

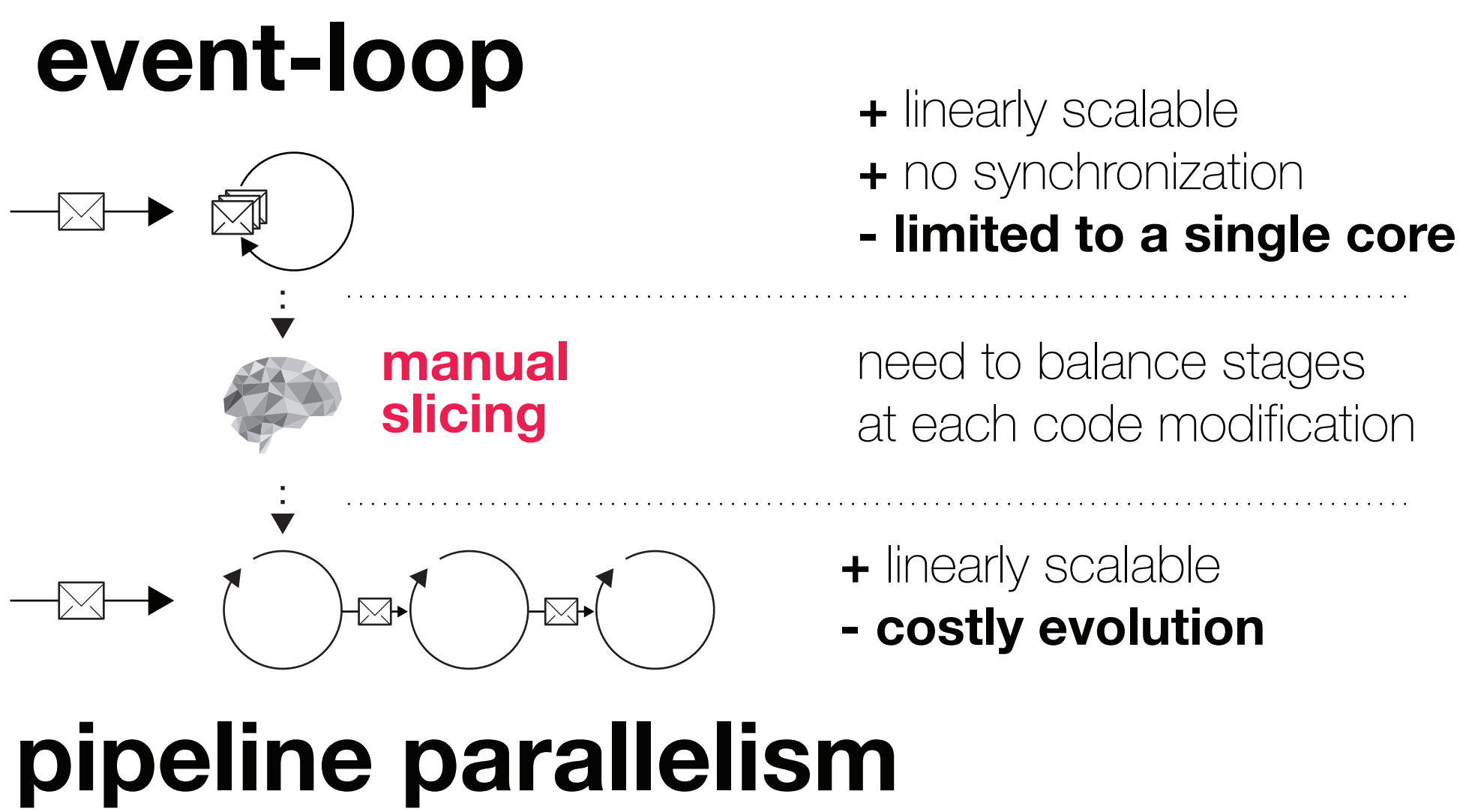
# Automatic pipeline parallelism for event-loops.

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An event-loop is a pipeline on a single core.

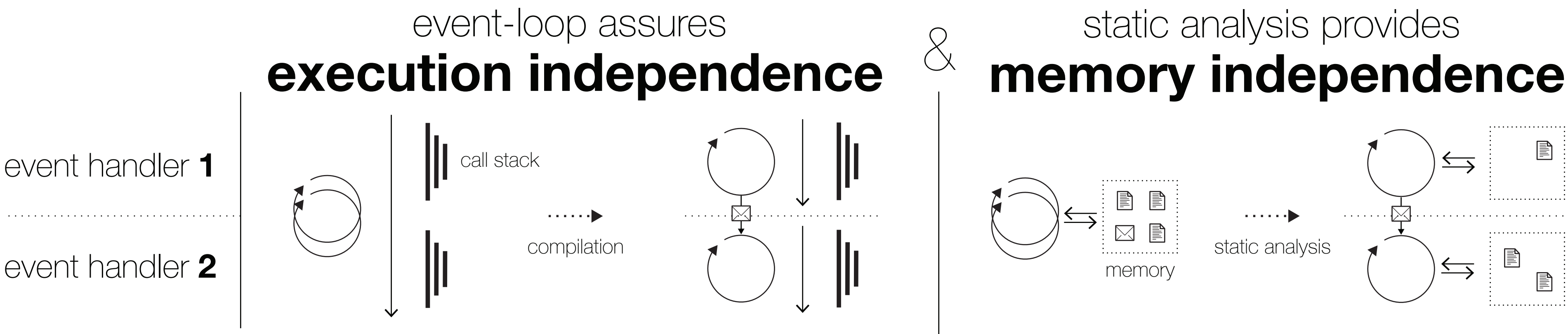
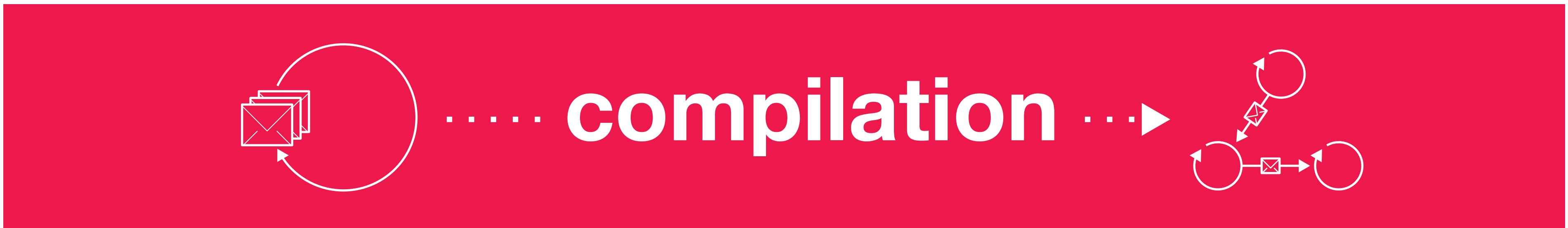


problematic

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

proposition

**We propose to automate the slicing process at compile time.**



## 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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