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## You want to be able to access the *largest element* in a stack.

You've already implemented this Stack class:

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Python 2.7
class Stack(object):
    def __init__(self):
        """Initialize an empty stack"""
        self.items = []
    def push(self, item):
        """Push a new item onto the stack"""
        self.items.append(item)
    def pop(self):
        """Remove and return the last item"""
        # If the stack is empty, return None
        # (it would also be reasonable to throw an exception)
        if not self.items:
            return None
        return self.items.pop()
    def peek(self):
        """Return the last item without removing it"""
        if not self.items:
            return None
        return self.items[-1]
```

Use your Stack class to implement a *new* class MaxStack with a method get\_max() that returns the largest element in the stack. get\_max() should not remove the item.

Your stacks will contain only integers.

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