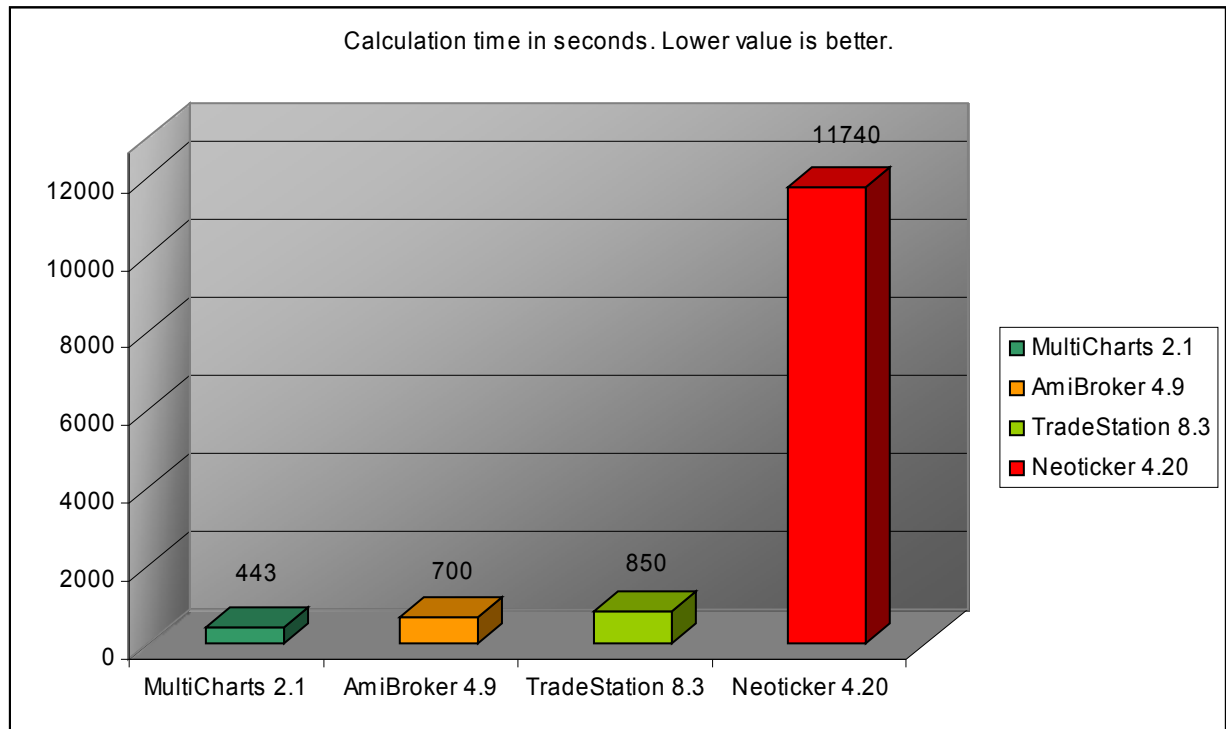


# Exhaustive Optimization Benchmark Analysis

Trading Platform	Calculation time, seconds
MultiCharts 2.1	443
AmiBroker 4.9	700
TradeStation 8.3	850
Neoticker 4.20	11740



## Software:

AmiBroker 4.90

NeoTicker 4.20 Demo Build 14, Grid Optimizer 1.00 Demo Build 19

MultiCharts 2.1 Build 976.1109 Beta 3

TradeStation 8.3 Build 1301

## Hardware:

AMD Athlon(tm) 64 X2 Dual

Core Processor 3600+

2.01 GHz, 896 Mb RAM

## Chart settings:

Symbol: Australian Dollar. Data Range: 173000 bars on the chart. Data mode: Offline.

## Optimized parameters:

MACD Fast From 9 To 15 Step 1

MACD Slow From 20 To 28 Step 1

Signal average From 5 To 10 Step 1

# of simulations 378

## Strategy Script:

### MultiCharts:

```
inputs: Fast( 12 ), Slow( 26 ), MACD( 9 );
variables: MyMACD( 0 ), MACDAvg( 0 ), MACDDiff( 0 );

MyMACD = Average(c, Fast) - Average(c, Slow);
MACDAvg = XAverage( MyMACD, MACD );
MACDDiff = MyMACD - MACDAvg ;

if CurrentBar > 2 then begin

    if MACDDiff crosses over 0 then
        Buy ( "MacdLong" ) next bar at market ;

    if MACDDiff crosses under 0 then
        Sell Short ( "MacdShort" ) next bar at market ;

end;
```

### TradeStation:

```
inputs: FastLength( 12 ), SlowLength( 26 ), MACDLength( 9 );
variables: MyMACD( 0 ), MACDAvg( 0 ), MACDDiff( 0 );

MyMACD = Average(c, FastLength) - Average(c, SlowLength);
MACDAvg = XAverage( MyMACD, MACDLength );
MACDDiff = MyMACD - MACDAvg ;

if CurrentBar > 2 then begin

    if MACDDiff crosses over 0 then
        Buy ( "MacdLE" ) next bar at market ;

    if MACDDiff crosses under 0 then
        Sell Short ( "MacdSE" ) next bar at market ;

end;
```

### AmiBroker:

```
mfast = Optimize( "MACD Fast", 12, 9, 15, 1 );
mslow = Optimize("MACD Slow", 26, 20, 28, 1 );
sigavg = Optimize( "Signal average", 9, 5, 10, 1 );

Buy = Cross( MACD( mfast, mslow ) , Signal( mfast, mslow, sigavg ) );
Sell = Cross( Signal( mfast, mslow, sigavg ), MACD( mfast, mslow ) );

Cover = Cross( MACD( mfast, mslow ) , Signal( mfast, mslow, sigavg ) );
Short = Cross( Signal( mfast, mslow, sigavg ), MACD( mfast, mslow ) );
```

### Neoticker:

```
function MACD_backtest : double;
var my_macd, signal_line : variant;
var diff_0, diff_1 : real;
begin
    my_macd := Itself.MakeIndicator('macd1', 'MACD', ['1'], [param4.str, param1.str,
param4.str, param2.str]);
    signal_line := Itself.Makeindicator('avg1', 'xaverage', ['macd1'], [param3.str]);
    if not(my_macd.valid[1] and signal_line.valid[0]) then
        begin
            itself.successall := false;
            exit;
        end;

    diff_0 := my_macd[0] - signal_line[0];
    diff_1 := my_macd[1] - signal_line[1];
```

```
if (diff_1 <= 0) and (diff_0 > 0) then
    trade.BuyAtMarket(100, 'Long Entry');

if (diff_1 >= 0) and (diff_0 < 0) then
    trade.SellAtMarket (100, 'Short Entry');

ItSelf.Answer[1] := my_macd[0];
ItSelf.Answer[2] := signal_line[0];

end;
```

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