

**NAME**

EVP\_KDF-SS – The Single Step / One Step EVP\_KDF implementation

**DESCRIPTION**

The EVP\_KDF-SS algorithm implements the Single Step key derivation function (SSKDF). SSKDF derives a key using input such as a shared secret key (that was generated during the execution of a key establishment scheme) and fixedinfo. SSKDF is also informally referred to as 'Concat KDF'.

**Auxiliary function**

The implementation uses a selectable auxiliary function H, which can be one of:

**H(x) = hash(x, digest=md)**

**H(x) = HMAC\_hash(x, key=salt, digest=md)**

**H(x) = KMACxxx(x, key=salt, custom="KDF", outlen=mac\_size)**

Both the HMAC and KMAC implementations set the key using the 'salt' value. The hash and HMAC also require the digest to be set.

**Identity**

"SSKDF" is the name for this implementation; it can be used with the **EVP\_KDF\_fetch()** function.

**Supported parameters**

The supported parameters are:

"properties" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_PROPERTIES**) <UTF8 string>

"digest" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_DIGEST**) <UTF8 string>

"mac" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_MAC**) <UTF8 string>

"maclen" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_MAC\_SIZE**) <unsigned integer>

"salt" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_SALT**) <octet string>

These parameters work as described in "PARAMETERS" in **EVP\_KDF** (3).

"key" (**EVP\_KDF\_CTRL\_SET\_KEY**) <octet string>

This parameter set the shared secret that is used for key derivation.

"info" (**OSSL\_KDF\_PARAM\_INFO**) <octet string>

This parameter sets an optional value for fixedinfo, also known as otherinfo.

**NOTES**

A context for SSKDF can be obtained by calling:

```
EVP_KDF *kdf = EVP_KDF_fetch(NULL, "SSKDF", NULL);
EVP_KDF_CTX *kctx = EVP_KDF_CTX_new(kdf);
```

The output length of an SSKDF is specified via the *keylen* parameter to the **EVP\_KDF\_derive** (3) function.

**EXAMPLES**

This example derives 10 bytes using H(x) = SHA-256, with the secret key "secret" and fixedinfo value "label":

```
EVP_KDF *kdf;
EVP_KDF_CTX *kctx;
unsigned char out[10];
OSSL_PARAM params[4], *p = params;

kdf = EVP_KDF_fetch(NULL, "SSKDF", NULL);
kctx = EVP_KDF_CTX_new(kdf);
EVP_KDF_free(kdf);

*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_utf8_string(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_DIGEST,
                                         SN_sha256, strlen(SN_sha256));
*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_octet_string(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_KEY,
                                         "secret", (size_t)6);
*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_octet_string(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_INFO,
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                                "label", (size_t)5);
*p = OSSL_PARAM_construct_end();
if (EVP_KDF_derive(kctx, out, sizeof(out), params) <= 0) {
    error("EVP_KDF_derive");
}

EVP_KDF_CTX_free(kctx);

```

This example derives 10 bytes using  $H(x) = \text{HMAC}(\text{SHA-256})$ , with the secret key “secret”, fixedinfo value “label” and salt “salt”:

```

EVP_KDF *kdf;
EVP_KDF_CTX *kctx;
unsigned char out[10];
OSSL_PARAM params[6], *p = params;

kdf = EVP_KDF_fetch(NULL, "SSKDF", NULL);
kctx = EVP_KDF_CTX_new(kdf);
EVP_KDF_free(kdf);

*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_utf8_string(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_MAC,
                                         SN_hmac, strlen(SN_hmac));
*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_utf8_string(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_DIGEST,
                                         SN_sha256, strlen(SN_sha256));
*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_octet_string(EVP_KDF_CTRL_SET_KEY,
                                         "secret", (size_t)6);
*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_octet_string(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_INFO,
                                         "label", (size_t)5);
*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_octet_string(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_SALT,
                                         "salt", (size_t)4);

*p = OSSL_PARAM_construct_end();
if (EVP_KDF_derive(kctx, out, sizeof(out), params) <= 0) {
    error("EVP_KDF_derive");
}

EVP_KDF_CTX_free(kctx);

```

This example derives 10 bytes using  $H(x) = \text{KMAC128}(x, \text{salt}, \text{outlen})$ , with the secret key “secret” fixedinfo value “label”, salt of “salt” and KMAC outlen of 20:

```

EVP_KDF *kdf;
EVP_KDF_CTX *kctx;
unsigned char out[10];
OSSL_PARAM params[7], *p = params;

kdf = EVP_KDF_fetch(NULL, "SSKDF", NULL);
kctx = EVP_KDF_CTX_new(kdf);
EVP_KDF_free(kdf);

*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_utf8_string(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_MAC,
                                         SN_kmac128, strlen(SN_kmac128));
*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_utf8_string(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_DIGEST,
                                         SN_sha256, strlen(SN_sha256));
*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_octet_string(EVP_KDF_CTRL_SET_KEY,
                                         "secret", (size_t)6);
*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_octet_string(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_INFO,
                                         "label", (size_t)5);

```

```
*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_octet_string(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_SALT,
                                         "salt", (size_t)4);
*p++ = OSSL_PARAM_construct_size_t(OSSL_KDF_PARAM_MAC_SIZE, (size_t)20);
*p = OSSL_PARAM_construct_end();
if (EVP_KDF_derive(kctx, out, sizeof(out), params) <= 0) {
    error("EVP_KDF_derive");
}

EVP_KDF_CTX_free(kctx);
```

**CONFORMING TO**

NIST SP800-56Cr1.

**SEE ALSO**

**EVP\_KDF**(3), **EVP\_KDF\_CTX\_new**(3), **EVP\_KDF\_CTX\_free**(3), **EVP\_KDF\_CTX\_set\_params**(3),  
**EVP\_KDF\_CTX\_get\_kdf\_size**(3), **EVP\_KDF\_derive**(3), “PARAMETERS” in **EVP\_KDF**(3)

**HISTORY**

This functionality was added to OpenSSL 3.0.

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