + 1
8 n copy = n
11
     form team(1, team active images, stat=status)
     change team (team active images, stat=status)
       image in team = this image()
       call co sum(n, result image=1, stat=status)
```

...form a new team (excluding failed images)...

```
1 call random init(repeatable=.false.,
   image distinct=.true.)
3 do sample = 1, SS
4 call random number(x); call random number(y)
if (hypot(x, y) \le 1) n = n + 1
8 n copy = n
    form team(1, team active images, stat=status)
     change team (team active images, stat=status)
12
       image in team = this image()
      call co sum(n, result image=1, stat=status)
```

Use the new team for CO SUM

```
1 call random init(repeatable=.false.,
   image distinct=.true.)
3 do sample = 1, SS
   call random number(x); call random number(y)
  if (hypot(x, y) \le 1) n = n + 1
  n copy = n
10 do
     form team(1, team active images, stat=status)
     change team (team active images, stat=status)
       image in team = this image()
       call co sum(n, result image=1, stat=status)
```

If no (further) image failure is detected after CO_SUM and END TEAM, then EXIT the DO loop...

```
1 call random init(repeatable=.false.,
   image distinct=.true.)
 3 do sample = 1, SS
 4 call random number(x); call random_number(y)
  if (hypot(x, y) \le 1) n = n + 1
   n copy = n
     form team(1, team active images, stat=status)
     change team (team active images, stat=status)
       image in team = this image()
13
       call co sum(n, result image=1, stat=status)
```

Output result (adjusting by # of active images) from image that was image 1 in team_active_images¹.

1. Fortran disallows THIS_IMAGE(TEAM=child), NUM_IMAGES(TEAM=child)

```
1 MPI Comm team = current team;
 2 redo:
 3 rc = MPI Comm split(team, team number, 0, new team);
   flag = (rc == MPI SUCCESS);
 5 rc = MPIX Comm agree(team, &flag);
 6 if (MPI SUCCESS != rc | !flag) {
     *stat = STAT FAILED IMAGE;
 8
     MPIX Comm shrink(current team, new team);
     MPIX Comm failure ack(current_team);
     MPIX Comm failure get acked(current team, &failed);
10
    ... union with group of known failed images ...
11
12 team = *new team;
    goto redo;
13
14 }
```

OpenCoarrays-ft implementation (approximate)¹

1. Based on original OpenCoarrays MPI error handler.

```
1 MPI Comm team = current team;
2 redo:
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   if (MPI SUCCESS != rc | !flag) {
     *stat = STAT FAILED IMAGE;
     MPIX Comm shrink(current team, new team);
     MPIX Comm failure ack(current team);
     MPIX Comm failure get acked(current team, &failed);
    ... union with group of known failed images ...
12 team = *new team;
     goto redo;
```

Attempt to create an MPI communicator for the new team

```
1 MPI Comm team = current team;
2 redo:
 3 rc = MPI Comm split(team, team number, 0, new team);
   flag = (rc == MPI SUCCESS);
   rc = MPIX Comm agree(team, &flag);
   if (MPI SUCCESS != rc | !flag) {
     *stat = STAT FAILED IMAGE;
     MPIX Comm shrink(current team, new team);
     MPIX Comm failure ack(current_team);
     MPIX Comm failure get acked(current team, &failed);
    ... union with group of known failed images ...
12 team = *new team;
     goto redo;
```

Fault-tolerant consensus on success of split operation (bitwise-AND among non-failed processes)

```
1 MPI Comm team = current team;
2 redo:
 3 rc = MPI Comm split(team, team number, 0, new team);
   flag = (rc == MPI SUCCESS);
   rc = MPIX Comm agree(team, &flag);
   if (MPI SUCCESS != rc | !flag) {
     *stat = STAT FAILED IMAGE;
     MPIX Comm shrink(current team, new team);
     MPIX Comm failure ack(current_team);
     MPIX Comm failure get acked(current team, &failed);
    ... union with group of known failed images ...
12 team = *new team;
     goto redo;
```

If MPI_COMM_SPLIT failed at any process (due to locally-detected process failure), or any (locally-unacknowledged) process failure is detected during MPI_COMM_AGREE...

```
1 MPI Comm team = current team;
2 redo:
 3 rc = MPI Comm split(team, team number, 0, new team);
   flag = (rc == MPI SUCCESS);
   rc = MPIX Comm agree(team, &flag);
   if (MPI SUCCESS != rc | !flag) {
     *stat = STAT FAILED IMAGE;
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     MPIX Comm shrink(current team, new team);
     MPIX Comm failure ack(current_team);
     MPIX Comm failure get acked(current team, &failed);
    ... union with group of known failed images ...
12 team = *new team;
     goto redo;
```

MPI_COMM_SHRINK (ULFM): create new comm w/o failed processes

```
1 MPI Comm team = current team;
2 redo:
 3 rc = MPI Comm split(team, team number, 0, new team);
   flag = (rc == MPI SUCCESS);
   rc = MPIX Comm agree(team, &flag);
   if (MPI SUCCESS != rc | !flag) {
     *stat = STAT FAILED IMAGE;
     MPIX Comm shrink(current team, new team);
     MPIX Comm failure ack(current team);
     MPIX Comm failure get acked(current team, &failed);
    ... union with group of known failed images ...
12 team = *new team;
     goto redo;
```

Acknowledge failed processes in *current_team*Allows subsequent use without
MPIX_ERR_PROC_FAILED

```
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   rc = MPIX Comm agree(team, &flag);
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    MPIX Comm failure get acked(current team, &failed);
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    ... union with group of known failed images ...
11
12 team = *new team;
     goto redo;
```

Get group of failed processes in *current_team*

```
1 MPI Comm team = current team;
 2 redo:
   rc = MPI Comm split(team, team number, 0, new team);
   flag = (rc == MPI SUCCESS);
   rc = MPIX Comm agree(team, &flag);
   if (MPI SUCCESS != rc | !flag) {
     *stat = STAT FAILED IMAGE;
     MPIX Comm shrink(current team, new team);
     MPIX Comm failure ack(current team);
     MPIX Comm failure get acked(current team, &failed);
    ... union with group of known failed images ...
12
    team = *new team;
     goto redo;
13
```

Retry, creating a new team from the current team – failed images

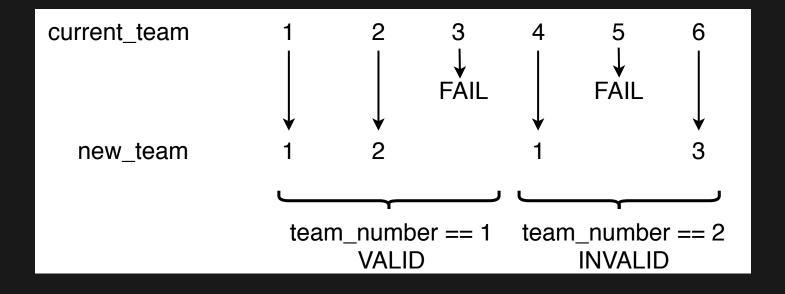
Non-shrinking recovery

```
team_num = 1
if (this_image >= 100) team_num = 2 ! spare image
...
FORM TEAM(team_num, new_team, NEW_INDEX=new_team_idx, STAT=s)
```

- Initial team contains "spare" images
- Image index ordering preserved with NEW_INDEX=
 - Added to OpenCoarrays-ft (and custom GFortran)
- Example C.6.8 (Fortran 2018 standard)
 - Issues; See paper for enhanced version

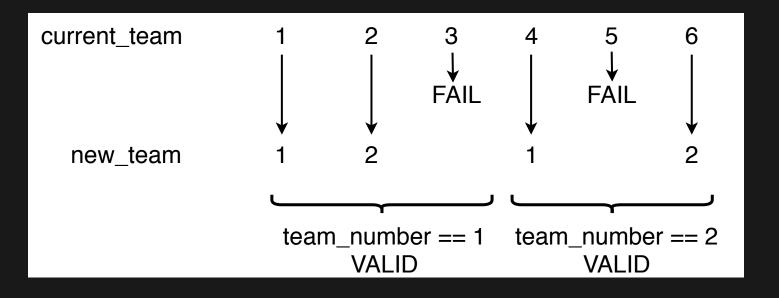
FORM TEAM NUM_IMAGES=

Fortran 2018 semantics



FORM TEAM NUM_IMAGES=

Proposed semantics



```
! Similar to MPI_COMM_SPLIT, with non-consecutive key values

call MPI_Comm_split(comm = current_team, &

color = team_number, &

key = new_index, &

newcomm = new_team, &

ierror = stat)
```

BENCHMARKS

SOFTWARE ENVIRONMENT

- OpenCoarrays-ft
- ULFM2
- GFortran 9.3.0 (modified)
 - STAT= and ERRMSG= in additional image control statements
 - FORM TEAM NEW_INDEX= specifier

SOFTWARE ENVIRONMENT

Available as a software container image (Alpine Linux)

Docker

```
$ alias dcaf='docker run -it --rm -v $PWD:/mnt -w $PWD:/mnt
ghcr.io/nathanweeks/espm2-2020:latest'
$ dcaf caf prog.f90
$ dcaf cafrun -np 8 ./a.out
```

Singularity

```
$ singularity pull docker://ghcr.io/nathanweeks/espm2-
2020:latest
$ singularity exec espm2-2020_latest.sif caf prog.f90
$ singularity exec espm2-2020_latest.sif cafrun -np 8 ./a.out
```

Caveat: expect bugs!

SOFTWARE ENVIRONMENT

- NERSC Cori (KNL)
- Shifter
 - TCP BTL

TEAM SYNCHRONIZATION

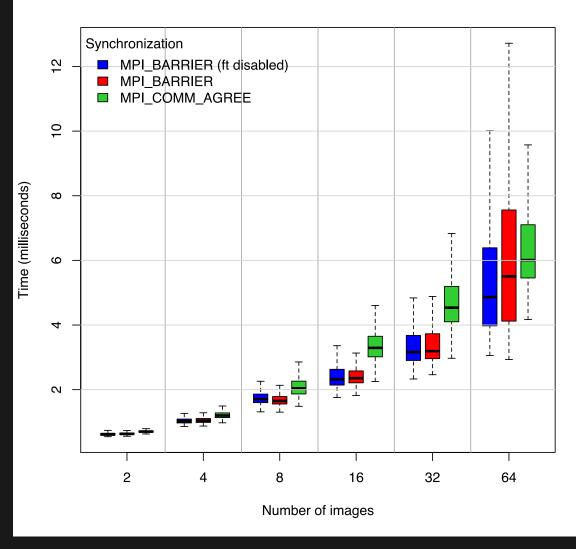
MPI_BARRIER-based synchronization

```
do i = 1, 1000
call system_clock(...)
form team(1, active_images)
call system_clock(...)
change team(active_images)
call system_clock(...)
end team
end do
call system_clock(...)
```

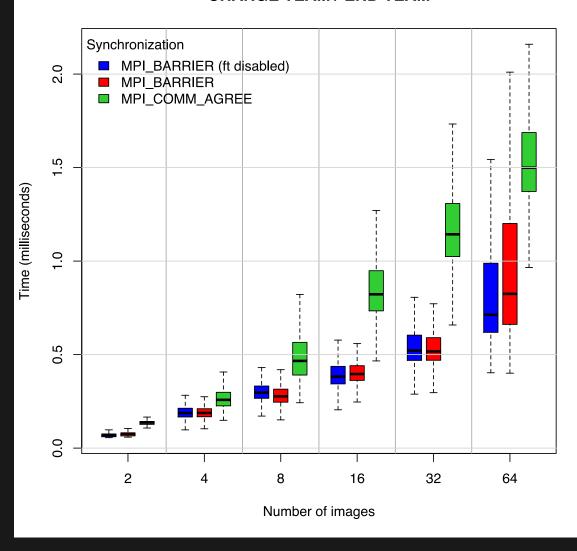
TEAM SYNCHRONIZATION

Fault-tolerant synchronization (MPI_COMM_AGREE)

```
do i = 1, 1000
call system_clock(...)
form team(1, active_images, stat=status)
call system_clock(...)
change team(active_images, stat=status)
call system_clock(...)
end team(stat=status)
end do
call system_clock(...)
```



CHANGE TEAM / END TEAM



SOLE SURVIVOR

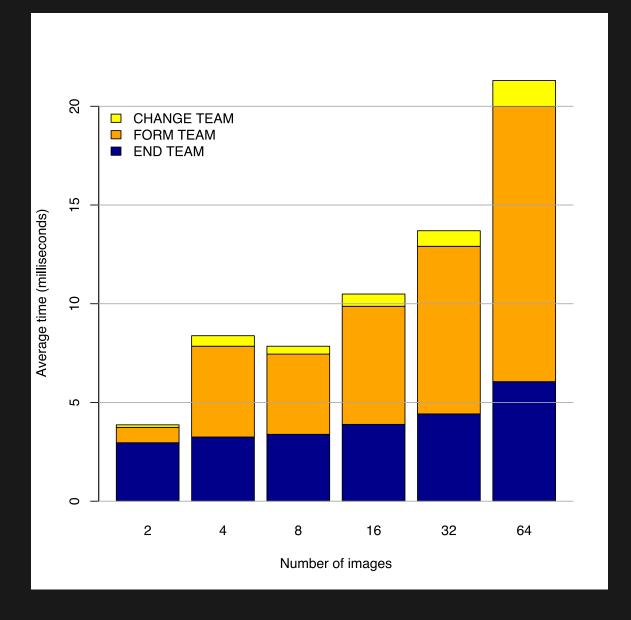
```
sync all
     do i = 1, num images()-1
       call system clock(...)
       form team(1, active images, stat=status)
5
       call system clock(...)
6
       change team(active images, stat=status)
         call system clock(...)
8
         if (this image() == num images()) fail image
       end team(stat=status)
10
    end do
11
     call system clock(...)
```

Time FORM / CHANGE / END team in the presence of image failures.

SOLE SURVIVOR

```
sync all
do i = 1, num_images()-1
call system_clock(...)
form team(1, active_images, stat=status)
call system_clock(...)
change team(active_images, stat=status)
call system_clock(...)
fi (this_image() == num_images()) fail image
end team(stat=status)
end do
call system_clock(...)
```

One image fails per iteration, until only one remains.



SUMMARY

- Fortran 2018 defines abstractions for fault tolerance
- Prototype Fortran failed images + teams
- Debug/validate Fortran 2018
 - Fortran standard changes needed to facilitate portable resilient applications

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QUESTIONS?