

1 MPI Reference Card

<pre>int MPI_Abort(comm, errorcode) MPI_Comm comm; int errorcode;</pre>	Terminates MPI execution environment
<pre>int MPI_Address(location, address) void *location; MPI_Aint *address;</pre>	Gets the address of a location in memory
<pre>int MPI_Allgatherv (sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcounts, displs, recvtype, comm) void *sendbuf; int sendcount; MPI_Datatype sendtype; void *recvbuf; int *recvcounts; int *displs; MPI_Datatype recvtype; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Gathers data from all tasks and deliver it to all
<pre>int MPI_Allgather (sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, comm) void *sendbuf; int sendcount; MPI_Datatype sendtype; void *recvbuf; int recvcount; MPI_Datatype recvtype; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Gathers data from all tasks and distribute it to all
<pre>int MPI_Allreduce (sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm) void *sendbuf; void *recvbuf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Op op; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Combines values from all processes and distribute the result back to all processes
<pre>int MPI_Alltoallv (sendbuf, sendcnts, sdispls, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcnts, rdispls, recvtype, comm) void *sendbuf; int *sendcnts; int *sdispls; MPI_Datatype sendtype; void *recvbuf; int *recvcnts; int *rdispls; MPI_Datatype recvtype; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Sends data from all to all processes, with a displacement

<pre>int MPI_Alltoall(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcnt, recvtype, comm) void *sendbuf; int sendcount; MPI_Datatype sendtype; void *recvbuf; int recvcnt; MPI_Datatype recvtype; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Sends data from all to all processes
<pre>int MPI_Attr_delete (comm, keyval) MPI_Comm comm; int keyval;</pre>	Deletes attribute value associated with a key
<pre>int MPI_Attr_get (comm, keyval, attr_value, flag) MPI_Comm comm; int keyval; void *attr_value; int *flag;</pre>	Retrieves attribute value by key
<pre>int MPI_Attr_put (comm, keyval, attr_value) MPI_Comm comm; int keyval; void *attr_value;</pre>	Stores attribute value associated with a key
<pre>int MPI_Barrier (comm) MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Blocks until all process have reached this routine.
<pre>int MPI_Bcast (buffer, count, datatype, root, comm) void *buffer; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; int root; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Broadcasts a message from the process with rank "root" to all other processes of the group.
<pre>int MPI_Bsend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request) void *buf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; int dest; int tag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Request *request;</pre>	Builds a handle for a buffered send
<pre>int MPI_Bsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm) void *buf; int count, dest, tag; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Basic send with user-specified buffering
<pre>int MPI_Buffer_attach(buffer, size) void *buffer; int size;</pre>	Attaches a user-defined buffer for sending

<pre>int MPI_Buffer_detach(bufferptr, size) void *bufferptr; int *size;</pre>	Removes an existing buffer (for use in MPI_Bsend etc)
<pre>int MPI_Cancel(request) MPI_Request *request;</pre>	Cancels a communication request
<pre>int MPI_Cart_coords (comm, rank, maxdims, coords) MPI_Comm comm; int rank; int maxdims; int *coords;</pre>	Determines process coords in cartesian topology given rank in group
<pre>int MPI_Cart_create (comm_old, ndims, dims, periods, reorder, comm_cart) MPI_Comm comm_old; int ndims; int *dims; int *periods; int reorder; MPI_Comm *comm_cart;</pre>	Makes a new communicator to which topology information has been attached
<pre>int MPI_Cart_get (comm, maxdims, dims, periods, coords) MPI_Comm comm; int maxdims; int *dims, *periods, *coords;</pre>	Retrieves Cartesian topology information associated with a communicator
<pre>int MPI_Cart_map (comm_old, ndims, dims, periods, newrank) MPI_Comm comm_old; int ndims; int *dims; int *periods; int *newrank;</pre>	Maps process to Cartesian topology information
<pre>int MPI_Cart_rank (comm, coords, rank) MPI_Comm comm; int *coords; int *rank;</pre>	Determines process rank in communicator given Cartesian location
<pre>int MPI_Cart_shift (comm, direction, displ, source, dest) MPI_Comm comm; int direction; int displ; int *source; int *dest;</pre>	Returns the shifted source and destination ranks, given a shift direction and amount
<pre>int MPI_Cart_sub (comm, remain_dims, comm_new) MPI_Comm comm; int *remain_dims; MPI_Comm *comm_new;</pre>	Partitions a communicator into subgroups which form lower-dimensional cartesian subgrids
<pre>int MPI_Cartdim_get (comm, ndims) MPI_Comm comm; int *ndims;</pre>	Retrieves Cartesian topology information associated with a communicator

<pre>int MPI_Comm_compare (comm1, comm2, result) MPI_Comm comm1; MPI_Comm comm2; int *result;</pre>	Compares two communicators
<pre>int MPI_Comm_create (comm, group, comm_out) MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Group group; MPI_Comm *comm_out;</pre>	Creates a new communicator
<pre>int MPI_Comm_dup (comm, comm_out) MPI_Comm comm, *comm_out;</pre>	Duplicates an existing communicator with all its cached information
<pre>int MPI_Comm_free (commp) MPI_Comm *commp;</pre>	Marks the communicator object for deallocation
<pre>int MPI_Comm_group (comm, group) MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Group *group;</pre>	Accesses the group associated with given communicator
<pre>int MPI_Comm_rank (comm, rank) MPI_Comm comm; int *rank;</pre>	Determines the rank of the calling process in the communicator
<pre>int MPI_Comm_remote_group (comm, group) MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Group *group;</pre>	Accesses the remote group associated with the given inter-communicator
<pre>int MPI_Comm_remote_size (comm, size) MPI_Comm comm; int *size;</pre>	Determines the size of the remote group associated with an inter-communicator
<pre>int MPI_Comm_size (comm, size) MPI_Comm comm; int *size;</pre>	Determines the size of the group associated with a communicator
<pre>int MPI_Comm_split (comm, color, key, comm_out) MPI_Comm comm; int color, key; MPI_Comm *comm_out;</pre>	Creates new communicators based on colors and keys
<pre>int MPI_Comm_test_inter (comm, flag) MPI_Comm comm; int *flag;</pre>	Tests to see if a comm is an inter-communicator
<pre>int MPIR_dup_fn (comm, keyval, extra_state, attr_in, attr_out, flag) MPI_Comm comm; int keyval; void *extra_state; void *attr_in; void *attr_out; int *flag;</pre>	A function to simple-mindedly copy attributes
<pre>int MPI_Dims_create(nnodes, ndims, dims) int nnodes; int ndims; int *dims;</pre>	Creates a division of processors in a cartesian grid

<pre>int MPI_Errhandler_create(function, errhandler) MPI_Handler_function *function; MPI_Errhandler *errhandler;</pre>	Creates an MPI-style errorhandler
<pre>int MPI_Errhandler_free(errhandler) MPI_Errhandler *errhandler;</pre>	Frees an MPI-style errorhandler
<pre>int MPI_Errhandler_get(comm, errhandler) MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Errhandler *errhandler;</pre>	Gets the error handler for a communicator
<pre>int MPI_Errhandler_set(comm, errhandler) MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Errhandler errhandler;</pre>	Sets the error handler for a communicator
<pre>int MPI_Error_class(errorcode, errorclass) int errorcode, *errorclass;</pre>	Converts an error code into an error class
<pre>int MPI_Error_string(errorcode, string, resultlen) int errorcode, *resultlen; char *string;</pre>	Return a string for a given error code
<pre>int MPI_Finalize()</pre>	Terminates MPI execution environment
<pre>int MPI_Gatherv (sendbuf, sendcnt, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcnts, displs, recvtype, root, comm) void *sendbuf; int sendcnt; MPI_Datatype sendtype; void *recvbuf; int *recvcnts; int *displs; MPI_Datatype recvtype; int root; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Gathers into specified locations from all processes in a group
<pre>int MPI_Gather (sendbuf, sendcnt, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, root, comm) void *sendbuf; int sendcnt; MPI_Datatype sendtype; void *recvbuf; int recvcount; MPI_Datatype recvtype; int root; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Gathers together values from a group of processes
<pre>int MPI_Get_count(status, datatype, count) MPI_Status *status; MPI_Datatype datatype; int *count;</pre>	Gets the number of "top level" elements

<pre>int MPI_Get_elements (status, datatype, elements) MPI_Status *status; MPI_Datatype datatype; int *elements;</pre>	Returns the number of basic elements in a datatype
<pre>int MPI_Get_processor_name(name, resultlen) char *name; int *resultlen;</pre>	Gets the name of the processor
<pre>int MPI_Graph_create (comm_old, nnodes, index, edges, reorder, comm_graph) MPI_Comm comm_old; int nnodes; int *index; int *edges; int reorder; MPI_Comm *comm_graph;</pre>	Makes a new communicator to which topology information has been attached
<pre>int MPI_Graph_get (comm, maxindex, maxedges, index, edges) MPI_Comm comm; int maxindex, maxedges; int *index, *edges;</pre>	Retrieves graph topology information associated with a communicator
<pre>int MPI_Graph_map (comm_old, nnodes, index, edges, newrank) MPI_Comm comm_old; int nnodes; int *index; int *edges; int *newrank;</pre>	Maps process to graph topology information
<pre>int MPI_Graph_neighbors_count (comm, rank, nneighbors) MPI_Comm comm; int rank; int *nneighbors;</pre>	Returns the number of neighbors of a node associated with a graph topology
<pre>int MPI_Graph_neighbors (comm, rank, maxneighbors, neighbors) MPI_Comm comm; int rank; int maxneighbors; int *neighbors;</pre>	Returns the neighbors of a node associated with a graph topology
<pre>int MPI_Graphdims_get (comm, nnodes, nedges) MPI_Comm comm; int *nnodes; int *nedges;</pre>	Retrieves graph topology information associated with a communicator
<pre>int MPI_Group_compare (group1, group2, result) MPI_Group group1; MPI_Group group2; int *result;</pre>	Compares two groups

<pre>int MPI_Group_difference (group1, group2, group_out) MPI_Group group1, group2, *group_out;</pre>	Makes a group from the difference of two groups
<pre>int MPI_Group_excl (group, n, ranks, newgroup) MPI_Group group, *newgroup; int n, *ranks;</pre>	Produces a group by reordering an existing group and taking only unlisted members
<pre>int MPI_Group_free (group) MPI_Group *group;</pre>	Frees a group
<pre>int MPI_Group_incl (group, n, ranks, group_out) MPI_Group group, *group_out; int n, *ranks;</pre>	Produces a group by reordering an existing group and taking only listed members
<pre>int MPI_Group_intersection (group1, group2, group_out) MPI_Group group1, group2, *group_out;</pre>	Produces a group as the intersection of two existing groups
<pre>int MPI_Group_range_excl (group, n, ranges, newgroup) MPI_Group group, *newgroup; int n, ranges[][3];</pre>	Produces a group by excluding ranges of processes from an existing group
<pre>int MPI_Group_range_incl (group, n, ranges, newgroup) MPI_Group group, *newgroup; int n, ranges[][3];</pre>	Creates a new group from ranges of ranks in an existing group
<pre>int MPI_Group_rank (group, rank) MPI_Group group; int *rank;</pre>	Returns the rank of this process in the given group
<pre>int MPI_Group_size (group, size) MPI_Group group; int *size;</pre>	Returns the size of a group
<pre>int MPI_Group_translate_ranks (group_a, n, ranks_a, group_b, ranks_b) MPI_Group group_a; int n; int *ranks_a; MPI_Group group_b; int *ranks_b;</pre>	Translates the ranks of processes in one group to those in another group
<pre>int MPI_Group_union (group1, group2, group_out) MPI_Group group1, group2, *group_out;</pre>	Produces a group by combining two groups
<pre>int MPI_Ibsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request) void *buf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; int dest; int tag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Request *request;</pre>	Starts a nonblocking buffered send
<pre>int MPI_Initialized(flag) int *flag;</pre>	Indicates whether 'MPI_Init' has been called.

<pre>int MPI_Init(argc,argv) int *argc; char ***argv;</pre>	Initialize the MPI execution environment
<pre>int MPI_Intercomm_create (local_comm, local_leader, peer_comm, remote_leader, tag, comm_out) MPI_Comm local_comm; int local_leader; MPI_Comm peer_comm; int remote_leader; int tag; MPI_Comm *comm_out;</pre>	Creates an intercommunicator from two intracommunicators
<pre>int MPI_Intercomm_merge (comm, high, comm_out) MPI_Comm comm; int high; MPI_Comm *comm_out;</pre>	Creates an intracommunicator from an intercommunicator
<pre>int MPI_Iprobe(source, tag, comm, flag, status) int source; int tag; int *flag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Status *status;</pre>	Nonblocking test for a message
<pre>int MPI_Irecv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, request) void *buf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; int source; int tag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Request *request;</pre>	Begins a nonblocking receive
<pre>int MPI_Irsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request) void *buf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; int dest; int tag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Request *request;</pre>	Starts a nonblocking ready send
<pre>int MPI_Isend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request) void *buf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; int dest; int tag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Request *request;</pre>	Begins a nonblocking send

<pre>int MPI_Issend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request) void *buf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; int dest; int tag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Request *request;</pre>	Starts a nonblocking synchronous send
<pre>int MPI_Keyval_create (copy_fn, delete_fn, keyval, extra_state) MPI_Copy_function *copy_fn; MPI_Delete_function *delete_fn; int *keyval; void *extra_state;</pre>	Generates a new attribute key
<pre>int MPI_Keyval_free (keyval) int *keyval;</pre>	Frees attribute key for communicator cache attribute
<pre>int MPI_Op_create(function, commute, op) MPI_User_function *function; int commute; MPI_Op *op;</pre>	Creates a user-defined combination function handle
<pre>int MPI_Op_free(op) MPI_Op *op;</pre>	Frees a user-defined combination function handle
<pre>int MPI_Pack_size (incount, datatype, comm, size) int incount; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Comm comm; int *size;</pre>	Returns the upper bound on the amount of space needed to pack a message
<pre>int MPI_Pack (inbuf, incount, datatype, outbuf, outcount, position, comm) void *inbuf; int incount; MPI_Datatype datatype; void *outbuf; int outcount; int *position; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Packs a datatype into contiguous memory
<pre>int MPI_Pcontrol(level) int level;</pre>	Controls profiling
<pre>int MPI_Probe(source, tag, comm, status) int source; int tag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Status *status;</pre>	Blocking test for a message

<pre> int MPI_Recv_init(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, request) void *buf; int count; MPI_Request *request; MPI_Datatype datatype; int source; int tag; MPI_Comm comm; </pre>	Builds a handle for a receive
<pre> int MPI_Recv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, status) void *buf; int count, source, tag; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Status *status; </pre>	Basic receive
<pre> int MPI_Reduce_scatter (sendbuf, recvbuf, recvcnts, datatype, op, comm) void *sendbuf; void *recvbuf; int *recvcnts; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Op op; MPI_Comm comm; </pre>	Combines values and scatters the results
<pre> int MPI_Reduce (sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, root, comm) void *sendbuf; void *recvbuf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Op op; int root; MPI_Comm comm; </pre>	Reduces values on all processes to a single value
<pre> int MPI_Request_free(request) MPI_Request *request; </pre>	Frees a communication request object
<pre> int MPI_Rsend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request) void *buf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; int dest; int tag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Request *request; </pre>	Builds a handle for a ready send
<pre> int MPI_Rsend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm) void *buf; int count, dest, tag; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Comm comm; </pre>	Basic ready send

<pre>int MPI_Scan (sendbuf, recvbuf, count, datatype, op, comm) void *sendbuf; void *recvbuf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Op op; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	<p>Computes the scan (partial reductions) of data on a collection of processes</p>
<pre>int MPI_Scatterv (sendbuf, sendcnts, displs, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcnt, recvtype, root, comm) void *sendbuf; int *sendcnts; int *displs; MPI_Datatype sendtype; void *recvbuf; int recvcnt; MPI_Datatype recvtype; int root; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	<p>Scatters a buffer in parts to all tasks in a group</p>
<pre>int MPI_Scatter (sendbuf, sendcnt, sendtype, recvbuf, recvcnt, recvtype, root, comm) void *sendbuf; int sendcnt; MPI_Datatype sendtype; void *recvbuf; int recvcnt; MPI_Datatype recvtype; int root; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	<p>Sends data from one task to all other tasks in a group</p>
<pre>int MPI_Send_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request) void *buf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; int dest; int tag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Request *request;</pre>	<p>Builds a handle for a standard send</p>
<pre>int MPI_Sendrecv_replace(buf, count, datatype, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag, comm, status) void *buf; int count, dest, sendtag, source, recvtag; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Status *status;</pre>	<p>Sends and receives using a single buffer</p>

<pre>int MPI_Sendrecv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, dest, sendtag, recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, source, recvtag, comm, status) void *sendbuf; int sendcount; MPI_Datatype sendtype; int dest, sendtag; void *recvbuf; int recvcount; MPI_Datatype recvtype; int source, recvtag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Status *status;</pre>	Sends and receives a message
<pre>int MPI_Send(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm) void *buf; int count, dest, tag; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Performs a basic send
<pre>int MPI_Ssend_init(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, request) void *buf; int count; MPI_Datatype datatype; int dest; int tag; MPI_Comm comm; MPI_Request *request;</pre>	Builds a handle for a synchronous send
<pre>int MPI_Ssend(buf, count, datatype, dest, tag, comm) void *buf; int count, dest, tag; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Basic synchronous send
<pre>int MPI_Startall(count, array_of_requests) int count; MPI_Request array_of_requests[];</pre>	Starts a collection of requests
<pre>int MPI_Start(request) MPI_Request *request;</pre>	Initiates a communication with a persistent request handle
<pre>int MPI_Test_cancelled(status, flag) MPI_Status *status; int *flag;</pre>	Tests to see if a request was cancelled
<pre>int MPI_Testall(count, array_of_requests, flag, array_of_statuses) int count; MPI_Request array_of_requests[]; int *flag; MPI_Status *array_of_statuses;</pre>	Tests for the completion of all previously initiated communications

<pre>int MPI_Testany(count, array_of_requests, index, flag, status) int count; MPI_Request array_of_requests[]; int *index, *flag; MPI_Status *status;</pre>	Tests for completion of any previously initiated communication
<pre>int MPI_Testsome(incount, array_of_requests, outcount, array_of_indices, array_of_statuses) int incount, *outcount, array_of_indices[]; MPI_Request array_of_requests[]; MPI_Status array_of_statuses[];</pre>	Tests for some given communications to complete
<pre>int MPI_Test (request, flag, status) MPI_Request *request; int *flag; MPI_Status *status;</pre>	Tests for the completion of a send or receive
<pre>int MPI_Topo_test (comm, top_type) MPI_Comm comm; int *top_type;</pre>	Determines the type of topology (if any) associated with a communicator
<pre>int MPI_Type_commit (datatype) MPI_Datatype *datatype;</pre>	Commits the datatype
<pre>int MPI_Type_contiguous(count, old_type, newtype) int count; MPI_Datatype old_type; MPI_Datatype *newtype;</pre>	Creates a contiguous datatype
<pre>int MPI_Type_extent(datatype, extent) MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Aint *extent;</pre>	Returns the extent of a datatype
<pre>int MPI_Type_free (datatype) MPI_Datatype *datatype;</pre>	Frees the datatype
<pre>int MPI_Type_hindexed(count, blocklens, indices, old_type, newtype) int count; int blocklens[]; MPI_Aint indices[]; MPI_Datatype old_type; MPI_Datatype *newtype;</pre>	Creates an indexed datatype with offsets in bytes
<pre>int MPI_Type_hvector(count, blocklen, stride, old_type, newtype) int count; int blocklen; MPI_Aint stride; MPI_Datatype old_type; MPI_Datatype *newtype;</pre>	Creates a vector (strided) datatype with offset in bytes

<pre>int MPI_Type_indexed(count, blocklens, indices, old_type, newtype) int count; int blocklens[]; int indices[]; MPI_Datatype old_type; MPI_Datatype *newtype;</pre>	Creates an indexed datatype
<pre>int MPI_Type_lb (datatype, displacement) MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Aint *displacement;</pre>	Returns the lower-bound of a datatype
<pre>int MPI_Type_size (datatype, size) MPI_Datatype datatype; int *size;</pre>	Return the number of bytes occupied by entries in the datatype
<pre>int MPI_Type_struct(count, blocklens, indices, old_types, newtype) int count; int blocklens[]; MPI_Aint indices[]; MPI_Datatype old_types[]; MPI_Datatype *newtype;</pre>	Creates a struct datatype
<pre>int MPI_Type_ub (datatype, displacement) MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Aint *displacement;</pre>	Returns the upper bound of a datatype
<pre>int MPI_Type_vector(count, blocklen, stride, old_type, newtype) int count; int blocklen; int stride; MPI_Datatype old_type; MPI_Datatype *newtype;</pre>	Creates a vector (strided) datatype
<pre>int MPI_Unpack (inbuf, insize, position, outbuf, outcount, datatype, comm) void *inbuf; int insize; int *position; void *outbuf; int outcount; MPI_Datatype datatype; MPI_Comm comm;</pre>	Unpack a datatype into contiguous memory
<pre>int MPI_Waitall(count, array_of_requests, array_of_statuses) int count; MPI_Request array_of_requests[]; MPI_Status array_of_statuses[];</pre>	Waits for all given communications to complete

<pre>int MPI_Waitany(count, array_of_requests, index, status) int count; MPI_Request array_of_requests[]; int *index; MPI_Status *status;</pre>	Waits for any specified send or receive to complete
<pre>int MPI_Waitsome(incount, array_of_requests, outcount, array_of_indices, array_of_statuses) int incount, *outcount, array_of_indices[]; MPI_Request array_of_requests[]; MPI_Status array_of_statuses[];</pre>	Waits for some given communications to complete
<pre>int MPI_Wait (request, status) MPI_Request *request; MPI_Status *status;</pre>	Waits for an MPI send or receive to complete
<pre>double MPI_Wtick()</pre>	Returns the resolution of MPI_Wtime
<pre>double MPI_Wtime()</pre>	Returns an elapsed time on the calling processor