

# The Remote Metamorphic Engine

Detecting, Evading, Attacking the AI and Reverse Engineering

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- ▶ Security as undefined expression
- ▶ Flux binary mutation
- ▶ Resisting Reverse Engineering
- ▶ Evading AI machine learning
- ▶ Artificial Immunity

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# Security Patterns

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## Division by Zero | Division by Infinity

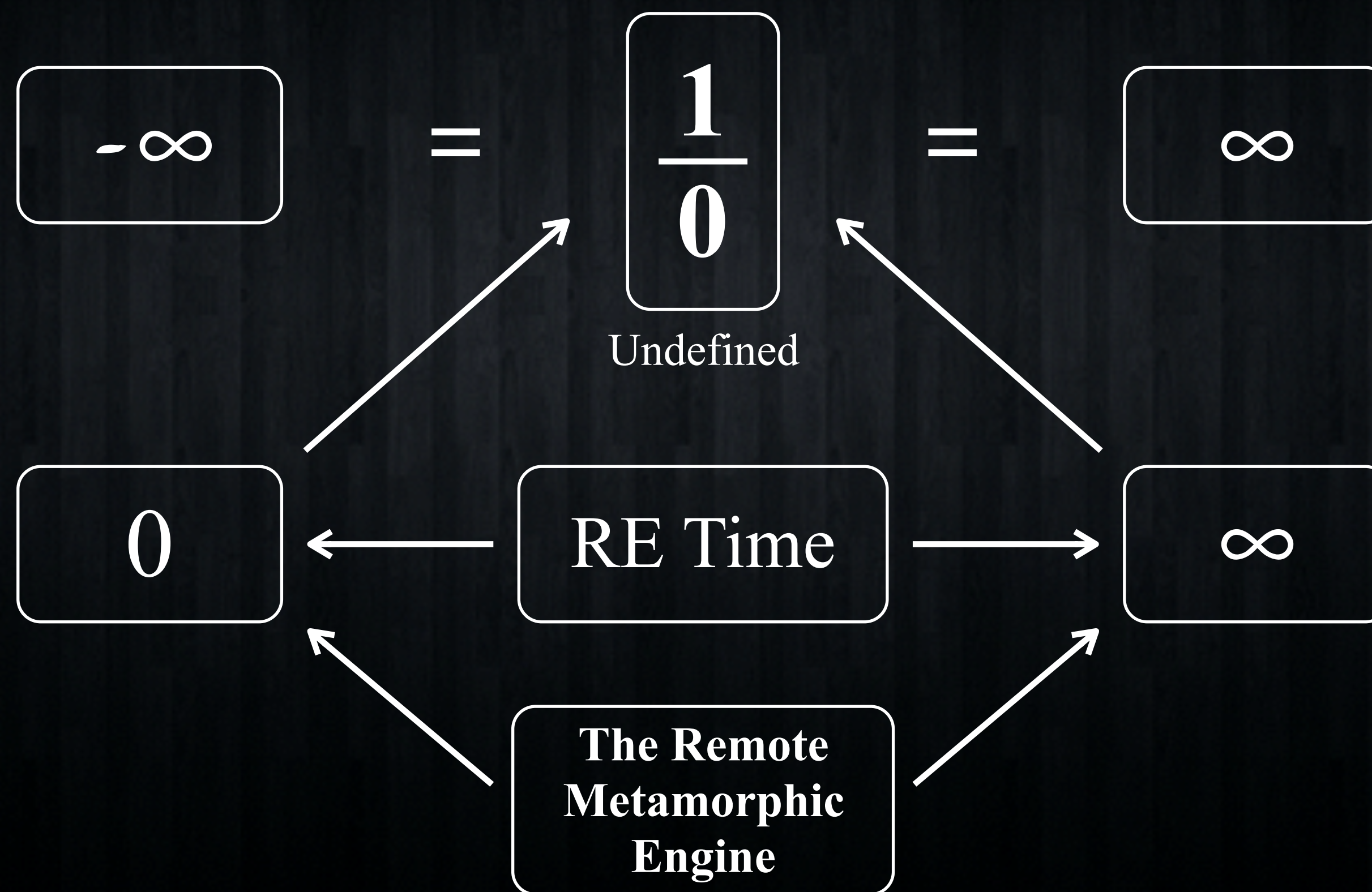
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# The Undefined Expression

## Security as Undefined & indeterminate expression



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# The Unbreakable Code

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Unpredictable

un·pre·dict·a·ble

adjective: /,ənpərə'diktəb(ə)l/

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and therefore not able to be predicted  
(= expected before it happens)

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# The Breakable Code

## The Fixed Static Code Problem

*Static Code Dynamic Data*

Core security weakness in all today's software

Enables all sorts of replicable software  
security exploits



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# Unpredictable Code Evolution

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*Dynamic Code Dynamic Data*

Code evolution across time

Functionality evolution across location

Self contained autonomous code

Unpredictable

Self aware





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# Code Evolution

## Resisting Reverse Engineering

Locate the Code

Remote Execution

↓ *not locatable*

Analyze the Code

*Short Lifetime*

↓

Flux Mutation

Break the Code

Self aware

*Unbreakable*

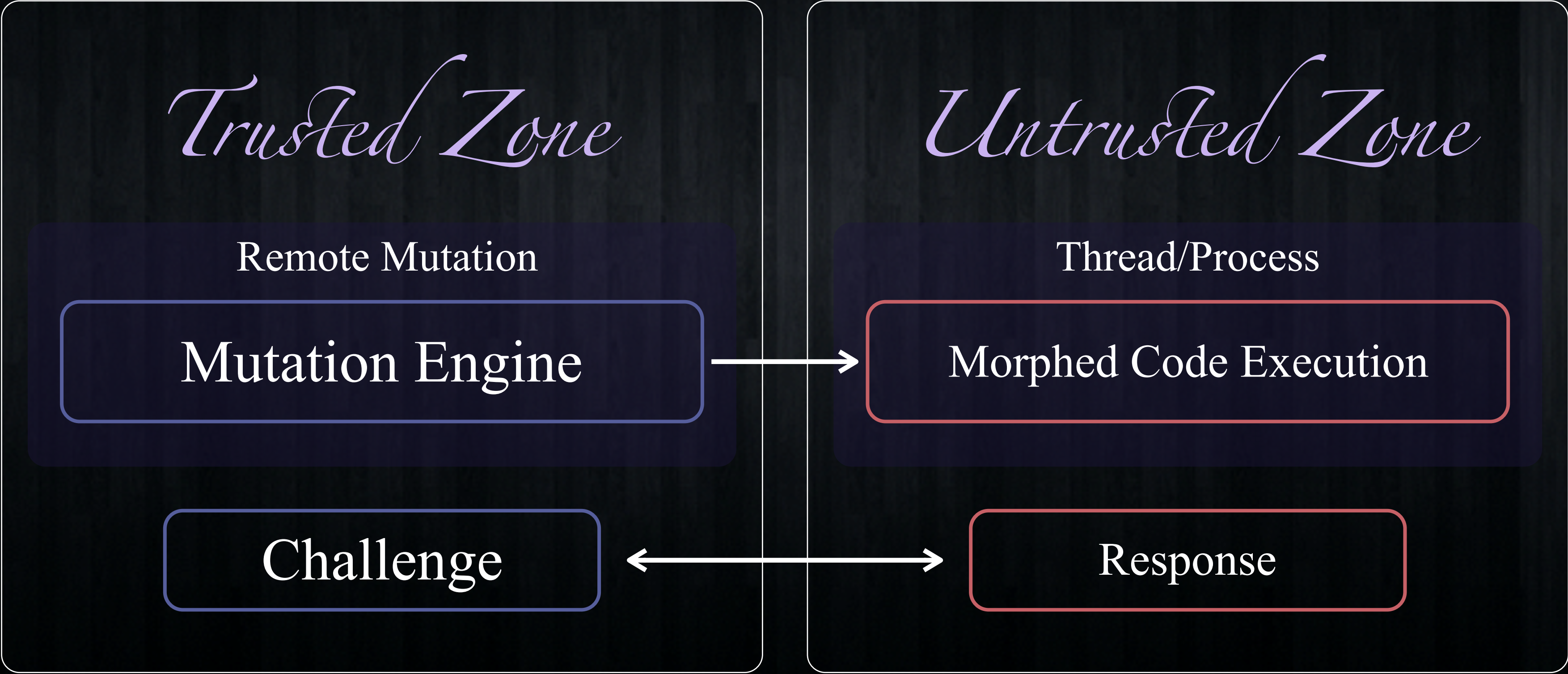




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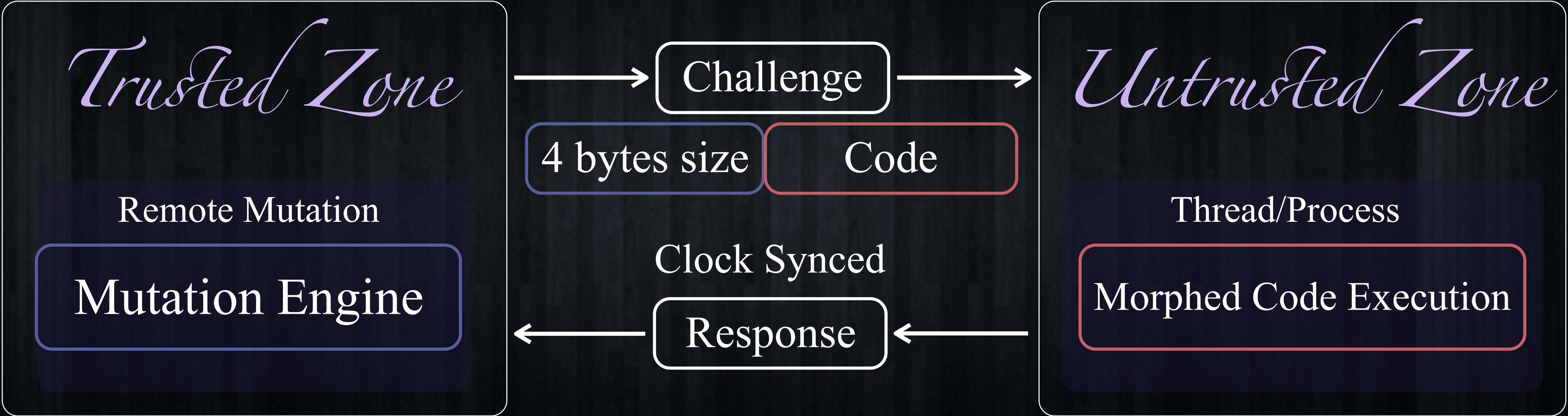




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## Challenge Response Metamorphic Protocol



Communication protocol made of morphed clock  
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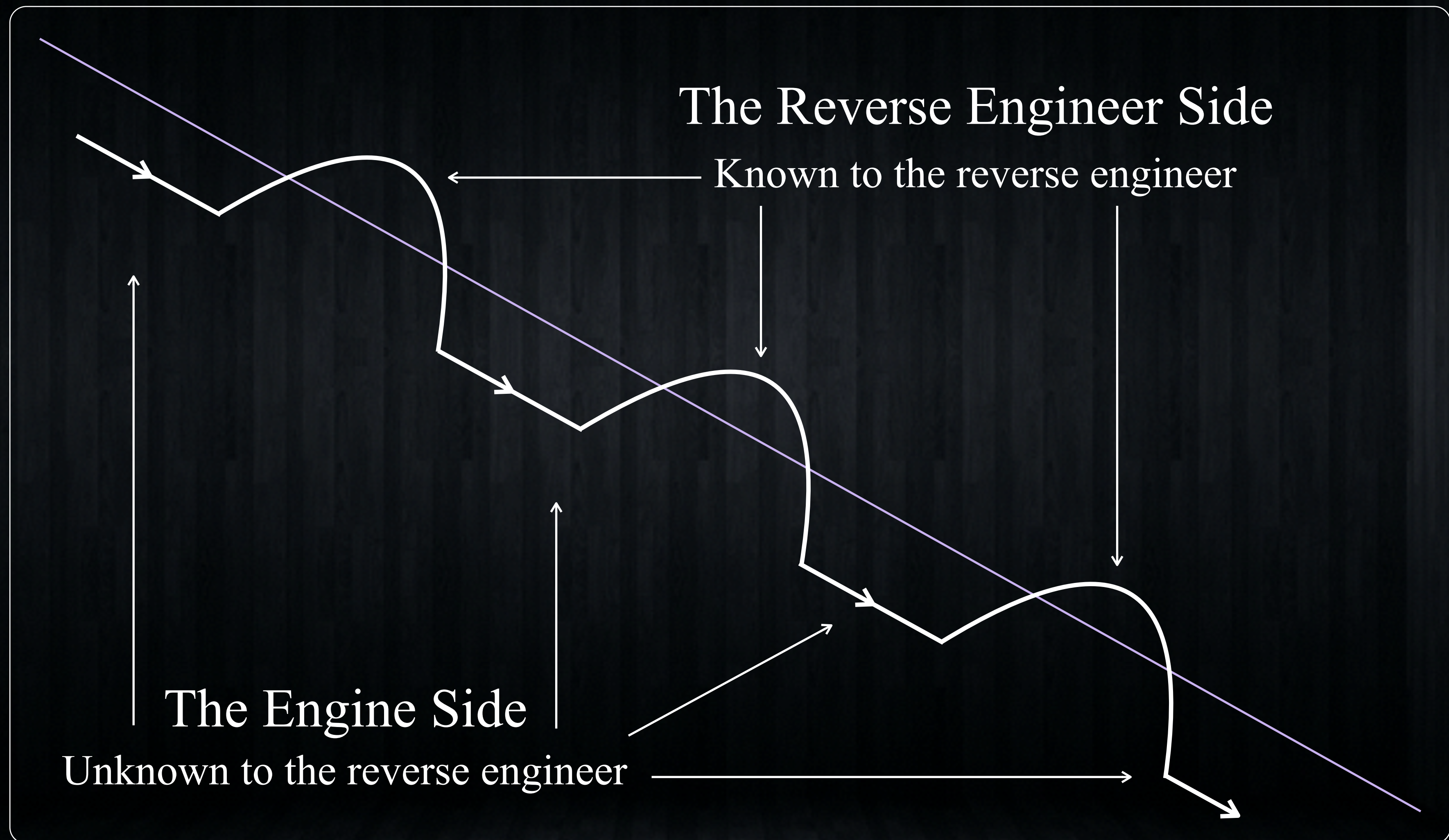
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# Demo 1





# Mutation Engines

## AV Signature Evasion

### Polymorphic Engines

morphed body encryption

### Metamorphic Engines

body polymorphic

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# Signature Evasion

## Morphing Techniques Evading Signature

Instruction reordering

Code Permutation

Subroutine permutation

Instruction Substitution

Subroutine Inlining

Dead Code Insertion

Subroutine Outlining

Changing Control Flow

Expansion

Transposition

Can not resist reverse engineering



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# Remote Code Evolution

## Flux Mutation Goals

Extend Trust

Ensure Trusted Remote Execution

Evade Signature

Evade AI Machine Learning

Detect & Evade RE

Detect Tampering Attempts

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    mov byte [ecx], dl
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    xor edx, edx
    mov cl, 0xe9
    mov byte [eax], cl
    xor edx, 0
    mov ecx, 0x00000057
    mov dword [eax+1], ecx
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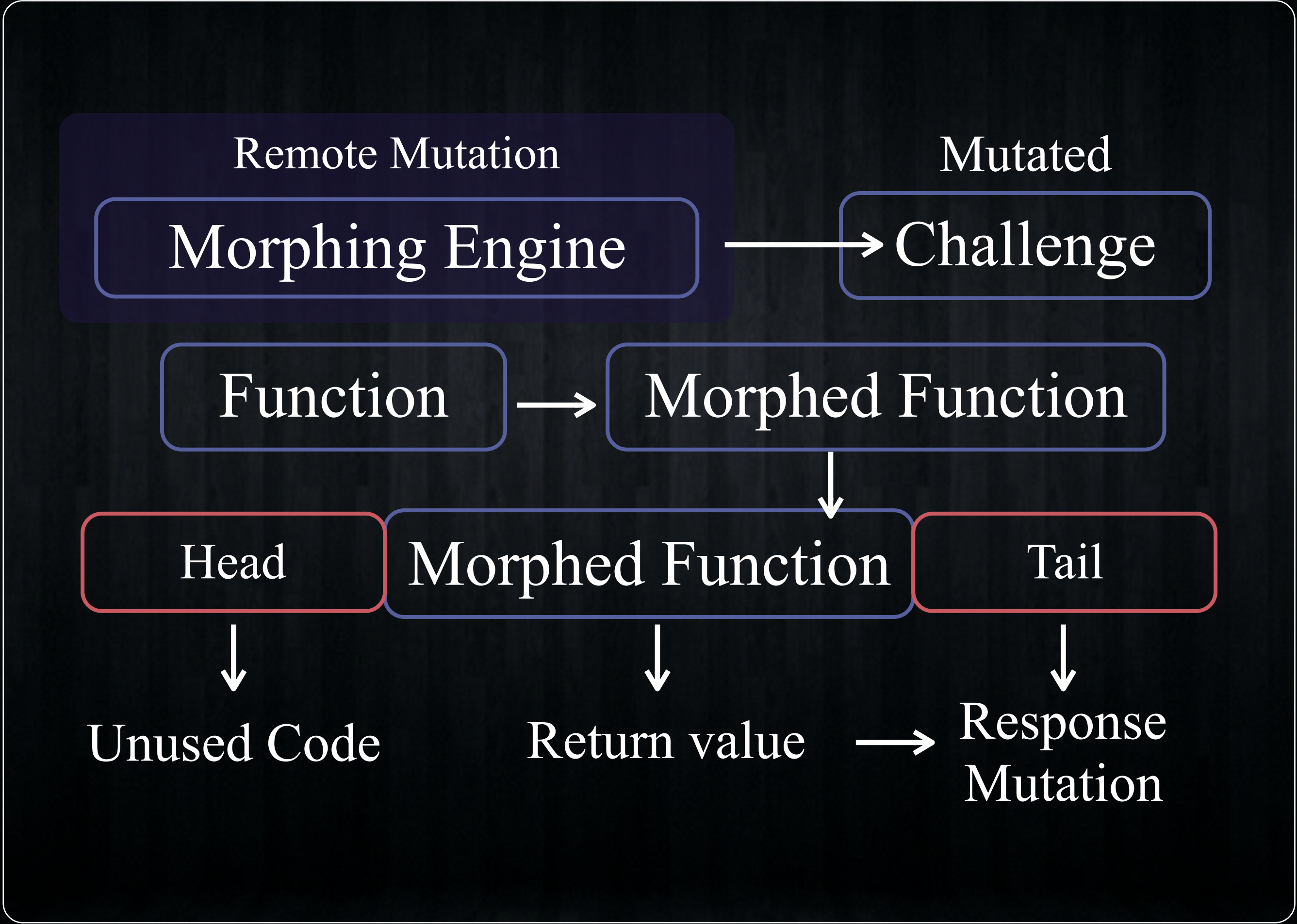




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# Trusted Mutation

## Trusted Challenge Response Mutation





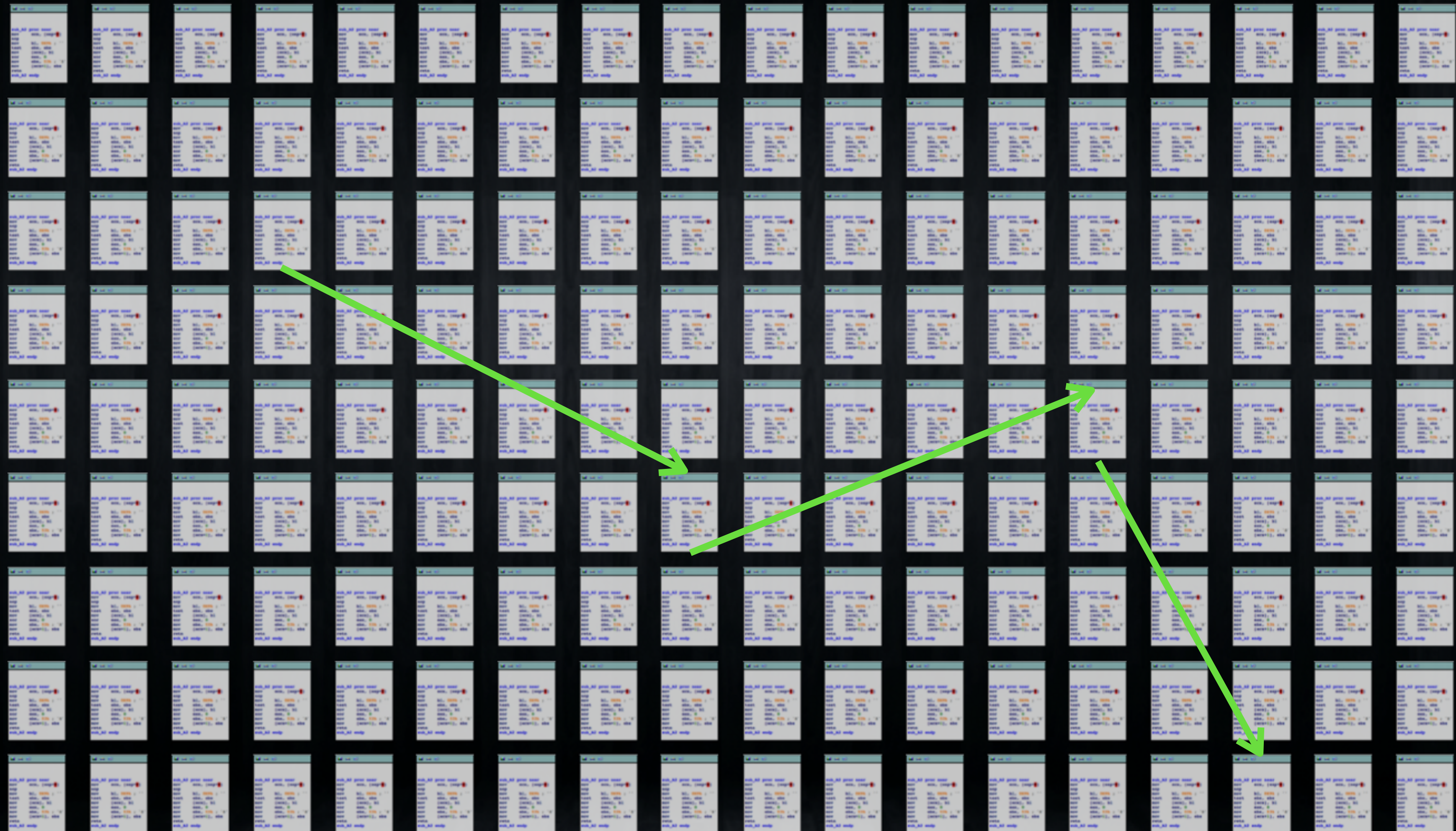




# Structure Obfuscation

## Self modifying basic block Edges

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# Demo 2





# RE Evasion

## Morphing Techniques

Metamorphic + Polymorphic

Self modifying mutation

Code structure obfuscation

Clock synchronized execution

Challenge-Response Mutation

Functionality Mutation

Decoupled Reversible Mutation

Slices Permutation

Code size magnification

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    push 0
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    mov reg1, [fs:dword 0x30]
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    mov dword [esp+32], reg2
    popad
    pop eax
    ret

end:
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`movzx reg2, byte [reg1+2]`

Insertion → `mov reg3, reg4`

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`popad`

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**n\*nop** → **popad**  
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end:

↓  
**add esp, 36**  
**push reg2**  
**sub esp, 32**

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# Remote Code Evolution

## First Morphing Stage

**\_start:**

**xor reg1, reg1**

**push reg1**

**pushad**

**sub reg1, reg1**

**mov reg1, [fs:dword 0x30]**

**add reg2, reg2**

**movzx reg2, byte [reg1+2]**

**mov reg3, reg4**

**mov dword [esp+32], reg2**

**popad**

**nop**

**pop eax**

**nop**

**ret**

**end:**

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# Remote Code Evolution

## Second Morphing Stage

line1:  
    **xor edi, edi**  
    **jmp long line2**

line2:  
    **push edi**  
    **jmp long line3**

line3:  
    **pushad**  
    **jmp long line4**

line4:  
    **sub edi, edi**  
    **jmp long line5**

line5:  
    **jmp long line6**

line6:  
    **add ebx, ebx**  
    **jmp long line7**

line7:  
    **movzx ebx, byte [edi+2]**  
    **jmp long line8**

line8:  
    **mov ecx, edx**  
    **jmp long line9**

line9:  
    **mov dword [esp+32], ebx**  
    **jmp long line10**

line10:  
    **nop**  
    **jmp long line11**

line11:  
    **popad**  
    **jmp long line12**

line12:  
    **nop**  
    **jmp long line13**

line13:  
    **pop eax**  
    **jmp long line14**

line14:  
    **nop**  
    **jmp long line15**

line15:  
    **ret**  
    **jmp long line16**

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    dd 2520091426
    db 3
    dd 946381070
    db 2
    dd 3318121790
    db 2
    dd 1375432265
    db 1
    dd -1
    mov ebx, 92
    add eax, ebx
    mov ebx, eax
    sub dword [eax], 0xe82c334d
    add eax, 4
    add dword [eax], 0xa1723594
    add eax, 4
    xor dword [eax], 0xb1c21343
    add eax, 4
    sub dword [eax], 0x111111ee
    add eax, 4
    add dword [eax], 0xaaccee22
    add eax, 4
    jmp ebx
line95_2:
    popf
    popad
    nop
    jmp long line96
line95_1:
    mov eax, [esp]
    nop
    nop
    xor eax, eax
    xor ecx, ecx
    xor edx, edx
    mov cl, 0xe9
    mov byte [eax], cl
    xor edx, 0
    mov ecx, 0x00000057
    mov dword [eax+1], ecx
    ret
```





# Remote Code Evolution

## Third Morphing Stage

line1:  
    **xor edi, edi**  
    **jmp long line2**

line6:  
    **add ebx, ebx**  
    **jmp long line7**

line8:  
    **mov ecx, edx**  
    **jmp long line9**

line15:  
    **ret**  
    **jmp long line16**

line11:  
    **popad**  
    **jmp long line12**

line14:  
    **nop**  
    **jmp long line15**

line13:  
    **pop eax**  
    **jmp long line14**

line3:  
    **pushad**  
    **jmp long line4**

line4:  
    **sub edi, edi**  
    **jmp long line5**

line9:  
    **mov dword [esp+32], ebx**  
    **jmp long line10**

line12:  
    **nop**  
    **jmp long line13**

line5:  
    **jmp long line6**

line7:  
    **movzx ebx, byte [edi+2]**  
    **jmp long line8**

line2:  
    **push edi**  
    **jmp long line3**

line10:  
    **nop**  
    **jmp long line11**





# Self Modifying Body Polymorphism

## Forth Morphing Stage

### Random Obfuscation Keys

db 5  
db 1  
dd -1  
db 0  
dd 27  
db 4  
dd 3524080526  
db 0  
dd 7  
db 2  
dd 545547056

line1:

xor edi, edi  
jmp long line2

line1\_1:

mov ecx, [esp]  
nop  
nop  
mov dl, 0xe9  
mov byte [ecx], dl  
mov edx, 0x00000058  
mov dword [ecx+1], edx  
ret

line1:

pushad  
pushf  
call line1\_1  
db 5  
db 1  
dd -1  
db 0  
dd 27  
db 4  
dd 3524080526  
db 0  
dd 7  
db 2  
dd 545547056  
mov eax, 93  
add ecx, eax  
mov eax, ecx  
mov ebx, 0x11223344  
not ebx  
mov [ecx], ebx  
add ecx, 4  
mov ebx, 0x11223344  
ror ebx, 27  
mov [ecx], ebx  
add ecx, 4  
xor dword [ecx], 0x11223344  
add ecx, 4  
mov ebx, 0x11223344  
ror ebx, 7  
mov [ecx], ebx  
add ecx, 4  
add dword [ecx], 0x11223344  
add ecx, 4  
jmp eax

line1\_2:

popf  
popad  
xor edi, edi  
jmp long line2

nop  
... 20\*nops  
nop

line1\_1:

mov ecx, [esp]  
nop  
nop  
mov dl, 0xe9  
mov byte [ecx], dl  
mov edx, 0x00000058  
mov dword [ecx+1], edx  
ret

### Self modifying instructions

mov eax, 93  
add ecx, eax  
mov eax, ecx  
mov ebx, 0x11223344  
not ebx  
mov [ecx], ebx  
add ecx, 4  
mov ebx, 0x11223344  
ror ebx, 27  
mov [ecx], ebx  
add ecx, 4  
xor dword [ecx], 0x11223344  
add ecx, 4  
mov ebx, 0x11223344  
ror ebx, 7  
mov [ecx], ebx  
add ecx, 4  
add dword [ecx], 0x11223344  
add ecx, 4  
jmp eax

Self Modifying





# Self Modifying Blocks

## Fifth Morphing Stage

Obfuscation Keys

One block per  
morphed instruction

All blocks have same  
identical structure

Self modifying code

```
PUSHAD
PUSHFD
CALL 0034020E
ADD AL,3
SUB ECX,DWORD PTR DS:[ECX+ECX-15]
ADD AL,7D
INT1
CALL 9E7903D5
MOV DWORD PTR DS:[ECX+4],EAX
MOV ESP,90EB889A
MOV EDX,4E
ADD ECX,EDX
MOV EDX,ECX
SUB DWORD PTR DS:[ECX],A5E800A6
ADD ECX,4
XOR DWORD PTR DS:[ECX],AAFF2DFA
ADD ECX,4
ADD DWORD PTR DS:[ECX],9BF847DD
ADD ECX,4
XOR DWORD PTR DS:[ECX],94671F27
ADD ECX,4
SUB DWORD PTR DS:[ECX],11223344
ADD ECX,4
JMP EDX
NOP
MOV EDX,4E
ADD ECX,EDX
MOV EDX,ECX
SUB DWORD PTR DS:[ECX],16BE58F3
ADD ECX,4
XOR DWORD PTR DS:[ECX],D1013F0D
ADD ECX,4
ADD DWORD PTR DS:[ECX],670EC607
ADD ECX,4
XOR DWORD PTR DS:[ECX],862EC863
ADD ECX,4
SUB DWORD PTR DS:[ECX],F07430F3
ADD ECX,4
JMP EDX
NOP
NOP
NOP
NOP
NOP
NOP
MOV ECX,DWORD PTR SS:[ESP]
MOV AL,0E9
TEST EAX,EAX
MOV BYTE PTR DS:[ECX],AL
MOV EAX,49
MOV DWORD PTR DS:[ECX+1],EAX
RETN
```

```
line46_1:
mov ecx, [esp]
nop
nop
mov dl, 0xe9
test edx, edx
mov byte [ecx], dl
xor eax, 0
mov edx, 0x00000067
mov dword [ecx+1], edx
ret
line95:
pushad
pushf
call line95_1
db 7
db 3
dd 838225172
db 2
dd 4211932376
db 4
dd 2520091426
db 3
dd 946381070
db 2
dd 3318121790
db 2
dd 1375432265
db 1
dd -1
mov ebx, 92
add eax, ebx
mov ebx, eax
sub dword [eax], 0xe82c334d
add eax, 4
add dword [eax], 0xa1723594
add eax, 4
xor dword [eax], 0xb1c21343
add eax, 4
sub dword [eax], 0x111111ee
add eax, 4
add dword [eax], 0xaaccee22
add eax, 4
jmp ebx
line95_2:
popf
popad
nop
jmp long line96
line95_1:
mov eax, [esp]
nop
nop
xor eax, eax
xor ecx, ecx
xor edx, edx
mov cl, 0xe9
mov byte [eax], cl
xor edx, 0
mov ecx, 0x00000057
mov dword [eax+1], ecx
ret
```





# Self Modifying Blocks

```
line46_1:
    mov ecx, [esp]
    nop
    nop
    mov dl, 0xe9
    test edx, edx
    mov byte [ecx], dl
    xor eax, 0
    mov edx, 0x00000067
    mov dword [ecx+1], edx
    ret
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    xor edx, edx
    mov cl, 0xe9
    mov byte [eax], cl
    xor edx, 0
    mov ecx, 0x00000057
    mov dword [eax+1], ecx
    ret
```

PUSHAD

PUSHFD

CALL 00240C59

ADD AL, 4

XCHG EAX, EDI

CMP DH, BYTE PTR DS:[EAX]

ROL BYTE PTR DS:[ECX], 1

???

???

ADD EDI, EDI

???

INC DWORD PTR SS:[ESP+EDX]

DEC EBP

INT 0F0

NOP

MOV ECX, 54





# Response Time

```
[+] mutated code size: 15110 bytes
[+] encrypted response: 0x09575e31 | 156720689
[+] decrypted response: 0x00000001 | 1
[+] remote execution response time: 6.685972 ms

[+] mutated code size: 17771 bytes
[+] encrypted response: 0x5820b6b5 | 1478538933
[+] decrypted response: 0x00000001 | 1
[+] remote execution response time: 6.040096 ms

[+] mutated code size: 23814 bytes
[+] encrypted response: 0x5d844e9a | 1568951962
[+] decrypted response: 0x00000001 | 1
[+] remote execution response time: 6.897926 ms

[+] mutated code size: 19768 bytes
[+] encrypted response: 0x818af8d8 | -2121598760
[+] decrypted response: 0x00000001 | 1
[+] remote execution response time: 6.177187 ms
```



```
line46_1:
    mov ecx, [esp]
    nop
    nop
    mov dl, 0xe9
    test edx, edx
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    xor eax, 0
    mov edx, 0x00000067
    mov dword [ecx+1], edx
    ret
line95:
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    add dword [eax], 0xaaccee22
    add eax, 4
    jmp ebx
line95_2:
    popf
    popad
    nop
    jmp long line96
line95_1:
    mov eax, [esp]
    nop
    nop
    xor eax, eax
    xor ecx, ecx
    xor edx, edx
    mov cl, 0xe9
    mov byte [eax], cl
    xor edx, 0
    mov ecx, 0x00000057
    mov dword [eax+1], ecx
    ret
```



# Variable Code Size

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[+] remote execution response time: 6.177187 ms
```





# Response Mutation

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[+] remote execution response time: 6.685972 ms
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    nop
    nop
    mov dl, 0xe9
    test edx, edx
    mov byte [ecx], dl
    xor eax, 0
    mov edx, 0x00000067
    mov dword [ecx+1], edx
    ret
line95:
    pushad
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    call line95_1
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    xor dword [eax], 0xb1c21343
    add eax, 4
    sub dword [eax], 0x111111ee
    add eax, 4
    add dword [eax], 0xaaccee22
    add eax, 4
    jmp ebx
line95_2:
    popf
    popad
    nop
    jmp long line96
line95_1:
    mov eax, [esp]
    nop
    nop
    xor eax, eax
    xor ecx, ecx
    xor edx, edx
    mov cl, 0xe9
    mov byte [eax], cl
    xor edx, 0
    mov ecx, 0x00000057
    mov dword [eax+1], ecx
    ret
```





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    xor ecx, ecx
    xor edx, edx
    mov cl, 0xe9
    mov byte [eax], cl
    xor edx, 0
    mov ecx, 0x00000057
    mov dword [eax+1], ecx
    ret
```

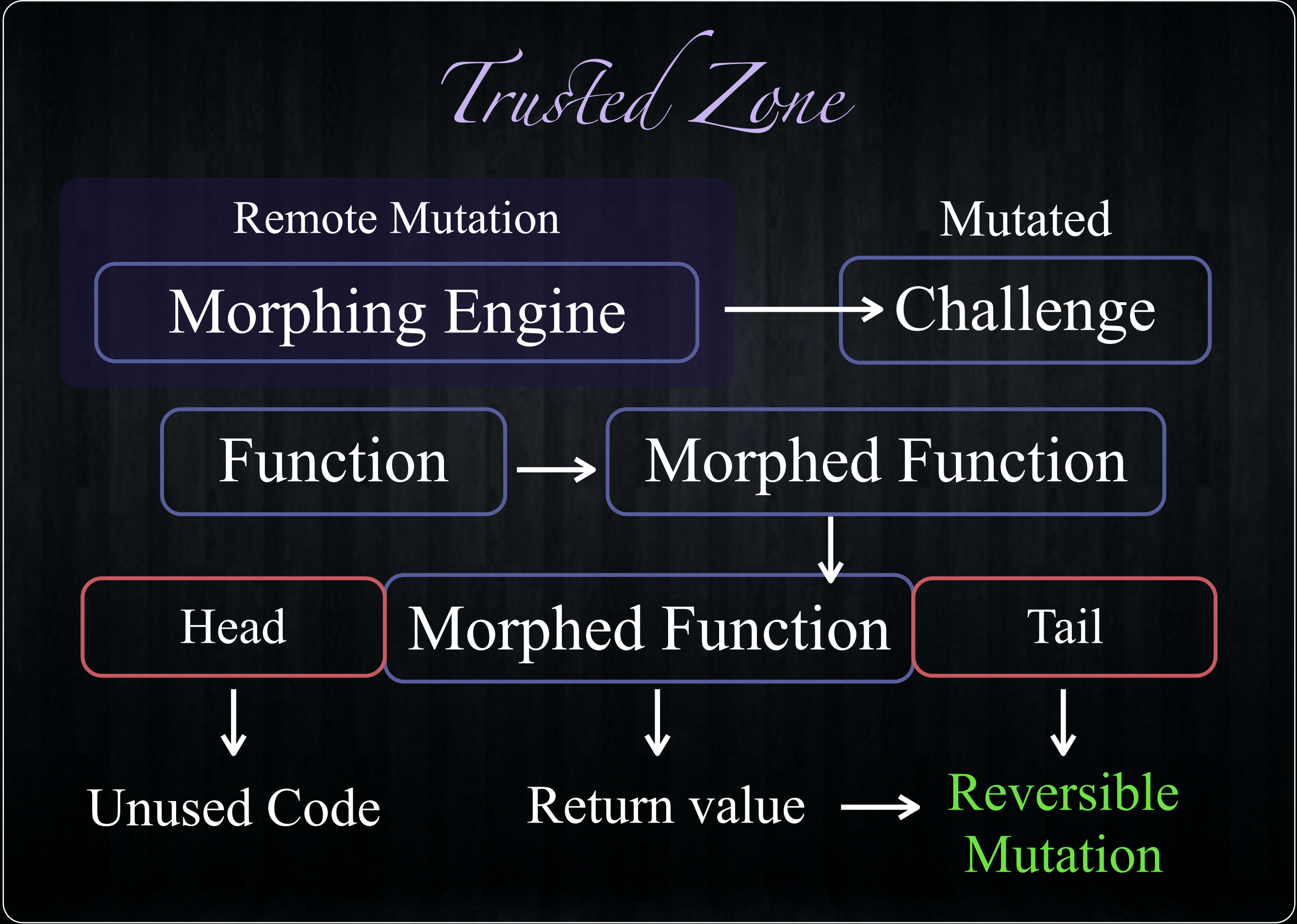
# Demo 3





# Decoupled Reversible Mutation

## Response Mutation

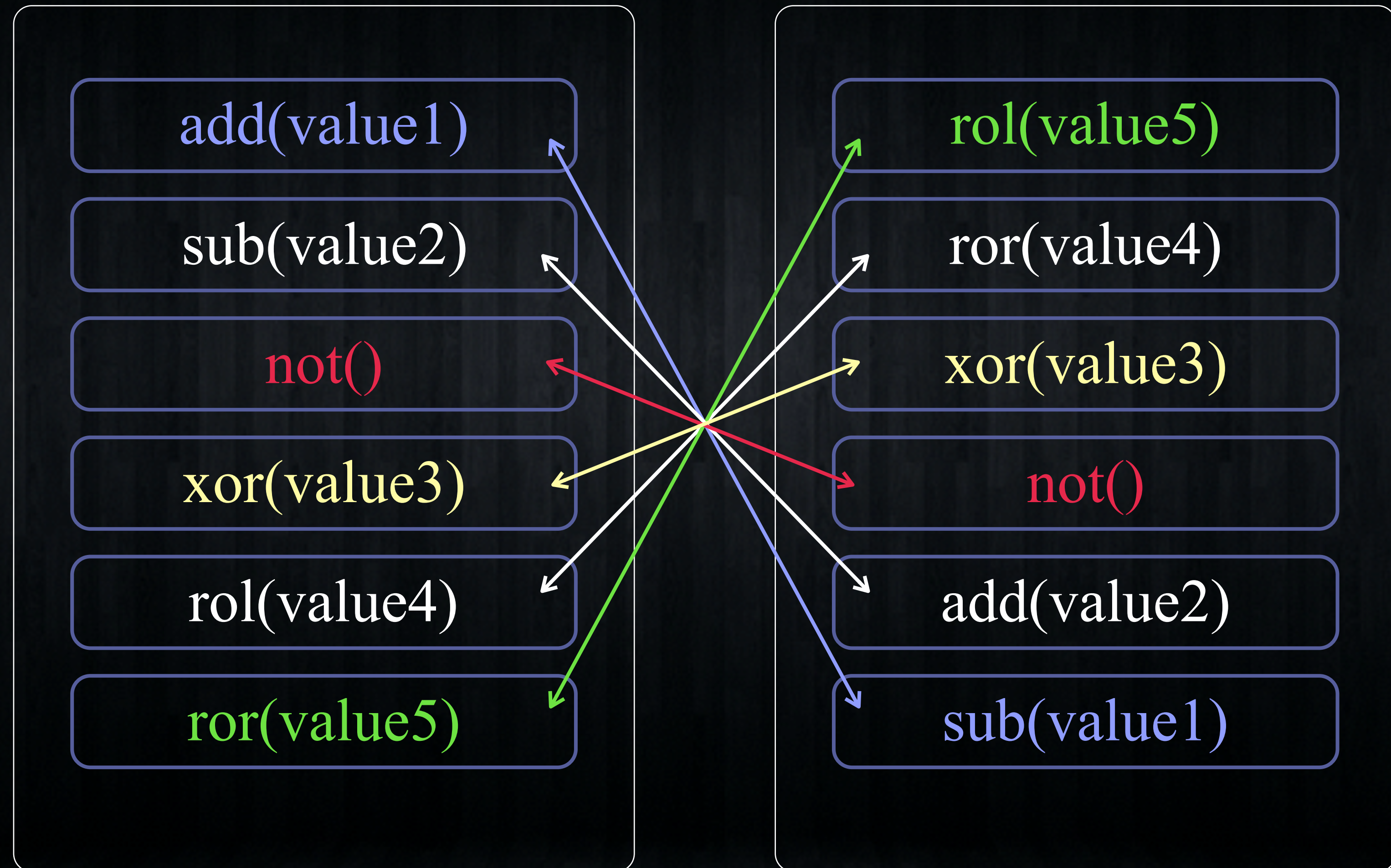


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mov dl, 0xe9
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mov byte [ecx], dl
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mov ebx, 92
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mov ebx, eax
sub dword [eax], 0xe82c334d
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add eax, 4
xor dword [eax], 0xb1c21343
add eax, 4
sub dword [eax], 0x111111ee
add eax, 4
add dword [eax], 0xaaaccee22
add eax, 4
jmp ebx
line95_2:
popf
popad
nop
jmp long line96
line95_1:
mov eax, [esp]
nop
nop
xor eax, eax
xor ecx, ecx
xor edx, edx
mov cl, 0xe9
mov byte [eax], cl
xor edx, 0
mov ecx, 0x00000057
mov dword [eax+1], ecx
ret
```



# Decoupled Reversible Mutation

## Reversible Instructions



```
line46_1:
    mov ecx, [esp]
    nop
    nop
    mov dl, 0xe9
    test edx, edx
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    add eax, 4
    xor dword [eax], 0xb1c21343
    add eax, 4
    sub dword [eax], 0x111111ee
    add eax, 4
    add dword [eax], 0xaaccee22
    add eax, 4
    jmp ebx
line95_2:
    popf
    popad
    nop
    jmp long line96
line95_1:
    mov eax, [esp]
    nop
    nop
    xor eax, eax
    xor ecx, ecx
    xor edx, edx
    mov cl, 0xe9
    mov byte [eax], cl
    xor edx, 0
    mov ecx, 0x00000057
    mov dword [eax+1], ecx
    ret
```



# Reversible Instructions | Response Mutation

```
line46_1:
    mov ecx, [esp]
    nop
    nop
    mov dl, 0xe9
    test edx, edx
    mov byte [ecx], dl
    xor eax, 0
    mov edx, 0x00000067
    mov dword [ecx+1], edx
    ret
line95:
    pushad
    pushf
    call line95_1
    db 7
    db 3
    dd 838225172
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    mov ebx, 92
    add eax, ebx
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    add dword [eax], 0xa1723594
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    xor dword [eax], 0xb1c21343
    add eax, 4
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    add dword [eax], 0xaaaccee22
    add eax, 4
    jmp ebx
line95_2:
    popf
    popad
    nop
    jmp long line96
line95_1:
    mov eax, [esp]
    nop
    nop
    xor eax, eax
    xor ecx, ecx
    xor edx, edx
    mov cl, 0xe9
    mov byte [eax], cl
    xor edx, 0
    mov ecx, 0x00000057
    mov dword [eax+1], ecx
    ret
```

```
add eax, 0xe0d9780c
not eax
sub eax, 0xbcfc3e676
not eax
xor eax, 0xfb7e9fdd
sub eax, 0x695e3adf
add eax, 0x3e731a34
xor eax, 0xa0b50d13
xor eax, 0x39034b8d
ror eax, 0xf
sub eax, 0xfb824ebb
xor eax, 0xd1e6a7ec
xor eax, 0xbb5202f7
ror eax, 4
xor eax, 0x9ce66186
sub eax, 0x4ec067b8
not eax
sub eax, 0xc98775b4
xor eax, 0xbdc52b4f
ror eax, 2
sub eax, 0xd925192c
ror eax, 3
```

```
add eax, 0x48fa27f1
sub eax, 0xd353c205
sub eax, 0xa888b8b2
xor eax, 0xe017f6fa
ror eax, 0xd
sub eax, 0x247dab96
add eax, 0xf6696155
sub eax, 0xbeaeaad5
add eax, 0xd6c7b4ee
add eax, 0x120d5924
add eax, 0x9a0be9b9
sub eax, 0xbfe386c3
ror eax, 0x17
add eax, 0x14c58836
ror eax, 5
xor eax, 0x1984a5de
not eax
sub eax, 0x4d956430
sub eax, 0x9c9df86
add eax, 0xd88904bc
xor eax, 0xf5bcc022
xor eax, 0x205c4a75
add eax, 0xbcb2b45
sub eax, 0xdb0a2bc0
ror eax, 0xd
add eax, 0x529eba0f
ror eax, 0x1c
add eax, 0x8150605
sub eax, 0xd8fe0628
add eax, 0xad81052c
ror eax, 5
```

```
add eax, 0x762e0f15
not eax
sub eax, 0x75707780
add eax, 0xe3265fc4
xor eax, 0x22952628
add eax, 0x231a8655
ror eax, 2
not eax
sub eax, 0x2c75569a
sub eax, 0x88ad3417
not eax
ror eax, 0x19
add eax, 0xe7634a71
not eax
xor eax, 0x500026f6
add eax, 0xad1a2fd2
sub eax, 0x937ead1b
not eax
add eax, 0x2f112a91
sub eax, 0x801608e8
xor eax, 0x9cb2998b
xor eax, 0xe626a2be
add eax, 0x3185e741
xor eax, 0x197e9520
xor eax, 0x5665148d
sub eax, 0xc739155d
```

```
add eax, 0x58f934ef
sub eax, 0xa623710f
xor eax, 0x8051cbca
ror eax, 0x1d
ror eax, 0xc
ror eax, 0x1c
xor eax, 0xa96f3357
ror eax, 0xa
xor eax, 0xf13d8c20
not eax
xor eax, 0xfb42f152
add eax, 0xb813492a
sub eax, 0x4f8728ef
add eax, 0xee0e75bc
```





# The Remote Metamorphic Engine

## Artificial Immunity | Detecting the non-self



```
line46_1:
mov ecx, [esp]
nop
nop
mov dl, 0xe9
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pushad
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call line95_1
db 7
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mov ebx, 92
add eax, ebx
mov ebx, eax
sub dword [eax], 0xe82c334d
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add dword [eax], 0xaaccee22
add eax, 4
jmp ebx

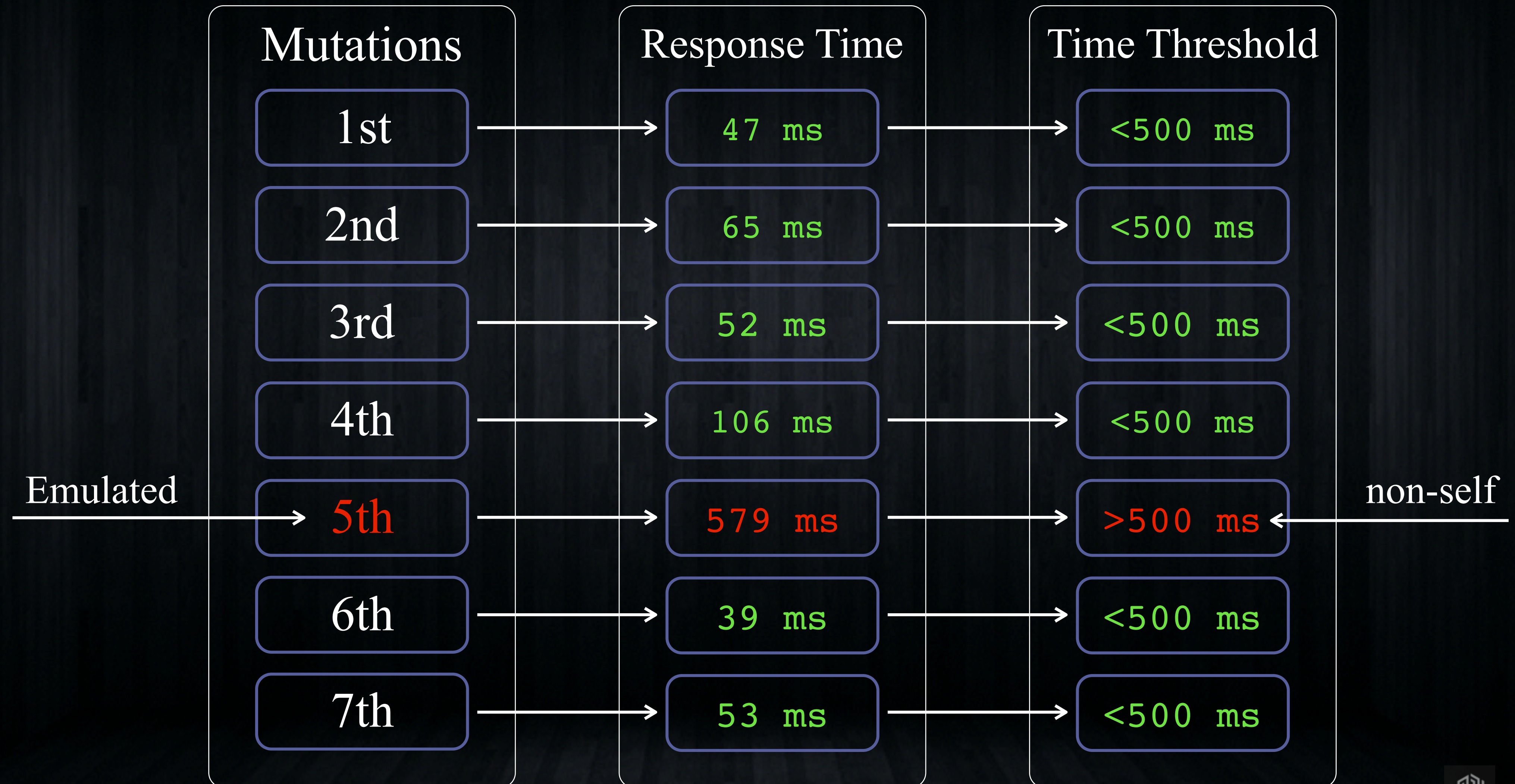
line95_2:
popf
popad
nop
jmp long line96

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mov eax, [esp]
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xor edx, edx
mov cl, 0xe9
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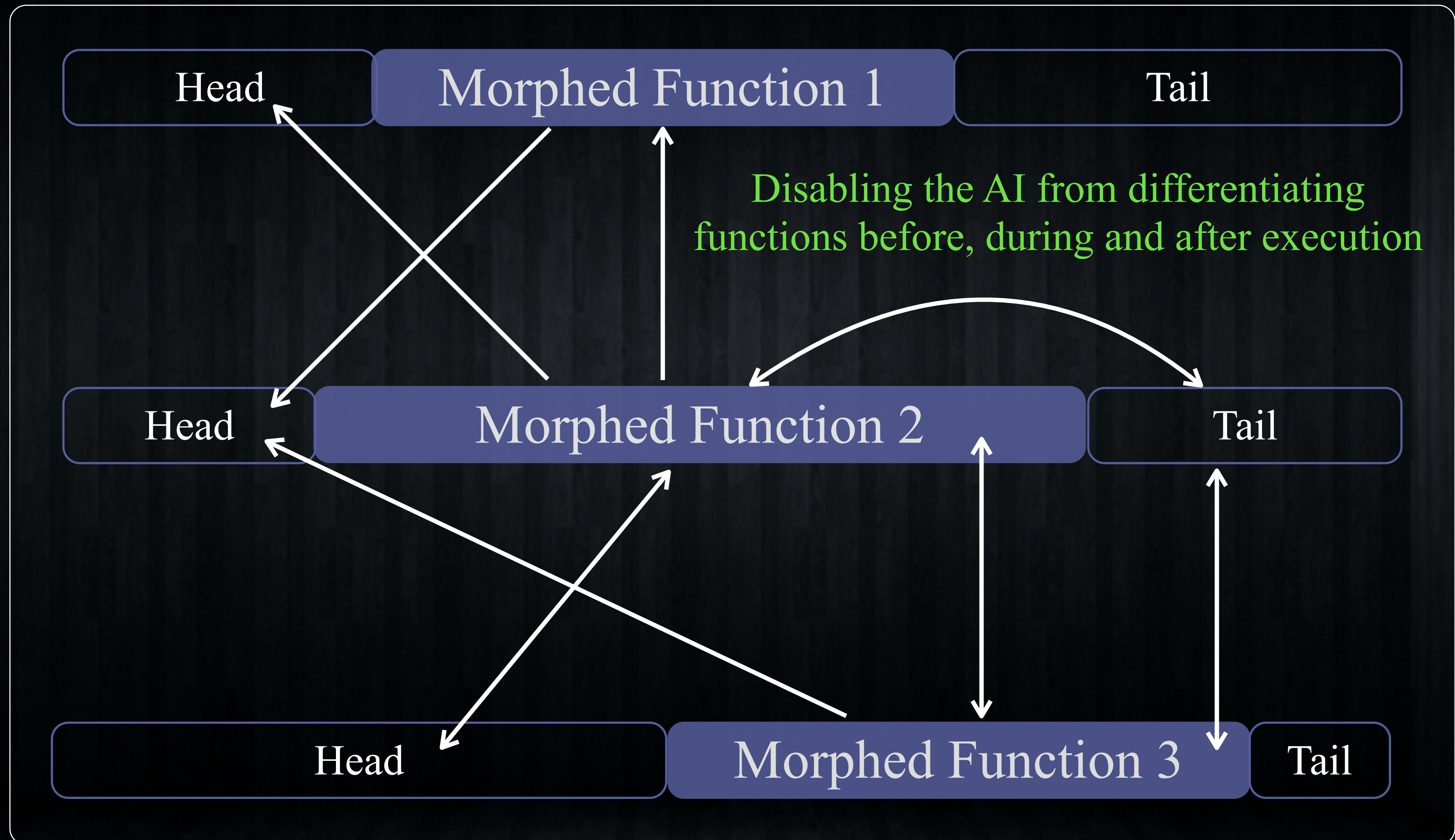


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# Evading AI Machine Learning

# Mixing Morphed Blocks



## Disabling the AI from differentiating functions before, during and after execution



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Execution environment integrity check

In memory APIs code integrity check

Detect hooks

Clock synchronization

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