



# Xamarin

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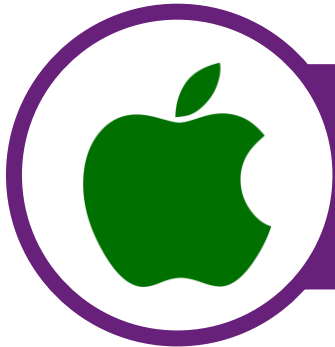
Microsoft  
.NET



Visual Studio

# The Siloed approach: Build native apps multiple times

*High volume of issues due to no code re-use between platforms*



iOS app

*Objective-C*  
XCode



Android app

*Java*  
Eclipse



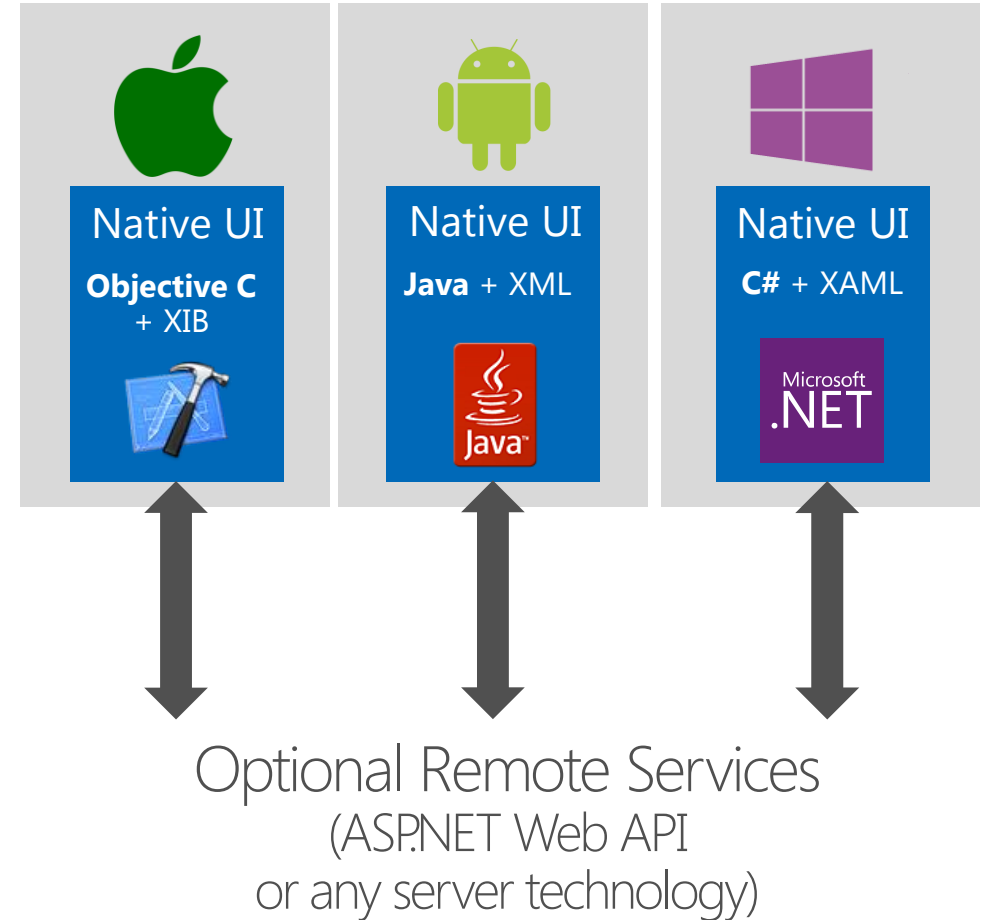
Windows app

*.NET/C# - HTML/JS - C++*  
Visual Studio

# Siloed approach

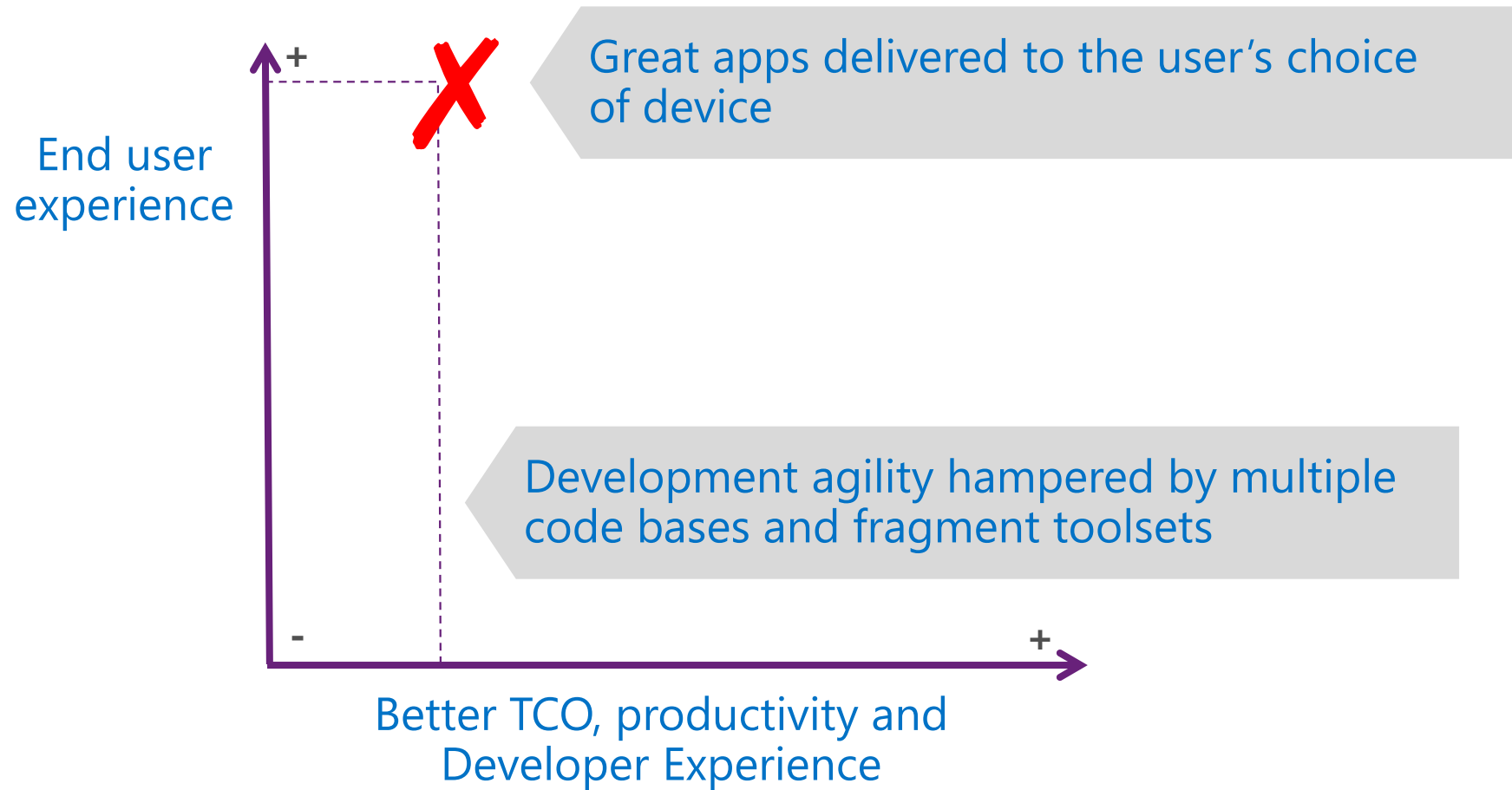
Build native apps multiple times means:

- Client development is completely different for each device type
- Only the Services (server-side) can be re-used, with certain differences when consuming them
- TCO grows exponentially



# The Siloed approach: Build native apps multiple times

Multiple teams and multiple code bases are expensive and slow



# The write-once-run-anywhere approach

CSS | HTML | Lua | JavaScript | ActionScript

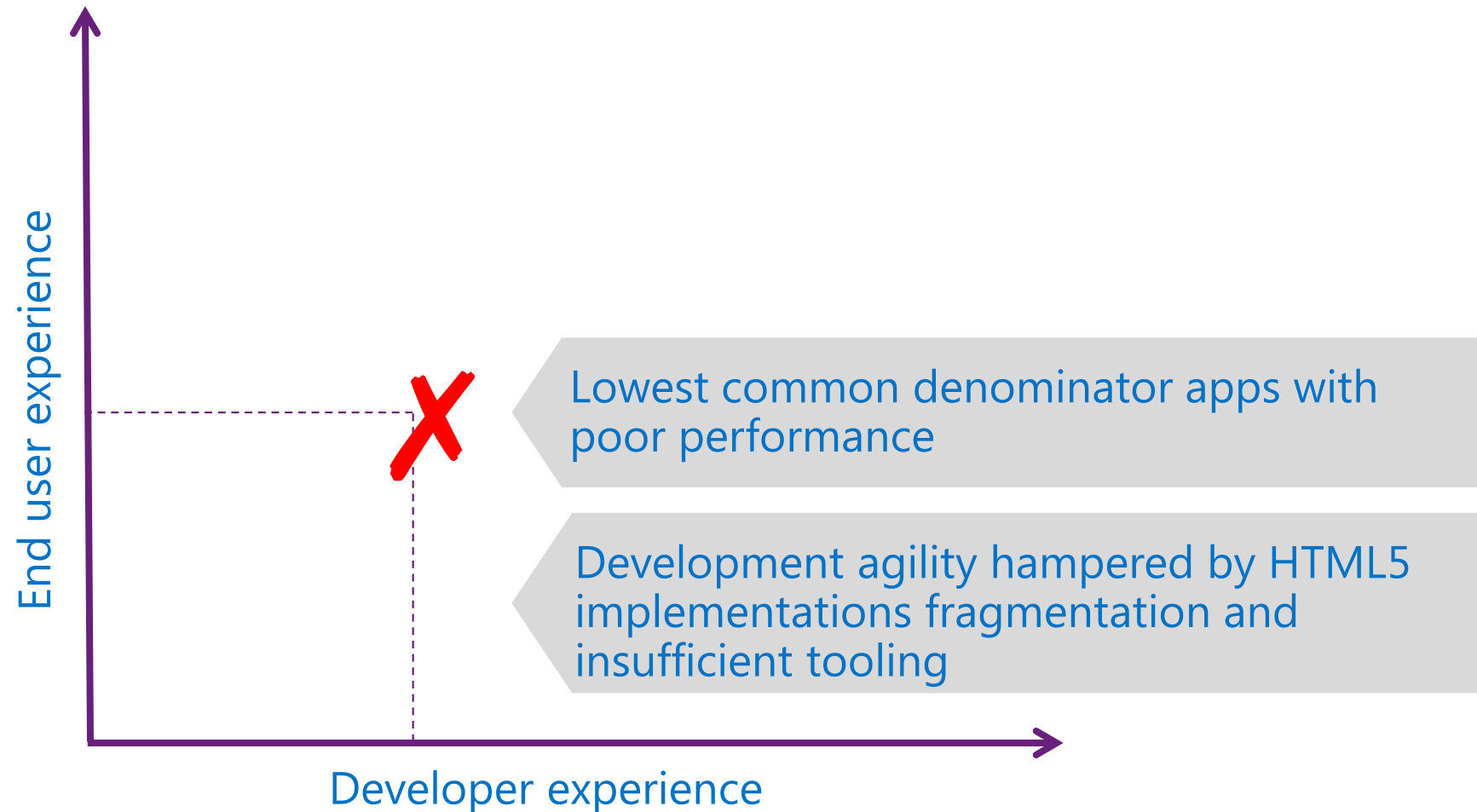


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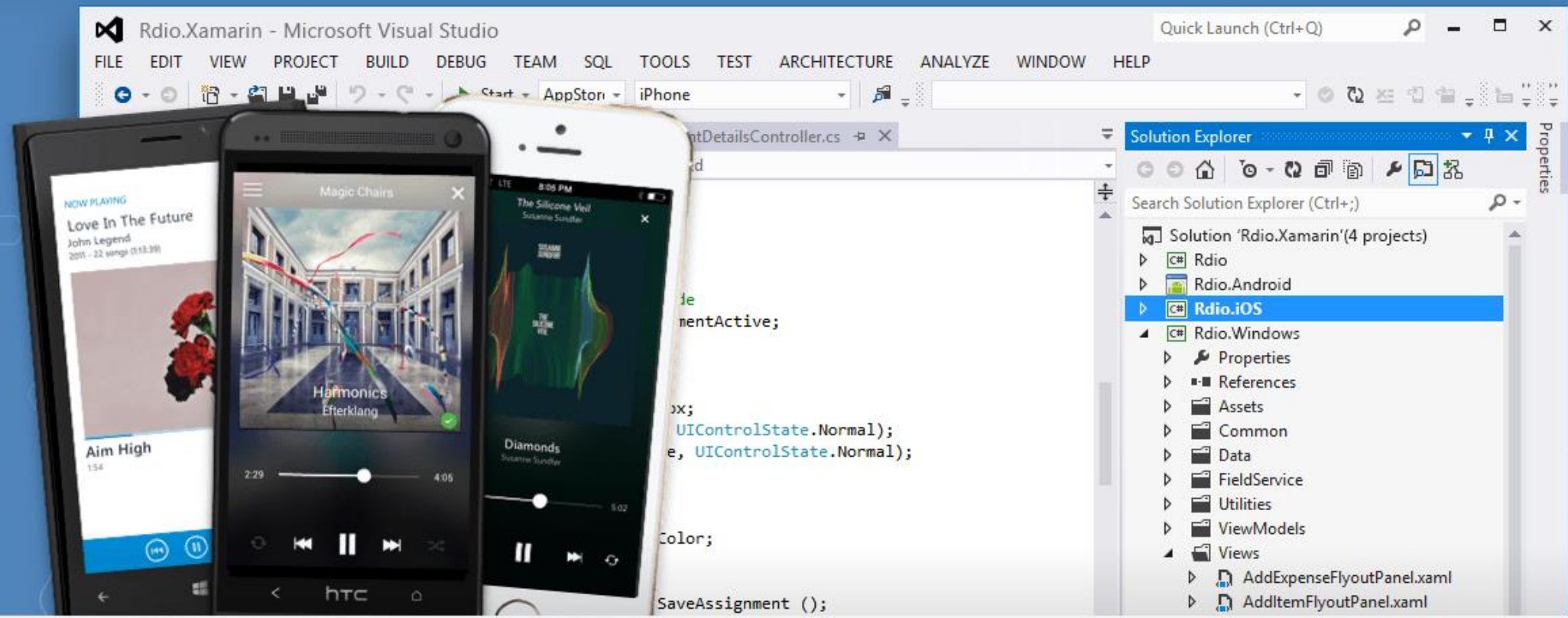
# Xamarin Platform

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# One Language, One Framework

- Generics
- LINQ
- Lambdas
- Async / Task Parallel Libraries
  
- Type safety
- Garbage Collection

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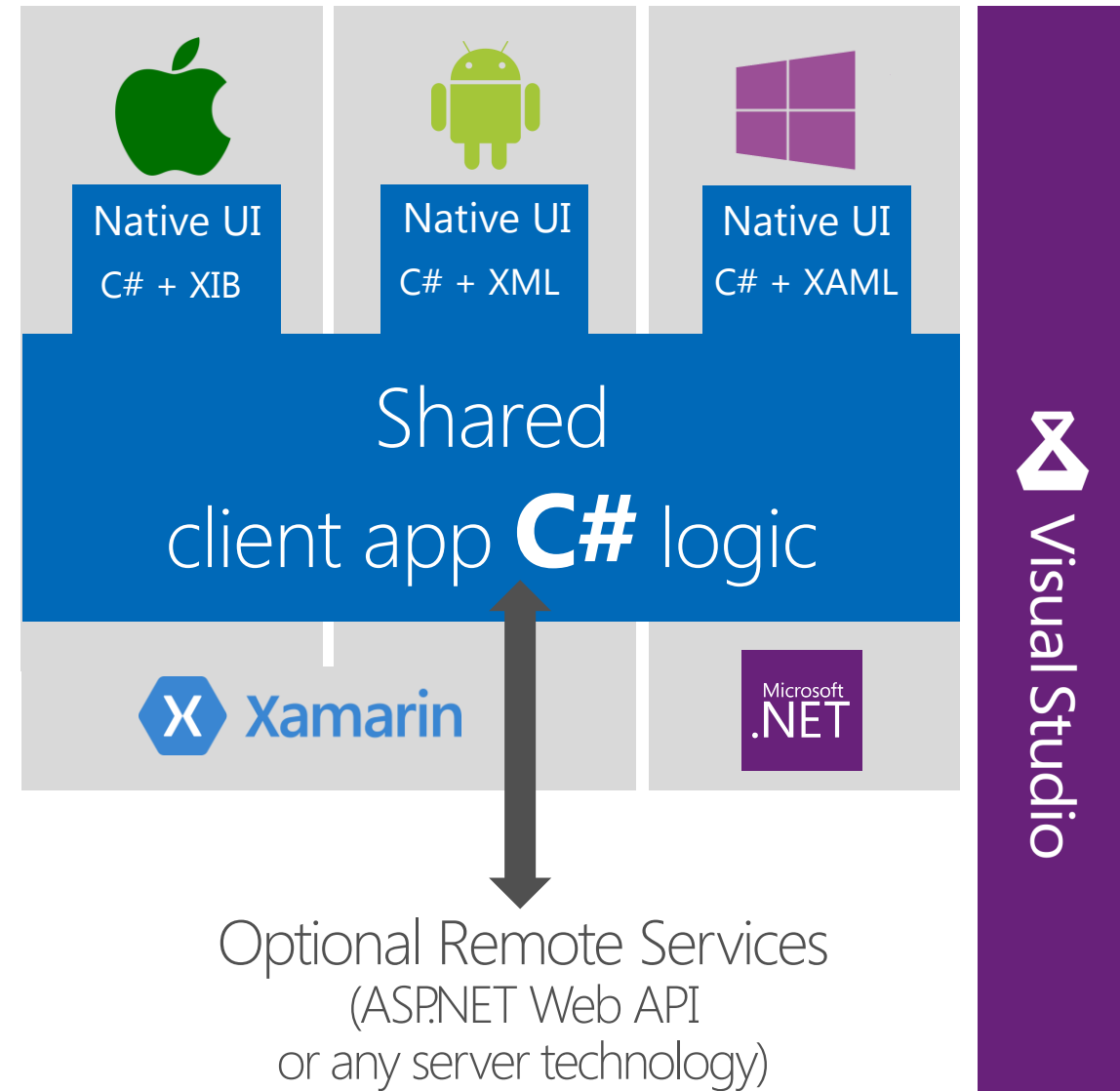
C# unique approach  
powered by Xamarin and Microsoft .NET

Fully native apps **written  
entirely in C#**

Xamarin exposes 100% of  
iOS and Android APIs in C#

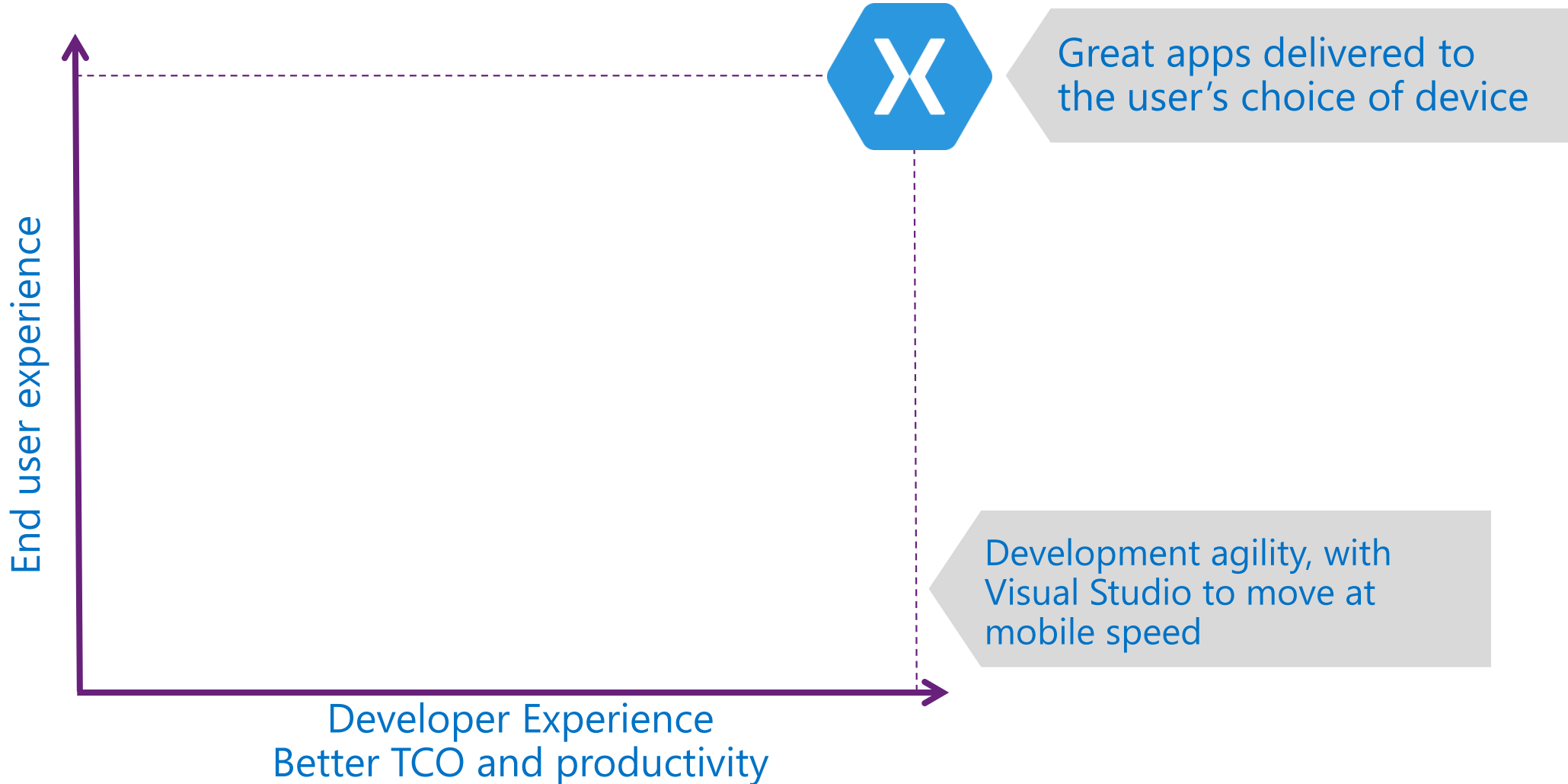
Mobilize existing code, skills,  
and tools including Visual Studio

Share app logic code across  
device platforms



# C# and Xamarin's unique approach

The best of all worlds

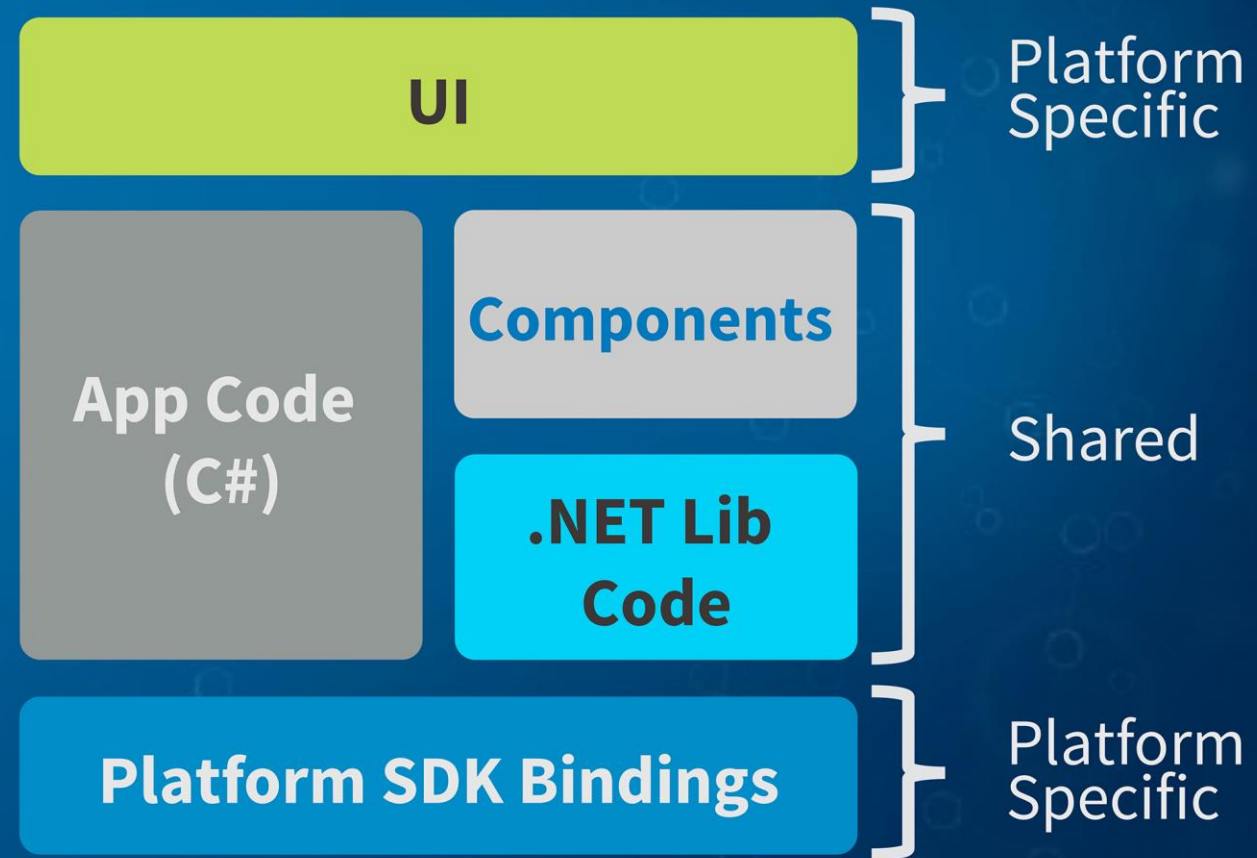


# Phoneword (Programming Android using C#)

Demo

# Code Sharing Across Platforms

- Same app structure across all platforms
  - UI is native & platform-specific
  - App code is C# and potentially sharable
- Not a "Write-Once-Run-Anywhere" solution but can have up to 95% shared code, depending on patterns used



# The ".NET and devices" vision

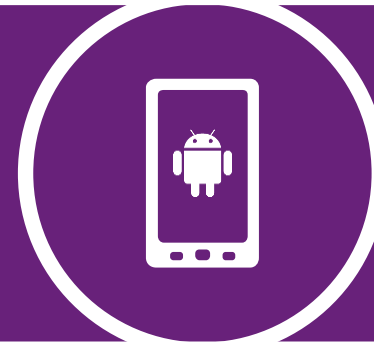
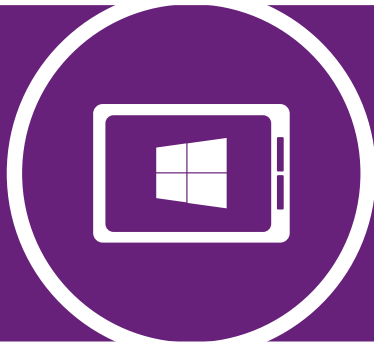
Windows  
Desktop

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Store

Windows  
Phone

iOS

Android



One Tool

 Visual Studio

Unified Skills

C# / .NET Libraries

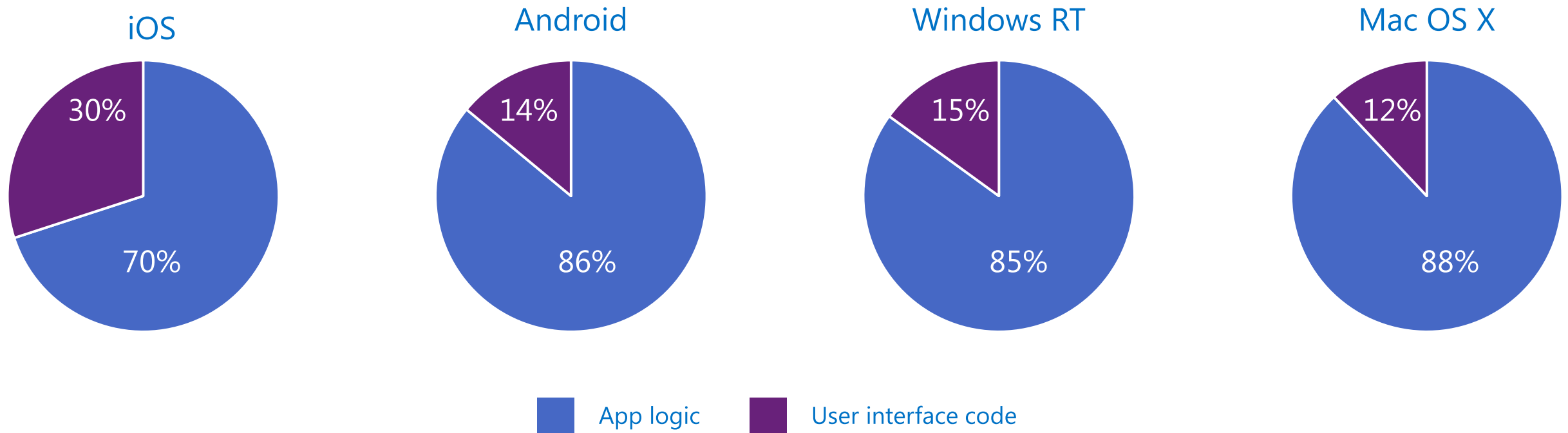
Shared Client Logic

Portable Libraries

Custom code for views (~20%)

# Accelerate development with code sharing

- Code sharing statistics from production Xamarin app:



- iCircuit: real-time circuit simulator and editor used to design analog and digital circuits

# Xamarin.\* Libraries

- Cross-Platform API Abstractions
- Open Source
- [github.com/Xamarin/Xamarin.\\*](https://github.com/Xamarin/Xamarin.*)



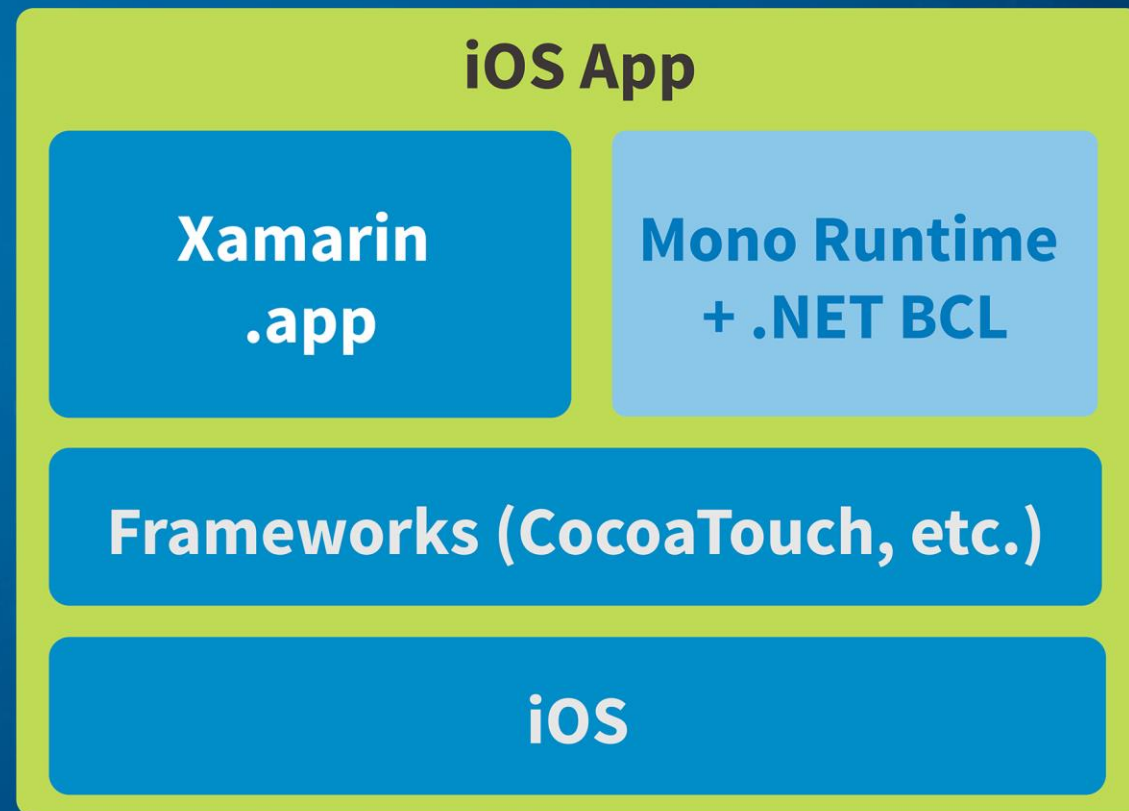


# Diet Calculator (Cross Platform)

Demo

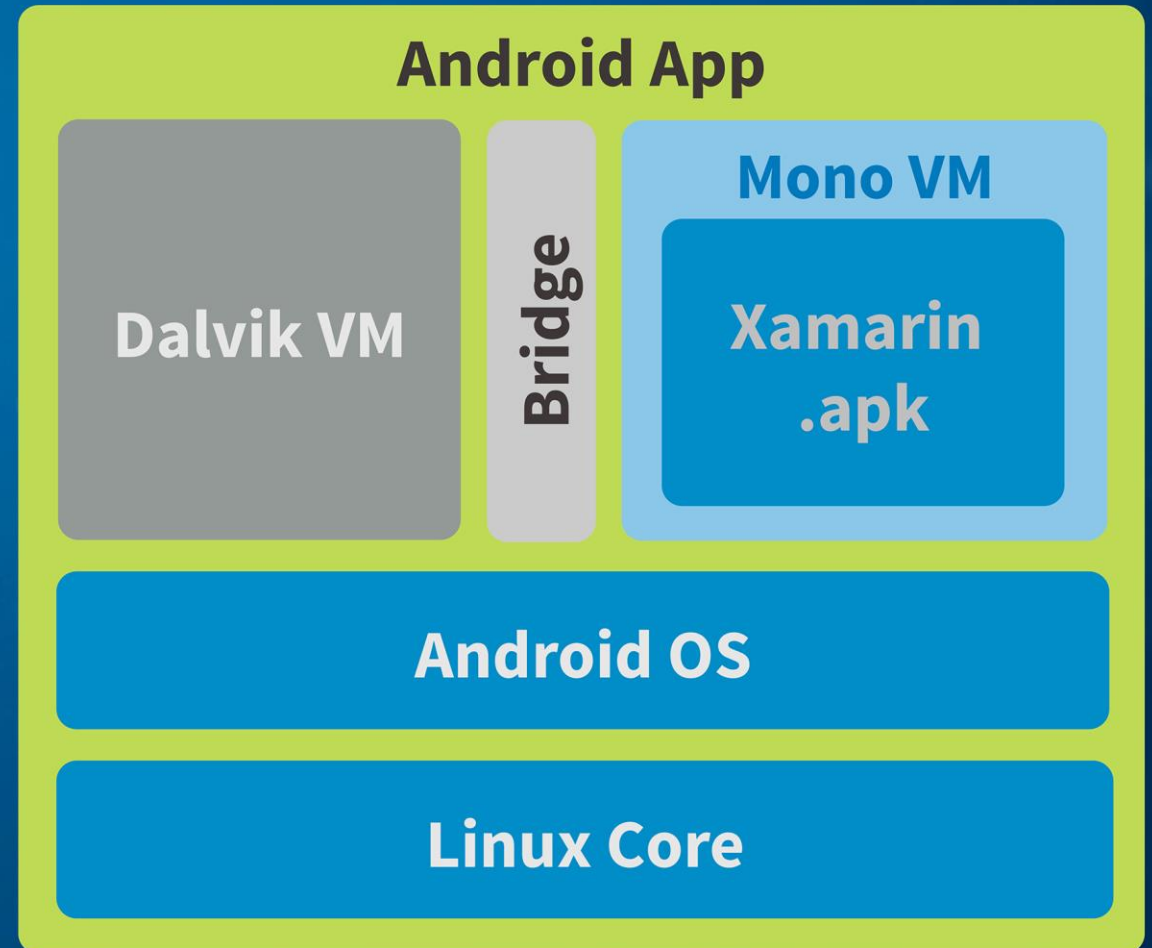
# App Runtime Model: iOS

- Native ARMvX code – no JIT used
- Mono Runtime provides system services
- App has full access to iOS frameworks



# App Runtime Model: Android

- Mono VM + Dalvik execute side-by-side
- Mono VM JITs IL into native code and executes most of your code
- Interop directly with Android OS + Dalvik



# Platform Comparisons



App Package

typeof(Screen)

typeof(Control)

UI Files (xml)

UI Pattern

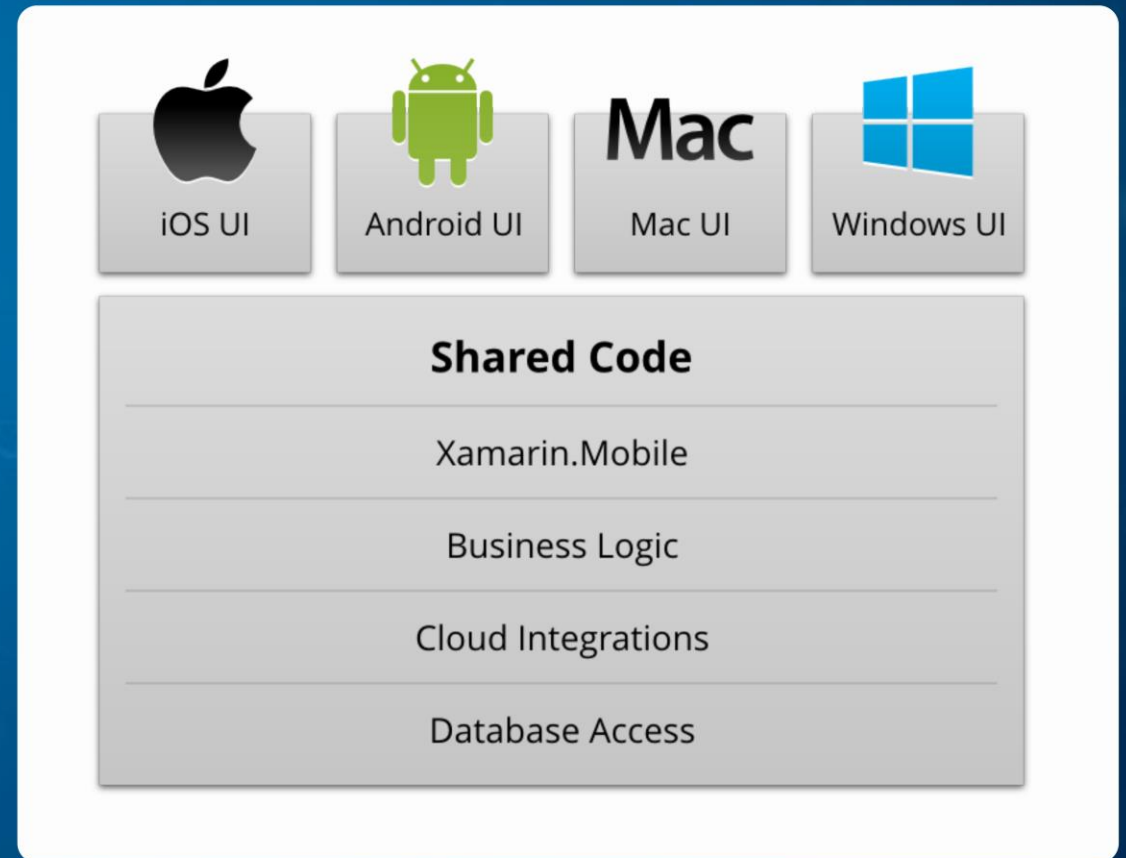
|                    |                 |                |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| <b>.app</b>        | <b>.apk</b>     | <b>.xap</b>    |
| <b>Controller</b>  | <b>Activity</b> | <b>Page</b>    |
| <b>View</b>        | <b>Widget</b>   | <b>Control</b> |
| <b>.storyboard</b> | <b>.axml</b>    | <b>.xaml</b>   |
| <b>MVC</b>         | <b>MVC</b>      | <b>MVVM</b>    |

Native package file

Demo

# Architecture

- Use Layers
  - Separation of Responsibility
- Use Encapsulation
  - Enables core code sharing
- Same architectural patterns used in other software projects



# Sharing the Data Access Layer

- SQLite available for iOS + Android
  - Can use ADO.NET
- C#-SQLite for Windows
  - [code.google.com/p/csharp-sqlite/](http://code.google.com/p/csharp-sqlite/)
- SQLite.NET ORM
  - available in the Component Store



# Sharing the Web Services Layer

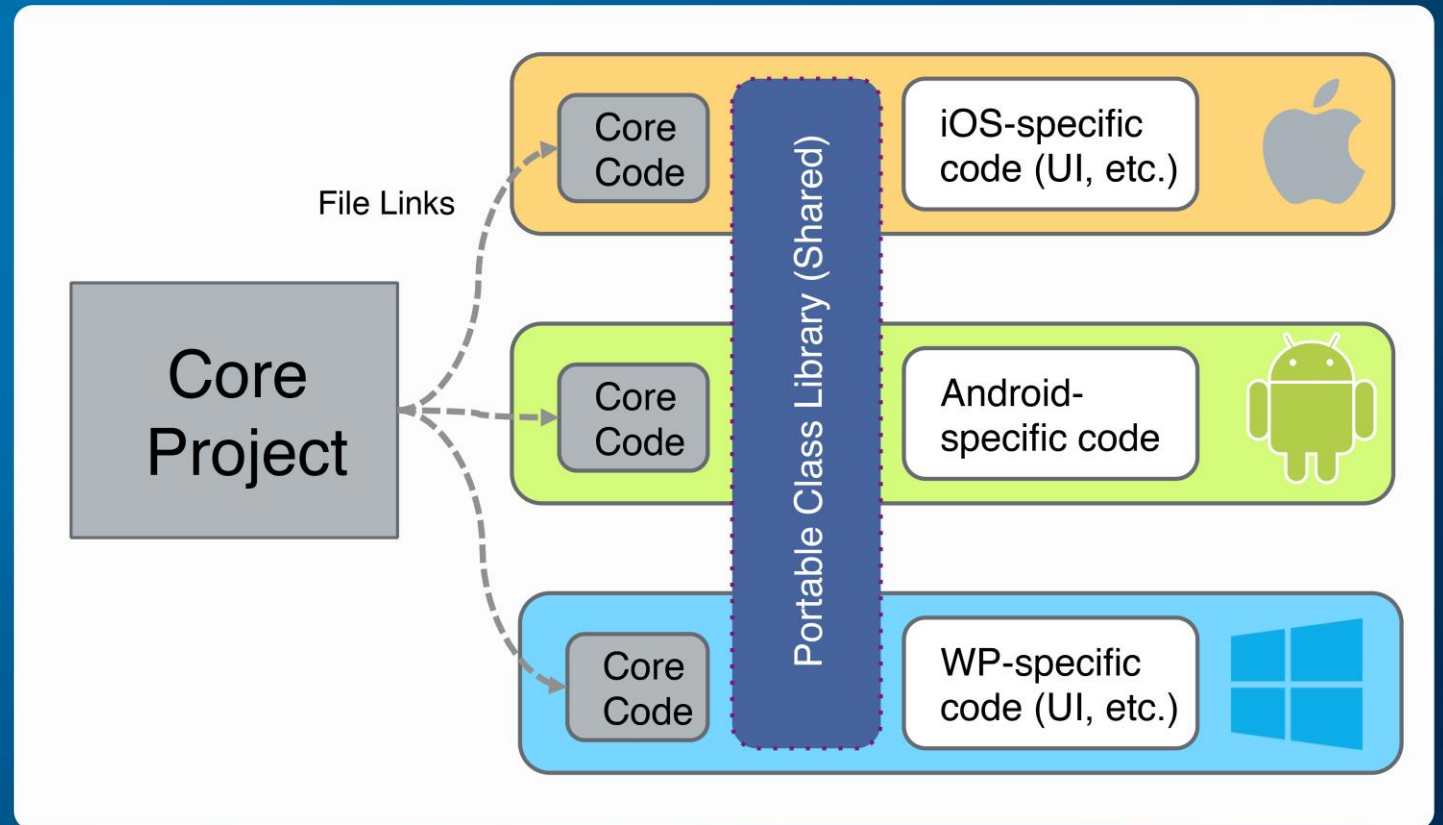
- Use HttpClient for REST services
  - also supports WebClient or HttpWebRequest
- Supports WCF services
  - w/ BasicHttpBinding
- Legacy SOAP services
  - .asmx compatibility





# Sharing Code Across Projects

- Portable Class Libraries – great for components
- File Linking – share code at the source level
- Use multiple projects



# File Linking + Conditional Compilation

- Pre-Defined Symbols:

```
#if __MOBILE__
```

```
#if __ANDROID__
```

```
#if __IOS__
```

```
#if WINDOWS_PHONE
```

```
#if SILVERLIGHT
```

```
1 reference
26 public static string DatabaseFilePath {
27     get {
28         var sqliteFilename = "TaskDB.db3";
29         .....
30         #if NETFX_CORE
31             var path = Path.Combine(Windows.Storage.ApplicationData
32         #else
33             .....
34         #if SILVERLIGHT
35             // Windows Phone expects a local path, not absolute
36             var path = sqliteFilename;
37         #else
38             .....
39         #if __ANDROID__
40             // Just use whatever directory SpecialFolder.Personal r
41             string libraryPath = Environment.GetFolderPath(Environn
42         #else
43             // we need to put in /Library/ on iOS5.1 to meet Apple'
44             // (they don't want non-user-generated data in Document
45             string documentsPath = Environment.GetFolderPath (Envir
46             string libraryPath = Path.Combine (documentsPath, "../L
47         #endif
```

- Can add custom symbols in build settings

Data layer and Web service layer

Demo



# Xamarin's enterprise success

500K

500,000 registered developers in just 2 years

30K+

Adding over 30,000 developers a month

185

Customers in 185 countries

10  
years

Robust, enterprise-ready technology, in production use for 10 year

Recognized as mobile  
"Visionary" in 2013  
Magic Quadrant for  
MADP **Gartner**

Winner of  
2013 Visual Studio  
Integration Partner  
of the Year Awarded  
 Visual Studio

# Apps in all verticals and mobility use cases

Mobile CRM

Mobile field service

Consumer brand loyalty

Retail POS solutions

Supply chain management

Consumer media

and entertainment

Oil and gas field solutions

Airplane freight load balancing

mBanking and

wealth management

Insurance claims adjusting

“Second Screen” TV apps

mHealth/practice Management

# Xamarin Customer reference

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<http://www.thinkpower.com.tw/xamarin/index.aspx?lang=tw>

# Completely up-to-date with device OS releases



Always up-to-date with the latest APIs from Microsoft, Apple, and Google

Track record of offering some-day support: iOS 5, iOS 6, iOS 6.1, and iOS 7



Next Steps

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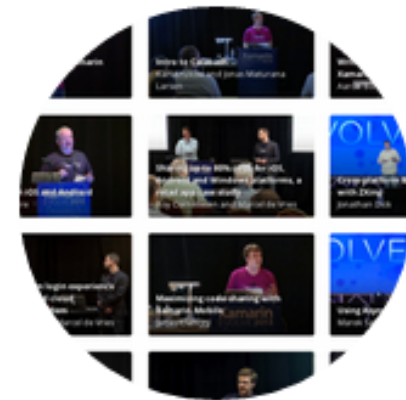


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