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## 15-418/618 Exercise 1 SOLUTION

### Problem 1: Problem Scaling

1. Fill in the table below showing how the amounts of computation and communication would scale *per processor* and *per iteration*.

	Computation	Communication
(a): $N' = 2N, P' = P$	$8\times$	$4\times$
(b): $N' = N, P' = 8P$	$1/8\times$	$1/4\times$

2. Based on these specific cases, give formulas for how the computation, communication, and arithmetic intensity would scale (per processor and per iteration) as functions of  $N$  and  $P$ .

Computation	Communication	Arithmetic Intensity
$N^3/P$	$N^2/P^{2/3}$	$N/P^{1/3}$

3. Fill in the following table with formulas indicating the problem size  $N'$ , the per-processor memory requirement  $M'$ , the ideal total time  $T'$ , and the change in arithmetic intensity.

Scaling Type	$N'$	$M'$	$T'$	Arith. Intensity
Problem	$N$	$M/8$	$T/8$	$1/2\times$
Memory	$2N$	$M$	$2T$	$1\times$
Time	$2^{3/4}N \approx 1.68N$	$2^{-3/4}M \approx 0.59M$	$T$	$2^{-1/4}\times \approx 0.84\times$

## Problem 2: Interconnection Networks

1. Give a formula for  $n(k, l)$ .

We can write a recurrence as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}n(k, 1) &= 2k \\n(k, l) &= k \cdot n(k, l - 1)\end{aligned}$$

The solution to this recurrence is  $n(k, l) = 2k^l$ .

2. What is  $n(18, 3)$ ?

$$2 \cdot 18^3 = 11,664.$$

3. Give a formula for the number of switches required to construct network  $N(k, l)$ .

Let  $s(k, l)$  be the number of switches in network  $N(k, l)$ . We can write the following recurrence:

$$\begin{aligned}s(k, 1) &= 1 \\s(k, l) &= k \cdot s(k, l - 1) + n(k, l - 1)\end{aligned}$$

The solution for this recurrence is:  $s(k, l) = (2l - 1)k^{l-1}$

4. How many switches are in network  $N(18, 3)$ ?

$$5 \cdot 18^2 = 1,620$$