

Question 1

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1. Work = Time on one processor (T_1)

Here, we are dividing the array in two at each step.

We can calculate T_1 by summing two parts together: The upper and lower halves.

$$\text{Upper half} = 2^0 + 2^1 + \dots + 2^{n-1} + 2^n$$

$$\text{Lower half} = 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-2} + \dots + 2^0$$

$$T_1 = 2 * \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 2^i + 2^n = 2 * (2^n - 1) + 2^n$$

2. Critical Path = Time on ∞ processors (T_∞)

In this case, we can use as many processors as we like.

$$T_\infty = 2 * \log_2(n) + 1$$

3. Parallelism = $\frac{T_1}{T_\infty} = \frac{2*(2^n-1)+2^n}{2*\log_2(n)+1}$