

Min-Max with Key function

functions

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min()

max()

Two forms of min() and max() functions

Syntax

- non-iterables

```
min(arg1, arg2, *args, key)
```

```
max(arg1, arg2, *args, key)
```

- iterables

```
min(iterable, *iterables, key, default)
```

```
max(iterable, *iterables, key, default)
```

Example: non-iterables

```
1 # Example on non iterables
2
3 min_result = min(4, -5, 23, 5, 10, -10)
4 print("The minimum number is:", min_result)
5
6 max_result = max(4, -5, 23, 5, 10, -10)
7 print("The maximum number is:", max_result)
8
9
10
```

Examples: iterables

1. List:

```
1 # Example on a list
2
3 number = [3, 2, 8, 5, 10, 6]
4
5 smallest_number = min(number)
6 print("The smallest number is:", smallest_number)
7
8 largest_number = max(number)
9 print("The largest number is:", largest_number)
```

2. Using built-in function `len` as key:

```
1 # Example using key
2
3 languages = ["Python", "C Programming", "Java", "JavaScript"]
4
5 smallest_string = min(languages, key = len);
6 print("The smallest string is:", smallest_string)
7
8 largest_string = max(languages, key = len);
9 print("The largest string is:", largest_string)
```

3. Using user-defined function as key on list:

```
1 def findMax(num):
2     rem = 0
3     while(num):
4         rem = num%10
5         return rem
6
7 print('Number with max remainder is:', max(11,48,33,17,19, key=findMax))
8
9
10 num = [11,48,33,17]
11 print('Number with min remainder is:', min(num, key=findMax))
```

4. Using user-defined function as key on tuple:

```
1 # Find out who is the youngest and eldest student
2 def myFunc(e):
3     return e[1] # return age
4
5 L = [('Sam', 35), ('Tom', 25), ('Bob', 30)]
6
7 min_x = min(L, key=myFunc)
8 print("Youngest student is: ", min_x)
9
10 max_x = max(L, key=myFunc)
11 print("eldest student is:", max_x)
12
13
```

5. Using user-defined function as key on dictionary:

```
1 # Example of min() on Dictionaries
2
3 square = {2: 4, 3: 9, -1: 1, -2: 4}
4
5 # the smallest key
6 key1 = min(square)
7 print("The smallest key:", key1)
8
9 # the key whose value is the smallest
10 key2 = min(square, key = lambda k: square[k])
11
12 print("The key with the smallest value:", key2)
13
14 # getting the smallest value
15 print("The smallest value:", square[key2])
```

```
1 # Example of max() on Dictionaries
2
3 square = {2: 4, -3: 9, -1: 1, -2: 4}
4
5 # the largest key
6 key1 = max(square)
7 print("The largest key:", key1)
8
9 # the key whose value is the largest
10 key2 = max(square, key = lambda k: square[k])
11
12 print("The key with the largest value:", key2)
13
14 # getting the largest value
15 print("The largest value:", square[key2])
```

