# ncurses in your hobostove

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### DISCLAIMER



## I don't know ncurses very well



## This could be the worst way to do things



## Let's begin



## gem install ncurses-ruby



### Basic Setup

Ncurses.initscr

Ncurses.cbreak

Ncurses.noecho

# window initialization

Ncurses.doupdate



#### **Basic Teardown**

Ncurses.echo

Ncurses.endwin



## Let me repeat that



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## If you don't exit cleanly

Your command prompt won't be happy



#### Learn to love reset

bin/hobostove || reset



#### **Basic Panels**



## Panels - Setup

```
@win = Ncurses.newwin(
 height, width,
  starty, startx #it's backwards
Ncurses.box(@win, 0, 0)
@panel =
  Ncurses::Panel.new panel(@win)
# refresh
```



#### Panels - Refresh

```
# setup panels
```

```
Ncurses::Panel.update panels
```

Ncurses.doupdate



## Panels - Output

```
Ncurses.werase(@win)
@win.mvaddstr(y, x, "Hello")
Ncurses.box(@win, 0, 0)
# refresh
```



## Re-implementing readline

or I didn't look to see if I could use it in hobostove

(you can't)



## User Input

```
while (ch = Ncurses.getch)
  case ch
  when 10 # enter
    message = ""
  else
    message = message + ch.chr.to s
  end
  # move cursor and display message
end
```

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## User Input - Move cursor

```
@win.mvaddstr(1, 2, message)
Ncurses.move(
   Ncurses.LINES - 2,
   message.size + 2
)
```



#### Abstract into Panels

- Handle most of this by itself
- Subclass for different panel types
  - InputPanel
  - UserPanel



## Scrolling

**Github** 



## Trip ups



## Modifier Keys

```
while (ch = Ncurses.getch)
  case ch
  when 14 # C+n
  when 10 # enter and C+j
  end
end
```



#### Bonus: GLI

DSL for creating command line apps



#### **GLI**

```
require 'gli'
include GLI::App

program_desc "A command line
Campfire client"
```

# commands

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#### **GLI**

```
# set up
desc "Start hobostove"
command :start do |c|
  c.action do
    # stuff
  end
end
default command :start
```

exit run (ARGV)

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## What it gives you

```
eric@bashir:[~/prog/src/hobostove (master)]$ bin/hobostove help
NAME
   hobostove - A command line Campfire client

SYNOPSIS
   hobostove [global options] command [command options] [arguments...]

GLOBAL OPTIONS
   --help - Show this message

COMMANDS
   help - Shows a list of commands or help for one command start - Start hobostove
```



## Questions?

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