

Haskell Cryptographic Library 4.2.0

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The Haskell Cryptographic Library 4.2.0¹ collects together existing Haskell cryptographic functions into one cabalized package, together with HUnit tests, QuickCheck property tests and examples. It is a significant change from previous versions and now only contains cryptographic functions; the functions for dealing with ASN.1, X.509 certificates and PKCS#8 will be provided by an entirely separate library reducing the number of dependencies.

This release contains:

- DES
- Blowfish
- AES
- TEA
- Cipher Block Chaining (CBC)
- PKCS#5 and nulls padding
- SHA-1
- MD5
- RSA

Haddock documentation for the library is available here².

1 System Requirements

- The code has been tested on GHC 6.6 and Hugs Version September 2006. It does not currently work with YHC because of the lack of `Data.Word` and `Data.Bits`.
- It *no longer* requires the use of `NewBinary.Binary`.

¹<http://www.haskell.org/crypto>

²<http://www.haskell.org/crypto/doc/html>

2 Installation Instructions

Get the sources:

```
darcs get --tag "4.2.0" http://code.haskell.org/crypto
```

Build and install ready for testing:

```
ghc -o Setup Setup.hs -package Cabal
./Setup configure --prefix=/my/chosen/dir
./Setup build
./Setup install --user
```

Run the tests.

```
cd /my/chosen/dir/bin
./RSATest
./SymmetricTest
./QuickTest
```

You can now run the examples to confirm further that everything is working satisfactorily. When you are happy, build and install them in their final destination:

```
./Setup unregister --user
./Setup clean
./Setup configure
./Setup build
./Setup install
```

3 To Do

In no particular order:

- Incorporate other symmetric key algorithms already coded in Haskell.
- Performance analysis as Blowfish ought to run more quickly than DES.
- Other modes / padding schemes.
- Extend typechecking to ensure that only the appropriate key sizes are used for a given algorithm.
- Improve performance, for example, for SHA1. This code³ runs an order of magnitude faster but, with respect to the authors, doesn't feel that functional.
- Get rid of the GPL code.

4 Contact

All questions, comments, bug reports, flames, requests for updates / changes and suggestions should be directed to Dominic Steinitz and logged here⁴.

³<http://www.abridgegame.org/repos/darcs-unstable>

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¹²<http://r6.ca>