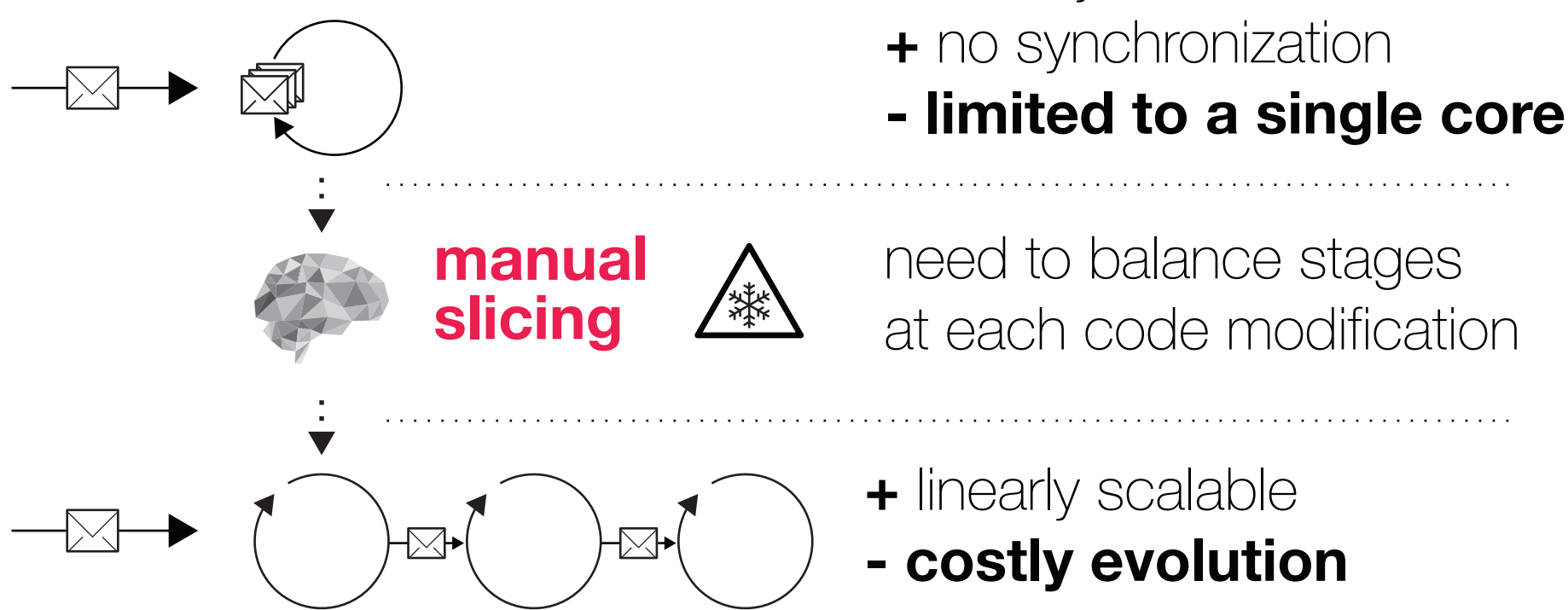# Automatic pipeline parallelism for event-loops.

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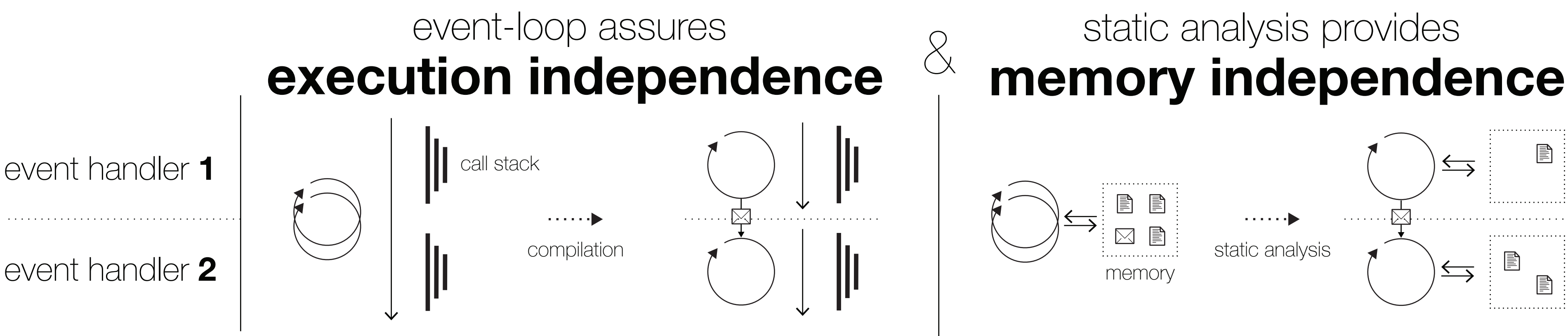**Frédéric Oblé**
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event-loop

+ linearly scalable
+ no synchronization
- **limited to a single core**

manual slicing — need to balance stages at each code modification

+ linearly scalable
- **costly evolution**

pipeline parallelism

problematic

an event-loop is limited, and switching to pipeline parallelism is costly.

proposition

We propose to automate the slicing process at compile time

compilation

event-loop assures
execution independence

&

static analysis provides
memory independence

event handler **1**

event handler **2**

call stack

compilation

memory

static analysis

compilation example

source[5]

```
var app = require('express')(),
    fs = require('fs'),
    count = 0;

app.get('/', function handler(req, res){
  fs.readFile(__filename, function reply(err, data){
    count += 1;
    var code = ('' + data)
                 .replace(/\n/g, '<br>')
                 .replace(/ /g, '&nbsp');
    res.send(err
        || 'downloaded ' + count +
           ' times<br><br><code>' +
           code + '</code>');
  });
});

app.listen(8080);
console.log('>> listening 8080');
```

target[5]

```
flx source.js {}
>> handler-1000 [res]
  var app = require('express')(),
      fs = require('fs'),
      count = 0;
  app.get('/', >> handler-1000);
  app.listen(8080);
  console.log('>> listening 8080');
```

req, res

```
flx handler-1000 {fs}
-> reply-1001 [res]
  function handler(req, res) {
    fs.readFile(__filename, -> reply-1001);
  }
```

res, err, data

```
flx reply-1001 {count}
-> null
  function reply(err, data) {
    count += 1;
    var code = ('' + data)
                 .replace(/\n/g, '<br>')
                 .replace(/ /g, '&nbsp');
    res.send(err
        || 'downloaded ' + count +
           ' times<br><br><code>' +
           code + '</code>');
  }
```

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