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**public void setReferences (String attributeName, ObjectReference [] refs)**  
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 throws [InvalidParameterException](#)



This method sets references of the business object or notification. Note that if the `updateEntity` method of the `IExecutionEngine` interface is used to update the business object in the database after setting its references the system will delete any existing references of the business object and add whatever references are set by the `setReferences` method. If, however, the `setReferences` method sets the value to `null` and then the `updateEntity` method is called, the null value is interpreted by the system as “no change” so no existing references are deleted. To clear existing references use the `deleteReferences` method in the `IExecutionEngine` interface.

**Parameters**

attributeName	the name of the attribute of the business object or notification the references of which are being set (must be of the reference type)
refs	the references being set.

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