

NAME

SKEIN256_Init, **SKEIN256_Update**, **SKEIN256_Final**, **SKEIN256_End**, **SKEIN256_File**, **SKEIN256_FileChunk**, **SKEIN256_Data**, **SKEIN512_Init**, **SKEIN512_Update**, **SKEIN512_Final**, **SKEIN512_End**, **SKEIN512_File**, **SKEIN512_FileChunk**, **SKEIN512_Data**, **SKEIN1024_Init**, **SKEIN1024_Update**, **SKEIN1024_Final**, **SKEIN1024_End**, **SKEIN1024_File**, **SKEIN1024_FileChunk**, **SKEIN1024_Data** - calculate the “SKEIN” family of message digests

LIBRARY

Message Digest (MD4, MD5, etc.) Support Library (libmd, -lmd)

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <sys/types.h>
```

```
#include <skein.h>
```

void

```
SKEIN256_Init(SKEIN256_CTX *context);
```

void

```
SKEIN256_Update(SKEIN256_CTX *context, const unsigned char *data, size_t len);
```

void

```
SKEIN256_Final(unsigned char digest[32], SKEIN256_CTX *context);
```

*char **

```
SKEIN256_End(SKEIN256_CTX *context, char *buf);
```

*char **

```
SKEIN256_File(const char *filename, char *buf);
```

*char **

```
SKEIN256_FileChunk(const char *filename, char *buf, off_t offset, off_t length);
```

*char **

```
SKEIN256_Data(const unsigned char *data, unsigned int len, char *buf);
```

void

```
SKEIN512_Init(SKEIN512_CTX *context);
```

void

```
SKEIN512_Update(SKEIN512_CTX *context, const unsigned char *data, size_t len);
```

void

SKEIN512_Final(*unsigned char digest[64], SKEIN512_CTX *context*);

*char **

SKEIN512_End(*SKEIN512_CTX *context, char *buf*);

*char **

SKEIN512_File(*const char *filename, char *buf*);

*char **

SKEIN512_FileChunk(*const char *filename, char *buf, off_t offset, off_t length*);

*char **

SKEIN512_Data(*const unsigned char *data, unsigned int len, char *buf*);

void

SKEIN1024_Init(*SKEIN1024_CTX *context*);

void

SKEIN1024_Update(*SKEIN1024_CTX *context, const unsigned char *data, size_t len*);

void

SKEIN1024_Final(*unsigned char digest[128], SKEIN1024_CTX *context*);

*char **

SKEIN1024_End(*SKEIN1024_CTX *context, char *buf*);

*char **

SKEIN1024_File(*const char *filename, char *buf*);

*char **

SKEIN1024_FileChunk(*const char *filename, char *buf, off_t offset, off_t length*);

*char **

SKEIN1024_Data(*const unsigned char *data, unsigned int len, char *buf*);

DESCRIPTION

Skein is a new family of cryptographic hash functions based on the Threefish large-block cipher. Its design combines speed, security, simplicity, and a great deal of flexibility in a modular package that is easy to analyze. Skein is defined for three different internal state sizes--256 bits, 512 bits, and 1024

bits--and any output size. This allows Skein to be a drop-in replacement for the entire SHA family of hash functions.

The **SKEIN256_Init()**, **SKEIN256_Update()**, and **SKEIN256_Final()** functions are the core functions. Allocate an *SKEIN256_CTX*, initialize it with **SKEIN256_Init()**, run over the data with **SKEIN256_Update()**, and finally extract the result using **SKEIN256_Final()**, which will also erase the *SKEIN256_CTX*.

SKEIN256_End() is a wrapper for **SKEIN256_Final()** which converts the return value to a 33-character (including the terminating `'\0'`) ASCII string which represents the 256 bits in hexadecimal.

SKEIN256_File() calculates the digest of a file, and uses **SKEIN256_End()** to return the result. If the file cannot be opened, a null pointer is returned. **SKEIN256_FileChunk()** is similar to **SKEIN256_File()**, but it only calculates the digest over a byte-range of the file specified, starting at *offset* and spanning *length* bytes. If the *length* parameter is specified as 0, or more than the length of the remaining part of the file, **SKEIN256_FileChunk()** calculates the digest from *offset* to the end of file. **SKEIN256_Data()** calculates the digest of a chunk of data in memory, and uses **SKEIN256_End()** to return the result.

When using **SKEIN256_End()**, **SKEIN256_File()**, or **SKEIN256_Data()**, the *buf* argument can be a null pointer, in which case the returned string is allocated with `malloc(3)` and subsequently must be explicitly deallocated using `free(3)` after use. If the *buf* argument is non-null it must point to at least 33 characters of buffer space.

The *SKEIN512_* and *SKEIN1024_* functions are similar to the *SKEIN256_* functions except they produce a 512-bit, 65 character, or 1024-bit, 129 character, output.

ERRORS

The **SKEIN256_End()** function called with a null *buf* argument may fail and return NULL if:

[ENOMEM] Insufficient storage space is available.

The **SKEIN256_File()** and **SKEIN256_FileChunk()** may return NULL when underlying `open(2)`, `fstat(2)`, `lseek(2)`, or `SKEIN256_End(3)` fail.

SEE ALSO

`md4(3)`, `md5(3)`, `ripemd(3)`, `sha(3)`, `sha256(3)`, `sha512(3)`

HISTORY

These functions appeared in FreeBSD 11.0.

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