

man pages section 3: Curses Library Functions

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Preface

Both novice users and those familar with the SunOS operating system can use online man pages to obtain information about the system and its features. A man page is intended to answer concisely the question "What does it do?" The man pages in general comprise a reference manual. They are not intended to be a tutorial.

Overview

The following contains a brief description of each man page section and the information it references:

- Section 1 describes, in alphabetical order, commands available with the operating system.
- Section 1M describes, in alphabetical order, commands that are used chiefly for system maintenance and administration purposes.
- Section 2 describes all of the system calls. Most of these calls have one or more error returns. An error condition is indicated by an otherwise impossible returned value.
- Section 3 describes functions found in various libraries, other than those functions that directly invoke UNIX system primitives, which are described in Section 2.
- Section 4 outlines the formats of various files. The C structure declarations for the file formats are given where applicable.
- Section 5 contains miscellaneous documentation such as character-set tables.
- Section 6 contains available games and demos.
- Section 7 describes various special files that refer to specific hardware peripherals and device drivers. STREAMS software drivers, modules and the STREAMS-generic set of system calls are also described.

- Section 9 provides reference information needed to write device drivers in the kernel environment. It describes two device driver interface specifications: the Device Driver Interface (DDI) and the Driver/Kernel Interface (DKI).
- Section 9E describes the DDI/DKI, DDI-only, and DKI-only entry-point routines a developer can include in a device driver.
- Section 9F describes the kernel functions available for use by device drivers.
- Section 9S describes the data structures used by drivers to share information between the driver and the kernel.

Below is a generic format for man pages. The man pages of each manual section generally follow this order, but include only needed headings. For example, if there are no bugs to report, there is no BUGS section. See the intro pages for more information and detail about each section, and man(1) for more information about man pages in general.

NAME

This section gives the names of the commands or functions documented, followed by a brief description of what they do.

SYNOPSIS

This section shows the syntax of commands or functions. When a command or file does not exist in the standard path, its full path name is shown. Options and arguments are alphabetized, with single letter arguments first, and options with arguments next, unless a different argument order is required.

The following special characters are used in this section:

- [] Brackets. The option or argument enclosed in these brackets is optional. If the brackets are omitted, the argument must be specified.
- . . . Ellipses. Several values can be provided for the previous argument, or the previous argument can be specified multiple times, for example, "filename . . ."
- Separator. Only one of the arguments separated by this character can be specified at a time.
- { } Braces. The options and/or arguments enclosed within braces are interdependent, such that everything enclosed must be treated as a unit.

PROTOCOL

This section occurs only in subsection 3R to indicate the protocol description file.

DESCRIPTION

This section defines the functionality and behavior of the service. Thus it describes concisely what the command does. It does not discuss OPTIONS or cite EXAMPLES. Interactive commands, subcommands, requests, macros, and functions are described under USAGE.

IOCTL

This section appears on pages in Section 7 only. Only the device class that supplies appropriate parameters to the ioctl(2) system call is called ioctl and generates its own heading. ioctl calls for a specific device are listed alphabetically (on the man page for that specific device). ioctl calls are used for a particular class of devices all of which have an io ending, such as mtio(7I).

OPTIONS

This secton lists the command options with a concise summary of what each option does. The options are listed literally and in the order they appear in the SYNOPSIS section. Possible arguments to options are discussed under the option, and where appropriate, default values are supplied.

OPERANDS

This section lists the command operands and describes how they affect the actions of the command.

OUTPUT

This section describes the output - standard output, standard error, or output files - generated by the

RETURN VALUES

If the man page documents functions that return values, this section lists these values and describes the conditions under which they are returned. If a function can return only constant values, such as 0 or –1, these values are listed in tagged paragraphs. Otherwise, a single paragraph describes the return values of each function. Functions declared void do not return values, so they are not discussed in RETURN VALUES.

ERRORS

On failure, most functions place an error code in the global variable errno indicating why they failed. This section lists alphabetically all error codes a function can generate and describes the conditions that cause each error. When more than one condition can cause the same error, each condition is described in a separate paragraph

under the error code.

USAGE This section lists special rules, features, and

commands that require in-depth explanations. The subsections listed here are used to explain built-in

functionality:

Commands Modifiers Variables Expressions Input Grammar

EXAMPLES This section provides examples of usage or of how

to use a command or function. Wherever possible a complete example including command-line entry and machine response is shown. Whenever an example is given, the prompt is shown as example%, or if the user must be superuser, example#. Examples are followed by explanations, variable substitution rules, or returned values. Most examples illustrate concepts from the SYNOPSIS, DESCRIPTION, OPTIONS, and USAGE sections.

ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES This section lists any environment variables that

the command or function affects, followed by a

brief description of the effect.

EXIT STATUS This section lists the values the command returns to

the calling program or shell and the conditions that cause these values to be returned. Usually, zero is returned for successful completion, and values other than zero for various error conditions.

FILES This section lists all file names referred to by the

man page, files of interest, and files created or required by commands. Each is followed by a

descriptive summary or explanation.

ATTRIBUTES This section lists characteristics of commands,

utilities, and device drivers by defining the attribute type and its corresponding value. See

attributes(5) for more information.

SEE ALSO This section lists references to other man pages,

in-house documentation, and outside publications.

This section lists diagnostic messages with a brief **DIAGNOSTICS**

explanation of the condition causing the error.

WARNINGS This section lists warnings about special conditions

> which could seriously affect your working conditions. This is not a list of diagnostics.

This section lists additional information that does **NOTES**

not belong anywhere else on the page. It takes the form of an aside to the user, covering points of special interest. Critical information is never

covered here.

BUGS This section describes known bugs and, wherever

possible, suggests workarounds.

Curses Library Functions

addch(3XCURSES)

NAME

addch, mvaddch, mvwaddch, waddch - add a character (with rendition) to a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library ... ]

#include <curses.h>
int addch(const chtype ch);
int mvaddch(int y, int x, const chtype ch);
int mvwaddch(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const chtype ch);
int waddch(WINDOW *win, const chtype ch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The addch() function writes a character to the stdscr window at the current cursor position. The mvaddch() and mvwaddch() functions write the character to the position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters. The mvaddch() function writes the character to the stdscr window, while mvwaddch() writes the character to the window specified by win. The waddch() function is identical to addch(), but writes the character to the window specified by win.

These functions advance the cursor after writing the character. Characters that do not fit on the end of the current line are wrapped to the beginning of the next line unless the current line is the last line of the window and scrolling is disabled. In that situation, characters which extend beyond the end of the line are discarded.

When *ch* is a backspace, carriage return, newline, or tab, X/Open Curses moves the cursor appropriately. Each tab character moves the cursor to the next tab stop. By default, tab stops occur every eight columns. When *ch* is a control character other than backspace, carriage return, newline, or tab, it is written using ^x notation, where *x* is a printable character. When X/Open Curses writes *ch* to the last character position on a line, it automatically generates a newline. When *ch* is written to the last character position of a scrolling region and scrollok() is enabled, X/Open Curses scrolls the scrolling region up one line (see clearok(3XCURSES)).

PARAMETERS

wchstr	Is a pointer to the cchar_t string to be copied to the window.
n	Is the maximum number of characters to be copied from <i>wchstr</i> . If <i>n</i> is less than 0, the entire string is written or as much of it as fits on the line.
y	Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position of <i>wchstr</i> in the window.
x	Is the x (column) coordinate of the starting position of $wchstr$ in the window.
win	Is a pointer to the window to which the string is to be copied.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS | None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

attroff(3XCURSES), bkgdset(3XCURSES), doupdate(3XCURSES), inch(3XCURSES), insch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), n1(3XCURSES), printw(3XCURSES), scrollok(3XCURSES), scrl(3XCURSES), terminfo(4), attributes(5), standards(5)

addchstr(3XCURSES)

NAME |

addchstr, addchnstr, mvaddchstr, mvaddchnstr, mvwaddchstr, mvwaddchstr, waddchstr, waddchnstr - copy a character string (with renditions) to a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpq4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int addchstr(const chtype *chstr);
int addchnstr(const chtype *chstr, int n);
int mvaddchnstr(int y, int x, const chtype *chstr, int n);
int mvaddchstr(int y, int x, const chtype *chstr);
int mvwaddchnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const chtype *chstr, int
    n);
int mvwaddchstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const chtype *chstr);
int waddchstr(WINDOW *win, const chtype *chstr);
int waddchnstr(WINDOW *win, const chtype *chstr, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

The addchstr() function copies the chtype character string to the stdscr window at the current cursor position. The mvaddchstr() and mvwaddchstr() functions copy the character string to the starting position indicated by the x (column) and y(row) parameters (the former to the stdscr window; the latter to window win). The waddchstr() is identical to addchstr(), but writes to the window specified by win.

The addchnstr(), waddchnstr(), mvaddchnstr(), and mvwaddchnstr() functions write *n* characters to the window, or as many as will fit on the line. If *n* is less than 0, the entire string is written, or as much of it as fits on the line. The former two functions place the string at the current cursor position; the latter two commands use the position specified by the *x* and *y* parameters.

These functions differ from the addstr(3XCURSES) set of functions in two important respects. First, these functions do not advance the cursor after writing the string to the window. Second, the current window rendition is not combined with the character; only the attributes that are already part of the chtype character are used.

PARAMETERS

chstr	Is a pointer to the chtype string to be copied to the window.
n	Is the maximum number of characters to be copied from <i>chstr</i> . If n is less than 0, the entire string is written or as much of it as fits on the line.
y	Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position of <i>chstr</i> in the window.
x	Is the x (column) coordinate of the starting position of chstr in the window.
win	Is a pointer to the window to which the string is to be copied.

RETURN VALUES On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS | None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

addch(3XCURSES), addnstr(3XCURSES), attroff(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

addnstr(3XCURSES)

NAME |

addnstr, addstr, mvaddnstr, mvaddstr, mvwaddnstr, waddnstr, waddstr – add a multi-byte character string (without rendition) to a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library ... ]

#include <curses.h>
int addnstr(const char *str, int n);
int addstr(const char *str);
int mvaddnstr(int y, int x, const char *str, int n);
int mvaddstr(int y, int x, const char *str);
int mvaddstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const char *str, int n);
int mvwaddstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const char *str);
int waddstr(WINDOW *win, const char *str);
int waddnstr(WINDOW *win, const char *str);
int waddnstr(WINDOW *win, const char *str, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

The addstr() function writes a null-terminated string of multi-byte characters to the stdscr window at the current cursor position. The waddstr() function performs an identical action, but writes the character to the window specified by win. The mvaddstr() and mvwaddstr() functions write the string to the position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former to the stdscr window; the latter to window win).

The addnstr(), waddnstr(), mvaddnstr(), and mvwaddnstr() functions are similar but write at most n characters to the window. If n is less than 0, the entire string is written.

All of these functions advance the cursor after writing the string.

These functions are functionally equivalent to calling the corresponding function from the addch(3XCURSES) set of functions once for each character in the string. Refer to the curses(3XCURSES) man page for a complete description of special character handling and of the interaction between the window rendition (or background character and rendition) and the character written.

Note that these functions differ from the addchstr() set of functions in that the addchstr(3XCURSES) functions copy the string as is (without combining each character with the window rendition or the background character and rendition.

PARAMETERS

- str Is a pointer to the character string that is to be written to the window.
- Is the maximum number of characters to be copied from *str*. If *n* is less than0, the entire string is written or as much of it as fits on the line.
- *y* Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position of *str* in the window.

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Is the x (column) coordinate of the starting position of *str* in the window.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the string is to be written.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return ${\tt OK}.$ Otherwise, they return ${\tt ERR}.$

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

addch(3XCURSES), addchstr(3XCURSES), curses(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

addnwstr(3XCURSES)

NAME |

addnwstr, addwstr, mvaddnwstr, mvaddwstr, mvwaddnwstr, mvwaddwstr, waddnwstr, waddwstr – add a wide-character string to a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library ... ]

#include <curses.h>
int addnwstr(const wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int addwstr(const wchar_t *wstr);
int mvaddnwstr(int y, int x, const wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvaddwstr(int y, int x, const wchar_t *wstr);
int mvaddnwstr(int y, int x, const wchar_t *wstr);
int mvaddnwstr(WINDOW*win, int y, int x, const wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvaddwstr(WINDOW*win, int y, int x, const wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvaddwstr(WINDOW*win, const wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int waddnwstr(WINDOW*win, const wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int waddwstr(WINDOW*win, const wchar_t *wstr);
```

DESCRIPTION

The addwstr() function writes a null-terminated wide-character string to the stdscr window at the current cursor position. The waddwstr() function performs an identical action, but writes the string to the window specified by win. The mvaddwstr() and mvwaddwstr() functions write the string to the position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former to the stdscr window; the latter to window win).

The addnwstr(), waddnwstr(), mvaddnwstr(), and mvwaddnwstr() functions write at most n characters to the window. If n is less than 0, the entire string is written. The former two functions place the characters at the current cursor position; the latter two commands use the position specified by the x and y parameters.

All of these functions advance the cursor after writing the string.

These functions are functionally equivalent to building a <code>cchar_t</code> from the <code>wchar_t</code> and the window rendition (or background character and rendition) and calling the <code>wadd_wch(3XCURSES)</code> function once for each <code>wchar_t</code> in the string. Refer to the <code>curses(3XCURSES)</code> man page for a complete description of special character handling and of the interaction between the window rendition (or background character and rendition) and the character written.

Note that these functions differ from the add_wchnstr(3XCURSES) set of functions in that the latter copy the string as is (without combining each character with the foreground and background attributes of the window).

PARAMETERS

wstr Is a pointer to the wide-character string that is to be written to the window.

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Is the maximum number of characters to be copied from *wstr*. If *n* is less n than 0, the entire string is written or as much of it as fits on the line.

Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position of *wstr* in the window. y

Is the x (column) coordinate of the starting position of *wstr* in the window. χ

win Is a pointer to the window in which the string is to be written.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

add wch(3XCURSES), add wchnstr(3XCURSES), curses(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

add wch(3XCURSES)

NAME |

add_wch, mvadd_wch, mvwadd_wch, wadd_wch – add a complex character (with rendition) to a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library ... ]

#include <curses.h>
int add_wch(const cchar_t *wch);
int wadd_wch(WINDOW *win, const cchar_t *wch);
int mvadd_wch(int y, int x, const cchar_t *wch);
int mvadd_wch(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const cchar t *wch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The add_wch() function writes a complex character to the stdscr window at the current cursor position. The mvadd_wch() and mvwadd_wch() functions write the character to the position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters. The mvadd_wch() function writes the character to the stdscr window, while mvwadd_wch() writes the character to the window specified by win. The wadd_wch() function is identical to add_wch(), but writes the character to the window specified by win. These functions advance the cursor after writing the character.

If *wch* is a spacing complex character, X/Open Curses replaces any previous character at the specified location with *wch* (and its rendition). If *wch* is a non-spacing complex character, X/Open Curses preserves all existing characters at the specified location and adds the non-spacing characters of *wch* to the spacing complex character. It ignores the rendition associated with *wch*.

Characters that do not fit on the end of the current line are wrapped to the beginning of the next line unless the current line is the last line of the window and scrolling is disabled. In that situation, X/Open Curses discards characters which extend beyond the end of the line.

When wch is a backspace, carriage return, newline, or tab, X/Open Curses moves the cursor appropriately as described in the curses(3XCURSES) man page. Each tab character moves the cursor to the next tab stop. By default, tab stops occur every eight columns. When wch is a control character other than a backspace, carriage return, newline, or tab, it is written using x notation, where x is a printable character. When X/Open Curses writes wch to the last character position on a line, it automatically generates a newline. When wch is written to the last character position of a scrolling region and scrollok() is enabled, X/Open Curses scrolls the scrolling region up one line (see clearok(3XCURSES)).

PARAMETERS

wch Is the character/attribute pair (rendition) to be written to the window.win Is a pointer to the window in which the character is to be written.y Is the y (row) coordinate of the character's position in the window.

Is the x (column) coordinate of the character's position in the window.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

attr_off(3XCURSES), bkgrndset(3XCURSES), curses(3XCURSES), doupdate(3XCURSES), in_wch(3XCURSES), ins_wch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), nl(3XCURSES), printw(3XCURSES), scrollok(3XCURSES), scrl(3XCURSES), setscrreg(3XCURSES), terminfo(4), attributes(5), standards(5)

add wchnstr(3XCURSES)

NAME |

add_wchnstr, add_wchstr, mvadd_wchnstr, mvadd_wchstr, mvwadd_wchstr, mvwadd_wchstr, wadd_wchstr – copy a string of complex characters (with renditions) to a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library ... ]

#include <curses.h>
int add_wchnstr(const cchar_t *wchstr, int n);
int add_wchstr(const cchar_t *wchstr);
int mvadd_wchnstr(int y, int x, const cchar_t *wchstr, int n);
int mvadd_wchstr(int y, int x, const cchar_t *wchstr);
int mvadd_wchstr(int y, int x, const cchar_t *wchstr);
int mvadd_wchnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const cchar_t *wchstr, int n);
int mvadd_wchstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const cchar_t *wchstr);
int wadd_wchstr(WINDOW *win, const cchar_t *wchstr);
int wadd_wchstr(WINDOW *win, const cchar_t *wchstr, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

The add_wchstr() function copies the string of cchar_t characters to the stdscr window at the current cursor position. The mvadd_wchstr() and mvwadd_wchstr() functions copy the string to the starting position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former to the stdscr window; the latter to window win). The wadd_wchstr() is identical to add_wchstr(), but writes to the window specified by win.

The add_wchnstr(), wadd_wchnstr(), mvadd_wchnstr(), and mvwadd_wchnstr() functions write n characters to the window, or as many as will fit on the line. If n is less than 0, the entire string is written, or as much of it as fits on the line. The former two functions place the string at the current cursor position; the latter two commands use the position specified by the x and y parameters.

These functions differ from the addwstr(3XCURSES) set of functions in two important respects. First, these functions do *not* advance the cursor after writing the string to the window. Second, the current window rendition (that is, the combination of attributes and color pair) is not combined with the character; only those attributes that are already part of the cchar_t character are used.

PARAMETERS

wchstr	Is a pointer to the cchar_t string to be copied to the window.
n	Is the maximum number of characters to be copied from <i>wchstr</i> . If <i>n</i> is less than 0, the entire string is written or as much of it as fits on the line.
y	Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position of <i>wchstr</i> in the window.

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Is the x (column) coordinate of the starting position of *wchstr* in the \boldsymbol{x}

window.

Is a pointer to the window to which the string is to be copied. win

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS None.

ATTRIBUTES See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

addnwstr(3XCURSES), add_wch(3XCURSES), attr_off(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

attr_get(3XCURSES)

NAME |

attr_get, attr_off, attr_on, attr_set, color_set, wattr_get, wattr_off, wattr_on, wattr_set, wcolor_set – control window attributes

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int attr_get(attr_t *attrs, short *color, void *opts);
int attr_off(attr_t attrs, void *opts);
int attr_on(attr_t attrs, void *opts);
int attr_set(attr_t attrs, short color, void *opts);
int color_set(short *color, void *opts);
int wattr_get(WINDOW *win, attr_t attrs, short *color, void *opts);
int wattr_off(WINDOW *win, attr_t attrs, void *opts);
int wattr_on(WINDOW *win, attr_t attrs, void *opts);
int wattr_set(WINDOW *win, attr_t attrs, short color, void *opts);
int wattr_set(WINDOW *win, attr_t attrs, short color, void *opts);
int wcolor set(WINDOW *win, short color, void *opts);
```

DESCRIPTION

The attr_get() function retrieves the current rendition of *stdscr*. The wattr_get() function retrieves the current rendition of window *win*. If *attrs* or *color* is a null pointer, no information is retrieved.

The attr_off() and attr_on() functions unset and set, respectively, the specified window attributes of stdscr. These functions only affect the attributes specified; attributes that existed before the call are retained.

The wattr_off() and wattr_on() functions unset or set the specified attributes for window win.

The attr_set() and wattr_set() functions change the rendition of stdscr and win; the old values are not retained.

The $color_set()$ and $wcolor_set()$ functions set the window color of stdscr and win to color.

The attributes and color pairs that can be used are specified in the Attributes, Color Pairs, and Renditions section of the curses(3XCURSES) man page.

PARAMETERS

color Is a pointer to a color pair number.

opts Is reserved for future use.

win Is a pointer to the window in which attribute changes are to be made.

RETURN VALUES

These functions always return OK.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

add_wch(3XCURSES), addnwstr(3XCURSES), attroff(3XCURSES),
bkgrndset(3XCURSES), curses(3XCURSES), init_color(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), start color(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

attroff(3XCURSES)

NAME

attroff, attron, attrset, wattroff, wattron, wattrset – change foreground window attributes

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int attroff(int attrs);
int attron(int attrs);
int attrset(int attrs);
int wattroff(WINDOW *win, int attrs);
int wattron(WINDOW *win, int attrs);
int wattrset(WINDOW *win, int attrs);
```

DESCRIPTION

The attroff() and attron() functions unset and set, respectively, the specified window attributes of stdscr. These functions only affect the attributes specified; attributes that existed before the call are retained. The wattroff() and wattron() functions unset or set the specified attributes for window win.

The attrset() and wattrset() functions change the specified window renditions of stdscr and *win* to new values; the old values are not retained.

The attributes that can be used are specified in the Attributes, Color Pairs, and Renditions section of the curses(3XCURSES) man page.

Here is an example that prints some text using the current window rendition, adds underlining, changes the attributes, prints more text, then changes the attributes back.

```
printw("This word is");
attron(A_UNDERLINE);
printw("underlined.");
attroff(A_NORMAL);
printw("This is back to normal text.\n");
refresh();
```

PARAMETERS

attrs are the foreground window attributes to be set or unset.

win Is a pointer to the window in which attribute changes are to be made.

RETURN VALUES

These functions always return OK or 1.

ERRORS

None.

USAGE

All of these functions may be macros.

 $\textbf{ATTRIBUTES} \hspace{0.2cm} | \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{See attributes}(5) \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{for descriptions of the following attributes:} \\$

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

addch(3XCURSES), addnstr(3XCURSES), attr_get(3XCURSES), bkgdset(3XCURSES), curses(3XCURSES), init color(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), start_color(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

baudrate(3XCURSES)

NAME | baudrate – return terminal baud rate

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int baudrate(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The baudrate () function returns the terminal's data communication line and output speed in bits per second (for example, 9600).

RETURN VALUES

The baudrate() function returns the output speed of the terminal.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME

beep, flash – activate audio-visual alarm

SYNOPSIS

```
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int beep (void);
int flash(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The beep() and flash() functions produce an audio and visual alarm on the terminal, respectively. If the terminal has the capability, beep () sounds a bell or beep and flash() flashes the screen. One alarm is substituted for another if the terminal does not support the capability called (see terminfo(4) bel and flash capabilities). For example, a call to beep () for a terminal without that capability results in a flash.

RETURN VALUES

These functions always return OK.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), terminfo(4), attributes(5), standards(5)

bkgd(3XCURSES)

NAME

bkgd, bkgdset, getbkgd, wbkgd, wbkgdset – set or get the background character (and rendition) of window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int bkgd(chtype ch);

void bkgdset(chtype ch);

chtype getbkgd(WINDOW *win);
int wbkgd(WINDOW *win, chtype ch);

void wbkgdset(WINDOW *win, chtype ch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The bkgdset () and wbkgdset () functions turn off the previous background attributes, logical OR the requested attributes into the window rendition, and set the background property of the current or specified window based on the information in *ch*. If *ch* refers to a multi-column character, the results are undefined.

The bkgd() and wbkgd() functions turn off the previous background attributes, logical OR the requested attributes into the window rendition, and set the background property of the current or specified window and then apply this setting to every character position in that window:

- The rendition of every character on the screen is changed to the new window rendition.
- Wherever the former background character appears, it is changed to the new background character.

The getbkgd() function extracts the specified window's background character and rendition.

PARAMETERS

ch Is the background character to be set.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the background character is to be set.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, the bkgd() and wbkgd() functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

The bkgdset () and wbkgdset () functions do not return a value.

Upon successful completion, the $\mathtt{getbkgd}()$ function returns the specified window's background character and rendition. Otherwise, it returns (chtype) ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

USAGE

These functions are only guaranteed to operate reliably on character sets in which each character fits into a single byte, whose attributes can be expressed using only constants with the A_ prefix.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

addch(3XCURSES), addchstr(3XCURSES), attroff(3XCURSES), bkgrnd(3XCURSES), clear(3XCURSES), clrtoeol(3XCURSES), clrtobot(3XCURSES), erase(3XCURSES), inch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), mvprintw(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

bkgrnd(3XCURSES)

NAME |

bkgrnd, bkgrndset, getbkgrnd, wbkgrnd, wbkgrndset, wgetbkgrnd – set or get the background character (and rendition) of window using a complex character

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int bkgrnd(const cchar_t *wch);

void bkgrndset(const cchar_t *wch);
int getbkgrnd(cchar_t *wch);
int wbkgrnd(WINDOW *win, const cchar_t *wch);
void wbkgrndset(WINDOW *win, const cchar_t *wch);
int wgetbkgrnd(WINDOW *win, cchar_t *wch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The bkgrndset () and wbkgrndset () functions turn off the previous background attributes, logical OR the requested attributes into the window rendition, and set the background property of the current or specified window based on the information in *wch*.

The bkgrnd() and wbkgrnd() functions turn off the previous background attributes, logical OR the requested attributes into the window rendition, and set the background property of the current or specified window and then apply this setting to every character position in that window:

- The rendition of every character on the screen is changed to the new window rendition.
- Wherever the former background character appears, it is changed to the new background character.

If wch refers to a non-spacing complex character for bkgrnd(), bkgrndset(), wbkgrnd(), and wbkgrndset(), then wch is added to the existing spacing complex character that is the background character. If wch refers to a multi-column character, the results are unspecified.

The getbkgrnd() and wgetbkgrnd() functions store, into the area pointed to buy wch, the window's background character and rendition.

PARAMETERS

wch Is a pointer to the complex background character to be set.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the complex background character is to be set.

RETURN VALUES

The bkgrndset () and wbkgrndset () functions do not return a value.

Upon successful completion, the other functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS | No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

add_wch(3XCURSES), add_wchnstr(3XCURSES), addch(3XCURSES), addchstr(3XCURSES), attroff(3XCURSES), bkgd(3XCURSES), clear(3XCURSES), clrtoeol(3XCURSES), clrtobot(3XCURSES), erase(3XCURSES), inch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), mvprintw(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

border(3XCURSES)

NAME

border, box, wborder – add a single-byte border to a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int border(chtype ls, chtype rs, chtype ts, chtype bs, chtype tl, chtype tr, chtype bl, chtype br);
int wborder(WINDOW *win, chtype ls, chtype rs, chtype ts, chtype bs, chtype tl, chtype tr, chtype bl, chtype br);
int box(WINDOW *win, chtype verch, chtype horch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The border () and wborder () functions draw a border around the specified window. All parameters must be single-byte characters whose rendition can be expressed using only constants beginning with ACS_. A parameter with the value of 0 is replaced by the default value.

Constant Values for Borders		
Parameter	Default Constant	Default Character
verch	ACS_VLINE	l
horch	ACS_HLINE	-
ls	ACS_VLINE	1
rs	ACS_VLINE	1
ts	ACS_HLINE	-
bs	ACS_HLINE	-
bl	ACS_BLCORNER	+
br	ACS_BRCORNER	+
tl	ACS_ULCORNER	+
tr	ACS_URCORNER	+

The call

```
box(win,
verch, horch) is a short form for
wborder(win,
verch, verch,
horch, horch, 0, 0, 0,
```

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0) When the window is boxed, the bottom and top rows and right and left columns overwrite existing text.

PARAMETERS

ls	Is the character and rendition used for the left side of the border.
rs	Is the character and rendition used for the right side of the border.
ts	Is the character and rendition used for the top of the border.
bs	Is the character and rendition used for the bottom of the border.
tl	Is the character and rendition used for the top-left corner of the border.
tr	Is the character and rendition used for the top-right corner of the border.
bl	Is the character and rendition used for the bottom-left corner of the border.
br	Is the character and rendition used for the bottom-right corner of the border.
win	Is the pointer to the window in which the border or box is to be drawn.
verch	Is the character and rendition used for the left and right columns of the box.
horch	Is the character and rendition used for the top and bottom rows of the box.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

add wch(3XCURSES), addch(3XCURSES), attr get(3XCURSES), attroff(3XCURSES), border_set(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

border_set(3XCURSES)

NAME |

border_set, box_set, wborder_set - use complex characters (and renditions) to draw

SYNOPSIS

```
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int border set (const cchar t *ls, const cchar t *rs, const cchar t
    *ts, const cchar_t *bs, const cchar_t *tl, const cchar_t *tr,
    const cchar t *bl, const cchar t *br);
int wborder set(WINDOW *win, const cchar t *ls, const cchar t *rs,
    const cchar_t *ts, const cchar_t *bs, const cchar_t *tl, const cchar_t *tr, const cchar_t *br);
```

int box set(WINDOW *win, const cchar t *verch, const cchar t *horch);

DESCRIPTION

The border set () and wborder set () functions draw a border around the specified window. All parameters must be spacing complex characters with renditions. A parameter which is a null pointer is replaced by the default character.

Constant Values for Borders

Constant Values for Borders		
Parameter	Default Constant	Default Character
verch	WACS_VLINE	
horch	WACS_HLINE	-
ls	WACS_VLINE	
rs	WACS_VLINE	
ts	WACS_HLINE	-
bs	WACS_HLINE	-
bl	WACS_BLCORNER	+
br	WACS_BRCORNER	+
tl	WACS_ULCORNER	+
tr	WACS_URCORNER	+

The call

box_set(win,

verch, horch) is a short form for

wborder(win, verch, verch, horch, horch, NULL, NULL, NULL, NULL)

When the window is boxed, the bottom and top rows and right and left columns are unavailable for text.

PARAMETERS

ls	Is the character and rendition used for the left side of the border.
rs	Is the character and rendition used for the right side of the border.
ts	Is the character and rendition used for the top of the border.
bs	Is the character and rendition used for the bottom of the border.
tl	Is the character and rendition used for the top-left corner of the border.
tr	Is the character and rendition used for the top-right corner of the border.
bl	Is the character and rendition used for the bottom-left corner of the border.
br	Is the character and rendition used for the bottom-right corner of the border.
win	Is the pointer to the window in which the border or box is to be drawn.
verch	Is the character and rendition used for the left and right columns of the box.
horch	Is the character and rendition used for the top and bottom rows of the box.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

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SEE ALSO | add_wch(3XCURSES), addch(3XCURSES), attr_get(3XCURSES), attroff(3XCURSES), border(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME

can change color, color content, COLOR PAIR, has colors, init color, init pair, pair content, PAIR NUMBER, start color, COLOR PAIRS, COLORS - manipulate color information

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
bool can change color(void);
int color content(short color, short *red, short *green, short *blue);
int COLOR PAIR (int n);
bool has colors(void);
int init color (short color, short red, short green, short blue);
int init pair (short pair, short f, short b);
int pair content (short pair, short *f, short *b);
int PAIR NUMBER (int value);
int start color(void);
extern int COLOR PAIRS;
extern int COLORS;
```

DESCRIPTION

These functions manipulate color on terminals that support color.

Querying Capabilities

The has colors () function indicates whether the terminal is a color terminal. The can change color() function indicates whether the terminal is a color terminal on which colors can be redefined.

Initialization

The start color() function must be called to enable use of colors and before any color manipulation function is called. The function initializes eight basic colors (black, red, green, yellow, blue, magenta, cyan, and white) that can be specified by the color macros (such as COLOR BLACK) defined in <curses.h>. The initial appearance of these colors is unspecified.

The function also initializes two global external variables:

- COLORS defines the number of colors that the terminal supports. See Color Identification below. If COLORS is 0, the terminal does not support redefinition of colors and can change color() will return FALSE.
- COLOR PAIRS defines the maximum number of color-pairs that the terminal supports. See User-defined Color Pairs below.

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The start_color() function also restores the colors on the terminal to terminal-specific initial values. The initial background color is assumed to be black for all terminals.

Color Identification

The init_color() function redefines color number *color*, on terminals that support the redefinition of colors, to have the red, green, and blue intensity components specified by *red*, *green*, and *blue*, respectively. Calling init_color() also changes all occurrences of the specified color on the screen to the new definition.

The color_content() function identifies the intensity components of color number *color*. It stores the red, green, and blue intensity components of this color in the addresses pointed to by *red*, *green*, and *blue*, respectively.

For both functions, the *color* argument must be in the range from 0 to and including COLORS-1. Valid intensity value range from 0 (no intensity component) up to and including 1000 (maximum intensity in that component).

User-defined Color Pairs

Calling $init_pair()$ defines or redefines color-pair number pair to have foreground color f and background color b. Calling $init_pair()$ changes any characters that were displayed in the color pair's old definition to the new definition and refreshes the screen.

After defining the color pair, the macro COLOR_PAIR (*n*) returns the value of color pair *n*. This value is the color attribute as it would be extracted from a chtype. Controversy, the macro COLOR_NUMBER (*value*) returns the color pair number associated with the color attribute *value*.

The pair_content() retrieves the component colors of a color-pair number pair. It stores the foreground and background color numbers in the variables pointed to by f and b, respectively.

With $init_pair()$ and $pair_content()$, the value of *pair* must be in a range from 0 to and including COLOR_PAIRS-1. Valid values for f and b are the range from 0 to and including COLORS-1.

PARAMETERS

color	Is the number of the color for which to provide information (0 to COLORS-1).
red	Is a pointer to the RGB value for the amount of red in <i>color</i> .
green	Is a pointer to the RGB value for the amount of green in <i>color</i> .
blue	Is a pointer to the RGB value for the amount of blue in <i>color</i> .
n	Is the number of a color pair.
pair	Is the number of the color pair for which to provide information (1 to ${\tt COLOR_PAIRS-1}$).
f	Is a pointer to the number of the foreground color (0 to COLORS–1) in $\it pair.$

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b Is a pointer to the number of the background color (0 to

COLORS-1) in pair.

value Is a color attribute value.

RETURN VALUES

The has colors() function returns TRUE if the terminal can manipulate colors. Otherwise, it returns FALSE.

The can change color () function returns TRUE if the terminal supports colors and is able to change their definitions. Otherwise, it returns FALSE.

Upon successful completion, the other functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

USAGE

To use these functions, start color() must be called, usually right after initscr(3XCURSES).

The can change color() and has colors() functions facilitate writing terminal-independent applications. For example, a programmer can use them to decide whether to use color or some other video attribute.

On color terminals, a typical value of COLORS is 8 and the macros such as COLOR BLACK return a value within the range from 0 to and including 7. However, applications cannot rely on this to be true.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

attroff(3XCURSES), delscreen(3XCURSES), initscr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

cbreak(3XCURSES)

NAME |

cbreak, nocbreak, noraw, raw – set input mode controls

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int cbreak(void);
int nocbreak(void);
int raw(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The cbreak() function enables the character input mode. This overrides any previous call to the raw() function and turns the stty flag ICANON off.

The nocbreak() function sets the line canonical mode and turns the stty flag ICANON on without touching the ISIG or IXON flags.

The noraw() function sets the line canonical mode and turns the the stty flags ICANON, ISIG, and IXON all on.

The raw() function sets the character input mode and turns the stty flags ICANON, ISIG, and IXON all off. This mode provides maximum control over input.

It is important to remember that the terminal may or may not be in character mode operation initially. Most interactive programs require cbreak() to be enabled.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

getch(3XCURSES), halfdelay(3XCURSES), nodelay(3XCURSES),
timeout(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5),
termio(7I)

NAME

chgat, mvchgat, mvwchgat, wchgat - change the rendition of characters in a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int chgat(int n, attr_t attr, short color, const void *opts);
int mvchgat(int y, int x, int n, attr_t attr, short color, const void *opts);
int mvwchgat(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, int n, attr_t attr, short color, const void *opts);
int wchgat(WINDOW *win, int n, attr_t attr, short color, const void *opts);
```

DESCRIPTION

These functions change the renditions of the next n characters in the current or specified window (or of the remaining characters on the current or specified line, if n is -1), beginning at the current or specified cursor position. The attributes and colors are specified by attr and color as for setcchar(3XCURSES).

These function neither update the cursor nor perform wrapping.

A value of *n* that is greater than the remaining characters on a line is not an error.

The *opts* argument is reserved for definition in a future release. Currently, the application must provide a null pointer for *opts*.

PARAMETERS

n	Is the number of characters whose rendition is to be changed.
attr	Is the set of attributes to be assigned to the characters.
color	Is the new color pair to be assigned to the characters.
opts	Is reserved for future use. Currently, this must be a null pointer.
y	Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position in the window.
x	Is the x (column) coordinate of the starting position in the window. changed in the window.
win	Is a pointer to the window in which the rendition of characters is to be changed.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, these functions returned OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

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ATTRIBUTES

See ${\tt attributes}(5)$ for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE	
Interface Stability	Standard	
MT-Level	Unsafe	

SEE ALSO

 $\label{eq:bkgrnd} \texttt{bkgrnd}(3XCURSES), \texttt{libcurses}(3XCURSES), \texttt{setcchar}(3XCURSES), \\ \texttt{attributes}(5), \texttt{standards}(5)$

NAME | clear, erase, wclear, werase – clear a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int clear(void);
int erase(void);
int wclear(WINDOW *win);
int werase(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The clear() and erase() functions clear stdscr, destroying its previous contents. The wclear() and werase() functions perform the same action, but clear the window specified by win instead of stdscr.

The clear() and wclear() functions also call the clearok() function. This function clears and redraws the entire screen on the next call to refresh(3XCURSES) or wrefresh(3XCURSES) for the window.

The current background character (and attributes) is used to clear the screen.

PARAMETERS

win Is a pointer to the window that is to be cleared.

ERRORS

Successful completion. OK

ERR An error occurred.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

bkgdset(3XCURSES), clearok(3XCURSES), clrtobot(3XCURSES), clrtoeol(3XCURSES), doupdate(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), refresh(3XCURSES), wrefresh(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

clearok(3XCURSES)

NAME |

clearok, idlok, leaveok, scrollok, setscrreg, wsetscrreg – terminal output control functions

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int clearok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int idlok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int leaveok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int scrollok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int setscrreg(int top, int bot);
int wsetscrreg(WINDOW *win, int top, int bot);
```

DESCRIPTION

These functions set options that deal with the output within Curses functions.

The clearok () function assigns the value of bf to an internal flag in the specified window that governs clearing of the screen during a refresh. If, during a refresh operation on the specified window, the flag in curscr is TRUE or the flag in the specified window is TRUE, clearok () clears the screen, redraws it in its entirety, and sets the flag to FALSE in curscr and in the specified window. The initial state is unspecified

The idlok() function specifies whether the implementation may use the hardware insert-line, delete-line, and scroll features of terminals so equipped. If bf is TRUE, use of these features is enabled. If bf is FALSE, use of these features is disabled and lines are instead redrawn as required. The initial state is FALSE.

The leaveok () function controls the cursor position after a refresh operation. If bf is TRUE, refresh operations on the specified window may leave the terminal's cursor at an arbitrary position. If bf is FALSE, then at the end of any refresh operation, the terminal's cursor is positioned at the cursor position contained in the specified window. The initial state is FALSE.

The scrollok() function controls the use of scrolling. If *bf* is TRUE, then scrolling is enabled for the specified window. If *bf* is FALSE, scrolling is disabled for the specified window. The initial state is FALSE.

The setscrreg() and wsetscrreg() functions define a software scrolling region in the current or specified window. The *top* and *bottom* arguments are the line numbers of the first and last line defining the scrolling region. (Line 0 is the top line of the window.) If this option and scrollok() are enabled, an attempt to move off the last line of the margin causes all lines in the scrolling region to scroll one line in the

direction of the first line. Only characters in the window are scrolled. If a software scrolling region is set and scrollok() is not enabled, an attempt to move off the last line of the margin does not reposition any lines in the scrolling region.

PARAMETERS

win Is a pointer to a window.

bf Is a Boolean expression.

Is the top line of the scrolling region (top of the window is line 0). top

Is the bottom line of the scrolling region (top of the window is line

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, the setscrreg() and wsetscrreg() functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

The other functions always return OK.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

USAGE

The only reason to enable the idlok() feature is to use scrolling to achieve the visual effect of motion of a partial window, such as for a screen editor. In other cases, the feature can be visually annoying.

The leaveok() option provides greater efficiency for applications that do not use the cursor.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE	
Interface Stability	Standard	
MT-Level	Unsafe	

SEE ALSO

bkgdset(3XCURSES), clear(3XCURSES), doupdate(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), scrl(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

clrtobot(3XCURSES)

NAME |

clrtobot, wclrtobot - clear to the end of a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int clrtobot(void);
int wclrtobot(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The clrtobot() function clears all characters in the stdscr window from the cursor to the end of the window. The wclrtobot() function performs the same action in the window specified by *win* instead of in stdscr. The current background character (and rendition) is used to clear the screen.

If the clearing action results in clearing only a portion of a multicolumn character, background characters are displayed in place of the remaining portion.

PARAMETERS

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Is a pointer to the window that is to be cleared.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

bkgdset(3XCURSES), clear(3XCURSES), clearok(3XCURSES),
crltoeol(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | clrtoeol, wclrtoeol – clear to the end of a line

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int clrtoeol(void);
int wclrtoeol(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The clrtoeol () function clears the current line from the cursor to the right margin in the stdscr window. The wclrtoeol () function performs the same action, but in the window specified by win instead of stdscr. The current background character (and rendition) is used to clear the screen.

If the clearing action results in clearing only a portion of a multicolumn character, background characters are displayed in place of the remaining portion.

PARAMETERS

Is a pointer to the window in which to clear to the end of the line.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return FALSE.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

bkgdset(3XCURSES), clear(3XCURSES), clearok(3XCURSES), clrtobot(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

COLS(3XCURSES)

NAME | COLS – number of columns on terminal screen

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
extern int COLS;
```

DESCRIPTION

The external variable COLS indicates the number of columns on the terminal screen.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE	
Interface Stability	Standard	
MT-Level	Unsafe	

SEE ALSO

initscr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | copywin – overlay or overwrite any portion of window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpq4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
```

int copywin (const WINDOW *srcwin, WINDOW *dstwin, int sminrow, int smincol, int dminrow, int dmincol, int dmaxrow, int dmaxcol, int overlay);

PARAMETERS

srcwin Is a pointer to the source window to be copied.

dstwin Is a pointer to the destination window to be overlayed

or overwritten.

sminrow Is the row coordinate of the upper left corner of the

rectangular area on the source window to be copied.

smincol Is the column coordinate of the upper left corner of the

rectangular area on the source window to be copied.

dminrow Is the row coordinate of the upper left corner of the

rectangular area on the destination window to be

overlayed or overwritten.

dmincol Is the column coordinate of the upper left corner of the

rectangular area on destination window to be

overlayed or overwritten.

dmaxrow Is the row coordinate of the lower right corner of the

rectangular area on the destination window to be

overlayed or overwritten.

dmaxcol Is the column coordinate of the lower right corner of

the rectangular area on the destination window to be

overlayed or overwritten.

overlay Is a TRUE or FALSE value that determines whether the

destination window is overlayed or overwritten.

DESCRIPTION

The copywin() function provides a finer granularity of control over the overlay(3XCURSES) and overwrite(3XCURSES) functions. As in the prefresh() function (see newpad(3XCURSES)), a rectangle is specified in the destination window, (dminrow, dmincol) and (dmaxrow, dmaxcol), and the upper-left-corner coordinates of the source window, (*smincol*, *sminrow*). If overlay is TRUE, then copying is non-destructive, as in overlay (). If *overlay* is FALSE, then copying is destructive, as in overwrite().

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, the copywin () function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

copywin(3XCURSES)

ERRORS |

No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE	
Interface Stability	Standard	
MT-Level	Unsafe	

SEE ALSO

curses(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), newpad(3XCURSES),
overlay(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME |

curs_addch, addch, waddch, mvaddch, mvwaddch, echochar, wechochar – add a character (with attributes) to a curses window and advance cursor

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <curses.h>
int addch(chtype ch);
int waddch (WINDOW *win, chtype ch);
int mvaddch(int y, int x, chtype ch);
int mvwaddch (WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype ch);
int echochar (chtype ch);
int wechochar (WINDOW *win, chtype ch);
```

DESCRIPTION

With the addch(), waddch(), mvaddch(), and mvwaddch() routines, the character ch is put into the window at the current cursor position of the window and the position of the window cursor is advanced. Its function is similar to that of putchar(). At the right margin, an automatic newline is performed. At the bottom of the scrolling region, if scrollok() is enabled, the scrolling region is scrolled up one line.

If ch is a tab, newline, or backspace, the cursor is moved appropriately within the window. A newline also does a clrtoeol () before moving. Tabs are considered to be at every eighth column. If *ch* is another control character, it is drawn in the ^X notation. Calling winch() after adding a control character does not return the control character, but instead returns the representation of the control character. See curs_inch(3CURSES).

Video attributes can be combined with a character by OR-ing them into the parameter. This results in these attributes also being set. (The intent here is that text, including attributes, can be copied from one place to another using inch() and addch().) (see standout(), predefined video attribute constants, on the curs attr(3CURSES) page).

The echochar() and wechochar() routines are functionally equivalent to a call to addch() followed by a call to refresh(), or a call to waddch followed by a call to wrefresh(). The knowledge that only a single character is being output is taken into consideration and, for non-control characters, a considerable performance gain might be seen by using these routines instead of their equivalents.

Line Graphics

The following variables may be used to add line drawing characters to the screen with routines of the addch () family. When variables are defined for the terminal, the A ALTCHARSET bit is turned on (see curs attr(3CURSES)). Otherwise, the default character listed below is stored in the variable. The names chosen are consistent with the VT100 nomenclature.

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Name	Default	Glyph Description
ACS_ULCORNER	+	upper left-hand corner
ACS_LLCORNER	+	lower left-hand corner
ACS_URCORNER	+	upper right-hand corner
ACS_LRCORNER	+	lower right-hand corner
ACS_RTEE	+	right tee
ACS_LTEE	+	left tee
ACS_BTEE	+	bottom tee
ACS_TTEE	+	top tee
ACS_HLINE	-	horizontal line
ACS_VLINE	I	vertical line
ACS_PLUS	+	plus
ACS_S1	-	scan line 1
ACS_S9	-	scan line 9
ACS_DIAMOND	+	diamond
ACS_CKBOARD	:	checker board (stipple)
ACS_DEGREE	,	degree symbol
ACS_PLMINUS	#	plus/minus
ACS_BULLET	О	bullet
ACS_LARROW	<	arrow pointing left
ACS_RARROW	>	arrow pointing right
ACS_DARROW	v	arrow pointing down
ACS_UARROW	^	arrow pointing up
ACS_BOARD	#	board of squares
ACS_LANTERN	#	lantern symbol
ACS_BLOCK	#	solid square block

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ${\tt ERR}$ upon failure and an integer value other than ${\tt ERR}$ upon successful completion.

 $\textbf{ATTRIBUTES} \hspace{0.1cm} | \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{See attributes}(5) \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{for descriptions of the following attributes:} \\$

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_attr(3CURSES), curs_clear(3CURSES), curs_inch(3CURSES),
curs_outopts(3CURSES), curs_refresh(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), putc(3C), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that addch(), mvaddch(), mvwaddch(), and echochar() may be macros.

curs addchstr(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_addchstr, addchstr, addchstr, waddchstr, waddchstr, mvaddchstr, mvaddchstr, mvaddchstr, mvaddchstr – add string of characters and attributes to a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int addchstr(chtype *chstr);
int addchstr(chtype *chstr, int n);
int waddchstr(WINDOW *win, chtype *chstr);
int waddchstr(WINDOW *win, chtype *chstr, int n);
int mvaddchstr(int y, int x, chtype *chstr);
int mvaddchstr(int y, int x, chtype *chstr, int n);
int mvaddchstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype *chstr);
int mvwaddchstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype *chstr, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

All of these routines copy *chstr* directly into the window image structure starting at the current cursor position. The four routines with n as the last argument copy at most n elements, but no more than will fit on the line. If n=-1 then the whole string is copied, to the maximum number that fit on the line.

The position of the window cursor is not advanced. These routines works faster than waddnstr() (see curs_addstr(3CURSES)) because they merely copy *chstr* into the window image structure. On the other hand, care must be taken when using these functions because they do not perform any kind of checking (such as for the newline character), they do not advance the current cursor position, and they truncate the string, rather then wrapping it around to the next line.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_addstr(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that all routines except waddchnstr() and waddchstr() may be macros.

NAME

curs_addstr, addstr, addnstr, waddstr, waddnstr, mvaddstr, mvaddnstr, mvwaddnstr, mvwaddnstr – add a string of characters to a curses window and advance cursor

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int addstr(char *str);
int addnstr(char *str, int n);
int waddstr(WINDOW *win, char *str);
int waddnstr(WINDOW *win, char *str, int n);
int mvaddstr(int y, int x, char *str);
int mvaddnstr(int y, int x, char *str, int n);
int mvaddnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *str);
int mvwaddnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *str, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

All of these routines write all the characters of the null terminated character string str on the given window. It is similar to calling waddch() once for each character in the string. The four routines with n as the last argument write at most n characters. If n is negative, then the entire string will be added.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs addch(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that all routines except waddstr() and waddnstr() may not be macros.

curs addwch(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_addwch, addwch, waddwch, mvaddwch, mvwaddwch, echowchar, wechowchar – add a wchar_t character (with attributes) to a curses window and advance cursor

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [flag...] file... -lcurses [library...]
#include<curses.h>
int addwch(chtype wch);
int waddwch(WINDOW *win, chtype wch);
int mvaddwch(int y, int x, chtype wch);
int mvwaddwch(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype wch);
int echowchar(chtype wch);
int wechowchar(WINDOW *win, chtype wch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The addwch(),waddwch(),mvaddwch(), and mvwaddwch() routines put the character wch, holding a wchar_t character, into the window at the current cursor position of the window and advance the position of the window cursor. Their function is similar to that of putwchar(3C) in the C multibyte library. At the right margin, an automatic newline is performed. At the bottom of the scrolling region, if scrollok is enabled, the scrolling region is scrolled up one line.

If *wch* is a tab, newline, or backspace, the cursor is moved appropriately within the window. A newline also does a clrtoeol(3CURSES) before moving. Tabs are considered to be at every eighth column. If *wch* is another control character, it is drawn in the ^X notation. Calling winwch(3CURSES) after adding a control character does not return the control character, but instead returns the representation of the control character.

Video attributes can be combined with a wchar_t character by OR-ing them into the parameter. This results in these attributes also being set. (The intent here is that text, including attributes, can be copied from one place to another using inwch() and addwch().) See standout(3CURSES), predefined video attribute constants.

The echowchar() and wechowchar() routines are functionally equivalent to a call to addwch() followed by a call to refresh(3CURSES), or a call to waddwch() followed by a call to wrefresh(3CURSES). The knowledge that only a single character is being output is taken into consideration and, for non-control characters, a considerable performance gain might be seen by using these routines instead of their equivalents.

Line Graphics

The following variables may be used to add line drawing characters to the screen with routines of the addwch() family. When variables are defined for the terminal, the A_ALTCHARSET bit is turned on. (See curs_attr(3CURSES)). Otherwise, the default character listed below is stored in the variable. The names chosen are consistent with the VT100 nomenclature.

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Name	Default	Glyph Description
ACS_ULCORNER	+	upper left-hand corner
ACS_LLCORNER	+	lower left-hand corner
ACS_URCORNER	+	upper right-hand corner
ACS_LRCORNER	+	lower right-hand corner
ACS_RTEE	+	right tee
ACS_LTEE	+	left tee
ACS_BTEE	+	bottom tee
ACS_TTEE	+	top tee
ACS_HLINE	-	horizontal line
ACS_VLINE	I	vertical line
ACS_PLUS	+	plus
ACS_S1	-	scan line 1
ACS_S9	-	scan line 9
ACS_DIAMOND	+	diamond
ACS_CKBOARD	:	checker board (stipple)
ACS_DEGREE	,	degree symbol
ACS_PLMINUS	#	plus/minus
ACS_BULLET	o	bullet
ACS_LARROW	<	arrow pointing left
ACS_RARRROW	>	arrow pointing right
ACS_DARROW	v	arrow pointing down
ACS_UARROW	٨	arrow pointing up
ACS_BOARD	#	board of squares
ACS_LANTERN	#	lantern symbol
ACS_BLOCK	#	solid square block

RETURN VALUE

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion, unless otherwise noted in the preceding routine descriptions.

curs_addwch(3CURSES)

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

putwchar(3C), clrtoeol(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), curs_attr(3CURSES),
curs_inwch(3CURSES), curs_outopts(3CURSES), refresh(3CURSES),
standout(3CURSES), winwch(3CURSES), wrefresh(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h>, <unctrl.h> and <widec.h>.

Note that addwch(), mvaddwch(), mvwaddwch(), and echowchar() may be macros.

None of these routines can use the color attribute in chtype.

NAME

curs addwchstr, addwchstr, addwchstr, waddwchstr, waddwchstr, mvaddwchstr, mvaddwchnstr, mvwaddwchstr, mvwaddwchnstr – add string of wchar t characters (and attributes) to a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [flag...] file... -lcurses [library...]
#include<curses.h>
int addwchstr(chtype *wchstr);
int addwchnstr(chtype *wchstr, int n);
int waddwchstr(WINDOW *win, chtype *wchstr);
int waddwchnstr(WINDOW *win, chtype *wchstr, int n);
int mvaddwchstr(int y, int x, chtype *wchstr);
int mvaddwchnstr(int y, int x, chtype *wchstr, int n);
int mvwaddwchstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype *wchstr);
int mvwaddwchnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype *wchstr, int
```

DESCRIPTION

All of these routines copy *wchstr*, which points to a string of wchar t characters, directly into the window image structure starting at the current cursor position. The four routines with n as the last argument copy at most n elements, but no more than will fit on the line. If n=-1 then the whole string is copied, to the maximum number that fit on the line.

The position of the window cursor is not advanced. These routines work faster than waddnwstr(3CURSES) because they merely copy wchstr into the window image structure. On the other hand, care must be taken when using these functions because they don't perform any kind of checking (such as for the newline character), they do not advance the current cursor position, and they truncate the string, rather than wrapping it around to the new line.

RETURN VALUE

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion, unless otherwise noted in the preceding routine descriptions.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), waddnwstr(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h>, <unctrl.h> and <widec.h>.

Note that all routines except waddwchnstr() may be macros.
None of these routines can use the color attribute in chtype.

curs_addwchstr(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs addwstr, addwstr, addnwstr, waddwstr, waddnwstr, mvaddwstr, mvaddnwstr, mvwaddwstr, mvwaddnwstr – add a string of wchar_t characters to a curses window and advance cursor

cc [flag...] file... -lcurses [library...]

SYNOPSIS

```
#include<curses.h>
int addwstr(wchar t *wstr);
int addnwstr(wchar t *wstr, int n);
int waddwstr(WINDOW *win, wchar t *wstr);
int waddnwstr(WINDOW *win, wchar t *wstr, int n);
int mvaddwstr(int y, int x, wchar t *wstr);
int mvaddnwstr(int y, int x, wchar t *wstr, int n);
int mvwaddwstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x , wchar t *wstr);
int mvwaddnwstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, wchar t *wstr, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

All of these routines write all the characters of the null-terminated wchar t character string wstr on the given window. The effect is similar to calling waddwch(3CURSES) once for each wchar t character in the string. The four routines with n as the last argument write at most n wchar t characters. If n is negative, then the entire string will be added.

RETURN VALUE

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), waddwch(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h>, <nctrl.h> and <widec.h>.

Note that all of these routines except waddwstr() and waddnwstr() may be macros.

curs_alecompat(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_alecompat, movenextch, wmovenextch, moveprevch, wmoveprevch, adjcurspos, wadjcurspos – these functions are added to ALE curses library for moving the cursor by character.

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int movenextch(void);
int wmovenextch(WINDOW *win);
int moveprevch(void);
int wmoveprevch(WINDOW *win);
int adjcurspos(void);
int wadjcurspos(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

movenextch() and wmovenextch() move the cursor to the next character to the right. If the next character is a multicolumn character, the cursor is positioned on the first (left-most) column of that character. The new cursor position will be on the next character, even if the cursor was originally positioned on the left-most column of a multicolumn character. Note that the simple cursor increment (++x) does not guarantee movement to the next character, if the cursor was originally positioned on a multicolumn character. getyx(3CURSES) can be used to find the new position.

moveprevc() and wmoveprevch() routines are the opposite of movenextch() and wmovenextch(), moving the cursor to the left-most column of the previous character.

adjcurspos() and wadjcurspos() move the cursor to the first(left-most) column of the multicolumn character that the cursor is presently on. If the cursor is already on the first column, or if the cursor is on a single-column character, these routines will have no effect.

RETURN VALUE

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), getyx(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h> , <unctrl.h> and <widec.h>.

Note that movenextch(), moveprevch(), and adjcurspos() may be macros.

NAME |

curs attr, attroff, wattroff, attron, wattron, attrset, wattrset, standend, wstandend, standout, wstandout - curses character and window attribute control routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int attroff(int attrs);
int wattroff(WINDOW *win, int attrs);
int attron(int attrs);
int wattron(WINDOW *win, int attrs);
int attrset(int attrs);
int wattrset(WINDOW *win, int attrs);
int standend(void);
int wstandend(WINDOW *win);
int standout(void);
int wstandout(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

All of these routines manipulate the current attributes of the named window. The current attributes of a window are applied to all characters that are written into the window with waddch(), waddstr(), and wprintw(). Attributes are a property of the character, and move with the character through any scrolling and insert/delete line/character operations. To the extent possible on the particular terminal, they are displayed as the graphic rendition of characters put on the screen.

The routine attrset () sets the current attributes of the given window to attrs. The routine attroff() turns off the named attributes without turning any other attributes on or off. The routine attron () turns on the named attributes without affecting any others. The routine $\mathtt{standout}()$ is the same as $\mathtt{attron}(\mathtt{A}\ \mathtt{STANDOUT})$. The routine standend() is the same as attrset(), that is, it turns off all attributes.

Attributes

The following video attributes, defined in <curses.h>, can be passed to the routines attron(), attroff(), and attrset(), or OR-ed with the characters passed to addch().

A_STANDOUT Best highlighting mode of the terminal

A_UNDERLINE Underlining Reverse video A_REVERSE

A_BLINK Blinking A DIM Half bright

A BOLD Extra bright or bold A_ALTCHARSET Alternate character set

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A_CHARTEXT Bit-mask to extract a character

 $COLOR_PAIR(n)$ Color-pair number n

The following macro is the reverse of COLOR PAIR (n):

PAIR_NUMBER(attrs) Returns the pair number associated with the

COLOR PAIR (n) attribute

RETURN VALUES

These routines always return 1.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_addch(3CURSES), curs_addstr(3CURSES), curs_printw(3CURSES),
curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that ${\tt attroff()}$, ${\tt wattroff()}$, ${\tt attron()}$, ${\tt wattron()}$, ${\tt wattrset()}$, ${\tt standend()}$, and ${\tt standout()}$ may be macros.

NAME

curs_beep, beep, flash – curses bell and screen flash routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int beep (void);
int flash(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The beep () and flash () routines are used to signal the terminal user. The routine beep () sounds the audible alarm on the terminal, if possible; if that is not possible, it flashes the screen (visible bell), if that is possible. The routine flash() flashes the screen, and if that is not possible, sounds the audible signal. If neither signal is possible, nothing happens. Nearly all terminals have an audible signal (bell or beep), but only some can flash the screen.

RETURN VALUES

These routines always return OK.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

curs_bkgd(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_bkgd, bkgd, bkgdset, wbkgdset, wbkgd – curses window background manipulation routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int bkgd(chtype ch);
void bkgdset(chtype ch);
void wbkgdset(WINDOW *win, chtype ch);
int wbkqd(WINDOW *win, chtype ch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The bkgdsets() and wbkgdset() routines manipulate the background of the named window. Background is a chtype consisting of any combination of attributes and a character. The attribute part of the background is combined (ORed) with all non-blank characters that are written into the window with waddch(). Both the character and attribute parts of the background are combined with the blank characters. The background becomes a property of the character and moves with the character through any scrolling and insert/delete line/character operations. To the extent possible on a particular terminal, the attribute part of the background is displayed as the graphic rendition of the character put on the screen.

The bkgd() and wbkgd() routines combine the new background with every position in the window. Background is any combination of attributes and a character. Only the attribute part is used to set the background of non-blank characters, while both character and attributes are used for blank positions. To the extent possible on a particular terminal, the attribute part of the background is displayed as the graphic rendition of the character put on the screen.

RETURN VALUES

bkgd() and wbkgd() return the integer OK, or a non-negative integer, if immedok() is set. See curs outopts(3CURSES).

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_addch(3CURSES), curs_outopts(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES),
attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that bkgdset () and bkgd() may be macros.

NAME |

curs border, border, wborder, box, whline, wvline - create curses borders, horizontal and vertical lines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int border (chtype ls, chtype rs, chtype ts, chtype bs, chtype tl,
     chtype tr, chtype bl, chtype br);
int wborder (WINDOW *win, chtype ls, chtype rs, chtype ts, chtype bs,
     chtype tl, chtype tr, chtype bl, chtype br);
int box(WINDOW *win, chtype verch, chtype horch);
int hline (chtype ch, int n);
int whline (WINDOW *win, chtype ch, int n);
int vline (chtype ch, int n);
int wvline (WINDOW *win, chtype ch, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

With the border (), wborder (), and box () routines, a border is drawn around the edges of the window. The arguments and attributes are:

ls	left side of the border
rs	right side of the border
ts	top side of the border
bs	bottom side of the border
tl	top left-hand corner
tr	top right-hand corner
bl	bottom left-hand corner
br	bottom right-hand corner

If any of these arguments is zero, then the following default values (defined in <curses.h>) are used respectively instead: ACS VLINE, ACS VLINE, ACS HLINE, ACS HLINE, ACS ULCORNER, ACS URCORNER, ACS BLCORNER, ACS BRCORNER.

box (win, verch, horch) is a shorthand for the following call:

```
wborder (win, verch, verch, horch, horch, 0, 0, 0, 0)
```

hline() and whline() draw a horizontal (left to right) line using *ch* starting at the current cursor position in the window. The current cursor position is not changed. The line is at most n characters long, or as many as fit into the window.

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vline() and wvline() draw a vertical (top to bottom) line using ch starting at the current cursor position in the window. The current cursor position is not changed. The line is at most n characters long, or as many as fit into the window.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer OK, or a non-negative integer if immedok() is set. See curs outopts(3CURSES).

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_outopts(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that border() and box() may be macros.

NAME |

curs clear, erase, werase, clear, wclear, clrtobot, wclrtobot, clrtoeol, wclrtoeol - clear all or part of a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int erase(void);
int werase(WINDOW *win);
int clear(void);
int wclear(WINDOW *win);
int clrtobot(void);
int wclrtobot(WINDOW *win);
int clrtoeol(void);
int wclrtoeol(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The erase() and werase() routines copy blanks to every position in the window.

The clear() and wclear() routines are like erase() and werase(), but they also call clearok(), so that the screen is cleared completely on the next call to wrefresh() for that window and repainted from scratch.

The clrtobot() and wclrtobot() routines erase all lines below the cursor in the window. Also, the current line to the right of the cursor, inclusive, is erased.

The clrtoeol() and wclrtoeol() routines erase the current line to the right of the cursor, inclusive.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer OK, or a non-negative integer if immedok () is set. See curs outopts(3CURSES).

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs outopts(3CURSES), curs refresh(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that erase(), werase(), clear(), wclear(), clrtobot(), and clrtoeol() may be macros.

curs color(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_color, start_color, init_pair, init_color, has_colors, can_change_color, color_content, pair_content – curses color manipulation routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int start_color(void);
int init_pair(short pair, short fg, short bg);
int init_color(short color, short red, short green, short blue);
bool has_colors(void);
bool can_change_color(void);
int color_content(short color, short *redp, short *greenp, short *bluep);
int pair content(short pair, short *fgp, short *bgp);
```

DESCRIPTION

Overview

curses provides routines that manipulate color on color alphanumeric terminals. To use these routines start_color() must be called, usually right after initscr(). See curs_initscr(3CURSES). Colors are always used in pairs (referred to as color-pairs). A color-pair consists of a foreground color (for characters) and a background color (for the field on which the characters are displayed). A programmer initializes a color-pair with the routine init_pair. After it has been initialized, COLOR_PAIR(n), a macro defined in <curses.h>, can be used in the same ways other video attributes can be used. If a terminal is capable of redefining colors, the programmer can use the routine init_color() to change the definition of a color. The routines has_colors() and can_change_color() return TRUE or FALSE, depending on whether the terminal has color capabilities and whether the programmer can change the colors. The routine color_content() allows a programmer to identify the amounts of red, green, and blue components in an initialized color. The routine pair_content() allows a programmer to find out how a given color-pair is currently defined.

Routine Descriptions

The start_color() routine requires no arguments. It must be called if the programmer wants to use colors, and before any other color manipulation routine is called. It is good practice to call this routine right after initscr().start_color() initializes eight basic colors (black, red, green, yellow, blue, magenta, cyan, and white), and two global variables, COLORS and COLOR_PAIRS (respectively defining the maximum number of colors and color-pairs the terminal can support). It also restores the colors on the terminal to the values they had when the terminal was just turned on.

The init_pair() routine changes the definition of a color-pair. It takes three arguments: the number of the color-pair to be changed, the foreground color number, and the background color number. The value of the first argument must be between 1

and COLOR PAIRS-1. The value of the second and third arguments must be between 0 and COLORS. If the color-pair was previously initialized, the screen is refreshed and all occurrences of that color-pair is changed to the new definition.

The init color() routine changes the definition of a color. It takes four arguments: the number of the color to be changed followed by three RGB values (for the amounts of red, green, and blue components). The value of the first argument must be between 0 and COLORS. (See the section Colors for the default color index.) Each of the last three arguments must be a value between 0 and 1000. When init color () is used, all occurrences of that color on the screen immediately change to the new definition.

The has colors () routine requires no arguments. It returns TRUE if the terminal can manipulate colors; otherwise, it returns FALSE. This routine facilitates writing terminal-independent programs. For example, a programmer can use it to decide whether to use color or some other video attribute.

The can change color() routine requires no arguments. It returns TRUE if the terminal supports colors and can change their definitions; other, it returns FALSE. This routine facilitates writing terminal-independent programs.

The color content () routine gives users a way to find the intensity of the red, green, and blue (RGB) components in a color. It requires four arguments: the color number, and three addresses of shorts for storing the information about the amounts of red, green, and blue components in the given color. The value of the first argument must be between 0 and COLORS. The values that are stored at the addresses pointed to by the last three arguments are between 0 (no component) and 1000 (maximum amount of component).

The pair content () routine allows users to find out what colors a given color-pair consists of. It requires three arguments: the color-pair number, and two addresses of shorts for storing the foreground and the background color numbers. The value of the first argument must be between 1 and COLOR PAIRS-1. The values that are stored at the addresses pointed to by the second and third arguments are between 0 and COLORS.

Colors

In <curses.h> the following macros are defined. These are the default colors. curses also assumes that COLOR BLACK is the default background color for all terminals.

```
COLOR BLACK
COLOR RED
COLOR GREEN
COLOR YELLOW
COLOR_BLUE
COLOR MAGENTA
COLOR CYAN
COLOR WHITE
```

RETURN VALUES

All routines that return an integer return ERR upon failure and OK upon successful completion.

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ATTRIBUTES

See ${\tt attributes}(5)$ for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

 $\verb|curs_attr(3CURSES)|, \verb|curs_initscr(3CURSES)|, \verb|curses(3CURSES)|, attributes(5)|$

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

NAME | curscr – current window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ \mathit{flag}... ] \mathit{file}... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
extern WINDOW *curscr;
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DESCRIPTION

The external variable cursor points to an internal data structure. It can be specified as an argument to certain functions such as clearok(3XCURSES).

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

clearok(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

curs_delch(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_delch, delch, wdelch, mvdelch, mvwdelch – delete character under cursor in a curses window

SYNOPSIS

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cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int delch(void);
int wdelch(WINDOW *win);
int mvdelch(int y, int x);
int mvwdelch(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
```

DESCRIPTION

With these routines the character under the cursor in the window is deleted; all characters to the right of the cursor on the same line are moved to the left one position and the last character on the line is filled with a blank. The cursor position does not change (after moving to y, x, if specified). This does not imply use of the hardware delete character feature.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that delch(), mvdelch(), and mvwdelch() may be macros.

NAME |

curs deleteln, deleteln, wdeleteln, insdelln, winsdelln, insertln, winsertln – delete and insert lines in a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int deleteln(void);
int wdeleteln(WINDOW *win);
int insdelln(int n);
int winsdelln(WINDOW *win, int n);
int insertln(void);
int winsertln(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

With the deleteln() and wdeleteln() routines, the line under the cursor in the window is deleted; all lines below the current line are moved up one line. The bottom line of the window is cleared. The cursor position does not change. This does not imply use of a hardware delete line feature.

With the insdelln() and winsdelln() routines, for positive n, insert n lines into the specified window above the current line. The n bottom lines are lost. For negative *n*, delete *n* lines (starting with the one under the cursor), and move the remaining lines up. The bottom n lines are cleared. The current cursor position remains the same.

With the insertln() and insertln() routines, a blank line is inserted above the current line and the bottom line is lost. This does not imply use of a hardware insert line feature.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that all but winsdelln() may be macros.

NAME

curses – CRT screen handling and optimization package

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file...-lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
```

DESCRIPTION

The curses library routines give the user a terminal-independent method of updating character screens with reasonable optimization.

The curses package allows: overall screen, window and pad manipulation; output to windows and pads; reading terminal input; control over terminal and curses input and output options; environment query routines; color manipulation; use of soft label keys; terminfo access; and access to low-level curses routines.

To initialize the routines, the routine initscr() or newterm() must be called before any of the other routines that deal with windows and screens are used. The routine endwin() must be called before exiting. To get character-at-a-time input without echoing (most interactive, screen oriented programs want this), the following sequence should be used:

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initscr, cbreak, noecho;
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Most programs would additionally use the sequence:

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nonl,intrflush(stdscr,FALSE),keypad(stdscr,TRUE);
```

Before a curses program is run, the tab stops of the terminal should be set and its initialization strings, if defined, must be output. This can be done by executing the tput init command after the shell environment variable TERM has been exported. (See terminfo(4) for further details.)

The curses library permits manipulation of data structures, called *windows*, which can be thought of as two-dimensional arrays of characters representing all or part of a CRT screen. A default window called stdscr, which is the size of the terminal screen, is supplied. Others may be created with newwin(3CURSES).

Windows are referred to by variables declared as WINDOW *. These data structures are manipulated with routines described on 3CURSES pages (whose names begin "curs_"). Among which the most basic routines are move(3CURSES) and addch(3CURSES). More general versions of these routines are included with names beginning with w, allowing the user to specify a window. The routines not beginning with w affect stdscr.

After using routines to manipulate a window, refresh(3CURSES) is called, telling curses to make the user's CRT screen look like stdscr. The characters in a window are actually of type chtype, (character and attribute data) so that other information about the character may also be stored with each character.

Special windows called *pads* may also be manipulated. These are windows which are not constrained to the size of the screen and whose contents need not be completely displayed. See curs pad(3CURSES) for more information.

In addition to drawing characters on the screen, video attributes and colors may be included, causing the characters to show up in such modes as underlined, in reverse video, or in color on terminals that support such display enhancements. Line drawing characters may be specified to be output. On input, curses is also able to translate arrow and function keys that transmit escape sequences into single values. The video attributes, line drawing characters, and input values use names, defined in <curses.h>, such as A REVERSE, ACS HLINE, and KEY LEFT.

If the environment variables LINES and COLUMNS are set, or if the program is executing in a window environment, line and column information in the environment will override information read by *terminfo*. This would effect a program running in an AT&T 630 layer, for example, where the size of a screen is changeable.

If the environment variable TERMINFO is defined, any program using curses checks for a local terminal definition before checking in the standard place. For example, if TERM is set to att4424, then the compiled terminal definition is found in

/usr/share/lib/terminfo/a/att4424.

(The 'a' is copied from the first letter of att4424 to avoid creation of huge directories.) However, if TERMINFO is set to \$HOME/myterms, curses first checks

\$HOME/myterms/a/att4424,

and if that fails, it then checks

/usr/share/lib/terminfo/a/att4424.

This is useful for developing experimental definitions or when write permission in /usr/share/lib/terminfo is not available.

The integer variables LINES and COLS are defined in <curses.h> and will be filled in by initscr with the size of the screen. The constants TRUE and FALSE have the values 1 and 0, respectively.

The curses routines also define the WINDOW * variable curser which is used for certain low-level operations like clearing and redrawing a screen containing garbage. The curser can be used in only a few routines.

International Functions

The number of bytes and the number of columns to hold a character from the supplementary character set is locale-specific (locale category LC_CTYPE) and can be specified in the character class table.

For editing, operating at the character level is entirely appropriate. For screen formatting, arbitrary movement of characters on screen is not desirable.

Overwriting characters (addch, for example) operates on a screen level. Overwriting a character by a character that requires a different number of columns may produce *orphaned columns*. These orphaned columns are filled with background characters.

Inserting characters (insch, for example) operates on a character level (that is, at the character boundaries). The specified character is inserted right before the character, regardless of which column of a character the cursor points to. Before insertion, the cursor position is adjusted to the first column of the character.

As with inserting characters, deleting characters (delch, for example) operates on a character level (that is, at the character boundaries). The character at the cursor is deleted whichever column of the character the cursor points to. Before deletion, the cursor position is adjusted to the first column of the character.

A *multi-column* character cannot be put on the last column of a line. When such attempts are made, the last column is set to the background character. In addition, when such an operation creates orphaned columns, the orphaned columns are filled with background characters.

Overlapping and overwriting a window follows the operation of overwriting characters around its edge. The orphaned columns, if any, are handled as in the character operations.

The cursor is allowed to be placed anywhere in a window. If the insertion or deletion is made when the cursor points to the second or later column position of a character that holds multiple columns, the cursor is adjusted to the first column of the character before the insertion or deletion.

Routine and Argument Names

Many curses routines have two or more versions. The routines prefixed with w require a window argument. The routines prefixed with p require a pad argument. Those without a prefix generally use stdscr.

The routines prefixed with mv require an x and y coordinate to move to before performing the appropriate action. The mv routines imply a call to move(3CURSES) before the call to the other routine. The coordinate y always refers to the row (of the window), and x always refers to the column. The upper left-hand corner is always (0,0), not (1,1).

The routines prefixed with mvw take both a window argument and x and y coordinates. The window argument is always specified before the coordinates.

In each case, *win* is the window affected, and *pad* is the pad affected; *win* and *pad* are always pointers to type WINDOW

Option setting routines require a Boolean flag bf with the value TRUE or FALSE; bf is always of type bool. The variables *ch* and *attrs* below are always of type chtype. The types WINDOW, SCREEN, bool, and chtype are defined in <curses.h>. The type TERMINAL is defined in <term.h>. All other arguments are integers.

Routine Name Index

curses Routine Name

can_change_color

cbreak

clearok

clrtobot

clear

The following table lists each curses routine and the name of the manual page on which it is described.

Manual Page Name

curs color(3CURSES)

curs inopts(3CURSES)

curs_clear(3CURSES)

curs_clear(3CURSES)

curs_outopts(3CURSES)

curses Routine Name	Manual Fage Name
addch	curs_addch(3CURSES)
addchnstr	curs_addchstr(3CURSES)
addchstr	curs_addchstr(3CURSES)
addnstr	curs_addstr(3CURSES)
addnwstr	curs_addwstr(3CURSES)
addstr	curs_addstr(3CURSES)
addwch	curs_addwch(3CURSES)
addwchnstr	curs_addwchstr(3CURSES)
addwchstr	<pre>curs_addwchstr(3CURSES)</pre>
addwstr	curs_addwstr(3CURSES)
adjcurspos	<pre>curs_alecompat(3CURSES)</pre>
attroff	curs_attr(3CURSES)
attron	curs_attr(3CURSES)
attrset	curs_attr(3CURSES)
baudrate	<pre>curs_termattrs(3CURSES)</pre>
beep	curs_beep(3CURSES)
bkgd	curs_bkgd(3CURSES)
bkgdset	curs_bkgd(3CURSES)
border	<pre>curs_border(3CURSES)</pre>
box	curs_border(3CURSES)

clrtoeol	<pre>curs_clear(3CURSES)</pre>
color_content	curs_color(3CURSES)
copywin	curs_overlay(3CURSES)
curs_set	curs_kernel(3CURSES)
def_prog_mode	<pre>curs_kernel(3CURSES)</pre>
def_shell_mode	curs_kernel(3CURSES)
del_curterm	<pre>curs_terminfo(3CURSES)</pre>
delay_output	curs_util(3CURSES)
delch	curs_delch(3CURSES)
deleteln	curs_deleteln(3CURSES)
delscreen	curs_initscr(3CURSES)
delwin	curs_window(3CURSES)
derwin	curs_window(3CURSES)
doupdate	<pre>curs_refresh(3CURSES)</pre>
dupwin	curs_window(3CURSES)
echo	curs_inopts(3CURSES)
echochar	curs_addch(3CURSES)
echowchar	curs_addwch(3CURSES)
endwin	<pre>curs_initscr(3CURSES)</pre>
erase	<pre>curs_clear(3CURSES)</pre>
erasechar	curs_termattrs(3CURSES)
filter	<pre>curs_util(3CURSES)</pre>
flash	curs_beep(3CURSES)
flushinp	<pre>curs_util(3CURSES)</pre>
getbegyx	curs_getyx(3CURSES)
getch	curs_getch(3CURSES)
getmaxyx	curs_getyx(3CURSES)
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getparyx	curs_getyx(3CURSES)
getstr	<pre>curs_getstr(3CURSES)</pre>
getsyx	<pre>curs_kernel(3CURSES)</pre>
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mvwgetstr	curs_getstr(3CURSES)
mvwgetwch	curs_getwch(3CURSES)
mvwgetwstr	curs_getwstr(3CURSES)
mvwin	curs_window(3CURSES)
mvwinch	curs_inch(3CURSES)
mvwinchnstr	curs_inchstr(3CURSES)
mvwinchstr	curs_inchstr(3CURSES)
mvwinnstr	curs_instr(3CURSES)
mvwinnwstr	curs_inwstr(3CURSES)
mvwinsch	curs_insch(3CURSES)
mvwinsnstr	curs_insstr(3CURSES)
mvwinsstr	curs_insstr(3CURSES)
mvwinstr	curs_instr(3CURSES)
mvwinswch	curs_inswch(3CURSES)
mvwinswstr	<pre>curs_inswstr(3CURSES)</pre>
mvwinwch	curs_inwch(3CURSES)
mvwinwchnstr	curs_inwchstr(3CURSES)
mvwinwchstr	<pre>curs_inwchstr(3CURSES)</pre>
mvwinwstr	<pre>curs_inwstr(3CURSES)</pre>
mvwprintw	<pre>curs_printw(3CURSES)</pre>
mvwscanw	curs_scanw(3CURSES)
napms	<pre>curs_kernel(3CURSES)</pre>
newpad	curs_pad(3CURSES)
newterm	curs_initscr(3CURSES)
newwin	curs_window(3CURSES)
nl	curs_outopts(3CURSES)
nocbreak	curs_inopts(3CURSES)
nodelay	curs_inopts(3CURSES)
noecho	curs_inopts(3CURSES)
nonl	curs_outopts(3CURSES)

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setscrreg	curs_outopts(3CURSES)
setsyx	<pre>curs_kernel(3CURSES)</pre>
setterm	<pre>curs_terminfo(3CURSES)</pre>
setupterm	<pre>curs_terminfo(3CURSES)</pre>
slk_attroff	curs_slk(3CURSES)
slk_attron	curs_slk(3CURSES)
slk_attrset	curs_slk(3CURSES)
slk_clear	curs_slk(3CURSES)
slk_init	curs_slk(3CURSES)
slk_label	curs_slk(3CURSES)
slk_noutrefresh	curs_slk(3CURSES)
slk_refresh	curs_slk(3CURSES)
slk_restore	curs_slk(3CURSES)
slk_set	curs_slk(3CURSES)
slk_touch	curs_slk(3CURSES)
srcl	curs_scroll(3CURSES)
standend	curs_attr(3CURSES)
standout	curs_attr(3CURSES)
start_color	curs_color(3CURSES)
subpad	curs_pad(3CURSES)
subwin	curs_window(3CURSES)
syncok	curs_window(3CURSES)
termattrs	<pre>curs_termattrs(3CURSES)</pre>
termname	<pre>curs_termattrs(3CURSES)</pre>
tgetent	<pre>curs_termcap(3CURSES)</pre>
tgetflag	<pre>curs_termcap(3CURSES)</pre>
tgetnum	<pre>curs_termcap(3CURSES)</pre>
tgetstr	<pre>curs_termcap(3CURSES)</pre>
tgoto	<pre>curs_termcap(3CURSES)</pre>
tigetflag	<pre>curs_terminfo(3CURSES)</pre>
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wbkgd	curs_bkgd(3CURSES)
wbkgdset	curs_bkgd(3CURSES)
wborder	<pre>curs_border(3CURSES)</pre>
wclear	<pre>curs_clear(3CURSES)</pre>
wclrtobot	curs_clear(3CURSES)
wclrtoeol	curs_clear(3CURSES)
wcursyncup	curs_window(3CURSES)
wdelch	curs_delch(3CURSES)
wdeleteln	<pre>curs_deleteln(3CURSES)</pre>
wechochar	curs_addch(3CURSES)
wechowchar	curs_addwch(3CURSES)
werase	curs_clear(3CURSES)
wgetch	curs_getch(3CURSES)
wgetnstr	curs_getstr(3CURSES)
wgetnwstr	curs_getwstr(3CURSES)
wgetstr	curs_getstr(3CURSES)
wgetwch	curs_getwch(3CURSES)
wgetwstr	curs_getwstr(3CURSES)
whline	curs_border(3CURSES)
winch	curs_inch(3CURSES)
winchnstr	curs_inchstr(3CURSES)
winchstr	curs_inchstr(3CURSES)
winnstr	curs_instr(3CURSES)
winnwstr	curs_inwstr(3CURSES)
winsch	curs_insch(3CURSES)
winsdelln	<pre>curs_deleteln(3CURSES)</pre>
winsertln	<pre>curs_deleteln(3CURSES)</pre>
winsnstr	curs_insstr(3CURSES)
winsnwstr	curs_inswstr(3CURSES)
winsstr	curs_insstr(3CURSES)
winstr	curs_instr(3CURSES)

winswch	curs_inswch(3CURSES)
winswstr	curs_inswstr(3CURSES)
winwch	curs_inwch(3CURSES)
winwchnstr	curs_inwchstr(3CURSES)
winwchstr	curs_inwchstr(3CURSES)
winwstr	curs_inwstr(3CURSES)
wmove	curs_move(3CURSES)
wmovenextch	<pre>curs_alecompat(3CURSES)</pre>
wmoveprevch	<pre>curs_alecompat(3CURSES)</pre>
wnoutrefresh	curs_refresh(3CURSES)
wprintw	curs_printw(3CURSES)
wredrawln	curs_refresh(3CURSES)
wrefresh	curs_refresh(3CURSES)
wscanw	curs_scanw(3CURSES)
wscrl	curs_scroll(3CURSES)
wsetscrreg	curs_outopts(3CURSES)
wstandend	curs_attr(3CURSES)
wstandout	curs_attr(3CURSES)
wsyncdown	curs_window(3CURSES)
wsyncup	curs_window(3CURSES)
wtimeout	curs_inopts(3CURSES)
wtouchln	curs_touch(3CURSES)
wvline	curs_border(3CURSES)

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return an integer return ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion, unless otherwise noted in the routine descriptions.

All macros return the value of the w version, except setscrreg(), wsetscrreg(), getyx(), getbegyx(), and getmaxyx(). The return values of setscrreg(), wsetscrreg(), getyx(), getbegyx(), and getmaxyx() are undefined (that is, these should not be used as the right-hand side of assignment statements).

Routines that return pointers return NULL on error.

ATTRIBUTES |

See ${\tt attributes}(5)$ for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3XCURSES), libcurses(3LIB), libcurses(3XCURSES), terminfo(4),
attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

NAME

curses – introduction and overview of X/Open Curses

DESCRIPTION

The Curses screen management package conforms fully with Issue 4, Version 2 of the X/Open Curses specification. It provides a set of internationalized functions and macros for creating and modifying input and output to a terminal screen. This includes functions for creating windows, highlighting text, writing to the screen, reading from user input, and moving the cursor.

X/Open Curses is a terminal-independent package, providing a common user interface to a variety of terminal types. Its portability is facilitated by the Terminfo database which contains a compiled definition of each terminal type. By referring to the database information X/Open Curses gains access to low-level details about individual terminals.

X/Open Curses tailors its activities to the terminal type specified by the TERM environment variable. The TERM environment variable may be set in the Korn Shell (see ksh(1)) by typing:

export TERM=terminal_name

To set environment variables using other command line interfaces or shells, see the environ(5) manual page.

Three additional environment variables are useful, and can be set in the Korn Shell:

1. If you have an alternate Terminfo database containing terminal types that are not available in the system default database /usr/share/lib/terminfo, you can specify the TERMINFO environment variable to point to this alternate database:

export TERMINFO=path

This *path* specifies the location of the alternate compiled Terminfo database whose structure consists of directory names 0 to 9 and a to z (which represent the first letter of the compiled terminal definition file name). The alternate database specified by TERMINFO is examined before the system default database. If the terminal type specified by TERM cannot be found in either database, the default terminal type *dumb* is assumed.

2. To specify a window width smaller than your screen width (for example, in situations where your communications line is slow), set the COLUMNS environment variable to the number of vertical columns you want between the left and right margins:

 $\verb"export COLUMNS= number"$

The *number* of columns may be set to a number smaller than the screen size; however, if set larger than the screen or window width, the results are undefined. The value set using this environment variable takes precedence over the value normally used for the terminal.

3. To specify a window height smaller than your current screen height (for example, in situations where your communications line is slow), override the LINES environment variable by setting it to a smaller number of horizontal lines:

export LINES=number

The *number* of lines may be set to a number smaller than the screen height; however, if set larger than the screen or window height, the results are undefined. The value set using this environment variable takes precedence over the value normally used for the terminal.

Data Types

X/Open Curses defines the following data types:

attr_t	An integral	type that h	ıolds a	n OR-ed set c	of attributes. The	
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attributes acceptable are those which begin with the WA_ prefix .

bool Boolean data type.

cchar t A type that refers to a string consisting of a spacing wide character,

up to 5 non-spacing wide characters, and zero or more attributes of any type. See Attributes, Color Pairs, and Renditions. A null

cchar_t object terminates arrays of cchar_t objects.

chtype An integral type whose values are formed by OR-ing an

"unsigned char" with a color pair. and with zero or more attributes. The attributes acceptable are those which begin with the

A prefix and COLOR PAIR(3XCURSES)

SCREEN An opaque data type associated with a terminal's display screen.

TERMINAL An opaque data type associated with a terminal. It contains

information about the terminal's capabilities (as defined by terminfo), the terminal modes, and current state of input/output

operations.

wchar t An integral data type whose values represent wide characters.

WINDOW An opaque data type associated with a window.

Screens, Windows, and Terminals

The X/Open Curses manual pages refer at various points to screens, windows (also subwindows, derived windows, and pads), and terminals. The following list defines each of these terms.

Screen A screen is a terminal's physical output device. The SCREEN data

type is associated with a terminal.

Window Window objects are two-dimensional arrays of characters and their

renditions. X/Open Curses provides *stdscr*, a default window which is the size of of the terminal screen. You can use the

newwin(3XCURSES) function to create others.

To refer to a window, use a variable declared as WINDOW *. X/Open Curses includes both functions that modify *stdscr*, and more general versions that let you specify a window.

There are three sub-types of windows:

Subwindow A window which has been created within another

window (the parent window) and whose position has been specified with absolute screen coordinates. The derwin(3XCURSES) and subwin(3XCURSES) functions can be used to create subwindows.

Derived Window A subwindow whose position is defined relative to the

parent window's coordinates rather than in absolute

terms.

Pad A special type of window that can be larger than the

screen. For more information, see the newpad(3XCURSES) man page.

Terminal A terminal is the input and output device which

character-based applications use to interact with the user. The TERMINAL data type is associated with such a

device.

Attributes, Color Pairs, and Renditions A character's rendition consists of its attributes (such as underlining or reverse video) and its color pair (the foreground and background colors). When using waddstr(3XCURSES), waddchstr(3XCURSES), wprintw(3XCURSES), winsch(3XCURSES), and so on, the window's rendition is combined with that character's renditions. The window rendition is the attributes and color set using the attroff(3XCURSES) and attr_off(3XCURSES) sets of functions. The window's background character and rendition are set with the bkgdset(3XCURSES) and bkgrndset(3XCURSES) sets of functions.

When spaces are written to the screen, the background character and window rendition replace the space. For example, if the background rendition and character is A_UNDERLINE | ' * ', text written to the window appears underlined and the spaces appear as underlined asterisks.

Each character written retains the rendition that it has obtained. This allows the character to be copied "as is" to or from a window with the addchstr(3XCURSES) or inch(3XCURSES) functions.

A_ Constant Values for Attributes

You can specify Attributes, Color Pairs, and Renditions attributes using the constants listed in the tables below. The following constants modify objects of type chtype:

Constant	Description
A_ALTCHARSET	Alternate character set
A_ATTRIBUTES	Bit-mask to extract attributes
A_BLINK	Blinking

Constant	Description
A_BOLD	Bold
A_CHARTEXT	Bit-mask to extract a character
A_COLOR	Bit-mask to extract color-pair information
A_DIM	Half-bright
A_INVIS	Invisible
A_PROTECT	Protected
A_REVERSE	Reverse video
A_STANDOUT	Highlights specific to terminal
A_UNDERLINE	Underline

WA_ Constant Values for Attributes

The following constants modify objects of type attr_t:

Constant	Description
WA_ALTCHARSET	Alternate character set
WA_ATTRIBUTES	Attribute mask
WA_BLINK	Blinking
WA_BOLD	Bold
WA_DIM	Half-bright
WA_HORIZONTAL	Horizontal highlight
WA_INVIS	Invisible
WA_LEFT	Left highlist
WA_LOW	Low highlist
WA_PROTECT	Protected
WA_REVERSE	Reverse video
WA_RIGHT	Right highlight
WA_STANDOUT	Highlights specific to terminal
WA_TOP	Top highlight
WA_UNDERLINE	Underline

Constant	Description
WA_VERTICAL	Vertical highlight

Color Macros

Colors always appear in pairs; the foreground color of the character itself and the background color of the field on which it is displayed. The following color macros are defined:

Macro	Description
COLOR_BLACK	Black
COLOR_BLUE	Blue
COLOR_GREEN	Green
COLOR_CYAN	Cyan
COLOR_RED	Red
COLOR_MAGENTA	Magenta
COLOR_YELLOW	Yellow
COLOR_WHITE	White

Together, a character's attributes and its color pair form the character's rendition. A character's rendition moves with the character during any scrolling or insert/delete operations. If your terminal lacks support for the specified rendition, X/Open Curses may substitute a different rendition.

The COLOR_PAIR(3XCURSES) function modifies a chtype object. The PAIR NUMBER(3XCURSES) function extracts the color pair from a chtype object.

Functions for Modifying a Window's Color

The following functions modify a window's color:

Function	Description
attr_set(), wattr_set()	Change the window's rendition.
color_set(), wcolor_set()	Set the window's color

Non-Spacing Characters

When the wcwidth(3C) function returns a width of zero for a character, that character is called a non-spacing character. Non-spacing characters can be written to a window. Each non-spacing character is associated with a spacing character (that is, one which

does not have a width of zero) and modifies that character. You cannot address a non-spacing character directly. Whenever you perform an X/Open Curses operation on the associated character, you are implicitly addressing the non-spacing character.

Non-spacing characters do not have a rendition. For functions that use wide characters and a rendition, X/Open Curses ignores any rendition specified for non-spacing characters. Multi-column characters have one rendition that applies to all columns spanned.

Complex Characters

The cchar_t date type represents a complex character. A complex character may contain a spacing character, its associated non-spacing characters, and its rendition. This implementation of complex characters supports up to 5 non-spacing characters for each spacing character.

When a cchar_t object representing a non-spacing complex character is written to the screen, its rendition is not used, but rather it becomes associated with the rendition of the existing character at that location. The setcchar(3XCURSES) function initializes an object of type cchar_t. The getcchar(3XCURSES) function extracts the contents of a cchar t object.

Display Operations

In adding internationalization support to X/Open Curses, every attempt was made to minimize the number of changes to the historical CURSES package. This enables programs written to use the historical implementation of CURSES to use the internationalized version with little or no modification. The following rules apply to the internationalized X/Open Curses package:

- The cursor can be placed anywhere in the window. Window and screen origins are (0,0).
- A multi-column character cannot be displayed in the last column, because the character would appear truncated. Instead, the background character is displayed in the last column and the multi-column character appears at the beginning of the next line. This is called wrapping.
 - If the original line is the last line in the scroll region and scrolling is enabled, X/Open Curses moves the contents of each line in the region to the previous line. The first line of the region is lost. The last line of the scrolling region contains any wrapped characters. The remainder of that line is filled with the background character. If scrolling is disabled, X/Open Curses truncates any character that would extend past the last column of the screen.
- Overwrites operate on screen columns. If displaying a single-column or multi-column character results in overwriting only a portion of a multi-column character or characters, background characters are displayed in place of the non-overwritten portions.
- Insertions and deletions operate on whole characters. The cursor is moved to the first column of the character prior to performing the operation.

Overlapping Windows

When windows overlap, it may be necessary to overwrite only part of a multi-column character. As mentioned earlier, the non-overwritten portions are replaced with the background character. This results in issues concerning the overwrite(3XCURSES), overlay(3XCURSES), copywin(3XCURSES), wnoutrefresh(3XCURSES), and wrefresh(3XCURSES) functions.

Special Characters

Some functions assign special meanings to certain special characters:

Backspace Moves the cursor one column towards the beginning of

the line. If the cursor was already at the beginning of the line, it remains there. All subsequent characters are

added or inserted at this point.

Carriage Return Moves the cursor to the beginning of the current line. If

the cursor was already at the beginning of the line, it remains there. All subsequent characters are added or

inserted at this point.

Newline When adding characters, X/Open Curses fills the

remainder of the line with the background character (effectively truncating the newline) and scrolls the window as described earlier. All subsequent characters

are inserted at the start of the new line.

When inserting characters, X/Open Curses fills the remainder of the line with the background character (effectively truncating the line), moves the cursor to the beginning of a new line, and scrolls the window as described earlier. All subsequent characters are placed

at the start of the new line.

Tab moves subsequent characters to next horizontal tab

strop. Default tab stops are set at 0, 8, 16, and so on.

When adding or inserting characters, X/Open Curses inserts or adds the background character into each column until the next tab stop is reached. If there are no remaining tab stops on the current line, wrapping

and scrolling occur as described earlier.

Control Characters When X/Open Curses functions perform special

character processing, they convert control characters to the $^{\lambda}X$ notation, where X is a single-column character (uppercase, if it is a letter) and writes that notation to the window. Functions that retrieve text from the window will retrieve the converted notation not the

original.

X/Open Curses displays non-printable bytes, that have their high bit set, using the M-X meta notation where X is the non-printable byte with its high bit turned off.

Input Processing

There are four input modes possible with X/Open Curses that affect the behavior of input functions like getch(3XCURSES) and getnstr(3XCURSES).

Line Canonical (Cooked)

In line input mode, the terminal driver handles the input of line units as well as SIGERASE and SIGKILL character processing. See termio(7I) for more information.

In this mode, the getch () and getnstr() functions will not return until a complete line has been read by the terminal driver, at which point only the requested number of bytes/characters are returned. The rest of the line unit remains unread until subsequent call to the getch() or getnstr() functions.

The functions nocbreak(3XCURSES) and noraw(3XCURSES) are used to enter this mode. These functions are described on the cbreak(3XCURSES) man page which also details which termios flags are enabled.

Of the modes available, this one gives applications the least amount of control over input. However, it is the only input mode possible on a block mode terminal.

Byte/character input provides a finer degree of control.

The terminal driver passes each byte read to the application without interpreting erase and kill characters. It is the application's responsibility to handle line editing. It is unknown whether the signal characters (SIGINTR, SIGQUIT, SIGSUSP) and flow control characters (SIGSTART, SIGSTOP) are enabled. To ensure that they are, call the noraw() function first,

then call the cbreak () function.

halfdelay Mode This is the same as the cbreak () mode with a timeout. The terminal driver waits for a byte to be

received or for a timer to expire, in which case the getch() function either returns a byte or ERR respectively. This mode overrides timeouts set for an individual window with the wtimeout () function.

This mode provides byte/character input with the

most control for an application. It is similar to cbreak() mode, but also disables signal character processing (SIGINTR, SIGSUSP, SIGQUIT) and flow control processing (SIGSTART, SIGSTOP) so that the

application can process them as it wants.

cbreak Mode

raw Mode

These modes affect all X/Open Curses input. The default input mode is inherited from the parent process when the application starts up.

A timeout similar to halfdelay(3XCURSES) can be applied to individual windows (see timeout(3XCURSES)). The nodelay(3XCURSES) function is equivalent to setting wtimeout(3XCURSES) for a window with a zero timeout (non-blocking) or infinite delay (blocking).

To handle function keys, keypad(3XCURSES) must be enabled. When it is enabled, the getch () function returns a KEY constant for a uniquely encoded key defined for that terminal. When keypad() is disabled, the getch() function returns the individual bytes composing the function key (see getch(3XCURSES) and wget wch(3XCURSES)). By default, keypad() is disabled.

When processing function keys, once the first byte is recognized, a timer is set for each subsequent byte in the sequence. If any byte in the function key sequence is not received before the timer expires, the bytes already received are pushed into a buffer and the original first byte is returned. Subsequent X/Open Curses input would take bytes from the buffer until exhausted, after which new input from the terminal will be requested. Enabling and disabling of the function key interbyte timer is handled by the notimeout(3XCURSES) function. By default, notimeout() is disabled (that is, the timer is used).

X/Open Curses always disables the terminal driver's echo processing. The echo(3XCURSES) and noecho(3XCURSES) functions control X/Open Curses software echoing. When software echoing is enabled, X/Open Curses input functions echo printable characters, control keys, and meta keys in the input window at the last cursor position. Functions keys are never echoed. When software echoing is disabled, it is the application's responsibility to handle echoing.

EXAMPLES

EXAMPLE 1 Copying Single-Column Characters Over Single-Column Characters

In the upcoming examples, some characters have special meanings:

- {, [, and (represent the left halves of multi-column characters. },], and) represent the corresponding right halves of the same multi-column characters.
- Alphanumeric characters and periods (.) represent single-column characters.
- The number sign (#) represents the background character.

```
copywin(s, t, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 3, 0)
    ghijkl
                    .hij..
```

There are no special problems with this situation.

EXAMPLE 2 Copying Multi-column Characters Over Single-Column Characters

```
copywin(s, t, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 3, 0)
```

There are no special problems with this situation.

EXAMPLE 3 Copying Single-Column Characters From Source Overlaps Multi-column Characters In Target

```
copywin(s, t, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 3, 0)
        s t \rightarrow t abcdef []... #bcd.. ghijk tol ...(). hii#
                                             .hij#.
```

Overwriting multi-column characters in t has resulted in the # background characters being required to erase the remaining halves of the target's multi-column characters.

EXAMPLE 4 Copy Incomplete Multi-column Characters From Source To Target.

```
copywin(s, t, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 3, 0)
         s t \rightarrow t [] cdef 123456 [] cd56 ghi()1 789012 7hi()2
```

The] and (halves of the multi-column characters have been copied from the source and expanded in the target outside of the specified target region.

Consider a pop-up dialog box that contains single-column characters and a base window that contains multi-column characters and you do the following:

```
overwrite(cursor, save); /* save region to be overlayed */
wrefresh(dialog);  /* display dialog */
wrefresh(save);  /* restore screen image */
delwin(save);  /* release backing store */
```

You can use code similar to this to implement generic popup () and popdown () routines in a variety of CURSES implementations (including BSD UNIX, and UNIX System V). In the simple case where the base window contains single-column characters only, it would correctly restore the image that appeared on the screen before the dialog box was displayed.

However, with multi-column characters, the overwrite() function might save a region with incomplete multi-column characters. The wrefresh (dialog) statement results in the behavior described in example 3 above. The behavior described in this example (that is, example 4) allows the wrefresh (save) statement to restore the window correctly.

EXAMPLE 5 Copying An Incomplete Multi-column Character To Region Next To Screen Margin (Not A Window Edge)

Two cases of copying an incomplete multi-column character to a region next to a screen margin follow:

The background character (#) replaces the] character that would have been copied from the source, because it is not possible to expand the multi-column character to its complete form.

This second example is the same as the first, but with the right margin.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

ksh(1), COLOR_PAIR(3XCURSES), PAIR_NUMBER(3XCURSES), addchstr(3XCURSES), attr_off(3XCURSES), attroff(3XCURSES), bkgdset(3XCURSES), bkgrndset(3XCURSES), cbreak(3XCURSES), copywin(3XCURSES), derwin(3XCURSES), echo(3XCURSES), getcchar(3XCURSES), getch(3XCURSES), getnstr(3XCURSES), halfdelay(3XCURSES), inch(3XCURSES), keypad(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), newpad(3XCURSES), newwin(3XCURSES), nocbreak(3XCURSES), nodelay(3XCURSES), noecho(3XCURSES), noraw(3XCURSES), notimeout(3XCURSES), overlay(3XCURSES), overwrite(3XCURSES), setcchar(3XCURSES), subwin(3XCURSES), timeout(3XCURSES), waddchstr(3XCURSES), waddstr(3XCURSES), wwwidth(3C), wget_wch(3XCURSES), winsch(3XCURSES), wrefresh(3XCURSES), wprintw(3XCURSES), wrefresh(3XCURSES), wtimeout(3XCURSES), attributes(5), environ(5), standards(5), termio(7I)

NAME

curs_getch, getch, wgetch, mvgetch, mvwgetch, ungetch – get (or push back) characters from curses terminal keyboard

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int getch(void);
int wgetch(WINDOW *win);
int mvgetch(int y, int x);
int mvwgetch(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
int ungetch(int ch);
```

DESCRIPTION

With the getch(), wgetch(), mvgetch(), and mvwgetch() routines a character is read from the terminal associated with the window. In no-delay mode, if no input is waiting, the value ERR is returned. In delay mode, the program waits until the system passes text through to the program. Depending on the setting of cbreak(), this is after one character (cbreak mode), or after the first newline (nocbreak mode). In half-delay mode, the program waits until a character is typed or the specified timeout has been reached. Unless noecho() has been set, the character will also be echoed into the designated window.

If the window is not a pad, and it has been moved or modified since the last call to wrefresh(), wrefresh() will be called before another character is read.

If keypad() is TRUE, and a function key is pressed, the token for that function key is returned instead of the raw characters. Possible function keys are defined in <curses.h> with integers beginning with 0401, whose names begin with KEY_. If a character that could be the beginning of a function key (such as escape) is received, curses sets a timer. If the remainder of the sequence does not come in within the designated time, the character is passed through; otherwise, the function key value is returned. For this reason, many terminals experience a delay between the time a user presses the escape key and the escape is returned to the program. Since tokens returned by these routines are outside the ASCII range, they are not printable.

The ungetch () routine places $\it ch$ back onto the input queue to be returned by the next call to wgetch ().

Function Keys

The following function keys, defined in <curses.h>, might be returned by getch() if keypad() has been enabled. Note that not all of these may be supported on a particular terminal if the terminal does not transmit a unique code when the key is pressed or if the definition for the key is not present in the *terminfo* database.

Name	Key name
KEY_BREAK	Break key

Name	Key name
KEY_DOWN	The four arrow keys
KEY_UP	
KEY_LEFT	
KEY_RIGHT	
KEY_HOME	Home key (upward+left arrow)
KEY_BACKSPACE	Backspace
KEY_F0	Function keys; space for 64 keys is reserved.
$KEY_F(n)$	For $0 \le n \le 63$
KEY_DL	Delete line
KEY_IL	Insert line
KEY_DC	Delete character
KEY_IC	Insert char or enter insert mode
KEY_EIC	Exit insert char mode
KEY_CLEAR	Clear screen
KEY_EOS	Clear to end of screen
KEY_EOL	Clear to end of line
KEY_SF	Scroll 1 line forward
KEY_SR	Scroll 1 line backward (reverse)
KEY_NPAGE	Next page
KEY_PPAGE	Previous page
KEY_STAB	Set tab
KEY_CTAB	Clear tab
KEY_CATAB	Clear all tabs
KEY_ENTER	Enter or send
KEY_SRESET	Soft (partial) reset
KEY_RESET	Reset or hard reset
KEY_PRINT	Print or copy
KEY_LL	Home down or bottom (lower left). Keypad is arranged like this: (Row 1) A1 up A3 (Row 2) left B2 right (Row 3) C1 down C3

Name	Key name
KEY_A1	Upper left of keypad
KEY_A3	Upper right of keypad
KEY_B2	Center of keypad
KEY_C1	Lower left of keypad
KEY_C3	Lower right of keypad
KEY_BTAB	Back tab key
KEY_BEG	Beg(inning) key
KEY_CANCEL	Cancel key
KEY_CLOSE	Close key
KEY_COMMAND	Cmd (command) key
KEY_COPY	Copy key
KEY_CREATE	Create key
KEY_END	End key
KEY_EXIT	Exit key
KEY_FIND	Find key
KEY_HELP	Help key
KEY_MARK	Mark key
KEY_MESSAGE	Message key
KEY_MOVE	Move key
KEY_NEXT	Next object key
KEY_OPEN	Open key
KEY_OPTIONS	Options key
KEY_PREVIOUS	Previous object key
KEY_REDO	Redo key
KEY_REFERENCE	Reference key
KEY_REFRESH	Refresh key
KEY_REPLACE	Replace key
KEY_RESTART	Restart key
KEY_RESUME	Resume key

Name	Key name
KEY_SAVE	Save key
KEY_SBEG	Shifted beginning key
KEY_SCANCEL	Shifted cancel key
KEY_SCOMMAND	Shifted command key
KEY_SCOPY	Shifted copy key
KEY_SCREATE	Shifted create key
KEY_SDC	Shifted delete char key
KEY_SDL	Shifted delete line key
KEY_SELECT	Select key
KEY_SEND	Shifted end key
KEY_SEOL	Shifted clear line key
KEY_SEXIT	Shifted exit key
KEY_SFIND	Shifted find key
KEY_SHELP	Shifted help key
KEY_SHOME	Shifted home key
KEY_SIC	Shifted input key
KEY_SLEFT	Shifted left arrow key
KEY_SMESSAGE	Shifted message key
KEY_SMOVE	Shifted move key
KEY_SNEXT	Shifted next key
KEY_SOPTIONS	Shifted options key
KEY_SPREVIOUS	Shifted prev key
KEY_SPRINT	Shifted print key
KEY_SREDO	Shifted redo key
KEY_SREPLACE	Shifted replace key
KEY_SRIGHT	Shifted right arrow
KEY_SRSUME	Shifted resume key
KEY_SSAVE	Shifted save key
KEY_SSUSPEND	Shifted suspend key

Name	Key name
KEY_SUNDO	Shifted undo key
KEY_SUSPEND	Suspend key
KEY_UNDO	Undo key

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure. The ungetch() routine returns an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion. The other routines return the next input character or function key code upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs inopts(3CURSES), curs move(3CURSES), curs refresh(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Use of the escape key for a single character function is discouraged.

When using getch(), wgetch(), mvgetch(), or mvwgetch(), nocbreak mode (nocbreak()) and echo mode (echo()) should not be used at the same time. Depending on the state of the tty driver when each character is typed, the program may produce undesirable results.

Note that getch(), mvgetch(), and mvwgetch() may be macros.

NAME |

curs_getstr, getstr, wgetstr, mvgetstr, mvwgetstr, wgetnstr – get character strings from curses terminal keyboard

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int getstr(char *str);
int wgetstr(WINDOW *win, char *str);
int mvgetstr(int y, int x, char *str);
int mvwgetstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *str);
int wgetnstr(WINDOW *win, char *str, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

The effect of getstr() is as though a series of calls to getch() were made, until a newline or carriage return is received. The resulting value is placed in the area pointed to by the character pointer str. wgetnstr() reads at most n characters, thus preventing a possible overflow of the input buffer. The user's erase and kill characters are interpreted, as well as any special keys (such as function keys, HOME key, and CLEAR key.)

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs getch(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that getstr(), mygetstr(), and mywgetstr() may be macros.

NAME

curs_getwch, getwch, wgetwch, mvgetwch, mvwgetwch, ungetwch – get (or push back) wchar_t characters from curses terminal keyboard

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <curses.h>
int getwch(void);
int wgetwch(WINDOW *win);
int mvgetwch(int y, int x);
int mvwgetwch(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
int ungetwch(int wch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The getwch(), wgetwch(), mvgetwch(), and mvwgetwch() routines read an EUC character from the terminal associated with the window, transform it into a wchar_t character, and return a wchar_t character. In no-delay mode, if no input is waiting, the value ERR is returned. In delay mode, the program waits until the system passes text through to the program. Depending on the setting of cbreak, this is after one character (cbreak mode), or after the first newline (nocbreak mode). In half-delay mode, the program waits until a character is typed or the specified timeout has been reached. Unless noecho has been set, the character will also be echoed into the designated window.

If the window is not a pad, and it has been moved or modified since the last call to wrefresh(3CURSES), wrefresh will be called before another character is read.

If keypad is TRUE, and a function key is pressed, the token for that function key is returned instead of the raw characters. Possible function keys are defined in <curses.h> with integers beginning with 0401, whose names begin with KEY_. If a character that could be the beginning of a function key (such as escape) is received, curses(3CURSES) sets a timer. If the remainder of the sequence does not come in within the designated time, the character is passed through; otherwise, the function key value is returned. For this reason, many terminals experience a delay between the time a user presses the escape key and the escape is returned to the program.

The ungetwch () routine places wch back onto the input queue to be returned by the next call to wgetwch().

Function Keys

The following function keys, defined in <curses.h>, might be returned by getwch() if keypad has been enabled. Note that not all of these may be supported on a particular terminal if the terminal does not transmit a unique code when the key is pressed or if the definition for the key is not present in the terminfo(4) database.

Name	Key name	
KEY_BREAK	Break key	

Name	Key name
KEY_DOWN	The four arrow keys
KEY_UP	
KEY_LEFT	
KEY_RIGHT	
KEY_HOME	Home key (upward+left arrow)
KEY_BACKSPACE	Backspace
KEY_F0	Function keys; space for 64 keys is reserved.
KEY_F(n)	For $0 \le n \le 63$
KEY_DL	Delete line
KEY_IL	Insert line
KEY_DC	Delete character
KEY_IC	Insert char or enter insert mode
KEY_EIC	Exit insert char mode
KEY_CLEAR	Clear screen
KEY_EOS	Clear to end of screen
KEY_EOL	Clear to end of line
KEY_SF	Scroll 1 line forward
KEY_SR	Scroll 1 line backward (reverse)
KEY_NPAGE	Next page
KEY_PPAGE	Previous page
KEY_STAB	Set tab
KEY_CTAB	Clear tab
KEY_CATAB	Clear all tabs
KEY_ENTER	Enter or send
KEY_SRESET	Soft (partial) reset
KEY_RESET	Reset or hard reset
KEY_PRINT	Print or copy
KEY_LL	Home down or bottom (lower left). Keypad is arranged like this: A1 up A3 left B2 right C1 down C3

Name	Key name
KEY_A1	Upper left of keypad
KEY_A3	Upper right of keypad
KEY_B2	Center of keypad
KEY_C1	Lower left of keypad
KEY_C3	Lower right of keypad
KEY_BTAB	Back tab key
KEY_BEG	Beg(inning) key
KEY_CANCEL	Cancel key
KEY_CLOSE	Close key
KEY_COMMAND	Cmd (command) key
KEY_COPY	Copy key
KEY_CREATE	Create key
KEY_END	End key
KEY_EXIT	Exit key
KEY_FIND	Find key
KEY_HELP	Help key
KEY_MARK	Mark key
KEY_MESSAGE	Message key
KEY_MOVE	Move key
KEY_NEXT	Next object key
KEY_OPEN	Open key
KEY_OPTIONS	Options key
KEY_PREVIOUS	Previous object key
KEY_REDO	Redo key
KEY_REFERENCE	Reference key
KEY_REFRESH	Refresh key
KEY_REPLACE	Replace key
KEY_RESTART	Restart key
KEY_RESUME	Resume key

Name	Key name
KEY_SAVE	Save key
KEY_SBEG	Shifted beginning key
KEY_SCANCEL	Shifted cancel key
KEY_SCOMMAND	Shifted command key
KEY_SCOPY	Shifted copy key
KEY_SCREATE	Shifted create key
KEY_SDC	Shifted delete char key
KEY_SDL	Shifted delete line key
KEY_SELECT	Select key
KEY_SEND	Shifted end key
KEY_SEOL	Shifted clear line key
KEY_SEXIT	Shifted exit key
KEY_SFIND	Shifted find key
KEY_SHELP	Shifted help key
KEY_SHOME	Shifted home key
KEY_SIC	Shifted input key
KEY_SLEFT	Shifted left arrow key
KEY_SMESSAGE	Shifted message key
KEY_SMOVE	Shifted move key
KEY_SNEXT	Shifted next key
KEY_SOPTIONS	Shifted options key
KEY_SPREVIOUS	Shifted prev key
KEY_SPRINT	Shifted print key
KEY_SREDO	Shifted redo key
KEY_SREPLACE	Shifted replace key
KEY_SRIGHT	Shifted right arrow
KEY_SRSUME	Shifted resume key
KEY_SSAVE	Shifted save key
KEY_SSUSPEND	Shifted suspend key

Name	Key name
KEY_SUNDO	Shifted undo key
KEY_SUSPEND	Suspend key
KEY_UNDO	Undo key

RETURN VALUE

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), curs_inopts(3CURSES), curs_move(3CURSES),
wrefresh(3CURSES), terminfo(4), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h>, <unctrl.h> and <widec.h>.

Use of the escape key by a programmer for a single character function is discouraged.

When using getwch(), wgetwch(), mvgetwch(), or mvwgetwch(), nocbreak mode and echo mode should not be used at the same time. Depending on the state of the tty driver when each character is typed, the program may produce undesirable results.

Note that getwch(), mvgetwch(), and mvwgetwch() may be macros.

NAME

curs getwstr, getwstr, getnwstr, wgetwstr, wgetnwstr, mvgetwstr, mvgetnwstr, mvwgetwstr, mvwgetnwstr – get wchar_t character strings from curses terminal keyboard

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <curses.h>
int getwstr(wchar t *wstr);
int getnwstr(wchar t *wstr, int n);
int wgetwstr(WINDOW *win, wchar t *wstr);
int wgetnwstr(WINDOW *win, wchar t *wstr, int n);
int mvgetwstr(int y, int x, wchar t *wstr);
int mvgetnwstr(int y, int x, wchar t *wstr, int n);
int mvwgetwstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, wchar t *wstr);
int mvwgetnwstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, wchar t *wstr, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

The effect of getwstr() is as though a series of calls to getwch(3CURSES) were made, until a newline and carriage return is received. The resulting value is placed in the area pointed to by the wchar t pointer wstr. getnwstr() reads at most nwchar t characters, thus preventing a possible overflow of the input buffer. The user's erase and kill characters are interpreted, as well as any special keys (such as function keys, HOME key, CLEAR key, etc.).

RETURN VALUE

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for a description of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), getwch(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h>, <unctrl.h>, and <widec.h>.

Note that all routines except wgetnwstr() may be macros.

curs_getyx(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_getyx, getyx, getparyx, getbegyx, getmaxyx - get curses cursor and window coordinates

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
void getyx(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
void getparyx(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
void getbegyx(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
void getmaxyx (WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
```

DESCRIPTION

With the getyx () macro, the cursor position of the window is placed in the two integer variables y and x.

With the getparyx() macro, if win is a subwindow, the beginning coordinates of the subwindow relative to the parent window are placed into two integer variables, y and x. Otherwise, -1 is placed into y and x.

Like getyx(), the getbegyx() and getmaxyx() macros store the current beginning coordinates and size of the specified window.

RETURN VALUES

The return values of these macros are undefined (that is, they should not be used as the right-hand side of assignment statements).

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that all of these interfaces are macros and that "&" is not necessary before the variables y and x.

NAME | curs inch, inch, winch, mvinch, mvwinch – get a character and its attributes from a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
chtype inch(void);
chtype winch(WINDOW *win);
chtype mvinch(int y, int x);
chtype mvwinch(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
```

DESCRIPTION

With these routines, the character, of type chtype, at the current position in the named window is returned. If any attributes are set for that position, their values are OR-ed into the value returned. Constants defined in <curses.h> can be used with the logical AND (&) operator to extract the character or attributes alone.

Attributes

The following bit-masks can be AND-ed with characters returned by winch().

A_CHARTEXT Bit-mask to extract character A_ATTRIBUTES Bit-mask to extract attributes

A_COLOR Bit-mask to extract color-pair field information

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that all of these routines may be macros.

curs_inchstr(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_inchstr, inchstr, inchstr, winchstr, winchstr, mvinchstr, mvinchstr, mvinchstr, mvwinchstr – get a string of characters (and attributes) from a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int inchstr(chtype *chstr);
int inchnstr(chtype *chstr, int n);
int winchstr(WINDOW *win, chtype *chstr);
int winchnstr(WINDOW *win, chtype *chstr, int n);
int mvinchstr(int y, int x, chtype *chstr);
int mvinchnstr(int y, int x, chtype *chstr, int n);
int mvinchstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype *chstr);
int mvwinchnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype *chstr, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

With these routines, a string of type chtype, starting at the current cursor position in the named window and ending at the right margin of the window, is returned. The four functions with n as the last argument, return the string at most n characters long. Constants defined in <curses.h> can be used with the & (logical AND) operator to extract the character or the attribute alone from any position in the *chstr* (see curs_inch(3CURSES)).

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs inch(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that all routines except winchnstr() may be macros.

NAME | curs initscr, initscr, newterm, endwin, isendwin, set term, delscreen – curses screen initialization and manipulation routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
WINDOW *initscr(void);
int endwin(void);
int isendwin(void);
SCREEN *newterm(char *type, FILE *outfd, FILE *infd);
SCREEN *set term(SCREEN *new);
void delscreen(SCREEN * sp);
```

DESCRIPTION

initscr() is almost always the first routine that should be called (the exceptions are slk init(),filter(),ripoffline(),use env() and, for multiple-terminal applications, newterm().) This determines the terminal type and initializes all curses data structures. initscr() also causes the first call to refresh() to clear the screen. If errors occur, initscr() writes an appropriate error message to standard error and exits; otherwise, a pointer is returned to stdscr(). If the program needs an indication of error conditions, newterm() should be used instead of initscr(); initscr() should only be called once per application.

A program that outputs to more than one terminal should use the newterm() routine for each terminal instead of initscr(). A program that needs an indication of error conditions, so it can continue to run in a line-oriented mode if the terminal cannot support a screen-oriented program, would also use this routine. The routine newterm() should be called once for each terminal. It returns a variable of type SCREEN * which should be saved as a reference to that terminal. The arguments are the type of the terminal to be used in place of \$TERM, a file pointer for output to the terminal, and another file pointer for input from the terminal (if type is NULL, \$TERM will be used). The program must also call endwin() for each terminal being used before exiting from curses. If newterm() is called more than once for the same terminal, the first terminal referred to must be the last one for which endwin() is called.

A program should always call endwin() before exiting or escaping from curses mode temporarily. This routine restores tty modes, moves the cursor to the lower left-hand corner of the screen and resets the terminal into the proper non-visual mode. Calling refresh() or doupdate() after a temporary escape causes the program to resume visual mode.

The isendwin() routine returns TRUE if endwin() has been called without any subsequent calls to wrefresh(), and FALSE otherwise.

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The set_term() routine is used to switch between different terminals. The screen reference new becomes the new current terminal. The previous terminal is returned by the routine. This is the only routine which manipulates SCREEN pointers; all other routines affect only the current terminal.

The delscreen() routine frees storage associated with the SCREEN data structure. The endwin() routine does not do this, so delscreen() should be called after endwin() if a particular SCREEN is no longer needed.

RETURN VALUES

endwin() returns the integer ERR upon failure and OK upon successful completion.

Routines that return pointers always return NULL on error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

	ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level		Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_kernel(3CURSES), curs_refresh(3CURSES), curs_slk(3CURSES),
curs_util(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that initscr() and newterm() may be macros.

NAME

curs inopts, cbreak, nocbreak, echo, noecho, halfdelay, intrflush, keypad, meta, nodelay, notimeout, raw, noraw, noqiflush, qiflush, timeout, wtimeout, typeahead curses terminal input option control routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int cbreak (void);
int nocbreak (void);
int echo (void);
int noecho (void);
int halfdelay(int tenths);
int intrflush (WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int keypad(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int meta(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int nodelay(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int notimeout(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int raw(void);
int noraw(void);
void nogiflush(void);
void qiflush(void);
void timeout(int delay);
void wtimeout(WINDOW *win, int delay);
int typeahead (int fildes);
```

DESCRIPTION

The cbreak() and nocbreak() routines put the terminal into and out of cbreak() mode, respectively. In this mode, characters typed by the user are immediately available to the program, and erase/kill character-processing is not performed. When out of this mode, the tty driver buffers the typed characters until a newline or carriage return is typed. Interrupt and flow control characters are unaffected by this mode. Initially the terminal may or may not be in cbreak () mode, as the mode is inherited; therefore, a program should call cbreak() or nocbreak() explicitly. Most interactive programs using curses set the cbreak () mode.

Note that cbreak() overrides raw(). (See curs getch(3CURSES) for a discussion of how these routines interact with echo () and noecho ().)

The echo() and noecho() routines control whether characters typed by the user are echoed by getch () as they are typed. Echoing by the tty driver is always disabled, but initially getch () is in echo mode, so characters typed are echoed. Authors of

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most interactive programs prefer to do their own echoing in a controlled area of the screen, or not to echo at all, so they disable echoing by calling noecho(). (See curs_getch(3CURSES) for a discussion of how these routines interact with cbreak() and nocbreak().)

The halfdelay() routine is used for half-delay mode, which is similar to cbreak() mode in that characters typed by the user are immediately available to the program. However, after blocking for *tenths* tenths of seconds, ERR is returned if nothing has been typed. The value of *tenths* must be a number between 1 and 255. Use nocbreak() to leave half-delay mode.

If the intrflush() option is enabled, (bf is TRUE), when an interrupt key is pressed on the keyboard (interrupt, break, quit) all output in the tty driver queue will be flushed, giving the effect of faster response to the interrupt, but causing curses to have the wrong idea of what is on the screen. Disabling (bf is FALSE), the option prevents the flush. The default for the option is inherited from the tty driver settings. The window argument is ignored.

The keypad() option enables the keypad of the user's terminal. If enabled (bf is TRUE), the user can press a function key (such as an arrow key) and wgetch() returns a single value representing the function key, as in KEY_LEFT. If disabled (bf is FALSE), curses does not treat function keys specially and the program has to interpret the escape sequences itself. If the keypad in the terminal can be turned on (made to transmit) and off (made to work locally), turning on this option causes the terminal keypad to be turned on when wgetch() is called. The default value for keypad is false.

Initially, whether the terminal returns 7 or 8 significant bits on input depends on the control mode of the tty driver (see termio(7I)). To force 8 bits to be returned, invoke meta(win, TRUE). To force 7 bits to be returned, invoke meta(win, FALSE). The window argument, win, is always ignored. If the terminfo capabilities smm (meta_on) and rmm (meta_off) are defined for the terminal, smm is sent to the terminal when meta(win, TRUE) is called and rmm is sent when meta(win, FALSE) is called.

The nodelay() option causes getch() to be a non-blocking call. If no input is ready, getch() returns ERR. If disabled (bf is FALSE), getch() waits until a key is pressed.

While interpreting an input escape sequence, wgetch() sets a timer while waiting for the next character. If notimeout (win, TRUE) is called, then wgetch() does not set a timer. The purpose of the timeout is to differentiate between sequences received from a function key and those typed by a user.

With the raw() and noraw() routines, the terminal is placed into or out of raw mode. Raw mode is similar to cbreak() mode, in that characters typed are immediately passed through to the user program. The differences are that in raw mode, the interrupt, quit, suspend, and flow control characters are all passed through uninterpreted, instead of generating a signal. The behavior of the BREAK key depends on other bits in the tty driver that are not set by curses.

When the noqiflush() routine is used, normal flush of input and output queues associated with the INTR, QUIT and SUSP characters will not be done (see termio(7I)). When qiflush() is called, the queues will be flushed when these control characters are read.

The timeout() and wtimeout() routines set blocking or non-blocking read for a given window. If *delay* is negative, blocking read is used (that is, waits indefinitely for input). If *delay* is zero, then non-blocking read is used (that is, read returns ERR if no input is waiting). If *delay* is positive, then read blocks for *delay* milliseconds, and returns ERR if there is still no input. Hence, these routines provide the same functionality as nodelay(), plus the additional capability of being able to block for only *delay* milliseconds (where *delay* is positive).

curses does "line-breakout optimization" by looking for typeahead periodically while updating the screen. If input is found, and it is coming from a tty, the current update is postponed until refresh() or doupdate() is called again. This allows faster response to commands typed in advance. Normally, the input FILE pointer passed to newterm(), or stdin in the case that initscr() was used, will be used to do this typeahead checking. The typeahead() routine specifies that the file descriptor *fildes* is to be used to check for typeahead instead. If *fildes* is –1, then no typeahead checking is done.

RETURN VALUES

All routines that return an integer return ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion, unless otherwise noted in the preceding routine descriptions.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_getch(3CURSES), curs_initscr(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES),
attributes(5), termio(7I)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that echo(), noecho(), halfdelay(), intrflush(), meta(), nodelay(), notimeout(), noqiflush(), qiflush(), timeout(), and wtimeout() may be macros.

curs_insch(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_insch, insch, winsch, mvinsch, mvwinsch – insert a character before the character under the cursor in a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int insch(chtype ch);
int winsch(WINDOW *win, chtype ch);
int mvinsch(int y, int x, chtype ch);
int mvwinsch(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype ch);
```

DESCRIPTION

With these routines, the character *ch* is inserted before the character under the cursor. All characters to the right of the cursor are moved one space to the right, with the possibility of the rightmost character on the line being lost. The cursor position does not change (after moving to *y*, *x*, if specified). (This does not imply use of the hardware insert character feature.)

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that insch(), mvinsch(), and mvwinsch() may be macros.

NAME |

curs_insstr, insstr, insnstr, winsstr, winsstr, mvinsstr, mvinsstr, mvwinsstr, mvwinsstr – insert string before character under the cursor in a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int insstr(char *str);
int insnstr(char *str, int n);
int winsstr(WINDOW *win, char *str);
int winsnstr(WINDOW *win, char *str, int n);
int mvinsstr(int y, int x, char *str);
int mvinsnstr(int y, int x, char *str, int n);
int mvinsnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *str);
int mvwinsnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *str, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

With these routines, a character string (as many characters as will fit on the line) is inserted before the character under the cursor. All characters to the right of the cursor are moved to the right, with the possibility of the rightmost characters on the line being lost. The cursor position does not change (after moving to y, x, if specified). (This does not imply use of the hardware insert character feature.) The four routines with n as the last argument insert at most n characters. If n <= 0, then the entire string is inserted.

If a character in *str* is a tab, newline, carriage return or backspace, the cursor is moved appropriately within the window. A newline also does a clrtoeol() before moving. Tabs are considered to be at every eighth column. If a character in *str* is another control character, it is drawn in the ^X notation. Calling winch() after adding a control character (and moving to it, if necessary) does not return the control character, but instead returns the representation of the control character.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_clear(3CURSES), curs_inch(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES),
attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

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	Note that all but winsnstr()	may be macros.

NAME

curs_instr, instr, innstr, winstr, winstr, mvinstr, mvinnstr, mvwinstr, mvwinstr – get a string of characters from a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int instr(char *str);
int innstr(char *str, int n);
int winstr(WINDOW *win, char *str);
int winnstr(WINDOW *win, char *str, int n);
int mvinstr(int y, int x, char *str);
int mvinstr(int y, int x, char *str, int n);
int mvwinstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *str);
int mvwinnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *str, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

These routines return a string of characters in str, starting at the current cursor position in the named window and ending at the right margin of the window. Attributes are stripped from the characters. The four functions with n as the last argument return the string at most n characters long.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that all routines except winnstr() may be macros.

curs_inswch(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_inswch, inswch, winswch, mvinswch, mvwinswch – insert a wchar_t character before the character under the cursor in a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <curses.h>
int inswch(chtype wch);
int winswch(WINDOW *win, chtype wch);
int mvinswch(int y, int x, chtype wch);
int mvwinswch(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype wch);
```

DESCRIPTION

These routines insert the character *wch*, holding a wchar_t character, before the character under the cursor. All characters to the right of the cursor are moved one space to the right, with the possibility of the rightmost character on the line being lost. The cursor position does not change (after moving to *y*, *x*, if specified). (This does not imply use of the hardware insert character feature.)

RETURN VALUE

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h>, <unctrl.h> and <widec.h>.

Note that inswch(), mvinswch(), and mvwinswch() may be macros.

None of these routines can use the color attribute in chtype.

NAME

curs_inswstr, inswstr, insnwstr, winswstr, winsnwstr, mvinswstr, mvinswstr, mvinsnwstr, mvwinswstr – insert wchar_t string before character under the cursor in a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <curses.h>
int inswstr(wchar_t *wstr);
int insnwstr(wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int winswstr(WINDOW *win, wchar_t *wstr);
int winsnwstr(WINDOW *win, wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvinswstr(int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr);
int mvinswstr(int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvinswstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr);
int mvwinswstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

These routines insert a wchar_t character string (as many wchar_t characters as will fit on the line) before the character under the cursor. All characters to the right of the cursor are moved to the right, with the possibility of the rightmost characters on the line being lost. The cursor position does not change (after moving to y, x, if specified). (This does not imply use of the hardware insert character feature.) The four routines with n as the last argument insert at most n wchar_t characters. If n <= 0, then the entire string is inserted.

If a character in *wstr* is a tab, newline, carriage return, or backspace, the cursor is moved appropriately within the window. A newline also does a clrtoeol(3CURSES) before moving. Tabs are considered to be at every eighth column. If a character in *wstr* is another control character, it is drawn in the ^X notation. Calling winwch(3CURSES) after adding a control character (and moving to it, if necessary) does not return the control character, but instead returns the representation of the control character.

RETURN VALUE

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

clrtoeol(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), winwch(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h>, <unctrl.h> and <widec.h>.

curs_inswstr(3CURS	SES)	
	Note that all but winsnwstr()	may be macros.

NAME |

curs_inwch, inwch, winwch, mvinwch, mvwinwch - get a wchar_t character and its attributes from a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <curses.h>
chtype inwch(void);
chtype winwch(WINDOW *win);
chtype mvinwch (int y, int x);
chtype mvwinwch (WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
```

DESCRIPTION

These routines return the wchar t character, of type chtype, at the current position in the named window. If any attributes are set for that position, their values are OR-ed into the value returned. Constants defined in <curses. h> can be used with the logical AND (&) operator to extract the character or attributes alone.

Attributes

The following bit-masks may be AND-ed with characters returned by winwch().

```
A WCHARTEXT
                     Bit-mask to extract character
A WATTRIBUTES
                     Bit-mask to extract attributes
```

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h>, <unctrl.h> and <widec.h>.

Note that all of these routines may be macros.

None of these routines can use the color attribute in chtype.

curs inwchstr(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_inwchstr, inwchstr, inwchnstr, winwchstr, winwchstr, mvinwchstr, mvinwchstr, mvinwchstr, mvwinwchstr – get a string of wchar_t characters (and attributes) from a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <curses.h>
int inwchstr(chtype *wchstr);
int inwchnstr(chtype *wchstr, int n);
int winwchstr(WINDOW *win, chtype *wchstr);
int winwchnstr(WINDOW *win, chtype *wchstr, int n);
int mvinwchstr(int y, int x, chtype *wchstr);
int mvinwchnstr(int y, int x, chtype *wchstr, int n);
int mvinwchnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype *wchstr);
int mvwinwchnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype *wchstr, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

These routines return a string of type chtype, holding wchar_t characters, starting at the current cursor position in the named window and ending at the right margin of the window. The four functions with n as the last argument, return the string at most n wchar_t characters long. Constants defined in <curses.h> can be used with the logical AND (&) operator to extract the wchar_t character or the attribute alone from any position in the *wchstr* (see curs_inwch(3CURSES)).

RETURN VALUE

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for a description of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), curs inwch(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h>, <unctrl.h> and <widec.h>.

Note that all routines except winwchnstr() may be macros.

None of these routines can use the color attribute in chtype.

NAME

curs_inwstr, inwstr, innwstr, winwstr, winnwstr, mvinwstr, mvinnwstr, mvwinnwstr, mvwinnwstr – get a string of wchar_t characters from a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses[library .. ]
#include <curses.h>
int inwstr(wchar_t *wstr);
int innwstr(wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int winwstr(WINDOW *win, wchar_t *wstr);
int winnwstr(WINDOW *win, wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvinwstr(int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr);
int mvinwstr(int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvinwstr(int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvwinwstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr);
int mvwinnwstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

These routines return the string of wchar_t characters in *wstr* starting at the current cursor position in the named window and ending at the right margin of the window. Attributes are stripped from the characters. The four functions with *n* as the last argument return the string at most *n* wchar_t characters long.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h>, <unctrl.h> and <widec.h>.

Note that all routines except winnwstr() may be macros.

curs kernel(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_kernel, def_prog_mode, def_shell_mode, reset_prog_mode, reset_shell_mode, resetty, savetty, getsyx, setsyx, ripoffline, curs_set, napms – low-level curses routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int def_prog_mode(void);
int def_shell_mode(void);
int reset_prog_mode(void);
int reset_shell_mode(void);
int resetty(void);
int savetty(void);
int getsyx(int y, int x);
int setsyx(int y, int x);
int ripoffline(int line, int (*init)(WINDOW *, int));
int curs_set(int visibility);
int napms(int ms);
```

DESCRIPTION

The following routines give low-level access to various curses functionality. Theses routines typically are used inside library routines.

The def_prog_mode() and def_shell_mode() routines save the current terminal modes as the "program" (in curses) or "shell" (not in curses) state for use by the reset_prog_mode() and reset_shell_mode() routines. This is done automatically by initscr().

The reset_prog_mode() and reset_shell_mode() routines restore the terminal to "program" (in curses) or "shell" (out of curses) state. These are done automatically by endwin() and, after an endwin(), by doupdate(), so they normally are not called.

The resetty() and savetty() routines save and restore the state of the terminal modes. savetty() saves the current state in a buffer and resetty() restores the state to what it was at the last call to savetty().

With the getsyx() routine, the current coordinates of the virtual screen cursor are returned in y and x. If leaveok() is currently TRUE, then -1,—1 is returned. If lines have been removed from the top of the screen, using ripoffline(), y and x include these lines; therefore, y and x should be used only as arguments for setsyx().

With the setsyx() routine, the virtual screen cursor is set to y, x. If y and x are both -1, then leaveok() is set. The two routines getsyx() and setsyx() are designed to be used by a library routine, which manipulates curses windows but does not

want to change the current position of the program's cursor. The library routine would call getsyx() at the beginning, do its manipulation of its own windows, do a wnoutrefresh() on its windows, call setsyx(), and then call doupdate().

The ripoffline () routine provides access to the same facility that slk init () (see curs slk(3CURSES)) uses to reduce the size of the screen. ripoffline() must be called before initscr() or newterm() is called. If line is positive, a line is removed from the top of stdscr(); if line is negative, a line is removed from the bottom. When this is done inside initscr(), the routine init() (supplied by the user) is called with two arguments: a window pointer to the one-line window that has been allocated and an integer with the number of columns in the window. Inside this initialization routine, the integer variables LINES and COLS (defined in <curses.h>) are not guaranteed to be accurate and wrefresh() or doupdate() must not be called. It is allowable to call wnoutrefresh() during the initialization routine.

ripoffline() can be called up to five times before calling initscr() or newterm().

With the curs set () routine, the cursor state is set to invisible, normal, or very visible for visibility equal to 0, 1, or 2 respectively. If the terminal supports the visibility requested, the previous *cursor* state is returned; otherwise, ERR is returned.

The napms () routine is used to sleep for *ms* milliseconds.

RETURN VALUES

Except for curs set(), these routines always return OK. curs set() returns the previous cursor state, or ERR if the requested *visibility* is not supported.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs initscr(3CURSES), curs outopts(3CURSES), curs refresh(3CURSES), curs scr dump(3CURSES), curs slk(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that getsyx() is a macro, so an ampersand (&) is not necessary before the variables y and x.

curs_move(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs move, move, wmove - move curses window cursor

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int move (int y, int x);
int wmove(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
```

DESCRIPTION

With these routines, the cursor associated with the window is moved to line *y* and column *x*. This routine does not move the physical cursor of the terminal until refresh() is called. The position specified is relative to the upper left-hand corner of the window, which is (0,0).

RETURN VALUES

These routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs refresh(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that move () may be a macro.

NAME |

curs outopts, clearok, idlok, idcok, immedok, leaveok, setscrreg, wsetscrreg, scrollok, nl, nonl – curses terminal output option control routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int clearok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int idlok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
void idcok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
void immedok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int leaveok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int setscrreg(int top, int bot);
int wsetscrreg(WINDOW *win, int top, int bot);
int scrollok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
int nl (void);
int nonl(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

These routines set options that deal with output within curses. All options are initially FALSE, unless otherwise stated. It is not necessary to turn these options off before calling endwin().

With the clearok() routine, if enabled (bf is TRUE), the next call to wrefresh() with this window will clear the screen completely and redraw the entire screen from scratch. This is useful when the contents of the screen are uncertain, or in some cases for a more pleasing visual effect. If the win argument to clearok() is the global variable curscr(), the next call to wrefresh() with any window causes the screen to be cleared and repainted from scratch.

With the idlok() routine, if enabled (bf is TRUE), curses considers using the hardware insert/delete line feature of terminals so equipped. If disabled (*bf* is FALSE) , curses very seldom uses this feature. (The insert/delete character feature is always considered.) This option should be enabled only if the application needs insert/delete line, for example, for a screen editor. It is disabled by default because insert/delete line tends to be visually annoying when used in applications where it isn't really needed. If insert/delete line cannot be used, curses redraws the changed portions of all lines.

With the idcok() routine, if enabled (bf is TRUE), curses considers using the hardware insert/delete character feature of terminals so equipped. This is enabled by default.

With the immedok () routine, if enabled (bf is TRUE), any change in the window image, such as the ones caused by waddch(), wclrtobot(), wscrl(), etc., automatically cause a call to wrefresh(). However, it may degrade the performance considerably, due to repeated calls to wrefresh(). It is disabled by default.

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Normally, the hardware cursor is left at the location of the window cursor being refreshed. The leaveok() option allows the cursor to be left wherever the update happens to leave it. It is useful for applications where the cursor is not used, since it reduces the need for cursor motions. If possible, the cursor is made invisible when this option is enabled.

The setscrreg() and wsetscrreg() routines allow the application programmer to set a software scrolling region in a window. top and bot are the line numbers of the top and bottom margin of the scrolling region. (Line 0 is the top line of the window.) If this option and scrollok() are enabled, an attempt to move off the bottom margin line causes all lines in the scrolling region to scroll up one line. Only the text of the window is scrolled. (Note that this has nothing to do with the use of a physical scrolling region capability in the terminal, like that in the VT100. If idlok() is enabled and the terminal has either a scrolling region or insert/delete line capability, they will probably be used by the output routines.)

The scrollok() option controls what happens when the cursor of a window is moved off the edge of the window or scrolling region, either as a result of a newline action on the bottom line, or typing the last character of the last line. If disabled, (*bf* is FALSE), the cursor is left on the bottom line. If enabled, (*bf* is TRUE), wrefresh() is called on the window, and the physical terminal and window are scrolled up one line. (Note that in order to get the physical scrolling effect on the terminal, it is also necessary to call idlok().)

The nl() and nonl() routines control whether newline is translated into carriage return and linefeed on output, and whether return is translated into newline on input. Initially, the translations do occur. By disabling these translations using nonl(), curses is able to make better use of the linefeed capability, resulting in faster cursor motion.

RETURN VALUES

setscrreg() and wsetscrreg() return OK upon success and ERR upon failure. All other routines that return an integer always return OK.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

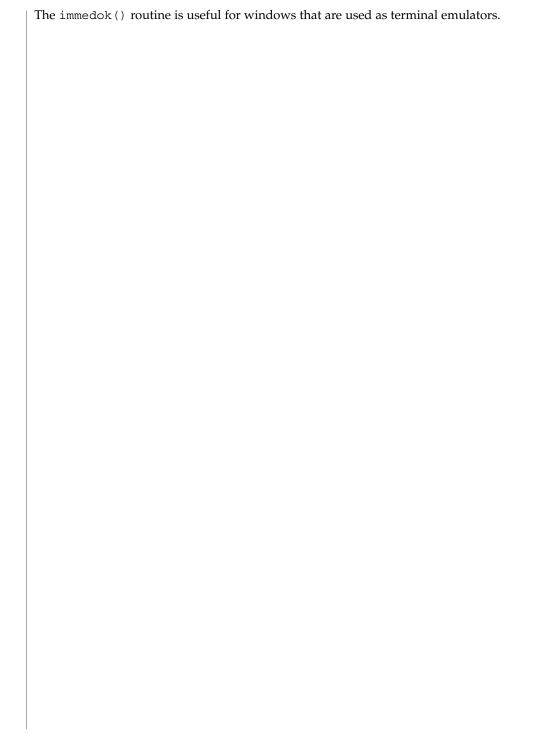
curs_addch(3CURSES), curs_clear(3CURSES), curs_initscr(3CURSES),
curs_refresh(3CURSES), curs_scroll(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES),
attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that clearok(), leaveok(), scrollok(), idcok(), nl(), nonl(), and setscrreg() may be macros.

curs_outopts(3CURSES)



curs_overlay(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_overlay, overlay, overwrite, copywin – overlap and manipulate overlapped curses windows

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
```

int overlay(WINDOW *srcwin, WINDOW *dstwin);

int overwrite(WINDOW *srcwin, WINDOW *dstwin);

int copywin (WINDOW *srcwin, WINDOW *dstwin, int sminrow, int smincol, int dminrow, int dmincol, int dmaxrow, int dmaxcol, int overlay);

DESCRIPTION

The overlay() and overwrite() routines overlay *srcwin* on top of *dstwin*. *scrwin* and *dstwin* are not required to be the same size; only text where the two windows overlap is copied. The difference is that overlay() is non-destructive (blanks are not copied) whereas overwrite() is destructive.

The copywin() routine provides a finer granularity of control over the overlay() and overwrite() routines. Like in the prefresh() routine, a rectangle is specified in the destination window, (dminrow, dmincol) and (dmaxrow, dmaxcol), and the upper-left-corner coordinates of the source window, (sminrow, smincol). If the argument overlay is true, then copying is non-destructive, as in overlay().

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return an integer return ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_pad(3CURSES), curs_refresh(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES),
attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that overlay () and overwrite may be macros.

curs pad, newpad, subpad, prefresh, pnoutrefresh, pechochar, pechowchar – create and display curses pads

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <curses.h>
WINDOW *newpad(int nlines, int ncols);
WINDOW *subpad(WINDOW *orig, int nlines, int ncols, int begin_y, int
    begin_x);
int prefresh (WINDOW *pad, int pminrow, int pmincol, int sminrow, int
    smincol, int smaxrow, int smaxcol);
int pnoutrefresh (WINDOW *pad, int pminrow, int pmincol, int sminrow,
     int smincol, int smaxrow, int smaxcol);
int pechochar (WINDOW *pad, chtype ch);
int pechowchar(WINDOW *pad, chtype wch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The newpad() routine creates and returns a pointer to a new pad data structure with the given number of lines, nlines, and columns, ncols. A pad is like a window, except that it is not restricted by the screen size, and is not necessarily associated with a particular part of the screen. Pads can be used when a large window is needed, and only a part of the window will be on the screen at one time. Automatic refreshes of pads (for example, from scrolling or echoing of input) do not occur. It is not legal to call wrefresh(3CURSES) with a pad as an argument; the routines prefresh() or pnoutrefresh() should be called instead. Note that these routines require additional parameters to specify the part of the pad to be displayed and the location on the screen to be used for the display.

The subpad() routine creates and returns a pointer to a subwindow within a pad with the given number of lines, nlines, and columns, ncols. Unlike subwin(3CURSES), which uses screen coordinates, the window is at position (begin_x, begin_y) on the pad. The window is made in the middle of the window *orig*, so that changes made to one window affect both windows. During the use of this routine, it will often be necessary to call touchwin(3CURSES) or touchline(3CURSES) on orig before calling prefresh().

The prefresh() and pnoutrefresh() routines are analogous to wrefresh(3CURSES) and wnoutrefresh(3CURSES) except that they relate to pads instead of windows. The additional parameters are needed to indicate what part of the pad and screen are involved. pminrow and pmincol specify the upper left-hand corner of the rectangle to be displayed in the pad. sminrow, smincol, smaxrow, and smaxcol specify the edges of the rectangle to be displayed on the screen. The lower right-hand corner of the rectangle to be displayed in the pad is calculated from the screen coordinates, since the rectangles must be the same size. Both rectangles must be entirely contained within their respective structures. Negative values of pminrow, pmincol, sminrow, or smincol are treated as if they were zero.

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The pechochar() routine is functionally equivalent to a call to addch(3CURSES) followed by a call to refresh(3CURSES), a call to waddch(3CURSES) followed by a call to wrefresh(3CURSES), or a call to waddch(3CURSES) followed by a call to prefresh(). The knowledge that only a single character is being output is taken into consideration and, for non-control characters, a considerable performance gain might be seen by using these routines instead of their equivalents. In the case of pechochar(), the last location of the pad on the screen is reused for the arguments to prefresh().

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return an integer return ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

Routines that return pointers return NULL on error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE	TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level		Unsafe

SEE ALSO

addch(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), refresh(3CURSES), subwin(3CURSES), touchline(3CURSES), touchwin(3CURSES), waddch(3CURSES), wnoutrefresh(3CURSES), wrefresh(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header file <curses.h> automatically includes the header files <stdio.h>, <unctrl.h> and <widec.h>.

Note that pechochar() may be a macro.

NAME

curs_printw, printw, wprintw, mvprintw, mvwprintw, vwprintw - print formatted output in curses windows

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int printw(char *fmt, /* arg */ ...);
int wprintw(WINDOW *win, char *fmt, /* arg */ ...);
int mvprintw(int y, int x, char *fmt, /* arg */ ...);
int mvwprintw(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *fmt, /* arg */...);
#include <varargs.h>
int vwprintw(WINDOW *win, char *fmt, /* varglist */ ...);
```

DESCRIPTION

The printw(), wprintw(), mvprintw(), and mvwprintw() routines are analogous to printf() (see printf(3C)). In effect, the string that would be output by printf() is output instead as though waddstr() were used on the given window.

The vwprintw() routine is analogous to vprintf() (see vprintf(3C)) and performs a wprintw() using a variable argument list. The third argument is a va list, a pointer to a list of arguments, as defined in <varargs.h>.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), printf(3C), vprintf(3C), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

curs refresh(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs_refresh, refresh, wrefresh, wnoutrefresh, doupdate, redrawwin, wredrawln – refresh curses windows and lines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int refresh(void);
int wrefresh(WINDOW *win);
int wnoutrefresh(WINDOW *win);
int doupdate(void);
int redrawwin(WINDOW *win);
int wredrawln(WINDOW *win, int beg_line, int num_lines);
```

DESCRIPTION

The refresh() and wrefresh() routines (or wnoutrefresh() and doupdate()) must be called to get any output on the terminal, as other routines merely manipulate data structures. The routine wrefresh() copies the named window to the physical terminal screen, taking into account what is already there in order to do optimizations. The refresh() routine is the same, using stdscr as the default window. Unless leaveok() has been enabled, the physical cursor of the terminal is left at the location of the cursor for that window.

The wnoutrefresh() and doupdate() routines allow multiple updates with more efficiency than wrefresh() alone. In addition to all the window structures, curses keeps two data structures representing the terminal screen: a physical screen, describing what is actually on the screen, and a virtual screen, describing what the programmer wants to have on the screen.

The routine wrefresh() works by first calling wnoutrefresh(), which copies the named window to the virtual screen, and then calling doupdate(), which compares the virtual screen to the physical screen and does the actual update. If the programmer wishes to output several windows at once, a series of calls to wrefresh() results in alternating calls to wnoutrefresh() and doupdate(), causing several bursts of output to the screen. By first calling wnoutrefresh() for each window, it is then possible to call doupdate() once, resulting in only one burst of output, with fewer total characters transmitted and less CPU time used. If the win argument to wrefresh() is the global variable cursor, the screen is immediately cleared and repainted from scratch.

The redrawwin() routine indicates to curses that some screen lines are corrupted and should be thrown away before anything is written over them. These routines could be used for programs such as editors, which want a command to redraw some part of the screen or the entire screen. The routine redrawln() is preferred over redrawwin() where a noisy communication line exists and redrawing the entire window could be subject to even more communication noise. Just redrawing several lines offers the possibility that they would show up unblemished.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See ${\tt attributes}(5)$ for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_outopts(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that refresh() and redrawwin() may be macros.

curs scanw(3CURSES)

NAME |

curs scanw, scanw, wscanw, mvscanw, mvwscanw, vwscanw - convert formatted input from a curses widow

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int scanw(char *fmt, /* arg */ ...);
int wscanw(WINDOW *win, char *fmt, /* arg */ ...);
int mvscanw (int y, int x, char *fmt, /* arg */ ...);
int mvwscanw (WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *fmt, /* arg */...);
int vwscanw(WINDOW *win, char *fmt, va list varglist);
```

DESCRIPTION

The scanw(), wscanw(), and mvscanw() routines correspond to scanf() (see scanf(3C)). The effect of these routines is as though wgetstr() were called on the window, and the resulting line used as input for the scan. Fields which do not map to a variable in the fmt field are lost.

The vwscanw() routine is similar to vwprintw() in that it performs a wscanw() using a variable argument list. The third argument is a va_list, a pointer to a list of arguments, as defined in <varargs.h>.

RETURN VALUES

vwscanw() returns ERR on failure and an integer equal to the number of fields scanned on success.

Applications may interrogate the return value from the scanw, wscanw(), mvscanw(), and mvwscanw() routines to determine the number of fields which were mapped in the call.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs qetstr(3CURSES), curs printw(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), scanf(3C), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

NAME | curs scr dump, scr dump, scr restore, scr init, scr set – read (write) a curses screen from (to) a file

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int scr dump (char *filename);
int scr restore(char *filename);
int scr init(char *filename);
int scr set(char *filename);
```

DESCRIPTION

With the scr dump () routine, the current contents of the virtual screen are written to the file filename.

With the scr restore() routine, the virtual screen is set to the contents of *filename*, which must have been written using scr dump(). The next call to doupdate() restores the screen to the way it looked in the dump file.

With the scr init () routine, the contents of *filename* are read in and used to initialize the curses data structures about what the terminal currently has on its screen. If the data is determined to be valid, curses bases its next update of the screen on this information rather than clearing the screen and starting from scratch. scr init() is used after initscr() or a system(3C) call to share the screen with another process which has done a scr dump() after its endwin() call. The data is declared invalid if the time-stamp of the tty is old or the terminfo capabilities rmcup() and nrrmc() exist.

The scr set() routine is a combination of scr restore() and scr init(). It tells the program that the information in *filename* is what is currently on the screen, and also what the program wants on the screen. This can be thought of as a screen inheritance function.

To read (write) a window from (to) a file, use the getwin() and putwin() routines (see curs util(3CURSES)).

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and OK upon success.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs initscr(3CURSES), curs refresh(3CURSES), curs util(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), system(3C), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

curs_scr_dump(3CURSES)	
	Note that scr_init(), scr_set(), and scr_restore() may be macros.

NAME | curs_scroll, scroll, scrl, wscrl – scroll a curses window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int scroll(WINDOW *win);
int scrl(int n);
int wscrl(WINDOW *win, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

With the scroll () routine, the window is scrolled up one line. This involves moving the lines in the window data structure. As an optimization, if the scrolling region of the window is the entire screen, the physical screen is scrolled at the same time.

With the scrl() and wscrl() routines, for positive n scroll the window up n lines (line i+n becomes i); otherwise scroll the window down n lines. This involves moving the lines in the window character image structure. The current cursor position is not changed.

For these functions to work, scrolling must be enabled via scrollok().

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs outopts(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that scrl() and scroll() may be macros.

curs_set(3XCURSES)

NAME | curs_set – set visibility of cursor

SYNOPSIS

cc [flag...] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \ -R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [library...] c89 [flag...] file... -lcurses [library...] #include <curses.h> int curs set(int visibility);

DESCRIPTION

The curs set () function sets the visibility of the cursor to invisible (0), normal (1), or very visible (2). The exact appearance of normal and very visible cursors is terminal dependent.

PARAMETERS

visibility

Is a value of 0 (invisible), 1 (normal), or 2 (very visible).

RETURN VALUES

If the terminal supports the mode specified by the visibility parameter, the curs set () function returns the previous cursor state. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME

curs slk, slk init, slk set, slk refresh, slk noutrefresh, slk label, slk clear, slk restore, slk touch, slk attron, slk attrset, slk attroff – curses soft label routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int slk init(int fmt);
int slk set(int labnum, char *label, int fmt);
int slk refresh(void);
int slk noutrefresh(void);
char *slk label(int labnum);
int slk clear (void);
int slk restore(void);
int slk touch (void);
int slk attron(chtype attrs);
int slk attrset(chtype attrs);
int slk attroff(chtype attrs);
```

DESCRIPTION

curses manipulates the set of soft function-key labels that exist on many terminals. For those terminals that do not have soft labels, curses takes over the bottom line of stdscr, reducing the size of stdscr and the variable LINES. curses standardizes on eight labels of up to eight characters each.

To use soft labels, the slk init() routine must be called before initscr() or newterm() is called. If initscr() eventually uses a line from stdscr to emulate the soft labels, then fmt determines how the labels are arranged on the screen. Setting fmt to 0 indicates a 3-2-3 arrangement of the labels; 1 indicates a 4-4 arrangement.

With the slk set () routine, labnum is the label number, from 1 to 8. label is the string to be put on the label, up to eight characters in length. A null string or a null pointer sets up a blank label. fmt is either 0, 1, or 2, indicating whether the label is to be left-justified, centered, or right-justified, respectively, within the label.

The slk refresh() and slk noutrefresh() routines correspond to the wrefresh() and wnoutrefresh() routines.

With the slk label() routine, the current label for label number *labnum* is returned with leading and trailing blanks stripped.

With the slk clear() routine, the soft labels are cleared from the screen.

With the slk restore() routine, the soft labels are restored to the screen after a slk_clear() is performed.

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With the slk_touch() routine, all the soft labels are forced to be output the next time a slk_noutrefresh() is performed.

The $slk_attron()$, $slk_attrset()$, and $slk_attroff()$ routines correspond to attron(), attrset(), and attroff(). They have an effect only if soft labels are simulated on the bottom line of the screen.

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return an integer return ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

slk_label() returns NULL on error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

	ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
M	T-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_attr(3CURSES), curs_initscr(3CURSES), curs_refresh(3CURSES),
curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Most applications would use slk_noutrefresh() because a wrefresh() is likely to follow soon.

curs_termattrs, baudrate, erasechar, has_ic, has_il, killchar, longname, termattrs, termname – curses environment query routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int baudrate(void);
char erasechar(void);
int has_ic(void);
int has_il(void);
char killchar(void);
char *longname(void);
chtype termattrs(void);
char *termname(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The baudrate() routine returns the output speed of the terminal. The number returned is in bits per second, for example 9600, and is an integer.

With the erasechar() routine, the user's current erase character is returned.

The has_ic() routine is true if the terminal has insert- and delete-character capabilities.

The has_il() routine is true if the terminal has insert- and delete-line capabilities, or can simulate them using scrolling regions. This might be used to determine if it would be appropriate to turn on physical scrolling using scrollok().

With the killchar () routine, the user's current line kill character is returned.

The longname() routine returns a pointer to a static area containing a verbose description of the current terminal. The maximum length of a verbose description is 128 characters. It is defined only after the call to <code>initscr()</code> or <code>newterm()</code>. The area is overwritten by each call to <code>newterm()</code> and is not restored by <code>set_term()</code>, so the value should be saved between calls to <code>newterm()</code> if <code>longname()</code> is going to be used with multiple terminals.

If a given terminal doesn't support a video attribute that an application program is trying to use, curses may substitute a different video attribute for it. The termattrs() function returns a logical OR of all video attributes supported by the terminal. This information is useful when a curses program needs complete control over the appearance of the screen.

The termname() routine returns the value of the environment variable TERM (truncated to 14 characters).

RETURN VALUES

longname() and termname() return NULL on error.

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Routines that return an integer return ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

 $\verb|curs_initscr| (3CURSES)|, \verb|curs_outopts| (3CURSES)|, \verb|curses| (3CURSES)|, \\ \verb|attributes| (5)|$

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that termattrs () may be a macro.

curs_termcap, tgetent, tgetflag, tgetnum, tgetstr, tgoto, tputs – curses interfaces (emulated) to the termcap library

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
#include <term.h>
int tgetent(char *bp, char *name);
int tgetflag(char id[2]);
int tgetnum(char id[2]);
char *tgetstr(char id[2], char **area);
char *tgoto(char *cap, int col, int row);
int tputs(char *str, int affcnt, int (*putc)(void));
```

DESCRIPTION

These routines are included as a conversion aid for programs that use the *termcap* library. Their parameters are the same and the routines are emulated using the *terminfo* database. These routines are supported at Level 2 and should not be used in new applications.

The tgetent () routine looks up the termcap entry for name. The emulation ignores the buffer pointer bp.

The tgetflag() routine gets the boolean entry for id.

The tgetnum() routine gets the numeric entry for id.

The tgetstr() routine returns the string entry for id. Use tputs() to output the returned string.

The tgoto() routine instantiates the parameters into the given capability. The output from this routine is to be passed to tputs().

The tputs () routine is described on the curs terminfo(3CURSES) manual page.

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return an integer return ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

Routines that return pointers return NULL on error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs terminfo(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), putc(3C), attributes(5)

curs_termcap(3CURSES)

NOTES	The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.</unctrl.h></stdio.h></curses.h>

curs_terminfo, setupterm, setterm, set_curterm, del_curterm, restartterm, tparm, tputs, putp, vidputs, vidattr, mvcur, tigetflag, tigetnum, tigetstr – curses interfaces to terminfo database

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
#include <term.h>
int setupterm(char *term, int fildes, int *errret);
int setterm(char *term);
int set curterm(TERMINAL *nterm);
int del curterm(TERMINAL *oterm);
int restartterm(char *term, int fildes, int *errret);
char *tparm(char *str, long int p1, long int p2, long int p3, long
    int p4, long int p5, long int p6, long int p7, long int p8, long
    int p9);
int tputs (char *str, int affent, int (*pute) (char));
int putp(char *str);
int vidputs(chtype attrs, int (*putc)(char));
int vidattr(chtype attrs);
int mvcur (int oldrow, int oldcol, int newrow, int newcol);
int tigetflag(char *capname);
int tigetnum(char *capname);
char *tigetstr(char *capname);
```

DESCRIPTION

These low-level routines must be called by programs that have to deal directly with the *terminfo* database to handle certain terminal capabilities, such as programming function keys. For all other functionality, curses routines are more suitable and their use is recommended.

Initially, setupterm() should be called. Note that setupterm() is automatically called by initscr() and newterm(). This defines the set of terminal-dependent variables (listed in terminfo(4)). The terminfo variables lines and columns are initialized by setupterm() as follows: If use_env(FALSE) has been called, values for lines and columns specified in terminfo are used. Otherwise, if the environment variables LINES and COLUMNS exist, their values are used. If these environment variables do not exist and the program is running in a window, the current window size is used. Otherwise, if the environment variables do not exist, the values for lines and columns specified in the terminfo database are used.

The headers <curses.h> and <term.h> should be included (in this order) to get the definitions for these strings, numbers, and flags. Parameterized strings should be passed through tparm() to instantiate them. All *terminfo* strings (including the output

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of tparm()) should be printed with tputs() or putp(). Call the reset_shell_mode() routine to restore the tty modes before exiting (see curs_kernel(3CURSES)). Programs which use cursor addressing should output enter_ca_mode upon startup and should output exit_ca_mode before exiting. Programs desiring shell escapes should call reset_shell_mode and output exit_ca_mode before the shell is called and should output enter_ca_mode and call reset_prog_mode after returning from the shell.

The setupterm() routine reads in the *terminfo* database, initializing the *terminfo* structures, but does not set up the output virtualization structures used by curses. The terminal type is the character string *term*; if *term* is null, the environment variable TERM is used. All output is to file descriptor *fildes* which is initialized for output. If *errret* is not null, then setupterm() returns OK or ERR and stores a status value in the integer pointed to by *errret*. A status of 1 in *errret* is normal, 0 means that the terminal could not be found, and -1 means that the *terminfo* database could not be found. If *errret* is null, setupterm() prints an error message upon finding an error and exits. Thus, the simplest call is:

setupterm((char *)0, 1, (int *)0);, which uses all the defaults and sends the output to st.dout.

The setterm() routine is being replaced by setupterm(). The call:

setupterm (term, 1, (int *)0) provides the same functionality as setterm (term). The setterm () routine is included here for compatibility and is supported at Level 2.

The set_curterm() routine sets the variable cur_term to *nterm*, and makes all of the *terminfo* boolean, numeric, and string variables use the values from *nterm*.

The del_curterm() routine frees the space pointed to by *oterm* and makes it available for further use. If *oterm* is the same as cur_term, references to any of the *terminfo* boolean, numeric, and string variables thereafter may refer to invalid memory locations until another setupterm() has been called.

The restartterm() routine is similar to setupterm() and initscr(), except that it is called after restoring memory to a previous state. It assumes that the windows and the input and output options are the same as when memory was saved, but the terminal type and baud rate may be different.

The tparm() routine instantiates the string str with parameters pi. A pointer is returned to the result of str with the parameters applied.

The tputs () routine applies padding information to the string *str* and outputs it. The *str* must be a terminfo string variable or the return value from tparm(), tgetstr(), or tgoto(). *affcnt* is the number of lines affected, or 1 if not applicable. *putc* is a putchar()-like routine to which the characters are passed, one at a time.

The putp () routine calls tputs (*str*, 1, putchar). Note that the output of putpA() always goes to stdout, not to the fildes specified in setupterm().

The vidputs () routine displays the string on the terminal in the video attribute mode attrs, which is any combination of the attributes listed in curses(3CURSES). The characters are passed to the putchar ()-like routine putc ().

The vidattr() routine is like the vidputs() routine, except that it outputs through putchar().

The mvcur() routine provides low-level cursor motion.

The tigetflag(), tigetnum() and tigetstr() routines return the value of the capability corresponding to the *terminfo capname* passed to them, such as xen1.

With the tigetflag() routine, the value -1 is returned if *capname* is not a boolean capability.

With the tigetnum() routine, the value −2 is returned if *capname* is not a numeric capability.

With the tigetstr() routine, the value (char *)-1 is returned if capname is not a string capability.

The capname for each capability is given in the table column entitled capname code in the capabilities section of terminfo(4).

```
char *boolnames, *boolcodes, *boolfnames
char *numnames, *numcodes, *numfnames
char *strnames, *strcodes, *strfnames
```

These null-terminated arrays contain the capnames, the termcap codes, and the full C names, for each of the terminfo variables.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion, unless otherwise noted in the preceding routine descriptions.

Routines that return pointers always return NULL on error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs initscr(3CURSES), curs kernel(3CURSES), curs termcap(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), putc(3C), terminfo(4), attributes(5)

curs_terminfo(3CURSES)

ninto(3CURSES)		
NOTES	The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.</unctrl.h></stdio.h></curses.h>	
	The setupterm() routine should be used in place of setterm().	
	Note that vidattr() and vidputs() may be macros.	

curs_touch, touchwin, touchline, untouchwin, wtouchln, is_linetouched, is_wintouched – curses refresh control routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
int touchwin(WINDOW *win);
int touchline(WINDOW *win, int start, int count);
int untouchwin(WINDOW *win);
int wtouchln(WINDOW *win, int y, int n, int changed);
int is_linetouched(WINDOW *win, int line);
int is wintouched(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The touchwin() and touchline() routines throw away all optimization information about which parts of the window have been touched, by pretending that the entire window has been drawn on. This is sometimes necessary when using overlapping windows, since a change to one window affects the other window, but the records of which lines have been changed in the other window do not reflect the change. The routine touchline() only pretends that *count* lines have been changed, beginning with line *start*.

The untouchwin() routine marks all lines in the window as unchanged since the last call to wrefresh().

The wtouchln() routine makes n lines in the window, starting at line y, look as if they have (changed=1) or have not (changed=0) been changed since the last call to wrefresh().

The is_linetouched() and is_wintouched() routines return TRUE if the specified line/window was modified since the last call to wrefresh(); otherwise they return FALSE. In addition, is_linetouched() returns ERR if line is not valid for the given window.

RETURN VALUES

All routines return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion, unless otherwise noted in the preceding routine descriptions.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs refresh(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

curs_touch(3CURSES)				
	Note that all routines except wtouchln() may be macros.			

curs_util, unctrl, keyname, filter, use_env, putwin, getwin, delay_output, flushinp – curses miscellaneous utility routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
char *unctrl (chtype c);
char *keyname(int c);
int filter(void);
void use_env(char bool);
int putwin(WINDOW *win, FILE *filep);
WINDOW *getwin(FILE *filep);
int delay_output(int ms);
int flushinp(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The unctrl () macro expands to a character string which is a printable representation of the character *c*. Control characters are displayed in the ^X notation. Printing characters are displayed as is.

With the keyname () routine, a character string corresponding to the key c is returned.

The filter() routine, if used, is called before initscr() or newterm() are called. It makes curses think that there is a one-line screen. curses does not use any terminal capabilities that assume that they know on what line of the screen the cursor is positioned.

The use_env() routine, if used, is called before initscr() or newterm() are called. When called with FALSE as an argument, the values of lines and columns specified in the *terminfo* database will be used, even if environment variables LINES and COLUMNS (used by default) are set, or if curses is running in a window (in which case default behavior would be to use the window size if LINES and COLUMNS are not set).

With the putwin() routine, all data associated with window *win* is written into the file to which *filep* points. This information can be later retrieved using the getwin() function.

The getwin() routine reads window related data stored in the file by putwin(). The routine then creates and initializes a new window using that data. It returns a pointer to the new window.

The delay_output() routine inserts an *ms* millisecond pause in output. This routine should not be used extensively because padding characters are used rather than a CPU pause.

The flushinp() routine throws away any typeahead that has been typed by the user and has not yet been read by the program.

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RETURN VALUES |

Except for flushinp(), routines that return an integer return ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

flushinp() always returns OK.

Routines that return pointers return NULL on error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs_initscr(3CURSES), curs_scr_dump(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

Note that unctrl() is a macro, which is defined in <unctrl.h>.

curs window, newwin, delwin, mvwin, subwin, derwin, mvderwin, dupwin, wsyncup, syncok, wcursyncup, wsyncdown – create curses windows

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
WINDOW *newwin (int nlines, int ncols, int begin_y, int begin_x);
int delwin(WINDOW *win);
int mvwin(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
WINDOW *subwin (WINDOW *orig, int nlines, int ncols, int begin_y, int
     begin_x);
WINDOW *derwin (WINDOW *orig, int nlines, int ncols, int begin_y, int
    begin x);
int mvderwin(WINDOW *win, int par_y, int par_x);
WINDOW *dupwin(WINDOW *win);
void wsyncup(WINDOW *win);
int syncok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
void wcursyncup(WINDOW *win);
void wsyncdown(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The newwin () routine creates and returns a pointer to a new window with the given number of lines, *nlines*, and columns, *ncols*. The upper left-hand corner of the window is at line begin_y, column begin_x. If either nlines or ncols is zero, they default to LINES — begin_y and COLS — begin_x. A new full-screen window is created by calling newwin(0,0,0,0).

The delwin() routine deletes the named window, freeing all memory associated with it. Subwindows must be deleted before the main window can be deleted.

The mvwin () routine moves the window so that the upper left-hand corner is at position (x, y). If the move would cause the window to be off the screen, it is an error and the window is not moved. Moving subwindows is allowed, but should be avoided.

The subwin () routine creates and returns a pointer to a new window with the given number of lines, *nlines*, and columns, *ncols*. The window is at position (*begin_y*, begin_x) on the screen. (This position is relative to the screen, and not to the window orig.) The window is made in the middle of the window orig, so that changes made to one window will affect both windows. The subwindow shares memory with the window *orig*. When using this routine, it is necessary to call touchwin() or touchline() on *orig* before calling wrefresh() on the subwindow.

The derwin () routine is the same as subwin (), except that *begin y* and *begin x* are relative to the origin of the window *orig* rather than the screen. There is no difference between the subwindows and the derived windows.

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The mvderwin() routine moves a derived window (or subwindow) inside its parent window. The screen-relative parameters of the window are not changed. This routine is used to display different parts of the parent window at the same physical position on the screen.

The dupwin () routine creates an exact duplicate of the window win.

Each curses window maintains two data structures: the character image structure and the status structure. The character image structure is shared among all windows in the window hierarchy (that is, the window with all subwindows). The status structure, which contains information about individual line changes in the window, is private to each window. The routine wrefresh () uses the status data structure when performing screen updating. Since status structures are not shared, changes made to one window in the hierarchy may not be properly reflected on the screen.

The routine wsyncup () causes the changes in the status structure of a window to be reflected in the status structures of its ancestors. If syncok() is called with second argument TRUE then wsyncup() is called automatically whenever there is a change in the window.

The routine wcursyncup () updates the current cursor position of all the ancestors of the window to reflect the current cursor position of the window.

The routine wsyncdown () updates the status structure of the window to reflect the changes in the status structures of its ancestors. Applications seldom call this routine because it is called automatically by wrefresh().

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return an integer return the integer ERR upon failure and an integer value other than ERR upon successful completion.

delwin() returns the integer ERR upon failure and OK upon successful completion.

Routines that return pointers return NULL on error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs refresh(3CURSES), curs touch(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <curses.h> automatically includes the headers <stdio.h> and <unctrl.h>.

If many small changes are made to the window, the wsyncup() option could degrade performance.

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 \mid Note that syncok() may be a macro.

cur_term(3XCURSES)

NAME | cur_term – current terminal information

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ \mathit{flag}\ldots ] \mathit{file}\ldots -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
extern TERMINAL *cur_term;
```

DESCRIPTION

The external variable cur term to identifies the record in the terminfo associated with the terminal currently in use.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), set_curterm(3XCURSES), tigetflag(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards($\overline{5}$)

NAME

def prog mode, def shell mode, reset prog mode, reset shell mode - save/restore terminal modes

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int def prog mode(void);
int def shell mode (void);
int reset prog mode (void);
int reset shell mode(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The def prog mode() and def shell mode() functions save the current terminal modes as "program" (within X/Open Curses) or "shell" (outside X/Open Curses). The modes are saved automatically by initscr(3XCURSES), newterm(3XCURSES), and setupterm(3XCURSES).

The reset prog mode() and reset shell mode() functions reset the current terminal modes to "program" (within X/Open Curses) or "shell" (outside X/Open Curses). The endwin(3XCURSES) function automatically calls the reset shell mode() function and the doupdate(3XCURSES) function calls the reset prog mode() function after calling endwin().

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

endwin(3XCURSES), initscr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), newterm(3XCURSES), setupterm(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

delay_output(3XCURSES)

NAME |

delay_output – delays output

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int delay output(int ms);
```

DESCRIPTION

The delay output () function delays output for ms milliseconds by inserting pad characters in the output stream.

PARAMETERS

Is the number of milliseconds to delay the output. ms

RETURN VALUES

On success, the delay output () function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), napms(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

delch, mvdelch, mvwdelch, wdelch – remove a character

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int delch(void);
int mvdelch(int y, int x);
int mvwdelch (WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
int wdelch(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The delch() and wdelch() functions delete the character at the current cursor position from stdscr and win, respectively. All remaining characters after cursor through to the end of the line are shifted one character towards the start of the line. The last character on the line becomes a space; characters on other lines are not affected.

The mvdelch() and mvwdelch() functions delete the character at the position specified by the *x* and *y* parameters; the former deletes the character from stdscr; the latter from win.

PARAMETERS

Is the y (row) coordinate of the position of the character to be removed.

x Is the x (column) coordinate of the position of the character to be removed.

Is a pointer to the window containing the character to be removed. win

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

bkgdset(3XCURSES), insch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

del curterm(3XCURSES)

NAME |

del_curterm, restartterm, set_curterm, setupterm - interfaces to the terminfo database

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <term.h>
int del_curterm(TERMINAL *oterm);
int restartterm(char *term, int fildes, int *errret);

TERMINAL *set_curterm(TERMINAL *nterm);
int setupterm(char *term, int fildes, int *errret);
```

DESCRIPTION

Within X/Open Curses, the setupterm() function is automatically called by the initscr (3XC) and newterm (3XC) functions. This function can be also be used outside of X/Open Curses when a program has to deal directly with the terminfo database to handle certain terminal capabilities. The use of appropriate X/Open Curses functions is recommended in all other situations.

The setupterm() function loads terminal-dependent variables for the terminfo layer of X/Open Curses. The setupterm() function initializes the terminfo variables lines and columns such that if use_env(FALSE) has been called, the terminfo values assigned in the database are used regardless of the environmental variables LINES and COLUMNS or the program's window dimensions; when use_env(TRUE) has been called, which is the default, the environment variables LINES and COLUMNS are used, if they exist. If the environment variables do not exist and the program is running in a window, the current window size is used.

The *term* parameter of setupterm() specifies the terminal; if null, terminal type is taken from the TERM environment variable. All output is sent to *fildes* which is initialized for output. If *errret* is not null, OK or ERR is returned and a status value is stored in the integer pointed to by *errret*. The following status values may be returned:

	Value	Description
1		Normal
0		Terminal could not be found
-1		terminfo database could not be found

If *errret* is null, an error message is printed, and the setupterm() function calls the exit() function with a non-zero parameter.

The set curterm() function sets the cur term variable to *nterm*. The values from nterm as well as other state information for the terminal are used by X/Open Curses functions such as beep(3XCURSES), flash(3XCURSES), mvcur(3XCURSES), tigetflag(3XCURSES), tigetstr(3XCURSES), and tigetnum(3XCURSES).

The del curterm() function frees the space pointed to by oterm. If oterm and the cur term variable are the same, all Boolean, numeric, or string terminfo variables will refer to invalid memory locations until you call setupterm () and specify a new terminal type.

The restartterm() function assumes that a call to setupterm() has already been made (probably from initscr() or newterm()). It allows you to specify a new terminal type in term and updates the data returned by baudrate(3XCURSES) based on *fildes*. Other information created by the initscr(), newterm(), and setupterm() functions is preserved.

PARAMETERS

Is the terminal type for which to free space. oterm

termIs the terminal type for which variables are set.

fildes Is a file descriptor initialized for output.

errret Is a pointer to an integer in which the status value is

stored.

nterm Is the new terminal to become the current terminal.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the set curterm() function returns the previous value of cur term. Otherwise, it returns a null pointer.

On success, the other functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

baudrate(3XCURSES), beep(3XCURSES), initscr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), mvcur(3XCURSES), tigetflag(3XCURSES), use env(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

deleteln(3XCURSES)

NAME |

deleteln, wdeleteln - remove a line

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int deleteln(void);
int wdeleteln(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The deleteln() and wdeleteln() functions delete the line containing the cursor from stdscr and win, respectively. All lines below the one deleted are moved up one line. The last line of the window becomes blank. The position of the cursor is unchanged.

PARAMETERS

win Is a pointer to the window from which the line is removed.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

bkgdset(3XCURSES), insdelln(3XCURSES), insertln(3XCURSES),
libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME |

delscreen - free space associated with the SCREEN data structure

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
void delscreen(SCREEN *sp);
```

DESCRIPTION

The delscreen() function frees space associated with the SCREEN data structure. This function should be called after endwin(3XCURSES) if a SCREEN data structure is no longer needed.

PARAMETERS

Is a pointer to the screen structure for which to free space.

RETURN VALUES

The delscreen() function does not return a value.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

endwin(3XCURSES), initscr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), newterm(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

delwin(3XCURSES)

NAME | delwin – delete a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int delwin(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The delwin() function deletes the specified window, freeing up the memory associated with it.

Deleting a parent window without deleting its subwindows and then trying to manipulate the subwindows will have undefined results.

PARAMETERS

Is a pointer to the window that is to be deleted. win

RETURN VALUES

On success, this functions returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

derwin(3XCURSES), dupwin(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME

derwin, newwin, subwin – create a new window or subwindow

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
WINDOW *derwin(WINDOW *orig, int nlines, int ncols, int begin_y, int begin_x);

WINDOW *newwin(int nlines, int ncols, int begin_y, int begin_x);

WINDOW *subwin(WINDOW *orig, int nlines, int ncols, int begin_y, int begin_y);
```

DESCRIPTION

The derwin() function creates a subwindow within window *orig*, with the specified number of lines and columns, and upper left corner positioned at *begin_x*, *begin_y* relative to window *orig*. A pointer to the new window structure is returned.

The newwin() function creates a new window with the specified number of lines and columns and upper left corner positioned at $begin_x$, $begin_y$. A pointer to the new window structure is returned. A full-screen window can be created by calling newwin(0,0,0,0).

If the number of lines specified is zero, newwin() uses a default value of LINES minus *begin_y*; if the number of columns specified is zero, newwin() uses the default value of COLS minus *begin_x*.

The subwin() function creates a subwindow within window *orig*, with the specified number of lines and columns, and upper left corner positioned at *begin_x*, *begin_y* (relative to the physical screen, *not* to window *orig*). A pointer to the new window structure is returned.

The original window and subwindow share character storage of the overlapping area (each window maintains its own pointers, cursor location, and other items). This means that characters and attributes are identical in overlapping areas regardless of which window characters are written to.

When using subwindows, it is often necessary to call touchwin(3XCURSES) before wrefresh(3XCURSES) to maintain proper screen contents.

PARAMETERS

orig	Is a pointer to the parent window for the newly created subwindow.
nlines	Is the number of lines in the subwindow.
ncols	Is the number of columns in the subwindow.
begin_y	Is the y (row) coordinate of the upper left corner of the subwindow, relative to the parent window.

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subwindow, relative to the parent window.

RETURN VALUES On success, these functions return a pointer to the newly-created window. Otherwise,

they return ERR.

ERRORS None.

ATTRIBUTES | See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO doupdate(3XCURSES), is_linetouched(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME |

doupdate, refresh, wnoutrefresh, wrefresh – refresh windows and lines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpq4/include -L /usr/xpq4/lib \
-R /usr/xpq4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int doupdate(void);
int refresh(void);
int wnoutrefresh(WINDOW *win);
int wrefresh(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The refresh() and wrefresh() functions copy stdscr and win, respectively, to the terminal screen. These functions call the wnoutrefresh() function to copy the specified window to cursor and the doupdate () function to do the actual update. The physical cursor is mapped to the same position as the logical cursor of the last window to update curscr unless leaveok(3XCURSES) is enabled (in which case, the cursor is placed in a position that X/Open Curses finds convenient).

When outputting several windows at once, it is often more efficient to call the wnoutrefresh() and doupdate() functions directly. A call to wnoutrefresh() for each window, followed by only one call to doupdate () to update the screen, results in one burst of output, fewer characters sent, and less CPU time used.

If the win parameter to wrefresh() is the global variable cursor, the screen is immediately cleared and repainted from scratch.

For details on how the wnoutrefresh() function handles overlapping windows with broad glyphs, see the Overlapping Windows section of the curses(3XCURSES) reference manual page.

PARAMETERS

win Is a pointer to the window in which to refresh.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

clearok(3XCURSES), curses(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), prefresh(3XCURSES), redrawwin(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

dupwin(3XCURSES)

NAME |

dupwin - duplicate a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
WINDOW *dupwin (WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The dupwin() function creates a duplicate of window *win*. A pointer to the new window structure is returned.

PARAMETERS

win Is a pointer to the window that is to be duplicated.

RETURN VALUES

On success, this function returns a pointer to new window structure; otherwise, it returns a null pointer.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

 $\verb|delwin|(3XCURSES)|, \verb|derwin|(3XCURSES)|, \verb|libcurses|(3XCURSES)|, \verb|attributes|(5)|, \\ \verb|standards|(5)|$

NAME | echo, noecho – enable/disable terminal echo

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int echo (void);
int noecho(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The echo() function enables Echo mode for the current screen. The noecho() function disables Echo mode for the current screen. Initially, curses software echo mode is enabled and hardware echo mode of the tty driver is disabled. The echo () and noecho() functions control software echo only. Hardware echo must remain disabled for the duration of the application, else the behavior is undefined.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

getch(3XCURSES), getstr(3XCURSES), initscr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), scanw(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

echochar(3XCURSES)

NAME |

echochar, wechochar – add a single-byte character and refresh window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int echochar(const chtype ch);
int wechochar(WINDOW *win, const chtype ch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The echochar() function produces the same effect as calling addch(3XCURSES) and then refresh(3XCURSES). The wechochar() function produces the same effect as calling waddch(3XCURSES) and then wrefresh(3XCURSES).

PARAMETERS

ch Is a pointer to the character to be written to the window.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the character is to be added.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

addch(3XCURSES), doupdate(3XCURSES), echo_wchar(3XCURSES),
libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME |

echo_wchar, wecho_wchar - add a complex character and refresh window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int echo_wchar(const cchar_t *wch);
int wecho wchar(WINDOW *win, const cchar t *wch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The echo_wchar() function produces the same effect as calling add_wch(3XCURSES) and then refresh(3XCURSES). The wecho_wchar() function produces the same effect as calling wadd_wch(3XCURSES) and then wrefresh(3XCURSES).

PARAMETERS

wch Is a pointer to the complex character to be written to the window.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the character is to be added.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

add_wch(3XCURSES), doupdate(3XCURSES), echochar(3XCURSES),
libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

endwin(3XCURSES)

NAME | endwin, isendwin – restore initial terminal environment

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int endwin(void);
bool isendwin(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The endwin() function restores the terminal after Curses activity by at least restoring the saved shell terminsl mode, flushing any output to the terminal, and moving the cursor to the first column of the last line of the screen. Refreshing a window resumes program mode. The application must call endwin() for each terminal being used before exiting. If newterm(3XCURSES) is called more than once for the same terminal, the first screen created must be the last one for which endwin () is called.

The isendiwin() function indicates whether or not a screen has been refreshed since the last call to endwin().

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, the endwin() function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns

The isendwin() function returns TRUE if endwin() has been called without any subsequent refresh. Otherwise, it returns FALSE.

ERRORS

Non errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

doupdate(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), newterm(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | erasechar, erasewchar, killchar, killwchar – return current ERASE or KILL characters

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
char erasechar(void);
int erasewchar (wchar t *ch);
char killchar(void);
int killwchar(wchar t *ch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The erasechar() function returns the current ERASE character from the tty driver. This character is used to delete the previous character during keyboard input. The returned value can be used when including deletion capability in interactive programs.

The killchar() function is similar to erasechar(). It returns the current KILL character.

The erasewchar() and killwchar() functions are similar to erasechar() and killchar() respectively, but store the ERASE or KILL character in the object pointed to by ch.

PARAMETERS

chIs a pointer to a location where a character may be stored.

RETURN VALUES

For erasechar() and killchar(), the terminal's current ERASE or KILL character is returned.

On success, the erasewchar() and killwchar() functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

getch(3XCURSES), getstr(3XCURSES), get wch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

filter(3XCURSES)

NAME | filter – disable use of certain terminal capabilities

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
void filter(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The filter() function changes how X/Open Curses initializes terminal capabilities that assume the terminal has more than one line. After a call to filter(), the initscr(3XCURSES) or newterm(3XCURSES) functions also:

- Disable use of clear, cud, cud1, cup, cuu1, and vpa.
- Set home string to the value of cr.
- Set lines to 1.

RETURN VALUES

The filter() function does not return a value.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

initscr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), newterm(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | flushinp – discard type-ahead characters

SYNOPSIS

```
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int flushinp(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The flushinp () function discards (flushes) any characters in the input buffer associated with the current screen.

RETURN VALUES

The flushinp () function always returns OK.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

form_cursor(3CURSES)

NAME |

form_cursor, pos_form_cursor - position forms window cursor

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [flag...] file... -lform -lcurses [library...]
```

#include <form.h>

int pos form cursor(FORM *form);

DESCRIPTION

pos_form_cursor() moves the form window cursor to the location required by the form driver to resume form processing. This may be needed after the application calls

a curses library I/O routine.

RETURN VALUES

pos form cursor() returns one of the following:

E_OK Thefunction returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.
E_NOT_POSTED The form is not posted.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME

form_data, data_ahead, data_behind – tell if forms field has off-screen data ahead or behind

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lform -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <form.h>
int data_ahead(FORM *form);
int data behind(FORM *form);
```

DESCRIPTION

data_ahead() returns TRUE(1) if the current field has more off-screen data ahead; otherwise it returns FALSE(0).

data_behind() returns TRUE (1) if the current field has more off-screen data behind; otherwise it returns FALSE (0).

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

form_driver(3CURSES)

NAME |

form_driver - command processor for the forms subsystem

SYNOPSIS

int form driver(FORM *form, int c);

DESCRIPTION

The <code>form_driver()</code> function is the workhorse of the <code>forms</code> subsystem; it checks to determine whether the character <code>c</code> is a <code>forms</code> request or data. If it is a request, the form driver executes the request and reports the result. If it is data (a printable ASCII character), it enters the data into the current position in the current field. If it is not recognized, the form driver assumes it is an application-defined command and returns <code>E_UNKNOWN_COMMAND</code>. Application defined commands should be defined relative to <code>MAX_COMMAND</code>, the maximum value of a request listed below.

Form driver requests:

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REQ_NEXT_PAGE	Move to the next page.
REQ_PREV_PAGE	Move to the previous page.
REQ_FIRST_PAGE	Move to the first page.
REQ_LAST_PAGE	Move to the last page.
REQ_NEXT_FIELD	Move to the next field.
REQ_PREV_FIELD	Move to the previous field.
REQ_FIRST_FIELD	Move to the first field.
REQ_LAST_FIELD	Move to the last field.
REQ_SNEXT_FIELD	Move to the sorted next field.
REQ_SPREV_FIELD	Move to the sorted prev field.
REQ_SFIRST_FIELD	Move to the sorted first field.
REQ_SLAST_FIELD	Move to the sorted last field.
REQ_LEFT_FIELD	Move left to field.
REQ_RIGHT_FIELD	Move right to field.
REQ_UP_FIELD	Move up to field.
REQ_DOWN_FIELD	Move down to field.
REQ_NEXT_CHAR	Move to the next character in the field.
REQ_PREV_CHAR	Move to the previous character in the field.
REQ_NEXT_LINE	Move to the next line in the field.
REQ_PREV_LINE	Move to the previous line in the field.
REQ_NEXT_WORD	Move to the next word in the field.

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REQ_PREV_WORD Move to the previous word in the field.

REQ_BEG_FIELD Move to the first char in the field.

REQ_END_FIELD Move after the last char in the field.

REQ_BEG_LINE Move to the beginning of the line.

REQ_END_LINE Move after the last char in the line.

REQ_LEFT_CHAR Move left in the field.

REQ_RIGHT_CHAR Move right in the field.

REQ_UP_CHAR Move up in the field.

REQ_DOWN_CHAR Move down in the field.

REQ_NEW_LINE Insert/overlay a new line.

REQ_INS_CHAR Insert the blank character at the cursor.

REQ_INS_LINE Insert a blank line at the cursor.

REQ_DEL_CHAR Delete the character at the cursor.

REQ_DEL_PREV Delete the character before the cursor.

REQ_DEL_LINE Delete the line at the cursor.

REQ_DEL_WORD Delete the word at the cursor.

REQ_CLR_EOL Clear to the end of the line.

REQ_CLR_EOF Clear to the end of the field.

REQ_CLR_FIELD Clear the entire field.
REQ_OVL_MODE Enter overlay mode.
REQ_INS_MODE Enter insert mode.

Scroll the field forward a line. REQ_SCR_FLINE Scroll the field backward a line. REQ_SCR_BLINE REQ_SCR_FPAGE Scroll the field forward a page. REQ_SCR_BPAGE Scroll the field backward a page. REQ_SCR_FHPAGE Scroll the field forward half a page. Scroll the field backward half a page. REQ_SCR_BHPAGE Horizontal scroll forward a character. REQ_SCR_FCHAR Horizontal scroll backward a character REQ_SCR_BCHAR

REQ_SCR_HFLINE Horizontal scroll forward a line.
REQ_SCR_HBLINE Horizontal scroll backward a line.

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REQ_SCR_HFHALF Horizontal scroll forward half a line.

REQ_SCR_HBHALF Horizontal scroll backward half a line.

REQ_VALIDATION Validate field.

REQ_PREV_CHOICE Display the previous field choice.

REQ_NEXT_CHOICE Display the next field choice.

RETURN VALUES | 7

The form_driver() function returns one of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.
E_NOT_POSTED The form is not posted.

E_INVALID_FIELD The field contents are invalid.

E_BAD_STATE The routine was called from an initialization or

termination function.

E_REQUEST_DENIED The form driver request failed.

E_UNKNOWN_COMMAND An unknown request was passed to the form driver.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME | form field, set form fields, form fields, field count, move field - connect fields to forms

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
int set form fields(FORM *form, FIELD **field);
FIELD **form fields(FORM *form);
int field_count(FORM *form);
int move field(FIELD *field, int frow, int fcol);
```

DESCRIPTION

set form fields() changes the fields connected to form to fields. The original fields are disconnected.

form fields () returns a pointer to the field pointer array connected to form.

field count () returns the number of fields connected to form.

move field() moves the disconnected field to the location frow, fcol in the forms subwindow.

RETURN VALUES

form_fields() returns NULL on error.

field count() returns -1 on error.

set form fields() and move field() return one of the following:

E OK The function returned successfully.

The field is already connected to a form. E CONNECTED

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E BAD ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect

E_POSTED The form is posted.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

form field attributes(3CURSES)

NAME |

form_field_attributes, set_field_fore, field_fore, set_field_back, field_back, set_field_pad, field_pad – format the general display attributes of forms

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
int set_field_fore(FIELD *field, chtype attr);
chtype field_fore(FIELD *field);
int set_field_back(FIELD *field, chtype attr);
chtype field_back(FIELD *field);
int set_field_pad(FIELD *field, int pad);
int field pad(FIELD *field);
```

DESCRIPTION

set_field_fore() sets the foreground attribute of *field*. The foreground attribute is the low-level curses display attribute used to display the field contents. field fore() returns the foreground attribute of *field*.

set_field_back() sets the background attribute of field. The background attribute
is the low-level curses display attribute used to display the extent of the field.
field back() returns the background attribute of field.

set_field_pad() sets the pad character of field to pad. The pad character is the
character used to fill within the field. field_pad() returns the pad character of field.

RETURN VALUES

field_fore(), field_back(), and field_pad() return default values if *field* is NULL. If *field* is not NULL and is not a valid FIELD pointer, the return value from these routines is undefined.

set_field_fore(), set_field_back(), and set_field_pad() return one of
the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E SYSTEM ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME |

form_field_buffer, set_field_buffer, field_buffer, set_field_status, field_status, set_max_field – set and get forms field attributes

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
int set_field_buffer(FIELD *field, int buf, char *value);
char *field_buffer(FIELD *field, int buf);
int set_field_status(FIELD *field, int status);
int field_status(FIELD *field);
int set max field(FIELD *field, int max);
```

DESCRIPTION

set_field_buffer() sets buffer buf of field to value. Buffer 0 stores the displayed contents of the field. Buffers other than 0 are application specific and not used by the forms library routines. field_buffer() returns the value of field buffer buf.

Every field has an associated status flag that is set whenever the contents of field buffer 0 changes. set_field_status() sets the status flag of *field* to *status*. field status() returns the status of *field*.

set_max_field() sets a maximum growth on a dynamic field, or if max=0 turns off
any maximum growth.

RETURN VALUES

field buffer() returns NULL on error.

field status() returns TRUE or FALSE.

set_field_buffer(), set_field_status(), and set_max_field() return one
of the following:

E OK Thefunction returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

form_field_info(3CURSES)

NAME | form field info, field info, dynamic field info - get forms field characteristics

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
```

int field info(FIELD *field, int *rows, int *cols, int *frow, int *fcol, int *nrow, int *nbuf);

int dynamic field info(FIELD *field, int *drows, int *dcols, int *max);

DESCRIPTION

field info() returns the size, position, and other named field characteristics, as defined in the original call to new field(), to the locations pointed to by the arguments rows, cols, frow, fcol, nrow, and nbuf.

dynamic field info() returns the actual size of the field in the pointer arguments drows, dcols and returns the maximum growth allowed for field in max. If no maximum growth limit is specified for field, max will contain 0. A field can be made dynamic by turning off the field option O STATIC.

RETURN VALUES

These routines return one of the following:

E OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME | form_field_just, set_field_just, field_just - format the general appearance of forms **SYNOPSIS** cc [flag...] file... -lform -lcurses [library...] #include <form.h> int set field just(FIELD *field, int justification); int field just(FIELD *field); **DESCRIPTION** set field just() sets the justification for field. Justification may be one of: NO JUSTIFICATION JUSTIFY RIGHT JUSTIFY LEFT JUSTIFY CENTER The field justification will be ignored if *field* is a dynamic field. field just () returns the type of justification assigned to field. **RETURN VALUES** field just() returns one of the following: NO JUSTIFICATION JUSTIFY RIGHT JUSTIFY LEFT JUSTIFY CENTER.

set_field_just() returns one of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

form field new(3CURSES)

NAME |

form_field_new, new_field, dup_field, link_field, free_field – create and destroy forms fields

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
```

 $\verb|FIELD *new_field(int r, int c, int $frow$, int $fcol$, int $nrow$, int $ncol$);\\$

FIELD *dup_field(FIELD *field, int frow, int fcol);

FIELD *link field(FIELD *field, int frow, int fcol);

int free field(FIELD *field);

DESCRIPTION

new_field() creates a new field with *r* rows and *c* columns, starting at *frow*, *fcol*, in the subwindow of a form. *nrow* is the number of off-screen rows and *nbuf* is the number of additional working buffers. This routine returns a pointer to the new field.

dup_field() duplicates *field* at the specified location. All field attributes are duplicated, including the current contents of the field buffers.

link_field() also duplicates field at the specified location. However, unlike dup_field(), the new field shares the field buffers with the original field. After creation, the attributes of the new field can be changed without affecting the original field.

free field() frees the storage allocated for field.

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return pointers return NULL on error. free_field() returns one of the following:

E OK Thefunction returned successfully.

E_CONNECTED The field is already connected to a form.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

	ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
M	1T-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME

form_field_opts, set_field_opts, field_opts_on, field_opts_off, field_opts – forms field option routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
int set_field_opts(FIELD *field, OPTIONS opts);
int set_field_opts(FIELD *field, OPTIONS opts);
int field_opts_on(FIELD *field, OPTIONS opts);
int field_opts_off(FIELD *field, OPTIONS opts);
OPTIONS field opts(FIELD *field);
```

DESCRIPTION

set_field_opts() turns on the named options of *field* and turns off all remaining options. Options are boolean values that can be OR-ed together.

field opts on() turns on the named options; no other options are changed.

field_opts_off() turns off the named options; no other options are changed.

field opts() returns the options set for field.

O_VISIBLE The field is displayed.

O_ACTIVE The field is visited during processing.

O_PUBLIC The field contents are displayed as data is entered.

O_EDIT The field can be edited.

O_WRAP Words not fitting on a line are wrapped to the next line.

O_BLANK The whole field is cleared if a character is entered in the

first position.

O_AUTOSKIP Skip to the next field when the current field becomes

full.

O_NULLOK A blank field is considered valid.
O_STATIC The field buffers are fixed in size.

O_PASSOK Validate field only if modified by user.

RETURN VALUES

set_field_opts, field_opts_on and field_opts_off return one of the
following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_CURRENT The field is the current field.

form_field_opts(3CURSES)

ATTRIBUTES

See ${\tt attributes}(5)$ for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME |

form_fieldtype, new_fieldtype, free_fieldtype, set_fieldtype_arg, set_fieldtype_choice, link_fieldtype – forms fieldtype routines

SYNOPSIS

DESCRIPTION

new_fieldtype() creates a new field type. The application programmer must write the function *field_check*, which validates the field value, and the function *char_check*, which validates each character. free_fieldtype() frees the space allocated for the field type.

By associating function pointers with a field type, set_fieldtype_arg() connects to the field type additional arguments necessary for a set_field_type() call. Function <code>mak_arg</code> allocates a structure for the field specific parameters to set_field_type() and returns a pointer to the saved data. Function <code>copy_arg</code> duplicates the structure created by <code>make_arg</code>. Function <code>free_arg</code> frees any storage allocated by <code>make_arg</code> or <code>copy_arg</code>.

The form_driver() requests REQ_NEXT_CHOICE and REQ_PREV_CHOICE let the user request the next or previous value of a field type comprising an ordered set of values. set_fieldtype_choice() allows the application programmer to implement these requests for the given field type. It associates with the given field type those application-defined functions that return pointers to the next or previous choice for the field.

link_fieldtype() returns a pointer to the field type built from the two given types. The constituent types may be any application-defined or pre-defined types.

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return pointers always return NULL on error. Routines that return an integer return one of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.

E_CONNECTED Type is connected to one or more fields.

form_fieldtype(3CURSES)

ATTRIBUTES

See ${\tt attributes}(5)$ for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME

 $form_field_userptr, set_field_userptr, field_userptr - associate\ application\ data\ with\ forms$

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
int set_field_userptr(FIELD *field, char *ptr);
char *field userptr(FIELD *field);
```

DESCRIPTION

Every field has an associated user pointer that can be used to store pertinent data. set_field_userptr() sets the user pointer of *field*. field_userptr() returns the user pointer of *field*.

RETURN VALUES

field_userptr() returns NULL on error. set_field_userptr() returns one
of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

form field validation(3CURSES)

NAME |

form_field_validation, set_field_type, field_type, field_arg – forms field data type validation

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
int set_field_type(FIELD *field, FIELDTYPE *type, ...);
FIELDTYPE *field_type(FIELD *field);
char *field arg(FIELD *field);
```

DESCRIPTION

set_field_type() associates the specified field type with *field*. Certain field types take additional arguments. TYPE_ALNUM, for instance, requires one, the minimum width specification for the field. The other predefined field types are: TYPE_ALPHA, TYPE_ENUM, TYPE_INTEGER, TYPE_NUMERIC, and TYPE_REGEXP.

field_type () returns a pointer to the field type of *field*. NULL is returned if no field type is assigned.

field_arg() returns a pointer to the field arguments associated with the field type
of field. NULL is returned if no field type is assigned.

RETURN VALUES

field type() and field arg() return NULL on error.

set_field_type() returns one of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME

form hook, set form init, form init, set form term, form term, set field init, field_init, set_field_term, field_term - assign application-specific routines for invocation by forms

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
int set form init(FORM *form, void (*func)(FORM*));
void (*form init) (FORM *form);
int set form term(FORM *form, void (*func)(FORM*));
void (*form term) (FORM *form);
int set field init(FORM *form, void (*func)(FORM*));
void (*field init) (FORM *form);
int set field term(FORM *form, void (*func)(FORM*));
void (*field term) (FORM *form);
```

DESCRIPTION

These routines allow the programmer to assign application specific routines to be executed automatically at initialization and termination points in the forms application. The user need not specify any application-defined initialization or termination routines at all, but they may be helpful for displaying messages or page numbers and other chores.

set form init() assigns an application-defined initialization function to be called when the *form* is posted and just after a page change. form init() returns a pointer to the initialization function, if any.

set form term() assigns an application-defined function to be called when the *form* is unposted and just before a page change. form term() returns a pointer to the function, if any.

set field init() assigns an application-defined function to be called when the form is posted and just after the current field changes. field init() returns a pointer to the function, if any.

set field term() assigns an application-defined function to be called when the form is unposted and just before the current field changes. field term() returns a pointer to the function, if any.

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return pointers always return NULL on error. Routines that return an integer return one of the following:

E OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

form_hook(3CURSES)

ATTRIBUTES

See ${\tt attributes}(5)$ for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME | form_new, new_form, free_form – create and destroy forms

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
```

FORM *new form(FIELD **fields);

int free form(FORM *form);

DESCRIPTION

new form() creates a new form connected to the designated fields and returns a pointer to the form.

free form() disconnects the *form* from its associated field pointer array and deallocates the space for the form.

RETURN VALUES

new_form() always returns NULL on error. free_form() returns one of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.

E_POSTED The form is posted.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

form_new_page(3CURSES)

NAME | form_new_page, set_new_page, new_page – forms pagination

SYNOPSIS

cc [flag...] file... -lform -lcurses [library...]

#include <form.h>

int set new page(FIELD *field, int bool);

int new page(FIELD *field);

DESCRIPTION

set new page () marks field as the beginning of a new page on the form.

new page () returns a boolean value indicating whether or not field begins a new page of the form.

RETURN VALUES

new page returns TRUE or FALSE.

set new page() returns one of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_CONNECTED The field is already connected to a form.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME

form_opts, set_form_opts, form_opts_on, form_opts_off – forms option routines

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <form.h>
int set_form_opts(FORM *form, OPTIONS opts);
int form_opts_on(FORM *form, OPTIONS opts);
int form_opts_off(FORM *form, OPTIONS opts);
OPTIONS form opts(FORM *form);
```

cc [flag...] file... -lform -lcurses [library...]

DESCRIPTION

set_form_opts() turns on the named options for form and turns off all remaining
options. Options are boolean values which can be OR-ed together.form_opts_on()
turns on the named options; no other options are changed.form_opts_off() turns
off the named options; no other options are changed.

form opts() returns the options set for form.

O_NL_OVERLOAD Overload the REQ_NEW_LINE form driver request.

O_BS_OVERLOAD Overload the REQ_DEL_PREV form driver request.

RETURN VALUES

 $\verb|set_form_opts()|, \verb|form_opts_on()|, \verb| and form_opts_off()| | return one of the following:$

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes (5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

form_page(3CURSES)

NAME |

form_page, set_form_page, set_current_field, current_field, field_index – set forms current page and field

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
int set_form_page(FORM *form, int page);
int form_page(FORM *form);
int set_current_field(FORM *form, FIELD *field);
FIELD *current_field(FORM*form);
int field index(FIELD *field);
```

DESCRIPTION

set_form_page() sets the page number of *form* to page. form_page() returns the current page number of *form*.

set_current_field() sets the current field of form to field. current_field()
returns a pointer to the current field of form.

field index() returns the index in the field pointer array of field.

RETURN VALUES

form page() returns -1 on error.

current_field() returns NULL on error.

field index() returns -1 on error.

set_form_page() and set_current_field() return one of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.

E_BAD_STATE The routine was called from an initialization or

termination function.

E_INVALID_FIELD The field contents are invalid.

E_REQUEST_DENIED The form driver request failed

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

<pre><curses.h>.</curses.h></pre>

 $\boldsymbol{NOTES} \ | \ The \ header < \texttt{form.h} > automatically includes the headers < \texttt{eti.h} > and$

form_post(3CURSES)

NAME

form_post, post_form, unpost_form – write or erase forms from associated subwindows

SYNOPSIS

cc [flag...] file... -lform -lcurses [library...]
#include <form.h>

int post_form(FORM *form);
int unpost form(FORM *form);

DESCRIPTION

post_form() writes form into its associated subwindow. The application
programmer must use curses library routines to display the form on the physical
screen or call update panels() if the panels library is being used.

unpost form() erases form from its associated subwindow.

RETURN VALUES

These routines return one of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.

E_POSTED The form is posted.

E_NOT_POSTED The form is not posted.

E_NO_ROOM The form does not fit in the subwindow.

E_BAD_STATE The routine was called from an initialization or

termination function.

E_NOT_CONNECTED The field is not connected to a form.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), panel_update(3CURSES),
panels(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <form.h> automatically includes the headers <eti.h> and <curses.h>.

NAME | forms – character based forms package

SYNOPSIS

#include <form.h>

DESCRIPTION

The form library is built using the curses library, and any program using forms routines must call one of the curses initialization routines such as initscr. A program using these routines must be compiled with -lform and -lcurses on the cc command line.

The forms package gives the applications programmer a terminal-independent method of creating and customizing forms for user-interaction. The forms package includes: field routines, which are used to create and customize fields, link fields and assign field types; fieldtype routines, which are used to create new field types for validating fields; and form routines, which are used to create and customize forms, assign pre/post processing functions, and display and interact with forms.

Current Default Values for Field Attributes

The forms package establishes initial current default values for field attributes. During field initialization, each field attribute is assigned the current default value for that attribute. An application can change or retrieve a current default attribute value by calling the appropriate set or retrieve routine with a NULL field pointer. If an application changes a current default field attribute value, subsequent fields created using new field() will have the new default attribute value. (The attributes of previously created fields are not changed if a current default attribute value is changed.)

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RETURN VALUES

Routines that return a pointer always return NULL on error. Routines that return an integer return one of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E CONNECTED The field is already connected to a form.

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E SYSTEM ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.

E_CURRENT The field is the current field.

E_POSTED The form is posted.

E NOT POSTED The form is not posted.

E INVALID FIELD The field contents are invalid.

E NOT CONNECTED The field is not connected to a form.

 E_NO_ROOM The form does not fit in the subwindow.

E BAD STATE The routine was called from an initialization or

termination function.

E REQUEST DENIED The form driver request failed.

E_UNKNOWN_COMMAND An unknown request was passed to the form driver.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <form.h> automatically includes the headers <eti.h> and <curses.h>.

NAME | form_userptr, set_form_userptr – associate application data with forms

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
```

int set form userptr(FORM *form, char *ptr);

char *form userptr(FORM *form);

DESCRIPTION

Every form has an associated user pointer that can be used to store pertinent data. set form userptr() sets the user pointer of form. form userptr() returns the user pointer of *form*.

RETURN VALUES

form userptr() returns NULL on error. set form userptr() returns one of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <form.h> automatically includes the headers <eti.h> and <curses.h>.

form_win(3CURSES)

NAME |

 $form_win, set_form_win, set_form_sub, form_sub, scale_form - forms \ window \ and \ subwindow \ association \ routines$

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lform -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <form.h>
int set_form_win(FORM *form, WINDOW *win);
WINDOW *form_win(FORM *form);
int set_form_sub(FORM *form, WINDOW *sub);
WINDOW *form_sub(FORM *form);
int scale form(FORM *form, int *rows, int *cols);
```

DESCRIPTION

set_form_win() sets the window of form to win. form_win() returns a pointer to
the window associated with form.set_form_sub() sets the subwindow of form to
sub. form_sub() returns a pointer to the subwindow associated with
form.scale_form() returns the smallest window size necessary for the subwindow
of form. rows and cols are pointers to the locations used to return the number of rows
and columns for the form.

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return pointers always return NULL on error. Routines that return an integer return one of the following:

E_OK The function returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An argument is incorrect.

E_NOT_CONNECTED The field is not connected to a form.

E_POSTED The form is posted.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), forms(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

The header <form.h> automatically includes the headers <eti.h> and <curses.h>.

NAME

getbegyx, getmaxyx, getparyx, getyx – get cursor or window coordinates

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
void getbegyx(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
void getmaxyx(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
void getparyx(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
void getyx(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
```

DESCRIPTION

The getyx () macro stores the current cursor position of the specified window in x and y.

The getparyx () macro stores the x and y coordinates (relative to the parent window) of the specified window's origin (upper-left corner). If win does not point to a subwindow, x and y are set to -1.

The getbegyx () macro stores the x and y coordinates of the specified window's origin (upper-left corner).

The getmaxyx () macro stores the numbers of rows in the specified window in y and the number of columns in x.

PARAMETERS

win Is a pointer to a window.

y stores the y coordinate for the cursor or origin. The getmaxyx() macro uses it to store the number of rows in the window.

x stores the *x* coordinate for the cursor or origin. The getmaxyx() macro uses it to store the number of columns in the window.

RETURN VALUES

These macros do not return a value.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

getcchar(3XCURSES)

NAME |

getcchar – get a wide character string (with rendition) from a cchar_t

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
```

```
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
```

#include <curses.h>

int getcchar(const cchar_t *wcval, wchar_t *wch, attr_t *attrs, short
 *color_pair, void *opt);

DESCRIPTION

If *wch* is not a null pointer, the <code>getcchar()</code> function splits the <code>cchar_t</code> object pointed to by *wcval* into a wide character string, attributes, and a color pair. It stores the attributes in the location pointed to by *attrs*, the color pair in the location pointed to by *color_pair*, and the wide character string in the location pointed to by *wch*.

If *wch* is a null pointer, the <code>getcchar()</code> function simply returns the number of wide characters in the <code>cchar_t</code> object pointed to by *wcval*. The objects pointed to by *attrs* and *color_pair* are not changed.

PARAMETERS

weval Is a pointer to a cchar t object.

wch Is a pointer to an object where a wide character string can be

stored.

attrs Is a pointer to an object where attributes can be stored.

color_pair Is a pointer to an object where a color pair can be stored.

opts Is reserved for future use. Currently, this must be a null pointer.

RETURN VALUES

When *wch* is a null pointer, the getcchar() function returns the number of wide characters in the string pointed to by *wcval* including the null terminator.

When wch is not a null pointer, the getcchar() function returns OK on success and ERR otherwise.

ERRORS

None

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

	ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
	Interface Stability	Standard
Ī	MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

attroff(3XCURSES), can_change_color(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES),
setcchar(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME

getch, wgetch, mvgetch, mvwgetch – get a single-byte character from the terminal

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int getch(void);
int wgetch(WINDOW *win);
int mvgetch(int y, int x);
int mvygetch(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
```

PARAMETERS

win Is a pointer to the window associated with the terminal from which the character is to be read.

y Is the y (row) coordinate for the position of the character to be read.

x Is the x (column) coordinate for the position of the character to be read.

DESCRIPTION

These functions read a single-byte character from the terminal associated with the current or specified window. The results are unspecified if the input is not a single-byte character. If keypad(3XCURSES) is enabled, these functions respond to the pressing of a function key by returning the corresponding KEY_ value defined in <curses.h>

Processing of terminal input is subject to the general rules described on the keypad(3XCURSES) manual page.

If echoing is enabled, then the character is echoed as though it were provided as an input argument to addch(3XCURSES), except for the following characters:

<backspace> The input is interpreted as follows: unless the cursor already was

in column 0, <backspace> moves the cursor one column toward the start of the current line and any characters after the

<backspace> are added or inserted starting there. The character at

the resulting cursor position it then deleted as though

delch(3XCURSES) were called, except that if the cursor was originally in the first column of the line, the user is alerted as

though beep(3XCURSES) were called.

Function keys The user is alerted as though beep () were called. Information

concerning the function keys is not returned to the caller.

If the current or specified window is not a pad, and it has been moved modified since the last refresh operation, then it will be refreshed before another character is read.

Constant Values for Function Keys

The following is a list of tokens for function keys that are returned by the getch() set of functions if keypad handling is enabled (some terminals may not support all tokens).

getch(3XCURSES)

Constant	Description
KEY_BREAK	Break key
KEY_DOWN	The down arrow key
KEY_UP	The up arrow key
KEY_LEFT	The left arrow key
KEY_RIGHT	The right arrow key
KEY_HOME	Home key
KEY_BACKSPACE	Backspace
KEY_F0	Function keys. Space for 64 keys is reserved.
KEY_F(n)	For $0 \le n \le 63$
KEY_DL	Delete line
KEY_IL	Insert line
KEY_DC	Delete character
KEY_IC	Insert char or enter insert mode
KEY_EIC	Exit insert char mode
KEY_CLEAR	Clear screen
KEY_EOS	Clear to end of screen
KEY_EOL	Clear to end of line
KEY_SF	Scroll 1 line forward
KEY_SR	Scroll 1 line backwards
KEY_NPAGE	Next page
KEY_PPAGE	Previous page
KEY_STAB	Set tab
KEY_CTAB	Clear tab
KEY_CATAB	Clear all tabs
KEY_ENTER	Enter or send
KEY_SRESET	Soft (partial) reset
KEY_RESET	Reset or hard reset
KEY_PRINT	Print or copy
KEY_LL	Home down or bottom (lower left)

Constant	Description
KEY_A1	Upper left of keypad
KEY_A3	Upper right of keypad
KEY_B2	Center of keypad
KEY_C1	Lower left of keypad
KEY_C3	Lower right of keypad
KEY_BTAB	Back tab
KEY_BEG	Beginning key
KEY_CANCEL	Cancel key
KEY_CLOSE	Close key
KEY_COMMAND	Cmd (command) key
KEY_COPY	Copy key
KEY_CREATE	Create key
KEY_END	End key
KEY_EXIT	Exit key
KEY_FIND	Find key
KEY_HELP	Help key
KEY_MARK	Mark key
KEY_MESSAGE	Message key
KEY_MOVE	Move key
KEY_NEXT	Next object key
KEY_OPEN	Open key
KEY_OPTIONS	Options key
KEY_PREVIOUS	Previous object key
KEY_REDO	Redo key
KEY_REFERENCE	Reference key
KEY_REFRESH	Refresh key
KEY_REPLACE	Replace key
KEY_RESTART	Restart key
KEY_RESUME	Resume key

getch(3XCURSES)

Constant	Description
KEY_SAVE	Save key
KEY_SBEG	Shifted beginning key
KEY_SCANCEL	Shifted cancel key
KEY_SCOMMAND	Shifted command key
KEY_SCOPY	Shifted copy key
KEY_SCREATE	Shifted create key
KEY_SDC	Shifted delete char key
KEY_SDL	Shifted delete line key
KEY_SELECT	Select key
KEY_SEND	Shifted end key
KEY_SEOL	Shifted clear line key
KEY_SEXIT	Shifted exit key
KEY_SFIND	Shifted find key
KEY_SHELP	Shifted help key
KEY_SHOME	Shifted home key
KEY_SIC	Shifted input key
KEY_SLEFT	Shifted left arrow key
KEY_SMESSAGES	Shifted messages key
KEY_SMOVE	Shifted move key
KEY_SNEXT	Shifted next key
KEY_SOPTIONS	Shifted options key
KEY_SPREVIOUS	Shifted previous key
KEY_SPRINT	Shifted print key
KEY_SREDO	Shifted redo key
KEY_SREPLACE	Shifted replace key
KEY_SRIGHT	Shifted right arrow key
KEY_SRSUME	Shifted resume key
KEY_SSAVE	Shifted save key
KEY_SSUSPEND	Shifted suspend key

Constant	Description
KEY_SUNDO	Shifted undo key
KEY_SUSPEND	Suspend key
KEY_UNDO	Undo key

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, these functions return the single-byte character, KEY_value, or ERR. When in the nodelay mode and no data is available, ERR is returned.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

USAGE

Applications should not define the escape key by itself as a single-character function.

When using these functions, nocbreak mode (cbreak(3XCURSES)) and echo mode (echo(3XCURSES)) should not be used at the same time. Depending on the state of the terminal when each character is typed, the application may produce undesirable results.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

cbreak(3XCURSES), echo(3XCURSES), halfdelay(3XCURSES),
keypad(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), nodelay(3XCURSES),
notimeout(3XCURSES), raw(3XCURSES), timeout(3XCURSES), attributes(5),
standards(5)

getnstr(3XCURSES)

NAME |

getnstr, getstr, mygetnstr, mygetstr, mywgetnstr, mywgetstr, wgetnstr, wgetnstr, wgetnstr – get a multibyte character string from terminal

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int getnstr(char *str, int n);
int getstr(char *str);
int mvgetnstr(int y, int x, char *str, int n);
int mvgetstr(int y, int x, char *str);
int mvwgetnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *str, int n);
int mvwgetstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *str);
int wgetnstr(WINDOW *win, char *str, int n);
int wgetstr(WINDOW *win, char *str);
```

DESCRIPTION

The getstr() and wgetstr() functions get a character string from the terminal associated with the window stdscr or window win, respectively. The mygetstr() and mvwgetstr() functions move the cursor to the position specified in stdscr or win, respectively, then get a character string.

These functions call wgetch(3XCURSES) and place each received character in str until a newline is received, which is also placed in str. The erase and kill characters set by the user are processed.

The getnstr(), mvgetnstr(), mvwgetnstr() and wgetnstr() functions read at most *n* characters. These functions are used to prevent overflowing the input buffer.

The getnstr(), wgetnstr(), mvgetnstr(), and mvwgetnstr() functions only return complete multibyte characters. If the area pointed to by str is not large enough to hold at least one character, these functions fail.

PARAMETERS

str	Is a pointer to the area where the character string is to be placed.
n	Is the maximum number of characters to read from input.
y	Is the y (row) coordinate of starting position of character string to be read.
x	Is the x (column) coordinate of starting position of character string to be read.
win	Points to the window associated with the terminal from which the character is to be read.

RETURN VALUES | On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

getch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

getn_wstr(3XCURSES)

NAME

getn_wstr, get_wstr, mvgetn_wstr, mvget_wstr, mvwgetn_wstr, mvwgetn_wstr, wgetn_wstr, wget_wstr – get a wide character string from terminal

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int getn_wstr(wint_t *wstr, int n);
int get_wstr(wint_t *wstr);
int mvgetn_wstr(int y, int x, wint_t *wstr, int n);
int mvget_wstr(int y, int x, wint_t *wstr);
int mvgetn_wstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, wint_t *wstr, int n);
int mvwget_wstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, wint_t *wstr);
int wget_wstr(WINDOW *win, wint_t *wstr, int n);
int wget_wstr(WINDOW *win, wint_t *wstr, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

The <code>get_wstr()</code> and <code>wget_wstr()</code> functions get a wide character string from the terminal associated with the window <code>stdscr</code> or window <code>win</code>, respectively. The <code>mvget_str()</code> and <code>mvwget_wstr()</code> functions move the cursor to the position specified in <code>stdscr</code> or <code>win</code>, respectively, then get a wide character string.

These functions call wget_wch(3XCURSES) and place each received character in *wstr* until a newline character, end-of-line character, or end-of-file character is received, which is also placed in *wstr*. The erase and kill characters set by the user are processed.

The getn_wstr(), mvgetn_wstr(), mvwgetn_wstr() and wgetn_wstr() functions read at most n characters. These functions are used to prevent overflowing the input buffer.

PARAMETERS

wstr Is a pointer to the area where the character string is to be placed.

n Is the maximum number of characters to read from input.

y Is the y (row) coordinate of starting position of character string to be read.

x Is the x (column) coordinate of starting position of character string to be

read.

win points to the window associated with the terminal from which the

character is to be read.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

 $\textbf{ATTRIBUTES} \hspace{0.2cm} | \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{See attributes}(5) \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{for descriptions of the following attributes:} \\$

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

get_wch(3XCURSES), getnstr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

get wch(3XCURSES)

NAME | get_wch, wget_wch, mvget_wch, mvwget_wch - get a wide character from terminal

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpq4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int get wch(wint t *ch);
int wget wch(WINDOW *win, wint t *ch);
int mvget wch(int y, int x, wint t *ch);
int mvwget wch (WINDOW *win, int y, int x, wint t *ch);
```

DESCRIPTION

The get wch() and wget wch() functions get a wide character from the terminal associated with the window stdscr or window win, respectively. The myget wch() and mvwget wch() functions move the cursor to the position specified in stdscr or win, respectively, then get a character.

If the window is not a pad and has been changed since the last call to refresh(3XCURSES), get wch() calls refresh() to update the window before the next character is read.

The setting of certain functions affects the behavior of the qet wch() set of functions. For example, if cbreak(3XCURSES) is set, characters typed by the user are immediately processed. If halfdelay(3XCURSES) is set, get wch() waits until a character is typed or returns ERR if no character is typed within the specified timeout period. This timeout can also be specified for individual windows with the delay parameter of timeout (3XCURSES) A negative value waits for input; a value of 0 returns ERR if no input is ready; a positive value blocks until input arrives or the time specified expires (in which case ERR is returned). If nodelay(3XCURSES) is set, ERR is returned if no input is waiting; if not set, get wch() waits until input arrives. Each character will be echoed to the window unless noecho(3XCURSES) has been set.

If keypad handling is enabled (keypad(3XCURSES) is TRUE), the token for the function key (a KEY value) is stored in the object pointed to by ch and KEY CODE YES is returned. If a character is received that could be the beginning of a function key (for example, ESC), an inter-byte timer is set. If the remainder of the sequence is not received before the time expires, the character is passed through; otherwise, the value of the function key is returned. If notimeout () is set, the inter-byte timer is not used.

The ESC key is typically a prefix key used with function keys and should not be used as a single character.

See the getch(3XCURSES) manual page for a list of tokens for function keys that are returned by the get wch() set of functions if keypad handling is enabled (Some terminals may not support all tokens).

PARAMETERS

ch Is a pointer to a wide integer where the returned wide character or KEY_

value can be stored.

win Is a pointer to the window associated with the terminal from which the

character is to be read.

y Is the y (row) coordinate for the position of the character to be read.

x Is the x (column) coordinate for the position of the character to be read.

RETURN VALUES

When these functions successfully report the pressing of a function key, they return KEY_CODE_YES. When they successfully report a wide character, they return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

cbreak(3XCURSES), echo(3XCURSES), halfdelay(3XCURSES),
keypad(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), nodelay(3XCURSES),
notimeout(3XCURSES), raw(3XCURSES), timeout(3XCURSES), attributes(5),
standards(5)

getwin(3XCURSES)

NAME |

getwin, putwin - read a window from, and write a window to, a file

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
WINDOW *getwin(FILE *filep);
int putwin(WINDOW *win, FILE *filep);
```

DESCRIPTION

The <code>getwin()</code> function reads window-related data (written earlier by <code>putwin()</code>) from the <code>stdio</code> stream pointed to by <code>filep</code>. It then creates and initializes a new window using that data.

The putwin() function writes all the data associated with the window pointed to by *win* to the stdio stream pointed to by *filep*. The getwin() function can later retrieve this data.

PARAMETERS

filep Is a pointer to a stdio stream.

win Is a pointer to a window.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the getwin() function returns a pointer to the new window created. Otherwise, it returns a null pointer.

On success, the putwin() function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), scr dump(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | halfdelay – enable/disable half-delay mode

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int halfdelay(int tenths);
```

DESCRIPTION

The halfdelay() function is similar to cbreak(3XCURSES) in that when set, characters typed by the user are immediately processed by the program. The difference is that ERR is returned if no input is received after *tenths* tenths seconds.

The nocbreak(3XCURSES) function should be used to leave half-delay mode.

PARAMETERS

tenths Is the number of tenths of seconds for which to block input (1 to 255).

RETURN VALUES

On success, the halfdelay () function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

cbreak(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

has_ic(3XCURSES)

NAME |

| has_ic, has_il – determine insert/delete character/line capability

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
bool has_ic(void);

bool has il(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The has_ic() function determines whether or not the terminal has insert/delete character capability.

The has_il() function determines whether or not the terminal has insert/delete line capability.

RETURN VALUES

The has_ic() function returns TRUE if the terminal has insert/delete character capability and FALSE otherwise.

The has_il() function returns TRUE if the terminal has insert/delete line capability and FALSE otherwise.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME

hline, mvhline, mvvline, mvwhline, wvline, vline, whline, wvline – use single-byte characters (and renditions) to draw lines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int hline(chtype ch, int n);
int mvhline(int y, int x, chtype ch, int n);
int mvvline(int y, int x, chtype ch, int n);
int mvwline(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype ch, int n);
int mvwvline(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype ch, int n);
int vline(chtype ch, int n);
int whline(WINDOW *win, chtype ch, int n);
int wvline(WINDOW *win, chtype ch, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

The hline(), vline(), whline(), wvline() functions draw a horizontal or vertical line, in either the window stdscr or *win* starting at the current cursor position. The line is drawn using the character *ch* and is a maximum of *n* positions long, or as many as will fit into the window. If *ch* is 0 (zero), the default horizontal or vertical character is used.

The mvhline(), mvvline(), mvwline() functions are similar to the previous group of functions but the line begins at cursor position specified by x and y.

The functions with names ending with hline() draw horizontal lines proceeding towards the last column of the same line. The functions with names ending with vline() draw vertical lines proceeding towards the last column of the same line.

These functions do not change the position of the cursor.

PARAMETERS

ch Is the character used to draw the line.

n Is the maximum number of characters in the line.

y Is the y (row) coordinate for the start of the line.

x Is the x (column) coordinate for the start of the line.

win Is a pointer to a window.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None

hline(3XCURSES)

 $\textbf{ATTRIBUTES} \hspace{0.2cm} | \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{See attributes}(5) \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{for descriptions of the following attributes:} \\$

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

border(3XCURSES), border_set(3XCURSES), hline_set(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME

hline set, mvhline set, mvvline set, mvwline set, vline set, vline set, whline_set, wvline_set - use complex characters (and renditions) to draw lines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int hline set(const cchar t *ch, int n);
int mvhline set(int y, int x, const cchar t *wch, int n);
int mvvline set(int y, int x, const cchar t *wch, int n);
int mvwhline set (WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const cchar t *wch, int
int mvwvline set (WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const cchar t *wch, int
int vline set(const cchar t *wch, int n);
int whline set(WINDOW *win, const cchar t *wch, int n);
int wvline set(WINDOW *win, const cchar t *wch, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

The hline set(), vline set(), whline set(), wvline set() functions draw a line, in either the window stdscr or win starting at the current cursor position. The line is drawn using the character *wch* and is a maximum of *n* positions long, or as many as will fit into the window. If wch is a null pointer, the default horizontal or vertical character is used.

The mvhline set(), mvvline set(), mvvhline set(), mvvvline set() functions are similar to the previous group of functions but the line begins at cursor position specified by *x* and *y*.

The functions with names ending with hline set () draw horizontal lines proceeding towards the last column of the same line. The functions with names ending with vline set () draw vertical lines proceeding towards the last column of the same line.

These functions do not change the position of the cursor.

PARAMETERS

wch Is the complex character used to draw the line. n

Is the maximum number of characters in the line.

Is the y (row) coordinate for the start of the line. IJ

x Is the x (column) coordinate for the start of the line.

win Is a pointer to a window.

RETURN VALUES On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

hline_set(3XCURSES)

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

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ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
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ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

border(3XCURSES), border_set(3XCURSES), hline(3XCURSES),
libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | idcok - enable/disable hardware insert-character and delete-character features

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
void idcok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
```

DESCRIPTION

The idcok() function enables or disables the use of hardware insert-character and delete-character features in win. If bf is set to TRUE, the use of these features in win is enabled (if the terminal is equipped). If *bf* is set to FALSE, their use in *win* is disabled.

PARAMETERS

win Is a pointer to a window.

bf Is a Boolean expression.

RETURN VALUES

The idcok() function does not return a value.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

clearok(3XCURSES), doupdate(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

immedok(3XCURSES)

NAME |

immedok - call refresh on changes to window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int immedok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
```

DESCRIPTION

If bf is TRUE, immedok() calls refresh(3XCURSES) if any change to the window image is made (for example, through functions such as addch(3XCURSES), clrtobot(3XCURSES), and scrl(3XCURSES)). Repeated calls to refresh() may affect performance negatively. The immedok() function is disabled by default.

PARAMETERS

win Is a pointer to the window that is to be refreshed.

bf Is a Boolean expression.

RETURN VALUES

The immedok() function does not return a value.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

addch(3XCURSES), clearok(3XCURSES), clrtobot(3XCURSES),
doupdate(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), scrl(3XCURSES), attributes(5),
standards(5)

NAME

inch, myinch, mywinch, winch – return a single-byte character (with rendition)

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
chtype inch(void);
chtype mvinch(int y, int x);
chtype mvwinch(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
chtype winch(WINDOW *win);
```

DESCRIPTION

The inch() and winch() functions return the chtype character located at the current cursor position of the stdscr window and window win, respectively. The mvinch() and mvwinch() functions return the chtype character located at the position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former in the stdscr window; the latter in window win).

The complete character/attribute pair will be returned. The character or attributes can be extracted by performing a bitwise AND on the returned value, using the constants A CHARTEXT, A ATTRIBUTES, and A COLOR.

PARAMETERS

- y Is the y (row) coordinate of the position of the character to be returned.
- x Is the x (column) coordinate of the position of the character to be returned.
- win Is a pointer to the window that contains the character to be returned.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return the specified character and rendition. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

 $\verb|addch|(3XCURSES)|, \verb|attroff|(3XCURSES)|, \verb|libcurses|(3XCURSES)|, \verb|attributes|(5)|, \verb|standards|(5)|$

inchnstr(3XCURSES)

NAME |

inchnstr, inchstr, mvinchnstr, mvinchstr, mvwinchstr, mvwinchstr, winchstr, winchstr, retrieve a single-byte character string (with rendition)

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int inchnstr(chtype *chstr, int n);
int inchstr(chtype *chstr);
int mvinchnstr(int y, int x, chtype *chstr, int n);
int mvinchstr(int y, int x, chtype *chstr);
int mvinchstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype *chstr, int n);
int mvwinchstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype *chstr);
int winchnstr(WINDOW *win, chtype *chstr, int n);
int winchstr(WINDOW *win, chtype *chstr, int n);
```

DESCRIPTION

The inchstr() and winchstr() functions retrieve the character string (with rendition) starting at the current cursor position of the stdscr window and window win, respectively, and ending at the right margin. The mvinchstr() and mvwinchstr() functions retrieve the character string located at the position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former in the stdscr window; the latter in window win).

The inchnstr(), winchnstr(), mvinchnstr(), and mvwinchnstr() functions retrieve at most n characters from the window stdscr and win, respectively. The former two functions retrieve the string, starting at the current cursor position; the latter two commands retrieve the string, starting at the position specified by the x and y parameters.

All these functions store the retrieved character string in the object pointed to by chstr.

The complete character/attribute pair is retrieved. The character or attributes can be extracted by performing a bitwise AND on the retrieved value, using the constants A_CHARTEXT, A_ATTRIBUTES, and A_COLOR. The character string can also be retrieved without attributes by using instr(3XCURSES) set of functions.

PARAMETERS

chstr	Is a pointer to an object that can hold the retrieved character string.
n	Is the number of characters not to exceed when retrieving chstr.
y	Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position of the string to be retrieved.
x	Is the x (column) coordinate of the starting position of the string to be retrieved.

Is a pointer to the window in which the string is to be retrieved. win

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

inch(3XCURSES), innstr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

initscr(3XCURSES)

NAME |

initscr, newterm – screen initialization functions

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
WINDOW *initscr(void);

SCREEN *newterm(char *type, FILE *outfp, FILE *infp);
```

PARAMETERS

type Is a string defining the terminal type to be used in

place of TERM.

terminal.

infp Is the pointer to a file to be used for input to the

terminal.

DESCRIPTION

The initscr() function initializes X/Open Curses data structures, determines the terminal type, and ensures the first call to refresh(3XCURSES) clears the screen.

The newterm() function opens a new terminal with each call. It should be used instead of initscr() when the program interacts with more than one terminal. It returns a variable of type SCREEN, which should be used for later reference to that terminal. Before program termination, endwin() should be called for each terminal.

The only functions that you can call before calling initscr() or newterm() are filter(3XCURSES), ripoffline(3XCURSES), $slk_init(3XCURSES)$, and use env(3XCURSES).

RETURN VALUES

On success, the initscr() function returns a pointer to stdscr; otherwise, initscr() does not return.

On success, the newterm() function returns a pointer to the specified terminal; otherwise, a null pointer is returned.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

	ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
]	Interface Stability	Standard
]	MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO | del_curterm(3XCURSES), delscreen(3XCURSES), doupdate(3XCURSES), endwin(3XCURSES), filter(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), slk_attroff(3XCURSES), use_env(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

innstr(3XCURSES)

NAME

innstr, instr, mvinnstr, mvinnstr, mvwinnstr, mvwinstr, winnstr, winstr - retrieve a multibyte character string (without rendition)

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpq4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
:#include <curses.h>
int innstr(char *str, int n);
int instr(char *str);
int mvinnstr(int y, int x, char *str, int n);
int mvinstr(int y, int x, char *str);
int mvwinnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *str, int n);
int mvwinstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *str);
int winstr(WINDOW *win, char *str);
int winnstr(WINDOW *win, char *str, int n);
```

PARAMETERS

str	Is a pointer to an object that can hold the retrieved multibyte character string.
п	Is the number of characters not to exceed when retrieving <i>str</i> .
y	Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position of the string to be retrieved.
x	Is the x (column) coordinate of the starting position of the string to be retrieved.
win	Is a pointer to the window in which the string is to be retrieved.

DESCRIPTION

The instr() and winstr() functions retrieve a multibyte character string (without attributes) starting at the current cursor position of the stdscr window and window win, respectively, and ending at the right margin. The mvinstr() and mvwinstr() functions retrieve a multibyte character string located at the position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former in the stdscr window; the latter in window win).

The innstr(), winnstr(), mvinnstr(), and mvwinnstr() functions retrieve at most *n* characters from the window stdscr and win, respectively. The former two functions retrieve the string starting at the current cursor position; the latter two commands return the string, starting at the position specified by the x and yparameters.

innstr(3XCURSES)

All these functions store the retrieved string in the object pointed to by str. They only store complete multibyte characters. If the area pointed to by str is not large enough to hold at least one character, these functions fail.

Only the character portion of the character/rendition pair is returned. To return the complete character/rendition pair, use winchstr().

ERRORS

OK

Successful completion.

ERR

An error occurred.

USAGE

All functions except winnstr() may be macros.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

inch(3XCURSES), inchstr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

innwstr(3XCURSES)

NAME |

innwstr, inwstr, mvinnwstr, mvinnwstr, mvwinnwstr, winnwstr, winnwstr, winwstr – retrieve a wide character string (without rendition)

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int innwstr(wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int inwstr(wchar_t *wstr);
int mvinnwstr(int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvinnwstr(int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr);
int mvinnwstr(WINDOW*win, int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvwinnwstr(WINDOW*win, int y, int x, wchar_t *wstr);
int winwstr(WINDOW*win, wchar_t *wstr);
int winnwstr(WINDOW*win, wchar_t *wstr, int n);
```

PARAMETERS

- *wstr* Is a pointer to an object that can hold the retrieved multibyte character string.
- *n* Is the number of characters not to exceed when retrieving *wstr*.
- y Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position of the string to be retrieved
- x Is the x (column) coordinate of the starting position of the string to be retrieved.
- win Is a pointer to the window in which the string is to be retrieved.

DESCRIPTION

The inwstr() and winwstr() functions retrieve a wide character string (without attributes) starting at the current cursor position of the stdscr window and window win, respectively, and ending at the right margin. The mvinwstr() and mvwinwstr() functions retrieve a wide character string located at the position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former in the stdscr window; the latter in window win).

The innwstr(), winnwstr(), mvinnwstr(), and mvwinnwstr() functions retrieve at most n characters from the window stdscr and win, respectively. The former two functions retrieve the string starting at the current cursor position; the latter two commands return the string, starting at the position specified by the x and y parameters.

All these functions store the retrieved string in the object pointed to by *wstr*. They only store complete wide characters. If the area pointed to by *wstr* is not large enough to hold at least one character, these functions fail.

Only the character portion of the character/rendition pair is returned. To return the complete character/rendition pair, use win wchstr(3XCURSES).

RETURN VALUES

On success, the inwstr(), mvinwstr(), mvwinwstr(), and winwstr() functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

On success, the innwstr(), mvinnwstr(), mvwinnwstr(), and winnwstr() functions return the number of characters read into the string. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

in_wch(3XCURSES), in_wchnstr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

insch(3XCURSES)

NAME |

insch, winsch, mvinsch, mvwinsch – insert a character

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int insch(chtype ch);
int mvinsch(int y, int x, chtype ch);
int mvwinsch (WINDOW *win, int y, int x, chtype ch);
int winsch (WINDOW *win, chtype ch);
```

PARAMETERS

Is the character to be inserted. ch

Is the y (row) coordinate of the position of the y

character.

Is the x (column) coordinate of the position of the x

character.

Is a pointer to the window in which the character is to win

be inserted.

DESCRIPTION

These functions insert the character and rendition from ch into the current or specified window at the current or specified position.

These functions do not perform wrapping and do not advance the cursor position. These functions perform special-character processing, with the exception that if a newline is inserted into the last line of a window and scrolling is not enabled, the behavior is unspecified.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

USAGE

These functions are only guaranteed to operate reliably on character sets in which each character fits into a single byte, whose attributes can be expressed using only constants with the A prefix.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO ins wch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | insdelln, winsdelln - insert/delete lines to/from the window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int insdelln(int n);
int winsdelln(WINDOW *win, int n);
```

PARAMETERS

Is the number of lines to insert or delete (positive n

inserts; negative n deletes).

win Is a pointer to the window in which to insert or delete a

line.

DESCRIPTION

The insdelln() and winsdelln() functions insert or delete blank lines in stdscr or *win*, respectively. When *n* is positive, *n* lines are added before the current line and the bottom n lines are lost; when n is negative, n lines are deleted starting with the current line, the remaining lines are moved up, and the bottom n lines are cleared. The position of the cursor does not change.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

deleteln(3XCURSES), insertln(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

insertln(3XCURSES)

NAME | insertln, winsertln – insert a line in a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int insertln(void);
int winsertln(WINDOW *win);
```

PARAMETERS

win

Is a pointer to the window in which to insert the line.

DESCRIPTION

The insertln() and winsertln() functions insert a blank line before the current line in stdscr or win, respectively. The new line becomes the current line. The current line and all lines after it in the window are moved down one line. The bottom line in the window is discarded.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

bkgdset(3XCURSES), deleteln(3XCURSES), insdelln(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME |

insnstr, insstr, mvinsnstr, mvinsnstr, mvwinsnstr, winsnstr, winsnstr, winsstr – insert a multibyte character string

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int insnstr(const char *str, int n);
int insstr(const char *str);
int mvinsnstr(int y, int x, const char *str, int n);
int mvinsnstr(int y, int x, const char *str);
int mvinsnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const char *str, int n);
int mvwinsnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const char *str);
int winsnstr(WINDOW *win, const char *str, int n);
int winsnstr(WINDOW *win, const char *str, int n);
```

PARAMETERS

str	Is a pointer to the string to be inserted.
-----	--

n Is the number of characters not to exceed when inserting *str*. If *n* is less than 1, the entire string is

inserted.

y Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position of the

string.

x Is the x (column) coordinate of the starting position of

the string.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the string is to be

inserted.

DESCRIPTION

The insstr() function inserts str at the current cursor position of the stdscr window. The winsstr() function performs the identical action, but in window win. The mvinsstr() and mvwinsstr() functions insert the character string at the starting position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former to the stdscr window; the latter to window win).

The insnstr(), winsnstr(), mvinsnstr(), and mvwinsnstr() functions insert n characters to the window or as many as will fit on the line. If n is less than 1, the entire string is inserted or as much of it as fits on the line. The former two functions place the string at the current cursor position; the latter two commands use the position specified by the x and y parameters.

All characters to the right of inserted characters are moved to the right. Characters that don't fit on the current line are discarded. The cursor is left at the point of insertion.

insnstr(3XCURSES)

If a character in str is a newline, carriage return, backspace, or tab, the cursor is moved appropriately. The cursor is moved to the next tab stop for each tab character (by default, tabs are eight characters apart). If the character is a control character other than those previously mentioned, the character is inserted using x notation, where x is a printable character. clrtoeol(3XCURSES) is automatically done before a newline.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

addchstr(3XCURSES), addstr(3XCURSES), clrtoeol(3XCURSES),
ins_nwstr(3XCURSES), insch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES),
attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME |

ins_nwstr, ins_wstr, mvins_nwstr, mvins_wstr, mvwins_nwstr, mvwins_wstr, wins nwstr, wins_wstr – insert a wide character string

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int ins_nwstr(const wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int ins_wstr(const wchar_t *wstr);
int mvins_nwstr(int y, int x, const wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvins_wstr(int y, int x, const wchar_t *wstr);
int mvins_nwstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int mvwins_wstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const wchar_t *wstr);
int mvwins_wstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const wchar_t *wstr);
int wins_nwstr(WINDOW *win, const wchar_t *wstr, int n);
int wins_wstr(WINDOW *win, const wchar_t *wstr);
```

PARAMETERS

wstr Is a pointer to the string to be inserted.

n Is the number of characters not to exceed when inserting *wstr*. If *n* is less than 1, the entire string is inserted.

y Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position of the

string.

x Is the x (column) coordinate of the starting position of

the string.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the string is to be

inserted.

DESCRIPTION

The ins_wstr() function inserts wstr at the current cursor position of the stdscr window. The wins_wstr() function performs the identical action, but in window win. The mvins_wstr() and mvwins_wstr() functions insert wstr string at the starting position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former in the stdscr window; the latter in window win).

The ins_nwstr(), wins_nwstr(), mvins_nwstr(), and mvwins_nwstr() functions insert *n* characters to the window or as many as will fit on the line. If *n* is less than 1, the entire string is inserted or as much of it as fits on the line. The former two functions place the string at the current cursor position; the latter two commands use the position specified by the *x* and *y* parameters.

ins_nwstr(3XCURSES)

All characters to the right of inserted characters are moved to the right. Characters that don't fit on the current line are discarded. The cursor is left at the point of insertion.

If a character in *wstr* is a newline, carriage return, backspace, or tab, the cursor is moved appropriately. The cursor is moved to the next tab stop for each tab character (by default, tabs are eight characters apart). If the character is a control character other than those previously mentioned, the character is inserted using x notation, where x is a printable character. clrtoeol(3XCURSES) is automatically done before a newline.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

add_wchnstr(3XCURSES), addnwstr(3XCURSES), clrtoeol(3XCURSES),
ins_wch(3XCURSES), insnstr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES),
attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | ins wch, wins wch, mvins wch, mvwins wch – insert a complex character

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpq4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int ins wch(const cchar t *wch);
int mvins wch(int y, int x, const cchar t *wch);
int mvwins wch (WINDOW *win, int y, int x, const cchar t *wch);
int wins wch(WINDOW *win, const cchar t *wch);
```

PARAMETERS

wch Is the complex character to be inserted.

Is the y (row) coordinate of the position of the y

character.

Is the x (column) coordinate of the position of the χ

character.

Is a pointer to the window in which the character is to win

be inserted.

DESCRIPTION

The ins wch() function inserts the complex character *wch* at the current cursor position of the stdscr window. The wins wch() function performs the identical action but in window win. The mvins wch() and mvwins wch() functions insert the character at the position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former in the stdscr window; the latter in window win). The cursor position does not change.

All characters to the right of the inserted character are moved right one character. The last character on the line is deleted.

Insertions and deletions occur at the character level. The cursor is adjusted to the first column of the character prior to the the operation.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

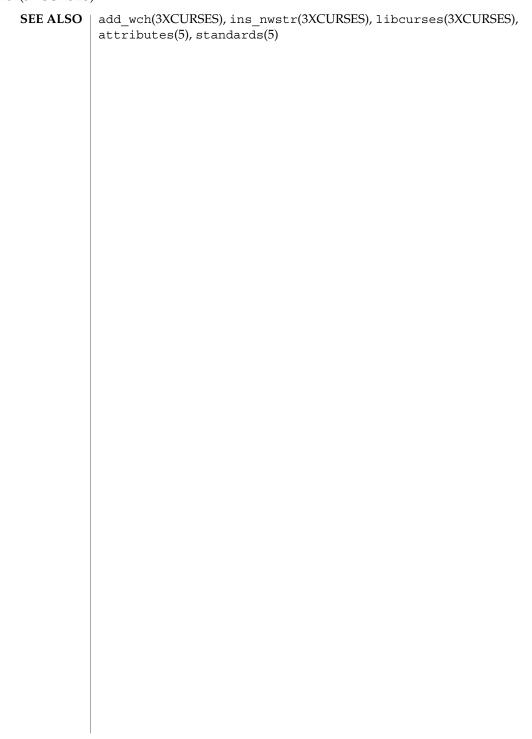
None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

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NAME | intrflush – enable or disable flush on interrupt

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int intrflush(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
```

PARAMETERS

win

Is ignored.

bf

Is a Boolean expression.

DESCRIPTION

The intrflush() function specifies whether pressing an interrupt key (interrupt, suspend, or quit) will flush the input buffer associated with the current screen. If the value of bf is TRUE, then flushing of the output buffer associated with the current screen will occur when an interrupt key (interrupt, suspend, or quit) is pressed. If the value of bf is FALSE, then no flushing of the buffer will occur when an interrupt key is pressed. The default for the option is inherited from the display driver settings. The win argument is ignored.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, intrflush() returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

flushinp(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), qiflush(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

in_wch(3XCURSES)

NAME |

in_wch, mvin_wch, mvwin_wch, win_wch – retrieve a complex character (with rendition)

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int in_wch(cchar_t *wcval);
int mvin_wch(int y, int x, cchar_t *wcval);
int mvwin_wch(WINDOW *win, inty, cchar_t *wcval);
int win wch(WINDOW *win, cchar t *wcval);
```

DESCRIPTION

The in_wch() and win_wch() functions retrieve the complex character and its rendition located at the current cursor position of the stdscr window and window win, respectively. The mvin_wch() and mvwin_wch() functions retrieve the complex character and its rendition located at the position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former in the stdscr window; the latter in window win).

All these functions store the retrieved character and its rendition in the object pointed to by *wcval*.

PARAMETERS

wcval	Is a pointer to an object that can store a complex character and its rendition.
y	Is the y (row) coordinate of the position of the character to be returned.
x	Is the x (column) coordinate of the position of the character to be returned.
win	Is a pointer to the window that contains the character to be returned.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

add_wch(3XCURSES), inch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5),
standards(5)

NAME |

in_wchnstr, in_wchstr, mvin_wchnstr, mvin_wchstr, mvwin_wchstr, mvwin_wchstr, win_wchstr, win_wchstr – retrieve complex character string (with rendition)

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int in_wchnstr(cchar_t *wchstr, int n);
int in_wchstr(cchar_t *wchstr);
int mvin_wchnstr(int y, int x, cchar_t *wchstr, int n);
int mvin_wchstr(int y, int x, cchar_t *wchstr);
int mvin_wchstr(int y, int x, cchar_t *wchstr);
int mvwin_wchnstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, cchar_t *wchstr, int n);
int mvwin_wchstr(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, cchar_t *wchstr);
int win_wchnstr(WINDOW *win, cchar_t *wchstr, int n);
int win_wchstr(WINDOW *win, cchar_t *wchstr);
```

DESCRIPTION

The in_wchstr() and win_wchstr() functions retrieve a complex character string (with rendition) starting at the current cursor position of the stdscr window and window win, respectively, and ending at the right margin. The $mvin_wchstr()$ and $mvwin_wchstr()$ functions retrieve a complex character string located at the position indicated by the x (column) and y (row) parameters (the former in the stdscr window; the latter in window win).

The in_wchnstr(), win_wchnstr(), mvin_wchnstr(), and mvwin_wchnstr() functions retrieve at most *n* characters from the window stdscr and win, respectively. The former two functions retrieve the string, starting at the current cursor position; the latter two commands retrieve the string, starting at the position specified by the *x* and *y* parameters.

The retrieved character string (with renditions) is stored in the object pointed to by weval.

PARAMETERS

wchstr	Is a pointer to an object where the retrieved complex character string can be stored.
n	Is the number of characters not to exceed when retrieving wchstr.
y	Is the y (row) coordinate of the starting position of the string to be retrieved.
x	Is the \boldsymbol{x} (column) coordinate of the starting position of the string to be retrieved.
win	Is a pointer to the window in which the string is to be retrieved.

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RETURN VALUES | On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE	
Interface Stability	Standard	
MT-Level	Unsafe	

SEE ALSO

in_wch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME |

is_linetouched, is_wintouched, touchline, touchwin, untouchwin, wtouchln – control window refresh

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
bool is_linetouched(WINDOW *win, int line);
bool is_wintouched(WINDOW *win);
int touchline(WINDOW *win, int start, int count);
int touchwin(WINDOW *win);
int untouchwin(WINDOW *win);
int wtouchln(WINDOW *win, int y, int n, int changed);
```

PARAMETERS

start

controlled or monitored.

line Is the line to be checked for change since refresh.

Is the starting line number of the portion of the

window to make appear changed.

count Is the number of lines in the window to mark as

changed.

y Is the starting line number of the portion of the

window to make appear changed or not changed.

n Is the number of lines in the window to mark as

changed.

changed Is a flag indicating whether to make lines look changed

(0) or not changed (1).

DESCRIPTION

The touchwin() function marks the entire window as dirty. This makes it appear to X/Open Curses as if the whole window has been changed, thus causing the entire window to be rewritten with the next call to refresh(3XCURSES). This is sometimes necessary when using overlapping windows; the change to one window will not be reflected in the other and, hence will not be recorded.

The touchline() function marks as dirty a portion of the window starting at line *start* and continuing for *count* lines instead of the entire window. Consequently, that portion of the window is updated with the next call to refresh().

The untouchwin() function marks all lines in the window as unchanged since the last refresh, ensuring that it is not updated.

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The wtouchln() function marks n lines starting at line y as either changed (changed=1) or unchanged (changed=0) since the last refresh.

To find out which lines or windows have been changed since the last refresh, use the is_linetouched() and is_wintouched() functions, respectively. These return TRUE if the specified line or window have been changed since the last call to refresh() or FALSE if no changes have been made.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return ${\tt OK}.$ Otherwise, they return ${\tt ERR}.$

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE	
Interface Stability	Standard	
MT-Level	Unsafe	

SEE ALSO

doupdate(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME

keyname, key_name – return character string used as key name

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
char *keyname(int c);
char *key_name(wchar_t wc);
```

PARAMETERS

Is an 8 bit-character or a key code.

wc Is a wide character key name.

DESCRIPTION

The keyname () function returns a string pointer to the key name. Make a duplicate copy of the returned string if you plan to modify it.

The key_name () function is similar except that it accepts a wide character key name.

The following table shows the format of the key name based on the input.

Input	Format of Key Name
Visible character	The same character
Control character	^X
Meta-character (keyname() only)	M-X
Key value defined in <pre><curses.h> (keyname() only)</curses.h></pre>	KEY_name
None of the above	UNKNOWN KEY

In the preceding table, *X* can be either a visible character with the high bit cleared or a control character.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return a pointer to the string used as the key's name. Otherwise, they return a null pointer.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard

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ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), meta(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | keypad – enable/disable keypad handling

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpq4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int keypad(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
```

PARAMETERS

win Is a pointer to the window in which to enable/disable keypad handling.

bf Is a Boolean expression.

DESCRIPTION

The keypad () function controls keypad translation. If *bf* is TRUE, keypad translation is enabled. If bf is FALSE, keypad translation is disabled. The initial state is FALSE.

This function affects the behavior of any function that provides keyboard input.

If the terminal in use requires a command to enable it to transmit distinctive codes when a function key is pressed, then after keypad translation is first enabled, the implementation transmits this command to the terminal before an affected input function tries to read any characters from that terminal.

The Curses input model provides the following ways to obtain input from the keyboard:

Keypad processing

The application can enable or disable keypad translation by calling keypad(). When translation is enabled, Curses attempts to translate a sequence of terminal input that represents the pressing of a function into a single key code. When translation is disabled, Curses passes terminal input to the application without such translation, and any interpretation of the input as representing the pressing of a keypad key must be done by the application.

The complete set of key codes for keypad keys that Curses can process is specified by the constants defined in <curses. h> whose names begin with "KEY". Each terminal type described in the terminfo database may support some or all of these key codes. The terminfo database specifies the sequence of input characters from the terminal type that correspond to each key code.

The Curses inplementation cannot translate keypad keys on terminals where pressing the keys does not transmit a unique sequence.

When translation is enabled and a character that could be the beginning of a function key (such as escape) is received, Curses notes the time and begins accumulating characters. If Curses receives additional characters that represent the processing of a keypad key within an unspecified interval from the time the character was received, then Curses converts this input to a key code for presentation to the application. If such characters are not received during this interval, translation of this input does not

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occur and the individual characters are presented to the application separately. (Because Curses waits for this interval to accumulate a key code, many terminals experience a delay between the time a user presses the escape key and the time the escape key is returned to the application.)

In addition, No Timeout Mode provides that in any case where Curses has received part of a function key sequence, it waits indefinitely for the complete key sequence. The "unspecified interval" in the previous paragraph becomes infinite in No Timeout Mode. No Timeout Mode allows the use of function keys over slow communication lines. No Timeout Mode lets the user type the individual characters of a function key sequence, but also delays application response when the user types a character (not a function key) that begins a function key sequence. For this reason, in No Timeout Mode many terminals will appear to hang between the time a user presses the escape key and the time another key is pressed. No Timeout Mode is switchable by calling notimeout(3XCURSES).

If any special characters (<backspace>, <carriage return>, <newline>, <tab>) are defined or redefined to be characters that are members of a function key sequence, then Curses will be unable to recognize and translate those function keys.

Several of the modes discussed below are described in terms of availability of input. If keypad translation is enabled, then input is not available once Curses has begun receiving a keypad sequence until the sequence is completely received or the interval has elapsed.

Input Mode

The following four mutually-specific Curses modes let the application control the effect of flow-control characters, the interrupt character, the erase character, and the kill character:

Input Mode	Effect
Cooked Mode	This achieves normal line-at-a-time processing with all special characters handled outside the application. This achieves the same effect as canonical-mode input processing. The state of the ISIG and IXON flags are not changed upon entering this mode by calling nocbreak(3XCURSES), and are set upon entering this mode by calling noraw(3XCURSES).
	Erase and kill characters are supported from any supported locale, no matter the width of the character.
cbreak Mode	Characters typed by the user are immediately available to the application and Curses does not perform special processing on either the erase character or the kill character. An application can set cbreak mode to do its own line editing but to let the abort character be used to abort the task. This mode achieves the same effect as non-canonical-mode, Case B input processing (with MIN set to 1 and ICRNL cleared.) The state of the ISIG and IXON flags are not changed upon entering this mode.

Input Mode	Effect
Half-Delay Mode	The effect is the same as cbreak, except that input functions wait until a character is available or an interval defined by the application elapses, whichever comes first. This mode achieves the same effect as non-canonical-mode, Case C input processing (with TIME set to the value specified by the application.) The state of the ISIG and IXON flags are not changed upon entering this mode.
Raw Mode	Raw mode gives the application maximum control over terminal input. The application sees each character as it is typed. This achieves the same effect as non-canonical mode, Case D input processing. The ISIG and IXON flags are cleared upon entering this mode.

The terminal interface settings are reported when the process calls initscr(3XCURSES) or newterm(3XCURSES) to initialize Curses and restores these settings when endwin(3XCURSES) is called. The initial input mode for Curses operations is especially unless Enhanced Curses compliance, in which the initial mode is cbreak mode, is supported.

The behavior of the BREAK key depends on other bits in the display driver that are not set by Curses.

Delay Mode

Two mutually-exclusive delay modes specify how quickly certain Curses functions return to the application when there is no terminal input waiting when the function is called:

No Delay	The function fails.
Delay	The application waits until text is passed through to the application. If cbreak or Raw Mode is set, this is after one character. Otherwise, this is after the first <newline> character, end-of-line character, or end-of-file character.</newline>

The effect of No Delay Mode on function key processing is unspecified.

Echo processing

Echo mode determines whether Curses echoes typed characters to the screen. The effect of Echo mode is analogous to the effect of the ECHO flag in the local mode field of the termios structure associated with the terminal device connected to the window. However, Curses always clears the ECHO flag when invoked, to inhibit the operating system from performing echoing. The method of echoing characters is not identical to the operating system's method of echoing characters, because Curses performs additional processing of terminal input.

If in Echo mode, Curses performs 's's own echoing. Any visible input character is stored in the current or specified window by the input function that the application called, at that window's cursor position, as though addch(3XCURSES) were called, with all consequent effects such as cursor movement and wrapping.

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If not in Echo mode, any echoing of input must be performed by the application. Applications often perform their own echoing in a controlled area of the screen, or do not echo at all, so they disable Echo mode.

It may not be possible to turn off echo processing for synchronous and networked asynchronous terminals because echo processing is done directly by the terminals. Applications running on such terminals should be aware that any characters typed will appear on the screen at wherever the cursor is positioned.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, the keypad() function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

addch(3XCURSES), endwin(3XCURSES), getch(3XCURSES), initscr(3XCURSES),
libcurses(3XCURSES), newterm(3XCURSES), nocbreak(3XCURSES),
noraw(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | libcurses – X/Open Curses library

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library...]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
```

DESCRIPTION

Functions in this library provide a terminal-independent method of updating character screens with reasonable optimization, conforming to X/Open Curses, Issue 4, Version 2.

INTERFACES

The shared object libcurses.so.2 provides the public interfaces defined below. See intro(3) for additional information on shared object interfaces.

COLORS	COLOR_PAIR
COLOR_PAIRS	COLS
LINES	PAIR_NUMBER
add_wch	add_wchnstr
add_wchstr	addch
addchnstr	addchstr
addnstr	addnwstr
addstr	addwstr
attr_get	attr_off
attr_on	attr_set
attroff	attron
attrset	baudrate
beep	bkgd
bkgdset	bkgrnd
bkgrndset	border
border_set	box
box_set	can_change_color
cbreak	chgat
clear	clearok
clrtobot	clrtoeol
color_content	color_set

copywin cur_term curs set curscr def_shell_mode def_prog_mode del_curterm delay_output delch deleteln delscreen delwin derwin doupdate dupwin echo echochar echo_wchar endwin erase erasechar erasewchar filter flash flushinp get_wch get_wstr getbkgd getbkgrnd getcchar getch getn_wstr getnstr getstr getwin halfdelay has_ic has_colors hline has_il hline_set idcok idlok immedok in_wch in_wchnstr in_wchstr inch inchnstr inchstr init_color init_pair initscr innstr innwstr ins_nwstr ins_wch ins_wstr insdelln insch

insertln insnstr
insstr instr
intrflush inwstr

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nocbreak	nodelay
noecho	nonl
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wattr_off	wattr_on
wattr_set	wattroff
wattron	wattrset
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wbkgrnd	wbkgrndset
wborder	wborder_set
wchgat	wclear
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FILES

/usr/xpg4/lib/libcurses.so.1 shared object for backward compatibility

/usr/xpg4/lib/libcurses.so.2 shared object

/usr/xpg4/lib/64/libcurses.so.1 64-bit shared object for backward compatibility

/usr/xpg4/lib/64/libcurses.so.2 64-bit shared object

NOTES

The libcurses.so.1 listed above is an earlier shared object that provides the previous version of the X/Open Curses library (Issue 4). There is no binary compatiblity between libcurses.so.1 and libcurses.so.2. This file is provided for backwards compatiblity and will be removed in a future Solaris release. There is no plan to fix any of its defects.

ATTRIBUTES

See ${\tt attributes}(5)$ for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Availability	SUNWcsl (32-bit)
	SUNWcslx (64-bit)
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

 $\verb|intro(3)|, \verb|curses(3XCURSES)|, \verb|libcurses(3LIB)|, \verb|libcurses(3LIBUCB)|, \\ \verb|attributes(5)|, \verb|standards(5)|$

NAME | LINES – number of lines on terminal screen

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <curses.h>
extern int LINES;
```

DESCRIPTION

The external variable LINES indicates the number of lines on the terminal screen.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

initscr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

longname(3XCURSES)

NAME |

longname – return full terminal type name

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
const char *longname(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The longname() function returns a pointer to a static area containing a verbose description (128 characters or fewer) of the terminal. The area is defined after calls to initscr(3XCURSES), newterm(3XCURSES), or setupterm(3XCURSES). The value should be saved if longname() is going to be used with multiple terminals since it will be overwritten with a new value after each call to newterm() or setupterm().

RETURN VALUES

On success, the longname () function returns a pointer to a verbose description of the terminal. Otherwise, it returns a null pointer.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

initscr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), newterm(3XCURSES),
setupterm(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME

menu_attributes, set_menu_fore, menu_fore, set_menu_back, menu_grey, menu_grey, set_menu_pad, menu_pad – control menus display attributes

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
int set_menu_fore(MENU *menu, chtype attr);
chtype menu_fore(MENU *menu);
int set_menu_back(MENU *menu, chtype attr);
chtype menu_back(MENU *menu);
int set_menu_grey(MENU*menu, chtype attr);
chtype menu_grey(MENU *menu);
int set_menu_pad(MENU *menu, int pad);
int menu_pad(MENU *menu);
```

DESCRIPTION

set_menu_fore() sets the foreground attribute of menu — the display attribute for
the current item (if selectable) on single-valued menus and for selected items on
multi-valued menus. This display attribute is a curses library visual attribute.
menu_fore() returns the foreground attribute of menu.

set_menu_back() sets the background attribute of menu — the display attribute for unselected, yet selectable, items. This display attribute is a curses library visual attribute.

set_menu_grey() sets the grey attribute of *menu* — the display attribute for nonselectable items in multi-valued menus. This display attribute is a curses library visual attribute. menu grey() returns the grey attribute of *menu*.

The pad character is the character that fills the space between the name and description of an item. set_menu_pad() sets the pad character for *menu* to *pad*. menu_pad() returns the pad character of *menu*.

RETURN VALUES

These routines return one of the following:

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

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 $\textbf{SEE ALSO} \ | \ \texttt{curses}(3\texttt{CURSES}), \texttt{menus}(3\texttt{CURSES}), \texttt{attributes}(5)$ NOTES The header <menu.h> automatically includes the headers <eti.h> and <curses.h>.

NAME | menu_cursor, pos_menu_cursor – correctly position a menus cursor

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
```

int pos menu cursor(MENU *menu);

DESCRIPTION

pos menu cursor() moves the cursor in the window of menu to the correct position to resume menu processing. This is needed after the application calls a curses library I/O routine.

RETURN VALUES

This routine returns one of the following:

E OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

An incorrect argument was passed to the routine. **E_BAD_ARGUMENT**

E_NOT_POSTED The menu has not been posted.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), panel update(3CURSES), panels(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

menu_driver(3CURSES)

NAME |

menu_driver - command processor for the menus subsystem

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
```

int menu driver (MENU *menu, int c);

DESCRIPTION

menu_driver() is the workhorse of the menus subsystem. It checks to determine whether the character c is a menu request or data. If c is a request, the menu driver executes the request and reports the result. If c is data (a printable ASCII character), it enters the data into the pattern buffer and tries to find a matching item. If no match is found, the menu driver deletes the character from the pattern buffer and returns E_NO_MATCH . If the character is not recognized, the menu driver assumes it is an application-defined command and returns E_NO_MAND .

Menu driver requests:

REQ_LEFT_ITEM Move left to an item.

REQ_RIGHT_ITEM Move right to an item

REQ_UP_ITEM Move up to an item.

REQ_DOWN_ITEM Move down to an item.

REQ_SCR_ULINE Scroll up a line.

REQ_SCR_DLINE Scroll down a line.

REQ_SCR_DPAGE Scroll up a page.

REQ_SCR_UPAGE Scroll down a page.

REQ_FIRST_ITEM Move to the first item.

REQ_LAST_ITEM Move to the last item.

REQ_NEXT_ITEM Move to the next item.

 $\label{eq:req_prev_item} \mbox{REQ_PREV_ITEM} \qquad \qquad \mbox{Move to the previous item}.$

REQ_TOGGLE_ITEM Select/de-select an item.

REQ_CLEAR_PATTERN Clear the menu pattern buffer.

REQ_BACK_PATTERN Delete the previous character from pattern buffer.

REQ_NEXT_MATCH Move the next matching item.

REQ_PREV_MATCH Move to the previous matching item.

RETURN VALUES

menu driver() returns one of the following:

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E SYSTEM ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.

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E_BAD_STATE The routine was called from an initialization or

termination function.

E_NOT_POSTED The menu has not been posted.

E_UNKNOWN_COMMAND An unknown request was passed to the menu driver.

E_NO_MATCH The character failed to match.

E_NOT_SELECTABLE The item cannot be selected.

E_REQUEST_DENIED The menu driver could not process the request.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

Application-defined commands should be defined relative to (greater than) MAX_COMMAND, the maximum value of a request listed above.

menu_format(3CURSES)

NAME |

menu_format, set_menu_format - set and get maximum numbers of rows and columns in menus

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
```

int set menu format(MENU *menu, int rows, int cols); void menu format(MENU *menu, int *rows, int *cols);

DESCRIPTION

set menu format() sets the maximum number of rows and columns of items that may be displayed at one time on a menu. If the menu contains more items than can be displayed at once, the menu will be scrollable.

menu format() returns the maximum number of rows and columns that may be displayed at one time on menu. rows and cols are pointers to the variables used to return these values.

RETURN VALUES

set menu format() returns one of the following:

E OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.

E_POSTED The menu is already posted.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME

menu_hook, set_item_init, item_init, set_item_term, item_term, set_menu_init, menu_init, set_menu_term, menu_term – assign application-specific routines for automatic invocation by menus

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
int set_item_init(MENU *menu, void (*func)(MENU *));
int set_item_term(MENU *menu, void (*func)(MENU *));
void item_term(MENU *menu);
int set_menu_init(MENU *menu, void (*func)(MENU *));
void menu_init(MENU *menu);
int set_menu_term(MENU *menu, void (*func)(MENU *));
void menu_term(MENU *menu);
```

DESCRIPTION

set_item_init() assigns the application-defined function to be called when the
menu is posted and just after the current item changes. item_init() returns a
pointer to the item initialization routine, if any, called when the menu is posted and
just after the current item changes.

set_item_term() assigns an application-defined function to be called when the
menu is unposted and just before the current item changes. item_term() returns a
pointer to the termination function, if any, called when the menu is unposted and just
before the current item changes.

set_menu_init() assigns an application-defined function to be called when the
menu is posted and just after the top row changes on a posted menu. menu_init()
returns a pointer to the menu initialization routine, if any, called when the menu is
posted and just after the top row changes on a posted menu.

set_menu_term() assigns an application-defined function to be called when the
menu is unposted and just before the top row changes on a posted menu.
menu_term() returns a pointer to the menu termination routine, if any, called when
the menu is unposted and just before the top row changes on a posted menu.

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return pointers always return NULL on error. Routines that return an integer return one of the following:

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

menu_hook(3CURSES)

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME |

menu_item_current, set_current_item, current_item, set_top_row, top_row, item_index – set and get current menus items

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
int set_current_item(MENU *menu, ITEM *item);
ITEM *current_item(MENU *menu);
int set_top_row(MENU *menu, int row);
int top_row(MENU *menu);
int item index(ITEM *item);
```

DESCRIPTION

The current item of a menu is the item where the cursor is currently positioned. set_current_item() sets the current item of *menu* to *item*. current_item() returns a pointer to the the current item in *menu*.

set_top_row() sets the top row of *menu* to *row*. The left-most item on the new top row becomes the current item. top_row() returns the number of the menu row currently displayed at the top of *menu*.

item_index() returns the index to the *item* in the item pointer array. The value of this index ranges from 0 through N-1, where N is the total number of items connected to the menu.

RETURN VALUES

current item() returns NULL on error.

top row() and index item() return -1 on error.

set current item() and set top row() return one of the following:

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.

E_BAD_STATE The routine was called from an initialization or

termination function.

E NOT CONNECTED No items are connected to the menu.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

menu_item_current(3CURSES)

NOTES	The header <menu.h> automatically includes the headers <eti.h> and <curses.h>.</curses.h></eti.h></menu.h>
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menu_item_name(3CURSES)

NAME |

menu_item_name, item_name, item_description - get menus item name and description

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lmenu -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <menu.h>
char *item name(ITEM *item);
char *item description(ITEM *item);
```

DESCRIPTION

item_name() returns a pointer to the name of item.

item_description() returns a pointer to the description of item.

RETURN VALUES

These routines return NULL on error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), menu new(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

menu_item_new(3CURSES)

NAME |

menu_item_new, new_item, free_item - create and destroy menus items

SYNOPSIS

cc [flag...] file... -lmenu -lcurses [library...]
#include <menu.h>

ITEM *new item(char *name, char *desc);

int free item(ITEM *item);

DESCRIPTION

new_item() creates a new item from name and description, and returns a pointer to the new item.

free_item() frees the storage allocated for item. Once an item is freed, the user can no longer connect it to a menu.

RETURN VALUES

new item() returns NULL on error.

free_item() returns one of the following:

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.

E_CONNECTED One or more items are already connected to another

menu.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME

menu_item_opts, set_item_opts, item_opts_on, item_opts_off, item_opts – menus item option routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
int set_item_opts(ITEM *item, OPTIONS opts);
int item_opts_on(ITEM *item, OPTIONS opts);
int item_opts_off(ITEM *item, OPTIONS opts);
OPTIONS item_opts(ITEM *item);
```

DESCRIPTION

set_item_opts() turns on the named options for *item* and turns off all other options. Options are boolean values that can be OR-ed together.

item opts on () turns on the named options for item; no other option is changed.

item_opts_off() turns off the named options for item; no other option is changed.

item opts() returns the current options of item.

O SELECTABLE The item can be selected during menu processing.

RETURN VALUES

Except for item <code>opts()</code>, these routines return one of the following:

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

menu_items(3CURSES)

NAME |

menu_items, set_menu_items, item_count – connect and disconnect items to and from menus

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
int set_menu_items(MENU *menu, ITEM **items);
ITEM **menu_items(MENU *menu);
int item count(MENU *menu);
```

DESCRIPTION

set_menu_items() changes the item pointer array connected to menu to the item
pointer array items.menu_items() returns a pointer to the item pointer array
connected to menu.item_count() returns the number of items in menu.

RETURN VALUES

menu items() returns NULL on error.

item count() returns -1 on error.

set_menu_items() returns one of the following:

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.

E_POSTED The menu is already posted.

E_CONNECTED One or more items are already connected to another

menu.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

menu_item_userptr(3CURSES)

NAME |

menu_item_userptr, set_item_userptr, item_userptr – associate application data with menus items

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
int set_item_userptr(ITEM *item, char *userptr);
char *item userptr(ITEM *item);
```

DESCRIPTION

Every item has an associated user pointer that can be used to store relevant information. set_item_userptr() sets the user pointer of *item*. item_userptr() returns the user pointer of *item*.

RETURN VALUES

 $\verb|item_userptr(|)| returns NULL on error. set_item_userptr(|)| returns one of the following:$

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

menu_item_value(3CURSES)

NAME | menu item value, set item value, item value - set and get menus item values

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
```

int set_item_value(ITEM *item, int bool);

int item value(ITEM *item);

DESCRIPTION

Unlike single-valued menus, multi-valued menus enable the end-user to select one or more items from a menu. set item value() sets the selected value of the item — TRUE (selected) or FALSE (not selected). set item value() may be used only with multi-valued menus. To make a menu multi-valued, use set menu opts or menu opts off() to turn off the option O ONEVALUE. (See menu opts(3CURSES)).

item value() returns the select value of item, either TRUE (selected) or FALSE (unselected).

RETURN VALUES

set item value() returns one of the following:

E OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_REQUEST_DENIED The menu driver could not process the request.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), menu opts(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME | menu_item_visible, item_visible – tell if menus item is visible

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lmenu -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <menu.h>
```

int item_visible(ITEM *item);

DESCRIPTION

A menu item is visible if it currently appears in the subwindow of a posted menu. item visible() returns TRUE if item is visible, otherwise it returns FALSE.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), menu_new(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

menu_mark(3CURSES)

NAME |

menu_mark, set_menu_mark - menus mark string routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
```

int set menu mark(MENU *menu, char *mark);

char *menu mark(MENU *menu);

DESCRIPTION

menus displays mark strings to distinguish selected items in a menu (or the current item in a single-valued menu). set_menu_mark() sets the mark string of *menu* to *mark*. menu mark() returns a pointer to the mark string of *menu*.

RETURN VALUES

menu_mark() returns NULL on error. set_menu_mark() returns one of the
following:

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME | menu_new, new_menu, free_menu - create and destroy menus

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
```

MENU *new menu(ITEM **items);

int free menu(MENU *menu);

DESCRIPTION

new menu () creates a new menu connected to the item pointer array items and returns a pointer to the new menu.

free menu () disconnects menu from its associated item pointer array and frees the storage allocated for the menu.

RETURN VALUES

 $\hbox{new menu () returns NULL on error.}\\$

free_menu() returns one of the following:

E OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.

E_POSTED The menu is already posted.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

menu_opts(3CURSES)

NAME

menu_opts, set_menu_opts, menu_opts_on, menu_opts_off – menus option routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>

OPTIONS menu_opts(MENU *menu);
int set_menu_opts(MENU *menu, OPTIONS opts);
int menu_opts_on(MENU *menu, OPTIONS opts);
int menu_opts_off(MENU *menu, OPTIONS opts);
```

DESCRIPTION

Menu Options

set_menu_opts() turns on the named options for *menu* and turns off all other options. Options are boolean values that can be OR-ed together.

menu_opts_on() turns on the named options for *menu*; no other option is changed.

menu_opts_off() turns off the named options for *menu*; no other option is changed.

menu_opts() returns the current options of menu.

The following values can be OR'd together to create *opts*.

O_ONEVALUE Only one item can be selected from the menu.

O_SHOWDESC Display the description of the items.
O_ROWMAJOR Display the menu in row major order.
O_IGNORECASE Ignore the case when pattern matching.

O SHOWMATCH Place the cursor within the item name when pattern

matching.

O NONCYCLIC Make certain menu driver requests non-cyclic.

RETURN VALUES

Except for menu opts (), these routines return one of the following:

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_POSTED The menu is already posted.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

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 $\boldsymbol{NOTES} \ | \ The \ header < \texttt{menu.h} > automatically includes the headers < \texttt{eti.h} > and$

menu_pattern(3CURSES)

NAME |

menu_pattern, set_menu_pattern - set and get menus pattern match buffer

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
```

#include <menu.h>

char *menu pattern(MENU *menu);

int set menu pattern(MENU *menu, char *pat);

DESCRIPTION

Every menu has a pattern buffer to match entered data with menu items. set menu pattern() sets the pattern buffer to *pat* and tries to find the first item

that matches the pattern. If it does, the matching item becomes the current item. If not, the current item does not change. menu pattern() returns the string in the pattern

buffer of menu.

RETURN VALUES

 $\verb|menu_pattern()| returns \verb|NULL| on error. set_menu_pattern()| returns one of the$

following:

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.

E_NO_MATCH The character failed to match.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME

menu_post, post_menu, unpost_menu – write or erase menus from associated subwindows

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
int post_menu(MENU *menu);
```

DESCRIPTION

post_menu() writes *menu* to the subwindow. The application programmer must use curses library routines to display the menu on the physical screen or call update panels() if the panels library is being used.

unpost menu() erases *menu* from its associated subwindow.

RETURN VALUES

These routines return one of the following:

int unpost menu(MENU *menu);

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.

E_POSTED The menu is already posted.

E_BAD_STATE The routine was called from an initialization or

termination function.

E_NO_ROOM The menu does not fit within its subwindow.

E_NOT_POSTED The menu has not been posted.

E_NOT_CONNECTED No items are connected to the menu.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), panels(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME

menus – character based menus package

SYNOPSIS

#include <menu.h>

DESCRIPTION

The menu library is built using the curses library, and any program using menus routines must call one of the curses initialization routines, such as initscr. A program using these routines must be compiled with -lmenu and -lcurses on the cc command line.

The menus package gives the applications programmer a terminal-independent method of creating and customizing menus for user interaction. The menus package includes: item routines, which are used to create and customize menu items; and menu routines, which are used to create and customize menus, assign pre- and post-processing routines, and display and interact with menus.

Current Default Values for Item Attributes

The menus package establishes initial current default values for item attributes. During item initialization, each item attribute is assigned the current default value for that attribute. An application can change or retrieve a current default attribute value by calling the appropriate set or retrieve routine with a NULL item pointer. If an application changes a current default item attribute value, subsequent items created using new_item() will have the new default attribute value. The attributes of previously created items are not changed if a current default attribute value is changed.

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menu_init	menu_hook(3X)
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menu_mark	menu_mark(3X)
menu_opts	menu_opts(3X)
menu_opts_off	menu_opts(3X)
menu_opts_on	menu_opts(3X)
menu_pad	menu_attributes(3X)
menu_pattern	menu_pattern(3X)
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Menus Routine Name

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set_menu_init	menu_hook(3X)
set_menu_items	menu_items(3X)
set_menu_mark	menu_mark(3X)
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top_row	menu_item_current(3X)
unpost_menu	menu_post(3X)
Routines that return pointers always return integer return one of the following:	rn NULL on error. Routines that return an
E_OK	The routine returned successfully.
E_SYSTEM_ERROR	System error.
E_BAD_ARGUMENT	An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.
E_POSTED	The menu is already posted.
E_CONNECTED	One or more items are already connected to another menu.

The routine was called from an initialization

or termination function.

Manual Page Name

RETURN VALUES

E_BAD_STATE

The menu does not fit within its E NO ROOM

subwindow.

E_NOT_POSTED The menu has not been posted.

E_UNKNOWN_COMMAND An unknown request was passed to the

menu driver.

E NO MATCH The character failed to match. E NOT SELECTABLE The item cannot be selected.

E_NOT_CONNECTED No items are connected to the menu.

E_REQUEST_DENIED The menu driver could not process the

request.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

menu_userptr(3CURSES)

NAME |

menu_userptr, set_menu_userptr - associate application data with menus

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
```

#include <menu.h>

char *menu userptr(MENU *menu);

int set menu userptr(MENU *menu, char *userptr);

DESCRIPTION

Every menu has an associated user pointer that can be used to store relevant

information. set menu userptr() sets the user pointer of menu. menu userptr()

returns the user pointer of menu.

RETURN VALUES

menu userptr() returns NULL on error.

set menu userptr() returns one of the following:

E OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME |

menu_win, set_menu_win, set_menu_sub, menu_sub, scale_menu – menus window and subwindow association routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -lmenu -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <menu.h>
int set_menu_win(MENU *menu, WINDOW *win);
WINDOW *menu_win(MENU *menu);
int set_menu_sub(MENU *menu, WINDOW *sub);
WINDOW *menu_sub(MENU *menu);
int scale window(MENU *menu, int *rows, int *cols);
```

DESCRIPTION

set_menu_win() sets the window of menu to win. menu_win() returns a pointer to
the window of menu.set_menu_sub() sets the subwindow of menu to sub.
menu_sub() returns a pointer to the subwindow of menu.scale_window() returns
the minimum window size necessary for the subwindow of menu. rows and cols are
pointers to the locations used to return the values.

RETURN VALUES

Routines that return pointers always return NULL on error. Routines that return an integer return one of the following:

E_OK The routine returned successfully.

E_SYSTEM_ERROR System error.

E_BAD_ARGUMENT An incorrect argument was passed to the routine.

E_POSTED The menu is already posted.

E_NOT_CONNECTED No items are connected to the menu.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), menus(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

meta(3XCURSES)

NAME | meta – enable/disable meta keys

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int meta(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
```

PARAMETERS

win

Is an ignored parameter.

bf

Is a Boolean expression.

DESCRIPTION

Whether a terminal returns 7 or 8 significant bits initially depends on the control mode of the terminal driver. The meta () function forces the number of bits to be returned by getch(3XCURSES) to be 7 (if bf is FALSE) or 8 (if bf is TRUE).

If the program handling the data can only pass 7-bit characters or strips the 8th bit, 8 bits cannot be handled.

If the terminfo capabilities smm (meta_on) and rmm (meta_off) are defined for the terminal, smm is sent to the terminal when meta(win, TRUE) is called, and rmm is sent when meta(win, FALSE) is called.

This function is useful when extending the non-text command set in applications where the META key is used.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the meta () function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

getch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | move, wmove – move cursor in window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int move (int y, int x);
int wmove (WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
```

PARAMETERS

Is the y (row) coordinate of the position of the cursor in

the window.

Is the x (column) coordinate of the position of the x

cursor in the window.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the cursor is to be

written.

DESCRIPTION

The move () function moves the logical cursor (for stdscr) to the position specified by y (row) and x (column), where the upper left corner of the window is row 0, column 0. The wmove () function performs the same action, but moves the cursor in the window specified by win. The physical cursor will not move until after a call to refresh(3XCURSES) or doupdate(3XCURSES).

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

doupdate(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

mvcur(3XCURSES)

NAME | mvcur – move the cursor

SYNOPSIS

cc [flag...] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \ -R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [library...] c89 [flag...] file... -lcurses [library...]

#include <curses.h>

int mvcur (int oldrow, int oldcol, int newrow, int newcol);

PARAMETERS

Is the row from which cursor is to be moved. oldrow

oldcol Is the column from which cursor is to be moved.

Is the row to which cursor is to be moved. newrow Is the column to which cursor is to be moved. newcol

DESCRIPTION

The mvcur () function is a low-level function used only outside of X/Open Curses when the program has to deal directly with the terminfo database to handle certain terminal capabilities. The use of appropriate X/Open Curses functions is recommended in all other situations, so that X/Open Curses can track the cursor.

The mycur () function moves the cursor from the location specified by *oldrow* and oldcol to the location specified by newrow and newcol. A program using this function must keep track of the current cursor position.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the mycur () function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | mvderwin – map area of parent window to subwindow

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int mvderwin (WINDOW *win, int par_y, int par_x);
```

PARAMETERS

Is a pointer to the window to be mapped. win

Is the y (row) coordinate of the placement of the upper par_y

left corner of window relative to the parent window.

Is the x (column) coordinate of the placement of the par_x

upper left corner of the window relative to the parent

window.

DESCRIPTION

The mvderwin() function defines a mapped area of win's parent window that is the same size as win and has its upper left corner at position par_y, par_x of the parent window.

Whenever win is refreshed, its contents are updated to match those of the mapped area and any reference to characters in win is treated as a reference to corresponding characters in the mapped area.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the mvderwin() function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

delwin(3XCURSES), derwin(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

mvprintw(3XCURSES)

NAME |

mvprintw, mvwprintw, printw, wprintw – print formatted output window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int mvprintw(int y, int x, char *fmt, ...);
int mvwprintw(WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *fmt, ...);
int printw(char *fmt, ...);
int wprintw(WINDOW *win, char *fmt, ...);
```

PARAMETERS

Is the y (row) coordinate position of the string's

placement in the window.

x Is the x (column) coordinate position of the string's

placement in the window.

fmt Is a printf() format string.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the string is to be

written.

DESCRIPTION

The mvprintw(), mvwprintw(), printw(), and wprintw() functions are analogous to printf(3C). The effect of these functions is as though sprintf() were used to format the string, and then waddstr(3XCURSES) were used to add that multi-byte string to the current or specified window at the current or specified cursor position.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

 $\verb|addnstr|(3XCURSES)|, \verb|libcurses|(3XCURSES)|, \verb|printf|(3C)|, \verb|attributes|(5)|, \\ \verb|standards|(5)|$

NAME | mvscanw, mvwscanw, scanw, wscanw – convert formatted input from a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int mvscanw(int y, int x, char *fmt, ...);
int mvwscanw (WINDOW *win, int y, int x, char *fmt, ...);
int scanw(char *fmt, ...);
int wscanw(WINDOW *win, char *fmt, ...);
```

PARAMETERS

Is the y (row) coordinate of the position of the character

to be read.

Is the x (column) coordinate of the position of the χ

character to be read.

Is a scanf () format string. fmt

win Is a pointer to the window in which the character is to

be read.

DESCRIPTION

These functions are similar to scanf(3C). Their effect is as though mvwgetstr(3XCURSES) were called to get a multi-byte character string from the current or specified window at the current or specified cursor position, and then sscanf() were used to interpret and convert that string.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

getnstr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), printw(3XCURSES), scanf(3C), wcstombs(3C), attributes(5), standards(5)

mvwin(3XCURSES)

NAME | mvwin – move window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int mvwin(WINDOW *win, int y, int x);
```

PARAMETERS

Is a pointer to the window to move. win

Is the y (row) coordinate of the upper left corner of the y

window.

Is the x (column) coordinate of the upper left corner of x

the window.

DESCRIPTION

The mvwin () function moves the specified window (or subwindow), placing its upper left corner at the positions specified by x and y. The entire window must fit within the physical boundaries of the screen or an error results. In the case of a subwindow, the window must remain within the boundaries of the parent window.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the mvwin () function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

derwin(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | napms – sleep process for a specified length of time

SYNOPSIS

```
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int napms(int ms);
```

PARAMETERS

Is the number of milliseconds to sleep.

DESCRIPTION

The napms () function sleeps for at least ms milliseconds.

RETURN VALUES

The napms () function always returns OK.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

delay output(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

newpad(3XCURSES)

NAME |

newpad, pnoutrefresh, prefresh, subpad – create or refresh a pad or subpad

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
```

WINDOW *newpad(int nlines, int ncols);

int pnoutrefresh(WINDOW *pad, int pminrow, int pmincol, int sminrow,
 int smincol, int smaxrow, int smaxcol);

int prefresh(WINDOW *pad, int pminrow, int pmincol, int sminrow, int
 smincol, int smaxrow, int smaxcol);

WINDOW *subpad (WINDOW *orig, int nlines, int ncols);

PARAMETERS

nlines Is the number of lines in the pad to be created.

ncols Is the number of columns in the pad to be created.

Is a pointer to the pad to refresh.

pminrow Is the row coordinate of the upper left corner of the pad

rectangle to be copied

pmincol Is the column coordinate of the upper left corner of the

pad rectangle to be copied.

sminrow Is the row coordinate of the upper left corner of the

rectangle on the physical screen where pad is to be

positioned.

smincol Is the column coordinate of the upper left corner of the

rectangle on the physical screen where pad is to be

positioned.

smaxrow Is the row coordinate of the lower right corner of the

rectangle on the physical screen where the pad is to be

positioned.

smaxcol Is the column coordinate of the lower right corner of

the rectangle on the physical screen where the pad is to

be positioned.

orig Is a pointer to the parent pad within which a sub-pad is

created.

DESCRIPTION

The newpad() function creates a new pad with the specified number of lines and columns. A pointer to the new pad structure is returned. A pad differs from a window in that it is not restricted to the size of the physical screen. It is useful when only part of a large window will be displayed at any one time.

Automatic refreshes by scrolling or echoing of input do not take place when pads are used. Pads have their own refresh commands, prefresh() and pnoutrefresh().

The prefresh () function copies the specified portion of the logical pad to the terminal screen. The parameters *pmincol* and *pminrow* specify the upper left corner of the rectangular area of the pad to be displayed. The lower right coordinate of the rectangular area of the pad that is to be displayed is calculated from the screen parameters (*sminrow*, *smincol*, *smaxrow*, *smaxcol*).

This function calls the pnoutrefresh() function to copy the specified portion of pad to the terminal screen and the doupdate(3XCURSES) function to do the actual update. The logical cursor is copied to the same location in the physical window unless leaveok(3XCURSES) is enabled (in which case, the cursor is placed in a position that the program finds convenient).

When outputting several pads at once, it is often more efficient to call the pnoutrefresh() and doupdate() functions directly. A call to pnoutrefresh() for each pad first, followed by only one call to doupdate() to update the screen, results in one burst of output, fewer characters sent, and less CPU time used.

The subpad() function creates a sub-pad within the pad *orig* with the specified number of lines and columns. A pointer to the new pad structure is returned. The sub-pad is positioned in the middle of *orig*. Any changes made to one pad affect the other. touchwin(3XCURSES) or touchline(3XCURSES) will likely have to be called on pad *orig* to correctly update the window.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the newpad() and subpad() functions returns a pointer to the new pad data structure. Otherwise, they return a null pointer.

On success, the pnoutrefresh() and prefresh() functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

clearok(3XCURSES), doupdate(3XCURSES), is_linetouched(3XCURSES),
libcurses(3XCURSES), pechochar(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

nl(3XCURSES)

NAME | nl, nonl – enable/disable newline control

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int nl(void);
int nonl(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The nl () function enables the handling of newlines. The nl () function converts newline into carriage return and line feed on output and converts carriage return into newline on input. nonl () disables the handling of newlines.

The handling of newlines is initially enabled. Disabling the handling of newlines results in faster cursor motion since X/Open Curses can use the line-feed capability more efficiently.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | nodelay – set blocking or non-blocking read

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int nodelay(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
```

PARAMETERS

Is a pointer to the window in which to enable win

Is a Boolean expression.

DESCRIPTION

If enabled, (bf is TRUE), the nodelay() function causes getch(3XCURSES) to return ERR if no input is ready. When disabled, getch() blocks until a key is pressed.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the nodelay () function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

non-blocking.

ERRORS

None.

bf

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

getch(3XCURSES), halfdelay(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), notimeout(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

noqiflush(3XCURSES)

NAME |

noqiflush, qiflush – control flush of input and output on interrupt

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
void noqiflush(void);
void qiflush(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The qiflush() function enables the flushing of input and output queues when an interrupt, quit, or suspend character is sent to the terminal. The noqiflush() function disables this flushing.

RETURN VALUES

These functions do not return a value.

ERRORS

None

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

flushinp(3XCURSES), intrflush(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES),
attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | notimeout, timeout, wtimeout - set timed blocking or non-blocking read

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int notimeout(WINDOW *win, bool bf);
void timeout(int delay);
void wtimeout(WINDOW win, int delay);
```

PARAMETERS

Is a pointer to the window in which to set the timed win

blocking.

bf Is a Boolean expression.

Is the number of milliseconds to block or wait for delay

input.

DESCRIPTION

If bool is TRUE, the notimeout () function disables a timer used by getch(3XCURSES) when handling multibyte function key sequences.

When bool is FALSE and keypad handling is enabled, a timer is set by getch () to handle bytes received that could be the beginning of a function key (for example, ESC). If the remainder of the sequence is not received before the time expires, the first byte is returned; otherwise, the value of the function key is returned. Subsequent calls to the getch() function will return the other bytes received for the incomplete key sequence.

The timeout () and wtimeout () functions set the length of time getch () waits for input for windows stdscr and win, respectively. These functions are similar to nodelay(3XCURSES) except the time to block or wait for input can be specified.

A negative delay causes the program to wait indefinitely for input; a delay of 0 returns ERR if no input is ready; and a positive delay blocks until input arrives or the time specified expires, (in which case, ERR is returned).

RETURN VALUES

On success, the notimeout () function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

The timeout() and wtimeout() functions do not return a value.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard

notimeout(3XCURSES)

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

 $\verb|getch|(3XCURSES)|, \verb|halfdelay|(3XCURSES)|, \verb|libcurses|(3XCURSES)|, \\ \verb|nodelay|(3XCURSES)|, \verb|attributes|(5)|, \verb|standards|(5)|$

NAME | overlay, overwrite – copy overlapped windows

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpq4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int overlay(const WINDOW *srcwin, WINDOW *dstwin);
int overwrite(const WINDOW *srcwin, WINDOW *dstwin);
```

PARAMETERS

srcwin Is a pointer to the source window to be copied.

dstwin Is a pointer to the destination window to be overlayed or

overwritten.

DESCRIPTION

The overwrite() and overlay() functions overlay srcwin on top of destwin. The srcwin and dstwin arguments do not have to be the same size; only text where the two windows overlap is copied.

The overwrite () function copies characters as though a sequence of win wch(3XCURSES) and wadd wch(3XCURSES) were performed with the destination window's attributes and background attributes cleared.

The overlay() function does the same thing, except that, whenever a character to be copied is the background character of the source window, overlay() does not copy the character but merely moves the destination cursor the width of the source background character.

If any portion of the overlaying window border is not the first column of a multi-column character, then all the column positions will be replaced with the background character and rendition before the overlay is done. If the default background character is a multi-column character when this occurs, then these functions fail.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

EXAMPLES

EXAMPLE 1 Implement a pop-up dialog

The following example demonstrates the use of overwrite () to implement a pop-up dialog box.

```
#include <curses.h>
    Pop-up a window on top of curscr. If row and/or col
    are -1 then that dimension will be centered within
    curscr. Return 0 for success or -1 if malloc() failed.
   Pass back the working window and the saved window for the
   pop-up. The saved window should not be modified.
```

EXAMPLE 1 Implement a pop-up dialog (Continued)

```
popup(work, save, nrows, ncols, row, col)
WINDOW **work, **save;
int nrows, ncols, row, col;
    int mr, mc;
    getmaxyx(curscr, mr, mc);
    /* Windows are limited to the size of curscr. */
    if (mr < nrows)
         nrows = mr;
    if (mc < ncols)
         ncols = mc;
     /* Center dimensions. */
    if (row == -1)
         row = (mr-nrows)/2;
    if (col == -1)
         col = (mc-ncols)/2;
     /* The window must fit entirely in curscr. */
    if (mr < row+nrows)</pre>
         row = 0;
    if (mc < col+ncols)
         col = 0;
    *work = newwin(nrows, ncols, row, col);
    if (*work == NULL)
          return (-1);
     if ((*save = dupwin(*work)) == NULL) {
         delwin(*work);
         return (-1);
     overwrite(curscr, *save);
    return (0);
* Restore the region covered by a pop-up window.
* Delete the working window and the saved window.
* This function is the complement to popup(). Return
* 0 for success or -1 for an error.
*/
int
popdown(work, save)
WINDOW *work, *save;
     (void) wnoutrefresh(save);
     (void) delwin(save);
     (void) delwin(work);
    return (0);
* Compute the size of a dialog box that would fit around
* the string.
*/
void
dialsize(str, nrows, ncols)
char *str;
```

EXAMPLE 1 Implement a pop-up dialog (Continued)

```
int *nrows, *ncols;
     int rows, cols, col;
     for (rows = 1, cols = col = 0; *str != ' \setminus 0'; ++str) {
          if (*str == '\n') {
               if (cols < col)
                  cols = col;
               col = 0;
               ++rows;
          } else {
               ++col;
      if (cols < col)
          cols = col;
      *nrows = rows;
      *ncols = cols;
* Write a string into a dialog box.
*/
void
dialfill(w, s)
WINDOW *w;
char *s;
     (void) wmove(w, 1, 1);
     for (row = 1; *s != ' \setminus 0'; ++s) {
          (void) waddch(w, *((unsigned char*) s));
          if (*s == '\n')
               wmove(w, ++row, 1);
    box(w, 0, 0);
void
dialog(str)
char *str;
{
     WINDOW *work, *save;
     int nrows, ncols, row, col;
     /* Figure out size of window. */
     dialsize(str, &nrows, &ncols);
     /* Create a centered working window with extra */
     /* room for a border. */
     (void) popup(&work, &save, nrows+2, ncols+2, -1, -1);
     /* Write text into the working window. */
     dialfill(work, str);
     /\star Pause. Remember that wgetch( ) will do a wrefresh( ) \star/
     /* for us. */
     (void) wgetch(work);
     /* Restore curscr and free windows. */
     (void) popdown(work, save);
     /* Redraw curscr to remove window from physical screen. */
```

overlay(3XCURSES)

```
EXAMPLE 1 Implement a pop-up dialog (Continued)
```

```
(void) doupdate();
```

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

copywin(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), wadd_wch(3XCURSES),
win wch(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME |

panel_above, panel_below - panels deck traversal primitives

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lpanel -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <panel.h>
PANEL *panel above (PANEL *panel);
PANEL *panel below(PANEL *panel);
```

DESCRIPTION

panel above () returns a pointer to the panel just above panel, or NULL if panel is the top panel. panel below() returns a pointer to the panel just below panel, or NULL if *panel* is the bottom panel.

If NULL is passed for panel, panel above () returns a pointer to the bottom panel in the deck, and panel below() returns a pointer to the top panel in the deck.

RETURN VALUES

NULL is returned if an error occurs.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), panels(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

These routines allow traversal of the deck of currently visible panels.

panel_move(3CURSES)

NAME |

panel_move, move_panel – move a panels window on the virtual screen

SYNOPSIS

```
{\tt cc} [ flag ... ] file ... -lpanel -lcurses [ library .. ] #include <panel.h>
```

int move_panel(PANEL *panel, int starty, int startx);

DESCRIPTION

move_panel () moves the curses window associated with *panel* so that its upper left-hand corner is at *starty*, *startx*. See usage note, below.

RETURN VALUES

OK is returned if the routine completes successfully, otherwise ERR is returned.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), panel update(3CURSES), panels(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

For panels windows, use move_panel() instead of the mvwin() curses routine. Otherwise, update_panels() will not properly update the virtual screen.

NAME |

panel_new, new_panel, del_panel - create and destroy panels

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lpanel -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <panel.h>
```

PANEL *new panel(WINDOW *win);

int del panel(PANEL *panel);

DESCRIPTION

 ${\tt new_panel} \ () \ \ creates \ a \ new \ panel \ associated \ with \ \textit{win} \ and \ returns \ the \ panel \ pointer.$

The new panel is placed on top of the panel deck.

del panel () destroys panel, but not its associated window.

RETURN VALUES

new panel () returns NULL if an error occurs.

del_win() returns OK if successful, ERR otherwise.

ATTRIBUTES

See ${\tt attributes}(5)$ for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), panel_update(3CURSES), panels(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

panels(3CURSES)

NAME

panels - character based panels package

SYNOPSIS

#include <panel.h>

DESCRIPTION

The panel library is built using the curses library, and any program using panels routines must call one of the curses initialization routines such as initscr. A program using these routines must be compiled with -lpanel and -lcurses on the cc command line.

The panels package gives the applications programmer a way to have depth relationships between curses windows; a curses window is associated with every panel. The panels routines allow curses windows to overlap without making visible the overlapped portions of underlying windows. The initial curses window, stdscr, lies beneath all panels. The set of currently visible panels is the *deck* of panels.

The panels package allows the applications programmer to create panels, fetch and set their associated windows, shuffle panels in the deck, and manipulate panels in other ways.

Routine Name Index

The following table lists each panels routine and the name of the manual page on which it is described.

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new_panel	panel_new(3CURSES)
panel_above	panel_above(3CURSES)
panel_below	panel_above(3CURSES)
panel_hidden	panel_show(3CURSES)
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panel_window	<pre>panel_window(3CURSES)</pre>
replace_panel	<pre>panel_window(3CURSES)</pre>
set_panel_userptr	<pre>panel_userptr(3CURSES)</pre>
show_panel	panel_show(3CURSES)
top_panel	panel_top(3CURSES)
update_panels	<pre>panel_update(3CURSES)</pre>

RETURN VALUES

Each panels routine that returns a pointer to an object returns NULL if an error occurs. Each panel routine that returns an integer, returns OK if it executes successfully and ERR if it does not.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

 $\verb|curses| (3CURSES)|, \verb|attributes| (5) and 3X pages whose names begin "panel_" for detailed routine descriptions.$

NOTES

panel_show(3CURSES)

NAME

panel_show, show_panel, hide_panel, panel_hidden – panels deck manipulation routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lpanel -lcurses [ library ... ]
#include <panel.h>
int show_panel(PANEL *panel);
int hide_panel(PANEL *panel);
int panel hidden(PANEL *panel);
```

DESCRIPTION

show_panel() makes *panel*, previously hidden, visible and places it on top of the deck of panels.

hide_panel() removes *panel* from the panel deck and, thus, hides it from view. The internal data structure of the panel is retained.

 $panel_hidden()$ returns TRUE (1) or FALSE (0) indicating whether or not panel is in the deck of panels.

RETURN VALUES

show_panel() and hide_panel() return the integer OK upon successful completion or ERR upon error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), panel_update(3CURSES), panels(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME |

panel_top, top_panel, bottom_panel – panels deck manipulation routines

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lpanel -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <panel.h>
int top panel(PANEL *panel);
```

int bottom panel(PANEL *panel);

DESCRIPTION

top panel () pulls panel to the top of the desk of panels. It leaves the size, location, and contents of its associated window unchanged.

bottom panel () puts panel at the bottom of the deck of panels. It leaves the size, location, and contents of its associated window unchanged.

RETURN VALUES

All of these routines return the integer OK upon successful completion or ERR upon error.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), panel_update(3CURSES), panels(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

panel_update(3CURSES)

NAME |

panel_update, update_panels - panels virtual screen refresh routine

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lpanel -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <panel.h>
```

void update panels(void);

DESCRIPTION

update panels () refreshes the virtual screen to reflect the depth relationships between the panels in the deck. The user must use the curses library call doupdate () (see curs_refresh(3CURSES)) to refresh the physical screen.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curs refresh(3CURSES), curses(3CURSES), panels(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME | panel_userptr, set_panel_userptr - associate application data with a panels panel

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lpanel -lcurses [ library .. ]
#include <panel.h>
```

int set panel userptr(PANEL *panel, char *ptr);

char * panel userptr(PANEL *panel);

DESCRIPTION

Each panel has a user pointer available for maintaining relevant information.

set panel userptr() sets the user pointer of panel to ptr.

panel_userptr() returns the user pointer of panel.

RETURN VALUES

set panel userptr returns OK if successful, ERR otherwise.

panel userptr returns NULL if there is no user pointer assigned to panel.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), panels(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

panel_window(3CURSES)

NAME | panel_window, replace_panel - get or set the current window of a panels panel

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lpanel -lcurses [ library .. ]
```

#include <panel.h>

WINDOW *panel window(PANEL *panel);

int replace panel(PANEL *panel, WINDOW *win);

DESCRIPTION

panel window() returns a pointer to the window of panel.

replace panel () replaces the current window of panel with win.

RETURN VALUES

panel_window() returns NULL on failure.

replace panel() returns OK on successful completion, ERR otherwise.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

curses(3CURSES), panels(3CURSES), attributes(5)

NOTES

NAME

pechochar, pecho_wchar – add character and refresh window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int pechochar(WINDOW *pad, chtype ch);
int pecho_wchar(WINDOW *pad, const chtype *wch);
```

PARAMETERS

pad Is a pointer to the pad in which the character is to be

added.

ch Is a pointer to the character to be written to the pad.wch Is a pointer to the complex character to be written to

the pad.

DESCRIPTION

The pechochar() function is equivalent to calling waddch(3XCURSES) followed by a call to prefresh(3XCURSES). The $pecho_wchar()$ function is equivalent to calling wadd_wch(3XCURSES) followed by a call to prefresh(). prefresh() reuses the last position of the pad on the screen for its parameters.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

add_wch(3XCURSES), addch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES),
newpad(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

plot(3PLOT)

NAME

plot, arc, box, circle, closepl, closevt, cont, erase, label, line, linemod, move, openpl, openvt, point, space – graphics interface

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag ... ] file ... -lplot [ library... ]
#include <plot.h>
void arc(short x0, short y0, short x1, short y1, short x2, short
    y2);
void box(short x0, short y0, short x1, short y1);
void circle(short x, short y, short r);
void closepl();
void closevt();
void cont(short x, short y);
void erase();
void label(char *s);
void line(short x0, short y0, short x1, short y1);
void linemod(char *s);
void move (short x, short y);
void openpl();
void openvt();
void point(short x, short y);
void space(short x0, short y0, short x1, short y1);
```

DESCRIPTION

These functions generate graphics output for a set of output devices. The format of the output is dependent upon which link editor option is used when the program is compiled and linked (see Link Editor).

The term "current point" refers to the current setting for the *x* and *y* coordinates.

The arc() function specifies a circular arc. The coordinates (x0, y0) specify the center of the arc. The coordinates (x1, y1) specify the starting point of the arc. The coordinates (x2, y2) specify the end point of the circular arc.

The box () function specifies a rectangle with coordinates (x0, y0), (x0, y1), (x1, y0), and (x1, y1). The current point is set to (x1, y1).

The circle() function specifies a circle with a center at the coordinates (x, y) and a radius of r.

The closevt () and closepl () functions flush the output.

The cont () function specifies a line beginning at the current point and ending at the coordinates (x, y). The current point is set to (x, y).

The erase() function starts another frame of output.

The label() function places the null terminated string *s* so that the first character falls on the current point. The string is then terminated by a NEWLINE character.

The line() function draws a line starting at the coordinates (x0, y0) and ending at the coordinates (x1, y1). The current point is set to (x1, y1).

The linemod() function specifies the style for drawing future lines. s may contain one of the following: dotted, solid, longdashed, shortdashed, or dotdashed.

The move () function sets the current point to the coordinates (x, y).

The openpl() or openvt() function must be called to open the device before any other plot functions are called.

The point () function plots the point given by the coordinates (x, y). The current point is set to (x, y).

The space () function specifies the size of the plotting area. The plot will be reduced or enlarged as necessary to fit the area specified. The coordinates (x0, y0) specify the lower left hand corner of the plotting area. The coordinates (x1, y1) specify the upper right hand corner of the plotting area.

Link Editor

Various flavors of these functions exist for different output devices. They are obtained by using the following 1d(1) options:

-lplot		device-independent graphics stream on standard output in the format described in $\verb"plot(4B)"$	
	-1300	GSI 300 terminal	
	-1300s	GSI 300S terminal	
	-14014	Tektronix 4014 terminal	
	-1450	GSI 450 terminal	
	-lvt0		
FILES	LES /usr/lib/libplot.a archive library		
	/usr/lib/libplot.so.1 shared object		
	/usr/lib/sparcv9/libplot.so.1 64-bit shared object		
	/usr/lib/lib300.a archive library		
	/usr/lib/lib300.so.1 shared object		

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/usr/lib/sparcv9/lib300.so.1
  64-bit shared object
/usr/lib/lib300s.a
  archive library
/usr/lib/lib300s.so.1
  shared object
/usr/lib/sparcv9/lib300s.so.1
  64-bit shared object
/usr/lib/lib4014.a
  archive library
/usr/lib/lib4014.so.1
  shared object
/usr/lib/sparcv9/lib4014.so.1
  64-bit shared object
/usr/lib/lib450.a
  archive library
/usr/lib/lib450.so.1
  shared object
/usr/lib/sparcv9/lib450.so.1
  64-bit shared object
/usr/lib/libvt0.a
  archive library
/usr/lib/libvt0.so.1
  shared object
/usr/lib/sparcv9/libvt0.so.1
  64-bit shared object
```

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

graph(1), ld(1), libplot(3LIB), plot(4B), attributes(5)

NAME

putp, tputs – apply padding information and output string

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int putp(const char *str);
int tputs(const char *str, int affcnt, int (*putfunc) (int));
```

PARAMETERS

str

affcnt

Is a pointer to a terminfo variable or return value from tgetstr(3XCURSES), tgoto(3XCURSES),

tigetstr(3XCURSES), or tparm(3XCURSES).

Is the number of lines affected, or 1 if not relevant.

putfunc Is the output function.

DESCRIPTION

The putp() and tputs() functions are low-level functions used to deal directly with the terminfo database. The use of appropriate X/Open Curses functions is recommended for most situations.

The tputs() function adds padding information and then outputs str. str must be a terminfo string variable or the result value from tgetstr(), tgoto(), tigetstr(), or tparm(). The tputs() function replaces the padding specification (if one exists) with enough characters to produce the specified delay. Characters are output one at a time to putfunc, a user-specified function similar to putchar(3C).

The putp () function calls tputs () as follows:

tputs (str, 1, putchar)

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK.

ERRORS

None.

USAGE

The output of putp() goes to stdout, not to the file descriptor, *fildes*, specified in setupterm(3XCURSES).

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe



NAME | redrawwin, wredrawln – redraw screen or portion of screen

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int redrawwin(WINDOW *win);
int wredrawln(WINDOW *win, int beg_line, int num_lines);
```

PARAMETERS

win Is a pointer to the window in which to redraw.

beg_line Is the first line to redraw.

Is the number of lines to redraw. num_lines

DESCRIPTION

The redrawwin() and wredrawln() functions force portions of a window to be redrawn to the terminal when the next refresh operation is performed.

The redrawwin() function forces the entire window win to be redrawn, while the wredrawln() function forces only *num_lines* lines starting with *beg_line* to be redrawn. Normally, refresh operations use optimization methods to reduce the actual amount of the screen to redraw based on the current screen contents. These functions tell the refresh operations not to attempt any optimization when redrawing the indicated areas.

These functions are useful when the data that exists on the screen is believed to be corrupt and for applications such as screen editors that redraw portions of the screen.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

doupdate(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

resetty(3XCURSES)

NAME |

resetty, savetty – restore/save terminal modes

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int resetty(void);
int savetty(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The savetty() and resetty() functions save and restore the terminal state, respectively. The savetty() function saves the current state in a buffer; the resetty() function restores the state to that stored in the buffer at the time of the last savetty() call.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | ripoffline – reserve screen line for dedicated purpose

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
```

int ripoffline(int line, int (*init) (WINDOW *win, int width));

PARAMETERS

determines whether the screen line being reserved comes from the top of stdscr (line is positive) or the

bottom (line is negative).

init Is a pointer to a function that initializes the one-line

window.

win Is a pointer to one-line window created by this

function.

width Is the number of columns in the window pointed to by

the win parameter.

DESCRIPTION

The ripoffline () function reserves a screen line as a one line window.

To use this function, it must be called before you call initscr(3XCURSES) or newterm(3XCURSES). When initscr() or newterm() is called, so is the function pointed to by init. The function pointed to by init takes two arguments: a pointer to the one-line window and the number of columns in that window. This function cannot use the LINES or COLS variables and cannot call wrefresh(3XCURSES) or doupdate(3XCURSES), but may call wnoutrefresh(3XCURSES).

RETURN VALUES

The rioffline() function always returns OK.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

doupdate(3XCURSES), initscr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), slk attroff(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

scr_dump(3XCURSES)

NAME |

scr_dump, scr_init, scr_restore, scr_set – write screen contents to/from a file

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int scr_dump(const char *filename);
int scr_init(const char *filename);
int scr_restore(const char *filename);
int scr_set(const char *filename);
```

PARAMETERS

filename

Is a pointer to the file in which screen contents are written.

DESCRIPTION

These function perform input/output functions on a screen basis.

The scr_dump() function writes the contents of the virtual screen, curscr, to *filename*.

The $scr_restore()$ function reads the contents of *filename* from curscr (which must have been written with $scr_dump()$). The next refresh operation restores the screen to the way it looks in *filename*.

The scr_init() function reads the contents of *filename* and uses those contents to initialize the X/Open Curses data structures to what is actually on screen. The next refresh operation bases its updates on this data, unless the terminal has been written to since *filename* was saved or the terminfo capabilities rmcup and nrrmc are defined for the current terminal.

The scr_set() function combines scr_restore() and scr_init(). It informs the program that the contents of the file *filename* are what is currently on the screen and that the program wants those contents on the screen.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

delscreen(3XCURSES), doupdate(3XCURSES), endwin(3XCURSES),
getwin(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | scrl, scroll, wscrl – scroll a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int scrl(int n);
int scroll(WINDOW *win);
int wscrl(WINDOW *win, int n);
```

PARAMETERS

number and direction of lines to scroll

pointer to the window in which to scroll win

DESCRIPTION

The scroll () function scrolls the window *win* up one line. The current cursor position is not changed.

The scrl() and wscrl() functions scroll the window stdscr or win up or down nlines, where n is a positive (scroll up) or negative (scroll down) integer.

The scrollok(3XCURSES) function must be enabled for these functions to work.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

clearok(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

setcchar(3XCURSES)

NAME |

setcchar – set a cchar_t type character from a wide character and rendition

SYNOPSIS

cc [flag...] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [library...]

c89 [flag...] file... -lcurses [library...]

#include <curses.h>

PARAMETERS

wcval Is a pointer to a location where a cchar t character

(and its rendition) can be stored.

wch Is a pointer to a wide character.

color_pair Is the color pair to apply to wch in creating wcval.

opts Is reserved for future use. Currently, this must be a null

pointer.

DESCRIPTION

The setcchar() function takes the wide character pointed to by *wch*, combines it with the attributes indicated by *attrs* and the color pair indicated by *color_pair* and stores the result in the object pointed to by *wcval*.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the setcchar() function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

 $\verb|attroff(3XCURSES)|, can_change_color(3XCURSES)|, getcchar(3XCURSES)|, \\ | 1 ibcurses(3XCURSES)|, attributes(5)|, standards(5)|$

NAME | set_term – switch between terminals

SYNOPSIS

cc [flag...] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \ -R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [library...] c89 [flag...] file... -lcurses [library...] #include <curses.h>

SCREEN *set term(SCREEN *new);

PARAMETERS

Is the new terminal to which the set term() function will switch.

DESCRIPTION

The set term() function switches to the terminal specified by *new* and returns a screen reference to the previous terminal. Calls to subsequent X/Open Curses functions affect the new terminal.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the set_term() function returns a pointer to the previous screen. Otherwise, it returns a null pointer.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

slk_attroff(3XCURSES)

```
NAME |
                 slk attroff, slk attr off, slk attron, slk attr on, slk attrset, slk attr set, slk clear,
                 slk_color, slk_init, slk_label, slk_noutrefresh, slk_refresh, slk_restore, slk_set,
                 slk_touch, slk_wset - soft label functions
   SYNOPSIS
                 cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
                 -R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
                 c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
                 #include <curses.h>
                 int slk attroff(const chtype attrs);
                 int slk attr off(const attr t attrs, void *opts);
                 int slk attron(const chtype attrs);
                 int slk attr on(const attr t attrs, void *opts);
                 int slk attrset(const chtype attrs);
                 int slk attr set (const attr t attrs, short color_pair_number, void
                      *opts);
                 int slk_clear(void);
                 int slk color(short color_pair_number);
                 int slk init(int fmt);
                 char *slk label(int labnum);
                 int slk noutrefresh (void);
                 int slk refresh(void);
                 int slk restore (void);
                 int slk set(int labnum, const char *label, int justify);
                 int slk touch(void);
                 int slk wset(int labnum, const wchar t *label, int justify);
PARAMETERS
                 attrs
                                             are the window attributes to be added or removed.
                                             Is reserved for future use. Currently, this must be a null
                 opts
                                             pointer.
                 color_pair_number
                                              Is a color pair.
                 fmt
                                              Is the format of how the labels are arranged on the
                                             screen.
                 labnum
                                              Is the number of the soft label.
                 label
                                             Is the name to be given to a soft label.
                 justify
                                             Is a number indicating how to justify the label name.
```

DESCRIPTION

The Curses interface manipulates the set of soft function-key labels that exist on many terminals. For those terminals that do not have soft labels, Curses takes over the bottom line of *stdscr*, reducing the size of *stdscr* and the value of the LINES external variable. There can be up to eight labels of up to eight display columns each.

To use soft labels, slk_init() must be called before calling initscr(3XCURSES), newterm(3XCURSES), or ripoffline(3XCURSES). If initscr() eventually uses a line from *stdscr* to emulate the soft labels, then *fmt* determines how the labels are arranged on the screen. Setting *fmt* to 0 indicates a 3-2-3 arrangement of the labels; 1 indicates a 4-4 arrangement. Other values for *fmt* are unspecified.

The slk_init() function has the effect of calling ripoffline() to reserve one screen line to accommodate the requested format.

The slk_set() and slk_wset() functions specify the text of soft label number <code>labnum</code>, within the range from 1 to and including 8. The <code>label</code> argument is the string to be put the lable. With slk_set() and slk_wset(), the width of the label is limited to eight columns positions. A null string or a null pointer specifies a blank label. The <code>justify</code> argument can have the following values to indicate how to justify <code>label</code> within the space reserved for it:

- O Align the start of *label* with the start of the space
- 1 Center *label* within the space
- 2 Align the end of *label* with the end of the space

The slk_refresh() and slk_noutrefresh() functions correspond to the wrefresh(3XCURSES) and wnoutrefresh(3XCURSES) functions.

The slk label() function obtains soft label number labnum.

The slk_clear() function immediately clears the soft labels from the screen.

The slk_restore() function immediately restores the soft labels to the screen after a call to slk_clear().

The slk_touch() function forces all the soft labels to be output the next time slk refresh() or slk noutrefresh() is called.

The $slk_attron()$, $slk_attrset()$, and $slk_attroff()$ functions correspond to the attron(3XCURSES), attrset(3XCURSES), and attroff(3XCURSES) functions. They have an effect only if soft labels are stimulated on the bottom line of the screen.

The $slk_attr_on()$, $slk_attr_off()$, $slk_attr_set()$ and $slk_color()$ functions correspond to the $attr_off(3XCURSES)$, $attr_off(3XCURSES)$, $attr_set(3XCURSES)$, and $color_set(3XCURSES)$ functions. As a result, they support color and the attribute constants with the WA prefix.

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The *opts* argument is reserved for definition in a future release. Currently, the *opts* argument is a null pointer.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, the slk_label() function returns the requested label with leading and trailing blanks stripped. Otherwise, it returns a null pointer.

Upon successful completion, the other functions return ${\tt OK}.$ Otherwise, they return ${\tt ERR}.$

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

USAGE

When using multi-byte character sets, applications should check the width of the string by calling mbstowcs(3C) and then wcswidth(3C) before calling $slk_set()$. When using wide characters, applications should check the width of the string by calling wcswidth() before calling $slk_set()$.

Since the number of columns that a wide string will occupy is codeset-specific, call wcwidth(3C) and wcswidth(3C) to check the number of column positions in the string before calling slk wset().

Most applications would use slk_noutrefresh() because a wrefresh() is likely to follow soon.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

attr_get(3XCURSES), attroff(3XCURSES), delscreen(3XCURSES),
libcurses(3XCURSES), mbstowcs(3C), ripoffline(3XCURSES), wcswidth(3C),
wcwidth(3C), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | standend, standout, wstandend, wstandout – set/clear window attributes

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int standend(void);
int standout(void);
int wstandend(WINDOW *win);
int wstandout(WINDOW *win);
```

PARAMETERS

win

Is a pointer to the window in which attribute changes are to be made.

DESCRIPTION

The standend() and wstandend() functions turn off all attributes associated with stdscr and win respectively.

The standout () and wstandout () functions turn on the A STANDOUT attribute of stdscr and win respectively.

RETURN VALUES

These functions always return 1.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

attr get(3XCURSES), attroff(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

stdscr(3XCURSES)

NAME | stdscr – default window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
extern WINDOW *stdscr;
```

DESCRIPTION

The external variable stdscr specifies the default window used by functions that to not specify a window using an argument of type WINDOW *. Other windows may be created using newwin().

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

derwin(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME

syncok, wcursyncup, wsyncdown, wsyncup – synchronize window with its parents or children

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <curses.h>
int syncok(WINDOW *win, bool bf);

void wcursyncup(WINDOW *win);

void wsyncdown(WINDOW *win);

void wsyncup(WINDOW *win);
```

PARAMETERS

win

Is a pointer to a window.

bf

Is a Boolean expression.

DESCRIPTION

The syncok () function uses the value of *bf* to determine whether or not the window *win*'s ancestors are implicitly touched whenever there is a change to *win*. If *bf* is TRUE, this touching occurs. If *bf* is FALSE, it does not occur. The initial value for *bf* is FALSE.

The wcursyncup () function moves the cursor in *win's* ancestors to match its position in *win*.

The wsyncdown () function touches win if any of its ancestors have been touched.

The wsyncup() function touches all ancestors of win.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the syncok() function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

The other functions do not return a value.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

$$\label{lem:condition} \begin{split} \text{derwin}(3XCURSES)\text{,} \ \text{doupdate}(3XCURSES)\text{,} \ \text{is_linetouched}(3XCURSES)\text{,} \\ \text{libcurses}(3XCURSES)\text{,} \ \text{attributes}(5)\text{,} \ \text{standards}(5) \end{split}$$

termattrs(3XCURSES)

NAME | termattrs, term_attrs – get supported terminal video attributes

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
chtype termattrs(void);
attr t term attrs(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The termattrs () function extracts the video attributes of the current terminal which is supported by the chtype data type.

The term <code>attrs()</code> function extracts information for the video attributes of the current terminal which is supported for a cchar t.

RETURN VALUES

The termattrs () function returns a logical OR of A values of all video attributes supported by the terminal.

The term attrs() function returns a logical OR of WA values of all video attributes supported by the terminal.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

attr get(3XCURSES), attroff(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | termname - return the value of the environmental variable TERM

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
char *termname(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

The termname () function returns a pointer to the value of the environmental variable TERM (truncated to 14 characters).

RETURN VALUES

The termname () returns a pointer to the terminal's name.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

del_curterm(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

tgetent(3XCURSES)

NAME |

tgetent, tgetflag, tgetnum, tgetstr, tgoto - emulate the termcap database

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <term.h>
int tgetent(char *bp, const char *name);
int tgetflag(char id[2]);
int tgetnum(char id[2]);
char *tgetstr(char id[2], char **area);
char *tgoto(char *cap, int col, int row);
```

PARAMETERS

bp Is a pointer to a buffer. This parameter is ignored.

name Is the termcap entry to look up.

cap Is the pointer to a termcap capability.

area Is a pointer to the area where tgetstr() stores the decoded

string.

col Is the column placement of the new cursor.

row Is the row placement of the new cursor.

DESCRIPTION

The tgetent () function looks up the termcap entry for name. The emulation ignores the buffer pointer bp.

The tgetflag() function gets the Boolean entry for id.

The tgetnum() function gets the numeric entry for *id*.

The tgetstr() function gets the string entry for *id*. If *area* is not a null pointer and does not point to a null pointer, tgetstr() copies the string entry into the buffer pointed to by *area and advances the variable pointed to by area to the first byte after the copy of the string entry.

The tgoto() function instantiates the parameters *col* and *row* into the capability *cap* and returns a pointer to the resulting string.

All of the information available in the terminfo database need not be available through these functions.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, those functions that return integers return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

Those functions that return pointers return a null pointer when an error occurs.

ERRORS No errors are defined.

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USAGE

These functions are included as a conversion aid for programs that use the termcap library. Their arguments are the same and the functions are emulated using the terminfo database.

These functions are only guaranteed to operate reliably on character sets in which each character fits into a single byte, whose attributes can be expressed using only constants with the ${\tt A}$ prefix.

Any terminal capabilities from the terminfo database that cannot be retrieved using these functions can be retrieved using the functions described on the tigetflag(3XCURSES) manual page.

Portable applications must use tputs(3XCURSES) to output the strings returned by tgetstr() and tgoto().

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), putp(3XCURSES), setupterm(3XCURSES), tigetflag(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

tigetflag(3XCURSES)

NAME |

tigetflag, tigetnum, tigetstr, tparm – return the value of a terminfo capability

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]

c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]

#include <term.h>
int tigetflag(char *capname);
int tigetnum(char *capname);
char *tigetstr(char *capname);
char *tparm(char *cap, long p1, long p2, long p3, long p4, long p5, long p6, long p7, long p8, long p9);
```

PARAMETERS

capname Is the name of the terminfo capability for which the

value is required.

cap Is a pointer to a string capability.

*p*1...*p*9 Are the parameters to be instantiated.

DESCRIPTION

The ${\tt tigetflag()}$, ${\tt tigetnum()}$, and ${\tt tigetstr()}$ functions return values for ${\tt terminfo}$ capabilities passed to them.

The following null-terminated arrays contain the *capnames*, the termcap codes and full C names for each of the terminfo variables.

```
char *boolnames, *boolcodes, *boolfnames
char *numnames, *numcodes, *numfnames
char *strnames, *strcodes, *strfnames
```

The tparm() function instantiates a parameterized string using nine arguments. The string is suitable for output processing by tputs().

RETURN VALUES

On success, the tigetflg(), tigetnum(), and tigetstr() functions return the specified terminfo capability.

tigetflag() returns -1 if *capname* is not a Boolean capability.

tigetnum() returns –2 if *capname* is not a numeric capability.

tigetstr() returns (char *)-1 if *capname* is not a string capability.

On success, the tparm() function returns *cap* in a static buffer with the parameterization resolved. Otherwise, it returns a null pointer.

ERRORS

None.

 $\textbf{ATTRIBUTES} \hspace{0.2cm} | \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{See attributes}(5) \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{for descriptions of the following attributes:} \\$

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), tgetent(3XCURSES), terminfo(4), attributes(5), standards(5)

typeahead(3XCURSES)

NAME |

typeahead – check for type-ahead characters

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int typeahead(int fd);
```

PARAMETERS

fd

Is the file descriptor that is used to check for type-ahead characters.

DESCRIPTION

The typeahead () function specifies the file descriptor (fd) to use to check for type-ahead characters (characters typed by the user but not yet processed by X/Open Curses).

X/Open Curses checks for type-ahead characters periodically while updating the screen. If characters are found, the current update is postponed until the next refresh(3XCURSES) or doupdate(3XCURSES). This speeds up response to commands that have been typed ahead. Normally, the input file pointer passed to newterm(3XCURSES), or stdin in the case of initscr(3XCURSES), is used for type-ahead checking.

If *fd* is -1, no type-ahead checking is done.

RETURN VALUES

On success, the typeahead () function returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

doupdate(3XCURSES), getch(3XCURSES), initscr(3XCURSES),
libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | unctrl – generate printable representation of a character

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <unctrl.h>
char *unctrl (chtype c);
```

PARAMETERS

Is a character.

DESCRIPTION

The unctrl () function generates a character string that is a printable representation of *c*. If *c* is a control character, it is converted to the ^X notation. If *c* contains rendition information, the effect is undefined.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, the unctrl() function returns the generated string. Otherwise, it returns a null pointer.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

addch(3XCURSES), addstr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), wunctrl(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

ungetch(3XCURSES)

NAME |

ungetch, unget_wch – push character back onto the input queue

SYNOPSIS

```
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int ungetch(int ch);
int unget wch(const wchar t wch);
```

PARAMETERS

chIs the single byte character to be put back in the input

queue for the next call to getch(3XCURSES).

wch Is the wide character to be put back in the input queue

for the next call to get wch(3XCURSES).

DESCRIPTION

The ungetch () function pushes *ch* back onto the input queue until the next call to getch().

The unget wch() function is similar to ungetch() except that *ch* can be of type wchar t.

RETURN VALUES

On success, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS

None.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

get wch(3XCURSES), getch(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | use_env – specify source of screen size information

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
void use env(bool boolval);
```

PARAMETERS

boolval

Is a Boolean expression.

DESCRIPTION

The use_env() function specifies the technique by which the implementation determines the size of the screen. If boolval is FALSE, the implementation uses the values of *lines* and *columns* specified in the terminfo database. If *boolval* is TRUE, the implementation uses the LINES and COLUMNS environmental variables. The initial value is TRUE.

Any call to use_env() must precede calls to initscr(3XCURSES), newterm(3XCURSES), or setupterm(3XCURSES).

RETURN VALUES

The use env() function does not return a value.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

del curterm(3XCURSES), initscr(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

vidattr(3XCURSES)

NAME |

vidattr, vid_attr, vidputs, vid_puts – output attributes to the terminal

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpq4/include -L /usr/xpq4/lib \
-R /usr/xpq4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
int vidattr(chtype attr);
int vid attr(attr t attr, short color_pair_number, void *opt);
int vidputs(chtype attr, int (*putfunc) (int));
int vid puts (attr t attr, short color_pair_number, void *opt, int
     (*putfunc) (int));
```

PARAMETERS

attr Is the rendition of the foreground window.

color_pair_number Is a color pair.

Is reserved for future use. Currently, this must be a null opt

pointer.

putfunc Is a user-supplied output function.

DESCRIPTION

These functions output commands to the terminal that change the terminal's attributes.

If the terminfo database indicates that the terminal in use can display characters in the rendition specified by *attr*, then vidattr() outputs one or more commands to request that the terminal display subsequent characters in that rendition. The function outputs by calling putchar(3C). The vidattr() function neither relies on your updates the model which Curses maintains of the prior rendition mode.

The vidputs () function computes the terminal output string that vidattr() does, based on *attr*, but vidputs () outputs by calling the user-supplied function *putfunc*. The vid attr() and vid puts() functions correspond to vidattr() and vidputs() respectively, but take a set of arguments, one of type attr t for the attributes, one of type short for the color pair number, and a void *, and thus support the attribute constants with the WA prefix.

The opts argument is reserved for definition in a future release. Currently, it is implemented as a null pointer.

The user-supplied function *putfunc* (which can be specified as an argument to either vidputs() or vid puts()) is either putchar() or some other function with the same prototype. Both the vidputs () and vid puts () functions ignore the return value of putfunc.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, these functions return OK. Otherwise, they return ERR.

ERRORS | No errors are defined.

vidattr(3XCURSES)

USAGE

After use of any of these functions, the model Curses maintains of the state of the terminal might not match the actual state of the terminal. The application should touch and refresh the window before resuming conventional use of Curses.

Of these functions requires that the application contain so much information about a particular class of terminal that it defeats the purpose of using Curses.

On some terminals, a command to change rendition conceptually occupies space in the screen buffer (with or without width). Thus, a command to set the terminal to a new rendition would change the rendition of some characters already displayed.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

doupdate(3XCURSES), is_linetouched(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES),
putchar(3C), tigetflag(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

vw_printw(3XCURSES)

NAME |

vw_printw - print formatted output in window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
```

#include <stdarg.h> #include <curses.h>

int vw printw(WINDOW *win, char *fmt, va list varglist);

PARAMETERS

fmt Is a printf() format string.

varglist Is a pointer to a list of parameters.

Is a pointer to the window in which the string is to be win

written.

DESCRIPTION

The vw printw() function achieves the same effect as wprintw(3XCURSES) using a variable argument list. The third argument is a va list, as defined in <stdarg.h>.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, vw printw() returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

USAGE

The vw printw() function is preferred over vwprintw(3XCURSES). The use of the vwprintw() and vw printw() in the same file will not work, due to the requirements to include <varargs.h> and <stdarg.h>, which both contain definitions of va list.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), mvprintw(3XCURSES), printf(3C), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | vwprintw - print formatted output in window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <vararqs.h>
#include <curses.h>
int vwprintw(WINDOW *win, char *fmt, va list varglist);
```

PARAMETERS

fmt Is a printf() format string.

varglist Is a pointer to a list of parameters.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the string is to be

written.

DESCRIPTION

The vwprintw() function achieves the same effect as wprintw(3XCURSES) using a variable argument list. The third argument is a va list, as defined in <varargs.h>.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, vwprintw() returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

USAGE

The vwprintw() function is deprecated; the vw printw(3XCURSES) function is preferred. The use of the vwprintw() and vw printw() in the same file will not work, due to the requirements to include <varargs.h> and <stdarg.h>, which both contain definitions of va list.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), mvprintw(3XCURSES), printf(3C), vw printw(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

vw scanw(3XCURSES)

NAME |

vw_scanw - convert formatted input from a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <stdarg.h>
#include <curses.h>
```

int vw scanw(WINDOW *win, char *fmt, va list varglist);

PARAMETERS

fmt Is a scanf () format string.

varglist Is a pointer to a list of parameters.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the character is to

be read.

DESCRIPTION

The vw scanw() function achieves the same effect as wscanw(3XCURSES) using a variable argument list. The third argument is a va list, as defined in <stdarg.h>.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, vw scanw() returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

USAGE

The vw scanw() function is preferred over vwscanw(3XCURSES). The use of the vwscanw() and vw scanw() in the same file will not work, due to the requirements to include <varargs.h> and <stdarg.h>, which both contain definitions of va list.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), mvscanw(3XCURSES), scanf(3C), attributes(5), standards(5)

NAME | vwscanw – convert formatted input from a window

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <vararqs.h>
#include <curses.h>
int vwscanw(WINDOW *win, char *fmt, va list varglist);
```

PARAMETERS

fmt Is a scanf () format string.

varglist Is a pointer to a list of parameters.

win Is a pointer to the window in which the character is to

be read.

DESCRIPTION

The vwscanw() function achieves the same effect as wscanw(3XCURSES) using a variable argument list. The third argument is a va list, as defined in <varargs.h>.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, vwscanw() returns OK. Otherwise, it returns ERR.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

USAGE

The vwscanw() function is deprecated; the vw scanw(3XCURSES) function is preferred. The use of the vwscanw() and vw scanw() in the same file will not work, due to the requirements to include <varargs.h> and <stdarg.h>, which both contain definitions of va list.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

libcurses(3XCURSES), mvscanw(3XCURSES), scanf(3C), vw scanw(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

wunctrl(3XCURSES)

NAME |

wunctrl – generate printable representation of a wide character

SYNOPSIS

```
cc [ flag... ] file... -I /usr/xpg4/include -L /usr/xpg4/lib \
-R /usr/xpg4/lib -lcurses [ library... ]
c89 [ flag... ] file... -lcurses [ library... ]
#include <curses.h>
wchar_t *wunctrl(cchar_t *wc);
```

PARAMETERS

7110

Is a pointer to the wide character.

DESCRIPTION

The wunctrl () function converts the a wide character string that is a printable representation of the wide character wc.

This function also performs the following processing on the input argument:

- Control characters are converted to the ^X notation
- Any rendition information is removed.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, the wunctrl() function returns the generated string. Otherwise, it returns a null pointer.

ERRORS

No errors are defined.

ATTRIBUTES

See attributes(5) for descriptions of the following attributes:

ATTRIBUTE TYPE	ATTRIBUTE VALUE
Interface Stability	Standard
MT-Level	Unsafe

SEE ALSO

keyname(3XCURSES), libcurses(3XCURSES), unctrl(3XCURSES), attributes(5), standards(5)

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