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## Appendix A

## An overview of MPI

This appendix gives a brief overview of the MPI functions referred to in the thesis. For a full description see [1].

MPI\_Barrier Performs a barrier synchronisation amongst a group of processes.

MPI\_Bcast Broadcasts data from the root node to all processes in the group.

MPI\_Reduce Reduces a set of data items held on separate processes down to a single value on the root process. The operation for the reduction can be summation, minimum/maximum, or provided as a function by the programmer.

**MPI\_Allreduce** As reduce, but the answer is returned to all processes rather than just the root.

MPLScatter Scatters data from the root process to all processes in the group.

MPI\_Gather Gathers data from all processes to the root process.

MPI\_Allgather Gathers data from all processes to all processes.

MPI\_Alltoall Each process sends and receives distinct data to/from every other process in the group.

MPI\_Send Sends a message from one process to another.

MPI\_Recv Receives a message from another process.

MPI\_Wtime Returns the current local timer value, in seconds.

MPI\_Wtick Returns the resolution of MPI\_Wtime.

MPI\_Comm\_split Partitions a group of processes into a set of smaller groups.