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ZPMshow, a helper for tired fingers

The offer of ZPM is growing daily and the short names and acronyms of the offer are sometimes hard to understand and also hard to type with my lazy fingers.

So I decided to have

- a listing with the **descriptions** from the repository,
- split in short junks to avoid backscroll,
- controlled forward / backward scrolling,
- the option to select my packages by **number**,
- to install or uninstall with limited typing.

It runs with **do ^zpmshow**

A snapshot from the screen:

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USER>d ^zpmshow


1 analyzethis 1.1.4 -- not github --
2 apps.rest 1.0.0 -- no decripition --
3 bitmap-adoption 1.0.3 Bitmaps for nonstandard IDs
4 blocksexplorer 2.2.1 -- not github --
5 bondar-nav 1.0.1 -- no decripition --
6 cache-fast-json 1.0.3 produce pretty JSON output for
Cache + Ensemble
7 classexplorer 1.21.3 -- no description --
8 contest-rest-template 1.0.3 -- no description --
9 csvgen 1.1.6 -- no description --
10 declarative-os 1.0.2 -- no description --
11 delete-helper 1.0.1 -- no description --
12 document-template 1.0.0 -- not github --
13 dsw 2.1.51 -- no description --
14 ecp-job 1.0.1 Multi-Line in Terminal Command
15 excel-light 1.0.0 Light weight Excel download

action (i[nstall),u[ninstall],n[ext],b[back],q[quit]):i package number: 6
6 cache-fast-json 1.0.3 produce pretty JSON output for
Cache + Ensemble
OK (y,n): y
zpm install cache-fast-json

[cache-fast-json] Reload START
[cache-fast-json] Reload SUCCESS
[cache-fast-json] Module object refreshed.
[cache-fast-json] Validate START
[cache-fast-json] Validate SUCCESS
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[cache-fast-json] Compile START
[cache-fast-json] Compile SUCCESS
[cache-fast-json] Activate START
[cache-fast-json] Configure START
[cache-fast-json] Configure SUCCESS
[cache-fast-json] Activate SUCCESS

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GitHub

Video

#ObjectScript #InterSystems IRIS

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