Simple Parallel Data Structures-3 by William Gropp and Ewing Lusk

1. Exercise: Finding PI using MPI collective operations

This exercise presents a simple program to determine the value of pi. The algorithm suggested here is chosen for its simplicity. The method evaluates the integral of $4/(1+x^*x)$ between 0 and 1. The method is simple: the integral is approximated by a sum of n intervals; the approximation to the integral in each interval is $(1/n)^*4/(1+x^*x)$. The master process (rank 0) asks the user for the number of intervals; the master should then broadcast this number to all of the other processes. Each process then adds up every n'th interval (x = rank/n, rank/n+size/n,...). Finally, the sums computed by each process are added together using a reduction.

You may want to use these MPI routines in your solution: MPI_Bcast MPI_Reduce

2. Exercise: Fairness in message passing

Write a program to test how fair the message passing implementation is. To do this, have all processes except process 0 send 100 messages to process 0. Have process 0 print out the messages as it receives them, using MPI_ANY_SOURCE and MPI_ANY_TAG in MPI_Recv. Is the MPI implementation fair?