

NAME

BIO_get_buffer_num_lines, BIO_set_read_buffer_size, BIO_set_write_buffer_size, BIO_set_buffer_size, BIO_set_buffer_read_data, BIO_f_buffer - buffering BIO

SYNOPSIS

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#include <openssl/bio.h>
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const BIO_METHOD *BIO_f_buffer(void);
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long BIO_get_buffer_num_lines(BIO *b);
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long BIO_set_read_buffer_size(BIO *b, long size);
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long BIO_set_write_buffer_size(BIO *b, long size);
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long BIO_set_buffer_size(BIO *b, long size);
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long BIO_set_buffer_read_data(BIO *b, void *buf, long num);
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DESCRIPTION

BIO_f_buffer() returns the buffering BIO method.

Data written to a buffering BIO is buffered and periodically written to the next BIO in the chain. Data read from a buffering BIO comes from an internal buffer which is filled from the next BIO in the chain. Both **BIO_gets()** and **BIO_puts()** are supported.

Calling **BIO_reset()** on a buffering BIO clears any buffered data.

BIO_get_buffer_num_lines() returns the number of lines currently buffered.

BIO_set_read_buffer_size(), **BIO_set_write_buffer_size()** and **BIO_set_buffer_size()** set the read, write or both read and write buffer sizes to **size**. The initial buffer size is **DEFAULT_BUFFER_SIZE**, currently 4096. Any attempt to reduce the buffer size below **DEFAULT_BUFFER_SIZE** is ignored. Any buffered data is cleared when the buffer is resized.

BIO_set_buffer_read_data() clears the read buffer and fills it with **num** bytes of **buf**. If **num** is larger than the current buffer size the buffer is expanded.

NOTES

These functions, other than **BIO_f_buffer()**, are implemented as macros.

Buffering BIOs implement **BIO_read_ex()** and **BIO_gets()** by using **BIO_read_ex()** operations on the next BIO in the chain and storing the result in an internal buffer, from which bytes are given back to the caller as appropriate for the call; a **BIO_gets()** is guaranteed to give the caller a whole line, and

BIO_read_ex() is guaranteed to give the caller the number of bytes it asks for, unless there's an error or end of communication is reached in the next BIO. By prepending a buffering BIO to a chain it is therefore possible to provide **BIO_gets()** or exact size **BIO_read_ex()** functionality if the following BIOs do not support it.

Do not add more than one **BIO_f_buffer()** to a BIO chain. The result of doing so will force a full read of the size of the internal buffer of the top **BIO_f_buffer()**, which is 4 KiB at a minimum.

Data is only written to the next BIO in the chain when the write buffer fills or when **BIO_flush()** is called. It is therefore important to call **BIO_flush()** whenever any pending data should be written such as when removing a buffering BIO using **BIO_pop()**. **BIO_flush()** may need to be retried if the ultimate source/sink BIO is non blocking.

RETURN VALUES

BIO_f_buffer() returns the buffering BIO method.

BIO_get_buffer_num_lines() returns the number of lines buffered (may be 0) or a negative value in case of errors.

BIO_set_read_buffer_size(), **BIO_set_write_buffer_size()** and **BIO_set_buffer_size()** return 1 if the buffer was successfully resized or ≤ 0 for failure.

BIO_set_buffer_read_data() returns 1 if the data was set correctly or ≤ 0 if there was an error.

SEE ALSO

bio(7), **BIO_reset(3)**, **BIO_flush(3)**, **BIO_pop(3)**, **BIO_ctrl(3)**.

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