This is a C code project for learning about Ethereum communication.

For example, consider the following documentation from the Ethereum project website.¹

Alice wants to send an encrypted message that can be decrypted by Bob's static private key k_B . Alice knows about Bob's static public key K_B .

To encrypt the message m, Alice generates a random number r and corresponding elliptic curve public key R = r * G and computes the shared secret $S = P_x$ where $(P_x, P_y) = r * K_B$. She derives key material for encryption and authentication as $k_E \parallel k_M = \text{KDF}(S, 32)$ as well as a random initialization vector iv. Alice sends the encrypted message $R \parallel iv \parallel c \parallel d$ where $c = \text{AES}(k_E, iv, m)$ and $d = \text{MAC}(\text{sha256}(k_M), iv \parallel c)$ to Bob.

Let

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r = {\sf ephemeral\_private\_key} 32 bytes R = {\sf ephemeral\_public\_key} 64 bytes S = {\sf shared\_secret} 32 bytes K_B = {\sf peer\_public\_key} 64 bytes k_E = {\sf aes\_key} 16 bytes k_M = {\sf hmac\_key} 32 bytes
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Then this is the code for r and R = r * G.

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ec_genkey(ephemeral_private_key, ephemeral_public_key);
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This is the code for $S = P_x$ where $(P_x, P_y) = r * K_B$.

ec_ecdh(shared_secret, ephemeral_private_key, peer_public_key);

And this is the code for $k_E \parallel k_M = \mathtt{KDF}(S, 32)$.

kdf(aes_key, hmac_key, shared_secret);

¹https://github.com/ethereum/devp2p/blob/master/rlpx.md