

class.def: .

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int: Module level variable documented inline.

The docstring may span multiple lines. The type may optionally be specified on the first line, separated by a colon.

class.def: .function_with_types_in_docstring

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Example function with types documented in the docstring.

`PEP 484`_ type annotations are supported. If attribute, parameter, and return types are annotated according to `PEP 484`_, they do not need to be included in the docstring:

Args:

param1 (int): The first parameter.

param2 (str): The second parameter.

Returns:

bool: The return value. True for success, False otherwise.

.. _PEP 484:

<https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0484/>

class.def: .function_with_pep484_type_annotations

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Example function with PEP 484 type annotations.

Args:

param1: The first parameter.

param2: The second parameter.

Returns:

The return value. True for success, False otherwise.

class.def: .module_level_function

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This is an example of a module level function.

Function parameters should be documented in the ``Args`` section. The name of each parameter is required. The type and description of each parameter is optional, but should be included if not obvious.

If `*args` or `*kwargs` are accepted, they should be listed as `*args` and `*kwargs`.

The format for a parameter is::

name (type): description

The description may span multiple lines. Following lines should be indented. The "(type)" is optional.

Multiple paragraphs are supported in parameter descriptions.

Args:

param1 (int): The first parameter.

param2 (:obj:`str`, optional): The second parameter. Defaults to None.

Second line of description should be indented.

*args: Variable length argument list.

**kwargs: Arbitrary keyword arguments.

Returns:

bool: True if successful, False otherwise.

The return type is optional and may be specified at the beginning of the ``Returns`` section followed by a colon.

The ``Returns`` section may span multiple lines and paragraphs. Following lines should be indented to match the first line.

The ``Returns`` section supports any reStructuredText formatting, including literal blocks::

```
{
    'param1': param1,
    'param2': param2
}
```

Raises:

AttributeError: The ``Raises`` section is a list of all exceptions that are relevant to the interface.

ValueError: If `param2` is equal to `param1`.

class.def: .example_generator

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Generators have a ``Yields`` section instead of a ``Returns`` section.

Args:

n (int): The upper limit of the range to generate, from 0 to `n` - 1.

Yields:

int: The next number in the range of 0 to `n` - 1.

Examples:

Examples should be written in doctest format, and should illustrate how to use the function.

```
>>> print([i for i in example_generator(4)])  
[0, 1, 2, 3]
```

class.def: ExampleError(Exception).

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Exceptions are documented in the same way as classes.

The `__init__` method may be documented in either the class level docstring, or as a docstring on the `__init__` method itself.

Either form is acceptable, but the two should not be mixed. Choose one convention to document the `__init__` method and be consistent with it.

Note:

Do not include the ``self`` parameter in the ```Args``` section.

Args:

msg (str): Human readable string describing the exception.
code (:obj:`int`, optional): Error code.

Attributes:

msg (str): Human readable string describing the exception.
code (int): Exception error code.

class.def: ExampleClass(object).

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The summary line for a class docstring should fit on one line.

If the class has public attributes, they may be documented here in an ```Attributes``` section and follow the same formatting as a function's ```Args``` section. Alternatively, attributes may be documented inline with the attribute's declaration (see `__init__` method below).

Properties created with the ```@property``` decorator should be documented in the property's getter method.

Attributes:

attr1 (str): Description of ``attr1``.
attr2 (:obj:`int`, optional): Description of ``attr2``.

class.def: ExampleClass(object).__init__
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str: Docstring **after** attribute, with type specified.

class.def: ExampleClass(object).readonly_property

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str: Properties should be documented in their getter method.

class.def: ExampleClass(object).readwrite_property

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:obj:`list` of :obj:`str`: Properties with both a getter and setter should only be documented in their getter method.

If the setter method contains notable behavior, it should be mentioned here.

class.def: ExampleClass(object).example_method

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Class methods are similar to regular functions.

Note:

Do not include the `self` parameter in the ``Args`` section.

Args:

param1: The first parameter.

param2: The second parameter.

Returns:

True if successful, False otherwise.

class.def: ExampleClass(object).__special__

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By default special members with docstrings are not included.

Special members are any methods or attributes that start with and end with a double underscore. Any special member with a docstring will be included in the output, if ``napoleon_include_special_with_doc`` is set to True.

This behavior can be enabled by changing the following setting in Sphinx's conf.py::

```
napoleon_include_special_with_doc = True
```

class.def: ExampleClass(object)._private

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By default private members are not included.

Private members are any methods or attributes that start with an underscore and are *not* special. By default they are not included in the output.

This behavior can be changed such that private members *are* included by changing the following setting in Sphinx's conf.py::

```
napoleon_include_private_with_doc = True
```