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HyperCard: Global/Local Variables

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TOPIC -----

Is there a way within HyperCard to retrieve and/or set a local variable for handler "xyz" from handler "abc"?

I don't want to make everything a global variable and have them initialized as the stack is opened.

DISCUSSION -----

What you want to do is not possible. However, there are a number of ways to "fake" global-local variables.

You could create one global variable (in this example, "holdEm") containing many items.

For example:

```
put "1,5.67,fred,in,0,,rain" into holdEm
```

stores seven items in the variable named holdEm. To avoid a lot of messy initialization, the information in the variable could be saved in a field:

```
put holdEm into field storeVars
```

and restored to the variable when the stack opens:

```
put line 1 of field storeVars into holdEm
```

This is much faster than seven put statements.

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