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HPC, Assignment 1

Q1) MPI ring communication

ans:

For a single integer, on a machine with 4 cores, 1 million iterations took 13.246s.
-> latency per message : $13.246 / 4000000 = 3.31$ micro-seconds/msg

For an array with 250k doubles (~2MB), on a machine with 4 cores, 10,000 iterations took 1m 6.177s.

-> throughput : $10k * 4 * 2 / 66.18 \text{ sec} = 1208.8 \text{ MB/sec} \sim 1 \text{ GB/sec}$

Q2) Distributed memory parallel Jacobi smoother

ans:

A parallel version of the Gauss-Seidel smoother is more difficult because the calculation of each updated value of $u_k[i]$ uses values of u from the same iteration. Thus an iteration cannot be run in parallel on multiple cores.