

Review Questions

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I think it's easiest to show this with a little code. Say you have the following:

```
def square(x):  
    return x**2  
  
print(square(3))
```

In the above code, the `x` in `def square(x)` is considered a formal argument. Formal arguments are identifiers in the prototype for methods, and are a "placeholder" value. On the other hand, the `3` in `print(square(3))` is an actual parameter. Actual arguments are the actual value passed into the method.

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Ruby (and python) uses pass-by-assignment parameter passing. This is because all data values are objects in these languages. It's called pass-by-assignment because the actual arguments are assigned to the formal parameters. This may seem close to pass-by-reference, but they're actually quite different. This is because most objects in these languages are immutable and so essentially act as though they were being passed-by-value.

Problem Set

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```
void swap(int a, int b) { int temp; temp = a; a = b; b = temp; } void main() { int value = 2, list[5] = {1, 3, 5, 7, 9};  
swap(list[0], list[1]); swap(value, list[value]); }
```

Pass by Value

In pass by value, nothing will change. So `value = 2, list[5] = {1, 3, 5, 7, 9}` will remain true for all of the calls.

Pass by Reference

```
swap(value, list[0]); value = 1, list[5] = {2, 3, 5, 7, 9}  
swap(list[0], list[1]); value = 1, list[5] = {3, 2, 5, 7, 9}  
swap(value, list[value]); value = 2, list[5] = {3, 1, 5, 7, 9}
```

Pass by value-result

```
swap(value, list[0]); value = 1, list[5] = {2, 3, 5, 7, 9}  
swap(list[0], list[1]); value = 1, list[5] = {3, 2, 5, 7, 9}  
swap(value, list[value]); value = 2, list[5] = {3, 1, 5, 7, 9}
```