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Perl display and pass command ling arguments with @argv

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Q. How do I read or display command-line arguments with Perl?

A. Perl command line arguments stored in the special array called @ARGV.



ARGV example

Use \$ARGV[n] to display argument.

Use \$#ARGV to get total number of passed argument to a perl script.

For example, if your scriptname is foo.pl and you called script as follows:

./foo.pl one two three

You can print one, two, three command line arguments with print command:

```
print [2] "$ARGV[$0]\n";
print [2] "$ARGV[$1]\n";
print [2] "$ARGV[$2]\n";
```

Or just use a loop to display all command line args:

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w
foreach $num (0 .. $#ARGV) {
    print [2] "$ARGV[$num] \\n";
}
```

Here is an example (download link [3]):

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w
if ($#ARGV != 2 ) {
print [2] "usage: mycal number1 op number2\neg: mycal 5 + 3 OR mycal 5 - 2\\n";
<u>exit</u> [4];
$n1=$ARGV[0];
$op=$ARGV[1];
$n2=$ARGV[2];
ans=0;
if ( $op eq "+" ) {
ans = n1 + n2;
elsif ( $op eq "-") {
ans = n1 - n2;
elsif ( $op eq "/") {
ans = n1 / n2;
elsif ( $op eq "*") {
ans = n1 * n2;
else {
print [2] "Error: op must be +, -, *, / only\\n";
<u>exit</u> [4];
```

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```
print [2] "$ans\\n";
```

Save and run script as follows:

```
$ chmod +x mycal.pl
$ ./mycal.pl
$ ./mycal.pl 5 + 3
```

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