

**NAME**

X25519, X448 – EVP\_PKEY X25519 and X448 support

**DESCRIPTION**

The **X25519** and **X448** EVP\_PKEY implementation supports key generation and key derivation using **X25519** and **X448**. It has associated private and public key formats compatible with RFC 8410.

No additional parameters can be set during key generation.

The peer public key must be set using **EVP\_PKEY\_derive\_set\_peer()** when performing key derivation.

**NOTES**

A context for the **X25519** algorithm can be obtained by calling:

```
EVP_PKEY_CTX *pctx = EVP_PKEY_CTX_new_id(EVP_PKEY_X25519, NULL);
```

For the **X448** algorithm a context can be obtained by calling:

```
EVP_PKEY_CTX *pctx = EVP_PKEY_CTX_new_id(EVP_PKEY_X448, NULL);
```

X25519 or X448 private keys can be set directly using **EVP\_PKEY\_new\_raw\_private\_key**(3) or loaded from a PKCS#8 private key file using **PEM\_read\_bio\_PrivateKey**(3) (or similar function). Completely new keys can also be generated (see the example below). Setting a private key also sets the associated public key.

X25519 or X448 public keys can be set directly using **EVP\_PKEY\_new\_raw\_public\_key**(3) or loaded from a SubjectPublicKeyInfo structure in a PEM file using **PEM\_read\_bio\_PUBKEY**(3) (or similar function).

**EXAMPLES**

This example generates an **X25519** private key and writes it to standard output in PEM format:

```
#include <openssl/evp.h>
#include <openssl/pem.h>
...
EVP_PKEY *pkey = NULL;
EVP_PKEY_CTX *pctx = EVP_PKEY_CTX_new_id(EVP_PKEY_X25519, NULL);
EVP_PKEY_keygen_init(pctx);
EVP_PKEY_keygen(pctx, &pkey);
EVP_PKEY_CTX_free(pctx);
PEM_write_PrivateKey(stdout, pkey, NULL, NULL, 0, NULL, NULL);
```

The key derivation example in **EVP\_PKEY\_derive**(3) can be used with **X25519** and **X448**.

**SEE ALSO**

**EVP\_PKEY\_CTX\_new**(3), **EVP\_PKEY\_keygen**(3), **EVP\_PKEY\_derive**(3),  
**EVP\_PKEY\_derive\_set\_peer**(3)

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