### minmax() — Minimums and maximums

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# **Description**

These functions return the indicated minimums and maximums of X.

rowmin(X) returns the minimum of each row of X, colmin(X) returns the minimum of each column, and min(X) returns the overall minimum. Elements of X that contain missing values are ignored.

rowmax(X) returns the maximum of each row of X, colmax(X) returns the maximum of each column, and max(X) returns the overall maximum. Elements of X that contain missing values are ignored.

rowminmax(X) returns the minimum and maximum of each row of X in an  $r \times 2$  matrix; colminmax(X) returns the minimum and maximum of each column in a  $2 \times c$  matrix; and minmax(X) returns the overall minimum and maximum. Elements of X that contain missing values are ignored.

The two-argument versions of rowminmax(), colminmax(), and minmax() allow you to specify how missing values are to be treated. Specifying a second argument with value 0 is the same as using the single-argument versions of the functions. In the two-argument versions, if the second argument is not zero, missing values are treated like all other values in determining the minimums and maximums:  $non-missing < . < .a < .b < \cdots < .z.$ 

rowmaxabs (A) and colmaxabs (A) return the same result as rowmax(abs(A)) and colmax(abs(A)). The advantage is that matrix abs(A) is never formed or stored, and so these functions use less memory.

### **Syntax**

real colvector rowmin (real matrix X) real rowvector colmin (real matrix X) real scalar min (real matrix X) real colvector rowmax (real matrix X) real rowvector colmax (real matrix X) real scalar  $max(real\ matrix\ X)$ real matrix rowminmax(real matrix X) real matrix colminmax(real matrix X) real rowvector minmax (real matrix X) real matrix rowminmax(real matrix X , real scalar usemiss) real matrix colminmax (real matrix X, real scalar usemiss) real rowvector minmax (real matrix X, real scalar usemiss) real colvector rowmaxabs (numeric matrix A) real rowvector colmaxabs (numeric matrix A)

## Conformability

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rowmin(X), rowmax(X):
                    X:
                              r \times c
                result:
                              r \times 1
colmin(X), colmax(X):
                    X:
                              r \times c
                result:
                              1 \times c
\min(X), \max(X):
                              r \times c
               result:
                              1 \times 1
rowminmax(X, usemiss):
                    X:
                              r \times c
                              1 \times 1
             usemiss:
               result:
                              r \times 2
colminmax(X, usemiss)
                    X:
                              r \times c
                              1 \times 1
             usemiss:
               result:
                              2 \times c
minmax(X, usemiss)
                    X:
                              r \times c
                              1 \times 1
             usemiss:
               result:
                              1 \times 2
rowmaxabs(A):
                    A:
                              r \times c
               result:
                              r \times 1
colmaxabs(A):
                    A:
                              r \times c
                              1 \times c
               result:
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# **Diagnostics**

row\*() functions return missing values for the corresponding minimum or maximum when the entire row contains missing.

col\*() functions return missing values for the corresponding minimum or maximum when the entire column contains missing.

min() and max() return missing values when the entire matrix contains missing values.

#### Also see

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[M-5] minindex() — Indices of minimums and maximums
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[M-4] Mathematical — Important mathematical functions

[M-4] Utility — Matrix utility functions

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