

Re: Venting on .NET

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"Joseph M. Newcomer" <newcomer@xxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:29hhr15mb356rtq51tv59pa1eemtsbrodo@xxxxxxxxxxx

- > It is bizarre. First, there is no good definition of what ".NET" means,
- > and the term is
- > thrown around in so many contexts that it is hard to figure out who is
- > saying what about
- > it. Perhaps the reference is to C#, which is often erroneously called
- > ".NET", but it is
- > just a language that uses the Common Language Runtime.
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- > C# would have had a lot more acceptance if it had a doc/view architecture.

Well, the Doc/View support belongs in the .NET framework, not in C#, similar to how it is in the MFC framework and not in C++.

- > But of course,
- > the power of this paradigm was discarded when the C# libraries were
- > created, because who
- > in their right mind would want to do something with a document/view
- > architecture?

I believe WinForms are meant to provide a richer, but similar, experience to Web apps. It's really amazing the how simple web apps are to use. Obviously we all order things online, access our accounts online, etc. and there are no help files required! I think Microsoft is intent on making their apps approach the simplicity of Web apps, which is how their MS Money app is evolving. Also, no mainstream MS apps use Doc/View. I think their philosophy is Doc/View is a niche market that doesn't scale well. And indeed it doesn't. Some of the Doc/View apps I've seen open many windows that are hard to manage and spread all manner of settings all over the place. Doc/View is better for small-medium apps. I use it myself, but it isn't a panacea.

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