

# PERL UMASK FUNCTION

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## Description

This function sets the umask *defaultmaskappliedwhencreatingfilesanddirectories* for the current process. Value of `EXPR` must be an octal number. If `EXPR` is omitted, simply returns the previous value.

## Syntax

Following is the simple syntax for this function –

```
umask EXPR  
  
umask
```

## Return Value

This function returns the previous umask value.

## Example

Following is the example code showing its basic usage –

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w  
  
print("The current umask is: ", umask(), "\n");
```

When above code is executed, it produces the following result. You can get different result on your computer based on your setting.

```
The current umask is: 18  
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