

**Name**

mysql\_hex\_string - create a hexadecimal string

**Synopsis**

```
#include <mysql.h>
unsigned long mysql_hex_string(char * to,
                               const char * from,
                               unsigned long len);
```

**Description**

This function is used to create a hexadecimal string which can be used in SQL statements.  
e.g. INSERT INTO my\_blob VALUES(X'A0E1CD').

**Parameter**

- ⊕ to - result buffer
- ⊕ from - the string which will be encoded
- ⊕ len - length of the string (from)

**Notes**

- ⊕ The size of the buffer for the encoded string must be  $2 * \text{length} + 1$ .
- ⊕ The encoded string does not contain a leading X'.

**Return value**

Returns the length of the encoded string without the trailing null character.

**See also**

- ⊕ [mysql\\_real\\_escape\\_string\(3\)](#)