

# [0100] The Philosophy of .NET

Chapter 1 of our textbook covers the architecture and components of the .NET Framework and looks at how C# programs fit into that architecture.

What is .NET? Here's the best short answer I could come up with to that question:

***.NET allows programs written in different languages, created on different platforms to work together and share data within the same computer without any changes to their compiled (binary) files. That's called "binary inter-operability."***

The rest of the Chapter goes over the different parts that make up the core of the .NET Framework.