

**NAME**

curs\_legacy - get **curses** cursor and window coordinates, attributes

**SYNOPSIS**

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#include <curses.h>
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int getattro(const WINDOW *win);
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int getbegx(const WINDOW *win);
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int getbegy(const WINDOW *win);
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int getcurx(const WINDOW *win);
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int getcury(const WINDOW *win);
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int getmaxx(const WINDOW *win);
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int getmaxy(const WINDOW *win);
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int getparx(const WINDOW *win);
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int getpary(const WINDOW *win);
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**DESCRIPTION**

These legacy functions are simpler to use than the X/Open Curses functions:

- ⊕ The **getattro** function returns the same attribute data as **wattr\_get**.

However, **getattro** returns an integer (actually a **chtype**), while **wattr\_get** returns the current color pair in a separate parameter. In the wide-character library configuration, color pairs may not fit into a **chtype**, so **wattr\_get** is the only way to obtain the color information.

Because **getattro** returns the attributes in a single parameter, it would not be possible for an application to distinguish that from **ERR** (a *-1*). If the window parameter is null, **getattro** returns **A\_NORMAL** (zero).

- ⊕ The **getbegy** and **getbegx** functions return the same data as **getbegyx**.
- ⊕ The **getcury** and **getcurx** functions return the same data as **getyx**.
- ⊕ The **getmaxy** and **getmaxx** functions return the same data as **getmaxyx**.
- ⊕ The **getpary** and **getparx** functions return the same data as **getparyx**.

**RETURN VALUE**

Except as noted, these functions return an integer, or **ERR** if the window parameter is null.

**NOTES**

All of these interfaces are provided as macros and functions. The macros are suppressed (and only the functions provided) when **NCURSES\_OPAQUE** is defined. The standard forms such as **getyx** must be implemented as macros, and (in this implementation) are defined in terms of the functions described here, to avoid reliance on internal details of the WINDOW structure.

**PORTABILITY**

These functions were supported on Version 7, BSD or System V implementations. None of those implementations checked the window parameter.

The **getattrs** function and macro are defined to return a (signed) integer for compatibility with those implementations although an unsigned type would have been more appropriate.

**SEE ALSO**

**curses(3X)**, **curs\_getyx(3X)**, **curs\_opaque(3X)**