

PERL EXISTS FUNCTION

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Description

This function returns true if the specified hash or array key exists, regardless of the corresponding value, even if it's undef. If `EXPR` is a subroutine, then `exists` will return 1 if the subroutine has been declared *but not necessarily defined*, 0 if not.

If `LIST` is more than one argument, or an array with more than one value, then the command is executed directly without the use of a shell.

Syntax

Following is the simple syntax for this function –

```
exists EXPR
```

Return Value

This function returns 0 if hash element or array index does not exist, or if the subroutine has not been declared and 1 if hash element or array index does exist, or if the subroutine has not been declared.

Example

Following is the example code showing its basic usage –

When above code is executed, it produces the following result –

```
Loading [MathJax]/jax/output/HTML-CSS/fonts/TeX/fontdata.js
```