

## Python Class and Object :-

### Declaring an object

objectclass.py file code :-

```
# Python3 program to
# demonstrate instantiating
# a class

class Dog:

    # A simple class
    # attribute
    attr1 = "mammal"
    attr2 = "dog"

    # A sample method
    def fun(self):
        print("I'm a", self.attr1)
        print("I'm a", self.attr2)

# Driver code
# Object instantiation
Rodger = Dog()

# Accessing class attributes
# and method through objects
print(Rodger.attr1)
Rodger.fun()
```

## Output:-

```
D:\android>python classobject.py
mammal
I'm a mammal
I'm a dog
```

In the above example, an object is created which is basically a dog named Rodger. This class only has two class attributes that tell us that Rodger is a dog and a mammal.

## The self

- Class methods must have an extra first parameter in the method definition. We do not give a value for this parameter when we call the method, Python provides it.
- If we have a method that takes no arguments, we still have one argument.
- This is similar to this pointer in C++ and this reference in Java.

When we call a method of this object as `myobject.method(arg1, arg2)`, this is automatically converted by Python into `MyClass.method(myobject, arg1, arg2)` – this is all the special self is about.

## \_\_init\_\_ method

The `__init__` method is similar to constructors in C++ and Java. Constructors are used to initialize the object's state. Like methods, a constructor also contains a collection of statements (i.e. instructions) that are executed at the time of Object creation. It runs as soon as an object of a class is instantiated. The method is useful to do any initialization you want to do with your object.

## Class and Instance Variables

Instance variables are for data, unique to each instance and class variables are for attributes and methods shared by all instances of the class. Instance variables are variables whose value is assigned inside a constructor or method with self-whereas class variables are variables whose value is assigned in the class.

Defining instance variables using a constructor

classobjct.py file code:-

```
# Python3 program to show that the variables with a value
# assigned in the class declaration, are class variables and
# variables inside methods and constructors are instance
# variables.

# Class for Dog

class Dog:

    # Class Variable
    animal = 'dog'

    # The init method or constructor
    def __init__(self, breed, color):

        # Instance Variable
        self.breed = breed
        self.color = color

# Objects of Dog class
Rodger = Dog("Pug", "brown")
Buzo = Dog("Bulldog", "black")

print('Rodger details:')
print('Rodger is a', Rodger.animal)
print('Breed: ', Rodger.breed)
print('Color: ', Rodger.color)

print('\nBuzo details:')
```

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print('Buzo is a', Buzo.animal)
print('Breed: ', Buzo.breed)
print('Color: ', Buzo.color)

# Class variables can be accessed using class
# name also
print("\nAccessing class variable using class name")
print(Dog.animal)

```

#### Output:-

```

D:\android>python classobject.py
Rodger details:
Rodger is a dog
Breed: Pug
Color: brown

Buzo details:
Buzo is a dog
Breed: Bulldog
Color: black

Accessing class variable using class name
dog

```

#### Sampleclass.py file code :-

```

# Sample class with init method
class Person:

    # init method or constructor
    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name

    # Sample Method
    def say_hi(self):
        print('Hello, my name is', self.name)

p = Person('Nikhil')

```

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p.say_hi()
```

output :-

```
D:\android>python person.py  
Hello, my name is Nikhil
```

Write code for class.py file:-

```
# Python3 program to show that we can create  
# instance variables inside methods  
  
# Class for Dog  
  
class Dog:  
  
    # Class Variable  
    animal = 'dog'  
  
    # The init method or constructor  
    def __init__(self, breed):  
  
        # Instance Variable  
        self.breed = breed  
  
    # Adds an instance variable  
    def setRecord(self, color, name):  
        self.color = color  
        self.name = name  
  
    # Retrieves instance variable  
    def getRecord(self):  
        print(self.color, self.name)  
  
# Driver Code  
Rodger = Dog("pug")  
Rodger.setRecord("brown", "puppy")  
Rodger.getRecord()
```

**Output:-**

```
D:\android>python class.py  
brown puppy
```