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### ***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'BN\_dec2bn.3ossl'***

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BN\_BN2BIN(3ossl)            OpenSSL            BN\_BN2BIN(3ossl)

NAME

BN\_bn2binpad, BN\_bn2bin, BN\_bin2bn, BN\_bn2lebinpad, BN\_lebin2bn,  
BN\_bn2nativepad, BN\_native2bn, BN\_bn2hex, BN\_bn2dec, BN\_hex2bn,  
BN\_dec2bn, BN\_print, BN\_print\_fp, BN\_bn2mpi, BN\_mpi2bn - format  
conversions

SYNOPSIS

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#include <openssl/bn.h>

int BN_bn2bin(const BIGNUM *a, unsigned char *to);

int BN_bn2binpad(const BIGNUM *a, unsigned char *to, int tolen);

BIGNUM *BN_bin2bn(const unsigned char *s, int len, BIGNUM *ret);

int BN_bn2lebinpad(const BIGNUM *a, unsigned char *to, int tolen);

BIGNUM *BN_lebin2bn(const unsigned char *s, int len, BIGNUM *ret);

int BN_bn2nativepad(const BIGNUM *a, unsigned char *to, int tolen);

BIGNUM *BN_native2bn(const unsigned char *s, int len, BIGNUM *ret);

char *BN_bn2hex(const BIGNUM *a);

char *BN_bn2dec(const BIGNUM *a);

int BN_hex2bn(BIGNUM **a, const char *str);
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int BN_dec2bn(BIGNUM **a, const char *str);
int BN_print(BIO *fp, const BIGNUM *a);
int BN_print_fp(FILE *fp, const BIGNUM *a);
int BN_bn2mpi(const BIGNUM *a, unsigned char *to);
BIGNUM *BN_mpi2bn(unsigned char *s, int len, BIGNUM *ret);
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## DESCRIPTION

BN\_bn2bin() converts the absolute value of a into big-endian form and stores it at to. to must point to BN\_num\_bytes(a) bytes of memory.

BN\_bn2binpad() also converts the absolute value of a into big-endian form and stores it at to. tolen indicates the length of the output buffer to. The result is padded with zeros if necessary. If tolen is less than BN\_num\_bytes(a) an error is returned.

BN\_bin2bn() converts the positive integer in big-endian form of length len at s into a BIGNUM and places it in ret. If ret is NULL, a new BIGNUM is created.

BN\_bn2lebinpad() and BN\_lebin2bn() are identical to BN\_bn2binpad() and BN\_bin2bn() except the buffer is in little-endian format.

BN\_bn2nativepad() and BN\_native2bn() are identical to BN\_bn2binpad() and BN\_bin2bn() except the buffer is in native format, i.e. most significant byte first on big-endian platforms, and least significant byte first on little-endian platforms.

BN\_bn2hex() and BN\_bn2dec() return printable strings containing the hexadecimal and decimal encoding of a respectively. For negative numbers, the string is prefaced with a leading '-'. The string must be freed later using OPENSSL\_free().

BN\_hex2bn() takes as many characters as possible from the string str, including the leading character '-' which means negative, to form a valid hexadecimal number representation and converts them to a BIGNUM and stores it in \*\*a. If \*a is NULL, a new BIGNUM is created. If a is NULL, it only computes the length of valid representation. A "negative zero" is converted to zero. BN\_dec2bn() is the same using the decimal system.

BN\_print() and BN\_print\_fp() write the hexadecimal encoding of a, with

a leading '-' for negative numbers, to the BIO or FILE fp.

BN\_bn2mpi() and BN\_mpi2bn() convert BIGNUMs from and to a format that consists of the number's length in bytes represented as a 4-byte big-endian number, and the number itself in big-endian format, where the most significant bit signals a negative number (the representation of numbers with the MSB set is prefixed with null byte).

BN\_bn2mpi() stores the representation of a at to, where to must be large enough to hold the result. The size can be determined by calling BN\_bn2mpi(a, NULL).

BN\_mpi2bn() converts the len bytes long representation at s to a BIGNUM and stores it at ret, or in a newly allocated BIGNUM if ret is NULL.

## RETURN VALUES

BN\_bn2bin() returns the length of the big-endian number placed at to.

BN\_bin2bn() returns the BIGNUM, NULL on error.

BN\_bn2binpad(), BN\_bn2lebinpad(), and BN\_bn2nativepad() return the number of bytes written or -1 if the supplied buffer is too small.

BN\_bn2hex() and BN\_bn2dec() return a NUL-terminated string, or NULL on error. BN\_hex2bn() and BN\_dec2bn() return the number of characters used in parsing, or 0 on error, in which case no new BIGNUM will be created.

BN\_print\_fp() and BN\_print() return 1 on success, 0 on write errors.

BN\_bn2mpi() returns the length of the representation. BN\_mpi2bn() returns the BIGNUM, and NULL on error.

The error codes can be obtained by ERR\_get\_error(3).

## SEE ALSO

ERR\_get\_error(3), BN\_zero(3), ASN1\_INTEGER\_to\_BN(3), BN\_num\_bytes(3)

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