

**GETTING TO  
THE .NET CORE  
OF THINGS**

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# ABOUT YOU!



# PRESENTATION CONTEXT

- .NET Core version 2.0, released August 2017





# TRADITIONAL .NET

QUICK HISTORICAL RECAP

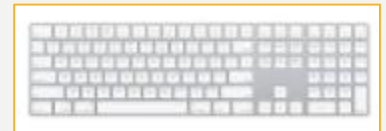
# MICROSOFT AND .NET

- Proprietary, closed source
- Windows-only



# CREATING .NET APPS

- **Languages:** C# and VB.NET (later also F#)
- **Compilation result:** Intermediate Language (IL) => bytecode



# RUNNING .NET APPS

## .NET Framework

- Common Language Runtime (CLR)
  - Garbage Collector (GC)
  - Base Class Library (BCL)
- Application Frameworks...





# PACKAGES ON NUGET

- Application frameworks
- Libraries



# RECAP

- Write some C# or VB.NET or F#
- Compile to IL
- Package and ship
- Run on computer with .NET Framework





# TERMINOLOGY

WHAT THE HELL ARE WE TALKING  
ABOUT?

# THE MOST IMPORTANT TERM!

## **.NET Standard**

*Specifies an API for .NET Implementations.*



# IMPORTANT .NET IMPLEMENTATIONS

- **.NET Framework:** proprietary, Windows-only
- **Mono:** cross-platform port of .NET Framework
- **Xamarin,** specifically **Xamarin.iOS** and **Xamarin.Android**
- **.NET Core:** open source, cross-platform



# ABOUT .NET CORE

- **CoreCLR:** the Common Language Runtime
- **CoreFX:** the Base Class Library





# **.NET STANDARD**

**HOW THE API SPECIFICATION WORKS**







# .NET STANDARD DOCS

Example from 2.0:

```
namespace System.Drawing {  
    public struct Color {  
        public static readonly Color Empty;  
        public byte A { get; }  
        public static Color AliceBlue { get; }  
        public static Color AntiqueWhite { get; }  
        public static Color Aqua { get; }  
    }  
}
```



# .NET STANDARD VERSION DIFFS

Example from 1.6 to 2.0:

```
+ public sealed class StackOverflowException : SystemException {  
+     public StackOverflowException();  
+     public StackOverflowException(string message);  
+     public StackOverflowException(string message, Exception innerException);  
+ }
```



# TARGET FRAMEWORK

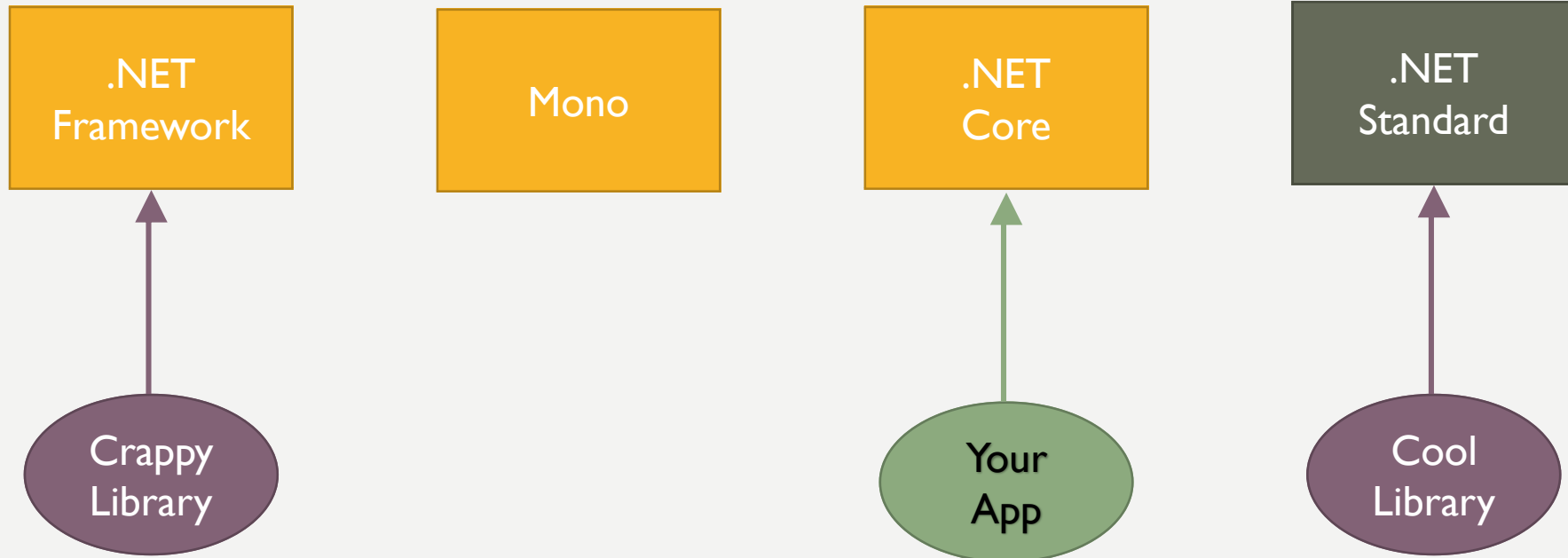
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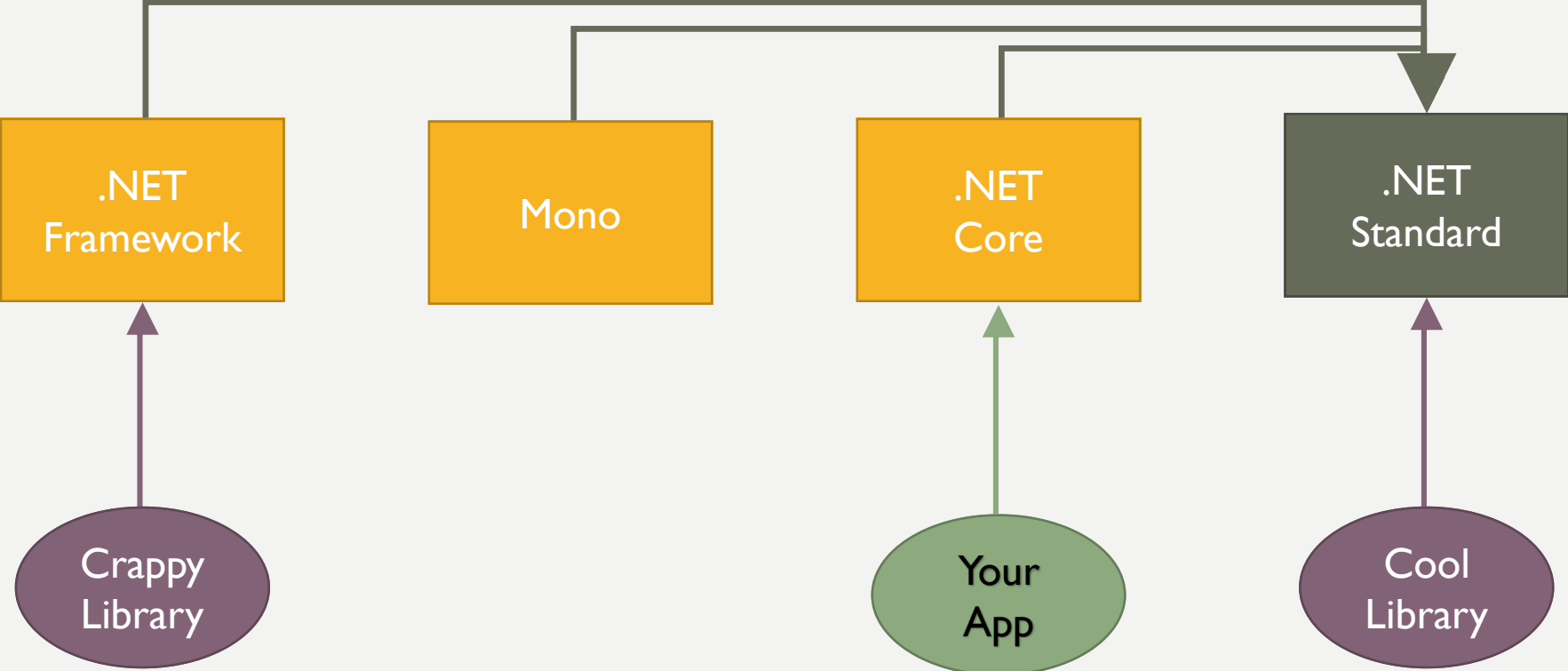
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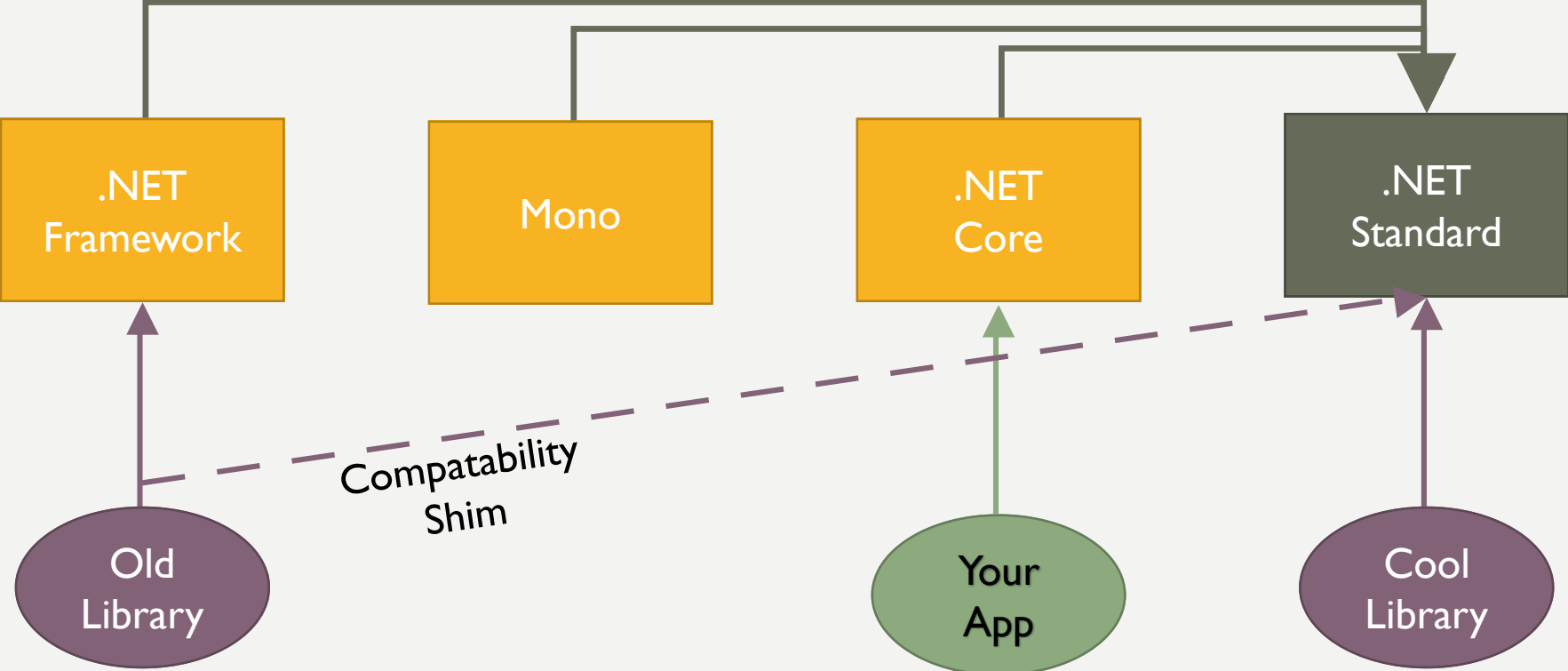
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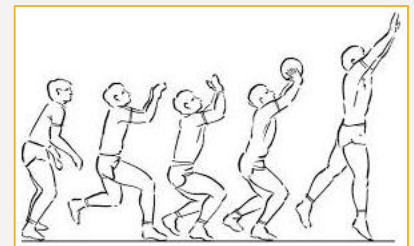
# **.NET CORE**

**FINALLY GETTING TO THE .NET CORE  
OF THINGS!**



# SETUP

- Download .NET Core SDK
  - Windows
  - Linux
  - OS X
- Choose Dev Environment
  - Command Line Interface
  - Visual Studio
  - VS Code
  - JetBrains Rider



# CLI EXAMPLE: HELLO WORLD

```
$ mkdir hellow
```

```
$ cd hellow
```

```
$ dotnet new console
```

```
$ dotnet run
```

```
Hello World!
```



# PUBLISHING

## JUST YOUR APPLICATION

- Small: includes only your IL
- Runs on any device with .NET Core

## SELF CONTAINED

- Larger: includes .NET Core itself
- Platform specific artifacts
  - win10-x64
  - osx.10.12-x64
  - linux-x64
  - etc.



**STOP!**

**DEMO TIME!**

# DEMO TIME

If there *is* time...





# WRAPPING UP

BECAUSE I'M LIKELY WAY BEYOND MY  
TIME LIMIT

# SUMMARY OF TERMINOLOGY

- **.NET Standard:** API specification
- **.NET Implementation:** frameworks
  - .NET Framework
  - Mono
  - Xamarin
  - .NET Core
- **Target Framework:** .NET Standard or any .NET Implementation



# SUMMARY OF .NET CORE

- An open source, cross platform .NET Implementation.
- The new way to write apps with C# or F#, in the .NET ecosystem.





# MORE COOL STUFF

- **Docker:** works great with .NET Core
- **EF (Entity Framework) Core:** Microsoft's ORM library
- **Universal Windows Platform (UWP):** for platforms like Xbox and HoloLens
- **Roslyn:** open source compilers
- **.NET Native:** compiling to native instead of bytecode



**THANK YOU!**



**QUESTIONS?**

**(IF THERE'S TIME / OR A LAPTOP SWITCH)**