Advanced Topics in Compilers

Parallelizer

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- Compilation pipeline
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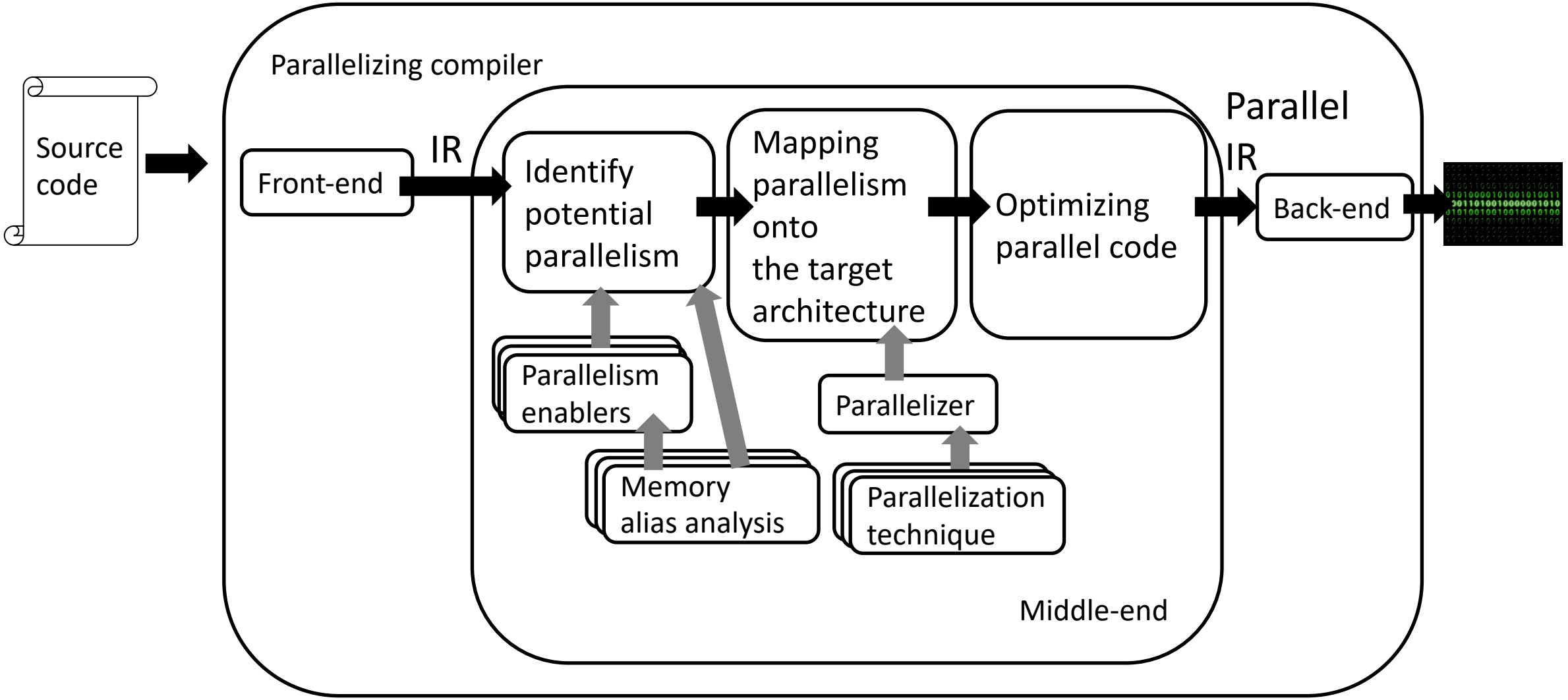
A typical parallelizing compiler



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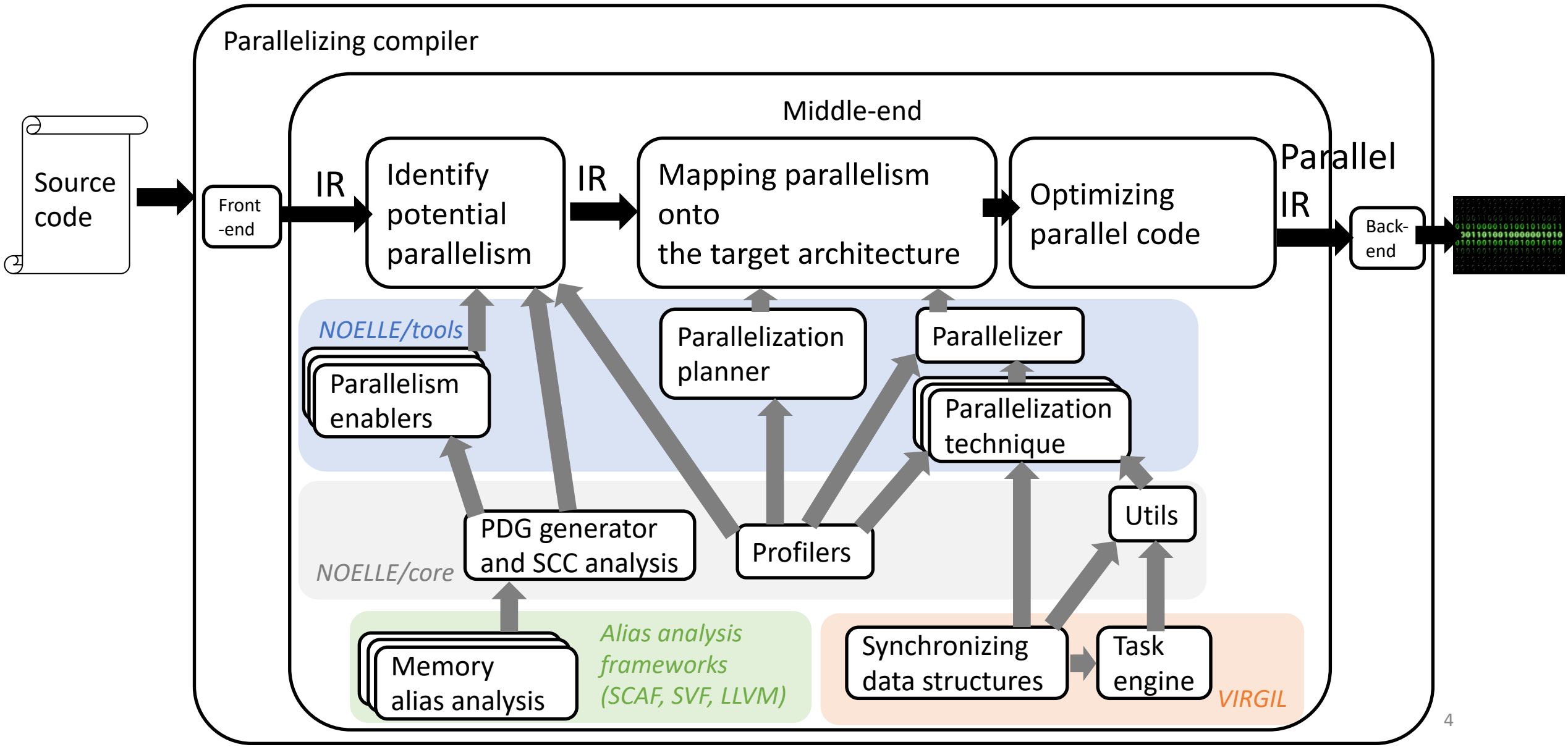

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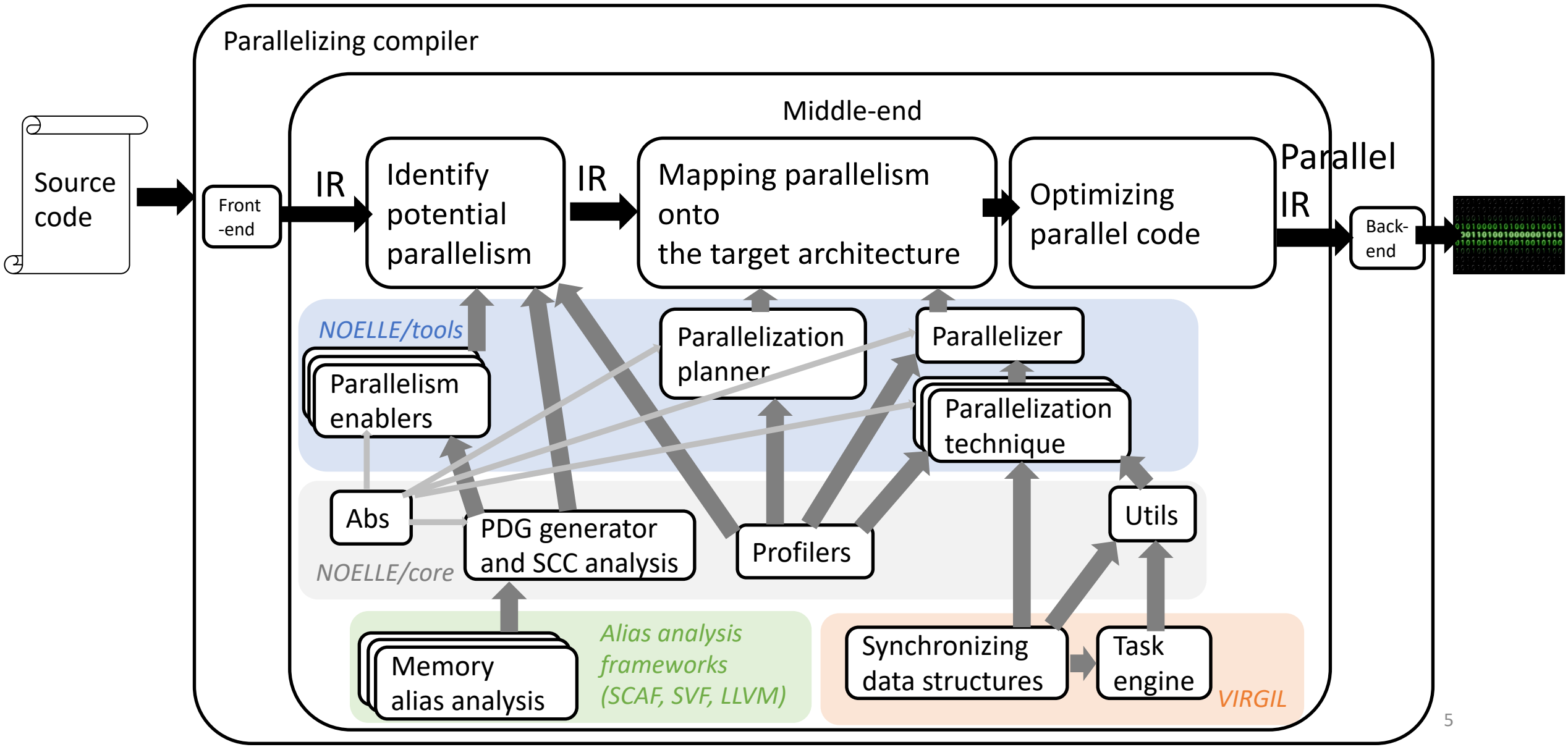

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  or use NOELLEGym to automate everything)

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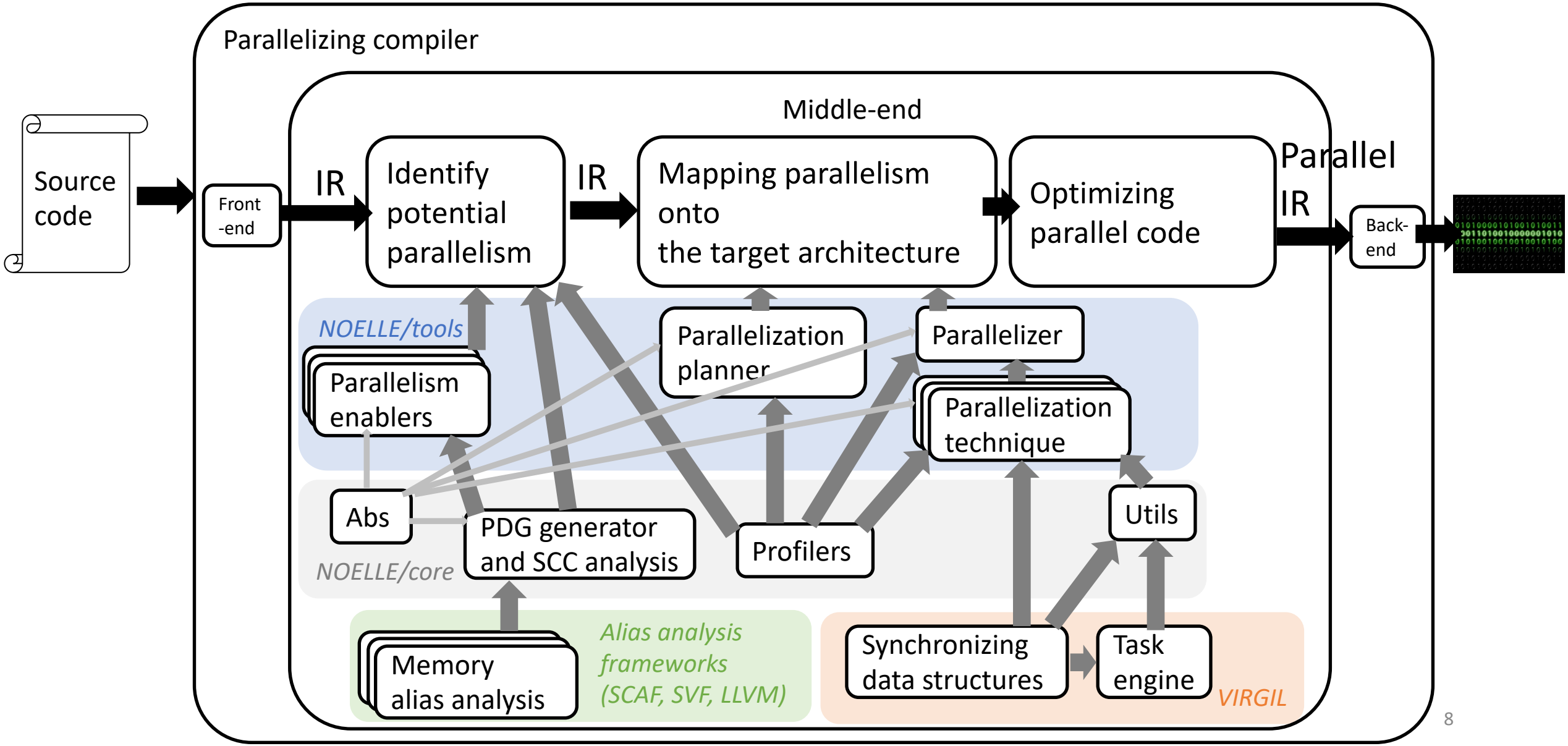

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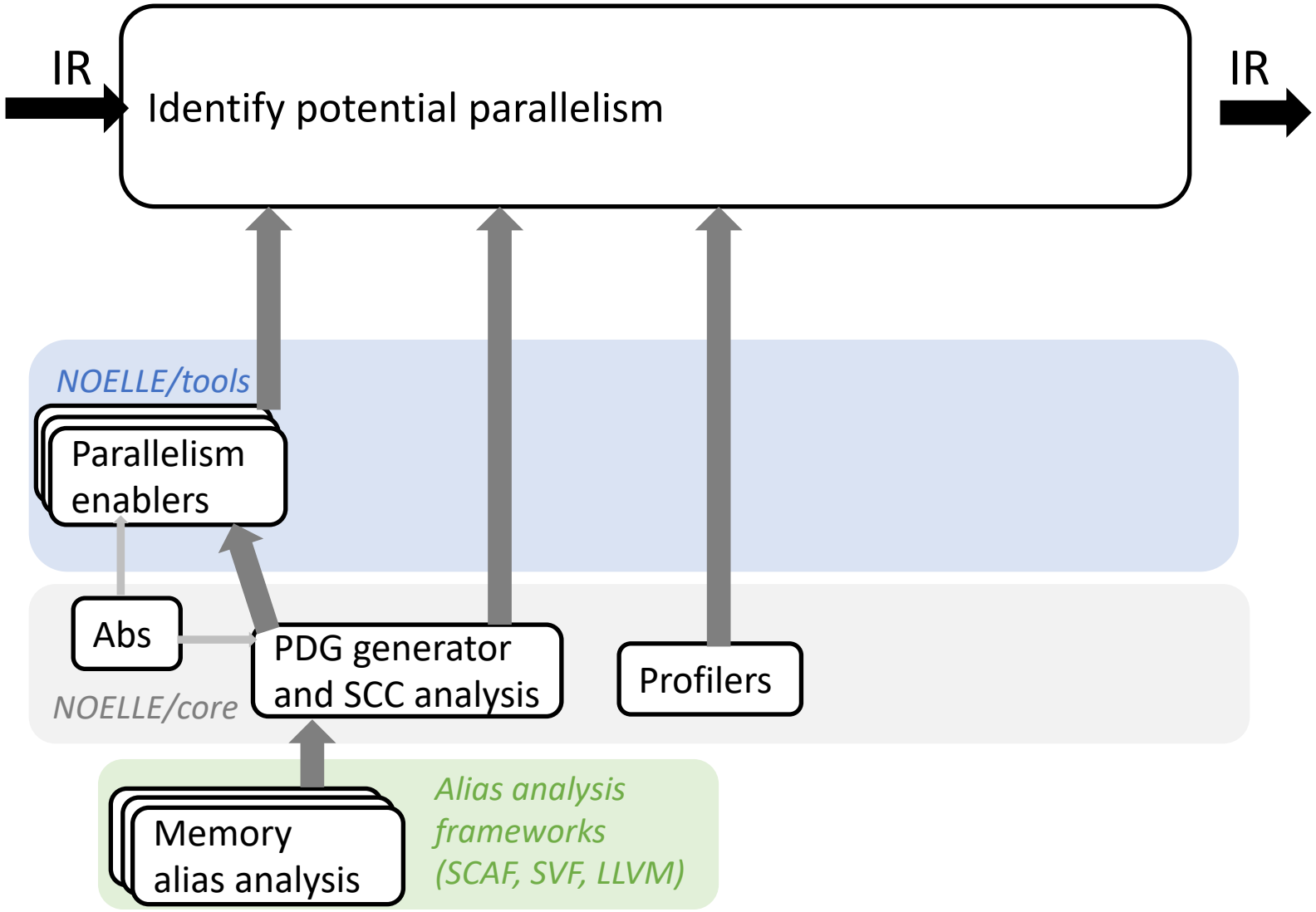

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```
clang -O1 -Xclang -disable-llvm-passes -c -emit-llvm test.cpp -o test.bc
```

- Now we need to profile the code to identify hot code

```
noelle-prof-coverage test.bc baseline_with_runtime_prof -lm -lstdc++ -lpthread
```

```
$ ./baseline_with_runtime_prof 10 20 30
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$ noelle-meta-prof-embed default.profraw test.bc -o test_with_profile.bc
opt -pgo-test-profile-file=/tmp/tmp.X3krDBb9S4 -block-freq -pgo-instr-use test.bc -o test_with_profile.bc
```

- Now we need to make the IR more amenable for parallelization

```
$ noelle-pre test_with_profile.bc -noelle-verbose=2 -noelle-min-hot=1
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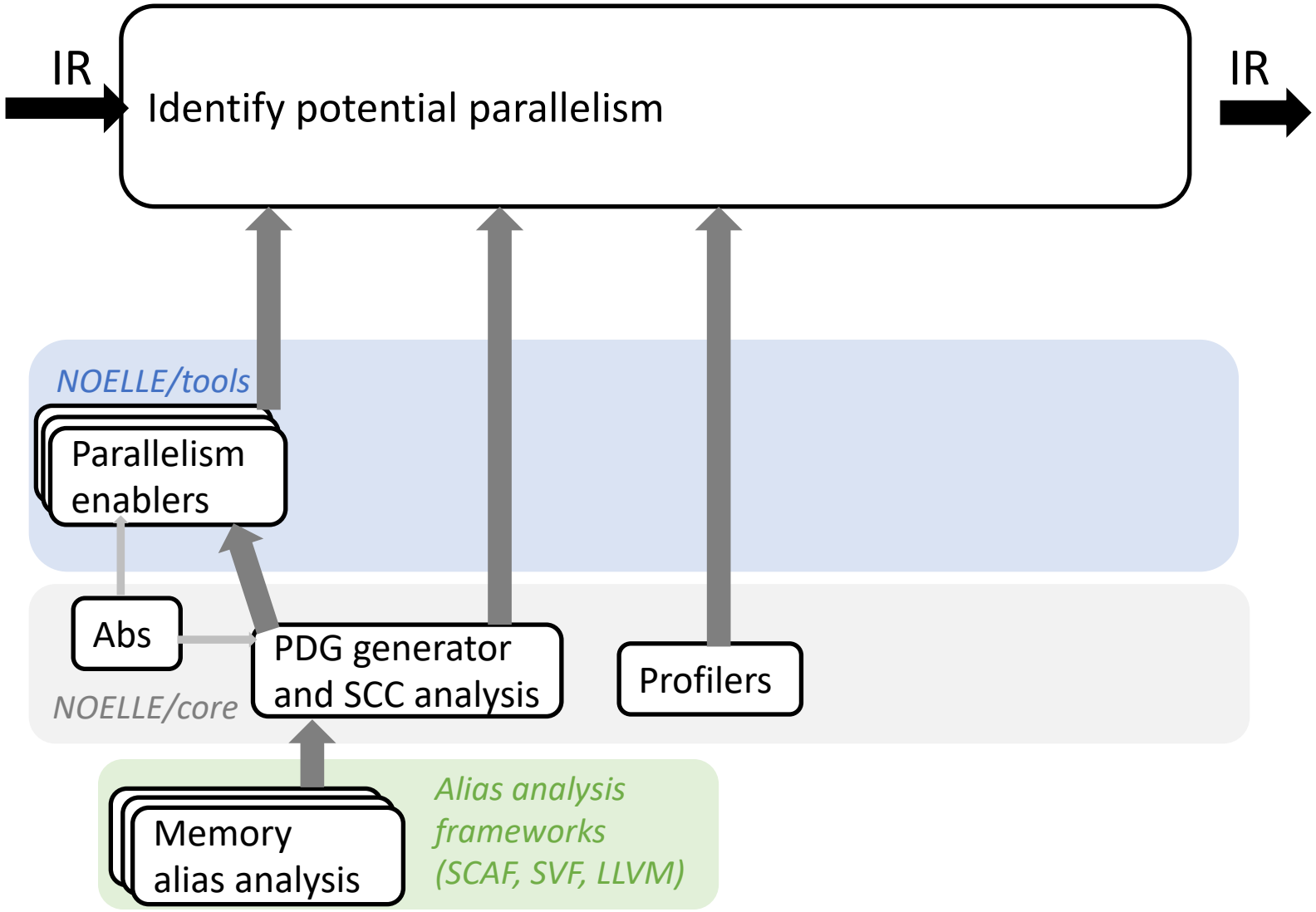

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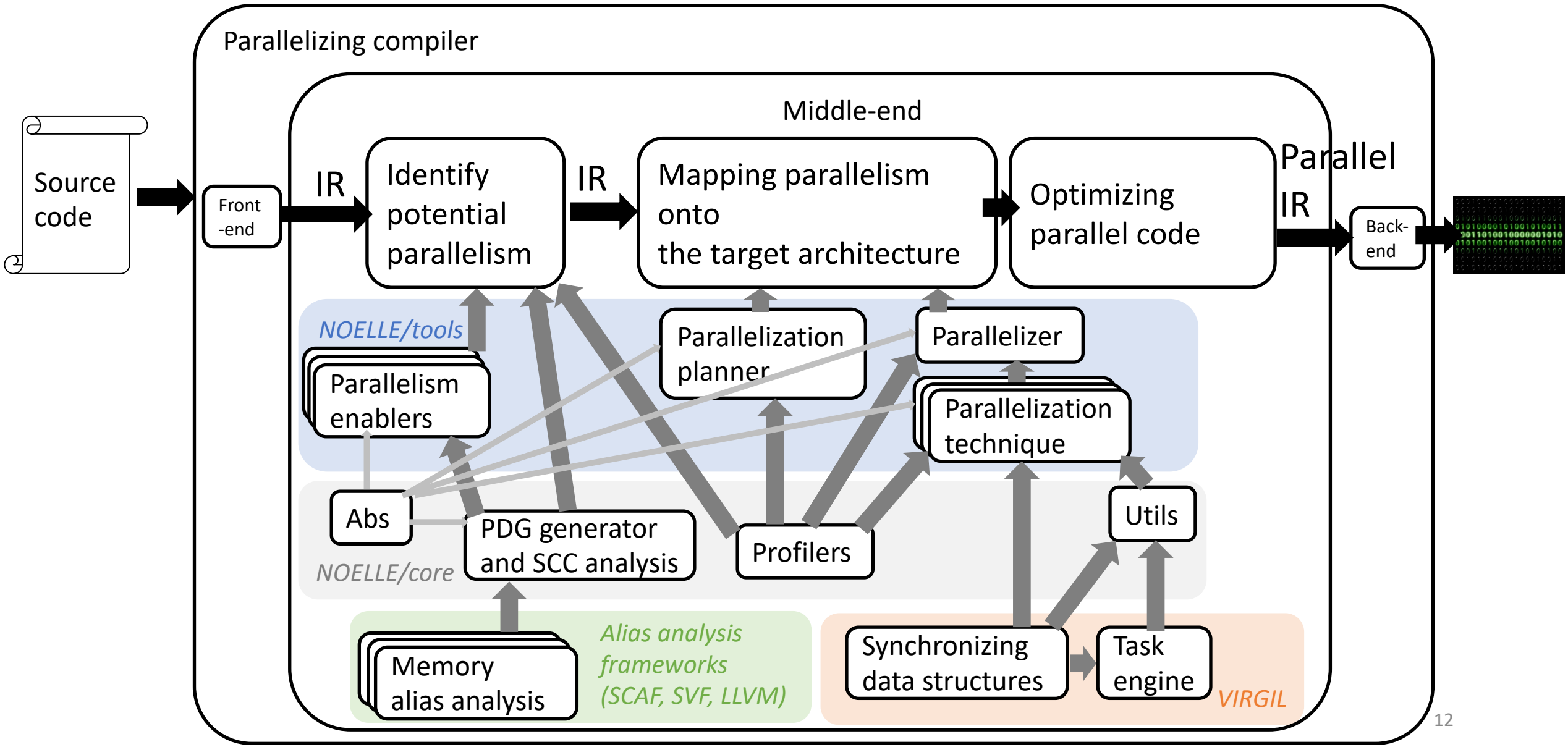

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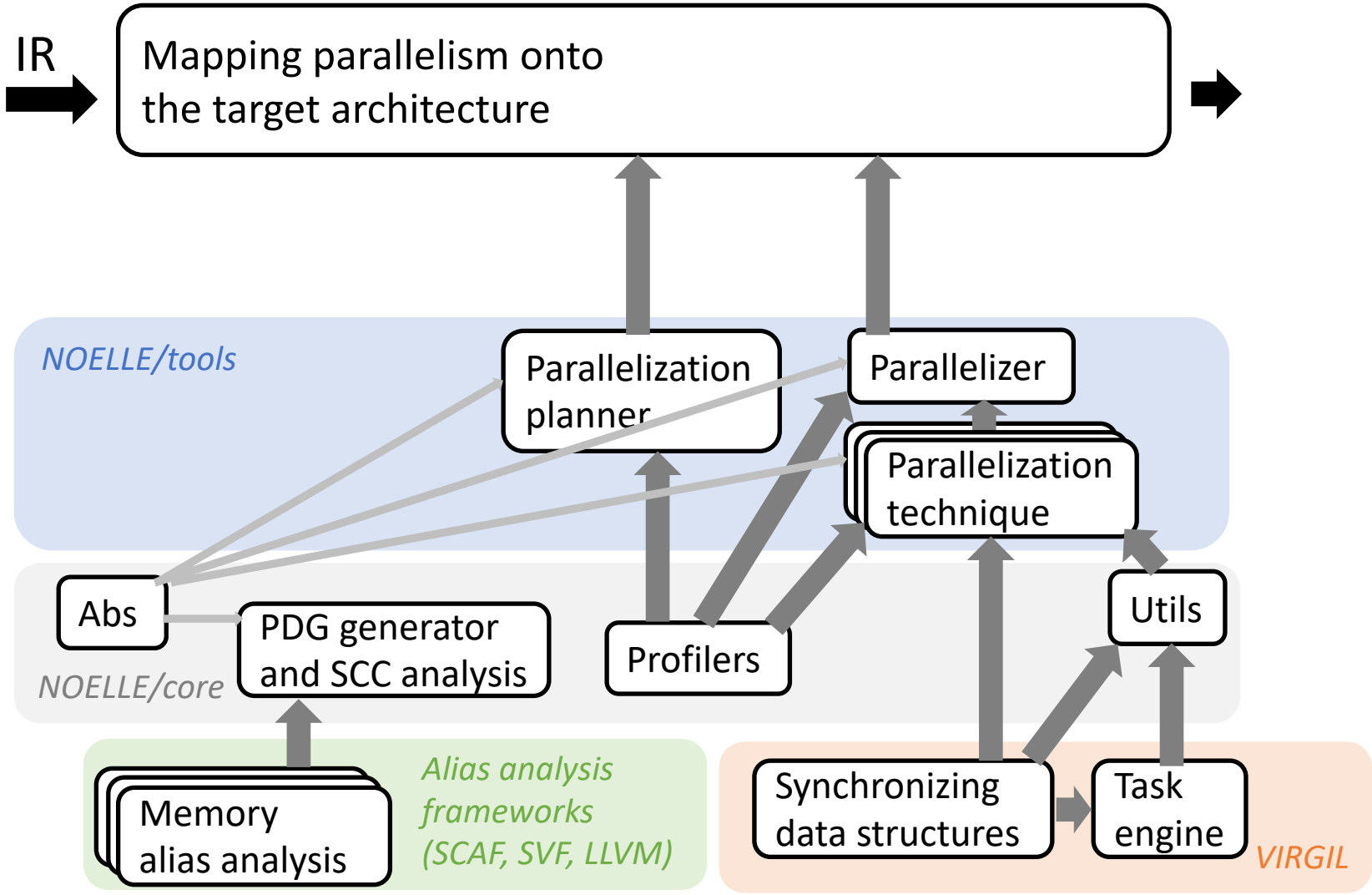

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- Now we need to compute the PDG and embed it into the IR

```
noelle-meta-pdg-embed test_with_new_profile.bc -o code_to_parallelize.bc
```

- Now we need to compile utilities written in C/C++ that the parallelizer will use to parallelize the code (e.g., synchronization data structures)

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clang++ -I~/VIRGIL/include -emit-llvm -O3 -c ~/NOELLE/src/core/runtime/Parallelizer_utils.cpp -o Parallelizer_utils.bc
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- Now we can parallelize the IR

```
noelle-parallelizer code_to_parallelized.bc Parallelizer_utils.bc -o parallelized_code.bc -noelle-verbose=2 -noelle-parallelizer-force
```

- Now we can generate the parallelized binary

```
clang++ parallelized_code.bc -pthreads -O3 -lm -lstdc++ -lpthread -o parallel_binary
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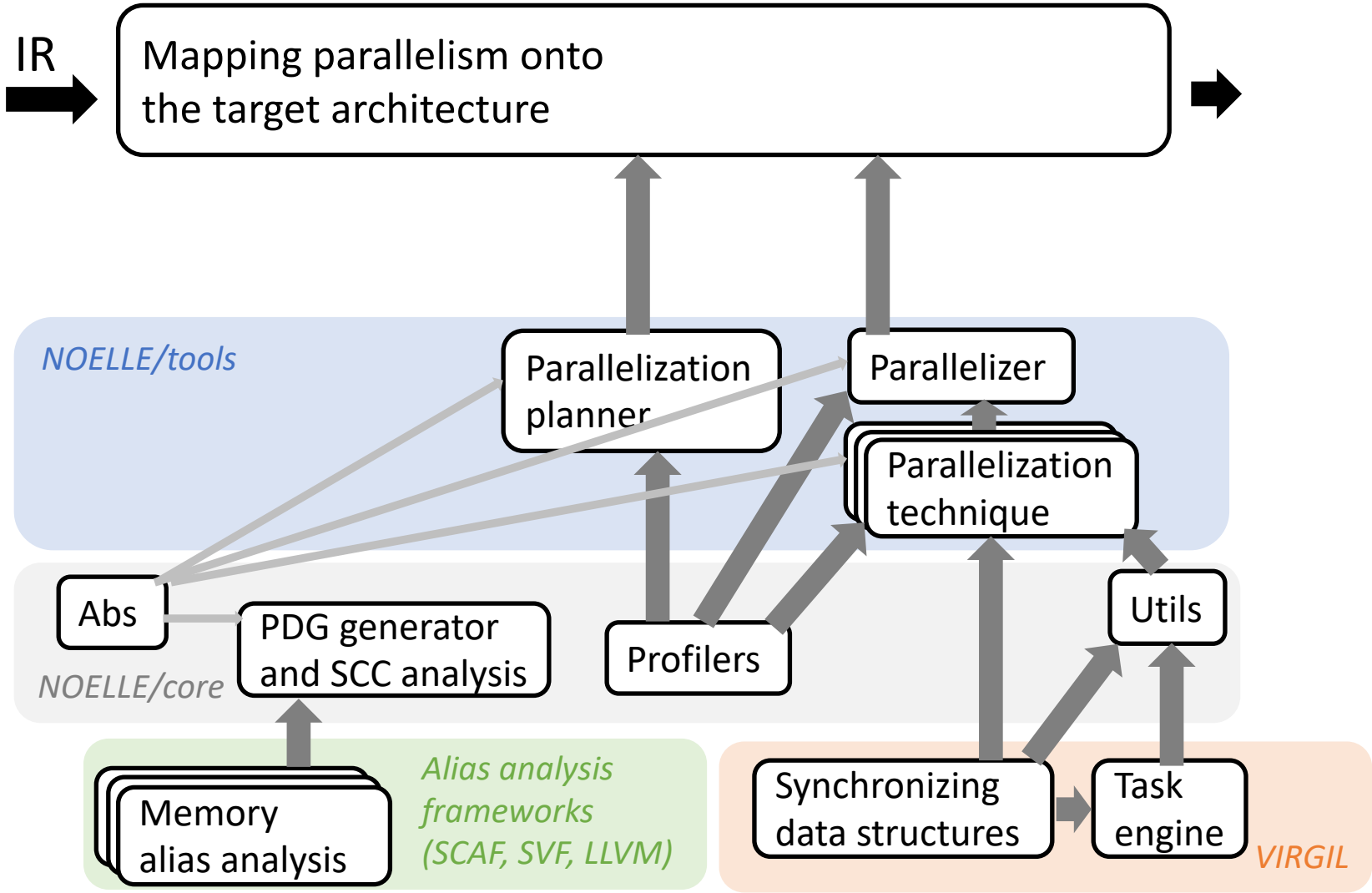

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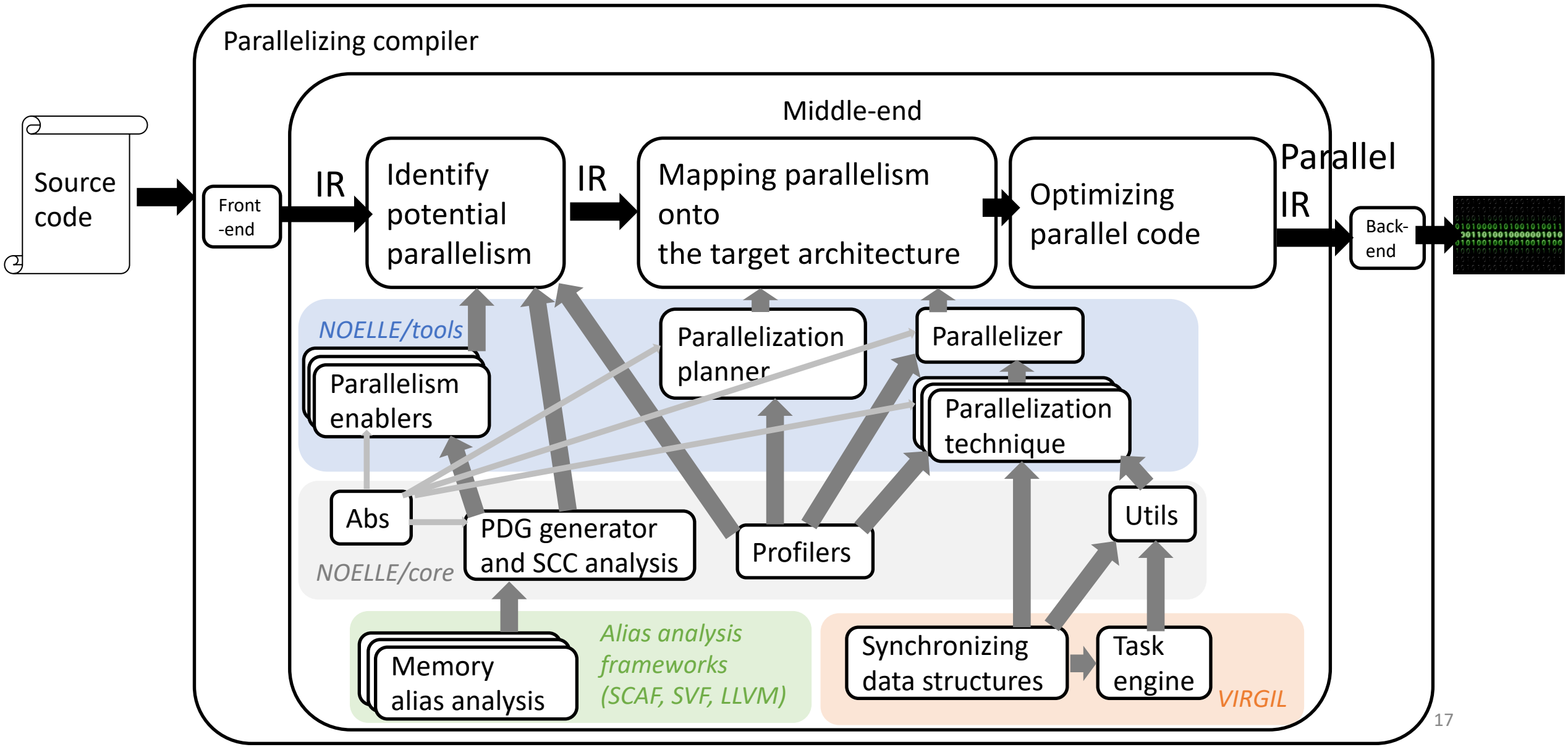

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Typical flow

1. The parallelizer in the master branch works,
   but you want to improve the speedup obtained by it for a given benchmark
   - Let's assume you are using NOELLEGym

2. You extend/modify a code analysis/transformation in the
   parallelizing pipeline described in these slides
   - To do so, you modify something in NOELLEGym/NOELLE/src,
     and then you recompile and install NOELLE

3. You re-run the parallelizer and the new parallel binary generated doesn't work
   (e.g., seg fault)

How should you debug it?

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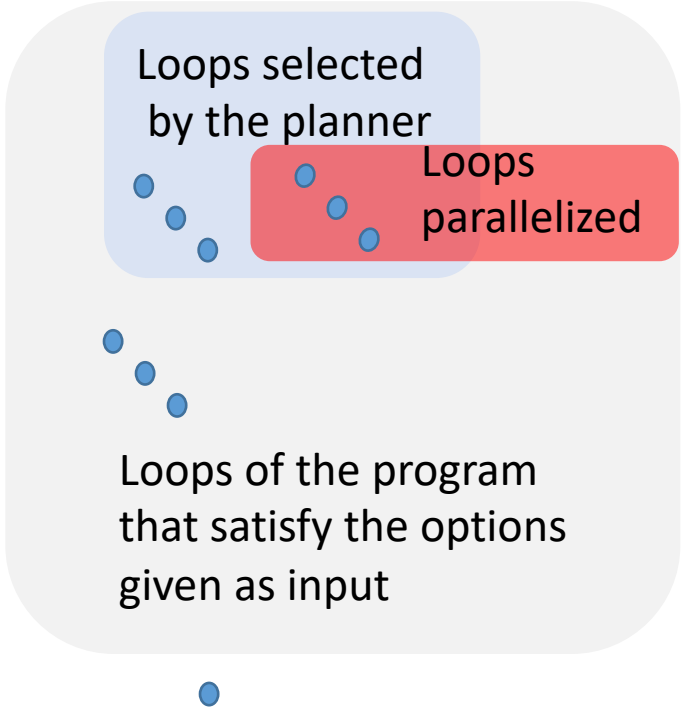


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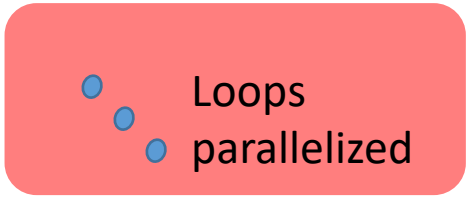

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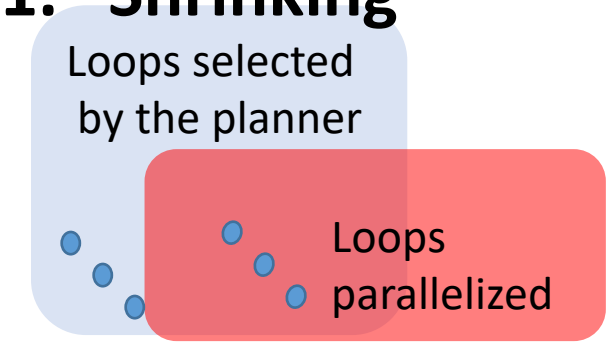

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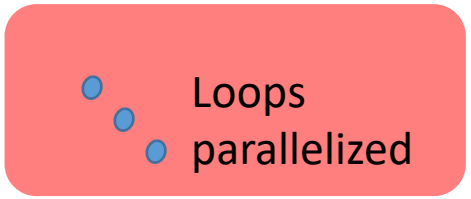


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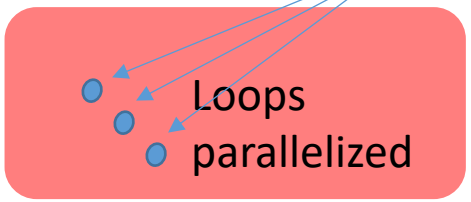

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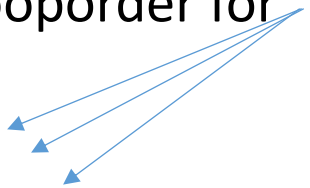

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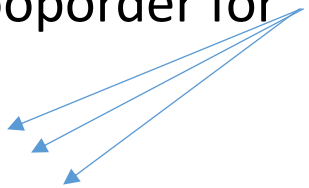

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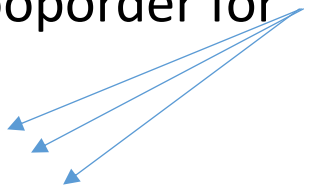

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Always have faith in your ability

Success will come your way eventually

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