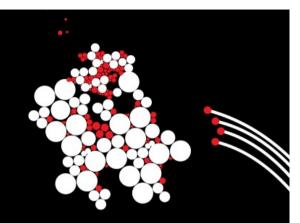
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# **JML Syntax**

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### JML: JAVA MODELING LANGUAGE

- Widely used contract specification language
- Many tools that can handle JML specifications
  - Does the program respect the specifications?
- In this module: IntelliJML
  - Syntax and type checking of JML

## **EXAMPLE JML SPECIFICATION**

```
public class Counter {
    /*@
    */ invariant value >= 0;
    /*@ spec_public */ private int value;
    /*@ requires n >= 0;
    ensures value == n;
    public Counter(int n) {
        value = n;
    }
}
```

### **BOOLEAN CONDITIONS**

- Preconditions, postconditions and invariants are all boolean conditions
- Some special expression notation
  - \result refers to the return value of a method
  - \old(\(\cexpr>\)) is the value of \(\cexpr>\) before calling the method
  - Basic logical operators (&&, II, !=) and implication (==>)
  - Universal and existential quantification may be used:

```
(\forall <type> x; ...), (\exists <type> x; ...)
```

### SIDE-EFFECT-FREE BOOLEAN CONDITIONS

- All expressions in specifications should be free of side effects
   requires not >= 0; disallowed
- Specification expressions can contain method calls
   requires getValue() >= 0; allowed
   provided the method called does not have side effects
- This is checked separately

```
/*@ pure */ public int getValue() { .. }
```