## XKaapi

# - DFG program -

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### Introduction

- This tutorial is part of the following tutorials
  - √ 0-xkaapi-intro.pdf: XKaapi: quick user's guide
  - ✓ I-xkaapi-dfg.pdf: XKaapi: programming with data flow graph
  - √ XKaapi: KaSTL API
  - √ XKaapi: Low Level Adaptive Application Interface
  - √ XKaapi: Fortran Interface
  - √ XKaapi: internal representation & execution

 Please refere to 0-xkaapi-intro.pdf to get and install xkaapi software

### What is Kaapi?

- C/C++ Library for parallel programming
  - ✓ Target architecture: multicore + GPU + cluster
- Ultimate goal
  - √ Simplify the development of parallel application
    - architecture abstraction
  - ✓ Automatic dynamic load balancing
    - theoretically & practically performances
    - Work Stealing based algorithms

## Design

- Kernel
  - √ runtime for API (or compiler)
  - √ work stealing internal scheduling
  - ✓ C language, fine grain implementation...
- APIs for different programming models
  - ✓ Data Flow Graph: **DFG** 
    - Athapascan (deprecated), Kaapi++
  - ✓ Parallel STL like: KaSTL
  - ✓ Adaptive Algorithms Interface: AAI

## Source development

- http://kaapi.gforge.inria.fr
  - √ tarball of the master (rc04)
- GIT: ligforge
  - ✓ url = ssh://git.ligforge.imag.fr/git/kaapi/xkaapi.git
- Usage of branches

The user MUST ONLY commit on its own branches

- ✓ origin/master: the official master branch
- ✓ origin/<username>/<branch name>: an user branch
  - The owner is responsible of its branches
- Mailing list:
  - http://lists.gforge.inria.fr/cgi-bin/mailman/listinfo/kaapi-leaders

### Installation

#### I. automake / autotools etc...

- ✓ ../xkaapi/configure --help
- ✓ ../xkaapi/configure --prefix=<totodir>
- √ Usefull options:
  - --enable-mode=release for performances
  - --enable-mode=debug for more assertions in the user level API

### 2. Compilation

√ make

#### 3. Installation

- √ make install (in the --prefix directory, step 1)
- √ <totodir>/include; <totodir>/lib etc..
  - use pkgconfig to retreive CCFLAGS, LDFLAGS etc

#### 4. Basic check

√ make check

## List of examples

- Examples sub directory
  - √ cd examples;
  - √ make examples: build all examples
  - √ make <pro>prog>, e.g. make for\_each\_rec\_xx
- hello
  - ✓ hello\_world.cpp
- for\_each
  - ✓ for\_each\_rec\_kaapi++.cpp : recursive C++ version
  - √ for\_each\_0\_kaapi++.cpp: basic adaptive C++ version
  - √ for each 0 kaapi.c: basic adaptive C version
  - √ for\_each\_I\_kaapi++.cpp: adaptive C++ version, enable steal of thief
  - ✓ for\_each\_2\_kaapi++.cpp : idem + preemption
  - √ for\_each\_0\_kaapi++\_lambda.cpp : adaptive C++ version with lambda.
  - √ for\_each\_kastl.cpp: call to STL kastl implementation

### Cont.

#### Fibo

- √ fibo\_kaapi.c : low level C version
- √ fibo\_atha.cpp: old Athapascan C++ API version
- √ fibo\_kaapi++.cpp : Kaapi C++ API version
- √ fibo\_kaapi++\_opt.cpp: Kaapi C++ API with optimized task creation
- √ fibo\_kaapi++\_cumul.cpp: Kaapi C++ API version with cumulative write
- √ fibo\_kaapixx\_cumul\_opt.cpp: Kaapi C++ API version with optimized task creation
- √ fibo\_kaapi++\_sync.cpp: usage of synch. to avoid sum' task creation
- √ make fibo\_kaapi fibo\_kaapi++ fibo\_atha...

### NQueens

- ✓ nqueens\_atha / nqueens\_kaapi++
- Cilk
  - √ two examples from Cilk distribution (matrix computation/qsort)
- Have a look of subdirectories in <topsrcdir>/examples!

## Compilation of examples

Use pkg-config

```
gautier@idkoiff:~$ export PKG CONFIG PATH=<kaapi</pre>
install dir>/lib/pkgconfig
gautier@idkoiff:~$ pkg-config --cflags kaapi++
-I/home/gautier/KAAPI/install/xkaapi/include
gautier@idkoiff:~$ pkg-config --libs kaapi++
-L/home/gautier/KAAPI/install/xkaapi/lib -lkaapi++ -
lkaapi
Typical use:
gautier@idkoiff:~$ g++ -o mytest mytest.cpp `pkg-config
--cflags kaapi++` `pkg-config --libs kaapi++`
That all!
```

## Running example

KAAPI\_CPUCOUNT=1 ./fibo\_kaapi++ 30

Fibo(30)=832040 Time: 4.326541e-01

• KAAPI\_CPUCOUNT=2 ./fibo\_kaapi++ 30

Fibo(30)=832040 Time: 2.143562e-01

- KAAPI\_CPUSET=0:4,6 ./fibo\_kaapi++ 30
  - use cores 0,1,2,3,4 and 6 of the machine

# Sources organization

- xkaapi/src
  - ✓ everything about workstealing / graph representation is here
- xkaapi/examples
  - ✓ user level examples
- xkaapi/api
  - √ Athapascan C++ interface [deprecated]
  - √ Kaapi C++ interface
  - ✓ [Fortran interface] etc..

## C++ API called Kaapi++

## #include "kaapi++"

- Namespace ka::
- 3 main concepts
  - √ Task signature
    - declare access to data
      - Read: «R»; Write: «W»; Read Write: «RW»; Cumulative Write: «CW»
  - √ Task implementation
    - one implementation for each architecture
      - E.g. CPU implementation; GPU implementation (still in progress)
  - ✓ A data is shared between 2 tasks iff tasks have the same pointer in effective parameters

### Library initialization

Mostly always the same:

```
int main(int argc, char** argv)
  try {
    /* Join the initial group of computation */
    ka::Community com = ka::System::join community( argc, argv );
    /* Start computation by spawning the main task */
    ka::SpawnMain<doit>()(argc, argv);
    /* Leave the community */
    com.leave();
    /* */
    ka::System::terminate();
  catch (const std::exception& E) {
    std::cerr << "Catch Kaapi exception: " << E.what() << std::endl;</pre>
  catch (...) {
    std::cerr << "Catch unknown exception: " << std::endl;</pre>
  return 0;
```

### **Task**

- Task signature
  - ✓ Define the number of parameters / type / access mode of each parameter

```
/* Kaapi Hello task: print an integer n */
struct TaskHello: public ka::Task<1>::Signature<int> {};
```

- Task implementation
  - √ specify the implementation architecture (CPU/GPU)

### Task creation

Key word: spawn

```
/* The "doit" main task */
template<class T>
struct doit {
   void operator()(int argc, char** argv)
   {
      /* */
      ka::Spawn<TaskHello>()( atoi(argv[1]) );
   }
};
```

• Exercise I: write & compile HelloWorld.cpp

### Task creation

Key word: spawn

```
/* The "doit" main task */
template<class T>
struct doit {
   void operator()(int argc, char** argv )
   {
      /* */
      ka::Spawn<TaskHello>()( atoi(argv[1]) );
   }
};
```

Exercise II: write all the arguments (integers)

```
/* The "doit" main task */
template<class T>
struct doit {
   void operator()(int argc, char** argv )
   {
     for (int i=1; i<argc; ++i)
        ka::Spawn<TaskHello>()( atoi(argv[i]) );
   }
};
```

### When a task is executed?

- Task creation is a non blocking operation:
  - √ the task (= function call) is pushed into a stack and the control flow continues without waiting for the termination

```
/* The "doit" main task */
template<class T>
struct doit {
  void operator()(int argc, char** argv )
    int a;
    int* b = ...;
    ka::Spawn<TaskThatRead or WriteData>()( &a, &b );
    /* here:
       1- Kaapi does not quarantee execution of the task
       2- a and b can accessed and should have a correct scope
    * /
```

### When a task is executed?

### Some guarantees:

- ✓ A task begins its execution when all its input arguments
  are produced (data flow constraints)
- √ The parallel execution always produces the same result
  as the sequential execution (up to round off)
- ✓ At the end of the program, all created tasks have been executed

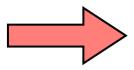
### Notion of reference order between tasks

- ✓ Used to define execution order between any two tasks
  - total order
- √ Semantic of Kaapi is based on it
  - originaly defined in Athapascan [Pact98]

### Reference order

- Recursive definition
  - ✓ In a task body
    - created tasks are enqueued in a FIFO queue
    - each task = function call = function pointer + arguments
- When task body finish
  - √ the runtime dequeues each task (FIFO) and executes it

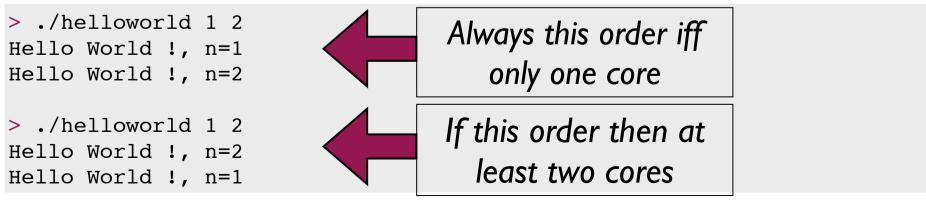
```
struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskF> {
    void operator() ( argF )
    {
        a1 = G1(..);
        ka::Spawn<TaskF1>()( argF1 );
        a2 = G2(...)
        ka::Spawn<TaskF2>()( argF2 );
        a3 = G3(...)
    }
};
```



## Double HelloWorld (...)

```
/* The "doit" main task */
template<class T>
struct doit {
   void operator()(int argc, char** argv )
   {
      /* */
      ka::Spawn<TaskHello>()( atoi(argv[1]) );
      /* */
      ka::Spawn<TaskHello>()( atoi(argv[2]) );
   }
};
```

### Possible traces of execution:



### How to enforce execution order?

- Cilk's like synchronisation:
  - ✓ ka::Sync();
  - √ force execution of all the spawned tasks in the current running task
- Inline data flow constraint
  - ✓ ka::Sync( <pointer> );
  - √ wait until the value pointed by the pointer is produced
- Add dependencies between tasks
  - √ wait to see "parameter passing rules" in 2 slides

# ka::Sync() keyword

```
/* The "doit" main task */
template<class T>
struct doit {
   void operator()(int argc, char** argv )
   {
       ka::Spawn<TaskHello>()( atoi(argv[1]) );
       ka::Sync();
       ka::Spawn<TaskHello>()( atoi(argv[2]) );
}
Enforce order
}
```

### Possible traces of execution:

```
> ./helloworld 1 2
Hello World !, n=1
Hello World !, n=2

Always this order

> ./helloworld 1 2
Hello World !, n=1
Hello World !, n=2
```

## Parameter passing rules

- Parameter passing rules: way effective parameters are bind to formal parameters of task
  - by value (copy): HelloWorld.cpp
  - by reference (using ka::pointer or a C++ pointer)
- By value:
  - √ a copy is made into the task
- By reference
  - √ No copy
  - ✓ But task must declare its accesses to shared data
  - ✓ read: read access, the task can read the value
  - ✓ write: write access, a reader will see the value write
  - ✓ **read write**: <u>exclusive access</u>, one task has access to data
  - ✓ cumulative write: several write will participate to produce the final value

## Task signature

Number of parameters fixed at compilation time

```
struct TaskFibo: public ka::Task<2>::Signature<ka::W<int>, int> {};
```

- Access mode
  - √ ka::W<T>: write
  - ✓ ka::R<T>: read
  - √ ka::RW<T>: read write
  - √ ka::CW<T>: cumulative write with global reduction op
- Should correspond to declaration into formal parameters of task
  - ✓ ka::pointer\_w<T>
  - ✓ ka::pointer\_r<T>
  - ✓ ka::pointer\_rw<T>
  - ✓ ka::pointer cw<T,F>

### **Task**

- Task signature
  - √ define the number of parameters / type / access mode of each parameter

```
/* Kaapi Fibo task: takes a pointer to the result + an integer n */
struct TaskFibo: public ka::Task<2>:Signature<ka::W<long>, long> {};
```

- Task implementation
  - √ specify the implementation architecture (CPU)

```
/* CPU implementation */
template<>
struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskFibo> {
   void operator() ( ka::pointer_w<long> res, long n ) { ... }
};
```

## Dependencies

- A task must decribe their modes of access to data passed in effective parameters
  - √ Task Signature
- At runtime: the execution = sequence of tasks
  - √ reference order of execution
- Kaapi will always respect the following dependencies:
  - √ a reader will see the value written by the last task in the reference order:
    - W -> R,  $\{CW\}^*$  -> R, or RW -> R : **R**ead **A**fter **W**rite
  - ✓ other false dependencies (Writer After Read) may be solved by making copies of data
    - runtime decision

## Cost of dependencies?

- Dependency analysis is required to execute two tasks in parallel
  - √ tasks with dependencies are executed following the reference order
    - " a reader will see value writes by the last writer "
  - √ tasks without dependencies may be executed in parallel
    - the runtime decide when and where 2 concurrent tasks are executed in parallel
- With work stealing scheduling:
  - √ execution following reference order of execution
    - dequeue management, no dependency analysis
  - √ dependencies are only computed during steal operation

## What is really shared?

- Two tasks share a common data IFF they access to the same data in memory
- Current implementation = limitation
  - √ same data == same pointer

```
ka::pointer<T> a;
ka::pointer<T> b = a+100;
ka::Spawn<TaskRW1>()(a); /* rw on a */
ka::Spawn<TaskRW2>()(b); /* rw on b */
```

- TaskRW1 & TaskRW2 are independent, even if access to data pointed by 'a' an 'b' overlap !!!
  - ✓ No (yet) **region** of memory

### Illustration

• Task creation: Spawn

```
struct TaskFibo: public ka::Task<2>::Signature<ka::W<long>, long > {};

struct TaskDelete: public ka::Task<1>::Signature<ka::RW<long> > {};

struct TaskPrint: public ka::Task<1>::Signature<ka::R<long> > {};

/* */
ka::pointer<long> res = new long;

/* */
ka::Spawn<TaskFibo>()( res, n );
/* */
ka::Spawn<TaskPrint>()(res);
/* */
ka::Spawn<TaskPrint>()(res);
/* */
ka::Spawn<TaskDelete >()(res); // delete memory
```

- The runtime automatically detects data flow dependencies between tasks
- Write after Read dependencies may be solved by copy

# Fibo (bad) example

```
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskSum>
 void operator()( ka::pointer w<long> r, ka::pointer r<long> a, ka::pointer r<long> b )
 { *r = *a + *b; }
};
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskDelete>
 void operator()( ka::pointer rw<long> ptr )
  { delete ptr; }
};
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskFibo>
 void operator() ( ka::pointer w<long> ptr, const long n )
    if (n < 2)
      *ptr = n;
    else {
      ka::pointer<long> ptr1 = new long;
      ka::pointer<long> ptr1 = new long;
      ka::Spawn<TaskFibo>() ( ptr1, n-1 );
      ka::Spawn<TaskFibo>() ( ptr2, n-2 );
      ka::Spawn<TaskSum>() ( ptr, ptr1, ptr2 );
      ka::Spawn<TaskDelete>() ( ptr1 );
      ka::Spawn<TaskDelete>() ( ptr2 );
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```

## Pointer object allocation

- Scope of the data pointed by ka::pointer
  - ✓ **at least** the life time of the last task accessing the data
  - ✓ due to task execution order => out the C++ scope where the task is created
    - in Fibo example: new + spawn of task to delete memory
- 2 standard possibilities to manage dynamic allocations
  - √ use new / delete: as in the previous "fibo (bad) example"
    - operator new' at creation of the pointer
    - 'operator delete' -> the user has responsability to spawn the last task to delete the data
  - ✓ use ka::auto\_pointer<TYPE> / scoped pointer (?)
    - 'operator new' at creation of the pointer
    - the runtime automatically spawns the task to delete the data

# Fibo (better) example

```
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskSum>
  void operator()( ka::pointer w<long> r, ka::pointer r<long> a, ka::pointer r<long> b )
  { *r = *a + *b; }
};
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskFibo>
  void operator() ( ka::pointer w<long> ptr, const long n )
    if (n < 2)
      *ptr = n;
    else {
      ka::auto pointer<long> ptr1 = new long;
      ka::auto pointer<long> ptr2 = new long;
      ka::Spawn<TaskFibo>() ( ptr1, n-1 );
      ka::Spawn<TaskFibo>() ( ptr2, n-2 );
      ka::Spawn<TaskSum>() ( ptr, ptr1, ptr2 );
```

## How to improve fibo?

#### • Problem I:

- √ Huge number of new / delete at runtime
  - sequential C++ version: automatic variable in the stack for intermediate sub results
  - use 'ka::auto\_variable' to declare variable in the Kaapi stack of tasks
    - very similar to sequential C++ automatic variable
  - stdlib.h / alloca <=> sequential C++ automatic variable
  - ka::Alloca <=> ka::auto\_variable

Illustration on Fibonacci

# Fibo (much better) example

```
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskSum>
 void operator()( ka::pointer w<long> r, ka::pointer r<long> a, ka::pointer r<long> b )
  { *r = *a + *b; }
};
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskFibo>
  void operator() ( ka::pointer w<long> ptr, const long n )
    if (n < 2)
      *ptr = n;
    else {
      ka::auto variable<long> res1;
      ka::auto variable<long> res2;
      ka::Spawn<TaskFibo>() ( &res1, n-1 );
      ka::Spawn<TaskFibo>() ( &res2, n-2 );
      ka::Spawn<TaskSum>() ( ptr, &res1, &res2 );
```

### Same with "alloca"

```
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskSum>
  void operator()( ka::pointer w<long> r, ka::pointer r<long> a, ka::pointer r<long> b )
  { *r = *a + *b; }
};
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskFibo>
  void operator() ( ka::pointer w<long> ptr, const long n )
    if (n < 2)
      *ptr = n;
    else {
      ka::pointer<long> ptr1 = ka::Alloca<long>(1);
      ka::pointer<long> ptr2 = ka::Alloca<long>(1);
      ka::Spawn<TaskFibo>() ( ptr1, n-1 );
      ka::Spawn<TaskFibo>() ( ptr2, n-2 );
      ka::Spawn<TaskSum>() ( ptr, ptr1, ptr2 );
```

# How to improve fibo?

- Problem2:
  - ✓ Two many tasks spawned at each recursion level:
    - one of the recursive spawn may be inline by sequential call

```
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskFibo>
{
  void operator() ( ka::pointer_w<long> ptr, const long n )
  {
    if (n < 2)
        *ptr = n;
    else {
        ka::auto_variable<long> res1;
        ka::auto_variable<long> res2;

        ka::Spawn <TaskFibo>() ( &res1, n-1 );
        TaskBodyCPU<TaskFibo>() ( &res2, n-2 );

        ka::Spawn<TaskSum>() ( ptr, &res1, &res2 );
    }
};
```

- √ Cost of this example over pure C++ sequential version
  - one of the recursive spawn may be inline by sequential call

### Conclusion about "Fibo"

- I. This is not the best way to compute the N-th Fibonacci number
- 2. All previous presented codes are in the examples/fibo directory
  - fibo\_kaapi++.cpp: Irst version with new + TaskDelete
  - fibo\_kaapi++\_autopointer.cpp: with ka::auto\_pointer
  - fibo\_kaapi++\_autovar.cpp: with ka::auto\_variable
  - fibo\_kaapi++\_alloca.cpp: with ka::Alloca
  - fibo\_kaapi++\_opt.cpp: with one seq. call and one spawn
- 3. Other variations in the same directory
  - cumulative write, using ka::sync,
  - and with optimization to take into account the current running thread when tasks are spawned

### Pointer object allocation

Resume of previous slides:

```
/* using heap allocation => destruction by the user */
ka::pointer<float> ptr = new float[MAX];

/* using heap allocation => destruction by the runtime */
ka::auto_pointer<float> ptr = new float[MAX];

/* taking a reference to an global application data */
ka::pointer<float> ptr = &big_application_vector;

/* using Kaapi stack allocation: WARNING limited ressource */
ka::auto_variable<float> var;

/* using Kaapi stack allocation: WARNING limited ressource*/
ka::pointer<int> ptr = ka::Alloca<int>(1);
```

#### ✓ Pointer arithmetics

### Allowed operations on pointer

- Let T any type
- ka::pointer w<T> ptr;
  - ✓ left value / assignment: "\*ptr = ..."
- ka::pointer\_r<T> ptr;
  - √ right value ~ T\*: "std::cout << \*ptr;"
    </p>
- ka::pointer\_rw<T> ptr;
  - ✓ left value / assignment: "\*ptr = ..."
  - ✓ right value ~ T\*: "std::cout << \*ptr;"
- ka::pointer<T> ptr;
  - ✓ constructor with  $T^*$  value "ka::pointer<T> ptr = new T;"
  - ✓ assignment to  $T^*$ : "ptr = new T;"
- ka::pointer\_cw<T,F> ptr;
  - ✓ left value : "\*ptr += ..."
  - √ assumed to be associative

### C++ pointer arithmetic

- Increment / decrement by interger
- Comparizon
- Difference of pointers
- Array access

### Restriction on passing references

- Let e an effective reference of type ka::pointer\_XX
- Let f an formal parameter of type ka::pointer\_YY
- The following is allowed:

effective effective	pointer_r	pointer_rw	pointer_w	pointer_cw
pointer	yes	yes	yes	yes
pointer_r	yes	no	no	no
pointer_rw	no	no	no	no
pointer_w	no	no	no	no
pointer_cw	no	no	no	yes

### Restriction on passing references

effective effective	pointer_r	pointer_rp	pointer_rw	pointer_rpwp	pointer_w	pointer_wp
pointer	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
pointer_r	yes	yes	no	no	no	no
pointer_rp	yes	yes	no	no	no	no
pointer_rw	no	no	no	no	no	no
pointer_rpwp	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
pointer_w	no	no	no	no	no	no
pointer_wp	no	no	<b>no</b>	no	yes	yes

#### Extension: terminal recursion

effective	pointer_r	pointer_rp	pointer_rw	pointer_rpwp	pointer_w	pointer_wp
pointer	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
pointer_r	yes	yes	no	no	no	no
pointer_rp	yes	yes	no	no	no	no
pointer_rw	no	no	yes	no	yes	10
pointer_rpwp	yes	yes	lermi yes	nal recurs yes	sive call yes	yes
pointer_w	no	no	no	no	yes	no
pointer_wp	no	no	no	no	yes	yes

## for\_each\_rec\_xx.cpp

- Recursive for each on an array [beg,end)
  - ✓ STL approach
- Recursive task

```
/* task signature */
template<typename T, typename OP>
struct TaskForEach : public ka::Task<3>::Signature<ka::RPWP<T>, ka::RPWP<T>, OP>
{ };
/* CPU implementation */
template<typename T, typename OP>
struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskForEach<T, OP> > {
 void operator() ( ka::pointer rpwp<T> beg, ka::pointer rpwp<T> end, OP op)
    if(end-beq < 2)
      ka: Spawn<TaskForEachTerminal<T,OP> >()( beg, end, op );
    else {
      int med = (end-beg)/2;
      ka::Spawn<TaskForFach<T,OP> >() beg, beg+med, op );
      ka::Spawn<TaskForEach<T,OP> >() beq+med, end, op );
```

## for\_each\_rec\_xx.cpp

- Recursive for each on an array [beg,end)
  - √ STL approach
- Terminal task

```
/* task signature */
template<typename T, typename OP>
struct TaskForEachTerminal :
        public ka::Task<3>::Signature<ka::RW<T>, ka::RW<T>, OP> {};

/* CPU implementation */
template<typename T, typename OP>
struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskForEachTerminal<T, OP> > {
    void operator() ( ka::pointer_rw<T> beg, ka::pointer_rw<T> end, OP op)
    {
        std::for_each( beg, end, op );
    }
};
```

RpWp => RW required to access to data

# Some optimizations

### Better task creation

- Tasks are pushed into the current thread stack
  - ✓ avoid access to the "current thread"
  - 1. keep the same signature

```
/* Kaapi Fibo task: takes a pointer to the result + an integer n */
struct TaskFibo: public ka::Task<2>::Signature<ka::W<int>, int> {};
```

2. add an extra / optional formal parameter in the implementation

3. spawn using the thread: thread->

```
/* Recursive calls in Fibonacci */
thread->Spawn<TaskFibo>()( res1, n-1 );
thread->Spawn<TaskFibo>()( res2, n-2 );
thread->Spawn<TaskSum>() ( res, res1, res2 );
```

# Passing big value

- Value = effective parameter is copied 2 times
  - √ to the internal task argument: Spawn
  - √ to the user function: function call

```
/* Stupid task */
struct TaskFAT: public ka::Task<2>::Signature<ka::W<int>, Matrix> {};
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskFAT> {
   void operator() ( ka::pointer_w<int> res, Matrix M ) { ... }
};
ka::Spawn<TaskFAT>()( smallint, bigmatrix );
```

Use const T& declaration: copied once

```
/* Not so stupid task */
struct TaskFAT: public ka::Task<2>::Signature<ka::W<int>, Matrix> {};
template<> struct TaskBodyCPU<TaskFAT> {
  void operator() ( ka::pointer_w<int> res, const Matrix& M ) { ... }
};
ka::Spawn<TaskFAT>()( smallint, bigmatrix );
```

# Passing big value cont'd

If not enough → use pointer

- overhead: same as using a C++ pointer
- the user should consider the life data

# http://kaapi.gforge.inria.fr

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