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PROVIDER-CIPHER(7SSL) OpenSSL PROVIDER-CIPHER(7SSL)

NAME

provider-cipher - The cipher library <-> provider functions

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <openssl/core_dispatch.h>
#include <openssl/core_names.h>
/*
 * None of these are actual functions, but are displayed like this for
 * the function signatures for functions that are offered as function
 * pointers in OSSL_DISPATCH arrays.
 */
/* Context management */
void *OSSL_FUNC_cipher_newctx(void *provctx);
void OSSL_FUNC_cipher_freectx(void *cctx);
void *OSSL_FUNC_cipher_dupctx(void *cctx);
/* Encryption/decryption */
int OSSL_FUNC_cipher_encrypt_init(void *cctx, const unsigned char *key,
                                size_t keylen, const unsigned char *iv,
                                size_t ivlen, const OSSL_PARAM params[]);
int OSSL_FUNC_cipher_decrypt_init(void *cctx, const unsigned char *key,
                                size_t keylen, const unsigned char *iv,
                                size_t ivlen, const OSSL_PARAM params[]);
int OSSL_FUNC_cipher_update(void *cctx, unsigned char *out, size_t *outl,
```

```

        size_t outsize, const unsigned char *in, size_t inl);
int OSSL_FUNC_cipher_final(void *cctx, unsigned char *out, size_t *outl,
        size_t outsize);
int OSSL_FUNC_cipher_cipher(void *cctx, unsigned char *out, size_t *outl,
        size_t outsize, const unsigned char *in, size_t inl);
/* Cipher parameter descriptors */
const OSSL_PARAM *OSSL_FUNC_cipher_gettable_params(void *provctx);
/* Cipher operation parameter descriptors */
const OSSL_PARAM *OSSL_FUNC_cipher_gettable_ctx_params(void *cctx,
        void *provctx);
const OSSL_PARAM *OSSL_FUNC_cipher_settable_ctx_params(void *cctx,
        void *provctx);
/* Cipher parameters */
int OSSL_FUNC_cipher_get_params(OSSL_PARAM params[]);
/* Cipher operation parameters */
int OSSL_FUNC_cipher_get_ctx_params(void *cctx, OSSL_PARAM params[]);
int OSSL_FUNC_cipher_set_ctx_params(void *cctx, const OSSL_PARAM params[]);

```

DESCRIPTION

This documentation is primarily aimed at provider authors. See [provider\(7\)](#) for further information.

The CIPHER operation enables providers to implement cipher algorithms and make them available to applications via the API functions [EVP_EncryptInit_ex\(3\)](#), [EVP_EncryptUpdate\(3\)](#) and [EVP_EncryptFinal\(3\)](#) (as well as the decrypt equivalents and other related functions).

All "functions" mentioned here are passed as function pointers between libcrypto and the provider in [OSSL_DISPATCH](#) arrays via [OSSL_ALGORITHM](#) arrays that are returned by the provider's [provider_query_operation\(\)](#) function (see "Provider Functions" in [provider-base\(7\)](#)).

All these "functions" have a corresponding function type definition named `OSSL_FUNC_{name}_fn`, and a helper function to retrieve the function pointer from an [OSSL_DISPATCH](#) element named `OSSL_FUNC_{name}`. For example, the "function" [OSSL_FUNC_cipher_newctx\(\)](#) has these:

```
typedef void *(OSSL_OSSL_FUNC_cipher_newctx_fn)(void *provctx);
```

```
static ossl_inline OSSL_OSSL_FUNC_cipher_newctx_fn
```

```
    OSSL_FUNC_cipher_newctx(const OSSL_DISPATCH *opf);
```

OSSL_DISPATCH arrays are indexed by numbers that are provided as macros in `openssl-core_dispatch.h(7)`, as follows:

OSSL_FUNC_cipher_newctx	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_NEWCTX
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_freectx	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_FREECTX
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_dupctx	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_DUPCTX
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_encrypt_init	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_ENCRYPT_INIT
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_decrypt_init	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_DECRYPT_INIT
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_update	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_UPDATE
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_final	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_FINAL
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_cipher	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_CIPHER
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_get_params	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_GET_PARAMS
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_get_ctx_params	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_GET_CTX_PARAMS
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_set_ctx_params	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_SET_CTX_PARAMS
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_gettable_params	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_GETTABLE_PARAMS
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_gettable_ctx_params	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_GETTABLE_CTX_PARAMS
OSSL_FUNC_cipher_settable_ctx_params	OSSL_FUNC_CIPHER_SETTABLE_CTX_PARAMS

A cipher algorithm implementation may not implement all of these functions. In order to be a consistent set of functions there must at least be a complete set of "encrypt" functions, or a complete set of "decrypt" functions, or a single "cipher" function. In all cases both the `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_newctx` and `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_freectx` functions must be present. All other functions are optional.

Context Management Functions

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_newctx()` should create and return a pointer to a provider side structure for holding context information during a cipher operation. A pointer to this context will be passed back in a number of the other cipher operation function calls. The parameter `provctx` is the provider context generated during provider initialisation (see `provider(7)`).

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_freectx()` is passed a pointer to the provider side cipher context in the `cctx` parameter. This function should free any resources associated with that context.

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_dupctx()` should duplicate the provider side cipher context in the `cctx` parameter and return the duplicate copy.

Encryption/Decryption Functions

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_encrypt_init()` initialises a cipher operation for encryption given a newly created provider side cipher context in the `cctx` parameter. The key to be used is given in `key` which is `keylen` bytes long. The IV to be used is given in `iv` which is `ivlen` bytes long. The `params`, if not `NULL`, should be set on the context in a manner similar to using `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_set_ctx_params()`.

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_decrypt_init()` is the same as `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_encrypt_init()` except that it initialises the context for a decryption operation.

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_update()` is called to supply data to be encrypted/decrypted as part of a previously initialised cipher operation. The `cctx` parameter contains a pointer to a previously initialised provider side context. `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_update()` should encrypt/decrypt `inl` bytes of data at the location pointed to by `in`. The encrypted data should be stored in `out` and the amount of data written to `*outl` which should not exceed `outsize` bytes. `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_update()` may be called multiple times for a single cipher operation. It is the responsibility of the cipher implementation to handle input lengths that are not multiples of the block length. In such cases a cipher implementation will typically cache partial blocks of input data until a complete block is obtained. `out` may be the same location as `in` but it should not partially overlap. The same expectations apply to `outsize` as documented for `EVP_EncryptUpdate(3)` and `EVP_DecryptUpdate(3)`.

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_final()` completes an encryption or decryption started through previous `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_encrypt_init()` or `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_decrypt_init()`, and `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_update()` calls. The `cctx` parameter contains a pointer to the provider side context. Any final encryption/decryption output should be written to `out` and the amount of data written to `*outl` which should not exceed `outsize` bytes. The same expectations apply to `outsize` as documented for `EVP_EncryptFinal(3)` and `EVP_DecryptFinal(3)`.

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_cipher()` performs encryption/decryption using the provider side cipher context in the `cctx` parameter that should have been previously initialised via a call to `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_encrypt_init()` or `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_decrypt_init()`. This should call the raw underlying cipher function without any padding. This will be invoked in the provider as a result of the application calling `EVP_Cipher(3)`. The application is responsible for ensuring that the input is a multiple of the block length. The data to be encrypted/decrypted will be in `in`, and it will be `inl` bytes in length. The output from

the encryption/decryption should be stored in `out` and the amount of data stored should be put in `*outl` which should be no more than `outsize` bytes.

Cipher Parameters

See `OSSL_PARAM(3)` for further details on the parameters structure used by these functions.

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_get_params()` gets details of the algorithm implementation and stores them in `params`.

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_set_ctx_params()` sets cipher operation parameters for the provider side cipher context `cctx` to `params`. Any parameter settings are additional to any that were previously set. Passing `NULL` for `params` should return true.

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_get_ctx_params()` gets cipher operation details from the given provider side cipher context `cctx` and stores them in `params`. Passing `NULL` for `params` should return true.

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_gettable_params()`, `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_gettable_ctx_params()`, and `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_settable_ctx_params()` all return constant `OSSL_PARAM` arrays as descriptors of the parameters that `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_get_params()`,

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_get_ctx_params()`, and `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_set_ctx_params()` can handle, respectively. `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_gettable_ctx_params()` and

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_settable_ctx_params()` will return the parameters associated with the provider side context `cctx` in its current state if it is not `NULL`. Otherwise, they return the parameters associated with the provider side algorithm `provctx`.

Parameters currently recognised by built-in ciphers are listed in "PARAMETERS" in `EVP_EncryptInit(3)`. Not all parameters are relevant to, or are understood by all ciphers.

RETURN VALUES

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_newctx()` and `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_dupctx()` should return the newly created provider side cipher context, or `NULL` on failure.

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_encrypt_init()`, `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_decrypt_init()`,

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_update()`, `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_final()`, `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_cipher()`,

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_get_params()`, `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_get_ctx_params()` and

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_set_ctx_params()` should return 1 for success or 0 on error.

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_gettable_params()`, `OSSL_FUNC_cipher_gettable_ctx_params()` and

`OSSL_FUNC_cipher_settable_ctx_params()` should return a constant `OSSL_PARAM` array, or `NULL` if none is offered.

provider(7), OSSL_PROVIDER-FIPS(7), OSSL_PROVIDER-default(7), OSSL_PROVIDER-legacy(7),
EVP_CIPHER-AES(7), EVP_CIPHER-ARIA(7), EVP_CIPHER-BLOWFISH(7), EVP_CIPHER-CAMELLIA(7),
EVP_CIPHER-CAST(7), EVP_CIPHER-CHACHA(7), EVP_CIPHER-DES(7), EVP_CIPHER-IDEA(7),
EVP_CIPHER-RC2(7), EVP_CIPHER-RC4(7), EVP_CIPHER-RC5(7), EVP_CIPHER-SEED(7),
EVP_CIPHER-SM4(7), life_cycle-cipher(7), EVP_EncryptInit(3)

HISTORY

The provider CIPHER interface was introduced in OpenSSL 3.0.

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