Methods and Parameters

Announcements

- Assignment 2 (Welcome to Java!) is due on Monday, January 26 at 3:15PM.
 - **Recommendation:** Try to complete the first four parts of the assignment by Friday.
- WiCS Casual CS Dinner is tonight at 6PM on the fifth floor of the Gates building.
 - Wonderful event, highly recommended!

Passing Parameters

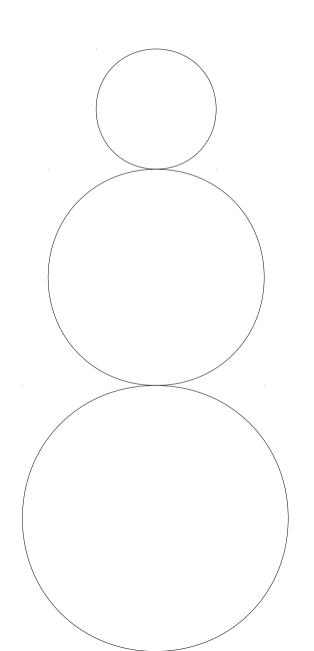
- A method can accept parameters when it is called.
- Syntax:

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private void name(parameters) {
    /* ... method body ... */
}
```

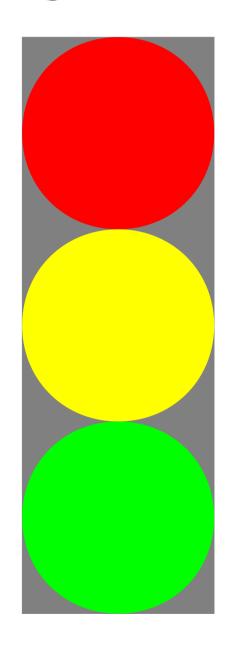
- The values of the parameters inside the method are set when the method is called.
- The values of the parameters can vary between calls.

Programming with Parameters

Drawing a Snowman



Drawing a Stoplight



Variables, Revisited

Assignment Statements

- A variable consists of
 - a *name* (what is it called?),
 - a type (what sort of value does it hold?), and
 - a **value**.
- A variable's name and type can never change.
- However, it is possible to change the value stored in a variable.

Assignment Statements

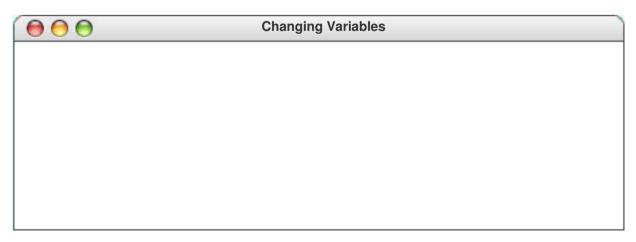
A statement of the form

variable = newValue;

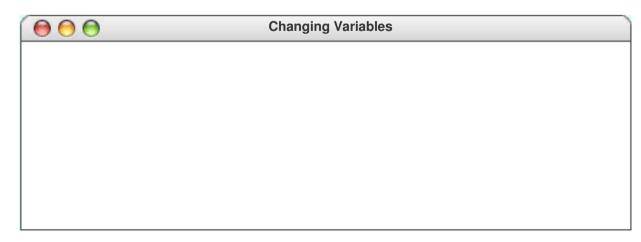
changes *variable* so that it now stores *newValue* instead of its old value.

• This statement is called an *assignment* statement.

public void run() {



```
public void run() {
   int favoriteNumber = 4;
```



```
public void run() {
   int favoriteNumber = 4;
```

favoriteNumber 4

```
public void run() {
   int favoriteNumber = 4;
   println(favoriteNumber);
```

favoriteNumber

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```
public void run() {
   int favoriteNumber = 4;
   println(favoriteNumber);
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favoriteNumber

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Changing Variables

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```
public void run() {
                                  int favoriteNumber = 4;
                                  println(favoriteNumber);
                                  favoriteNumber = 137;
favoriteNumber
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```
public void run() {
    int favoriteNumber = 4;
    println(favoriteNumber);

favoriteNumber = 137;
```

Changing Variables

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public void run() {
                                int favoriteNumber = 4;
                                println(favoriteNumber);
                                 favoriteNumber = 137;
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public void run() {
                                int favoriteNumber = 4;
                                println(favoriteNumber);
                                favoriteNumber = 137;
favoriteNumber
                                println(favoriteNumber);
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public void run() {
                             int favoriteNumber = 4;
                             println(favoriteNumber);
                             favoriteNumber = 137;
favoriteNumber
                             println(favoriteNumber);
                             favoriteNumber = 137 + 42;
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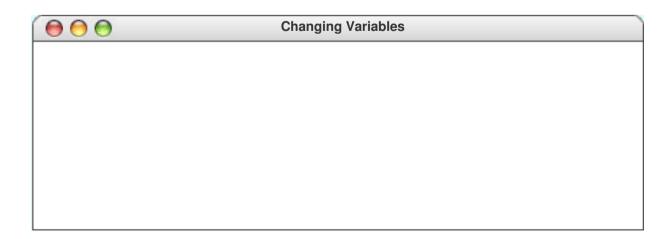
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                             println(favoriteNumber);
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                             println(favoriteNumber);
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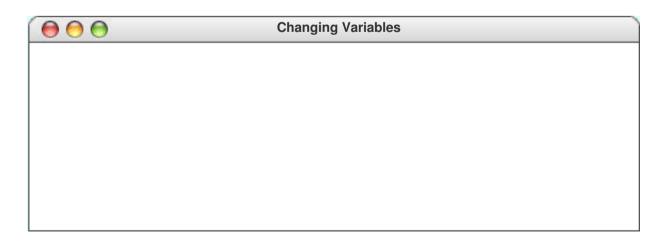
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                             println(favoriteNumber);
                             favoriteNumber = 137;
favoriteNumber
                             println(favoriteNumber);
                             favoriteNumber = 137 + 42;
                             println(favoriteNumber);
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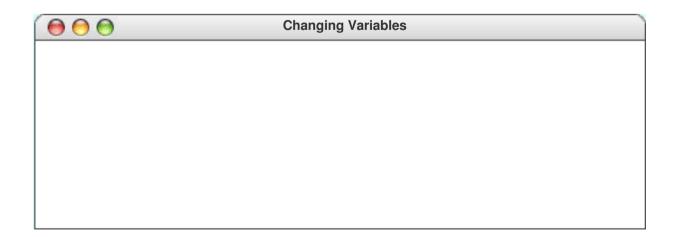


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public void run() {
   int a = 5;
   int b = 7;
```

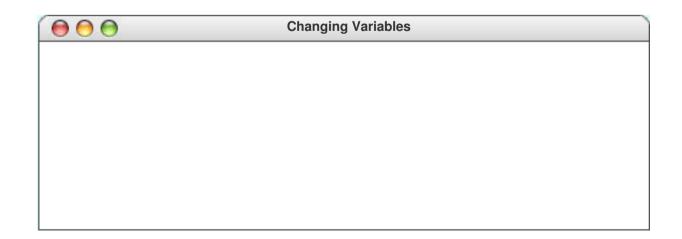


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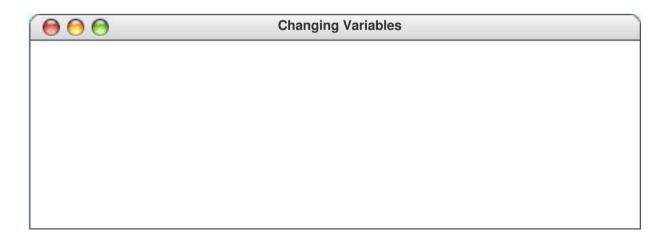
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public void run() {
   int a = 5;
   int b = 7;
   a = b + 3;
   7
```



```
public void run() {
    int a = 5;
    int b = 7;
    a = b + 3;
    7
```



```
public void run() {
   int a = 5;
   int b = 7;
   a = b + 3;
   println(a);
```



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public void run() {
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    println(a);
```

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Changing Variables

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public void run() {
    int a = 5;
    int b = 7;

a = b + 3;
    println(a);
b 7

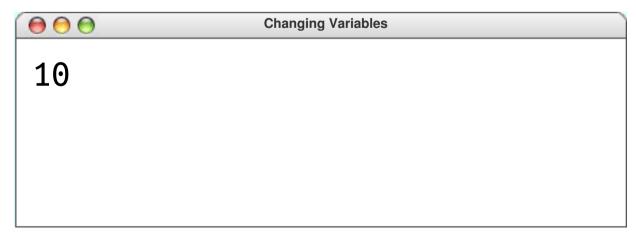
b = 5;
}
```

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```

```
public void run() {
    int a = 5;
    int b = 7;

a = b + 3;
    println(a);
b = 5;
}
```



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public void run() {
                        int a = 5;
                        int b = 7;
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                       a = b + 3;
                        println(a);
                        b = 5;
```

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Changing Variables

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public void run() {
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                               int b = 7;
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                               a = b + 3;
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                               b = 5;
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```

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a 10
b 5
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public void run() {
    int a = 5;
    int b = 7;

a = b + 3;
    println(a);

b = 5;
    println(a);
}
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