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Subject: Re: Double-core Pentium 4? Finally Microsoft makes me happy  
Posted by [Aprime](#) on Sat, 09 Feb 2008 05:18:48 GMT

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Zion Fox wrote on Tue, 05 February 2008 06:57The PS3 (no fanboys kthx) has an 8 core processor, however only 7 of these cores are used. The 8th is a backup incase one of these 7 failes.

Due to the complexity behind the manufacturing of the cell processor, IBM reserves the majority of 8 core chips for medical (not F@H) purposes. Sony actually accepts every cell with a minimum of 4 working cores.

It doesn't really matter how many cores your PS3 has, because it will always be bottlenecked by the mere 256 Megabytes of memory.

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