

CLASS OR STATIC VARIABLES IN PYTHON

Class or static variables are shared by all objects. Instance or non-static variables are different for different objects (every object has a copy of it).

For example, let a Computer Science Student be represented by class **CS Student**. The class may have a static variable whose value is “cse” for all objects. And class may also have non-static members like **name** and **roll**.

In C++ and Java, we can use static keyword to make a variable as class variable. The variables which don't have preceding static keyword are instance variables. See this for Java example and this for C++ example.

The **Python** approach is simple, it doesn't require a static keyword. *All variables* which are assigned a value in class declaration are class variables. And variables which are assigned values inside class methods are instance variables.

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# Python program to show that the variables with a value
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# assigned in class declaration, are class variables
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```
# Class for Computer Science Student
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```
class CSStudent:
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```
    stream = 'cse'                                # Class Variable
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```
    def __init__(self,name,roll):
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```
        self.name = name                          # Instance Variable
```

```
        self.roll = roll                          # Instance Variable
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```
# Objects of CSStudent class
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```
a = CSStudent('Geek', 1)
```

```
b = CSStudent('Nerd', 2)
```

```
print(a.stream) # prints "cse"
```

```
print(b.stream) # prints "cse"
```

```
print(a.name) # prints "Geek"
```

```
print(b.name) # prints "Nerd"
```

```
print(a.roll) # prints "1"
```

```
print(b.roll) # prints "2"
```

```
# Class variables can be accessed using class
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```
# name also
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```
print(CSStudent.stream) # prints "cse"
```

Output:

```
cse
```

```
cse
```

```
Geek
```

```
Nerd
```

```
1
```

```
2
```

```
cse
```