Section 1 – Parallel Computing

Question 1. MPI Programming.

(a) Explain, and give the full prototype for the following MPI routines: MPI_Bcast(), MPI_Reduce(), MPI_Send(), MPI_Recv(), MPI_Init().

(10 marks)

(b) Develop a MPI function for the compare and exchange operation. The prototype of the method can be

int MPI_Exchange(int n, int *a, int rank1, int rank2, MPI_Comm comm)

where the arguments are as follows:

n - the array size;

a - the array

rank1, rank2 - the processors to exchange

comm - the communicator

Note: You do not have to write a routine to merge two arrays.

(20 marks)

(c) Justify why MPI_Exchange is an efficient solution for the compare and exchange operation.

(10 marks)

Question 2. Parallel Algorithms

(a) Give an explanation of how the odd-even sort works and write a method for it. The prototype of this method can be:

int MPI_Sort(int n, int *a, int root, MPI_Comm comm)

(20 marks)

(b) Evaluate the theoretical complexity of MPI_Sort and explain the communication and computation overheads of the method.

(10 marks)

(c) Prove that MPI_Sort finishes the sorting in size repetitions, where size represents the number of processors.

(10 marks)