

## Introduction: SEND and RECEIVE

### General MPI commands

```
/* Preprocessor directive */
#include "mpi.h"

main(int argc, char* argv[]){
    /* no MPI functions called before this */
    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);

    MPI_Finalize();
    /* no MPI functions called after this */

} /* end of main program */
```

### Two basic calls

```
/* returns the number of nodes currently being used */
MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &numnodes);

/* returns the number of the node which calls this function */
MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &myrank);
```

## Sending and Receiving Messages

```
int MPI_Send(
    void *      message /* in */,
    int          count   /* in */,
    MPI_Datatype datatype /* in */,
    int          dest    /* in */,
    int          tag     /* in */,
    MPI_Comm     comm    /* in */)

int MPI_Recv(
    void *      message /* out */,
    int          count   /* in */,
    MPI_Datatype datatype /* in */,
    int          source  /* in */,
    int          tag     /* in */,
    MPI_Comm     comm    /* in */,
    MPI_Status*  status  /* out */)
```

### Description of parameters

message - actual data being transmitted

count - how many items

datatype - MPI datatype such as: MPI\_INT, MPI\_FLOAT, MPI\_CHAR

dest and source - processors numbers for sending to and receiving from

tag - message id

comm - group of processors in communication

status - returns the source and tag of received message

## A Simple Example (Pacheco's book)

```
/* greetings.c -- greetings program
 *
 * Send a message from all processes with rank != 0 to process 0.
 *   Process 0 prints the messages received.
 *
 * Input: none.
 * Output: contents of messages received by process 0.
 *
 * See Chapter 3, pp. 41 & ff in PPMPI.
 */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include "mpi.h"

main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
    int      my_rank;      /* rank of process      */
    int      p;            /* number of processes */
    int      source;       /* rank of sender      */
    int      dest;         /* rank of receiver    */
    int      tag = 0;       /* tag for messages    */
    char     message[100]; /* storage for message */
    MPI_Status status;     /* return status for   */
                           /* receive             */

    /* Start up MPI */
    MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);

    /* Find out process rank */
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &my_rank);

    /* Find out number of processes */
    MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &p);

    if (my_rank != 0) {
        /* Create message */
        sprintf(message, "Greetings from process %d!",
```

```
    my_rank);
dest = 0;
/* Use strlen+1 so that '\0' gets transmitted */
MPI_Send(message, strlen(message)+1, MPI_CHAR,
          dest, tag, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
} else { /* my_rank == 0 */
    for (source = 1; source < p; source++) {
        MPI_Recv(message, 100, MPI_CHAR, source, tag,
                  MPI_COMM_WORLD, &status);
        printf("%s\n", message);
    }
}

/* Shut down MPI */
MPI_Finalize();
} /* main */
```