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An open source cloud software ecosystem for the EPI hardware

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AERO Motivation

- Cloud Service Providers (CSPs) offer a diverse & rich HW/SW ecosystem for deploying applications
 - Mainly driven by US companies
 - Strong **dependencies** to overseas technology providers
 - Increased **security & data privacy** concerns
 - **Limited flexibility** for custom designs that satisfy requirements of the European market & ecosystem
- European Processor Initiative (EPI) develops the first EU made chip and compute units (processors & accelerators)
- To achieve EU sovereignty the cloud SW ecosystem needs to follow HW developments



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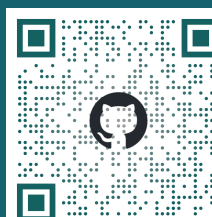
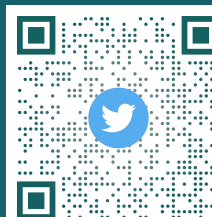
Vision

Enable the future heterogeneous EU cloud infrastructure

AERO will **upbring** and **optimise** all components necessary to **achieve out-of-the-box heterogeneous execution** of the cloud ecosystem on the European processor. The outcome will be a set of **compilers, runtime systems, operating systems, system software**, and auxiliary **software deployment services**.

Accelerate the adoption of the EU cloud ecosystem

AERO will accelerate the adoption of the EU cloud ecosystem via upstreaming to open source projects, communicating and disseminating AERO's results to industry, academia, and standardization bodies.





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HW Platforms - Testbeds

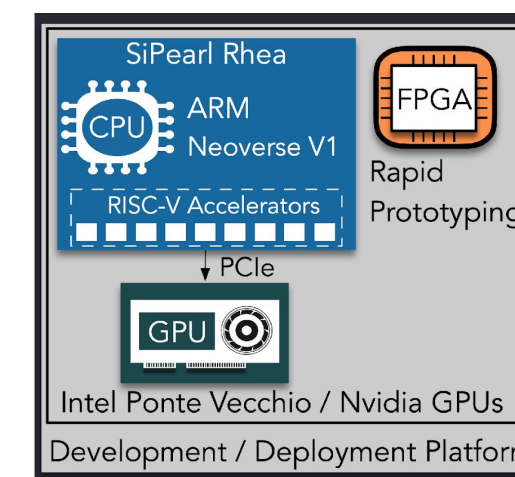
Envisioned development & deployment platform

- SIPEARL's Rhea processor
 - ARM Neoverse V1 processors
 - PCIe support for GPUs
 - RISC-V accelerators
- Expected in Q1 2024

Alternative options for development

- Ampere platforms
 - ARM Neoverse N1 processors
 - PCIe support for GPUs
 - FPGA boards to test RISC-V accelerators
- AWS Graviton3 instances
 - ARM Neoverse V1 processors
 - No custom accelerators
 - Low level firmware cannot be modified

Hardware



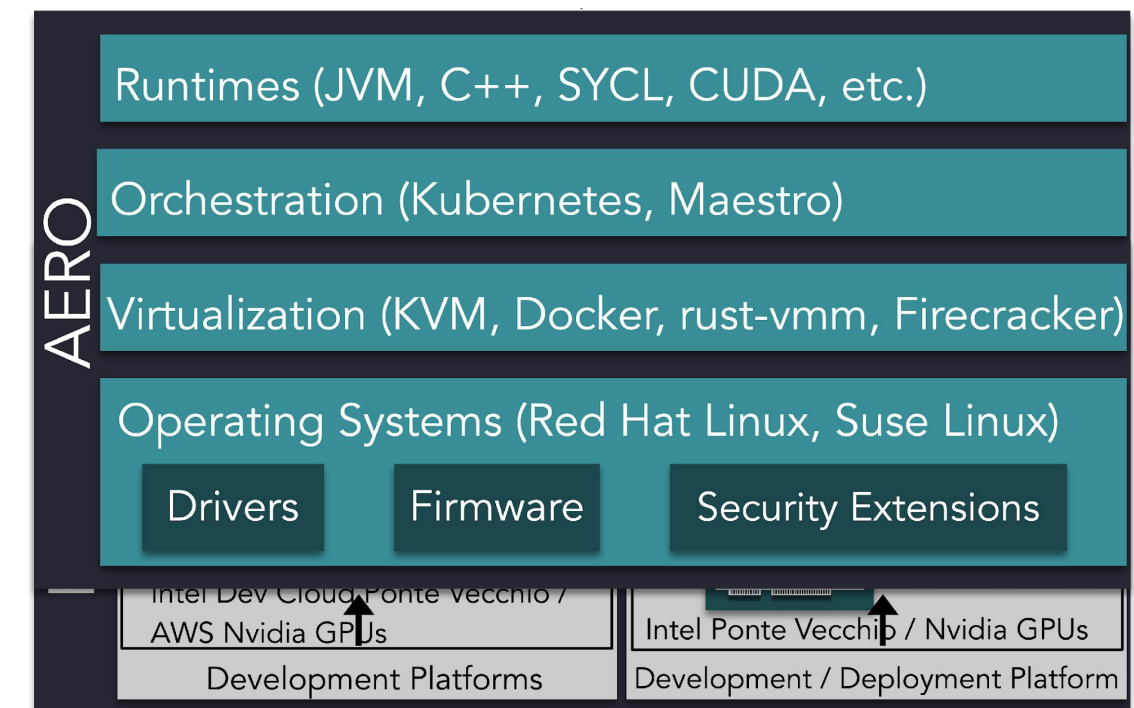


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System Software

- Execution Runtimes
 - Optimized execution of programming languages & runtime systems serving as the backbone of software deployed/executed on cloud
 - OpenJDK, GraalVM □ managed programming languages (Java, Python, Scala, R, etc.)
 - TornadoVM □ GPU HW acceleration of managed programming languages
 - SYCL & DPC++/OneAPI □ HW acceleration of non-managed applications running in C/C++
- Cloud orchestration & Management Frameworks
 - Kubernetes, Maestro



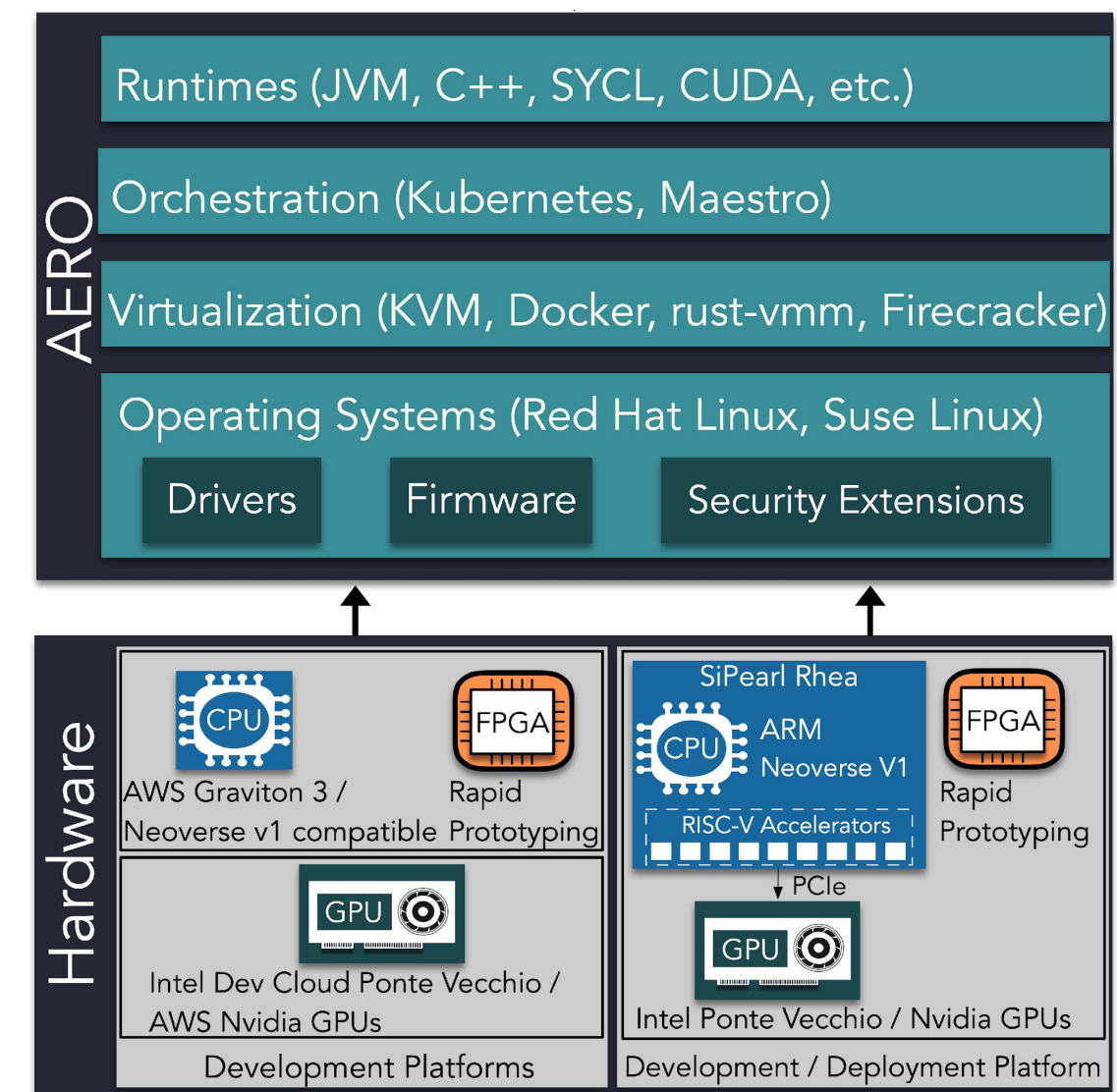


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- Virtualization Technologies
 - VMs (KVM), containers (Docker), microVMs (Firecracker)
 - Virtualization of GPUs & Rhea's RISC-V security elements
- Operating Systems – Drivers – Firmware
- Security extensions
 - Provide software interfaces for harnessing the underlying security IP blocks of Rhea
 - Design & prototype future post-quantum encryption algorithms



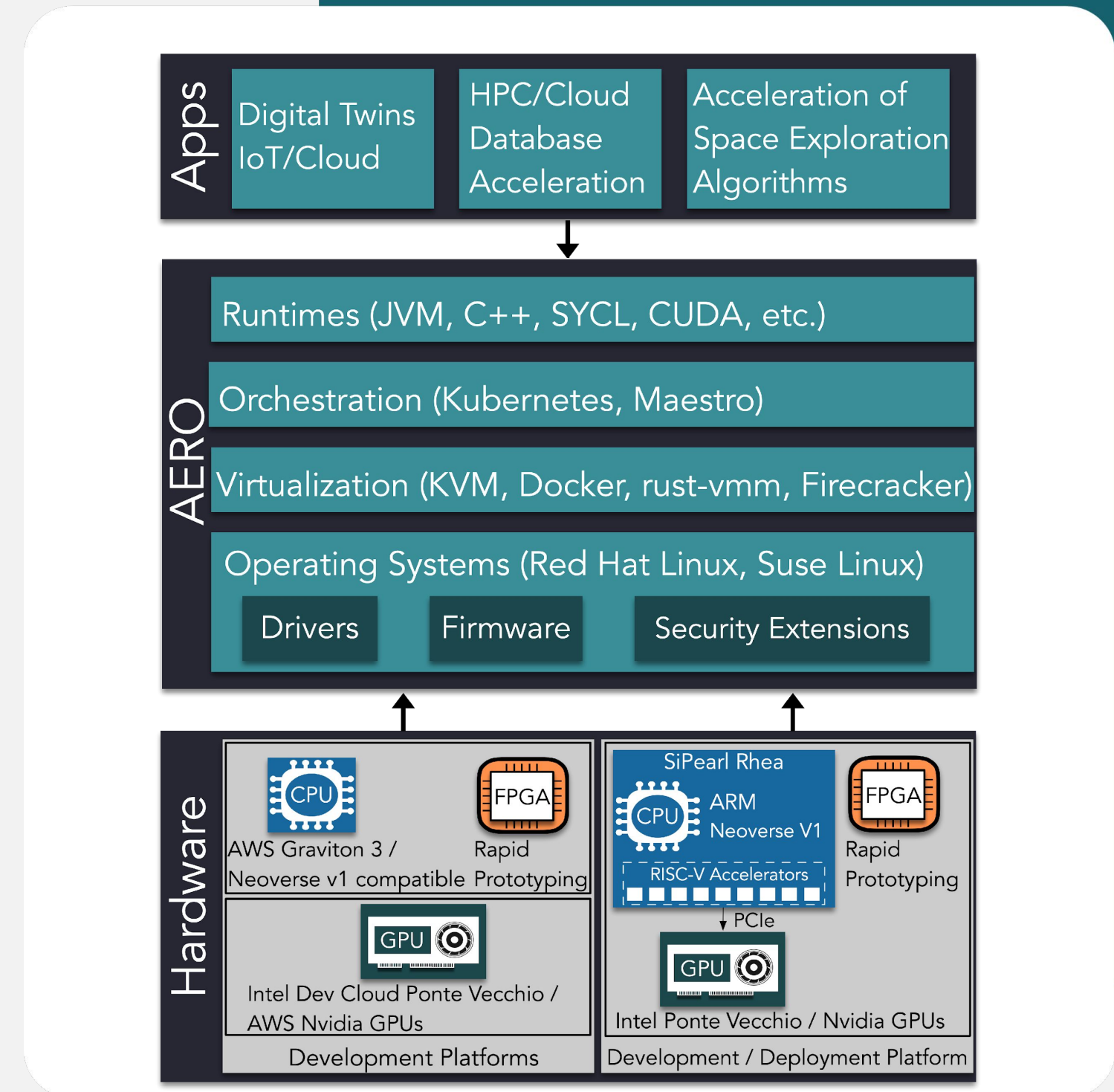


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Application Software

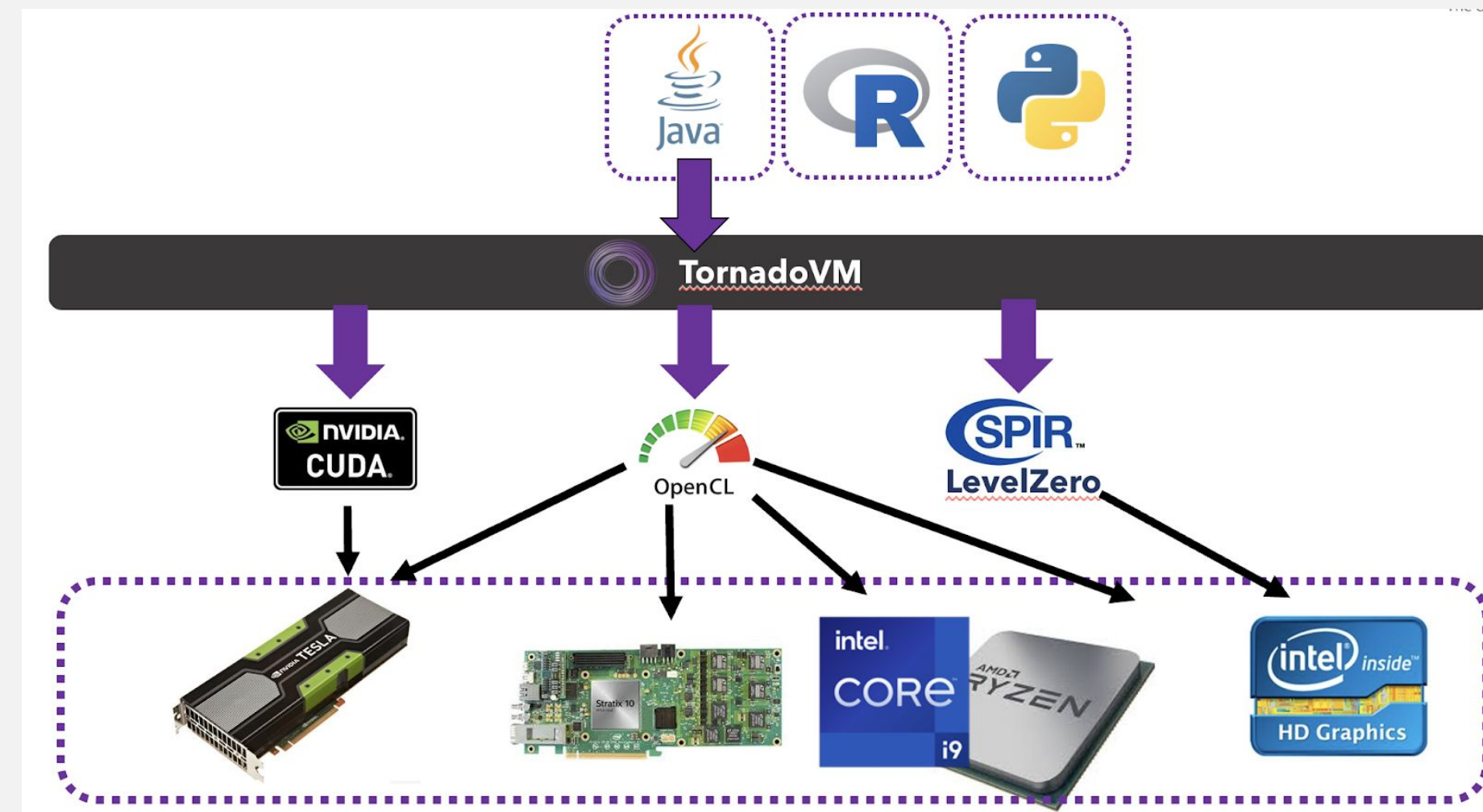
- Three main pilots
 - Automotive domain (digital twins)
 - Algorithms for space exploration (analytics)
 - Database acceleration for scientific computing
- Serverless workloads





Leveraging the AERO stack

Accelerating Java/Cloud workloads on RISC-V



Enabling Language Frontends

- **TornadoVM**: a Java parallel programming framework and a JVM plugin for transparent **hardware acceleration** on multi-core CPU, GPUs and FPGAs.
- Java bytecodes □ OpenCL, PTX/CUDA, SPIR-V
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Enabling RISC-V Backends

- **ComputeAorta** enables implementation of open standards such as OpenCL
- It includes **tooling to convert OpenCL C and SPIR-V into target ISA** using existing LLVM backends

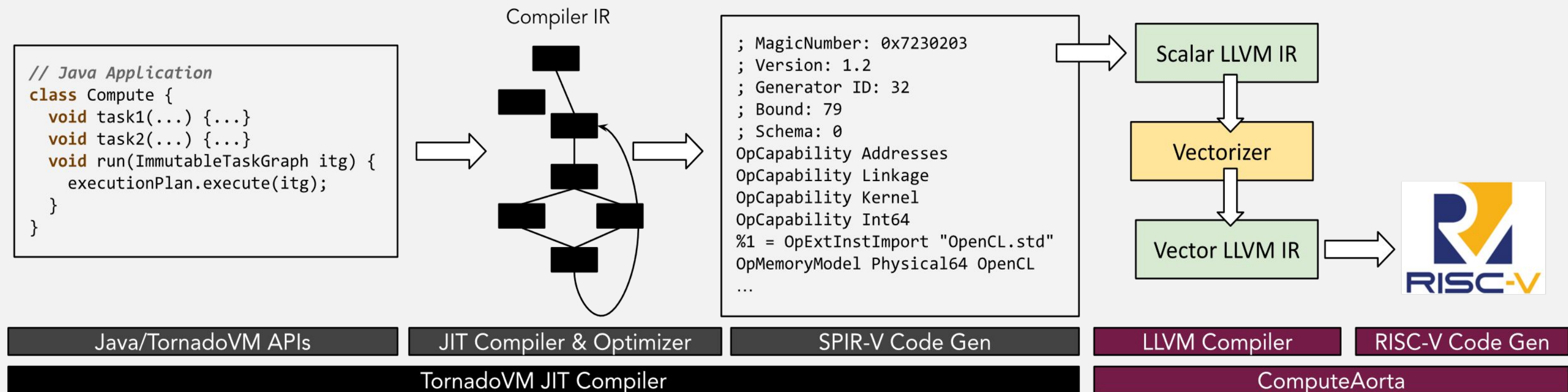


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Enabling Vectorization for RISC-V

- Data-parallel programs written in Java with TornadoVM can be accelerated using ComputeAorta's vector units via RISC-V RVV ISA instructions generated from Java scalar code





Current Status

- AERO is completing its “Compatibility Report”
 - First critical technical deliverable
 - We have identified all the necessary software components that need to be part of the AERO stack
 - The compatibility report will describe which components need to be ported and/or optimized
- Waiting for access to Rhea-based testbeds
 - In the meantime keep working on Ampere platforms, AWS and ARM Fast Models



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