POSTGRESQL - MAX FUNCTION

PostgreSQL **MAX** function is used to find out the record with maximum value among a record set.

To understand **MAX** function, consider the table COMPANY having records as follows:

```
testdb# select * from COMPANY;
 id | name   | age | address    | salary
----+--------+-----+------------+--------
  1 | Paul   |  32 | California |  20000
  2 | Allen  |  25 | Texas      |  15000
  3 | Teddy  |  23 | Norway     |  20000
  4 | Mark   |  25 | Rich-Mond  |  65000
  5 | David  |  27 | Texas      |  85000
  6 | Kim    |  22 | South-Hall |  45000
  7 | James  |  24 | Houston    |  10000
(7 rows)
```

Now suppose based on the above table you want to fetch maximum value of SALARY, then you can do so simply using the following command:

```
testdb=# SELECT MAX(salary) FROM COMPANY;
```

Above PostgreSQL statement will produce the following result:

```
  max
-------
 85000
(1 row)
```

You can find all the records with maximum value for each name using **GROUP BY** clause as follows:

```
testdb=# SELECT id, name, MAX(salary) FROM COMPANY GROUP BY id, name;
```

Above PostgreSQL statement will produce the following result:

```
 id | name   |  max
----+--------+-------
  4 | Mark   | 65000
  7 | James  | 10000
  6 | Kim    | 45000
  3 | Teddy  | 20000
  2 | Allen  | 15000
  5 | David  | 85000
  1 | Paul   | 20000
```

You can use **MIN** Function along with **MAX** function to find out minimum value as well. Try out following example:

```
testdb=# SELECT MIN(salary), MAX(salary) max FROM company;
```

Above PostgreSQL statement will produce the following result:

```
  min  |  max
-------+-------
 10000 | 85000
(1 row)
```