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What is this .NET thing???

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.NET Framework Overview

Develop

Session Prerequisites

- ◆ This session assumes that you understand the fundamentals of
 - Distributed Web application development
 - ASP
 - ADO
 - COM
- ◆ This is a Level 200 Session

Introduction to .NET

The Road to .NET

1996

Internet
1st Gen

1997

Internet
2nd Gen

2000

Internet
3rd Gen

1992

Client/Server

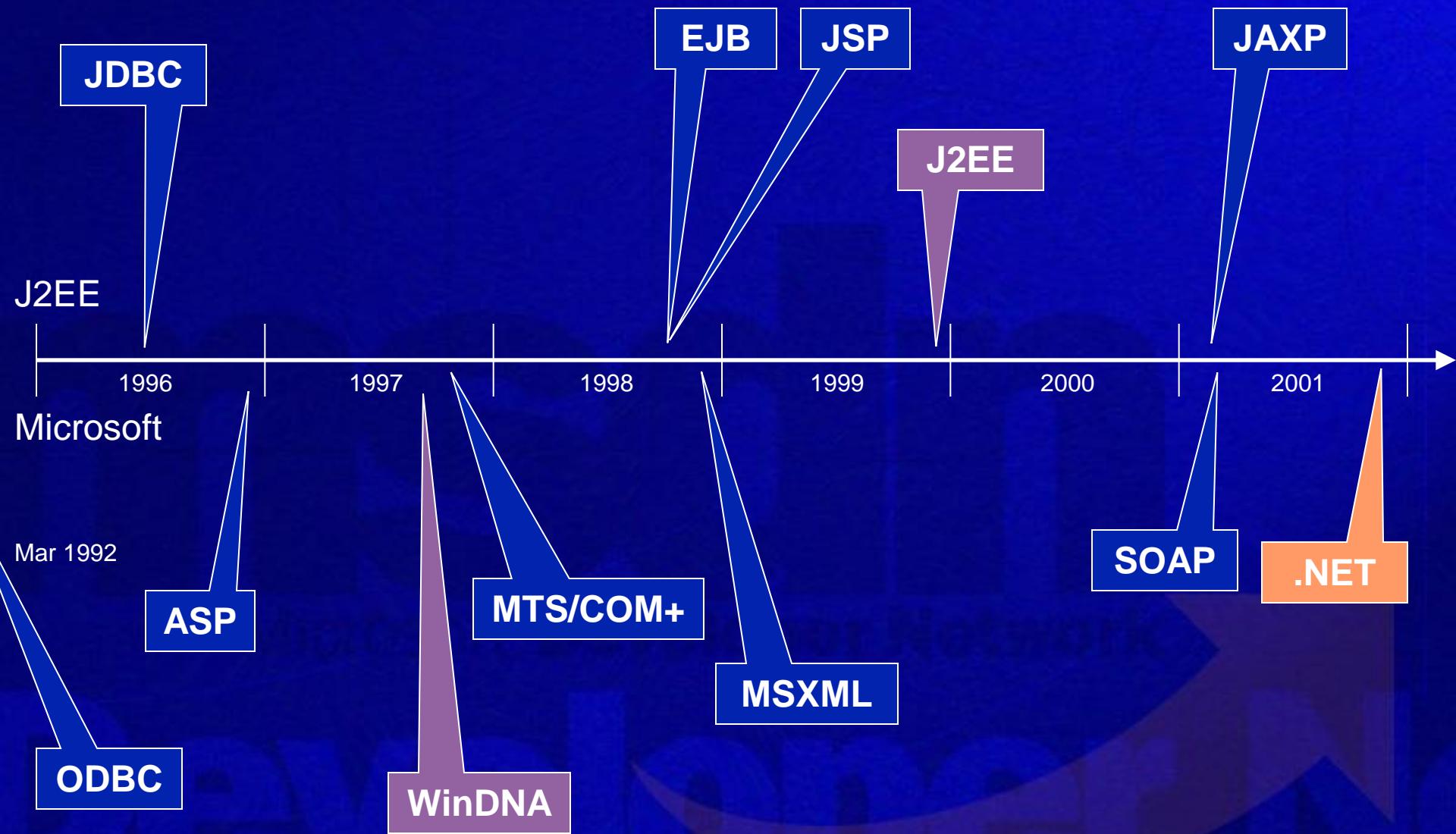
IE/IIS

WinDNA

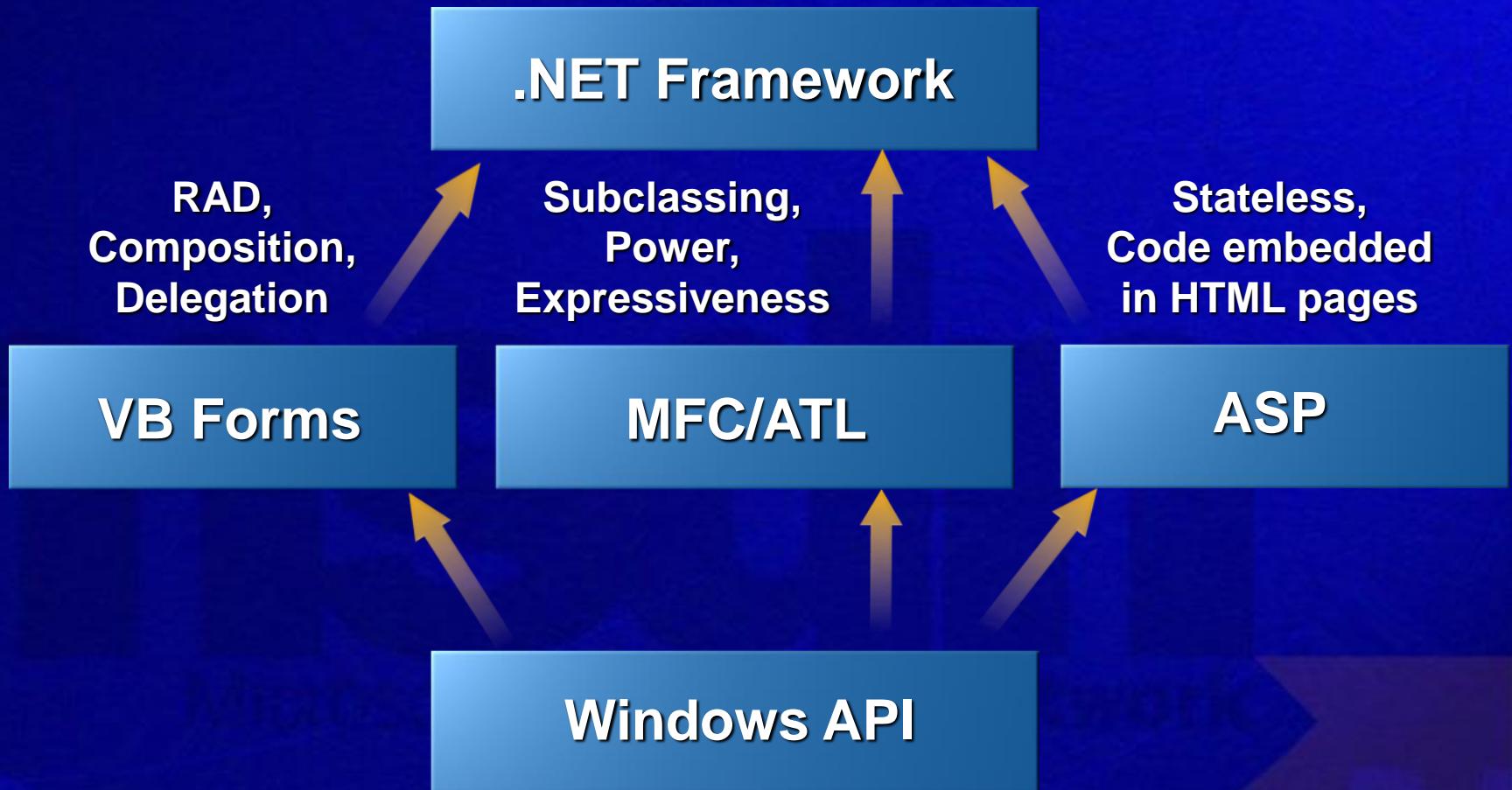
Win32

.NET

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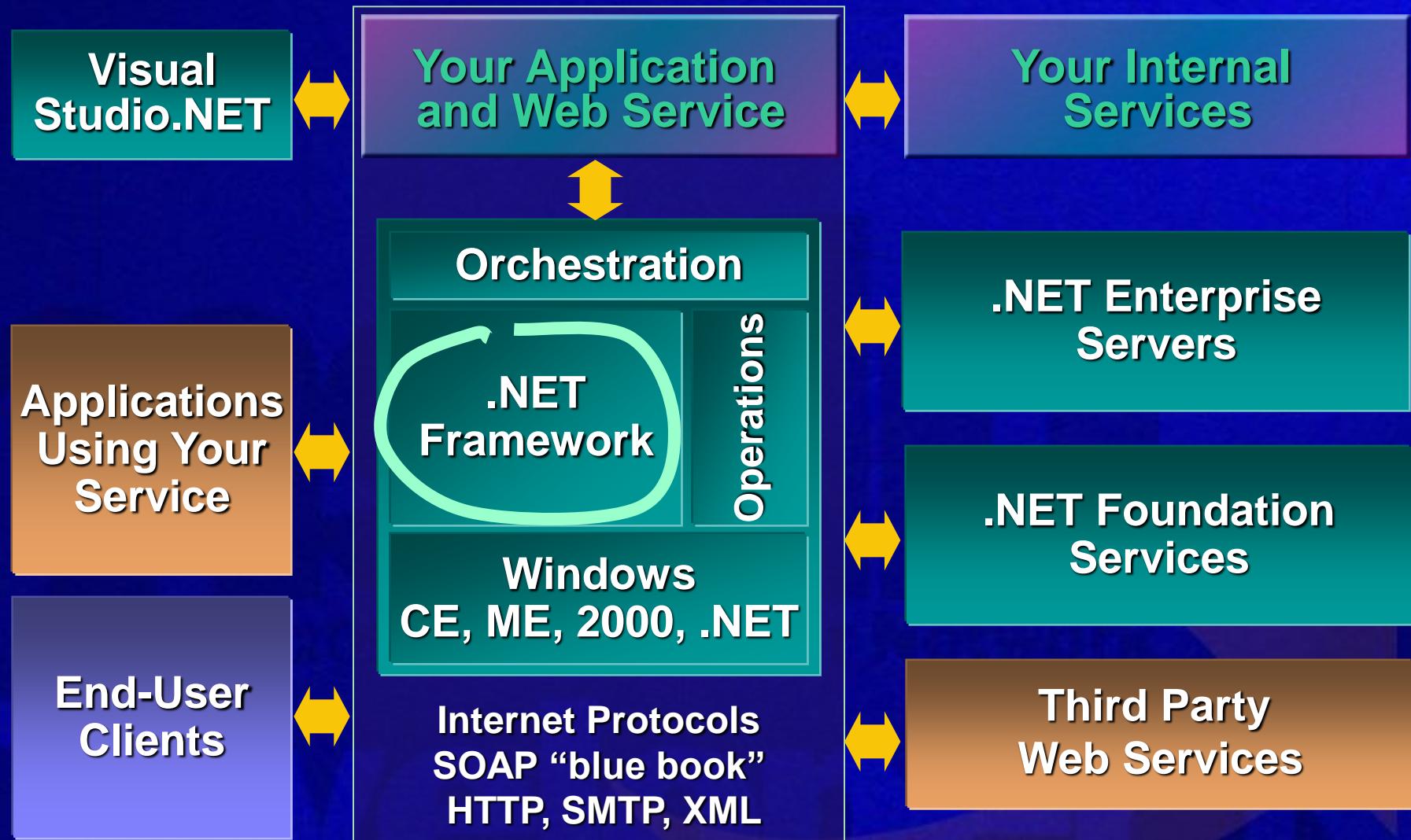


Consistent API availability regardless of language and programming model



Introduction to .NET

The .NET Platform



Agenda

- ◆ Introduction to .NET
- ◆ The .NET Framework
- ◆ Common Language Runtime
- ◆ Building User Interfaces
- ◆ Data and ADO.NET
- ◆ Summary

The .NET Framework

What Is the .NET Framework?

- ◆ A set of technologies that
 - Unite today's isolated Web applications
 - Make information available anytime, anywhere
 - Simplify development and deployment
- ◆ How does .NET achieve the above?
 - Web Services
 - ADO.NET Datasets and XML support throughout the platform
 - Rich tools, runtime services and XCOPY Deployment

The .NET Framework

The .NET Framework and Visual Studio.NET

VB

C++

C#

JScript

...

Common Language Specification

ASP.NET: Web Services
and Web Forms

Windows
Forms

ADO.NET: Data and XML

Base Class Library

Common Language Runtime

Visual Studio.NET

The .NET Framework

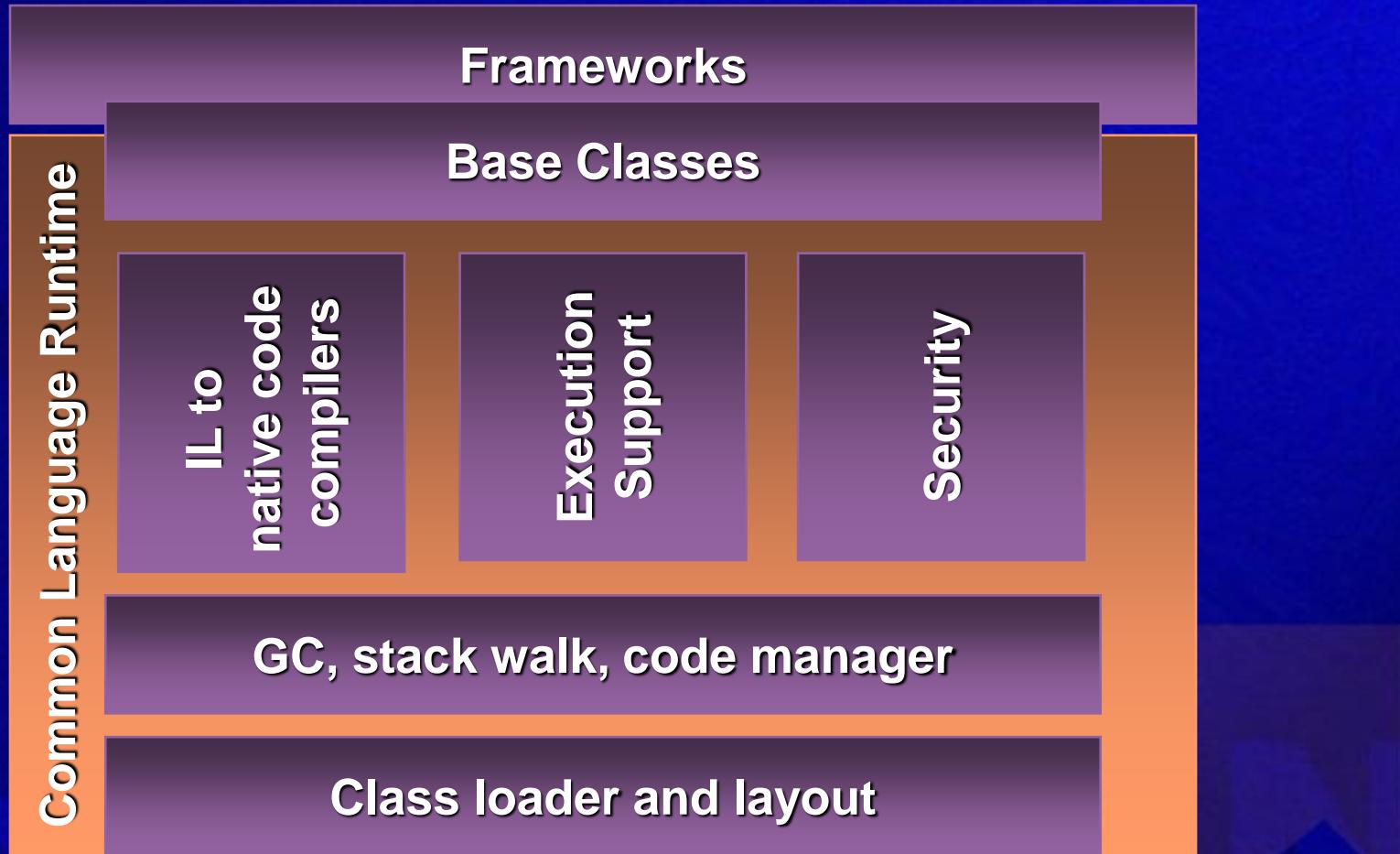
.NET Framework Services

- ◆ **ASP.NET**
 - Logical evolution of ASP (compiled)
- ◆ **Web forms**
 - Manageable code (non spaghetti)
- ◆ **Windows® forms**
 - Framework for building rich clients
- ◆ **ADO.NET, evolution of ADO**
 - New objects (e.g., DataSets)
- ◆ **XML Support Throughout**

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Common Language Runtime Architecture



Common Language Runtime Goals

- ◆ **Development**
 - Standard class framework
 - Automatic memory management
 - Consistent error handling
 - Mixed language applications
 - Multiple platforms
 - Safer execution
- ◆ **Deployment**
 - Removal on registration dependency
 - Safety – fewer versioning problems
 - THE END of ‘DLL Hell’

Common Language Runtime

Multiple Language Support

- ◆ What about types?
 - Common type system (CTS)
- ◆ Other languages and compilers
 - Common Language Specification (CLS)

Runtime Benefits

- ◆ Eliminates memory management drudgery
- ◆ Kills entire classes of bugs (e.g., memory corruption, ref counting)
- ◆ Security model ensures safety
- ◆ XCOPY deployment, no registry required
- ◆ Auto-versioning, no more DLL Hell
- ◆ Scalability, performance, reliability all improve

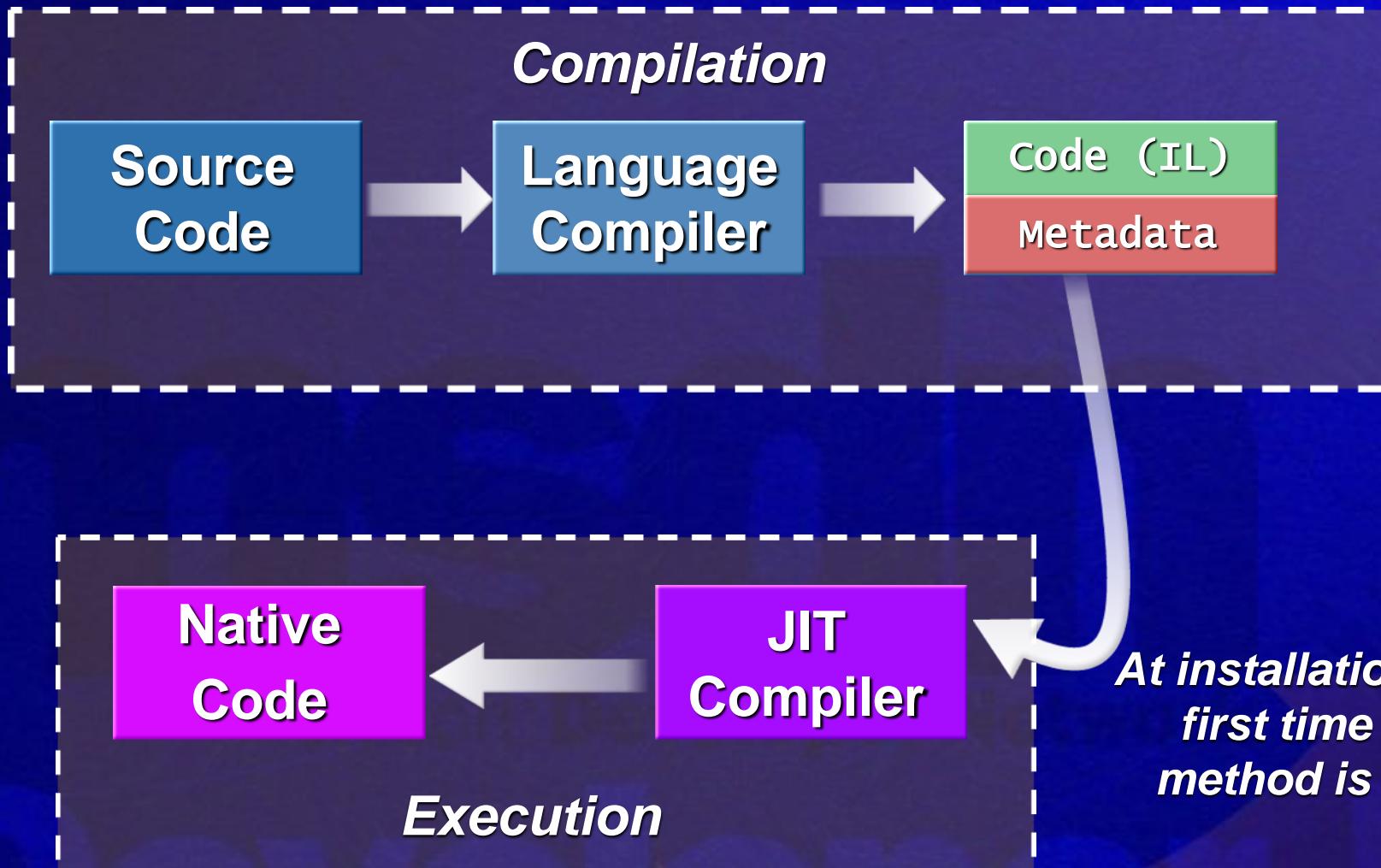
Common Language Runtime

Compilation

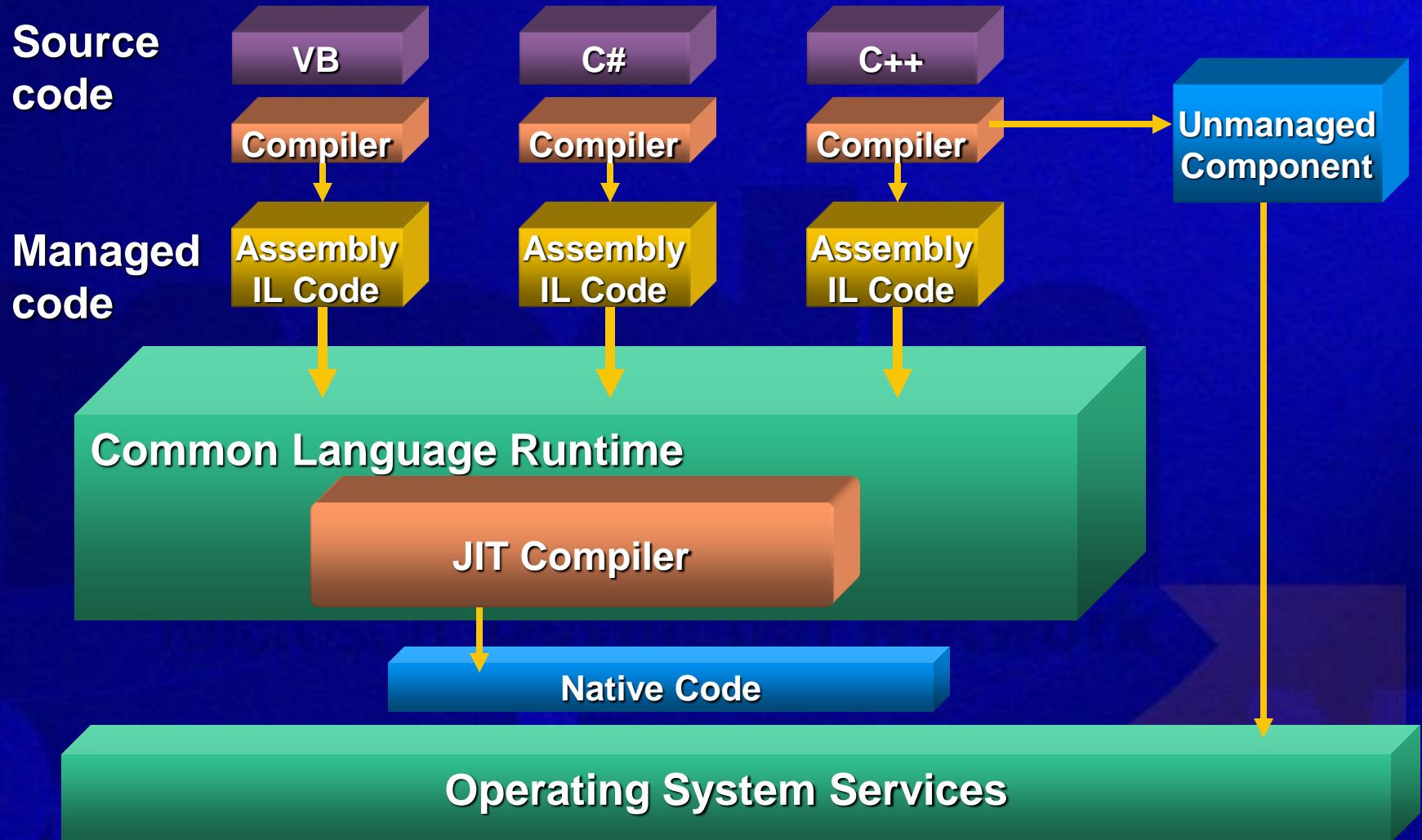


Implementation and Benefits

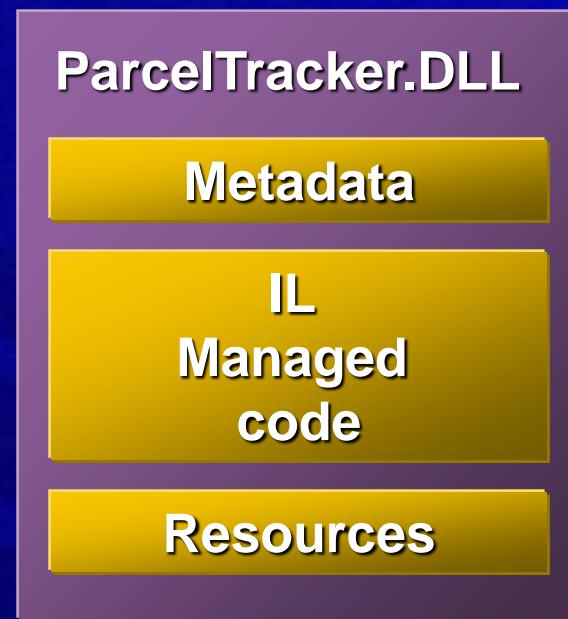
Compilation and Execution



Common Language Runtime Execution Model



Common Language Runtime Assemblies



Common Language Runtime

Metadata

- ◆ **Type Information**
 - More complete than IDL / TLB
 - Automatically bound into assembly
 - Inseparable
 - Stored in binary format
 - Describes every class type
 - Used by VS.NET IntelliSense™

Common Language Runtime

Metadata in an Assembly

Type Descriptions

- Classes
- Base classes
- Implemented interfaces
- Data members
- Methods

Assembly Description

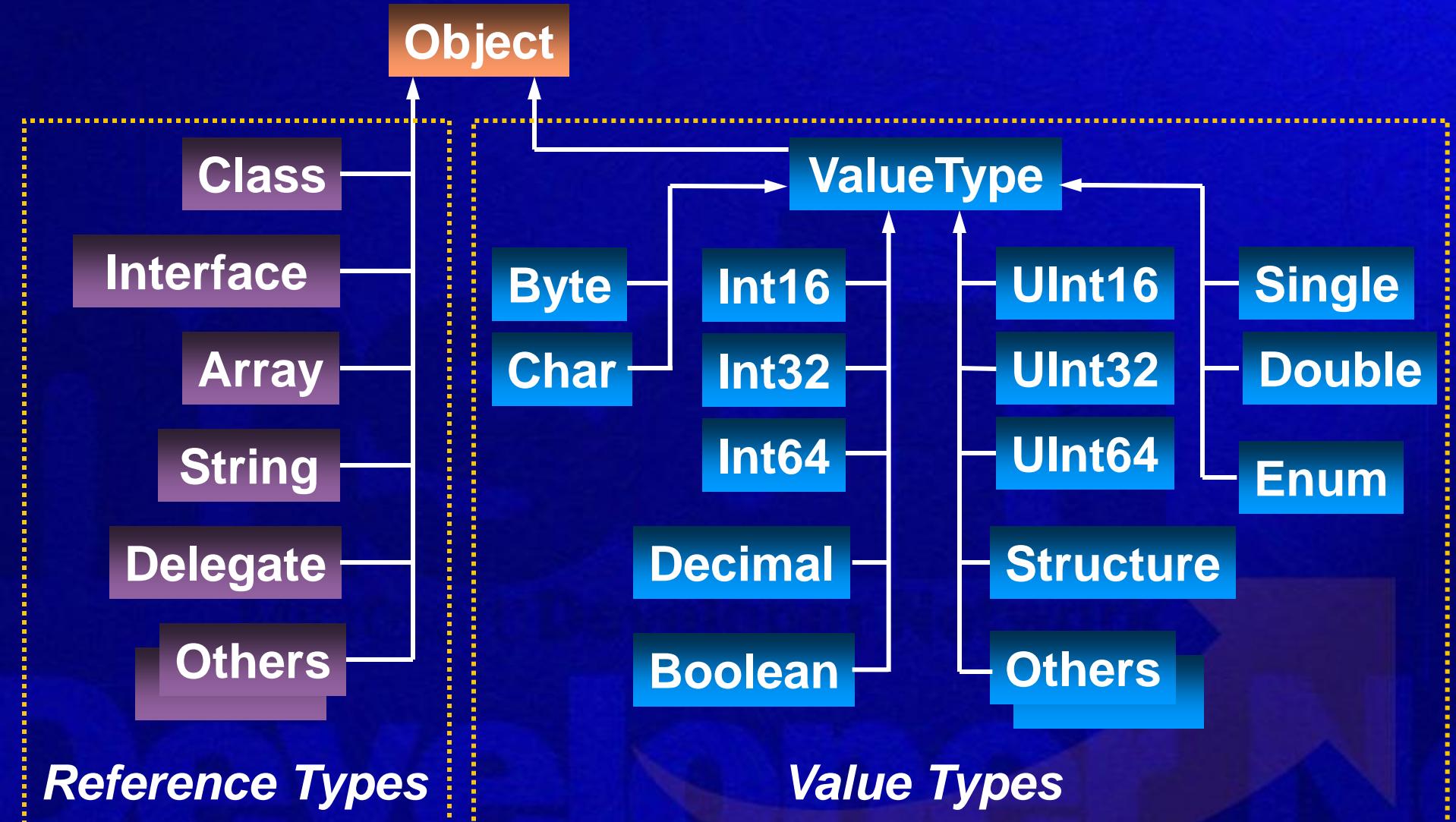
- Name
- Version
- Culture

- Other assemblies
- Security Permissions
- Exported Types

Common Language Runtime Applications

- ◆ One or more assemblies
- ◆ Assemblies resolution
 - Using metadata
 - Local (preferred)
 - Assembly Global Cache
- ◆ Different applications may use different versions of an assembly
 - Easier software updates
 - Easier software removal

CLR-Defined Types



.NET Language Support

- ◆ The Runtime is language neutral
 - All .NET languages are first class players
 - You can leverage your existing skills
- ◆ Common language specification
 - Any language can use and extend the .NET Framework
 - All languages are interoperable
- ◆ Microsoft is providing:
 - Visual Basic, C++, C#, JScript™
- ◆ Third-parties are building:
 - APL, COBOL, Pascal, Eiffel, Haskell, ML, Oberon, Perl, Python, Scheme, Smalltalk, Objective CAML, ...

The .NET Framework

Web Services

- ◆ The center of the .NET architecture
- ◆ Technical definition
 - “A programmable application component accessible via standard Web protocols”
- ◆ Expose functionality from Web Sites
 - Almost like component programming over the Web

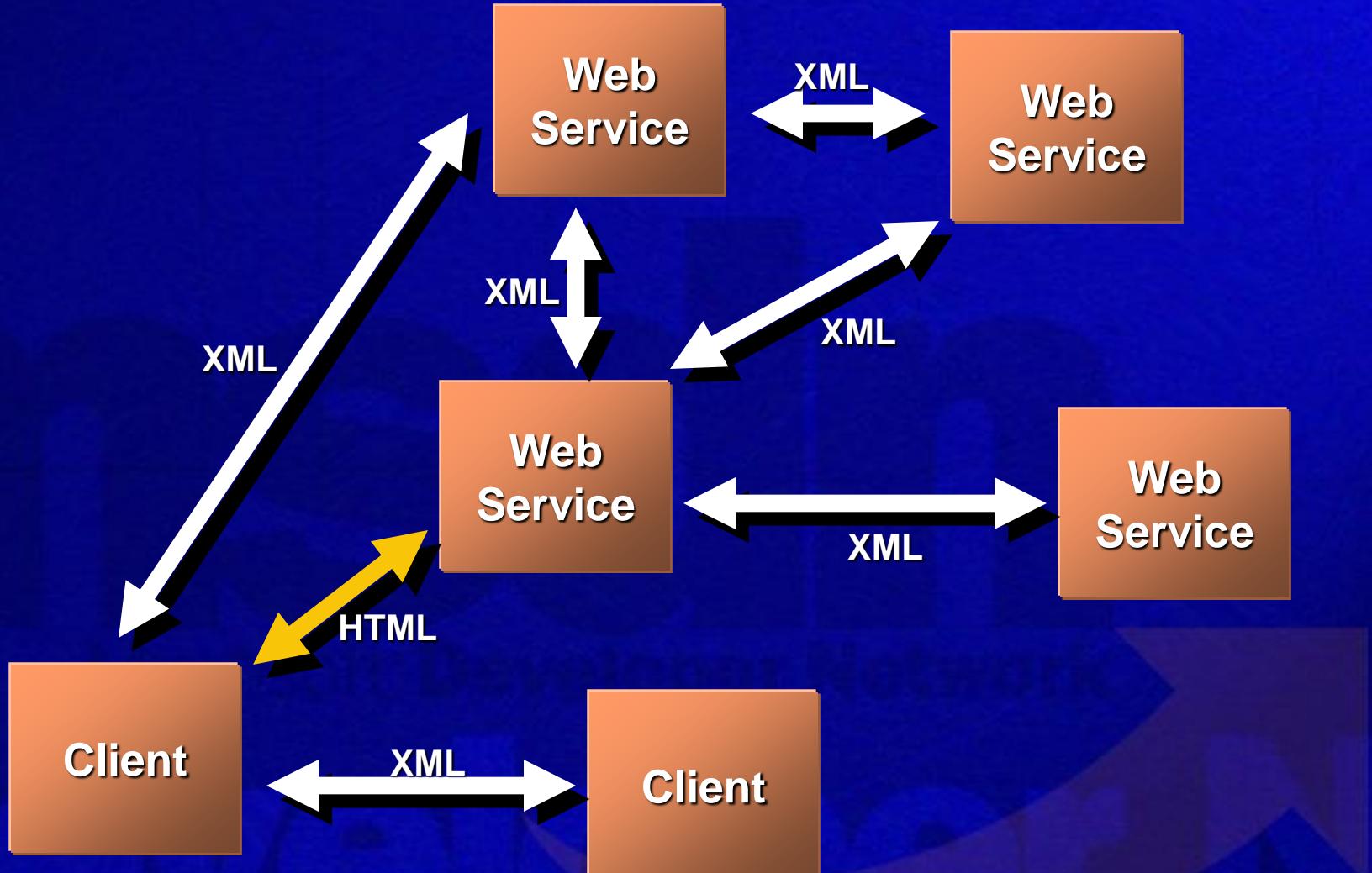
Building User Interfaces

Web Services

- ◆ **Technical definition – “A programmable application component accessible via standard Web protocols”**
 - Built on SOAP
- ◆ **Expose functionality from Web Sites**
 - Almost like component programming over the Web
 - Functionality exposed using XML/HTML
- ◆ **Standard Web Services include**
 - Storage.NET Service
 - Calendar
 - MSN Passport

The .NET Framework

Web Services



More Resources

Find It on the Internet

- ◆ <http://msdn.microsoft.com>
- ◆ <http://www.microsoft.com/net>
- ◆ <http://msdn.microsoft.com/xml>
- ◆ msnews.microsoft.com
 - microsoft.public.dotnet.general
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