



## Parallel and Distributed Computing – Solved Numerical Questions

Q1.

A program takes 120 seconds on one processor and 30 seconds on 4 processors. Calculate the speedup and efficiency.

Solution:

Speedup = Sequential Time / Parallel Time

$$\text{Speedup} = 120 / 30 = 4$$

Efficiency = (Speedup / Number of Processors)  $\times$  100

$$\text{Efficiency} = (4 / 4) \times 100 = 100\%$$

Answer: Speedup = 4, Efficiency = 100%

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Q2.

A task executes in 200 seconds sequentially and 50 seconds on 5 processors. Find the speedup and efficiency.

Solution:

$$\text{Speedup} = 200 / 50 = 4$$

$$\text{Efficiency} = (4 / 5) \times 100 = 80\%$$

Answer: Speedup = 4, Efficiency = 80%

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Q3.

A parallel application requires 150 seconds on one processor and 25 seconds on 6 processors. Calculate the speedup and efficiency.

Solution:

$$\text{Speedup} = 150 / 25 = 6$$



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$$\text{Efficiency} = (6 / 6) \times 100 = 100\%$$

Answer: Speedup = 6, Efficiency = 100%

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Q4.

A system with 8 processors achieves a speedup of 6. Calculate the efficiency.

Solution:

$$\text{Efficiency} = (6 / 8) \times 100$$

$$\text{Efficiency} = 75\%$$

Answer: Efficiency = 75%

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Q5.

A program takes 180 seconds sequentially and 45 seconds on 4 processors. Determine the speedup and efficiency.

Solution:

$$\text{Speedup} = 180 / 45 = 4$$

$$\text{Efficiency} = (4 / 4) \times 100 = 100\%$$

Answer: Speedup = 4, Efficiency = 100%

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Q6.

A parallel system with 10 processors achieves a speedup of 8. Calculate the efficiency.

Solution:

$$\text{Efficiency} = (8 / 10) \times 100$$

$$\text{Efficiency} = 80\%$$

Answer: Efficiency = 80%

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Q7.



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A task runs in 90 seconds on one processor and 15 seconds on 5 processors. Find the speedup and efficiency.

Solution:

$$\text{Speedup} = 90 / 15 = 6$$

$$\text{Efficiency} = (6 / 5) \times 100 = 120\%$$

Answer: Speedup = 6, Efficiency = 120%

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Q8.

A program takes 300 seconds on one processor and 60 seconds on 8 processors. Calculate the speedup and efficiency.

Solution:

$$\text{Speedup} = 300 / 60 = 5$$

$$\text{Efficiency} = (5 / 8) \times 100$$

$$\text{Efficiency} = 62.5\%$$

Answer: Speedup = 5, Efficiency = 62.5%

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Q9.

A parallel machine with 16 processors achieves a speedup of 12. Determine the efficiency.

Solution:

$$\text{Efficiency} = (12 / 16) \times 100$$

$$\text{Efficiency} = 75\%$$

Answer: Efficiency = 75%

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Q10.

A job takes 240 seconds on one processor and 40 seconds on 8 processors. Calculate speedup and efficiency.



Solution:

$$\text{Speedup} = 240 / 40 = 6$$

$$\text{Efficiency} = (6 / 8) \times 100$$

$$\text{Efficiency} = 75\%$$

Answer: Speedup = 6, Efficiency = 75%

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Q11.

A workload of 2400 units is distributed equally among 6 processors.

Solution:

$$\text{Workload per Processor} = 2400 / 6$$

$$= 400 \text{ units}$$

Answer: 400 units per processor

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Q12.

A dataset of 10,000 records is divided equally among 5 servers.

Solution:

$$\text{Records per Server} = 10000 / 5$$

$$= 2000 \text{ records}$$

Answer: 2000 records per server

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Q13.

A file of size 1.2 GB is distributed among 8 processors.

Solution:

$$\text{Data per Processor} = 1.2 / 8$$

$$= 0.15 \text{ GB}$$

Answer: 0.15 GB per processor

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Q14.

A distributed database contains 36,000 records stored equally on 12 nodes.

Solution:

$$\text{Records per Node} = 36000 / 12$$

$$= 3000 \text{ records}$$

Answer: 3000 records per node

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Q15.

A task consisting of 4500 operations is divided equally among 9 processors.

Solution:

$$\text{Operations per Processor} = 4500 / 9$$

$$= 500 \text{ operations}$$

Answer: 500 operations per processor

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Q16.

A data file of 900 MB is shared among 15 nodes. Calculate the amount of data per node.

Solution:

$$\text{Data per Node} = \text{Total Data} / \text{Number of Nodes}$$

$$\text{Data per Node} = 900 / 15$$

$$\text{Data per Node} = 60 \text{ MB}$$

Answer: 60 MB per node

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Q17.

A parallel system distributes 3,200 tasks equally among 16 processors. Determine the tasks per processor.

Solution:

Tasks per Processor = Total Tasks / Number of Processors

Tasks per Processor =  $3200 / 16$

Tasks per Processor = 200

Answer: 200 tasks per processor

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Q18.

A workload of 8,400 units is divided among 14 processors. Calculate the workload assigned to each processor.

Solution:

Workload per Processor = Total Workload / Number of Processors

Workload per Processor =  $8400 / 14$

Workload per Processor = 600 units

Answer: 600 units per processor

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Q19.

A 720 GB dataset is equally distributed across 18 servers. Find the storage required per server.

Solution:

Storage per Server = Total Storage / Number of Servers

Storage per Server =  $720 / 18$

Storage per Server = 40 GB

Answer: 40 GB per server

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Q20.



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A distributed application divides 5,000 requests among 20 servers. How many requests does each server handle?

Solution:

Requests per Server = Total Requests / Number of Servers

Requests per Server = 5000 / 20

Requests per Server = 250

Answer: 250 requests per server

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Q21.

A message of size 2,000 KB is sent through a network with bandwidth 500 KB/s. Calculate the transmission time.

Solution:

Transmission Time = Message Size / Bandwidth

Transmission Time = 2000 / 500

Transmission Time = 4 seconds

Answer: 4 seconds

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Q22.

A file of 1,500 MB is transferred over a network at 300 MB/s. Find the transfer time.

Solution:

Transfer Time = File Size / Transfer Rate Shaw Education & IT Centre

Transfer Time = 1500 / 300

Transfer Time = 5 seconds

Answer: 5 seconds

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Q23.



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A message of 900 KB is transmitted through a channel with bandwidth 150 KB/s. Determine the transmission time.

Solution:

Transmission Time = Message Size / Bandwidth

Transmission Time = 900 / 150

Transmission Time = 6 seconds

Answer: 6 seconds

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Q24.

A distributed system transfers a 4,000 MB file over a network operating at 800 MB/s. Calculate the transfer time.

Solution:

Transfer Time = File Size / Transfer Rate

Transfer Time = 4000 / 800

Transfer Time = 5 seconds

Answer: 5 seconds

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Q25.

A message of size 5,000 KB is sent over a network with a bandwidth of 1,000 KB/s. Find the transmission time.

Solution:

Transmission Time = Message Size / Bandwidth

Transmission Time = 5000 / 1000

Transmission Time = 5 seconds

Answer: 5 seconds

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Q26.



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A parallel machine has 20 processors, of which 15 are active. Calculate the processor utilization percentage.

Solution:

$$\text{Processor Utilization} = (\text{Active Processors} / \text{Total Processors}) \times 100$$

$$\text{Processor Utilization} = (15 / 20) \times 100$$

$$\text{Processor Utilization} = 75\%$$

Answer: 75%

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Q27.

A cluster contains 25 nodes. If 20 nodes are operational, determine the percentage of operational nodes.

Solution:

$$\text{Operational Percentage} = (\text{Operational Nodes} / \text{Total Nodes}) \times 100$$

$$\text{Operational Percentage} = (20 / 25) \times 100$$

$$\text{Operational Percentage} = 80\%$$

Answer: 80%

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Q28.

Each processor can execute 400 instructions per second. If there are 10 processors, calculate the total execution capacity.

Solution:

$$\text{Total Capacity} = \text{Instructions per Processor} \times \text{Number of Processors}$$

$$\text{Total Capacity} = 400 \times 10$$

$$\text{Total Capacity} = 4000 \text{ instructions/second}$$

Answer: 4000 instructions per second

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Q29.



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A distributed system has 12 servers, each capable of processing 750 requests per minute.  
Determine the total processing capacity.

Solution:

Total Capacity = Capacity per Server  $\times$  Number of Servers

Total Capacity =  $750 \times 12$

Total Capacity = 9000 requests/minute

Answer: 9000 requests per minute

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Q30.

A parallel computer contains 32 processors. If only 24 processors are being used, calculate the processor utilization percentage.

Solution:

Processor Utilization = (Used Processors / Total Processors)  $\times$  100

Processor Utilization =  $(24 / 32) \times 100$

Processor Utilization = 75%

Answer: 75%

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