# The Clean Fix: Three Simple Changes

## **The Problem**

- 1. **Nested subflows** executor.run().wait() can't track nested work properly
- 2. **Thread-local readers getting destroyed** When taskflow recycles threads, destructors fire
- 3. Task explosion Creating tasks for every fragment causes unpredictable completion

# The Solution: Three Changes

### Change 1: Make Thread-Local Readers Static

#### **Before:**

```
thread_local ReaderWrapper wrapper; // Gets destroyed when task completes
After:
static thread local ReaderWrapper wrapper; // Persists for thread's lifetime
```

### Change 2: Flatten the Taskflow

#### **Before:**

```
auto subset_flow = std::make_shared<tf::Taskflow>();
auto processQueries_task = subset_flow->emplace([](tf::Subflow& sf) {
   for (const auto& queryName : querySequenceNames) {
        auto query_task = sf.emplace([](tf::Subflow& query_sf) { // NESTED!
            for (int i = 0; i < fragmentCount; i++) {</pre>
                query_sf.emplace([]{...}); // DOUBLE NESTED!
            query_sf.join();
       });
   }
}):
executor.run(*subset_flow).wait();
After:
tf::Taskflow taskflow;
for (const auto& queryName : querySequenceNames) {
   taskflow.emplace([queryName]() {
        // Process entire query in one task
   });
executor.run(taskflow).wait(); // Single level, single wait
```

### **Change 3: Process Fragments Inline**

#### **Before:**

```
// Inside query task
for (int i = 0; i < fragmentCount; i++) {
    query_sf.emplace([i]() { // Creating a task per fragment
        processFragment(i);
    });</pre>
```

```
}
query_sf.join();

After:

// Inside query task
for (int i = 0; i < fragmentCount; i++) {
    processFragment(i); // Just call it directly
}</pre>
```

# **Complete Implementation**

```
void mapQuery() {
   tf::Executor executor(param.threads);
   // Static thread-local ensures readers persist
    static thread_local struct {
        faidx_reader_t* reader = nullptr;
        faidx_meta_t* current_meta = nullptr;
        faidx_reader_t* get(faidx_meta_t* meta) {
            if (!reader || current_meta != meta) {
                if (reader) faidx_reader_destroy(reader);
                reader = faidx_reader_create(meta);
                current_meta = meta;
           return reader;
        ~decltype(reader)() {
            if (reader) faidx_reader_destroy(reader);
   } tls_reader;
    // For each subset of references
   for (const auto& target_subset : target_subsets) {
        // Build index for this subset
        buildIndex(target_subset);
        // FLAT taskflow - no subflows
        tf::Taskflow taskflow;
        // Create one task per query (not one task that processes all queries)
        for (const auto& queryName : querySequenceNames) {
            taskflow.emplace([this, queryName, &tls_reader]() {
                // Get thread-local reader
                faidx_reader_t* reader = tls_reader.get(query_meta);
                // Read sequence
                hts_pos_t len;
                char* data = faidx_reader_fetch_seq(reader, queryName.c_str(), 0, -1, &len);
                if (!data) return;
                std::string sequence(data, len);
                free(data);
```

```
MappingResultsVector t results;
                int fragmentCount = sequence.length() / param.windowLength;
                for (int i = 0; i < fragmentCount; i++) {</pre>
                    // Direct processing - no task creation
                    const char* fragment = sequence.c_str() + (i * param.windowLength);
                    int fragLen = std::min(param.windowLength, (int)(sequence.length() - i * param.wind
                    // Use existing fragment processing logic
                    QueryMetaData<MinVec_Type> Q;
                    Q.seq = const_cast<char*>(fragment);
                    Q.len = fragLen;
                    // ... rest of fragment processing
                    std::vector<IntervalPoint> intervalPoints;
                    std::vector<L1 candidateLocus t> l1Mappings;
                    MappingResultsVector_t l2Mappings;
                    mapSingleQueryFrag(Q, intervalPoints, l1Mappings, l2Mappings);
                    // Collect results
                    for (auto& mapping : 12Mappings) {
                        mapping.queryStartPos += i * param.windowLength;
                        results.push_back(mapping);
                    }
                }
                // Handle last fragment if needed
                if (fragmentCount > 0 && sequence.length() % param.windowLength != 0) {
                    // Process final overlapping fragment
                    // ... same inline processing
                // Filter and output results
                auto filtered = filterMappings(results);
                    std::lock_guard<std::mutex> lock(output_mutex);
                    outputMappings(queryName, filtered);
            });
        // Single wait point that actually works
        executor.run(taskflow).wait();
        // Clean up index
        delete refSketch;
   }
}
```

// Process ALL fragments inline

## **Why This Works**

- 1. **Static thread-local readers** survive across tasks because they're tied to the thread, not the task
- 2. **Flat taskflow** means executor.run().wait() can properly track all work
- 3. **Inline fragment processing** eliminates task explosion and nested synchronization

# What We're NOT Doing

- NOT pre-loading all sequences (memory efficient)
- NOT using mutex on readers (performance preserved)
- NOT creating our own thread pool (using taskflow as intended)
- NOT creating tasks for fragments (predictable task count)

# **Implementation Steps**

- 1. Remove all tf::Subflow parameters and usage
- 2. Change thread\_local to static thread\_local for readers
- 3. Move fragment processing from task creation to direct function calls
- 4. Keep the persistent output stream fixes (those were actually good)

This is minimal, clean, and should fix the truncation issue without the memory overhead of pre-loading everything.