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## Synopsis

Get the minimum value of an array

## Syntax

```
result = min (Array_Type a [,Int_Type dim])
```

## Description

The min function examines the elements of a numeric array and returns the value of the smallest element. If a second argument is given, then it specifies the dimension of the array to be searched. In this case, an array of dimension one less than that of the input array will be returned with the corresponding elements in the specified dimension replaced by the minimum value in that dimension.

## Example

Consider the 2-d array

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10

generated by

```
a = _reshape ([1:10], [2, 5]);
```

Then min(a) will return 1, and min(a,0) will return a 1-d array with elements

1	2	3	4	5
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## See Also

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[reshape](#), [array\\_info](#), [cumsum](#), [max](#), [reshape](#), [sum](#), [transpose](#)

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