

NAME

sshpk-verify – verify a signature on data using an SSH key

SYNOPSIS

sshpk-verify -i KEYPATH -s SIGNATURE [OPTION...]

DESCRIPTION

Takes in arbitrary bytes and a Base64-encoded signature, and verifies that the signature was produced by the private half of the given SSH public key.

EXAMPLES

```
$ printf 'foo' | sshpk-verify -i ~/.ssh/id_ecdsa -s MEUCIQCYp...
OK
```

```
$ printf 'foo' | sshpk-verify -i ~/.ssh/id_ecdsa -s GARBAGE...
NOT OK
```

EXIT STATUS

0

Signature validates and matches the key.

1

Signature is parseable and the correct length but does not match the key or otherwise is invalid.

2

The signature or key could not be parsed.

3

Invalid commandline options were supplied.

OPTIONS

-v, --verbose

Print extra information about the key and signature to stderr when verifying.

-i KEY, --identity=KEY

Select the key to be used for verification. **KEY** must be a relative or absolute filesystem path to the key file. Any format supported by the **sshpk** library is supported, including OpenSSH formats and standard PEM PKCS.

-s BASE64, --signature=BASE64

Supplies the base64-encoded signature to be verified.

-f PATH, --file=PATH

Input file to verify instead of stdin.

-H HASH, --hash=HASH

Set the hash algorithm to be used for signing. This should be one of **sha1**, **sha256** or **sha512**. Some key types may place restrictions on which hash algorithms may be used (e.g. ED25519 keys can only use SHA-512).

-t FORMAT, --format=FORMAT

Choose the signature format to use, from **asn1**, **ssh** or **raw** (only for ED25519 signatures). The **asn1** format is the default, as it is the format used with TLS and typically the standard in most non-SSH libraries (e.g. OpenSSL). The **ssh** format is used in the SSH protocol and by the **ssh-agent**.

SEE ALSO

sshpk-sign(1)

BUGS

Report bugs at Github <https://github.com/arekinath/node-sshpk/issues>

