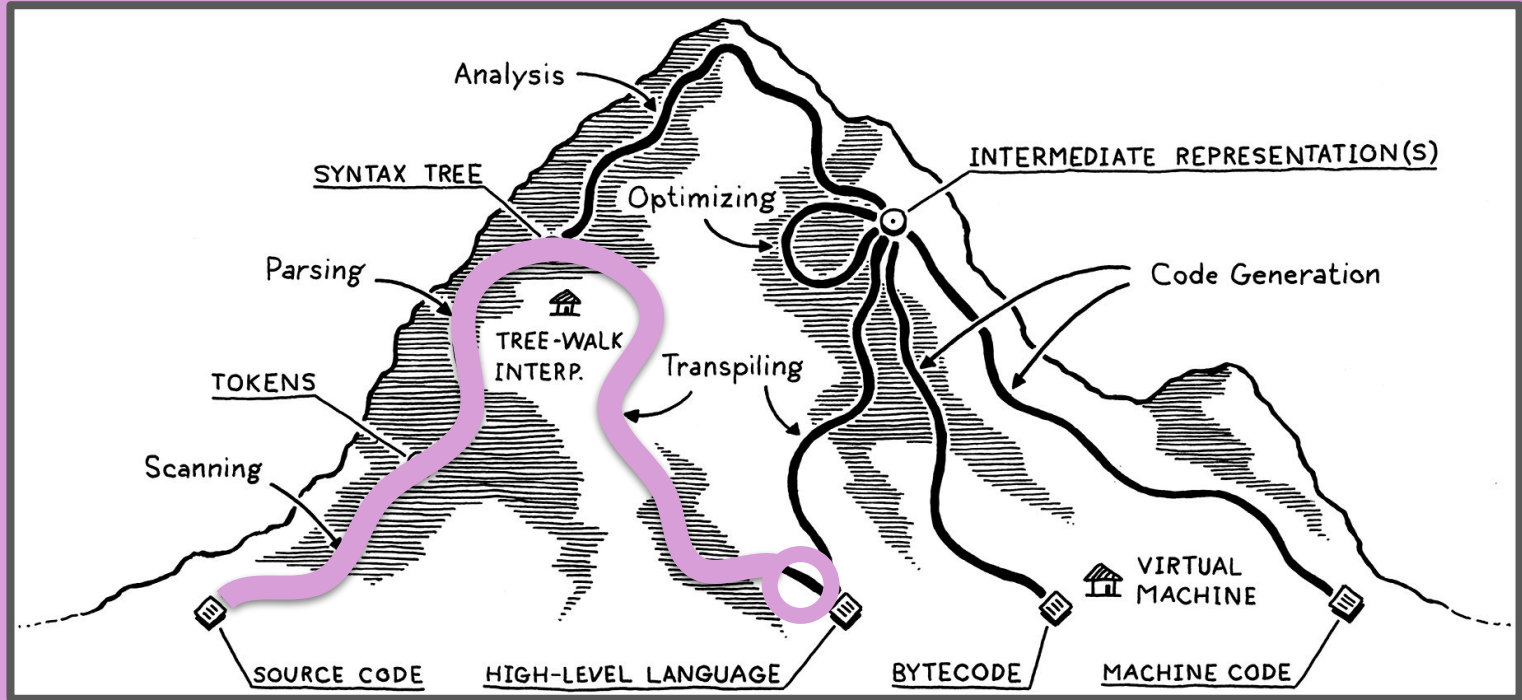
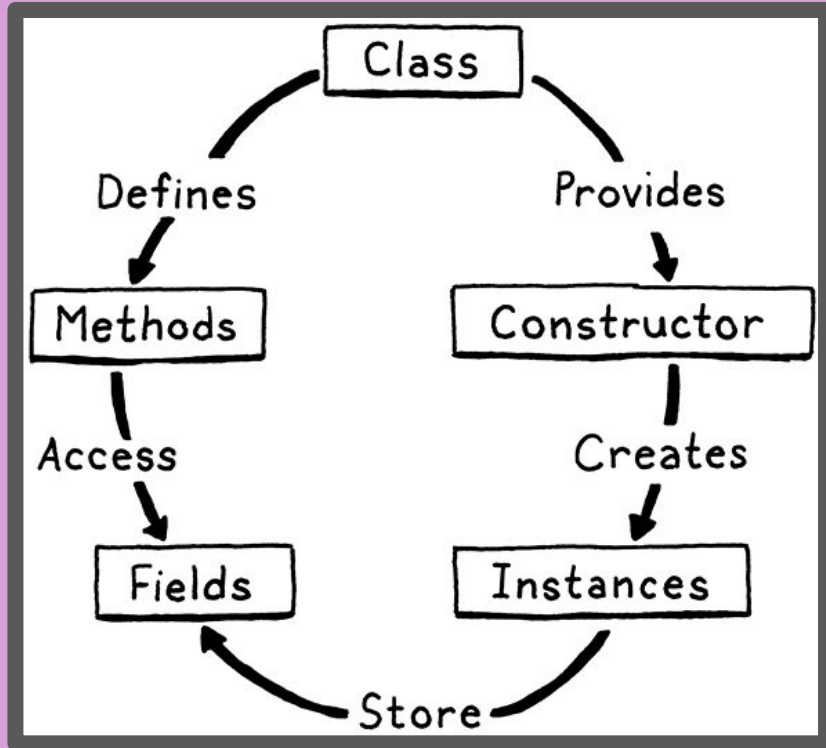




# CMPSC 201: PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES



# Being class-y



Class: a construct that bundles data and code that operates on it.

Made up of:

- a constructor
- fields to store data
- State-changing methods shared by instances of the class

# Being class-y

classDecl → "class" IDENTIFIER "{"  
... "}" ;

function\* → IDENTIFIER "("  
parameters? ")" block ;

parameters → IDENTIFIER ( ","  
IDENTIFIER )\* ;

keyword

IDENTIFIER

class fish {

brace

init() {

...

}

swim(speed) {

...

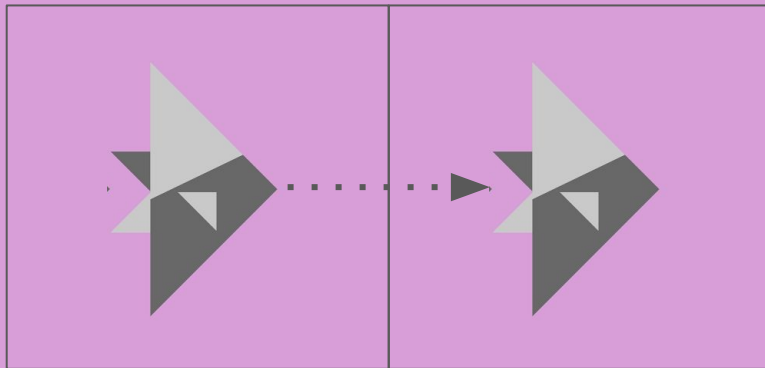
}

}

brace

# Methods

A procedure bound to a class, creating an interface enabling interaction with a given class' instance data.



```
fun swim(posX, speed) {
```

...

```
swim(speed) {
```

For sake of argument, let's just say that methods are  
a *special kind of function*.

```
}
```

```
swim(1);
```

```
fish.swim(1);
```

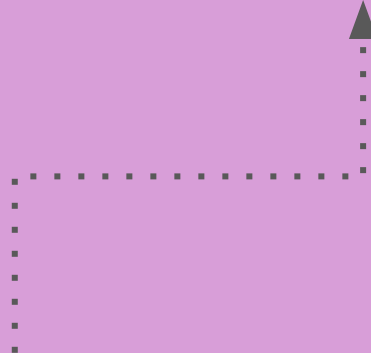
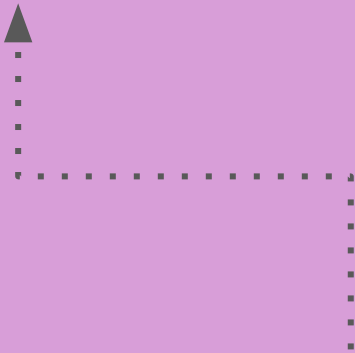
# A detour into SET and GET

SET

GET

```
fish.speed = 2;
```

```
print fish.speed;
```



A new type of *callable*.

## A detour into SET and GET

`swim(1);`



`call` → `primary ( "(" arguments? ")" | "." IDENTIFIER )*;`

Expr.Get



`fish.swim`

## A detour into SET and GET

assignment  $\rightarrow$  (call ".") ? IDENTIFIER "=" assignment | logic\_or;

call  $\rightarrow$  primary ( "(" arguments? ")" | "." IDENTIFIER );

fish.type.jump.speed(1)





## Continuing with methods

```
class fish {  
    init() {  
        this.pos = 0;  
    }  
    swim(speed) {  
        this.pos = this.pos + speed;  
    }  
}
```

When we interpret the class, we gather all of its methods in a list of functions named specially.

# What's this?

```
class fish {  
    init() {  
        this.pos = 0;  
    }  
    swim(speed) {  
        this.pos = this.pos + speed;  
    }  
}
```

Like Python's `self`,  
`this` binds to a given  
*instance*, of an  
object. No two fish  
are alike!

# What's this?



```
bass = fish();  
bass.speed = 1;  
bass.swim();
```

```
>> pos is 1
```

```
class: fish {  
  init(){  
    this.pos = 0;  
    this.speed = 0;  
  }  
  swim() {  
    this.pos = this.pos  
      + this.speed;  
  }  
}
```



```
trout = fish();  
trout.speed = 2;  
trout.swim();
```

```
>> pos is 2;
```