

Object oriented programming

- Key idea of OO programming
 - program structured into classes of objects.
 - each class specifies a kind of object – e.g., the actions it can perform.
- Calling methods in OO languages like java
 - tell an *object* to perform a *method*, passing *arguments*
- Making objects
 - Some objects are predefined.
 - Create objects with bluej:
 - Right-click on class, and select new
 - This is how we run programs with BlueJ.
 - not standard, and not a general solution

Fido: run fast!

Fido: get the ball!

Fido: eat!



Objects

Question:

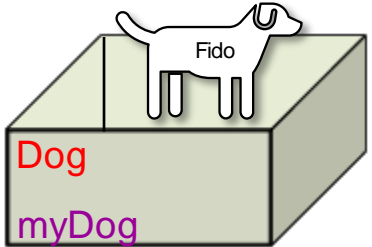
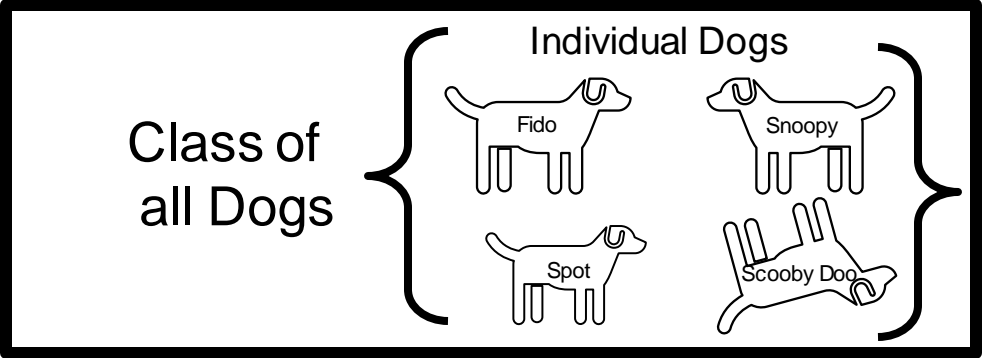
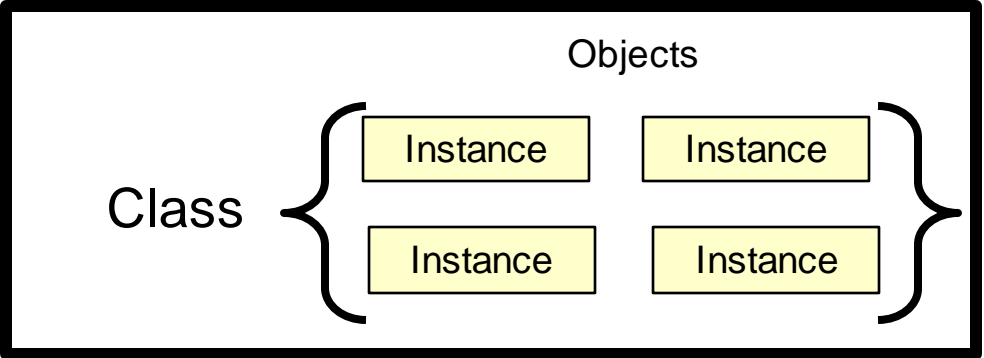
How can a program make new objects?

More Questions:

What is an object anyway?

Why do we need them?

- An object is typically a collection of data with a set of actions it can perform.



- The objects we have made so far are a bit strange – no data; just actions. (TemperatureConverter, Drawer)

Examples of objects

Butterfly program

- Each butterfly is represented by an object which stores the state of the butterfly (position, wing state, direction)
- Butterflies have methods
 - `move(double dist)` and
 - `land()`

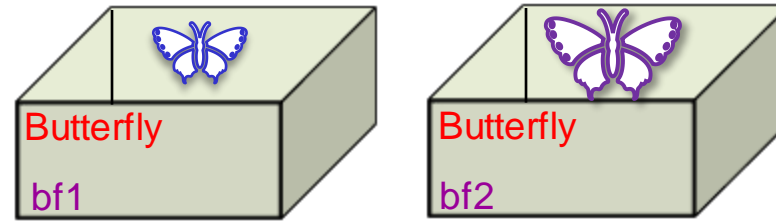
• CartoonFigure program

- Each cartoon figure is represented by an object which stores the state of the cartoon figure (image, position, direction facing, smile/frown).
- CartoonFigure objects have methods
 - `walk(double dist)`
 - `smile()` `frown()`
 - `lookLeft()` `lookRight()`
 - `speak(String words)` `think(String words)`

Using objects

- If the variable bf1 and bf2 contained Butterfly objects, you could do:

```
public void showButterflies(){  
    Butterfly bf1 = ??????  
    Butterfly bf2 = ??????  
    bf1.move(10);  
    bf2.move(20);  
    bf1.land();  
    bf2.move(20);  
    bf1.move(5);  
}
```



Nothing new here:
Just standard method calls!

Problem:

How do you get a Butterfly object into the variables?

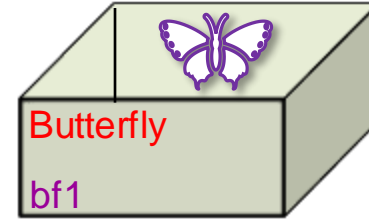
Creating Objects

- Need to construct new objects:

- New kind of expression: **new** Calling the constructor

```
Butterfly bf1 = new Butterfly(100, 300 )
```

Creates a new object, which is put into bf1

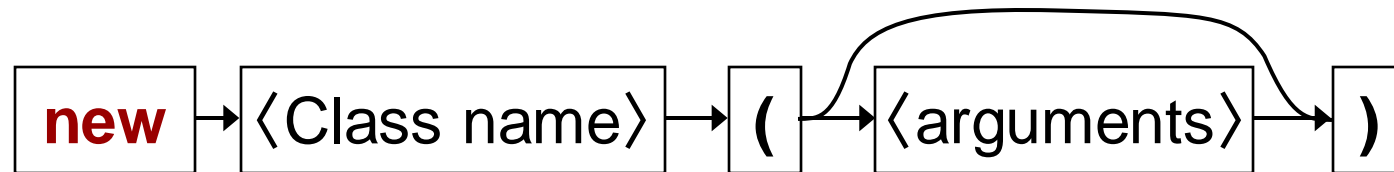


- Constructor calls are like method calls that return a value.
 - have ()
 - may need to pass arguments
 - returns a value – the new object that was constructed.
- Constructor calls are NOT method calls
 - there is no object to call a method on.
 - must have the keyword **new**
 - name must be the name of the class

Creating Objects: new

```
Butterfly b1 = new Butterfly(100, 300);
```

```
UI.setColor( new Color(255, 190, 0) );
```



- Calling a constructor:
 - **new** (a keyword)
 - **Butterfly** (the type of object to construct)
 - (...) (arguments: specifying information needed to construct the new object)
- This is an expression: it returns the new object
 - can put in a variable
 - can use in an enclosing expression or method call

Reading Documentation

- Documentation of a class:

- Specifies the methods:

- name
 - type of the return value (or **void** if no value returned)
 - number and types of the parameters.

void **move** (**double** dist)

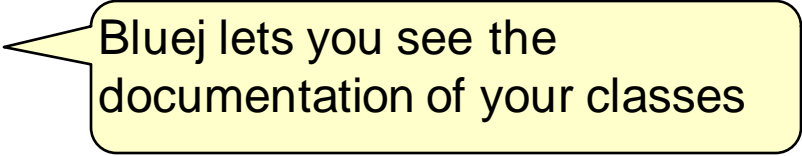
moves the butterfly by dist, in its current direction.

- Specifies the constructors:

- number and types of the parameters
(name is always the name of the class,
return type is always the class)

Butterfly(**double** x, **double** y)

requires the initial position of the butterfly



Bluej lets you see the documentation of your classes

Example: Butterfly Grove program

```
public class ButterflyGrove{
    /** A grove of Butterflies which
        fly around and land */

    public void oneButterfly(){
        Butterfly b1 = new Butterfly(50, 20);
        b1.move(5);
        b1.move(10);
        b1.move(15);
        b1.move(10);
        b1.move(11);
        b1.move(12);
        b1.move(13);
        b1.move(14);
        b1.move(15);
        b1.move(16);
        b1.move(10);
        b1.land();
    }
}
```

```
public void twoButterflies(){
    Butterfly b1 = new Butterfly(100, 20);
    b1.move(5);
    b1.move(10);
    b1.move(15);

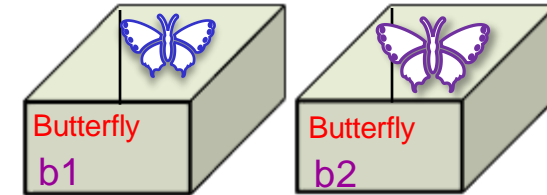
    double x = 400*Math.random();
    Butterfly b2 = new Butterfly(x, 40);

    b2.move(10);
    b1.move(15);
    b2.move(10);
    b1.move(12);
    b2.move(10);
    b1.move(11);
    b1.move(7);
    b1.land();
    b2.move(20);
    b2.move(25);
    b2.land();
}
```

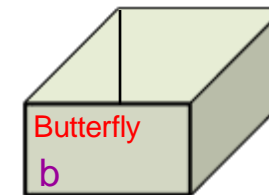

Objects are values too:

- Objects can be passed to methods, just like other values.

```
public void Butterflies(){  
    Butterfly b1 = new Butterfly(100, 20);  
    Butterfly b2 = new Butterfly(x, 40);  
    this.upAndDown(b1);  
    this.upAndDown(b2);  
}
```



```
public void upAndDown(Butterfly b){  
    b.move(10);  
    b.move(15);  
    b.land();  
    b.move(15);  
    b.move(20);  
    b.land();  
}
```



Designing with methods that call other methods

- Design a Java program to measure reaction time of users responding to true and false "facts".
 - Ask the user about a fact: "Is it true that the BE is a 4 Year degree?"
 - Measure the time they took
 - Print out how much time.
- Need a class
 - what name?
- Need a method
 - what name?
 - what parameters?
 - what actions?

ReactionTimeMeasurer

```
/** Measures reaction times for responding to true-false statements */
```

```
public class ReactionTimeMeasurer {
```

```
/** Measure and report the time taken to react to a question */
```

```
    public void measureReactionTime() {
```

```
         • // find out the current time and remember it
```

```
        // ask the question and wait for answer
```

```
         • // find out (and remember) the current time
```

```
        // print the difference between the two times
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

Write the method body in comments first,
(to plan the method without worrying about syntax)

Work out what information needs to be stored (ie, variables)

ReactionTimeMeasurer

```
/** Measure and report the time taken to react to a question */  
public void measureReactionTime() {  
    long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();  
    UI.askString("Is it true that the sky is blue?");  
    long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();  
    UI.printf("Reaction time = %d milliseconds \n", (endTime - startTime) );  
}  
}
```

Returns a very big integer
⇒ long
(milliseconds since 1/1/1970)

Just asking one question is not enough for an experiment.

→ need to ask a sequence of questions.

Multiple questions, the bad way

```
/** Measure and report the time taken to react to a question */
public void measureReactionTime(){
    long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    UI.askString( "Is it true that John Quay was the Prime Minister");
    long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    UI.printf("You took %d milliseconds \n", (endTime - startTime) );

    startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    UI.askString( "Is it true that 6 x 4 = 23");
    endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    UI.printf("You took %d milliseconds \n", (endTime - startTime) );

    startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    UI.askString( "Is it true that summer is warmer than winter");
    endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    UI.printf("You took %d milliseconds \n", (endTime - startTime) );

    startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    UI.askString( "Is it true that Wellington's population > 1,000,000");
    endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    UI.printf("You took %d milliseconds \n", (endTime - startTime) );
}
```

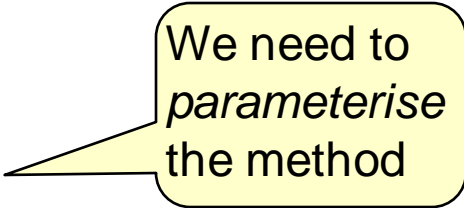
Lots of repetition.
But not exact repetition.
How can we improve it?

Good design with methods

- Key design principle:
 - Wrap up repeated sections of code into a separate method,
 - Call the method several times:

```
public void measureReactionTime ( ) {  
    this.measureQuestion("John Quay was the Prime Minister");  
    this.measureQuestion("6 x 4 = 23");  
    this.measureQuestion("Summer is warmer than winter");  
    this.measureQuestion("Wellington's population > 1,000,000 ");  
}
```

```
public void measureQuestion (String fact ) {  
    long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();  
    UI.askString("Is it true that " + fact . );  
    long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();  
    UI.printf("You took %d milliseconds \n", (endTime - startTime) );  
}
```



We need to
parameterise
the method

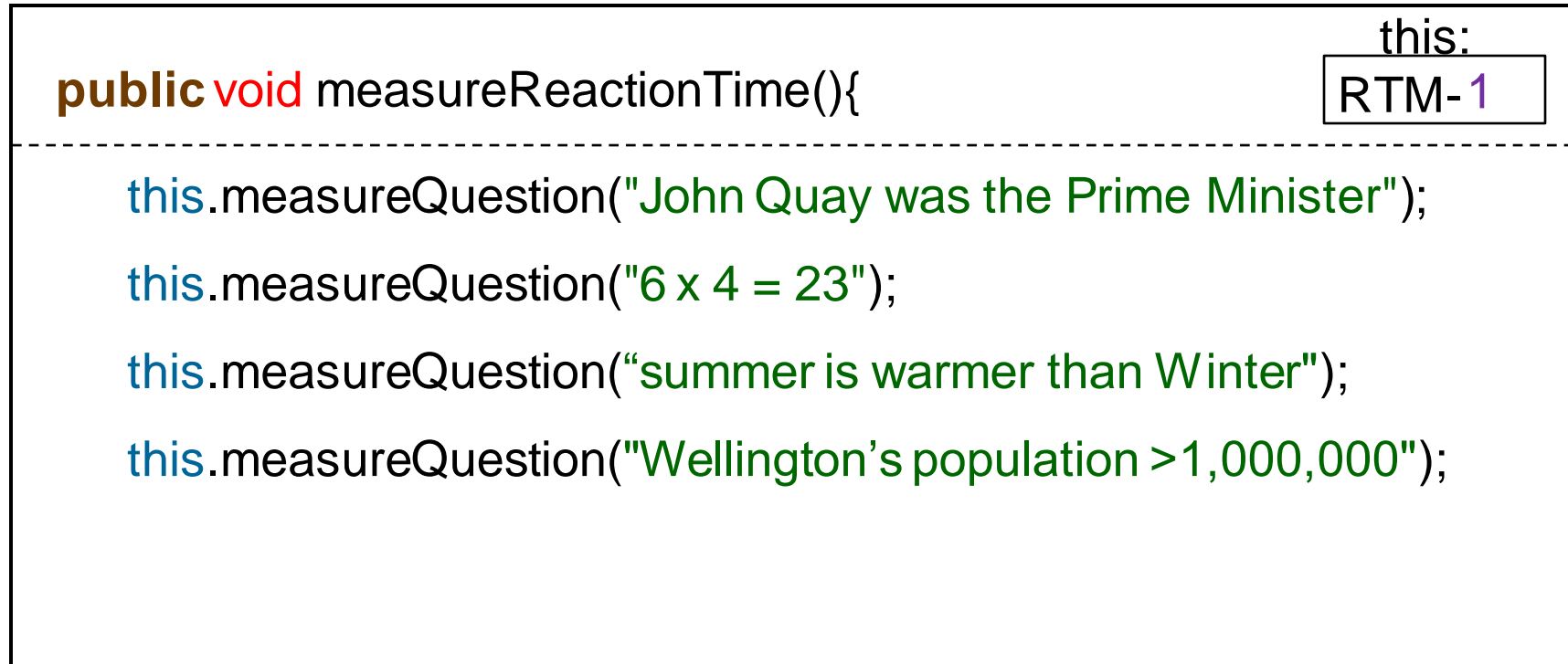
Improving ReactionTimeMeasurer (1)

```
public void measureReactionTime() {
    this.measureQuestion("John Quay was the Prime Minister");
    this.measureQuestion("6 x 4 = 23");
    this.measureQuestion("Summer is warmer than Winter");
    this.measureQuestion("Wellington's population > 1,000,000 ");
}

public void measureQuestion(String fact) {
    long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    UI.askString("Is it true that" + fact);
    long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    UI.printf("You took %d milliseconds \n", (endTime - startTime) );
}
```

Understanding ReactionTimeMeasurer

- What happens if we call the method on the object RTM1:
RTM1 . measureTime();



The object the method was called on is copied to "this" place

Understanding method calls

```
public void measureQuestion(String fact) {  this:  
                                           RTM-1  
-----  
 ✓ long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();  
    ✓ UI.askString("Is it true that " + fact);  
 ✓ long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();  
    ✓ UI.printf("You took %d milliseconds \n", (endTime - startTime));  
}
```

Understanding ReactionTimeMeasurer

```
public void measureReactionTime(){
```

this:

RTM-1

```
✓ this.measureQuestion("John Quay was the Prime Minister");  
  this.measureQuestion("6 x 4 = 23");  
  this.measureQuestion("summer is warmer than Winter");  
  this.measureQuestion("Wellington's population > 1,000,000");
```

Understanding ReactionTimeMeasurer

New measureQuestion worksheet:

```

public void measureQuestion(String fact){  
-----
 ✓ long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
 ✓ UI.askString("Is it true that " + fact);
 ✓ long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
 ✓ UI.printf("You took %d milliseconds \n", (endTime - startTime) );
}

```

Each time you call a method,
it makes a fresh copy of the worksheet!

Understanding ReactionTimeMeasurer

```
public void MeasureReactionTime(){
```

this:

RTM-1

-
- ✓ this.measureQuestion("John Quay was the Prime Minister");
 - ✓ this.measureQuestion("6 x 4 = 23");
 - this.measureQuestion("summer is warmer than Winter");
 - this.measureQuestion("Wellington's population > 1,000,000");

ReactionTimeMeasurer Problem

- A good experiment would measure the average time over a series of trials
 - Our program measures and reports for each trial.
- Need to add up all the times, and compute average:
 - problem:
 - `measureReactionTime` needs to add up the times
 - `measureQuestion` actually measures the time, but prints it out.
 - How do we get the time back from `measureQuestion` to `measureReactionTime`?
 - We need to make `measureQuestion` return the time value to `measureReactionTime`.

Methods that return values

- Some methods just have "effects":

```
UI.println("Hello there!");
```

```
UI.printf("%4.2f miles is the same as %4.2f km\n", mile, km);
```

```
UI.fillRect(100, 100, wd, ht);
```

```
UI.sleep(1000);
```

- Some methods just return a value:

```
long now = System.currentTimeMillis();
```

```
double distance = 20 * Math.random();
```

```
double ans = Math.pow(3.5, 17.3);
```

- Some methods do both:

```
double height = UI.askDouble("How tall are you");
```

```
Color col = JColorChooser.showDialog(UI.getFrame(), "paintbrush", Color.red);
```

Defining methods to return values

Improving ReactionTimeMeasurer:

make measureQuestion return a value instead of just printing it out.

```
public void measureReactionTime() {
    long time = 0;
    time = time + this.measureQuestion("John Quay was the Prime Minister");
    time = time + this.measureQuestion("11 x 13 = 143");
    time = time + this.measureQuestion("Summer is warmer than Winter");
    time = time + this.measureQuestion("Wellington's pop > 1,000,000 ");
    UI.printf("Average reaction time = %d milliseconds\n", (time / 4));
}
```

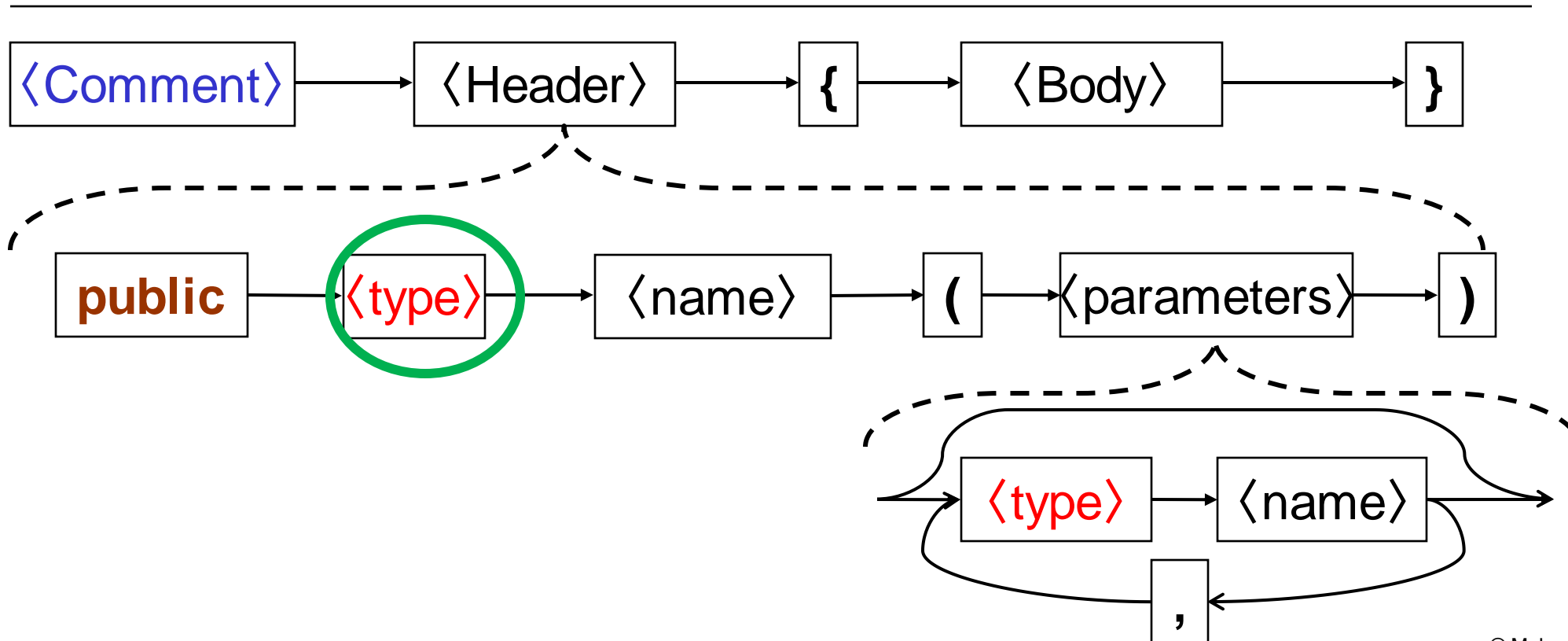
Specifies the type of value returned.
void means "no value returned"

```
public long measureQuestion(String fact) {
    long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    .....
}
```

Syntax: Method Definitions (v3: return type)

```
/** Measure time taken to answer a question*/
```

```
public long measureQuestion ( String fact ){
    long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
    :
```



Defining methods to return values

If you declare that a method returns a value, then the method body must return one!

```
public long measureQuestion(String fact) {  
    long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();  
    String ans = UI.askString("Is it true that " + fact);  
    long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();  
    return (endTime - startTime);  
}
```

New kind of statement

Means: exit the method and return the value

The value must be of the right type

Returning values.

- What happens if we call the method:

```
RTM-1 . measureReactionTime();
```

| | |
|---|----------------------------|
| <pre>public void measureReactionTime(){</pre> | <pre>this: RTM-1</pre> |
| ----- | |
| <pre>✓ long time = 0; 0.</pre> | |
| <pre>time = time + this.measureQuestion("John Quay was the Prime Minister");</pre> | |
| <pre>time = time + this.measureQuestion("6 x 4 = 23");</pre> | |
| <pre>time = time + this.measureQuestion("summer is warmer than Winter");</pre> | |
| <pre>time = time + this.measureQuestion("Wellington's pop > 1,000,000");</pre> | |

Returning values

```
return value:  •  
public long measureQn(String fact) {  ;"  this: RTM-1  
-----  
 • long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();  
 " UI.askString("Is it true that " + fact);  
 • long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();  
return (endTime - startTime);  
}
```

Returning values.

- What happens if we call the method:

```
RTM-1 . askQuestions();
```

```
public void measureReactionTime(){
```

```
✓ long time = 0;
✓ time = time + this.measureQuestion("John Quay was the Prime Minister");
time = time + this.measureQuestion("6 x 4 = 23");
time = time + this.measureQuestion("summer is warmer than Winter");
time = time + this.measureQuestion("Wellington's pop > 1,000,000");
```

this:

RTM-1

0.

More about Return

- If a method has a return type, it must have a **return** statement that returns a value
- It must return a value for every possible path
⇒ may need several **return** statements:

```
public String fullDayName(String str){
    str = str.toLowerCase();
    if (str.startsWith("m")){
        return "Monday";
    }
    else if (str.startsWith("tu")){
        return "Tuesday";
    }
    else if (str.startsWith("w")){
        return "Wednesday";
    }....
}
```

More about Return

- **return** does two things:
 - specifies the value that will be returned to the calling method
 - exits the current method, skipping over all remaining statements.
- Methods with a **void** return type:
 - Can't return a value
 - Can still have a **return** statement (**return;**) with no value.
⇒ exit method at this point.

```
public void drawLollipop(double x, double y, double size, double length){  
    if (size < 2 || length < size/2){ // invalid parameters  
        return;  
    }  
    // draw the lollipop  
    UI.setColor(Color.red);  
    UI.fillRect(x-size/2, y-size/2, size, size);  
    :  
}
```

Aside: Random numbers

- `Math.random()` computes and returns a random double
 - between 0.0 and 1.0
- To get a random number between `min` and `max`:
 - `min + random number * (max-min)`

`(50.0 + Math.random() * 70.0)`

gives a value between 50.0 and 120.0

- This is an expression:
 - can assign it to a variable to remember it
 - can use it inside a larger expression
 - can pass it directly to a method