

- **Class and Object**

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- Class is the description of an object.
- Class is the blueprint of an object.
- Object is the real world entity which have state (properties) and behaviour.
- Example of object car, pen, student, employee etc.

- **Defining class in Python:**

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- To define a class we have to use the keyword class.
- Syntax:

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class <NameofClass>:
    // static variables (class level variables)
    #methods
    def __init__(self,paramters..):
        // instance variables

    def <NameofMethod>(self,parameters..)
        // methods accessing instance variables
    @staticmethod
    def <NameofMethod>(parameters..):
        //utitlity methods
    @classmethod
    def <NameofMethod>(cls,parameters)
        // accessing class level variables
```

## **Code Example**

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1  class Student:
2      college_name='softwarica college'
3      def __init__(self,name,rollno,address):
4          self.name=name
5          self.rollno=rollno
6          self.address=address
7      def display(self):
8          print('Name:',self.name)
9          print('Roll No:',self.rollno)
10         print('Address:',self.address)
11         print('College Name:',self.college_name)
12         @staticmethod
13         def fee(self,adm_fee,sem_fee):
14             total_fee=adm_fee+sem_fee
15             return total_fee
16         @classmethod
17         def change_col_name(cls,newname):
18             cls.college_name=newname

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## • Special method in Python:

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def \_\_init\_\_(self):

//instance variables

- Automatically called when object created.
- To declare and initialize instance variable only once.
- At least one argument self.
- Python will provide default \_\_init\_\_ method if we do not provide.

## • Self

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- self variable is a reference variable which always pointing to current object.
- In Python self refer to the current object.
- The first argument to the constructor and instance method should be self.

- PVM is responsible to provide value for self argument and we are not required to provide explicitly.
- By using self we can declare instance variables with the class.
- By using self we can access instance variables within class.

Note: In case of self we can write any name.it is user-define name.

- **Inside Python class:-**

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- Variables: Types of variables

1. Instance variables
2. Static variables (class variables)
3. Local variables

- Methods: Types of Methods

1. Instance Methods
2. Class Methods
3. Static Methods

- **Instance Variable: object level variables**

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- Variable which are declared with the help of self.
- vary to object to object
- Separate copy of instance variable is created for every object.

**Example:**

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1  class Student:
2      def __init__(self, x, y):
3          self.name = x
4          self.rollno = y
5
6      def display(self):
7          print('hello i m', self.name)
8          print('my roll no is', self.rollno)
9
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11  s1 = Student('shyam', 100)

```

Note: Suppose all object have same college name, why to have same in all object? so in-order to save the space we make the class level variable known as static variable.

- **static variable: class level variable**

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- Only one copy of variable is created and shared by every object.

- **local variable: Method level variable**

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- Variable declared inside method for temporary purpose.

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