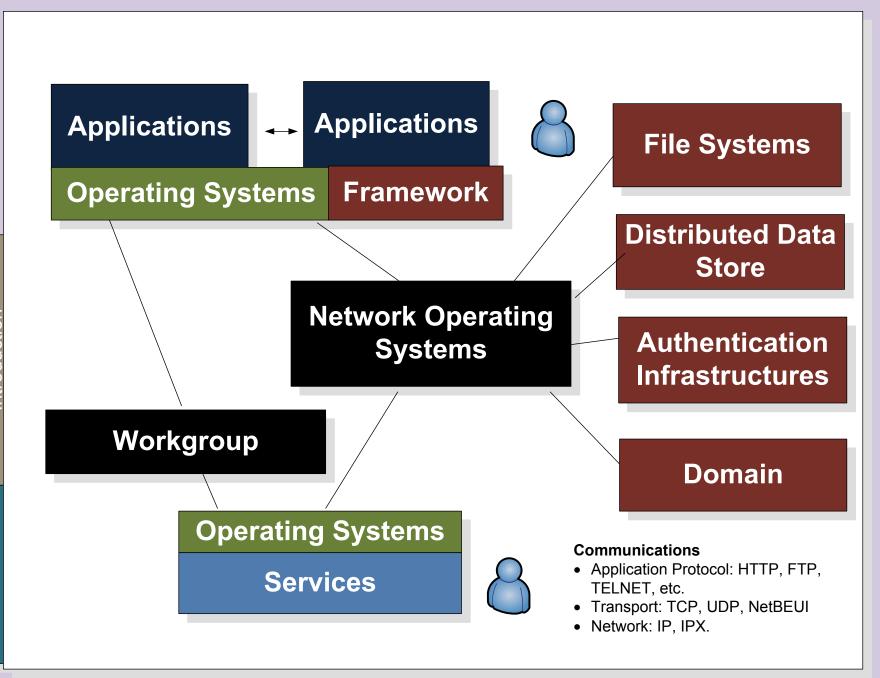
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Introduction





Lack of education in secure methods.

Lack of integration with the OS.





Lack of testing.



Lack of thought in the design process.

> Lack of understanding of IP (Intellectual Property) protection.





**Poor** development environments.

Lack of understanding of encryption/ authentication.





Lack of support for different hardware
Programs were compiled to x86 code.

## Weak integration with Internet/WWW

Code and WWW code where seen as separate entities

Code.asp

<%

 val1 = 10
 val2 = 20
 result = Cstr(val1) + Cstr(val2)
 response.write "<BR>Value is " & result
 result = val1 + val2
 response.write "<BR>Value is " & result
%>

Difficult to integrate different languages

Old Programs



Lack of security Integration

Most programs where written with little care about security

Poor version control for system components



Version 1.2

### **Poor robustness**

Where applications often crash

Too much support for legacy code



Poor integration with different data sources, such as XML, databases, and text files.

Old Programs

**Difficult deployments** 

Poor pre-run checking

This is where applications often crashed on run-time

Lack of sharing between applications



Software Flaws

## Non-intentional. These can be:

- Validation flaws. The code fails to check for valid input data.
- **Domain flaws**. This is where data leaks from one program to another.
- Serialisation flaws. This is where data changes while being passed from one program to another.
- Identification/Authentication flaws. This is where there is a lack of identification for processes or users.
- Boundary condition flaws. This is where resource access is not checked, and can thus allow an external hacker to use up resources.
- Logic flaws.



**Intentional**. This can either be caused by malious code (such as a Trojan or back-door programs).





**Best Practice** 

### Principle of least privilege

Processes and scripts should run with the least privilege possible, to minimize damage



### **Never trust user input**

All user input check be checked before it is used. This includes checking for correct number/string format, including vali characters.

### **Defence-in-depth**

Checkpoints should be added for authentication and authorization at software interfaces, and interfaces within modules.



### Use secure defaults

Sometimes developers encounter security problems in running and applications. It is important that these are fully tested before reducing the security.

Authenticate at the front-end

In terms of resources, it is

authentication at the front

end rather than the back-

often better to

end

### Never rely on obfuscation

Obfuscation of code just makes it more difficult to determine its operation. If an intruder wants to "crac a program, then normally can, so other methods of securing the code should be employed.

### If it's not used ... disable it!

Any services which can be accessed can be compromised, thus, if they are not needed, they should be disabled.



## ystem is only as secure as the weakest link

The overall security of a system is only as strong as its weakest link.



External systems should always be seen as a potential risk, and should never be fully trusted.

Based on Microsoft ASP.NET Good Practice Guide



This should minimize the information that can be accessed from outside, and to handle errors in a graceful way.





The Future

**Binding to OS**. Some applications are bound to the OS version, and do not work with other OSs or versions.

**Bind to hardware.** Often application programs are compiled to a certain hardware/architecture.

## DLL/driver baggage.

Many applications bring large amount of their own DLLs.

Software Applications

Software Services

Direct driver calls.

Often applications are created and directly call drivers, which causes incompatibility

problems.

Poor decoupling between applications

Operating System

**Direct running.** Software applications run directly on the hardware, and can thus affect other applications.

**System DLLs** 

**Drivers** 

**Hardware** 

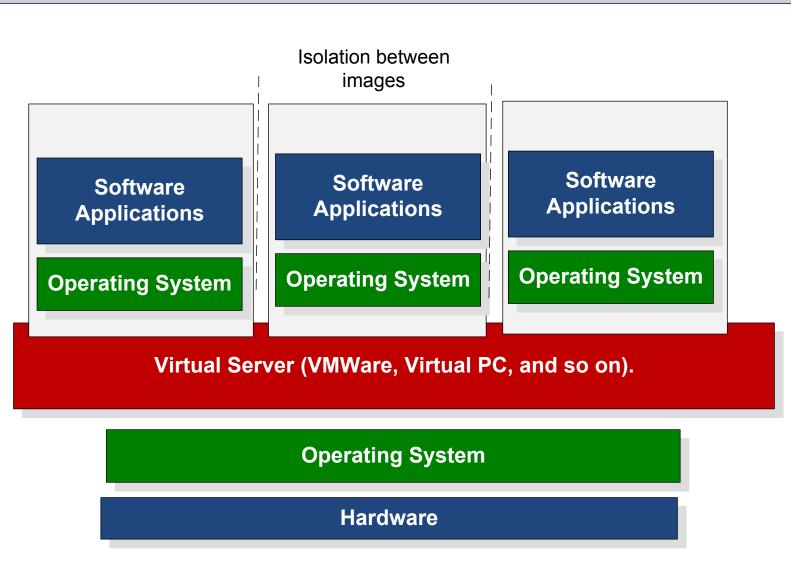


**DLL Hell.** This is where DLL can be replaced with incorrect ones, such as being overwritten with malious ones or wrong version

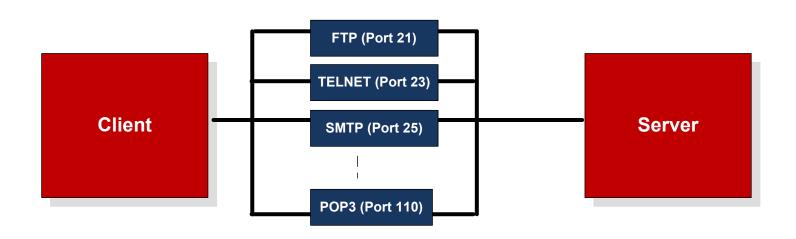
Applications are independent of the hardware and run within the framework. The framework manages their operation, to make sure they do not damage the system or other applications

**Software Software Services Applications Operating System Hardware** Security **Current (Thick client and** applications compiled for the hardware)

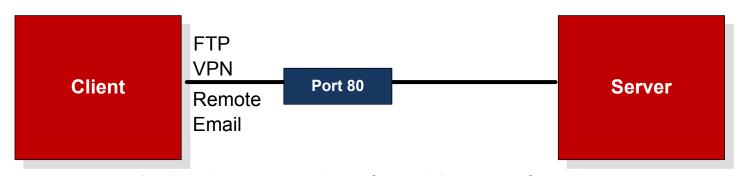
**Software Software Applications Services** Software Framework/Run-time **Environment** (.NET/Java) **Hardware** Future (Thin clients and **Intermediate Code) Software Software Services Applications** Web browser Web server Server hardware



Virtualisation images allow multiple Oss to run on a single OS.



Applications use a wide range of TCP ports to communicate. Each of these ports could be blocked.



Applications communicate for a wide range of services through port 80 (Web port)... port 80 traffic is allowed through the firewall ... but can cause security problems as the firewall cannot check the usage



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logic, interface
and data store)
in a console
application)

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Integrated
mobile
application (with
logic, interface
and data store)
in a mobile
application)



Integrated Web page (with logic, interface and data store in a Web package)



Windows interface

**Console** interface

**Mobile interface** 

Web interface

User services

Business logic and data store can be shared between applications **Shared business logic** 

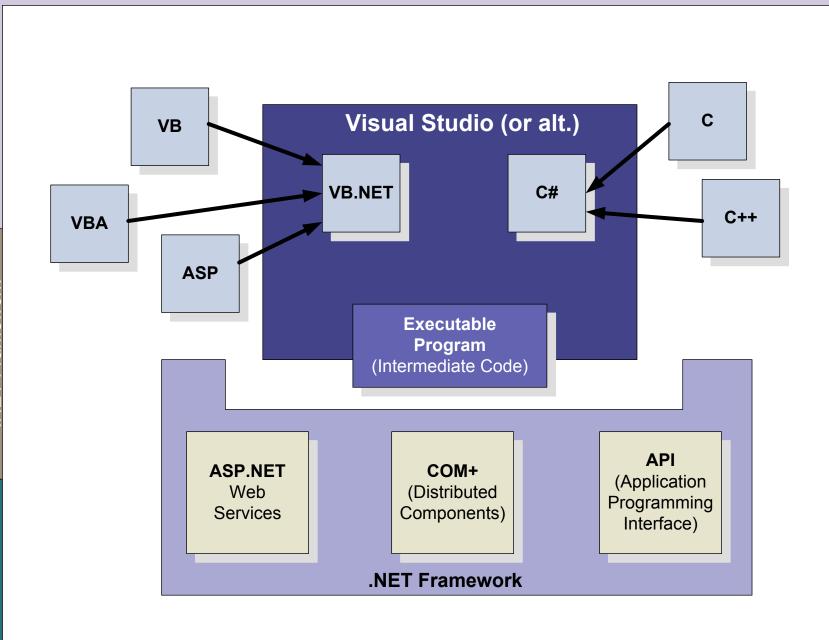
Shared data store

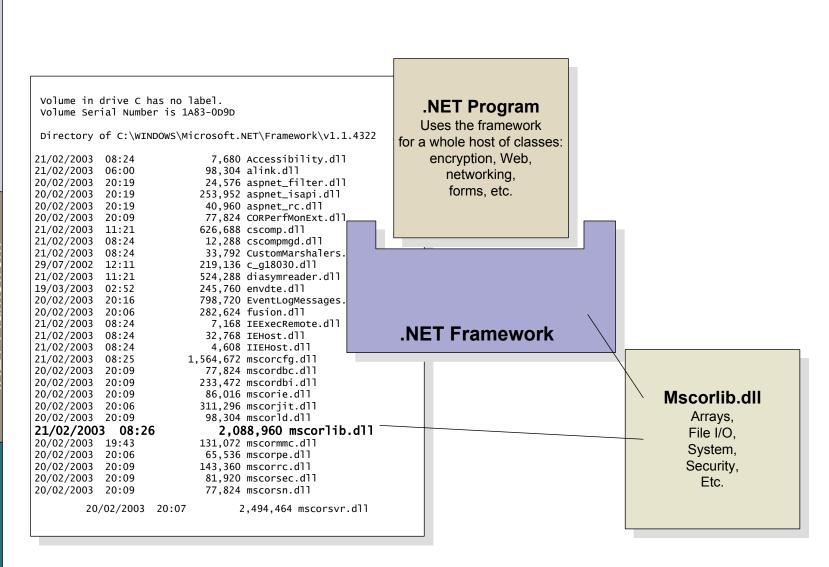
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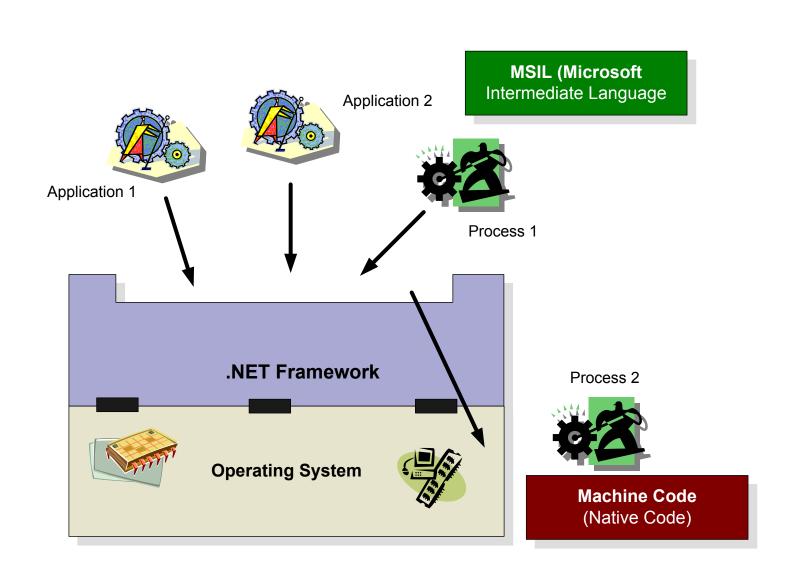
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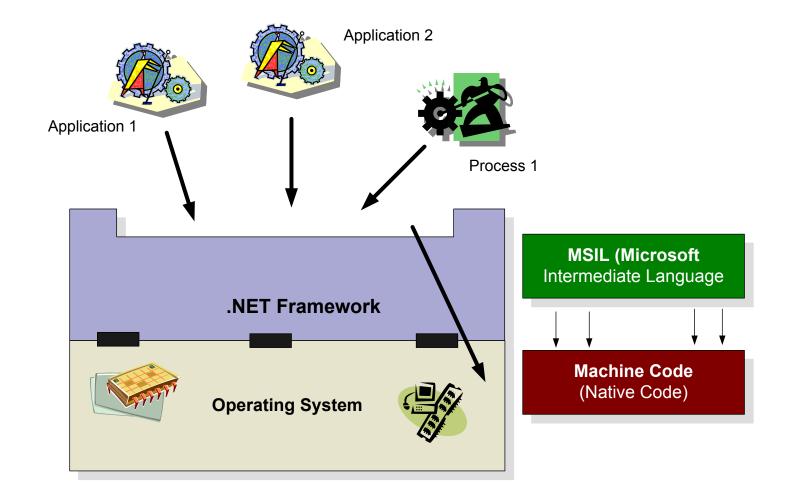


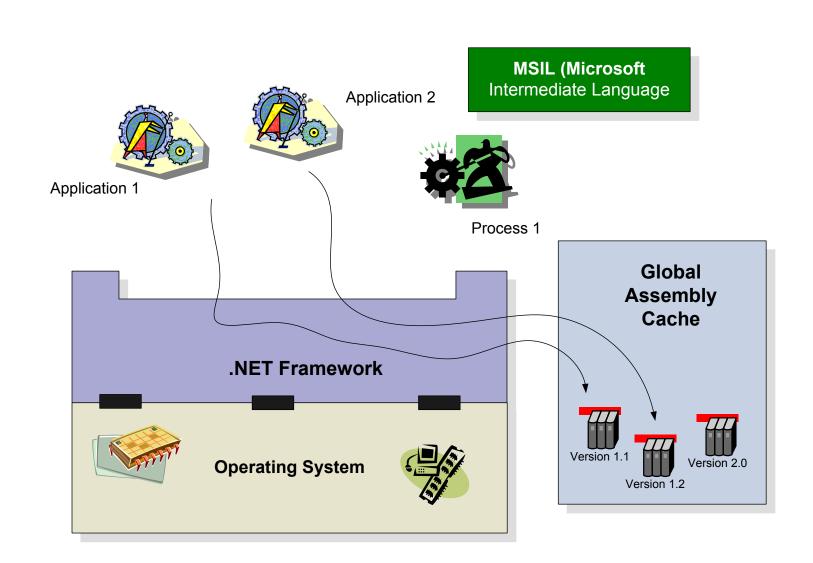
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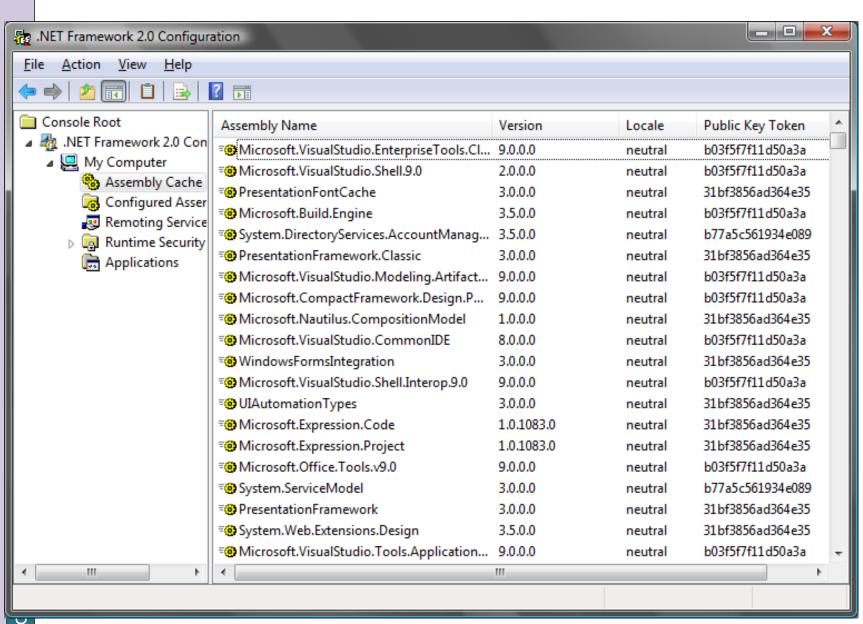






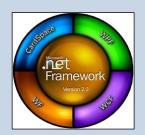






## .NET Framework Version 3.0 (Nov 2006, WinFX)

- Windows CardSpace
- Windows Presentation Foundation
- Windows Communication Foundation
- Windows Workflow Foundation



## .NET Framework Version 2.0 (Nov 2005)

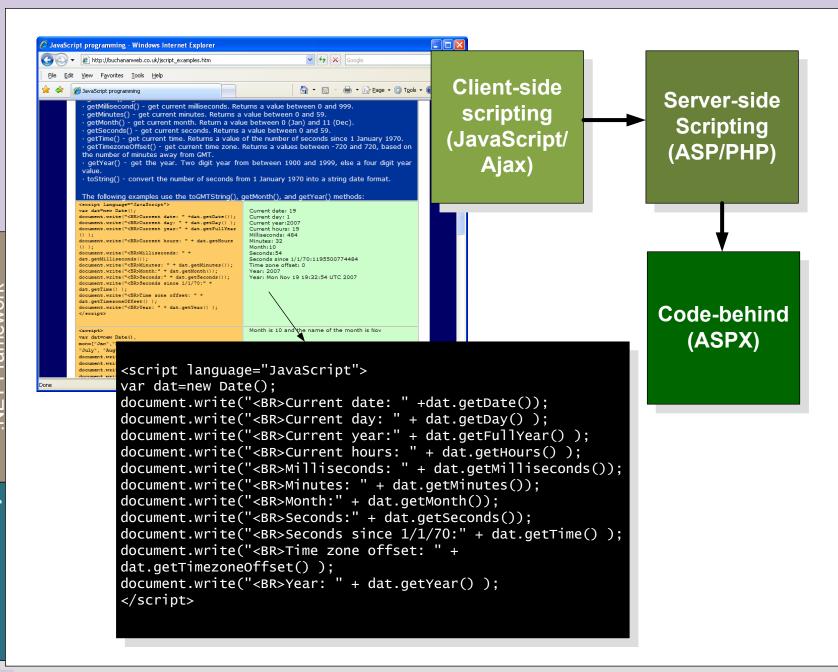
- Bug fixes.
- 64-bit support.
- Language support for generics.
- New controls.
- ASP.NET components.
- Bluetooth.

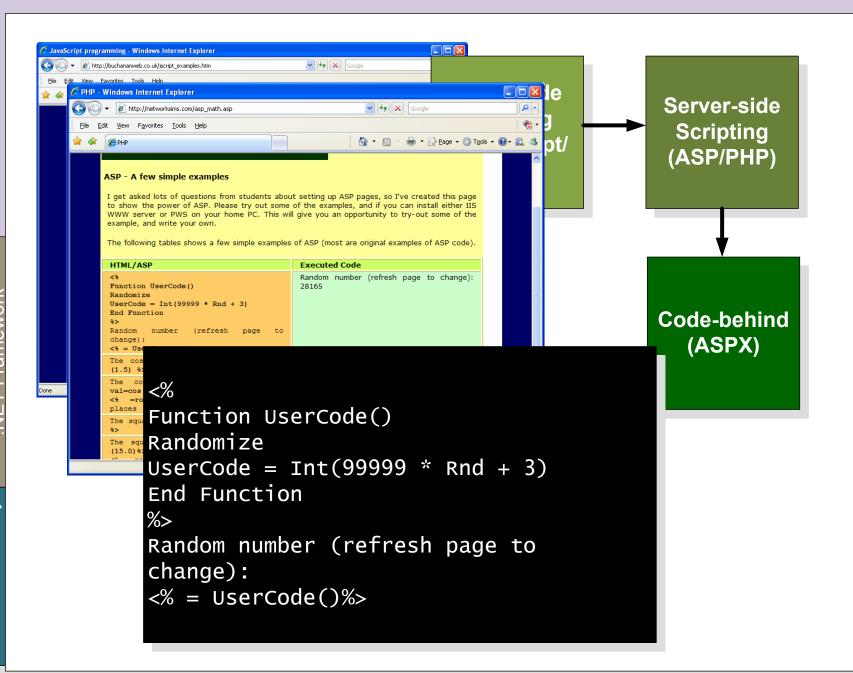
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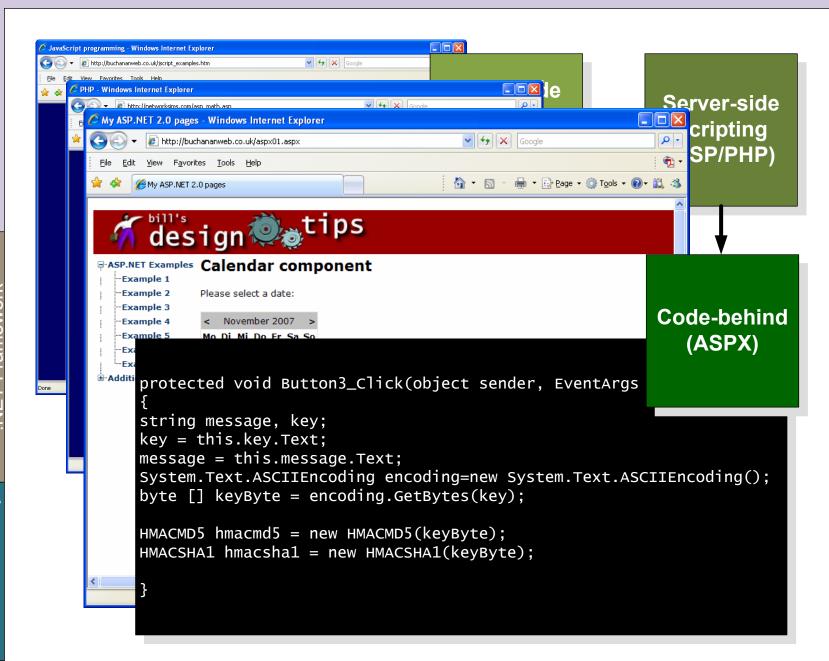


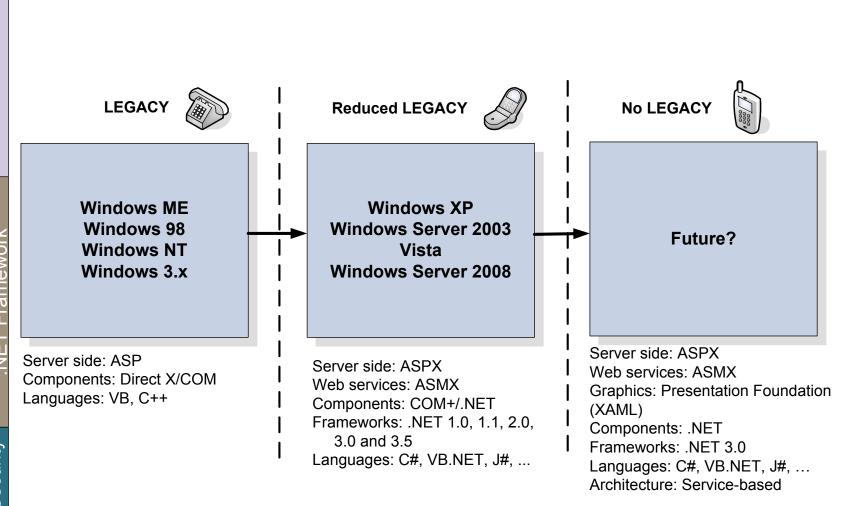
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- Bug fixes.
- .NET Compact Framework









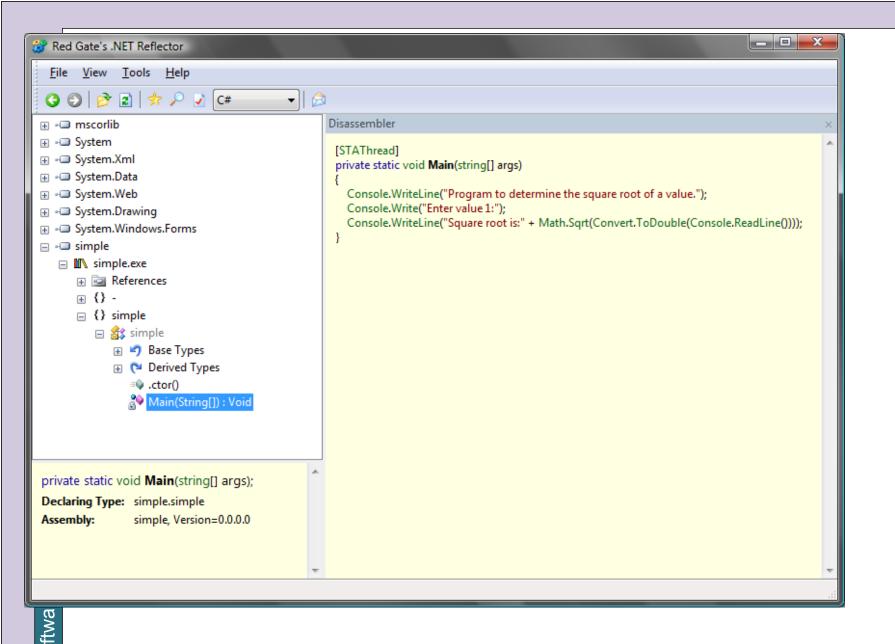


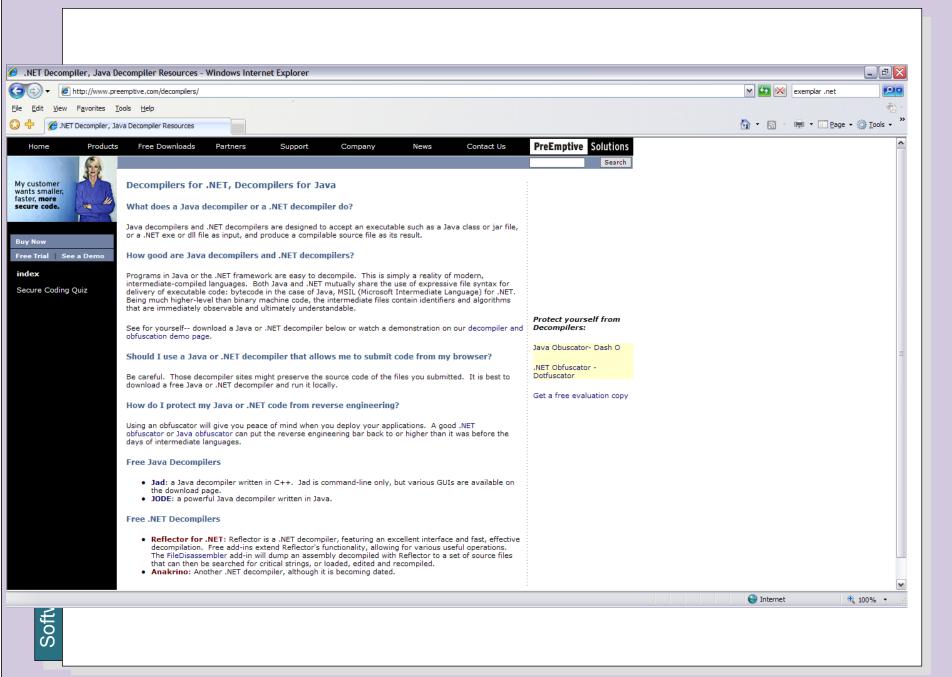
Keeping Code Secure

```
using System;
namespace simple
    class Class1
         static void Main(string[] args)
             string name;
             System.Console.Write("What is your name?");
             name=System.Console.ReadLine();
             System.Console.WriteLine("Hello " + name);
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                  .locals init ([0] string name)
                                   "What is your name\?"
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                  IL 0005: call
                                   void [mscorlib]System.Console::Write(string)
                 IL 000a: call
                                   string [mscorlib]System.Console::ReadLine()
                 IL 000f: stloc.0
   EXE
                                   "Hello "
                 IL 0010: ldstr
                 IL 0015: 1dloc.0
                 IL 0016: call
                                   string [mscorlib]System.String::Concat(string,
                 IL 001b: call
                                   void [mscorlib]System.Console::WriteLine(string)
                 IL 0020: ret
                } // end of method Class1::Main
```

```
F:\docs\src\simple\test>dir
Volume in drive F has no label.
 Volume Serial Number is 2886-0553
Directory of F:\docs\src\simple\test
25/07/2008 01:20
                    <DIR>
25/07/2008 01:20
                    <DIR>
28/01/2007 17:06
                               437 simple.cs
              1 File(s)
                                   437 bytes
              2 Dir(s) 113,418,530,816 bytes free
F:\docs\src\simple\test>csc simple.cs
Microsoft (R) Visual C# 2008 Compiler version 3.5.21022.8
for Microsoft (R) .NET Framework version 3.5
Copyright (C) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
F:\docs\src\simple\test>dir
Volume in drive F has no label.
Volume Serial Number is 2886-0553
 Directory of F:\docs\src\simple\test
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F:\docs\src\simple\test>simple
Program to determine the square root of a value.
Enter value 1:9
Square root is:3
```

```
F:\docs\src\simple\test>exemplar simple.exe > list.cs
F:\docs\src\simple\test>dir
Volume in drive F has no label.
Volume Serial Number is 2886-0553
 Directory of F:\docs\src\simple\test
15/09/2008 16:38
                     <DIR>
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                                451 list.cs
28/01/2007 17:06
                                437 simple.cs
15/09/2008 16:37
                              4,096 simple.exe
F:\docs\src\simple\test>type list.cs
namespace simple {
        class simple {
                [STAThread]
                private static void Main(string[] args) {
                        double local0;
                        double local1;
                        Console.WriteLine("Program to determine the
square root of a value.");
                        Console.Write("Enter value 1:");
                        local0 = Convert.ToDouble(Console.ReadLine());
                        local1 = Math.Sqrt(local0);
                        Console.WriteLine("Square root is:" + local1);
                }
                public simple() : base() {
        }
}
```







Obfuscation

```
#include <stdio.h> main(t,_,a)char
*a:{return!0<t?t<3?main(-79,-13,a+main(-87,1-_.
main(-86,0,a+1)+a):1,t<\_?main(t+1,\_,a):3,main(-
94,-27+t,a)&t==2?_<13? main(2,_+1,"%s %d %d\
n"):9:16:t<0?t<-72?main(_,t, "@n'+,#'/*{}w+/
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50?_==*a?putchar(31[a]):main(-
65,_,a+1):main((*a=='/')+t,_,a+1)
0<t?main(2,2,"%s"):*a=='/'||main(0,main(-61,*a,
"!ek;dc i@bK'(q)-[w]*n+r3#1,{}:\nuwloca-0;m
.vpbks,fxntdCeghiry"),a+1);}
```

On the first day of Christmas, my true love sent to me
A partridge in a pear tree.
On the second day of Christmas, my true love sent to me
Two turtle doves,
And a partridge in a pear tree....



Elimination of all whitespace.

Use of conditional and list expression instead of the more familiar if-then-else statement and statement blocks.

A simple encoding of the poem's strings.

Encoding of multiple "functions" into the single function main

### **Identifier Renaming**

This involves renaming all the classes, methods, and fields to short names, or even non-printing names

### **Before**

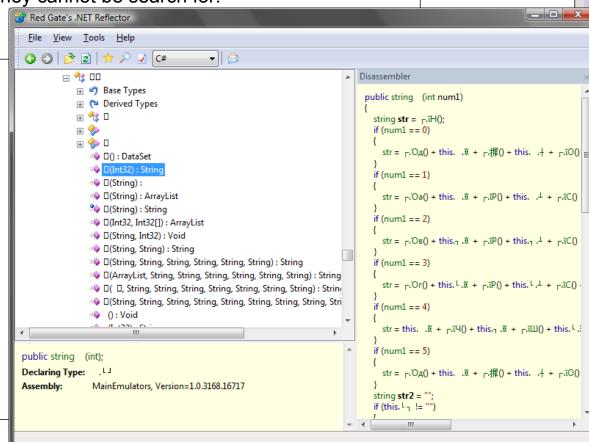
```
namespace Emulator {
    public class gen_switch {
        public ArrayList32logging59
        public ArrayList32level5Commands59
        public string32level5Name59
        public ArrayList32level69Commands59
        public string32level69Name59
        public ArrayList32level39Commands59
        public string32level39Name59
        public ArrayList32level16Commands59
        public ArrayList32level16Name59
        public ArrayList32level17Name59
        public ArrayList32level25Commands59
        public ArrayList32level25Commands59
        public string32level25Name59
```

### **After**

```
C:\netwsims>exemplar mainemulators.exe
namespace © {
    public class © {
        public ArrayList32@59
        public ArrayList32@59
        public string32@59
        public ArrayList32♥59
        public ArrayList32♥59
        public ArrayList32♥59
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        public ArrayList32₱59
```

### **String Encryption**

A standard way that many "crackers" work is to search for key strings within a program. String encryption is used to encrypt strings through an encryption method, so that they cannot be search for.



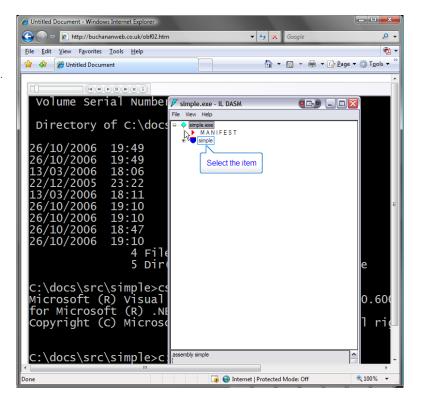
### Flow obfuscation

This involves scrambling the flow of the program, so that it is difficult to determine its actual operation.



## **View demo of Obfuscation**

http://buchananweb.co.uk/obf01.htm



```
Untitled Document - Windows Internet Explorer
Attp://buchananweb.co.uk/obf01.htm
                                          ▼ 49 🗙 Google
File Edit View Favorites Tools Help
                                             A Page Tools
                                          293 list.cs
288 simple.cs
26/10/2006
               18:47
                                            1,753 bytes
                   2 Dir(s)
                                    804,446,208 bytes free
 C:\docs\src\simple>type simple.cs
using System;
namespace simple
           class simple
                     static void Main(string[] args)
                               string name;
                               System.Console.Write("What is
                               name=System.Console.ReadLine(
                               System.Console.WriteLine("Hel
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```

## **View demo of Obfuscation2**



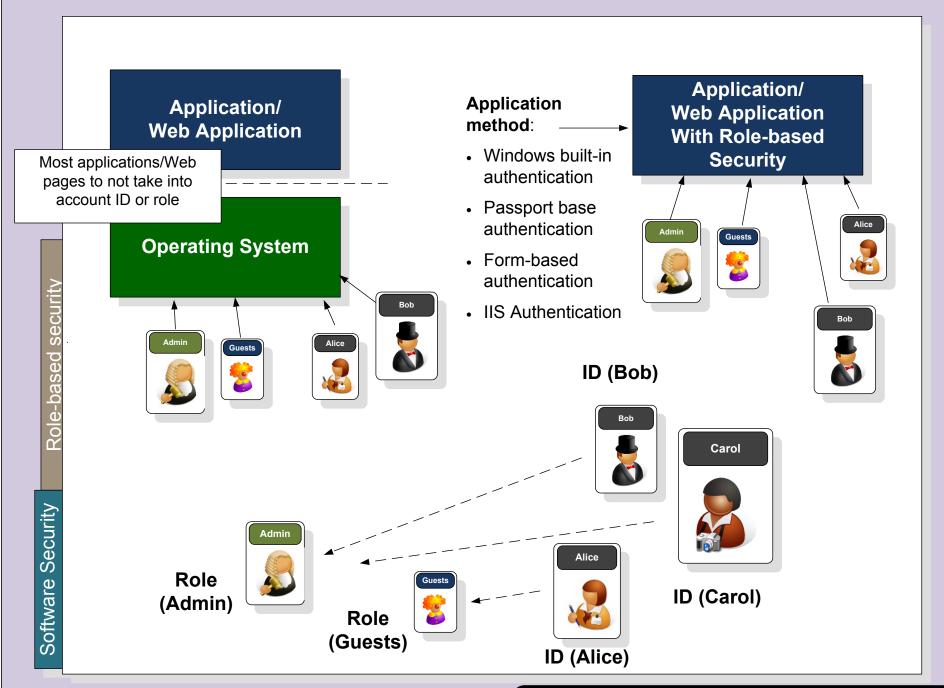
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using System;
namespace simple
    class Class1
         static void Main(string[] args)
             string name;
             System.Console.Write("What is your name?");
             name=System.Console.ReadLine();
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                                                                     string)
                                   void [mscorlib]System.Console::WriteLine(string)
                 IL_001b: call
                 IL 0020: ret
                } // end of method Class1::Main
```

**Example** 



Role-based security



```
using System;
using System. Security;
using System. Security. Principal;
namespace ConsoleApplication3
    class Class1
        static void Main(string[] args)
            WindowsIdentity myID = WindowsIdentity.GetCurrent();
            System.Console.WriteLine("Your ID: " + myID.Name);
            System.Console.WriteLine("Authentication: " +
                                                myID.AuthenticationType);
            WindowsPrincipal myPrin = new WindowsPrincipal(myID);
            if (myPrin.IsInRole(WindowsBuiltInRole.Administrator))
                System.Console.WriteLine("You're an Administrator ");
            else
                System.Console.WriteLine("You're not an Administrator");
            Console.ReadLine();
                                                                   Admin
                                                     Carol
```

A major problem with software is that security is left to the operating system. With .NET, the developer can integrate role-based security into the program/Web application.





```
using System;
  using System. Security;
  using System. Security. Principal;
  namespace ConsoleApplication3
       class Class1
           static void Main(string[] args)
                WindowsIdentity myID = WindowsIdentity.GetCurrent();
                System.Console.WriteLine("Your ID: " + myID.Name);
                System.Console.WriteLine("Authentication: " +
                                                         myID.AuthenticationType);
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                                                   Role.Administrator))
ine ("Your ID: " + myID.);
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onType);
                       ⊕ Equals
                                                   're not an Administrator");
                       GetHashCode
in = new WindowsPrin - GetType

□ Impersonate

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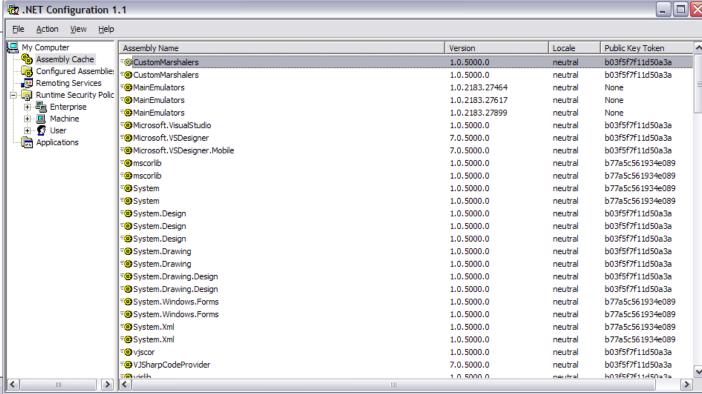
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                  PrintOperator
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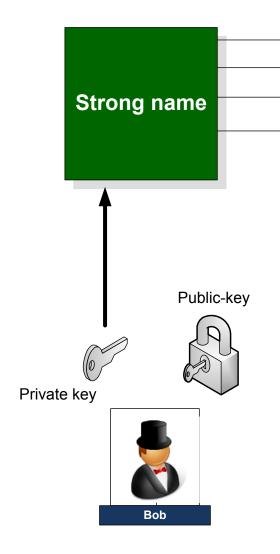
■P User
             WindowsIdentity myID = WindowsIdentity.GetCurrent();
             System.Console.WriteLine("Your ID: " + myID.Name);
             System.Console.WriteLine("Authentication: " +
                                                     myID.AuthenticationType);
             WindowsPrincipal myPrin = new WindowsPrincipal(myID);
             if (myPrin.IsInRole(WindowsBuiltInRole.Administrator))
                  System.Console.WriteLine("You're an Administrator ");
             else
                  System.Console.WriteLine("You're not an Administrator");
             Console.ReadLine();
                                                     Admin
                                                                          Guests
```



.NET Security

- Strong Name uses cryptography and digital signatures. It uses a digital signatures with asymmetric cryptography (RSA, EL Gamal), and a hash signature (MD5, SHA).
- Overcomes DLL hell and are used for versioning and authentication.
- In order to enhance security, an assembly uses an assembly strong name
  which normally has a text name, a public key and a digital signature. The
  digital signature is used to validate the assembly, and the system can thus
  check to see if the code has be modified in any way. If the code has been
  tampered with, the assembly will not load.





➤ Text name (Office 10)

➤ Version (1.1.1a)

➤ Public-key

Digital signature

No other name can ever exist.

• Supports different versions.

Verifies the assembly.

C:\bill>sn -k bill.snk

 $\label{eq:microsoft} \mbox{Microsoft (R) .NET Framework Strong Name Utility}$ 

Version 1.1.4322.573

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rights reserved.

Key pair written to bill.snk

C:\bill>dir

Volume in drive C has no label.

Volume Serial Number is A873-2C50

Directory of C:\bill

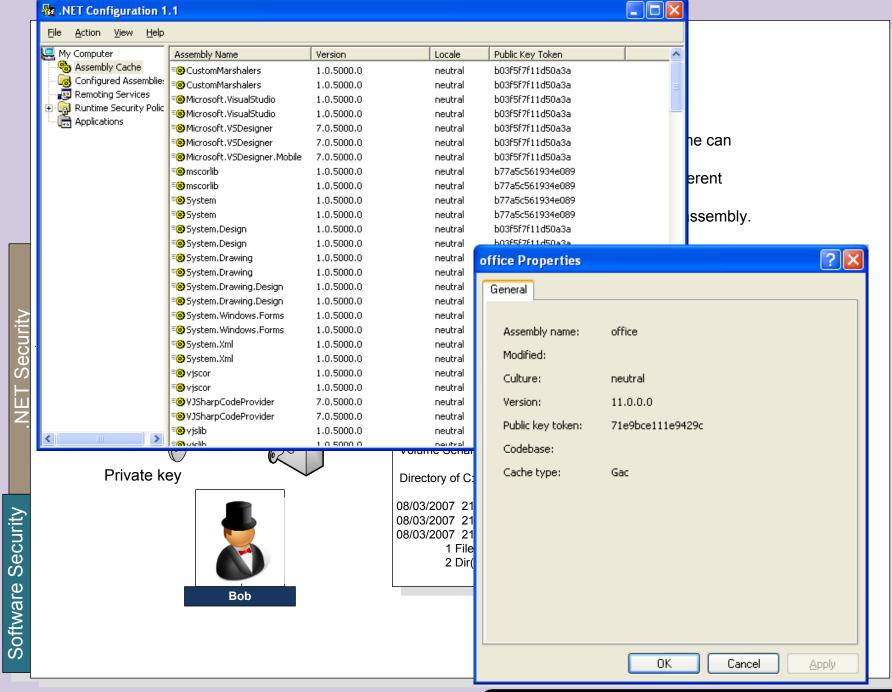
08/03/2007 21:15 <DIR>

08/03/2007 21:15 <DIR>

08/03/2007 21:15 596 bill.snk

1 File(s) 596 bytes

2 Dir(s) 2,058,932,224 bytes free



### Strong name

```
using System. Enterprise Services;
using System.Runtime.CompilerServices;
using System.Reflection;
// Specify a name for the COM+ application.
[assembly: ApplicationName("MyMathService")]
// Specify a strong name for the assembly.
[assembly: AssemblyKeyFile("MyMathService.snk")]
namespace MyMathService
    [Transaction(TransactionOption.Required)]
   public class Maths: ServicedComponent
        [AutoComplete]
       public int add(int a, int b)
        return(a+b);
```



**ASP.NET** 

Web.config file is used to define the security of the Web pages

## Web.config

Web pages

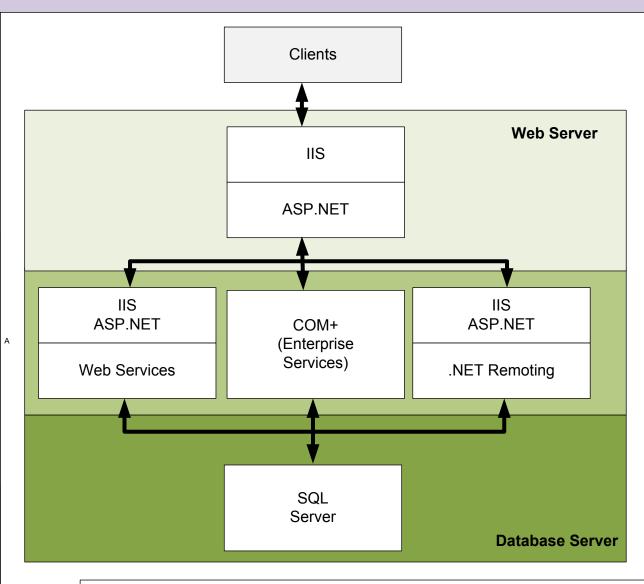
```
<configuration>
  <system.web>
    <authorization>
      <deny users="?"/>
    </authorization>
    < ! --
    <authentication mode="Forms">
    </authentication>
    -->
    <authentication mode="Forms">
      <forms name="Test" loginUrl="login.aspx" protection="All"</pre>
timeout="30" path="/">
        <credentials passwordFormat="Clear">
          <user name="fred" password="pass1"/>
          <user name="bert" password="pass1"/>
          <user name="napier" password="pass1"/>
        </credentials>
      </forms>
    </authentication>
    <compilation debug="true"/>
 </system.web>
</configuration>
```

Web pages

Web pages



```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
<configuration>
 <system.web>
    <!-- DYNAMIC DEBUG COMPILATION
          Set compilation debug="true" to enable ASPX debugging.
                    Otherwise, setting this value to
          false will improve runtime performance of this application.
    -->
    <compilation</pre>
         defaultLanguage="c#"
         debug="true"
    />
    <!-- CUSTOM ERROR MESSAGES
          Set customErrors mode="On" or "RemoteOnly" to enable custom error
                    messages, "Off" to disable.
          Add <error> tags for each of the errors you want to handle.
          "On" Always display custom (friendly) messages.
          "Off" Always display detailed ASP.NET error information.
          "RemoteOnly" Display custom messages only to users not running
    <customErrors</pre>
   mode="RemoteOnly"
    />
```



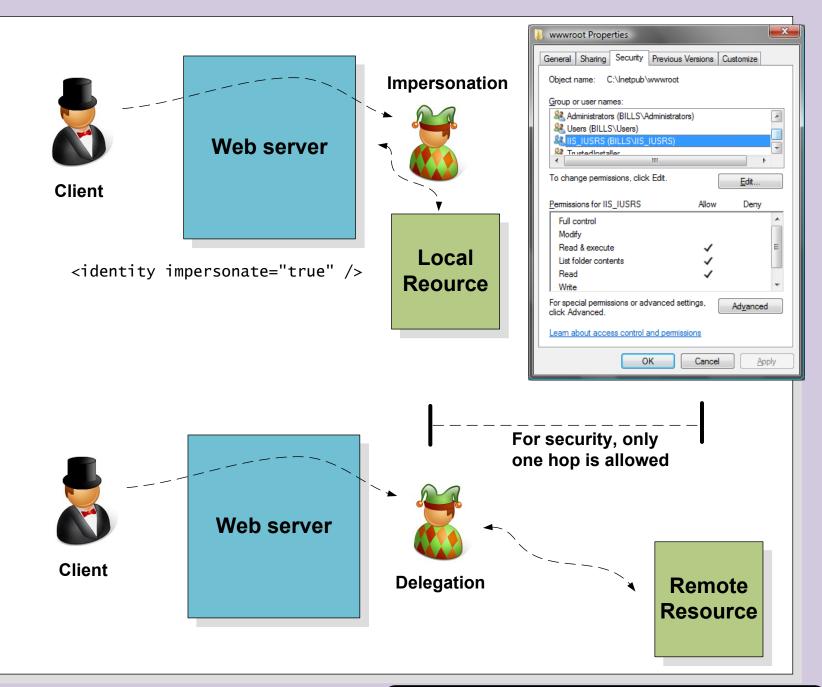
### IIS

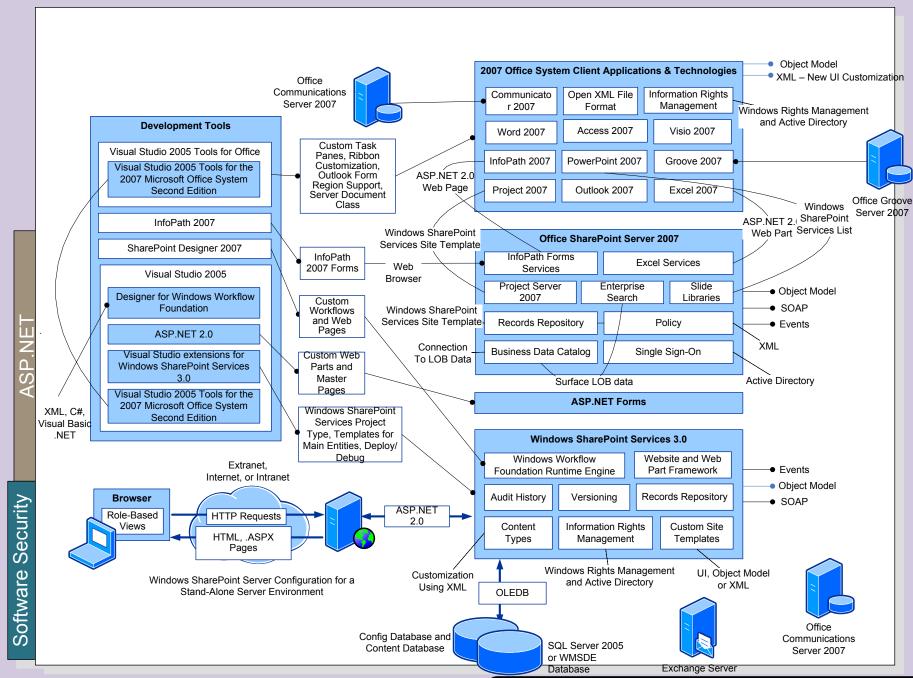
Authentication:
Anonymous, Basic,
Digest, Integrated
and Certifications
Authorization:
NTFS Permissions,
IP Restrictions

### **ASP.NET**

Authentication:
Windows, Forms,
Password, None
Authorization:
URL Authorization,
File Authorization
and .NET Role

- Authentication (to identify the clients of your application)
- Authorization (to provide access controls for those clients)
- Secure communication (to ensure that messages remain private and are not altered by unauthorized parties)

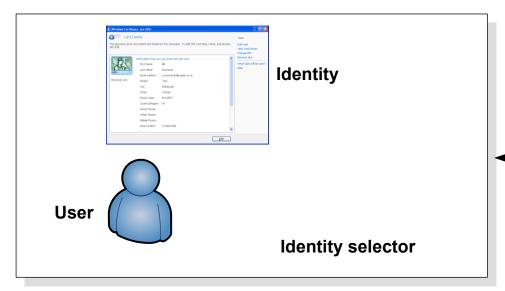


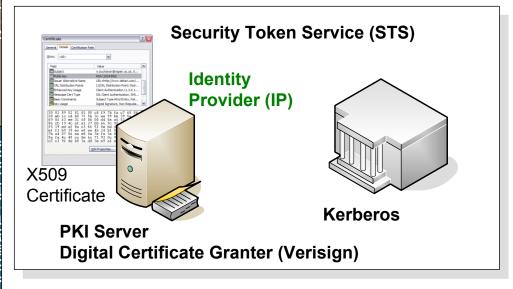


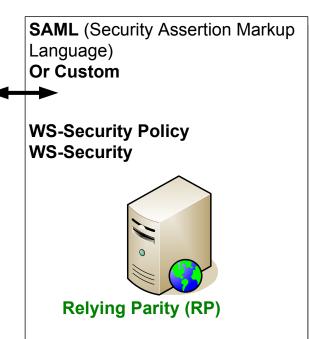
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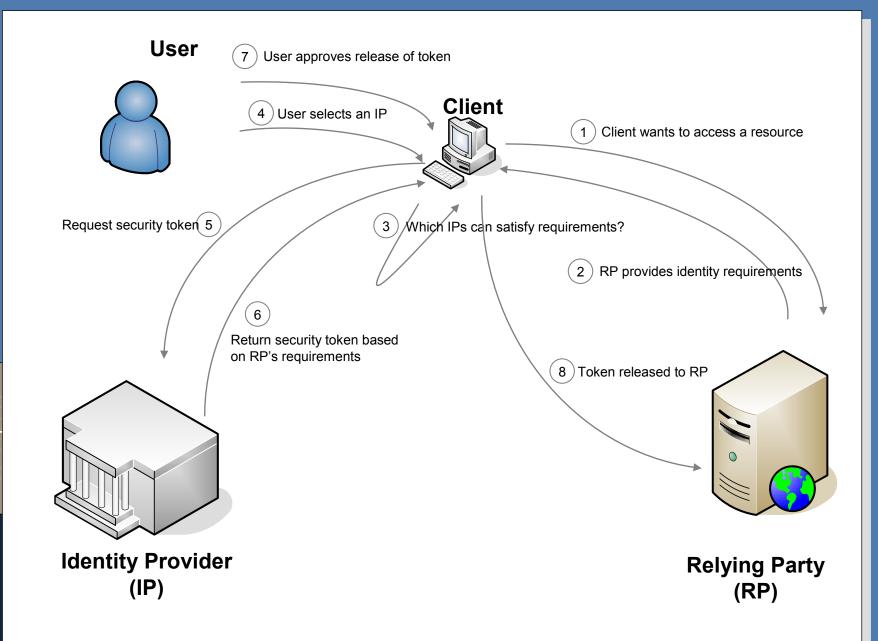
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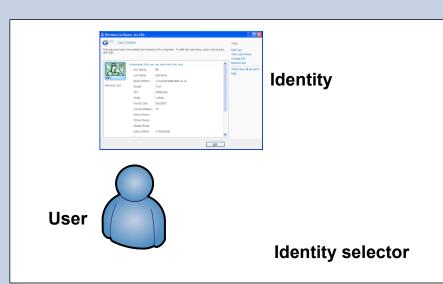


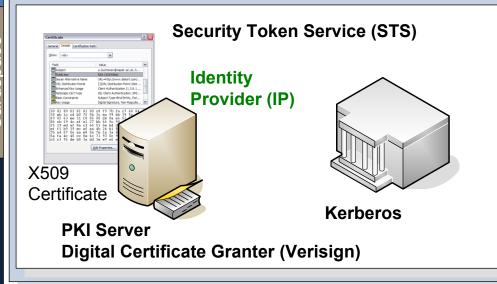


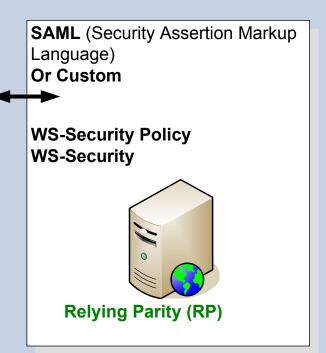


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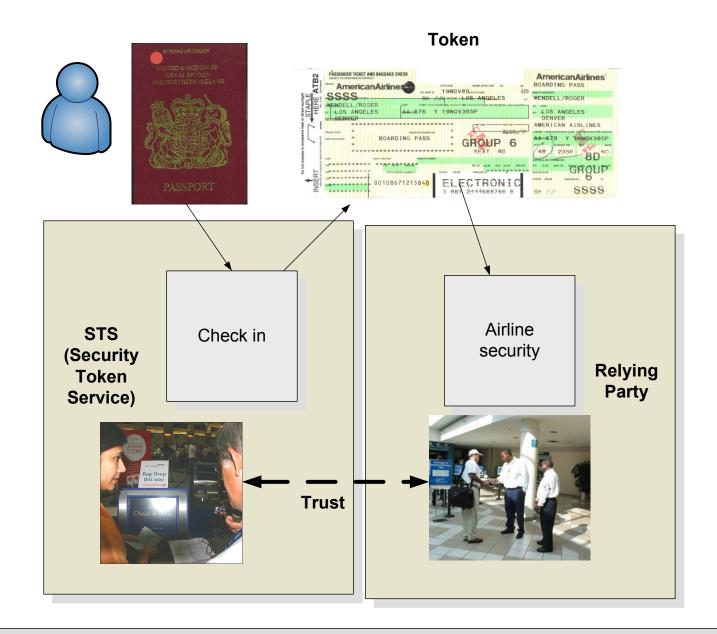


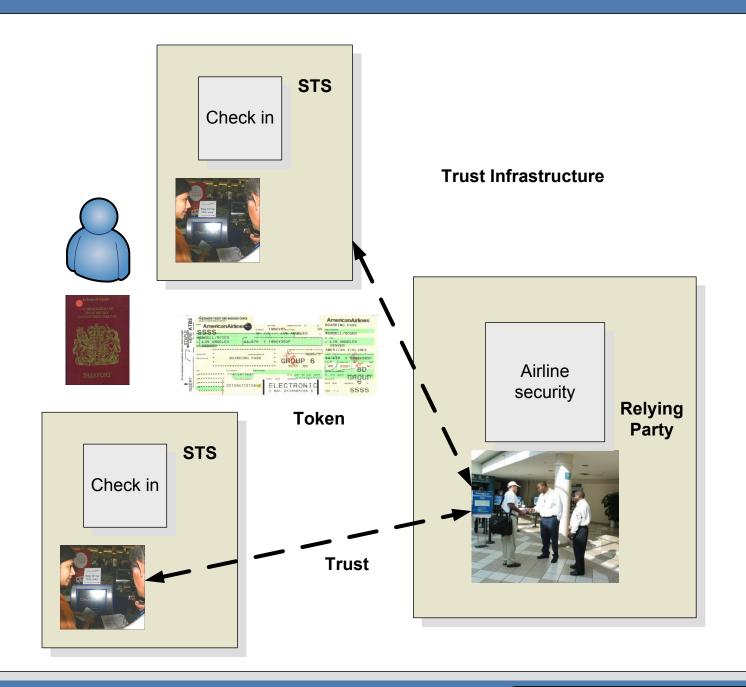






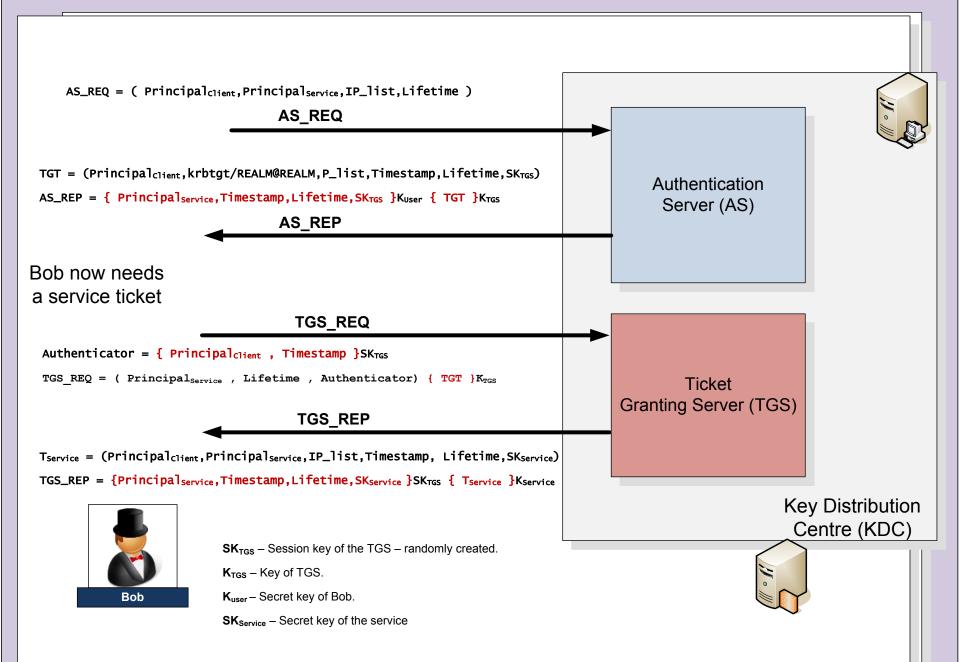
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**AS REQ** is the initial user authentication request. This message is directed to the KDC component known as Authentication Server (AS).  $AS_REQ = ($ Principal<sub>Client</sub>, Principal<sub>Service</sub>, IP\_list, Lifetime ) Eg Principal<sub>Client</sub> = Principal for user (such as fred@home.com), IP list = all IP address which will use the ticket (may be null if behind NAT), lifetime = require life of the ticket. AS\_REQ Authentication Server (AS) **AS REP AS\_REP**. Reply for the previous request. It contains the TGT (Ticket Granting Ticket - encrypted using the TGS secret key) and the session key (encrypted using the secret key of the requesting user). TGT = (Principal<sub>Client</sub>, krbtgt/ **Ticket** REALM@REALM, P\_list, Timestamp, Lifetime, SK<sub>TGS</sub>) **Granting Server (TGS)**  $AS_REP = \{ Principal_{Service}, Timestamp, Lifetime, SK_{TGS} \} K_{User} \{ \}$ TGT }KTGS **Key Distribution SK**<sub>TGS</sub> – Session key of the TGS – randomly created. Centre (KDC) **K**<sub>TGS</sub> – Key of TGS. **K**<sub>user</sub> – Secret key of Bob. Note: { Message } – The curly brackets identify an encrypted message. ( Message ) – The round brackets identify an non-encrypted message.

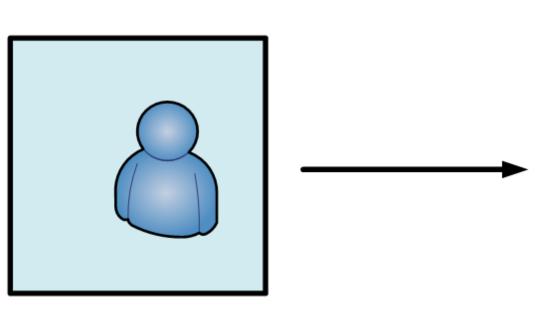
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Conclusions

The aim is for you to create a prototype of a system which outlines how the system could work. For
this you should implement an agent-based system, either using: your own agent (using Winpcap
and .NET or Java); a stand-alone version of Snort; or using a graphical management system which
interfaces to Snort (a mixture of Snort, Winpcap and .NET). Overall the alerts should be useful,
and, possibly, stored in a secure manner.



- Perform an evaluation of the key services within their infrastructure.
- Develop and implement a strategy to detect the networking scanning of their system.
- Develop and implement a strategy to detect activities which involves the login of an administrator through Telnet or FTP.
- Develop and implement a strategy to detect a malicious Bot agent (to be given).

