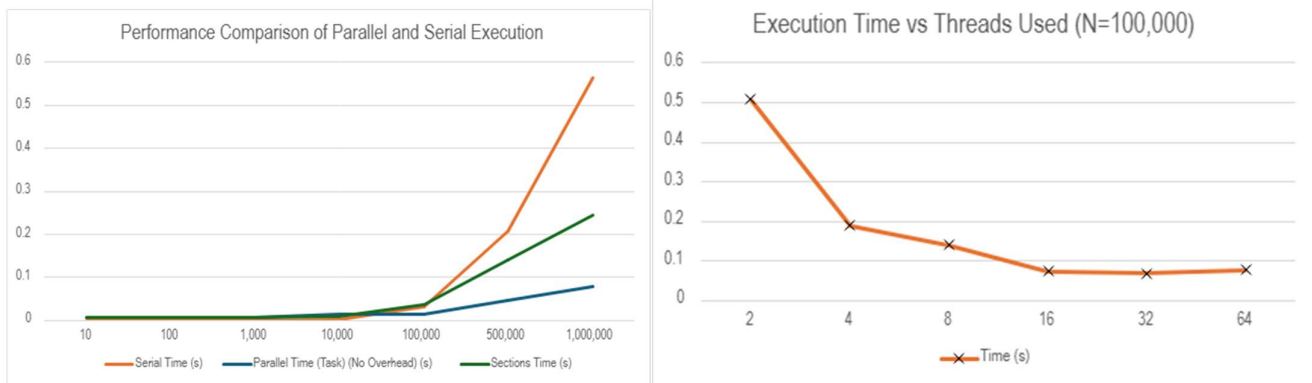


Q1) Quick Sort Implemented on Cluster and Analysed by Subham Gaurav



***Note - Without Overhead meaning :** Only creates parallel tasks if the subarray size is greater than 1000. This avoids the extra thread management and synchronisation.

****Note –** Please refer to the code footer for the actual time measurements.

A. Small Array Sizes (10 – 1,000)

- **Serial time is very low**, close to microseconds. **Parallel Time (No Overhead)** is much higher than serial time. **Overhead dominates** the execution time; e.g., At size 10: **Speedup < 1**: This means parallelization is **not beneficial** for small sizes.

Conclusion: For small tasks, the overhead cost outweighs parallel gains. **Parallelism is inefficient here.**

B. Medium Sizes (10,000 – 100,000)

- **Serial time increases gradually**, but **parallel (no overhead) time** doesn't grow proportionally — a good sign.

Conclusion: The algorithm parallel logic scales well (speedup), but **overhead becomes problematic**. Indicates **scalability is logical** when implemented well

e.g., At 1000 Array Length Serial = 0.030481s Parallel with no overhead (0.014640 s \Rightarrow **Speedup \approx 2.08**) while Parallel With Overhead = 3.702799 s \Rightarrow **Heavy overhead (\sim 3.69 s)**

C. Large Sizes (500,000 – 1,000,000)

- Parallel time (no overhead) increases **slowly**, which is a good sign of **scalability**.
- **Conclusion:** The algorithm can be **very fast with parallel execution (good speedup)**. But too much **extra work (overhead)** makes it **very slow**. This may be due to **poor thread handling, bad memory use, or delays in coordination**.

e.g., At 1,000,000 elements: Serial = 0.563983 s Parallel (No Overhead) = 0.078146 s \Rightarrow **Speedup \approx 7.2** With Overhead = 55.205389 s \Rightarrow **Overhead = \sim 55.12 s**

For Different Threads

Assuming serial time \approx **0.508326 s (with 2 threads)**, we observe:

- **4 threads:** speedup \approx 2.7× **8 threads:** speedup \approx 3.6× **16 threads:** speedup \approx 7.0×
32 threads: speedup \approx 7.4× **64 threads:** speedup \approx 6.61× speedup slightly decreases due to overhead

The program scales **well up to 32 threads**, showing steady improvement.

The parallel algorithm works well and gets faster as we add more threads, up to 32 threads, when processing an array of size 100,000. After that, using more threads doesn't help much because of extra work and memory sharing problems. This means the **best number of threads** for this task is **probably between 16 and 32**.