

NAME

EC_POINT_add, EC_POINT_dbl, EC_POINT_invert, EC_POINT_is_at_infinity, EC_POINT_is_on_curve, EC_POINT_cmp, EC_POINT_make_affine, EC_POINTs_make_affine, EC_POINTs_mul, EC_POINT_mul, EC_GROUP_precompute_mult, EC_GROUP_have_precompute_mult - Functions for performing mathematical operations and tests on EC_POINT objects

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <openssl/ec.h>
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int EC_POINT_add(const EC_GROUP *group, EC_POINT *r, const EC_POINT *a,
                const EC_POINT *b, BN_CTX *ctx);
int EC_POINT_dbl(const EC_GROUP *group, EC_POINT *r, const EC_POINT *a, BN_CTX *ctx);
int EC_POINT_invert(const EC_GROUP *group, EC_POINT *a, BN_CTX *ctx);
int EC_POINT_is_at_infinity(const EC_GROUP *group, const EC_POINT *p);
int EC_POINT_is_on_curve(const EC_GROUP *group, const EC_POINT *point, BN_CTX *ctx);
int EC_POINT_cmp(const EC_GROUP *group, const EC_POINT *a, const EC_POINT *b, BN_CTX *ctx);
int EC_POINT_mul(const EC_GROUP *group, EC_POINT *r, const BIGNUM *n,
                const EC_POINT *q, const BIGNUM *m, BN_CTX *ctx);
```

The following functions have been deprecated since OpenSSL 3.0, and can be hidden entirely by defining **OPENSSL_API_COMPAT** with a suitable version value, see **openssl_user_macros(7)**:

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int EC_POINT_make_affine(const EC_GROUP *group, EC_POINT *point, BN_CTX *ctx);
int EC_POINTs_make_affine(const EC_GROUP *group, size_t num,
                          EC_POINT *points[], BN_CTX *ctx);
int EC_POINTs_mul(const EC_GROUP *group, EC_POINT *r, const BIGNUM *n, size_t num,
                 const EC_POINT *p[], const BIGNUM *m[], BN_CTX *ctx);
int EC_GROUP_precompute_mult(EC_GROUP *group, BN_CTX *ctx);
int EC_GROUP_have_precompute_mult(const EC_GROUP *group);
```

DESCRIPTION

EC_POINT_add adds the two points **a** and **b** and places the result in **r**. Similarly EC_POINT_dbl doubles the point **a** and places the result in **r**. In both cases it is valid for **r** to be one of **a** or **b**.

EC_POINT_invert calculates the inverse of the supplied point **a**. The result is placed back in **a**.

The function EC_POINT_is_at_infinity tests whether the supplied point is at infinity or not.

EC_POINT_is_on_curve tests whether the supplied point is on the curve or not.

EC_POINT_cmp compares the two supplied points and tests whether or not they are equal.

The functions EC_POINT_make_affine and EC_POINTs_make_affine force the internal representation of the EC_POINT(s) into the affine coordinate system. In the case of EC_POINTs_make_affine the value **num** provides the number of points in the array **points** to be forced. These functions were deprecated in OpenSSL 3.0 and should no longer be used. Modern versions automatically perform this conversion when needed.

EC_POINT_mul calculates the value generator * **n** + **q** * **m** and stores the result in **r**. The value **n** may be NULL in which case the result is just **q** * **m** (variable point multiplication). Alternatively, both **q** and **m** may be NULL, and **n** non-NULL, in which case the result is just generator * **n** (fixed point multiplication). When performing a single fixed or variable point multiplication, the underlying implementation uses a constant time algorithm, when the input scalar (either **n** or **m**) is in the range [0, ec_group_order).

Although deprecated in OpenSSL 3.0 and should no longer be used, EC_POINTs_mul calculates the value generator * **n** + **q[0]** * **m[0]** + ... + **q[num-1]** * **m[num-1]**. As for EC_POINT_mul the value **n** may be NULL or **num** may be zero. When performing a fixed point multiplication (**n** is non-NULL and **num** is 0) or a variable point multiplication (**n** is NULL and **num** is 1), the underlying implementation uses a constant time algorithm, when the input scalar (either **n** or **m[0]**) is in the range [0, ec_group_order). Modern versions should instead use **EC_POINT_mul()**, combined (if needed) with **EC_POINT_add()** in such rare circumstances.

The function EC_GROUP_precompute_mult stores multiples of the generator for faster point multiplication, whilst EC_GROUP_have_precompute_mult tests whether precomputation has already been done. See **EC_GROUP_copy(3)** for information about the generator. Precomputation functionality was deprecated in OpenSSL 3.0. Users of **EC_GROUP_precompute_mult()** and **EC_GROUP_have_precompute_mult()** should switch to named curves which OpenSSL has hardcoded lookup tables for.

RETURN VALUES

The following functions return 1 on success or 0 on error: EC_POINT_add, EC_POINT_dbl, EC_POINT_invert, EC_POINT_make_affine, EC_POINTs_make_affine, EC_POINTs_make_affine, EC_POINT_mul, EC_POINTs_mul and EC_GROUP_precompute_mult.

EC_POINT_is_at_infinity returns 1 if the point is at infinity, or 0 otherwise.

EC_POINT_is_on_curve returns 1 if the point is on the curve, 0 if not, or -1 on error.

EC_POINT_cmp returns 1 if the points are not equal, 0 if they are, or -1 on error.

EC_GROUP_have_precompute_mult return 1 if a precomputation has been done, or 0 if not.

SEE ALSO

crypto(7), EC_GROUP_new(3), EC_GROUP_copy(3), EC_POINT_new(3), EC_KEY_new(3), EC_GFp_simple_method(3), d2i_ECParameters(3)

HISTORY

EC_POINT_make_affine(), EC_POINTs_make_affine(), EC_POINTs_mul(), EC_GROUP_precompute_mult(), and **EC_GROUP_have_precompute_mult()** were deprecated in OpenSSL 3.0.

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