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Chapter 1

Crypto User's Guide

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2.1 Crypto Release Notes

This document describes the changes made to the Crypto application.

2.1.1 Crypto 1.4

Improvements and New Features

- The previously undocumented and UNSUPPORTED ssh application has been updated and documented. This release of the ssh application is still considered to be a beta release and (if necessary) there could still be changes in its API before it reaches 1.0.
- Also, more cryptographic algorithms have been added to the crypto application.

*** POTENTIAL INCOMPATIBILITY ***

Own Id: OTP-5631

2.1.2 Crypto 1.3

Improvements and New Features


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2.1.3 Crypto 1.2.3

Fixed Bugs and Malfunctions

- Linked in drivers in the crypto, and asn1 applications are now compiled with the -D_THREAD_SAFE and -D_REENTRANT switches on unix when the emulator has thread support enabled.
- Linked in drivers on MacOSX are not compiled with the undocumented -lbundle1.o switch anymore. Thanks to Sean Hinde who sent us a patch.
- Linked in driver in crypto, and port programs in ssl, now compiles on OSF1.
- Minor makefile improvements in runtime_tools.
  Own Id: OTP-5346

2.1.4 Crypto 1.2.2

Improvements and New Features

- Corrected error handling. If the port to the driver that crypto uses is unexpectedly closed (which should not happen during normal operation of crypto), crypto will terminate immediately (rather than crashing the next time crypto is used). Also corrected build problems on Mac OS X.
  Own Id: OTP-5279

2.1.5 Crypto 1.2.1

Fixed Bugs and Malfunctions

- It was not possible in R9 to relink the crypto driver. The object file was missing as well as an example makefile. The crypto driver object file is now released with the application (installed in priv/obj). An example makefile has also been added to the priv/obj directory. The makefile serves as an example of how to relink the driver on Unix (crypto_drv.so) or Windows (crypto_drv.dll).
  Own Id: OTP-4828 Aux Id: seq8193

2.1.6 Crypto 1.2

Improvements and New Features

- Previous versions of Crypto where delivered with statically linked binaries based on SSLeay. That is not longer the case. The current version of Crypto requires dynamically linked OpenSSL libraries that the user has to install. The library needed is libcrypto.so (Unix) or libeay32.[lib|dll] (Win32). For further details see the crypto(6) application manual page.
- This version of Crypto uses the new DES interface of OpenSSL 0.9.7, which is not backward compatible with earlier versions of OpenSSL.
- The functions desede3_cbc_encrypt/5 and desede3_cbc_decrypt/5 have been renamed to des3_cbc_encrypt/5 and des3_cbc_decrypt/5, respectively. The old functions have been retained (they are deprecated and not listed in the crypto(3) manual page).

Reported Fixed Bugs and Malfunctions

- The start of crypto failed on Windows, due to erroneous addition of a DES3 algorithm.
  Own Id: OTP-4684
  Aux Id: seq7864
2.1.7 Crypto 1.1.3

Reported Fixed Bugs and Malfunctions

- To obtain backward compatibility with the old SSLay package, and with earlier versions of OpenSSL, the macro OPENSSL\_DES\_LIBDES\_COMPATIBILITY has been added to crypto\_drv.c. This is of importance only for the open source version of Crypto.

2.1.8 Crypto 1.1.2

Reported Fixed Bugs and Malfunctions

- In the manual page crypto(3) the function names md5\_finish and sha\_finish have been changed to md5\_final and sha\_final to correctly document the implementation. Own Id: OTP-3409

2.1.9 Crypto 1.1.1

Code replacement in runtime is supported. Upgrade can be done from from version 1.1 and downgrade to version 1.1.

Improvements and New Features

- The driver part of the Crypto application has been updated to use the erl\_driver header file. Version 1.1.1 requires emulator version 4.9.1 or later.

2.1.10 Crypto 1.1

Reported Fixed Bugs and Malfunctions

- On Windows the crypto\_drv was incorrectly linked to static run-time libraries instead of dynamic ones. Own Id: OTP-3240

2.1.11 Crypto 1.0

New application.
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crypto

No functions are exported.

crypto

The following functions are exported:

- **start()** → ok
  [page 13] Start the crypto server.
- **stop()** → ok
  [page 13] Stop the crypto server.
- **info()** → [atom()]
  [page 13] Provide a list of available crypto functions.
- **md5(Data)** → Digest
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  [page 14] Compute an SHA message digest from Data.
- **sha_init()** → Context
  [page 14] Create an SHA context.
- **sha_update(Context, Data)** → NewContext
  [page 14] Update an SHA context.
- **sha_final(Context)** → Digest
  [page 14] Finish the update of an SHA context.
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- **md5_mac_96(Key, Data) -> Mac**  
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Crypto Application

The purpose of the Crypto application is to provide message digest and DES encryption for SMNPv3. It provides computation of message digests MD5 and SHA, and CBC-DES encryption and decryption.

Configuration

The following environment configuration parameters are defined for the Crypto application. Refer to application(3) for more information about configuration parameters.

debug = true | false <optional> Causes debug information to be written to standard error or standard output. Default is false.

OpenSSL libraries

The current implementation of the Erlang Crypto application is based on the OpenSSL package version 0.9.7 or higher. There are source and binary releases on the web. Source releases of OpenSSL can be downloaded from the OpenSSL¹ project home page, or mirror sites listed there.

The same URL also contains links to some compiled binaries and libraries of OpenSSL (see the Related/Binaries menu) of which the Shining Light Productions Win32 and OpenSSL² pages are of interest for the Win32 user.

For some Unix flavours there are binary packages available on the net. If you cannot find a suitable binary OpenSSL package, you have to fetch an OpenSSL source release and compile it.

You then have to compile and install the library libcrypto.so (Unix), or the library libeay32.dll (Win32).

For Unix The crypto_drv dynamic driver is delivered linked to OpenSSL libraries in /usr/local/lib, but the default dynamic linking will also accept libraries in /lib and /usr/lib.

If that is not applicable to the particular Unix operating system used, the example Makefile in the Crypto priv/obj directory, should be used as a basis for relinking the final version of the port program.

For Win32 it is only required that the library can be found from the PATH environment variable, or that they reside in the appropriate SYSTEM32 directory; hence no particular relinking is need. Hence no example Makefile for Win32 is provided.

¹URL: http://www.openssl.org
²URL: http://www.shininglightpro.com/search.php?searchname=Win32+OpenSSL
SEE ALSO

application(3)
This module provides a set of cryptographic functions.

References:

- md5: The MD5 Message Digest Algorithm (RFC 1321)
- sha: Secure Hash Standard (FIPS 180-2)
- hmac: Keyed-Hashing for Message Authentication (RFC 2104)
- des: Data Encryption Standard (FIPS 46-3)
- aes: Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) (FIPS 197)
- ecb, cbc, cfb, ofb: Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation (NIST SP 800-38A).
- rsa: Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation (NIST 800-38A)
- dss: Digital Signature Standard (FIPS 186-2)

The above publications can be found at NIST publications\(^3\), at IETF\(^4\).

Types

byte() = 0 ... 255
ioelem() = byte() | binary() | iolist()
iolist() = [ioelem()]

Exports

start() -> ok
Starts the crypto server.

stop() -> ok
Stops the crypto server.

info() -> [atom()]
Provides the available crypto functions in terms of a list of atoms.

md5(Data) -> Digest
Types:

\(^3\)URL: http://csrc.nist.gov/publications
\(^4\)URL: www.ietf.org
Computes an MD5 message digest from Data, where the length of the digest is 128 bits (16 bytes).

\[
\text{md5_init() } \rightarrow \text{ Context}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Context} = \text{binary()} \)

Creates an MD5 context, to be used in subsequent calls to \text{md5_update/2}.

\[
\text{md5_update(Context, Data) } \rightarrow \text{ NewContext}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Data} = \text{iolist()} \mid \text{binary()} \)
- \( \text{Context} = \text{NewContext} = \text{binary()} \)

Updates an MD5 Context with Data, and returns a NewContext.

\[
\text{md5_final(Context) } \rightarrow \text{ Digest}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Context} = \text{Digest} = \text{binary()} \)

Finishes the update of an MD5 Context and returns the computed MD5 message digest.

\[
\text{sha(Data) } \rightarrow \text{ Digest}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Data} = \text{iolist()} \mid \text{binary()} \)
- \( \text{Digest} = \text{binary()} \)

Computes an SHA message digest from Data, where the length of the digest is 160 bits (20 bytes).

\[
\text{sha_init() } \rightarrow \text{ Context}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Context} = \text{binary()} \)

Creates an SHA context, to be used in subsequent calls to \text{sha_update/2}.

\[
\text{sha_update(Context, Data) } \rightarrow \text{ NewContext}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Data} = \text{iolist()} \mid \text{binary()} \)
- \( \text{Context} = \text{NewContext} = \text{binary()} \)

Updates an SHA Context with Data, and returns a NewContext.

\[
\text{sha_final(Context) } \rightarrow \text{ Digest}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Context} = \text{Digest} = \text{binary()} \)
Finishes the update of an SHA Context and returns the computed SHA message digest.

\[
\text{md5} \text{mac}(\text{Key}, \text{Data}) \rightarrow \text{Mac}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Key} = \text{Data} = \text{iolist()} \cup \text{binary()} \)
- \( \text{Mac} = \text{binary()} \)
Computes an MD5 MAC message authentication code from Key and Data, where the length of the Mac is 128 bits (16 bytes).

\[
\text{md5}\_\text{mac}\_96(\text{Key}, \text{Data}) \rightarrow \text{Mac}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Key} = \text{Data} = \text{iolist()} \cup \text{binary()} \)
- \( \text{Mac} = \text{binary()} \)
Computes an MD5 MAC message authentication code from Key and Data, where the length of the Mac is 96 bits (12 bytes).

\[
\text{sha}\_\text{mac}(\text{Key}, \text{Data}) \rightarrow \text{Mac}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Key} = \text{Data} = \text{iolist()} \cup \text{binary()} \)
- \( \text{Mac} = \text{binary()} \)
Computes an SHA MAC message authentication code from Key and Data, where the length of the Mac is 160 bits (20 bytes).

\[
\text{sha}\_\text{mac}\_96(\text{Key}, \text{Data}) \rightarrow \text{Mac}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Key} = \text{Data} = \text{iolist()} \cup \text{binary()} \)
- \( \text{Mac} = \text{binary()} \)
Computes an SHA MAC message authentication code from Key and Data, where the length of the Mac is 96 bits (12 bytes).

\[
\text{des}\_\text{cbc}\_\text{encrypt}(\text{Key}, \text{IVec}, \text{Text}) \rightarrow \text{Cipher}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Key} = \text{Text} = \text{iolist()} \cup \text{binary()} \)
- \( \text{IVec} = \text{Cipher} = \text{binary()} \)
Encrypts Text according to DES in CBC mode. Text must be a multiple of 64 bits (8 bytes). Key is the DES key, and IVec is an arbitrary initializing vector. The lengths of Key and IVec must be 64 bits (8 bytes).

\[
\text{des}\_\text{cbc}\_\text{decrypt}(\text{Key}, \text{IVec}, \text{Cipher}) \rightarrow \text{Text}
\]

Types:
- \( \text{Key} = \text{Cipher} = \text{iolist()} \cup \text{binary()} \)
- \( \text{IVec} = \text{Text} = \text{binary()} \)
Decrypts Cipher according to DES in CBC mode. Key is the DES key, and IVec is an arbitrary initializing vector. Key and IVec must have the same values as those used when encrypting. Cipher must be a multiple of 64 bits (8 bytes). The lengths of Key and IVec must be 64 bits (8 bytes).

des3_cbc_encrypt(Key1, Key2, Key3, IVec, Text) -> Cipher

Types:
- Key1 = Key2 = Key3 Text = iolist() | binary()
- IVec = Cipher = binary()

Encrypts Text according to DES3 in CBC mode. Text must be a multiple of 64 bits (8 bytes). Key1, Key2, Key3, are the DES keys, and IVec is an arbitrary initializing vector. The lengths of each of Key1, Key2, Key3 and IVec must be 64 bits (8 bytes).

des3_cbc_decrypt(Key1, Key2, Key3, IVec, Cipher) -> Text

Types:
- Key1 = Key2 = Key3 = Cipher = iolist() | binary()
- IVec = Text = binary()

Decrypts Cipher according to DES3 in CBC mode. Key1, Key2, Key3 are the DES key, and IVec is an arbitrary initializing vector. Key1, Key2, Key3 and IVec must have the same values as those used when encrypting. Cipher must be a multiple of 64 bits (8 bytes). The lengths of Key1, Key2, Key3 and IVec must be 64 bits (8 bytes).

aes_cfb_128_encrypt(Key, IVec, Text) -> Cipher

aes_cbc_128_encrypt(Key, IVec, Text) -> Cipher

Types:
- Key = Text = iolist() | binary()
- IVec = Cipher = binary()

Encrypts Text according to AES in Cipher Feedback mode (CFB) or Cipher Block Chaining mode (CBC). Text must be a multiple of 128 bits (16 bytes). Key is the AES key, and IVec is an arbitrary initializing vector. The lengths of Key and IVec must be 128 bits (16 bytes).

aes_cfb_128_decrypt(Key, IVec, Cipher) -> Text

aes_cbc_128_decrypt(Key, IVec, Cipher) -> Text

Types:
- Key = Cipher = iolist() | binary()
- IVec = Text = binary()

Decrypts Cipher according to Cipher Feedback Mode (CFB) or Cipher Block Chaining mode (CBC). Key is the AES key, and IVec is an arbitrary initializing vector. Key and IVec must have the same values as those used when encrypting. Cipher must be a multiple of 128 bits (16 bytes). The lengths of Key and IVec must be 128 bits (16 bytes).

erlint(Mpint) ->

mpint(N) -> Mpint
Types:
- `Mpint = binary()`
- `N = integer()`

Convert a binary multi-precision integer `Mpint` to and from an erlang big integer. A multi-precision integer is a binary with the following form: `<<ByteLen:32/integer, Bytes:ByteLen/binary>>` where both `ByteLen` and `Bytes` are big-endian. `Mpints` are used in some of the functions in `crypto` and are not translated in the API for performance reasons.

```erlang
rand_bytes(N) -> binary()
```

Types:
- `N = integer()`

Generates `N` bytes randomly uniform 0..255, and returns the result in a binary. Uses the `crypto` library pseudo-random number generator.

```erlang
rand_uniform(Lo, Hi) -> N
```

Types:
- `Lo, Hi, N = Mpint | integer()`
- `Mpint = binary()`

Generate a random number `N`, `Lo <= N <= Hi`. Uses the `crypto` library pseudo-random number generator. The arguments (and result) can be either erlang integers or binary multi-precision integers.

```erlang
mod_exp(N, P, M) -> Result
```

Types:
- `N, P, M, Result = Mpint`
- `Mpint = binary()`

This function performs the exponentiation `N ^ P mod M`, using the `crypto` library.

```erlang
rsa_verify(Digest, Signature, Key) -> Verified
```

Types:
- `Verified = boolean()`
- `Digest, Signature = Mpint`
- `Key = [E, N]`
- `E, N = Mpint`
- `Mpint = binary()`

Verifies the digest and signature using the public key `Key`, using the `crypto` library function for RSA signature verification.

```erlang
dss_verify(Digest, Signature, Key) -> Verified
```

Types:
- `Verified = boolean()`
- `Digest, Signature = Mpint`
- `Key = [P, Q, G, Y]`
• P, Q, G, Y = MPint
• MPint = binary()

Verifies the digest and signature using the public key \text{key}, using the \text{crypto} library function for DSS signature verification.

**DES in CBC mode**

The Data Encryption Standard (DES) defines an algorithm for encrypting and decrypting an 8 byte quantity using an 8 byte key (actually only 56 bits of the key is used).

When it comes to encrypting and decrypting blocks that are multiples of 8 bytes various modes are defined (NIST SP 800-38A). One of those modes is the Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode, where the encryption of an 8 byte segment depend not only of the contents of the segment itself, but also on the result of encrypting the previous segment: the encryption of the previous segment becomes the initializing vector of the encryption of the current segment.

Thus the encryption of every segment depends on the encryption key (which is secret) and the encryption of the previous segment, except the first segment which has to be provided with a first initializing vector. That vector could be chosen at random, or be counter of some kind. It does not have to be secret.

The following example is drawn from the old FIPS 81 standard (replaced by NIST SP 800-38A), where both the plain text and the resulting cipher text is settled. We use the Erlang bitsyntax to define binary literals. The following Erlang code fragment returns 'true'.

```erlang
Key = <<16#01,16#23,16#45,16#67,16#89,16#ab,16#cd,16#ef>>, 
IVec = <<16#12,16#34,16#56,16#78,16#90,16#ab,16#cd,16#ef>>, 
P = "Now is the time for all ", 
C = crypto:des_cbc_encrypt(K, I, P), 
C==<<16#e5,16#c7,16#cd,16#de,16#87,16#2b,16#f2,16#7c, 
16#43,16#e9,16#34,16#00,16#8c,16#38,16#9c,16#0f, 
16#68,16#37,16#88,16#49,16#9a,16#7c,16#05,16#f6>>, 
"Now is the time for all ">> == 
crypto:des_cbc_decrypt(Key,IVec,C).
```

The following is true for the DES CBC mode. For all decompositions \(P_1 + P_2 = P\) of a plain text message \(P\) (where the length of all quantities are multiples of 8 bytes), the encryption \(C\) of \(P\) is equal to \(C_1 + C_2\), where \(C_1\) is obtained by encrypting \(P_1\) with \text{key} and the initializing vector \text{IVec}, and where \(C_2\) is obtained by encrypting \(P_2\) with \text{key} and the initializing vector \(l(C_1)\), where \(l(.\)\) denotes the last 8 bytes of the binary \(B\).

Similarly, for all decompositions \(C_1 + C_2 = C\) of a cipher text message \(C\) (where the length of all quantities are multiples of 8 bytes), the decryption \(P\) of \(C\) is equal to \(P_1 + P_2\), where \(P_1\) is obtained by decrypting \(C_1\) with \text{key} and the initializing vector \text{IVec}, and where \(P_2\) is obtained by decrypting \(C_2\) with \text{key} and the initializing vector \(l(C_1)\), where \(l(.\)\) is as above.

For DES3 (which uses three 64 bit keys) the situation is the same.
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