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### ***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'crypt\_preferred\_method.3'***

**\$ man crypt\_preferred\_method.3**

CRYPT\_PREFERRED\_METHOD(3)      BSD Library Functions Manual      CRYPT\_PREFERRED\_METHOD(3)

#### **NAME**

**crypt\_preferred\_method** ? get the prefix of the preferred hash method

#### **LIBRARY**

Crypt Library (libcrypt, -lcrypt)

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <crypt.h>
```

```
const char*
crypt_preferred_method(void);
```

#### **DESCRIPTION**

**crypt\_preferred\_method** is a convenience function to get the prefix of the preferred hash method. If a preferred method is available, it is the same as the one also used by the **crypt\_gensalt** functions, if their given prefix parameter is NULL.

#### **RETURN VALUES**

The string returned equals the prefix of the preferred hash method. If no preferred hash method is available it is NULL. It is safe to pass the string returned by **crypt\_preferred\_method** directly to **crypt\_gensalt** without prior string-sanitizing nor NULL-

pointer checks.

## FEATURE TEST MACROS

<crypt.h> will define the macro CRYPT\_PREFERRED\_METHOD\_AVAILABLE if crypt\_preferred\_method is available in the current version of libxcrypt.

## PORATABILITY NOTES

The function crypt\_preferred\_method is not part of any standard. It was added to libxcrypt in version 4.4.0.

## ATTRIBUTES

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see attributes(7).

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?Interface ? Attribute ? Value ?

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?crypt\_preferred\_method ? Thread safety ? MT-Safe ?

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## SEE ALSO

crypt\_gensalt(3)

libxcrypt

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