

## Re: I have 2 versions of .NET, which is being used

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>> Let me say I strongly disagree with you.

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> I don't think you completely disagree with me ;-) it seems, indeed.. ;-)

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> I am a .NET enthusiast, I think that .NET should be used as much as possible, mainly for the security benefits. I suspect that you are a .NET enthusiast too.

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> Where we differ is that I think Microsoft as a whole, is retreating from their position a few years ago, when we got the impression that they thought it was important to use .NET as much as possible. I want Microsoft to embrace .NET or at least, tell us why they are not using .NET as much as they tell us that we should be.

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I believe they were over promoting .NET (and were much criticised on that). Now they revert to quieter mode.

Where no (I mean not many) developer feel threatened that his/her technology would become deprecated.

Nonetheless the .NET momentum and the amount of .NET litterature is huge and growing.

That doesn't address your concern that there are so few .NET based app on Vista.

Well I don't know...

Maybe you should ask them, I believe you sometimes go at redmond?

Or ask Paul Thurot if you know him?

>> I see only 3 drawback with .NET (from the user point of view):

>> – increased memory usage

>> – bigger download for the installation.

>> – slower startup

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>> I don't see how it's really a show stopper today.

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> Again, I agree. As a rule I don't like to say 'stick some more memory in  
> your machine and the app will work' because I have worked on projects  
> where it is not economic to do that. Having said that, I think that  
> eventually most machines will be powerful enough to make those issues  
> unnoticeable.

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I understand you.

However since even my elder sister got a computer powerful enough to run  
all the app

I want to show her without problem, I came to believe that every computer is  
powerful  
enough nowadays.

>> Beside at work I am paid to migrate a successful MacOSX app to  
>> Windows, I choosed GNUstep & .NET 2.0 and hope that it would be as  
>> successful on Windows as it is on Mac (in fact more).

>> I could tell you that the installation is easy.

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> So will that be a commercial, shrinkwrapped app, the sort I can buy from my  
> local computer store? One of the precious few.

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In fact you have to download it... However:

- We are using eSellerate to sell off the web, and they could send you a CD.
- We have many resellers, some of them are such shop. but I don't know the  
exact reseller list.

>> The application works, who cares if it has been written in .NET (or  
>> other thechnology)?

>> Well actually the user do as I have been able to provide nice GUI,  
>> which I would have been at pain to provide with win32/MFC (I never  
>> really get it with these previous technologies).

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> I did :)

Hurra! I'm impress!

> so I can tell you that MFC is far superior to Windows Forms.  
Don't repeat it, and don't tell anyone I told you, but I think (Java's)  
Swing is, too,  
far superior to Winform.

> Seriously, IMO that is one of the big mistakes that Microsoft made, they  
> produced a framework that was very much like VB forms to target that  
> market (ie RAD applications) rather than the smaller market of MFC  
> developers. There was talk in Microsoft o producing an MFC-like library  
> for WinForms, but it died early on. The reason was Avalon (WPF), of  
> course. WPF is getting close to the power of MFC (the December CTP is not  
> quite there) but I expect by the time of the WinFX is released, it will

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> be.

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>> Now I think .NET is not widespread simply because there not that many

>> new general public application nowadays.

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> Umm, yes, but the question we are trying to answer is: why?

I believe there are not that many new general public application.

I would be happy to be proved wrong.

Because I have 3 in store, developed in my own time, coming soon, and I wish at least one them would be successful.

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