NAME

BN_mod_mul_reciprocal, BN_div_recp, BN_RECP_CTX_new, BN_RECP_CTX_init, BN_RECP_CTX_free, BN_RECP_CTX_set - modular multiplication using reciprocal

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <openssl/bn.h>

BN_RECP_CTX *BN_RECP_CTX_new(void);
void BN_RECP_CTX_init(BN_RECP_CTX *recp);
void BN_RECP_CTX_free(BN_RECP_CTX *recp);

int BN_RECP_CTX_set(BN_RECP_CTX *recp, const BIGNUM *m, BN_CTX *ctx);

int BN_div_recp(BIGNUM *dv, BIGNUM *rem, BIGNUM *a, BN_RECP_CTX *recp,
BN_CTX *ctx);

int BN_mod_mul_reciprocal(BIGNUM *r, BIGNUM *a, BIGNUM *b,
BN_RECP_CTX *recp, BN_CTX *ctx);
```

DESCRIPTION

BN_mod_mul_reciprocal() can be used to perform an efficient *BN_mod_mul(3)* operation when the operation will be performed repeatedly with the same modulus. It computes **r**=(**a***__b__)%**m** using **recp**=1/**m**, which is set as described below. **ctx** is a previously allocated **BN_CTX** used for temporary variables.

BN_RECP_CTX_new() allocates and initializes a **BN_RECP** structure. *BN_RECP_CTX_init()* initializes an existing uninitialized **BN_RECP**.

BN_RECP_CTX_free() frees the components of the **BN_RECP**, and, if it was created by *BN_RECP_CTX_new()*, also the structure itself.

BN_RECP_CTX_set() stores **m** in **recp** and sets it up for computing 1/**m** and shifting it left by BN_num_bits(**m**)+1 to make it an integer. The result and the number of bits it was shifted left will later be stored in **recp**.

BN_div_recp() divides **a** by **m** using **recp**. It places the quotient in **dv** and the remainder in **rem**.

The **BN_RECP_CTX** structure is defined as follows:

```
typedef struct bn_recp_ctx_st
{
BIGNUM N; /* the divisor */
BIGNUM Nr; /* the reciprocal */
int num_bits;
int shift;
int flags;
} BN_RECP_CTX;
```

It cannot be shared between threads.

RETURN VALUES

BN_RECP_CTX_new() returns the newly allocated **BN_RECP_CTX**, and NULL on error.

BN_RECP_CTX_init() and *BN_RECP_CTX_free()* have no return values.

For the other functions, 1 is returned for success, 0 on error. The error codes can be obtained by *ERR_get_error(3)* .

SEE ALSO

bn(3) , *ERR_get_error(3)* , *BN_add(3)* , *BN_CTX_new(3)*

HISTORY

BN_RECP_CTX was added in SSLeay 0.9.0. Before that, the function *BN_reciprocal()* was used instead, and the *BN_mod_mul_reciprocal()* arguments were different.