

Model 1 Variables

Most programs store and manipulate data values. We use *variables* to give values meaningful names. The following code *declares* three variables and *assigns* them (using the = operator). Each variable is stored in the computer's memory, represented by the boxes on the right.

Java code

```
int dollars;  
int cents;  
double grams;  
  
dollars = 1;  
cents = 90;  
grams = 3.5;
```

Computer memory

dollars	1
cents	90
grams	3.5

Questions (10 min)

Start time:

- Identify the Java *keyword* used in a variable declaration to indicate
 - an integer:
 - a real number:
- Consider numbers of dollar bills, cents, and grams. Which of these units only makes sense as an integer, and why?
- What would you expect the following statements to print out?
 - `System.out.println(dollars);`
 - `System.out.println(cents);`
 - `System.out.println(grams);`
- In the previous question, how does the third printed line (c) differ from the first two?

5. What do you think is the purpose of a variable declaration?

6. What will be output by the following code, and why?

```
double one;  
one = 1;  
System.out.println(one);
```