

Collective Communication

Collective communication is communication that involves all the processes in a communicator.

1. /* it sends a copy of the data in **message** on process **root** to each process in the communicator **comm**. */

```
int MPI_Bcast(
    void *      message    /* in/out */,
    int         count      /* in     */,
    MPI_Datatype datatype  /* in     */,
    int         root       /* in     */,
    MPI_Comm    comm       /* in     */)
```

2. /* each process contains an **operand**, and all of them are combined using a binary **operator** that is successively applied to each. */

```
int MPI_Reduce(
    void *      operand    /* in  */,
    void *      result     /* out */,
    int         count      /* in  */,
    MPI_Datatype datatype  /* in  */,
    MPI_Op      operator   /* in  */,
    int         root       /* in  */,
    MPI_Comm    comm       /* in  */)
```

3. /* it gathers the data stored in each process's **send_data** into the memory referenced by **recv_data** on the process with rank **root**. */

```
int MPI_Gather(  
    void *      send_data  /* in */,  
    int        send_count /* in */,  
    MPI_Datatype send_type /* in */,  
    void *      recv_data  /* out */,  
    int        recv_count /* in */,  
    MPI_Datatype recv_type /* in */,  
    int        root       /* in */,  
    MPI_Comm   comm       /* in */)
```

4. /* it distributes the memory referenced by **send_data** across the processes in **comm**. */

```
int MPI_Scatter(  
    void *      send_data  /* in */,  
    int        send_count /* in */,  
    MPI_Datatype send_type /* in */,  
    void *      recv_data  /* out */,  
    int        recv_count /* in */,  
    MPI_Datatype recv_type /* in */,  
    int        root       /* in */,  
    MPI_Comm   comm       /* in */)
```

5. /* this has the effect of gathering the contents of each process's **send_data** into each process's **recv_data**.

```
int MPI_Allgather(  
    void *      send_data  /* in */,  
    int        send_count /* in */,  
    MPI_Datatype send_type /* in */,  
    void *      recv_data  /* out */,  
    int        recv_count /* in */,  
    MPI_Datatype recv_type /* in */,  
    MPI_Comm    comm       /* in */)
```

6. /* all the communicator will have the result stored in the memory referenced by **result**. */

```
int MPI_Allreduce(  
    void *      operand  /* in */,  
    void *      result   /* out */,  
    int        count     /* in */,  
    MPI_Datatype datatype /* in */,  
    MPI_Op     operator  /* in */,  
    MPI_Comm    comm     /* in */)
```