

Ruby master - Feature #4805

Add X509::Name#hash_old for 0.9.X compat

05/31/2011 09:42 PM - nahi (Hiroshi Nakamura)

Status:	Closed
Priority:	Normal
Assignee:	nahi (Hiroshi Nakamura)
Target version:	1.9.3
Description X509::Name#hash with OpenSSL 1.0.0 returns different value than with OpenSSL 0.9.X. Attached patch adds X509::Name#hash_old when you need MD5 based same X509_NAME_hash value as OpenSSL 0.9.X. Martin, how do you think about adding it?	

Associated revisions

Revision bf2e60cd - 06/23/2011 01:51 PM - nahi (Hiroshi Nakamura)

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History

#1 - 06/09/2011 06:14 AM - MartinBosslet (Martin Bosslet)

- Assignee changed from MartinBosslet (Martin Bosslet) to nahi (Hiroshi Nakamura)

Hi Hiroshi,

sorry for taking some time to answer, I was on vacation last week...
I think your patch is good! But there is one thing I don't like about OpenSSL itself here - why do they hardcode the digest algorithm in the first place?

There are situations where neither MD5 nor SHA-1 fits, OCSP requests are a good example: The requested CertID is defined as

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This implies trouble for any SHA-2 family "hashAlgorithm".

In addition to applying your patch I'd favor a Name#hash implementation that takes an optional OpenSSL::Digest that specifies the hash algorithm to be used.

This would of course mean that we would have to implement the functionality of X509_name_hash on our own. What do you think - would the benefit of a cleaner solution outweigh the (partial) code duplication?

Regards,
Martin

#2 - 06/20/2011 12:18 PM - nahi (Hiroshi Nakamura)

- Due date deleted (05/31/2011)

#3 - 06/20/2011 12:23 PM - nahi (Hiroshi Nakamura)

Hi,

On Thu, Jun 9, 2011 at 06:14, Martin Bosslet
Martin.Bosslet@googlemail.com wrote:

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I can understand it but it should be different problem for them I think. issuerNameHash has variable length, not fixed to 32bit integer.

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Regards,
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#4 - 06/20/2011 06:43 PM - nahi (Hiroshi Nakamura)

- Assignee changed from nahi (Hiroshi Nakamura) to MartinBosslet (Martin Bosslet)

#5 - 06/23/2011 08:53 PM - MartinBosslet (Martin Bosslet)

- Assignee changed from MartinBosslet (Martin Bosslet) to nahi (Hiroshi Nakamura)

Hiroshi NAKAMURA wrote:

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I could imagine that they changed for some sort of security reasons - a lot of official recommendations/guidelines advise to refrain from using MD5, so it could be a political reason...

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If you'd like me to apply the patch, please feel free to reassign to me!

Regards,
Martin

#6 - 06/23/2011 11:04 PM - nahi (Hiroshi Nakamura)

- Status changed from Open to Closed

On Thu, Jun 23, 2011 at 20:54, Martin Bosslet Martin.Bosslet@googlemail.com wrote:

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Ah, X509::Name#digest sounds good. I didn't know OCSP impl already used. Since ext/openssl is a wrapper, I don't like to break class hierarchy, name, etc. of OpenSSL. Original API should be defined under Security::Crypto or something and it should be OpenSSL free... someday.

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Thanks. Applied it at r32213.

Files

X509-Name-hash_old.diff	3.16 KB	05/31/2011	nahi (Hiroshi Nakamura)
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