

NVSHMEM

Release Notes

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Chapter 1. NVSHMEM Release 2.6.0

Welcome to the NVIDIA[®] NVSHMEM[™] 2.6.0 release notes.

Key Features And Enhancements

This NVSHMEM release includes the following key features and enhancements:

- Added new GPU initiated communication transport that allows kernel initiated communication to be issued directly to the NIC and bypass the CPU proxy thread. The transport is currently provided in experimental mode. It is disabled by default. Please refer to the installation guide for how to enable it.
- Updated the libfabric transport with initial support for Slingshot-11 networks. Performance tuning for the libfabric transport is ongoing.
- Added collective algorithms for bcast/fcollect/reduce that use low latency (LL) optimization by sending data and synchronization together, resulting in significant performance improvements.
- Added warp- and block-scope implementation of recursive exchange algorithm for reduce collectives.
- Fixed bug in host/on-stream RMA API for very large data transfers.
- Fixed bug in implementation of nvshmem fence and nvshmemx quiet on stream API.

Compatibility

NVSHMEM 2.6.0 has been tested with the following:

- ► CUDA:
 - 10.2
 - **11.0**
 - <u>1</u>1.7
- On x86 and Power 9 processors

Limitations

NVSHMEM is not yet compatible with the PMI client library on Cray systems and must use the NVSHMEM internal PMI-2 client library. Jobs can be launched with the PMI bootstrap

- by specifying --mpi=pmi2 to Slurm and NVSHMEM_B00TSTRAP_PMI=PMI-2. PMI-2 can also be set as the default PMI by setting NVSHMEM_DEFAULT_PMI2=1 when building.
- ► The libfabric transport does not yet support VMM and VMM must be disabled by setting NVSHMEM_DISABLE_CUDA_VMM.
- Libfabric support on Slingshot-11 networks requires setting the following environment variable
 - ► FI_CXI_OPTIMIZED_MRS=false
 - VMM support is disabled by default on Power 9 systems because of a performance regression.
 - ▶ MPG support is not yet available on Power 9 systems.
 - Systems with PCIe peer-to-peer communication require one of the following:
 - InfiniBand to support NVSHMEM atomics APIs.
 - ► The use of NVSHMEM's UCX transport that, if IB is absent, will use sockets for atomics.

Fixed Issues

There are no fixed issues in this release.

Breaking Changes

There are no breaking changes in this release.

Known Issues

- NVSHMEM device APIs can **only** be statically linked.
 - This is because the linking of CUDA device symbols does not work across shared libraries.
- nvshmem_barrier*, nvshmem_quiet, and nvshmem_wait_until only ensure PE-PE ordering and visibility on systems with NVLink and InfiniBand.
 - They do not ensure global ordering and visibility.
- ► Complex types, which are enabled by setting NVSHMEM_COMPLEX_SUPPORT at compile time, are not currently supported.
- ▶ When built with GDRcopy and when using Infiniband, NVSHMEM cannot allocate the complete device memory because of the inability to reuse the BAR1 space.
 - This has been fixed with CUDA driver releases 470 and later in the 460 branch.
- ► When NVSHMEM maps the symmetric heap using cudaMalloc, it sets the CU_POINTER_ATTRIBUTE_SYNC_MEMOPS attribute, which automatically synchronizes synchronous CUDA memory operations on the symmetric heap.
 - With CUDA 11.3 and later, NVSHMEM supports the mapping of the symmetric heap by using the CUDA VMM APIs. However, when you map the symmetric heap by using

the VMM APIs, CUDA does not support this attribute, and users are responsible for synchronization. For additional information about synchronous CUDA memory operations, see <u>API synchronization behavior</u>.

Chapter 2. NVSHMEM Release 2.5.0

This is the NVIDIA[®] NVSHMEM[™] 2.5.0 release notes.

Key Features And Enhancements

This NVSHMEM release includes the following key features and enhancements:

Added multi-instance support in NVSHMEM.

NVSHMEM now builds as two libraries, libnvshmem_host.so and libnvshmem_device.a, which allows an application to have multiple components (for example, shared libraries and the application) that use NVSHMEM.



Note: Support for the libnvshmem.a library still exists for legacy purposes but will be eventually removed.

- Added the nvshmemx init status API to query the initialized state of NVSHMEM.
- ► Added support for CUDA VISIBLE DEVICES.

Support for CUDA_VISIBLE_DEVICES is not yet available with CUDA VMM, so you must set NVSHMEM DISABLE CUDA VMM=1.

- Updated PMI and PMI-2 bootstraps to plug-ins.
- Added the nvshmem-info utility to display information about the NVSHMEM library.
- Fixed warnings when using NVSHMEM in applications that compile without the Relocatable Device Code (RDC) option.
- Renamed internal variables to avoid potential conflicts with variables in the application.
- Implemented the nvshmem alltoallmem API.
- ▶ Improved the GPU-to-NIC assignment logic for the Summit/Sierra supercomputer.
- Fixed the host barrier API implementation for non-blocking on stream((*_nbi_on_stream)) point-to-point operations.
- ► Updated descriptions for NVSHMEM environment variables that are displayed by using nvshmem-info or by setting NVSHMEM INFO=1.

Compatibility

NVSHMEM 2.5.0 has been tested with the following:

- CUDA:
 - ▶ 10.2
 - **1**1.0
 - **1**1.6
- On x86 and Power 9 processors

Limitations

- VMM support is disabled by default on Power 9 systems because of a performance regression.
- ▶ MPG support is not yet available on Power 9 systems.
- Systems with PCIe peer-to-peer communication require one of the following:
 - InfiniBand to support NVSHMEM atomics APIs.
 - The use of NVSHMEM's UCX transport that, if IB is absent, will use sockets for atomics.

Fixed Issues

There are no fixed issues in this release.

Breaking Changes

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Known Issues

- NVSHMEM device APIs can **only** be statically linked.
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- nvshmem_barrier*, nvshmem_quiet, and nvshmem_wait_until only ensure PE-PE ordering and visibility on systems with NVLink and InfiniBand.
 - They do not ensure global ordering and visibility.
- ► Complex types, which are enabled by setting NVSHMEM_COMPLEX_SUPPORT at compile time, are not currently supported.
- ▶ When built with GDRcopy and when using Infiniband, NVSHMEM cannot allocate the complete device memory because of the inability to reuse the BAR1 space.
 - This will be fixed with future CUDA driver releases in the 470 (or later) and in the 460 branch.

► When NVSHMEM maps the symmetric heap using cudaMalloc, it sets the CU_POINTER_ATTRIBUTE_SYNC_MEMOPS attribute, which automatically synchronizes synchronous CUDA memory operations on the symmetric heap.

With CUDA 11.3 and later, NVSHMEM supports the mapping of the symmetric heap by using the CUDA VMM APIs. However, when you map the symmetric heap by using the VMM APIs, CUDA does not support this attribute, and users are responsible for synchronization. For additional information about synchronous CUDA memory operations, see <u>API synchronization behavior</u>.

Chapter 3. NVSHMEM Release 2.4.1

This is the NVIDIA[®] NVSHMEM[™] 2.4.1 release notes.

Key Features And Enhancements

This NVSHMEM release includes the following key features and enhancements:

- Added limited support for Multiple Processes per GPU (MPG) on x86 platforms.
 - ▶ The amount of support depends on the availability of CUDA MPS.
 - ▶ MPG support is currently not available on Power 9 platforms.
- Added a local buffer registration API that allows non-symmetric buffers to be used as local buffers in the NVSHMEM API.
- Added support for dynamic symmetric heap allocation, which eliminates the need to specify NVSHMEM SYMMETRIC SIZE.
 - On x86 platforms, this feature is is enabled by default, and is available with CUDA version 11.3 or later.
 - On P9 platforms, this feature is **disabled** by default, and can be enabled by using the NVSHMEM_DISABLE_CUDA_VMM environment variable.
- Support for large RMA messages.
- ► To build NVSHMEM without ibrc support, set NVSHMEM_IBRC_SUPPORT=0 in the environment before you build.

This allows you to build and run NVSHMEM without the GDRCopy and OFED dependencies.

- Support for calling nvshmem init/finalize multiple times with an MPI bootstrap.
- Improved testing coverage (large messages, exercising full GPU memory, and so on).
- ► Improved the default PE to NIC assignment for NVIDIA DGX-2TM systems.
- Optimized channel request processing by using the CPU proxy thread.
- Added support for the shmem_global_exit API.
- Removed redundant barriers to improve the collectives' performance.
- Significant code refactoring to use templates instead of macros for internal functions.
- Improved performance for device-side blocking RMA and strided RMA APIs.
- Bug fix for buffers with large offsets into the NVSHMEM symmetric heap.

Compatibility

NVSHMEM 2.4.1 has been tested with the following:

- CUDA:
 - ▶ 10.2
 - **11.0**
 - **11.5**
- On x86 and Power 9 processors

Limitations

- ▶ VMM support is disabled by default on Power 9 systems because of a performance regression.
- ▶ MPG support is not yet available on Power 9 systems.
- Systems with PCIe peer-to-peer communication require one of the following:
 - InfiniBand to support NVSHMEM atomics APIs.
 - The use of NVSHMEM's UCX transport that, if IB is absent, will use sockets for atomics.

Fixed Issues

There are no fixed issues in this release.

Breaking Changes

There are no breaking changes in this release.

Known Issues

NVSHMEM can only be linked statically.

This is because the linking of CUDA device symbols does not work across shared libraries.

- nvshmem_barrier*, nvshmem_quiet, and nvshmem_wait_until only ensure PE-PE ordering and visibility on systems with NVLink and InfiniBand.
 - They do not ensure global ordering and visibility.
- ► Complex types, which are enabled by setting NVSHMEM_COMPLEX_SUPPORT at compile time, are not currently supported.
- ▶ When built with GDRcopy and when using Infiniband, NVSHMEM cannot allocate the complete device memory because of the inability to reuse the BAR1 space.

This will be fixed with future CUDA driver releases in the 470 (or later) and in the 460 branch.

► When NVSHMEM maps the symmetric heap using cudaMalloc, it sets the CU_POINTER_ATTRIBUTE_SYNC_MEMOPS attribute, which automatically synchronizes synchronous CUDA memory operations on the symmetric heap.

With CUDA 11.3 and later, NVSHMEM supports the mapping of the symmetric heap by using the CUDA VMM APIs. However, when you map the symmetric heap by using the VMM APIs, CUDA does not support this attribute, and users are responsible for synchronization. For additional information about synchronous CUDA memory operations, see <u>API synchronization behavior</u>.

Chapter 4. NVSHMEM Release 2.2.1

This is the NVIDIA[®] NVSHMEM[™] 2.2.1 release notes.

Key Features And Enhancements

This NVSHMEM release includes the following key features and enhancements:

- Implemented dynamic heap memory allocation for runs with P2P GPUs.
 - This feature, which requires CUDA version 11.3 or later, can be enabled by using NVSHMEM DISABLE CUDA VMM=0. Support for IB runs will be added in the next release.
- Improved UCX transport performance for AMO and RMA operations.
- Improved performance for warp and block put/get operations.
- ▶ Added atomic support for PCle-connected GPUs over the UCX transport.
- ► The UCX transport now supports non-symmetric buffers for use as local buffers in RMA and AMO operations.
- Added support to initialize NVSHMEM in CUmodule.
- Enabled MPI and PMIx bootstrap modules to be compiled externally from the NVSHMEM build.

This allows multiple builds of these plugins to support various MPI and PMIx libraries. To select the plugins, set NVSHMEM_BOOTSTRAP="plugin" and NVSHMEM BOOTSTRAP PLUGIN="plugin name.so".



Note: The plugin sources are installed with the compiled NVSHMEM library.

► Enabled MPI bootstrap to be used with nvshmem_init.

You can set NVSHMEM BOOTSTRAP=MPI or use the bootstrap plugin method.

- Fixed bugs in nvshmem <typename> g and the fetch atomics implementation.
- ► Changed nvshmem_<typename>_collect to nvshmem_<typename>_fcollect to match the OpenSHMEM specification.
- Fixed a type of nreduce argument in the reduction API to size_t to match OpenSHMEM specification.

- Improved NVSHMEM build times with a multi-threaded option in the CUDA compiler (requires CUDA version 11.2 and later).
- Several fixes to address Coverity reports.

Compatibility

NVSHMEM 2.2.1 has been tested with the following:

- ► CUDA:
 - ▶ 10.2
 - 11.0
 - **11.4**
- On x86 and Power 9 processors

Limitations

Systems with PCIe peer-to-peer communication require one of the following:

- InfiniBand to support NVSHMEM atomics APIs.
- ▶ The use of NVSHMEM's UCX transport that, if IB is absent, will use sockets for atomics.

Fixed Issues

There are no fixed issues in this release.

Breaking Changes

- ► Changed nvshmem_<typename>_collect to nvshmem_<typename>_fcollect to match the OpenSHMEM specification.
- ► Fixed a type of nreduce argument in the reduction API to size_t to match OpenSHMEM specification.
- Removed support for host-side NVSHMEM wait APIs.

Known Issues

NVSHMEM can only be linked statically.

This is because the linking of CUDA device symbols does not work across shared libraries.

nvshmem_barrier*, nvshmem_quiet, and nvshmem_wait_until only ensure PE-PE ordering and visibility on systems with NVLink and InfiniBand.

They do not ensure global ordering and visibility.

- ► Complex types, which are enabled by setting NVSHMEM_COMPLEX_SUPPORT at compile time, are not currently supported.
- ▶ When built with GDRcopy and when using Infiniband, NVSHMEM cannot allocate the complete device memory because of the inability to reuse the BAR1 space.

This will be fixed with future CUDA driver releases in the 470 (or later) and in the 460 branch.

► When NVSHMEM maps the symmetric heap using cudaMalloc, it sets the CU_POINTER_ATTRIBUTE_SYNC_MEMOPS attribute, which automatically synchronizes synchronous CUDA memory operations on the symmetric heap.

With CUDA 11.3 and later, NVSHMEM supports the mapping of the symmetric heap by using the CUDA VMM APIs. However, when you map the symmetric heap by using the VMM APIs, CUDA does not support this attribute, and users are responsible for synchronization. For additional information about synchronous CUDA memory operations, see <u>API synchronization behavior</u>.

Chapter 5. NVSHMEM Release 2.1.2

This is the NVIDIA[®] NVSHMEM[™] 2.1.2 release notes.

Key Features And Enhancements

This NVSHMEM release includes the following key features and enhancements:

Added a new UCX internode communication transport layer.

Note: UCX is experimental for this release.

- Added support for the automatic warp-level coalescing of nvshmem g operations.
- Added support for put-with-signal operations on CUDA streams.
- Added support to map the symmetric heap by using the cuMem APIs.
- Improved the performance of the single-threaded NVSHMEM put/get device API.
- Added the NVSHMEM MAX TEAMS environment variable to specify the maximum number of teams that can be created.
- Improved the host and on-stream Alltoall performance by using NCCL.
- Fixed a bug in the compare-and-swap operation that caused several bytes of the compare operand to be lost.
- Improved support for single-node environments without InfiniBand.
- Added CPU core affinity to debugging output.
- ▶ Added support for the CUDA 11.3 cudaDeviceFlushGPUDirectRDMAWrites API for consistency.
- Improved support for the NVIDIA Tools Extension (NVTX) to enable performance analysis through NVIDIA NSight.
- Removed the NVSHMEM IS P2P RUN environment variable, because runtime automatically determines it.
- Made improvements to NVSHMEM example codes.
- Added the NVSHMEM REMOTE TRANSPORT environment variable to select the networking layer that is used for communication between nodes.
- ▶ Set the maxrregcount to 32 for non-inlined device functions to ensure that calling these NVSHMEM functions does not negatively affect kernel occupancy.

Compatibility

NVSHMEM 2.1.2 has been tested with the following:

- ► CUDA:
 - ▶ 10.2
 - **1**1.0
 - **1**1.3
- On x86 and Power 9 processors

Limitations

Systems with PCIe peer-to-peer communication require InfiniBand to support NVSHMEM atomics APIs.

Fixed Issues

There are no fixed issues in this release.

Breaking Changes

- Removed the following deprecated constants:
 - NVSHMEM MAJOR VERSION
 - NVSHMEM_MINOR_VERSION
 - NVSHMEM VENDOR STRING
- ▶ Removed support for the deprecated nvshmem wait API.

Known Issues

NVSHMEM can only be linked statically.

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nvshmem_barrier*, nvshmem_quiet, and nvshmem_wait_until only ensure PE-PE ordering and visibility on systems with NVLink and InfiniBand.

They do not ensure global ordering and visibility.

- ► Complex types, which are enabled by setting NVSHMEM_COMPLEX_SUPPORT at compile time, are not currently supported.
- In some cases, nvshmem_<typename>_g over InfiniBand and RoCE has been reported to return stale data.

We are continuing to investigate this issue. In the meantime, you can use nvshmem_<typename>_atomic_fetch as a workaround for nvshmem_<typename>_g, but the performance of these options is different.

- ▶ When built with GDRcopy and when using Infiniband, NVSHMEM cannot allocate the complete device memory because of the inability to reuse the BAR1 space.
 - This will be fixed with future CUDA driver releases in the 470 (or later) and in the 460 branch.
- ► When NVSHMEM maps the symmetric heap using cudaMalloc, it sets the CU_POINTER_ATTRIBUTE_SYNC_MEMOPS attribute, which automatically synchronizes synchronous CUDA memory operations on the symmetric heap.
 - With CUDA 11.3 and later, NVSHMEM supports the mapping of the symmetric heap by using the CUDA VMM APIs. However, when you map the symmetric heap by using the VMM APIs, CUDA does not support this attribute, and users are responsible for synchronization. For additional information about synchronous CUDA memory operations, see <u>API synchronization behavior</u>.

Chapter 6. NVSHMEM Release 2.0.3

This is the NVIDIA[®] NVSHMEM[™] 2.0.3 release notes.

Key Features And Enhancements

This NVSHMEM release includes the following key features and enhancements:

- Added the teams and team-based collectives APIs from OpenSHMEM 1.5.
- Added support to use the NVIDIA[®] Collective Communication Library (NCCL) for optimized NVSHMEM host and on-stream collectives.
- ▶ Added support for RDMA over Converged Ethernet (RoCE) networks.
- Added support for PMI-2 to enable an NVSHMEM job launch with srun/SLURM.
- Added support for PMIx to enable an NVSHMEM job launch with PMIx-compatible launchers, such as Slurm and Open MPI.
- Uniformly reformatted the perftest benchmark output.
- Added support for the putmem signal and signal wait until APIs.
- Improved support for single-node environments without InfiniBand.
- Fixed a bug that occurred when large numbers of fetch atomic operations were performed on InfiniBand.
- ▶ Improved topology awareness in NIC-to-GPU assignments for NVIDIA $^{\circledR}$ DGX $^{\intercal}$ A100 systems.
- ► Added the NVSHMEM_CUDA_LIMIT_STACK_SIZE environment variable to set the GPU thread stack size on Power systems.
- ▶ Updated the threading level support that was reported for host and stream-based APIs to NVSHMEM_THREAD_SERIALIZED.

Device-side APIs support NVSHMEM THREAD MULTIPLE.

Compatibility

NVSHMEM 2.0.3 has been tested with the following:

- ► The following version of CUDA:
 - **1**0.2

- <u>11.0</u>
- **11.1**
- x86 and Power 9

Limitations

There are no limitations in this release.

Fixed Issues

- Concurrent NVSHMEM collective operations with active sets are not supported.
- Concurrent NVSHMEM memory allocation operations and collective operations are not supported.

The OpenSHMEM specification has clarified that only memory management routines that operate on NVSHMEM_TEAM_WORLD, and no other collectives on that team, are permitted concurrently.

Breaking Changes

Removed support for active set-based collectives interface in OpenSHMEM.

Known Issues

NVSHMEM and libraries that use NVSHMEM can only be built as static libraries and not as shared libraries.

This is because the linking of CUDA device symbols does not work across shared libraries.

nvshmem_barrier*, nvshmem_quiet, and nvshmem_wait_until only ensure PE-PE ordering and visibility on systems with NVLink and InfiniBand.

They do not ensure global ordering and visibility.

- ► Complex types, which are enabled by setting NVSHMEM_COMPLEX_SUPPORT at compile time, are not currently supported.
- In some cases, nvshmem_<typename>_g over InfiniBand and RoCE has been reported to return stale data.

We are continuing to investigate this issue. In the meantime, you can use nvshmem_<typename>_atomic_fetch as a workaround for nvshmem_<typename>_g, but the performance of these options is different.

Chapter 7. NVSHMEM Release 2.0.2 EA

This is the $NVIDIA^{\textcircled{\$}} NVSHMEM^{TM}$ 2.0.2 EA release notes.

Key Features And Enhancements

This NVSHMEM release includes the following key features and enhancements:

- Added the teams and team-based collectives APIs from OpenSHMEM 1.5.
- ► Added support to use the NVIDIA® Collective Communication Library (NCCL) for optimized NVSHMEM host and on-stream collectives.



Note: This feature is not yet supported on Power 9 systems.

- Added support for RDMA over Converged Ethernet (RoCE) networks.
- Added support for PMI-2 to enable an NVSHMEM job launch with srun/SLURM.
- Added support for PMIx to enable an NVSHMEM job launch with PMIx-compatible launchers, such as Slurm and Open MPI.
- Uniformly reformatted the perftest benchmark output.
- Added support for the putmem signal and signal wait until APIs.
- Improved support for single-node environments without InfiniBand.
- Fixed a bug that occurred when large numbers of fetch atomic operations were performed on InfiniBand.
- ▶ Improved topology awareness in NIC-to-GPU assignments for DGX A100 systems.

Compatibility

NVSHMEM 2.0.2 EA has been tested with the following:

- The following version of CUDA:
 - 10.2
 - 11.0
 - **11.1**
- x86 and Power 9

Limitations

NVSHMEM with NCCL is not yet supported on Power 9 systems.

Fixed Issues

- Concurrent NVSHMEM collective operations with active sets are not supported.
- Concurrent NVSHMEM memory allocation operations and collective operations are not supported.

The OpenSHMEM specification has clarified that only memory management routines that operate on NVSHMEM_TEAM_WORLD, and no other collectives on that team, are permitted concurrently.

Breaking Changes

Removed support for active set-based collectives interface in OpenSHMEM.

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- NVSHMEM and libraries that use NVSHMEM can only be built as static libraries and not as shared libraries.
 - This is because the linking of CUDA device symbols does not work across shared libraries.
- nvshmem_barrier*, nvshmem_quiet, and nvshmem_wait_until only ensure PE-PE ordering and visibility on systems with NVLink and InfiniBand.
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- ► Complex types, which are enabled by setting NVSHMEM_COMPLEX_SUPPORT at compile time, are not currently supported.
- ► In some cases, nvshmem_<typename>_g over InfiniBand and RoCE has been reported to return stale data.
 - We are continuing to investigate this issue. In the meantime, you can use nvshmem_<typename>_atomic_fetch as a workaround for nvshmem_<typename>_g, but the performance of these options is different.

Chapter 8. NVSHMEM Release 1.1.3

This is the NVIDIA[®] NVSHMEM[™] 1.1.3 release notes.

Key Features And Enhancements

This NVSHMEM release includes the following key features and enhancements:

- ▶ Implemented the nvshmem <type> put signal API from OpenSHMEM 1.5.
- Added the nvshmemx signal op API.
- Optimized the implementation of a signal set operation over P2P connected GPUs.
- Optimized the performance of the nvshmem fence () function.
- Optimized the latency of the NVSHMEM atomics API.
- Fixed a bug in the nvshmem ptr API.
- Fixed a bug in the implementation of the host-side strided transfer (iput, iget, and so on) API.
- Fixed a bug in the on-stream reduction for the long long datatype.
- Fixed a hang during the nvshmem barrier collective operation.
- Fixed device nvshmem quiet() to also do quiet on IB ops to self.

Compatibility

NVSHMEM 1.1.3 has been tested with the following:

- ► CUDA 10.1, 10.2, and 11.0
- x86 and PowerPC

Known Issues

 NVSHMEM and libraries that use NVSHMEM can only be built as static libraries, not as shared libraries.

This is because linking of CUDA device symbols does not work across shared libraries.

- NVSHMEM collective operations with active sets are not supported.
- Concurrent NVSHMEM memory allocation operations and collective operations are not supported.

nvshmem_barrier*, nvshmem_quiet, and nvshmem_wait_until only ensure PE-PE ordering and visibility on systems with NVLink and InfiniBand.

They do not ensure global ordering and visibility.

Chapter 9. NVSHMEM Release 1.0.1

This is the $\mathsf{NVIDIA}^{\circledcirc}$ $\mathsf{NVSHMEM}^{\intercal}$ 1.0.1 release notes. This is the first official release of $\mathsf{NVSHMEM}$.

Key Features And Enhancements

This NVSHMEM release includes the following key features and enhancements.

- Combines the memory of multiple GPUs into a partitioned global address space that's accessed through NVSHMEM APIs.
- Includes a low-overhead, in-kernel communication API for use by GPU threads.
- Includes stream-based and CPU-initiated communication APIs.
- Supports peer-to-peer communication using NVIDIA[®] NVLink[®] and PCI Express and for GPU clusters using NVIDIA Mellanox[®] InfiniBand.
- Supports x86 and POWER9 processors.
- ▶ Is interoperable with MPI and other OpenSHMEM implementations.

Compatibility

NVSHMEM 1.0.1 has been tested with the following:

- CUDA 10.1, 10.2, and 11.0 RC
- x86 and PowerPC

Known Issues

- NVSHMEM and libraries that use NVSHMEM can only be built as static libraries, not as shared libraries. This is because linking of CUDA device symbols does not work across shared libraries.
- NVSHMEM collective operations with overlapping active sets are known not to work in some scenarios.
- nvshmem quiet only ensures PE-PE visibility and not global visibility of data.

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