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Ключевое слово static

Подсказка

Эта страница описывает использование ключевого слова `static` для определения статических методов и свойств. `static` также может использоваться для [определения статических переменных](#), [определения статических анонимных функций](#) и [позднего статического связывания](#). Для получения информации о таком применении ключевого слова `static` обратитесь по вышеуказанным страницам.

Объявление свойств и методов класса статическими позволяет обращаться к ним без создания экземпляра класса. К ним также можно получить доступ статически в созданном экземпляре объекта класса.

Статические методы

Так как статические методы вызываются без создания экземпляра класса, то псевдопеременная `$this` недоступна внутри статических методов.

Внимание

Вызов нестатических методов статически вызывает ошибку [Error](#).

До PHP 8.0.0 вызов нестатических методов статически был объявлен устаревшим и вызывал ошибку уровня `E_DEPRECATED`.

Пример #1 Пример статического метода

```
<?php
class Foo {
    public static function aStaticMethod() {
        // ...
    }
}

Foo::aStaticMethod();
$classname = 'Foo';
$classname::aStaticMethod();
?>
```

Статические свойства

Доступ к статическим свойствам осуществляется с помощью [оператора разрешения области видимости](#) (`::`), и к ним нельзя получить доступ через оператор объекта (`->`).

На класс можно ссылаться с помощью переменной. Значение переменной в таком случае не может быть ключевым словом (например, `self`, `parent` и `static`).

Пример #2 Пример статического свойства

```
<?php
class Foo
{
    public static $my_static = 'foo';

    public function staticValue() {
        return self::$my_static;
    }
}

class Bar extends Foo
{
    public function fooStatic() {
        return parent::$my_static;
    }
}
```

```

}

print Foo::$my_static . "\n";

$foo = new Foo();
print $foo->staticValue() . "\n";
print $foo->my_static . "\n"; // Не определено свойство my_static

print $foo::$my_static . "\n";
$classname = 'Foo';
print $classname::$my_static . "\n";

print Bar::$my_static . "\n";
$bar = new Bar();
print $bar->fooStatic() . "\n";
?>

```

Результат выполнения приведённого примера в PHP 8 аналогичен:

```

foo
foo

Notice: Accessing static property Foo::$my_static as non static in /in/V0Rvv on line 23

Warning: Undefined property: Foo::$my_static in /in/V0Rvv on line 23

foo
foo
foo
foo

```

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Note that you should read "Variables/Variable scope" if you are looking for static keyword use for declaring static variables inside functions (or methods). I myself had this gap in my PHP knowledge until recently and had to google to find this out. I think this page should have a "See also" link to static function variables.
<http://www.php.net/manual/en/language.variables.scope.php>

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Here statically accessed property prefer property of the class for which it is called. Where as self keyword enforces use of current class only. Refer the below example:

```

<?php
class a{

    static protected $test="class a";

    public function static_test(){

        echo static::$test; // Results class b
        echo self::$test; // Results class a

    }
}

```

```

}

class b extends a{

static protected $test="class b";

}

$obj = new b();
$obj->static_test();
?>

```

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It is worth mentioning that there is only one value for each static variable that is the same for all instances

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You misunderstand the meaning of inheritance : there is no duplication of members when you inherit from a base class. Members are shared through inheritance, and can be accessed by derived classes according to visibility (public, protected, private).

The difference between static and non static members is only that a non static member is tied to an instance of a class although a static member is tied to the class, and not to a particular instance.

That is, a static member is shared by all instances of a class although a non static member exists for each instance of class.

Thus, in your example, the static property has the correct value, according to principles of object oriented conception.

```

class Base
{
public $a;
public static $b;
}

class Derived extends Base
{
public function __construct()
{
$this->a = 0;
parent::$b = 0;
}
public function f()
{
$this->a++;
parent::$b++;
}
}

```

```

$i1 = new Derived;
$i2 = new Derived;

$i1->f();
echo $i1->a, ' ', Derived::$b, "\n";
$i2->f();
echo $i2->a, ' ', Derived::$b, "\n";

```

outputs

```
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To check if a method declared in a class is static or not, you can use following code. PHP5 has a Reflection Class, which is very helpful.

```
try {
$method = new ReflectionMethod( 'className::methodName ');
if ( $method->isStatic() )
{
// Method is static.
}
}
catch ( ReflectionException $e )
{
// method does not exist
echo $e->getMessage();
}
```

*You can read more about Reflection class on <http://php.net/manual/en/class.reflectionclass.php>

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This is also possible:

```
class Foo {
public static $bar = 'a static property';
}
```

```
$baz = (new Foo):: $bar;
echo $baz;
```

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I used instantiation to access the access the a static property directly.

A Simple ticky art, you may apply (using object to access static property in a class) with the scope resolution operator

```
<?php
class Shopinson {
const MY_CONSTANT = 'the value of MY_CONSTANT ';
}

class Godwin extends Shopinson
{
public static $myconstant = ' The Paamayim Nekudotayim or double-colon.';
public function SaySomething(){
echo parent::MY_CONSTANT .PHP_EOL; // outputs: the value of MY_CONSTANT
echo self::$myconstant; // outputs: The Paamayim Nekudotayim or double-colon.
}
}
```

```
$my_class = new Godwin();
print $my_class::$myconstant;
$my_class::SaySomething();
echo Godwin::$myconstant;
```

```
Godwin::SaySomething();
```

?>

```
print $my_class::$myconstant;
```

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It should be noted that in 'Example #2', you can also call a variably defined static method as follows:

```
<?php
```

```
class Foo {
```

```
public static function aStaticMethod() {
```

```
// ...
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
$classname = 'Foo';
```

```
$methodname = 'aStaticMethod';
```

```
$classname::{ $methodname }(); // As of PHP 5.3.0 I believe
```

```
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The static keyword can still be used (in a non-oop way) inside a function. So if you need a value stored with your class, but it is very function specific, you can use this:

```
class aclass {
```

```
public static function b(){
```

```
static $d=12; // Set to 12 on first function call only
```

```
$d+=12;
```

```
return "$d\n";
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
echo aclass::b(); //24
```

```
echo aclass::b(); //36
```

```
echo aclass::b(); //48
```

```
echo aclass::$d; //fatal error
```

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It is important to understand the behavior of static properties in the context of class inheritance:

- Static properties defined in both parent and child classes will hold DISTINCT values for each class. Proper use of self:: vs. static:: are crucial inside of child methods to reference the intended static property.

- Static properties defined ONLY in the parent class will share a COMMON value.

```
<?php
```

```
declare(strict_types=1);
```

```
class staticparent {
```

```
static $parent_only;
```

```
static $both_distinct;
```

```

function __construct() {
static::$parent_only = 'fromparent';
static::$both_distinct = 'fromparent';
}
}

class staticchild extends staticparent {
static $child_only;
static $both_distinct;

function __construct() {
static::$parent_only = 'fromchild';
static::$both_distinct = 'fromchild';
static::$child_only = 'fromchild';
}
}

$a = new staticparent;
$a = new staticchild;

echo 'Parent: parent_only=', staticparent::$parent_only, ', both_distinct=', staticparent::$both_distinct, "<br/>\r\n";
echo 'Child: parent_only=', staticchild::$parent_only, ', both_distinct=', staticchild::$both_distinct, ', child_only=',
staticchild::$child_only, "<br/>\r\n";
?>

```

will output:

Parent: parent_only=fromchild, both_distinct=fromparent

Child: parent_only=fromchild, both_distinct=fromchild, child_only=fromchild

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Static variables are shared between sub classes

```

<?php
class MyParent {

protected static $variable;
}

class Child1 extends MyParent {

function set() {

self::$variable = 2;
}
}

class Child2 extends MyParent {

function show() {

echo(self::$variable);
}
}

$c1 = new Child1();
$c1->set();
$c2 = new Child2();
$c2->show(); // prints 2
?>

```


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To check if a function was called statically or not, you'll need to do:

```
<?php
function foo () {
$isStatic = !(isset($this) && get_class($this) == __CLASS__);
}
?>
```

More at (<http://blog.phpdoc.info/archives/4-Schizophrenic-Methods.html>).

(I'll add this to the manual soon).

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```
<?php

trait t {
protected $p;
public function testMe() {echo 'static:'.static::class. ' // self:'.self::class ."\n";}
}

class a { use t; }
class b extends a {}

echo (new a)->testMe();
echo (new b)->testMe();
```

```
outputs
static:a // self:t
static:b // self:t
```

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In real world, we can say will use static method when we dont want to create object instance.

e.g ...

```
validateEmail($email) {
if(T) return true;
return false;
}

//This makes not much sense
$obj = new Validate();
$result = $obj->validateEmail($email);
```

```
//This makes more sense
$result = Validate::validateEmail($email);
```

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Starting with php 5.3 you can get use of new features of static keyword. Here's an example of abstract singleton class:

```
<?php

abstract class Singleton {

protected static $_instance = NULL;

/**
 * Prevent direct object creation
 */
final private function __construct() { }

/**
 * Prevent object cloning
 */
final private function __clone() { }

/**
 * Returns new or existing Singleton instance
 * @return Singleton
 */
final public static function getInstance(){
if(null !== static::$_instance){
return static::$_instance;
}
static::$_instance = new static();
return static::$_instance;
}

}
?>
```

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On PHP 5.2.x or previous you might run into problems initializing static variables in subclasses due to the lack of late static binding:

```
<?php
class A {
protected static $a;

public static function init($value) { self::$a = $value; }
public static function getA() { return self::$a; }
}

class B extends A {
protected static $a; // redefine $a for own use

// inherit the init() method
public static function getA() { return self::$a; }
}

B::init('lala');
echo 'A::$a = '.A::getA().'; B::$a = '.B::getA();
?>
```

This will output:

A::\$a = lala; B::\$a =

If the `init()` method looks the same for (almost) all subclasses there should be no need to implement `init()` in every subclass and by that producing redundant code.

Solution 1:

Turn everything into non-static. BUT: This would produce redundant data on every object of the class.

Solution 2:

Turn static `$a` on class A into an array, use classnames of subclasses as indices. By doing so you also don't have to redefine `$a` for the subclasses and the superclass' `$a` can be private.

Short example on a `DataRecord` class without error checking:

```
<?php
abstract class DataRecord {
private static $db; // MySQLi-Connection, same for all subclasses
private static $table = array(); // Array of tables for subclasses

public static function init($classname, $table, $db = false) {
if (!($db === false)) self::$db = $db;
self::$table[$classname] = $table;
}

public static function getDB() { return self::$db; }
public static function getTable($classname) { return self::$table[$classname]; }
}

class UserDataRecord extends DataRecord {
public static function fetchFromDB() {
$result = parent::getDB()->query('select * from '.parent::getTable('UserDataRecord').');

// and so on ...
return $result; // An array of UserDataRecord objects
}
}

$db = new MySQLi(...);
UserDataRecord::init('UserDataRecord', 'users', $db);
$users = UserDataRecord::fetchFromDB();
?>
```

I hope this helps some people who need to operate on PHP 5.2.x servers for some reason. Late static binding, of course, makes this workaround obsolete.

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```
<?php
class foo {
private static $getInitial;

public static function getInitial() {
if (self::$getInitial == null)
self::$getInitial = new foo();
return self::$getInitial;
}
}

foo::getInitial();

/*
this is the example to use new class with static method..
```

i hope it help

*/

?>

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Hi, here's my simple Singleton example, i think it can be useful for someone. You can use this pattern to connect to the database for example.

```
<?php
```

```
class MySingleton
```

```
{
```

```
private static $instance = null;
```

```
private function __construct()
```

```
{
```

```
$this-> name = 'Freddy';
```

```
}
```

```
public static function getInstance()
```

```
{
```

```
if(self::$instance == null)
```

```
{
```

```
print "Object created!<br>";
```

```
self::$instance = new self;
```

```
}
```

```
return self::$instance;
```

```
}
```

```
public function sayHello()
```

```
{
```

```
print "Hello my name is {$this-> name}!<br>";
```

```
}
```

```
public function setName($name)
```

```
{
```

```
$this-> name = $name;
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
//
```

```
$objA = MySingleton::getInstance(); // Object created!
```

```
$objA-> sayHello(); // Hello my name is Freddy!
```

```
$objA-> setName("Alex");
```

```
$objA-> sayHello(); // Hello my name is Alex!
```

```
$objB = MySingleton::getInstance();
```

```
$objB-> sayHello(); // Hello my name is Alex!
```

```
$objB-> setName("Bob");
```

```
$objA-> sayHello(); // Hello my name is Bob!
```

?>

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It's come to my attention that you cannot use a static member in an HEREDOC string. The following code

```
class A
{
    public static $BLAH = "user";

    function __construct()
    {
        echo <<<EOD
        <h1>Hello {self::$BLAH}</h1>
        EOD;
    }
}

$blah = new A();
```

produces this in the source code:

```
<h1>Hello {self::}</h1>
```

Solution:

before using a static member, store it in a local variable, like so:

```
class B
{
    public static $BLAH = "user";

    function __construct()
    {
        $blah = self::$BLAH;
        echo <<<EOD
        <h1>Hello {$blah}</h1>
        EOD;
    }
}
```

and the output's source code will be:

```
<h1>Hello user</h1>
```

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Regarding the initialization of complex static variables in a class, you can emulate a static constructor by creating a static function named something like `init()` and calling it immediately after the class definition.

<?php

```
class Example {
private static $a = "Hello";
private static $b;

public static function init() {
self::$b = self::$a . " World!";
}
}

Example::init();
?>
```

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Inheritance with the static elements is a nightmare in php. Consider the following code:

```
<?php
class BaseClass{
public static $property;
}

class DerivedClassOne extends BaseClass{
}

class DerivedClassTwo extends BaseClass{
}

DerivedClassOne::$property = "foo";
DerivedClassTwo::$property = "bar";

echo DerivedClassOne::$property; //one would naively expect "foo"...
?>
```

What would you expect as an output? "foo"? wrong. It is "bar"!!! Static variables are not inherited, they point to the BaseClass::\$property.

At this point I think it is a big pity inheritance does not work in case of static variables/methods. Keep this in mind and save your time when debugging.

best regards - michal

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The simplest static constructor.

Because php does not have a static constructor and you may want to initialize static class vars, there is one easy way, just call your own function directly after the class definition.

for example.

```
<?php
function Demonstration()
{
return 'This is the result of demonstration()';
}

class MyStaticClass
{
//public static $MyStaticVar = Demonstration(); //!!! FAILS: syntax error
```

```

public static $MyStaticVar = null;

public static function MyStaticInit()
{
    //this is the static constructor
    //because in a function, everything is allowed, including initializing using other functions

    self::$MyStaticVar = Demonstration();
}
} MyStaticClass::MyStaticInit(); //Call the static constructor

echo MyStaticClass::$MyStaticVar;
//This is the result of demonstration()
?>

```

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It bears mention that static variables (in the following sense) persist:

```

<?php
class StaticVars
{
    public static $a=1;
}
$b=new StaticVars;
$c=new StaticVars;

echo $b::$a; //outputs 1
$c::$a=2;
echo $b::$a; //outputs 2!
?>

```

Note that `$c::$a=2` changed the value of `$b::$a` even though `$b` and `$c` are totally different objects.

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How to implement a one storage place based on static properties.

```

<?php
class a {

    public function get () {
        echo $this->connect();
    }
}

class b extends a {
    private static $a;

    public function connect() {
        return self::$a = 'b';
    }
}

class c extends a {
    private static $a;

    public function connect() {
        return self::$a = 'c';
    }
}

```

```
}  
$b = new b ();  
$c = new c ();
```

```
$b->get();  
$c->get();  
?>
```

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19 years ago

If you are trying to write classes that do this:

```
<?php
```

```
class Base  
{  
    static function Foo ()  
    {  
        self::Bar();  
    }  
}
```

```
class Derived extends Base  
{  
    function Bar ()  
    {  
        echo "Derived::Bar()";  
    }  
}
```

```
Derived::Foo(); // we want this to print "Derived::Bar()"
```

```
?>
```

Then you'll find that PHP can't (unless somebody knows the Right Way?) since 'self::' refers to the class which owns the /code/, not the actual class which is called at runtime. (___CLASS__ doesn't work either, because: A. it cannot appear before ::, and B. it behaves like 'self')

But if you must, then here's a (only slightly nasty) workaround:

```
<?php
```

```
class Base  
{  
    function Foo ( $class = ___CLASS__ )  
    {  
        call_user_func(array($class,'Bar'));  
    }  
}
```

```
class Derived extends Base  
{  
    function Foo ( $class = ___CLASS__ )  
    {  
        parent::Foo($class);  
    }  
}
```

```
function Bar ()  
{  
    echo "Derived::Bar()";  
}
```



```
}  
}  
  
Derived::Foo(); // This time it works.  
  
?>
```

Note that `Base::Foo()` may no longer be declared 'static' since static methods cannot be overridden (this means it will trigger errors if error level includes `E_STRICT`.)

If `Foo()` takes parameters then list them before `$class=__CLASS__` and in most cases, you can just forget about that parameter throughout your code.

The major caveat is, of course, that you must override `Foo()` in every subclass and must always include the `$class` parameter when calling `parent::Foo()`.

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when attempting to implement a singleton class, one might also want to either
a) disable `__clone` by making it private
b) bash the user who attempts to clone by defining `__clone` to throw an exception

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```
<?php  
class foo  
{  
    public static $myStaticClass;  
  
    public function __construct()  
    {  
        self::$myStaticClass = new bar();  
    }  
}  
  
class bar  
{  
    public function __construct(){}  
}  
  
?>
```

Please note, this won't work.
Use `self::$myStaticClass = new bar();` instead of `self::myStaticClass = new bar();` (note the `$` sign).
Took me an hour to figure this out.

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Answer selcted as correct solves problem. There is a valid use case (Design Pattern) where class with static member function needs to call non-static member function and before that this static members should also instantiate singleton using constructor a constructor.

****Case:****
For example, I am implementing Swoole HTTP Request event providing it a call-back as a Class with static member. Static Member does two things; it creates Singleton Object of the class by doing initialization in class constructor, and second this static members does is to call a non-static method 'run()' to handle Request (by bridging with Phalcon). Hence, static class without constructor and non-static call will not work for me.

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