

PERL SCALAR FUNCTION

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Description

This function forces the evaluation of `EXPR` to be in scalar context, even if it would normally work in list context.

Syntax

Following is the simple syntax for this function –

```
scalar EXPR
```

Return Value

This function returns Scalar.

Example

Following is the example code showing its basic usage –

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w

@a = (1,2,3,4);
@b = (10,20,30,40);

@c = ( @a, @b );
print "1 - Final Array is @c\n";

@c = ( scalar(@a), scalar(@b) );
print "2 - Final Array is @c\n";
```

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

```
1 - Final Array is 1 2 3 4 10 20 30 40
2 - Final Array is 4 4
```