



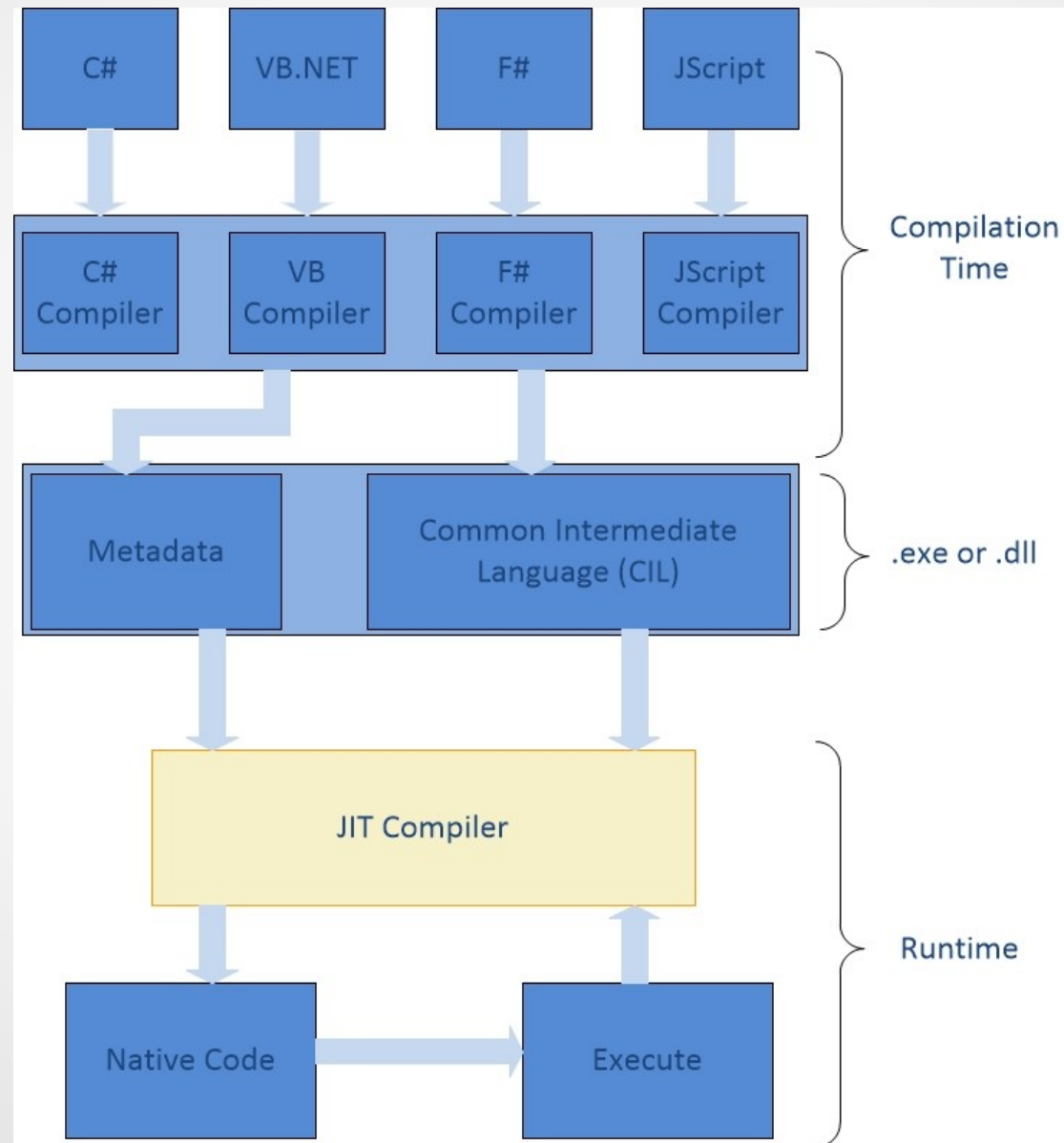
Introduction .NET Reverse Engineering

Eric DePree

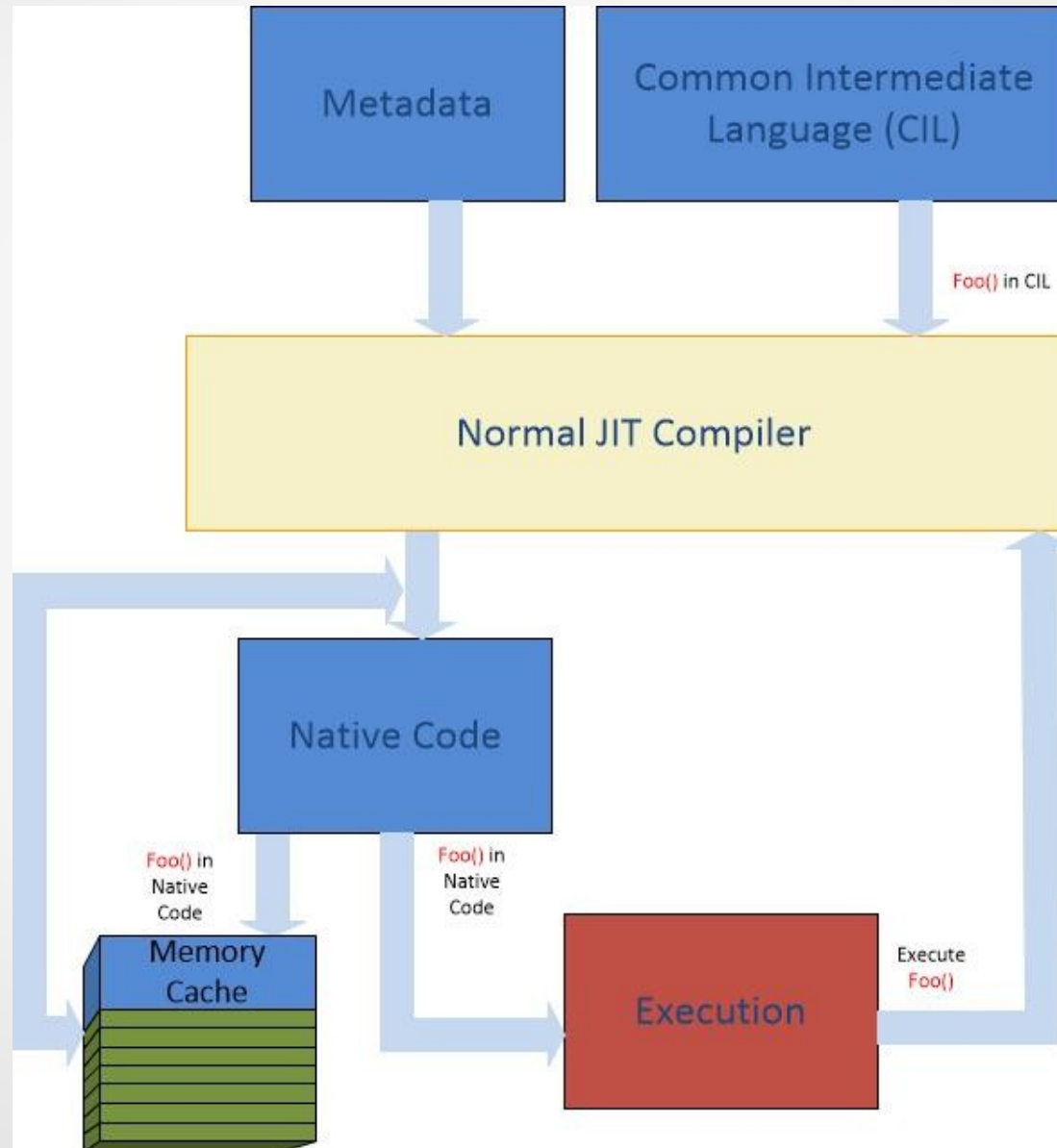
Introduction to .NET

“Programs written for .NET are easy to reverse engineer. This is not in any way a fault in the design of .NET; it is simply a reality of modern, intermediate-compiled languages.” ~MSDN

Common Language Runtime (CLR)



Decompiling



Obfuscation

- No security through obscurity!
- Make source code more difficult to reverse engineer
 - Confuse decompilers
 - Confuse humans
 - Keep logic intact

Obfuscation

Original Source Code Before Obfuscation

```
private void CalcPayroll(SpecialList employeeGroup) {  
    while (employeeGroup.HasMore()) {  
        employee = employeeGroup.GetNext(true);  
        employee.UpdateSalary();  
        DistributeCheck(employee);  
    }  
}
```

Reverse-Engineered Source Code After Overload Induction Dotfuscation

```
private void a(a b) {  
    while (b.a()) {  
        a = b.a(true);  
        a.a();  
        a(a);  
    }  
}
```

Obfuscation

Original Source Code Before Obfuscation

© 2001, Microsoft Corporation

(Snippet from WordCount.cs C# example code)

```
public int CompareTo(Object o) {
    int n = occurrences - ((WordOccurrence)o).occurrences;
    if (n == 0) {
        n = String.Compare(word, ((WordOccurrence)o).word);
    }
    return(n);
}
```

Reverse-Engineered Source Code

After Control Flow Obfuscation

By Dotfuscator Professional Edition

```
public virtual int _a(Object A_0) {
    int local0;
    int local1;
    local0 = this.a - (c) A_0.a;
    if (local0 != 0) goto i0;
    goto i1;
    while (true) {
        return local1;
        i0: local1 = local0;
    }
    i1: local0 = System.String.Compare(this.b, (c) A_0.b);
    goto i0;
}
```



Demo



Questions? Comments?

<http://edepree.com/contact>

References

- [MSDN .NET Overview](#)
- [JIT Overview](#)
- [JIT Overview](#)
- [Obfuscation](#)