

MR-API: A Comprehensive API Framework for Heterogeneous Multi-core Systems using Map Reduce Programming Model

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Motivation for an effective API

- Existing cloud systems map general purpose computations to CPU
- Difficulty in Automation of mapping computation to heterogeneous processing unit
- Abstraction in mapping instructions to heterogeneous unit
- Tapping GPU resources in cloud to improve the performance of general purpose applications
- Evolving effective heuristics for instruction delegation across heterogeneous cores
- Performance optimization of DAG's

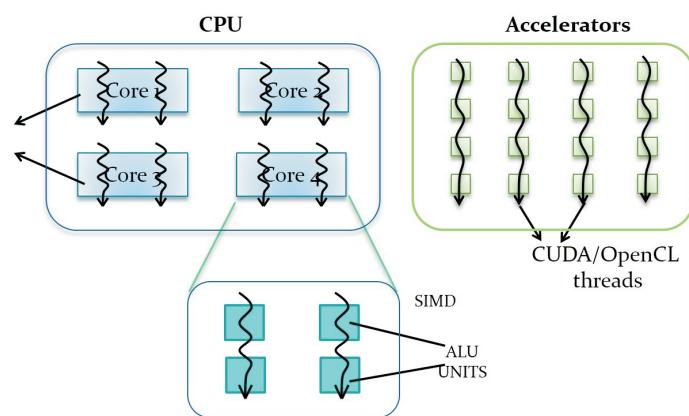


Fig 1: Typical Heterogeneous architecture comprising of CPU and GPUs

```
public class SimpleMapper<K1, V1, K2, V2>
2 implements MapRunnable<K1, V1, K2, V2>
3
4 public void map(LongWritable offset,
5   LongWritable key,
6   OutputCollector<BooleanWritable,
7   LongWritable> out,
8   Reporter reporter) throws IOException {
9   long numInside = 0L;
10  long numOutside = 0L;
11
12 final Point[] points =
13  new Point[size.get()];
14
15 for(int i=0;i<size.get();i++) {
16  points[i] = new Point(Math.random(),
17    Math.random());
18  final float x = points[i].x * 0.5f;
19  final float y = points[i].y * 0.5f;
20  if(x + y > 0.25f)
21    numOutside++;
22  else
23    numInside++;
24 }
25
26 out.collect(new BooleanWritable(true),
27  new LongWritable(numInside));
28 out.collect(new BooleanWritable(false),
29  new LongWritable(numOutside));
30
31 }
32
33 public void run(RecordReader<K1, V1> input,
34  OutputCollector<K2, V2> output,
35  Reporter reporter) throws IOException {
36
37 //allocate key&value instances
38 //that are reused for all entries
39 K1 key = input.createKey();
40 V1 value = input.createValue();
41
42 while(input.next(key, value))
43 //map pair to output
44 map((LongWritable)key,
45 (LongWritable)value,
46 (OutputCollector<BooleanWritable,
47 LongWritable>)output, reporter);
48 }
49 }
```

Fig 4: Original MAP-REDUCE Program

MR-API Features

- Comprehensive Application Programming Interface for Heterogeneous Multi-core Multi-threaded Systems
- Runtime aggregation of application specific instructions
- Enhances parallelism through processor level parallelism
- Mapping computations at runtime for heterogeneous processing units
- Provides scalability, fault tolerance and load balancing
- Performance optimization of DAG's using operation coalescing and removal of redundant temporary arrays
- Programming model of MR-API is library based improving the level of Abstraction
- Performance improvement by **50-90** percent in contrast to the serial CPU only architectures

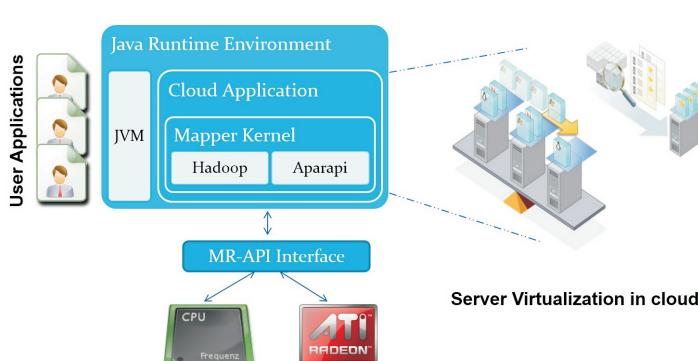


Fig 2: MR-API Software Architecture Framework

```
1 public class GPUMapper extends
2 //the first two type are inputkey/valuepair
3 //the last two type are outputkey/valuepair
4 MapperKernel<FloatToBoolean<LongWritable, LongWritable>,
5 BooleanWritable, LongWritable>{
6
7 @Override
8 public List<FloatTuple2> preprocess(
9  RecordReader<LongWritable, LongWritable> input,
10 Reporter reporter) throws IOException {
11
12 LongWritable key = input.createKey();
13 LongWritable value = input.createValue();
14 ArrayList<FloatTuple2> allGpuIn =
15  new ArrayList<FloatTuple2>();
16
17 while(input.next(key, value)){
18 for(int i=0;i<value.get();key.get();
19  i++)
20  allGpuIn.add(new FloatTuple2(
21    (float) Math.random(),
22    (float) Math.random()));
23 }
24 return allGpuIn;
25 }
26
27
28 public boolean gpu(float x, float y){
29 return x + y > 0.25f;
30 }
31
32
33 @Override
34 public void postprocess(List<Boolean> gpuOut,
35  OutputCollector<BooleanWritable, LongWritable>
36  output)
37 throws IOException {
38  int numInside = 0;
39  int numOutside = 0;
40  for(boolean x:gpuOut)
41  if(x)
42    numInside++;
43  else
44    numOutside++;
45 output.collect(new BooleanWritable(true),
46  new LongWritable(numInside));
47 output.collect(new BooleanWritable(false),
48  new LongWritable(numOutside));
49 }
50 }
```

Fig 5: Modified MAP-REDUCE Program with MR-API Mapper Modules

Perks of MR-API

- Task based segregation Viz. Heuristics to handle flat and block data to achieve better granularity
- MR-API decreases the code complexity by hiding low level GPGPU constructs
- Application speedup increases at nearly exponential rate for N-body simulation which has $O(n^2)$ complexity

To integrate MR-API with Hadoop, the developer just needs to add two parameters to Hadoop's configuration file:

- `Djava.library.path= location of aparapi native library`
- `mapred.map.tasks=1`

Raw Instructions

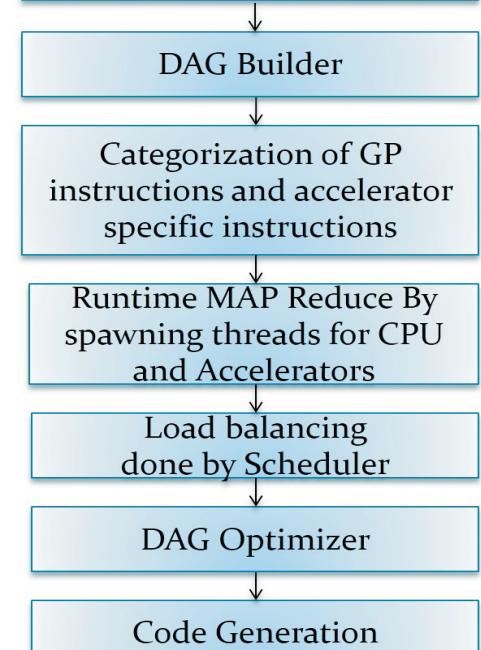


Fig 3: Compilation sequence in MR-API based heterogeneous architectures

Sample Results

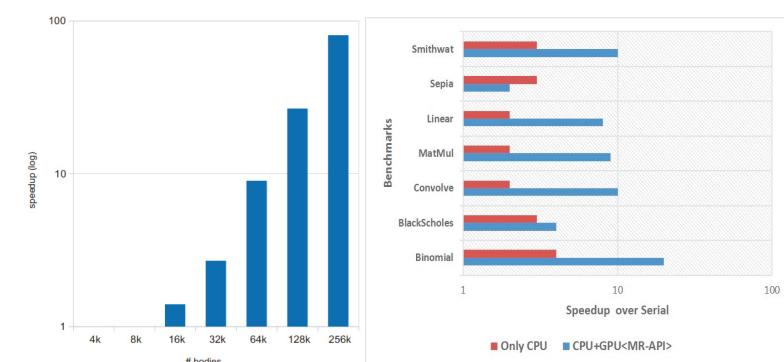


Fig 6: Speed up of Nbody simulation MR-API over CPU

Fig 7: Speed up of other benchmarks MR-API over CPU

Future work

- Evolving MR-API framework to support multiple languages apart from Java
- Developing libraries to support varied set of accelerators including CUDA powered Nvidia GPUs
- Complete automation of mapping framework to support hybrid execution without programmer intervention