# RX Family

## RSA Library Firmware Integration Technology

## Introduction

This application note explains information for implementing the RX Family RSA library (hereafter referred to as the RSA FIT library) using Firmware Integration Technology (FIT). The RSA library is a software library for implementing RSA signatures on RX microcontrollers.

And RSA FIT library package also includes RSA driver function.

Please refer to the User's Manual (R20UW0115JJ0200) to know how to use this software library.

## Target Device

RX Family

When applying this application note to other microcontrollers, please modify it according to the specifications of the microcontroller and evaluate it thoroughly.

## Target Compiler

Renesas Electronics C/C++ Compiler Package for RX Family

GCC for Renesas RX

IAR Embedded Workbench for Renesas RX

For detailed information on the compiler's system requirements, please refer to Section "4.1 Confirmed Operation Environment".

## Related Documents

Firmware Integration Technology User's Manual (R01AN1833)

Board Support Package Module Using Firmware Integration Technology (R01AN1685)

Adding Firmware Integration Technology Modules to Projects (R01AN1723)

Adding Firmware Integration Technology Modules to CS+ Projects (R01AN1826)

Renesas e2studio Smart Configurator User's Guide (R20AN0451)

## Contents

# 1. Overview

## 1.1 RSA FIT Library

This library is used as an API to be embedded in a project. See "2.8 Adding the FIT Module to Your Project " for details on how to incorporate this library.

## 1.2 RSA FIT Library Overview

RSA library signature generation and signature verification supports SHA-1, SHA-256, and SHA-384 when using the SHA FIT library (R20AN0157).

Please refer to the user's manual (R20UW0115JJ0200) stored in the package.

## 1.3 API Function

RSA Library for the RX supports the following functions.

For details on each API function, please refer to the user's manual (R20UW0115JJ0200).

**Table 1-1 RSA Library API Function**

| API | Outline |
|---|---|
| R_rsa_signature_generate_pkcs | RSA Signature Generation (RSASSA-PKCS1-V1_5) |
| R_rsa_signature_verify_pkcs | RSA Signature Verification (RSASSA-PKCS1-V1_5) |
| R_rsa_mod_exp | Modular Exponentiation |

## 1.4 Version Information

In the RSA Library, the version information is stored as a character string in the R_rsa_version variable. This variable can be accessed by the following extern declaration. In addition, the data stored in the product's library is as follows.

extern const char R_rsa_version[];

## 1.5 The Structure of RSA FIT Library

### 1.5.1 Application Note Structure

This product includes the files listed in Table 1-2 Structure of Product Files below.

**Table 1-2 Structure of Product Files**

| File / Directory(bold) Names | Description |
|---|---|
| r20an0292jj0105-rx-rsa.pdf | RSA FIT Library Application Note (Japanese) |
| r20an0292ej0105-rx-rsa.pdf | RSA FIT Library Application Note (English) |
| r20uw0115jj0200-rsa.pdf | RSA FIT Library User's manual (Japanese) |
| r20uw0115ej0200-rsa.pdf | RSA FIT Library User's manual (English) |
| **FITDemos** | FIT Module Demo Program |
|     rsa_demo_65n_2m.zip | RSA FIT Module Demo Program |
| **FITModules** | FIT Module folder |
|     r_rsa_rx_v1.05.zip | RSA FIT Module |
|     r_rsa_rx_v1.05.xml | RSA FIT Module XML file |
|     r_rsa_rx_v1.05_extend.mdf | RSA FIT Module MDF file |

### 1.5.2 File Structure

The folder to which the content of r_rsa_rx_v1.05.zip is extracted will contain the files listed in Table 1-3 File Structurebelow.

**Table 1-3 File Structure**

| File / Directory(bold) Names | Description |
|---|---|
| **r_rsa_rx** | FIT Module folder |
| **doc** | Document folder |
| **en** | Document folder (English) |
| r20an0292ej0105-rx-rsa.pdf | RSA FIT Library Application Note (English) |
| r20uw0115ej0200-rsa.pdf | RSA FIT Library User's manual (English) |
| **ja** | Document folder (Japanese) |
| r20an0292jj0105-rx-rsa.pdf | RSA FIT Library Application Note (Japanese) |
| r20uw0115jj0200-rsa.pdf | RSA FIT Library User's manual (Japanese) |
| **ref** | Reference folder |
| r_rsa_config_reference.h | Configure reference file |
| **src** | Source code folder |
| rsa_api.c | RSA API function |
| mc_lib.c | Multi-byte length arithmetic function |
| mc_lib.h | Multibyte length arithmetic function header file |
| rsa_internal_header.h | RSA FIT Library Internal header file for RSA library |
| r_rsa_version.c | RSA FIT Library version file |
| r_sample_rsa_if.c | User definition functions(Signature/Authentication) |
| r_mw_version.h | Version data header file |
| r_stdint.h | typedef header file |
| r_rsa_rx_if.h | RSA library header file |
| readme.txt | Readme file |
| **r_config** | Config file folder |
| r_rsa_config.h | Config file (default) |

## 2.  API Information

### 2.1  Hardware Requirements

There are no hardware requirements.

### 2.2  Software Requirements

There are no software requirements.

### 2.3  Limitations

This library can be used only with the microcomputer option fint_register = 0 (high-speed interrupt dedicated register [none]). The default interpretation for this option is fint_register = 0.

### 2.4  Supported Toolchain

This driver has been confirmed to work with the toolchain listed in "4.1 Confirmed Operation Environment".

### 2.5  Header Files

All API calls and their supporting interface definitions are in r_rsa_rx_if.h.

### 2.6  Integer Types

This project uses ANSI C99. These types are defined in stdint.h.

### 2.7  Notes on Building

If this FIT Module is used together with any of the following FIT Modules, build errors may occur depending on the project settings.

When using the following FIT Modules together with this FIT module, please adjust the build order so that this FIT Module is built first.

| FIT Module | Short Name |
|---|---|
| JPEG Decoder Module | r_jpegd_rx |
| JPEG Encoder Module | r_jpege_rx |
| TCP/IP for Embedded system M3S-T4-Tiny Module | r_t4_rx |
| Sound Playback/Compression System (Original ADPCM Codec) [M3S-S2-Tiny] Module | r_s2_rx |

## 2.8   RSA Library ROM / RAM / Stack Size / Performance

The various sizes and processing cycles when building with the following optimization options are described for reference.

CCRX : Level2 performs whole module optimization

GCC   : -O2

IAR     : High (size)

### 2.8.1   ROM/RAM Size

| library name | Little/Big Endian | ROM size [byte] | | | RAM size [byte] [Note] | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | CCRX | GCC | IAR | CCRX | GCC | IAR |
| RSA library | Little | 2913 | 3634 | 2133 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Note 1:  At least, one R_RSA_WORK_t and one R_RSA_KEY_t and two R_RSA_BYTEDATA_t variables are needed for work.

Note 2:  Since the API functions use the functions defined in mc_lib.c, the sum of the ROM sizes of the two files is required.

Each structures size is below.

| Structure | Little/Big Endian | Memory for one structure variable [byte] | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | CCRX | GCC | IAR |
| R_RSA_WORK_t | Little/Big | 3680 | 3680 | 3680 |
| R_RSA_BYTEDATA_t | Little/Big | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| R_RSA_KEY_t | Little/Big | 16 | 16 | 16 |

### 2.8.2   Stack Size

| API | Little/Big Endian | stack size [byte] [Note] | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | CCRX | GCC | IAR |
| R_rsa_signature_generate_pkcs | Little/Big | 40 | 44 | 28 |
| R_rsa_signature_verify_pkcs | Little/Big | 44 | 44 | 28 |
| R_rsa_mod_exp | Little/Big | 52 | 52 | 48 |

Note: This value is sample program stack size. If use changes the user definition function, stack size will be changed.

### 2.8.3   Performance

The performance of RSA library.

The measurement condition is CC-RX and optimization level 2.

| API | Little/Big Endian | Performance (Cycle) | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | SHA-1 | SHA-256 | SHA-384 |
| R_rsa_signature_generate_pkcs | Little | 492527004 | 492517210 | 492536410 |
| | Big | 503468244 | 503475786 | 503472902 |
| R_rsa_signature_verify_pkcs | Little | 2926278 | 2925734 | 2934712 |
| | Big | 3005624 | 3005454 | 3016348 |
| R_rsa_mod_exp | Little | 2915646 | | |
| | Big | 2996680 | | |

Note: This value is sample program stack size. If use changes the user definition function, stack size will be changed.

## 2.9  Adding the FIT Module to Your Project

This module must be added to each project in which it is used. Renesas recommends the method using the Smart Configurator described in (1) or (3) below. However, the Smart Configurator only supports some RX devices. Please use the methods of (2) or (4) for RX devices that are not supported by the Smart Configurator.

(1)    Adding the FIT module to your project using the Smart Configurator in e2 studio

By using the Smart Configurator in e2 studio, the FIT module is automatically added to your project.

Refer to "Renesas e2 studio Smart Configurator User Guide (R20AN0451)" for details.

(2)    Adding the FIT module to your project using the FIT Configurator in e2 studio

By using the FIT Configurator in e2 studio, the FIT module is automatically added to your project.

Refer to "Adding Firmware Integration Technology Modules to Projects (R01AN1723)" for details.

(3)    Adding the FIT module to your project using the Smart Configurator in CS+

By using the Smart Configurator Standalone version in CS+, the FIT module is automatically added to your project. Refer to "Renesas e2 studio Smart Configurator User Guide (R20AN0451)" for details.

(4)    Adding the FIT module to your project in CS+

In CS+, please manually add the FIT module to your project. Refer to "Adding Firmware Integration Technology Modules to CS+ Projects (R01AN1826)" for details.

## 3. Demo project

The demo project is a stand-alone program. The demo projects include function main() that utilizes the FIT module and its dependent modules (e.g. r_bsp). This FIT module includes the following demo projects.

### 3.1 rsa_demo_65n_2m

rsa_demo_65n_2m shows how to use the RSA library API. This demo project will perform exponentiation, RSA signature generation and signature verification (RSASSA-PKCS1v1_5).

### 3.2 Add the Demo to Workspace

The demo projects are found in the FITDemos subdirectory of the distribution file for this application note. To add a demo project to a workspace,

- Select "File" -> "Import".
- In the "Import" dialog, select "Existing Project to Workspace" under "General" and click the "Next" button.
- In the "Import" dialog, select the "Select archive file" radio button.
- Click the "Browse" button to open the FITDemos subdirectory.
- Select the desired demo zip file, then click "Finish".

The above process will add the demo project to the workspace.

## 4. Appendix

## 4.1 Confirmed Operation Environment

This section describes confirmed operation environment for the RSA FIT Library.

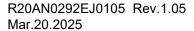Table 4-1 Confirmed Operation Environment (Rev. 1.05)

| Item | Contents |
|---|---|
| Integrated Development Environment | Renesas Electronics e2 studio Version 2025-01 |
| | IAR Embedded Workbench for Renesas RX 5.10.1 |
| C compiler | Renesas Electronics C/C++ Compiler Package for RX Family V3.07.00 |
| | Compiler option: The following option is added to the default settings of the integrated development environment. |
| | -lang = c99 |
| | GCC for Renesas RX 8.3.0.202411 |
| | Compiler option: The following option is added to the default settings of the integrated development environment. |
| | -std=gnu99 |
| | Linker option: The following user defined option should be added to the default settings of the integrated development environment, if "Optimize size (-Os)" is used: |
| | -Wl,--no-gc-sections |
| | This is to work around a GCC linker issue whereby the linker erroneously discards interrupt functions declared in FIT peripheral module |
| | IAR C/C++ Compiler for Renesas RX version 5.10.1 |
| | Compiler option: The default settings of the integrated development environment |
| Endian | Big endian/little endian |
| Revision of the module | Rev.1.05 |
| Board used | Target Board for RX65N |
| | Target Board for RX130 |
| | Renesas Envision Kit for RX72N |

## 5.   Reference documents

**Related Technical Updates**

This module reflects the content of the following technical updates.

   None

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## Revision History

| Rev. | Date | Description | |
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| | | **Page** | **Summary** |
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| | | - | Changed the disclaimer in program sources |
| | | - | Added the 2.7 Notes on building |
| 1.04 | 2022.10.31 | - | Updated the confirmed operation environment |
| 1.03 | 2022.08.10 | - | With the fixed of FIT, the title was corrected, and FIT-related information was added. The library format has been changed from Lib. format to C source. RSAES-PKCS1-V1_5 is no longer supported. Accordingly, R_rsa_encrypt_pkcs and R_rsa_decrypt_pkcs APIs have been removed. |
| 1.00 | 2014.03.31 | - | First edition issued |

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3. Input of signal during power-off state

   Do not input signals or an I/O pull-up power supply while the device is powered off. The current injection that results from input of such a signal or I/O pull-up power supply may cause malfunction and the abnormal current that passes in the device at this time may cause degradation of internal elements. Follow the guideline for input signal during power-off state as described in your product documentation.

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6. Voltage application waveform at input pin

   Waveform distortion due to input noise or a reflected wave may cause malfunction. If the input of the CMOS device stays in the area between $V_{IL}$ (Max.) and $V_{IH}$ (Min.) due to noise, for example, the device may malfunction. Take care to prevent chattering noise from entering the device when the input level is fixed, and also in the transition period when the input level passes through the area between $V_{IL}$ (Max.) and $V_{IH}$ (Min.).

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