

# librsync Reference Manual

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## 1 The librsync delta-encoding library

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## 2 Introduction

librsync is a library for calculating and applying network deltas, with an interface designed to ease integration into diverse network applications. *librsync* is being developed as part of the **rproxy** <<http://rproxy.samba.org/>> and **rsync** <<http://rsync.samba.org/>> projects.

librsync encapsulates the core algorithms of the rsync protocol, which help with efficient calculation of the differences between two files. The rsync algorithm is different from most differencing algorithms because it does not require the presence of the two files to calculate the delta. Instead, it requires a set of checksums of each block of one file, which together form a signature for that file. Blocks at any in the other file which have the same checksum are likely to be identical, and whatever remains is the difference.

The library does not deal with file metadata or structure, such as filenames, permissions, or directories. To this library, a file is just a stream of bytes. Higher-level tools, such as rsync <<http://rsync.samba.org>> can deal with such issues in a way appropriate to their users.

The library supports three basic operations:

1. Generating the signature S of a file A .
2. Calculating a delta D from S and a new file B.
3. Applying D to A to reconstruct B.

The library also provides the [rdiff network delta tool](#) command-line tool, which makes this functionality available to users and scripting languages.

## 3 Programming interface

The public interface to librsync ([rsync.h](#)) has functions in several main areas:

- [Data streaming](#)
- [Generating and applying deltas](#)
- [Buffers](#)
- [Processing whole files](#)
- [Debugging trace and error logging](#)
- [Encoding statistics](#)
- [Utility functions](#)

All external symbols have the prefix “rs\_”, or “RS\_” in the case of preprocessor symbols.

### 3.1 Data streaming

A key design requirement for librsync is that it should handle data as and when the hosting application requires it. librsync can be used inside applications that do non-blocking IO or filtering of network streams, because it never does IO directly, or needs to block waiting for data.

The programming interface to librsync is similar to that of zlib and bzip2. Arbitrary-length input and output buffers are passed to the library by the application, through an instance of [rs\\_buffers\\_t](#). The library proceeds as far as it can, and returns an [rs\\_result](#) value indicating whether it needs more data or space.

All the state needed by the library to resume processing when more data is available is kept in a small opaque `rs_job_t` structure. After creation of a job, repeated calls to `rs_job_iter()` in between filling and emptying the buffers keeps data flowing through the stream. The `rs_result_t` values returned may indicate

- `RS_DONE`: processing is complete
- `RS_BLOCKED`: processing has blocked pending more data
- one of various possible errors in processing

These can be converted to a human-readable string by `rs_strerror()`.

## 3.2 Generating and applying deltas

All encoding operations are performed by using a `*begin` function to create a `rs_job_t` object, passing in any necessary initialization parameters. The various jobs available are:

- `rs_sig_begin()`: Calculate the signature of a file.
- `rs_loadsig_begin()`: Load a signature into memory.
- `rs_delta_begin()`: Calculate the delta between a signature and a new file.
- `rs_patch_begin()`: Apply a delta to a basis to recreate the new file.

## 3.3 Buffers

After creating a job, input and output buffers are passed to `rs_job_iter()` in an `rs_buffers_t` structure.

On input, the buffers structure must contain the address and length of the input and output buffers. The library updates these values to indicate the amount of **remaining** buffer. So, on return, `avail_out` is not the amount of output data produced, but rather the amount of output buffer space unfilled. This means that the values on return are consistent with the values on entry, but not necessarily what you would expect.

A similar system is used by `libz` and `libbz2`.

### Warning:

The input may not be completely consumed by the iteration if there is not enough output space. The application must retain unused input data, and pass it in again when it is ready for more output.

## 3.4 Processing whole files

Some applications do not require fine-grained control over IO, but rather just want to process a whole file with a single call. `libsyntax` provides ‘whole-file’ functionality to do exactly that.

Processing of a whole file begins with creation of a `rs_job_t` object for the appropriate operation, just as if the application was going to do buffering itself. After creation, the job may be passed to `rs_whole_run()`, which will feed it to and from two `FILE`s as necessary until end of file is reached or the operation completes.

### 3.5 Debugging trace and error logging

librsync can output trace or log messages as it proceeds. These follow a fairly standard priority-based filtering system ([rs\\_trace\\_set\\_level\(\)](#)), using the same severity levels as UNIX syslog. Messages by default are sent to stderr, but may be passed to an application-provided callback ([rs\\_trace\\_io\(\)](#), [rs\\_trace\\_fn\\_t](#)).

### 3.6 Encoding statistics

Encoding and decoding routines accumulate compression performance statistics in a [rs\\_stats\\_t](#) structure as they run. These may be converted to human-readable form or written to the log file using [rs\\_format\\_stats\(\)](#) or [rs\\_log\\_stats\(\)](#) respectively.

### 3.7 Utility functions

Some additional functions are used internally and also exposed in the API:

- encoding/decoding binary data: [rs\\_base64\(\)](#), [rs\\_unbase64\(\)](#), [rs\\_hexify\(\)](#).
- MD4 message digests: [rs\\_mdfour\(\)](#), [rs\\_mdfour\\_begin\(\)](#), [rs\\_mdfour\\_update\(\)](#), [rs\\_mdfour\\_result\(\)](#).

## 4 librsync Data Structure Index

### 4.1 librsync Data Structures

Here are the data structures with brief descriptions:

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## 7 librsync Class Documentation

### 7.1 rs\_buffers\_s Struct Reference

Stream through which the calling application feeds data to and from the library.

```
#include <rsync.h>
```

#### Data Fields

- char\* [next\\_in](#)  
*Next input byte.*
- size\_t [avail\\_in](#)  
*Number of bytes available at next\_in.*
- int [eof\\_in](#)  
*True if there is no more data after this.*
- char\* [next\\_out](#)  
*Next output byte should be put there.*
- size\_t [avail\\_out](#)  
*Remaining free space at next\_out.*

#### 7.1.1 Detailed Description

Stream through which the calling application feeds data to and from the library.

On each call to `rs_job_iter`, the caller can make available

- `avail_in` bytes of input data at `next_in`
- `avail_out` bytes of output space at `next_out`
- some of both

Buffers must be allocated and passed in by the caller. This routine never allocates, reallocates or frees buffers.

Pay attention to the meaning of the returned pointer and length values. They do **not** indicate the location and amount of returned data. Rather, if `*out_ptr` was originally set to `out_buf`, then the output data begins at `out_buf`, and has length `*out_ptr - out_buf`.

Note also that if `*avail_in` is nonzero on return, then not all of the input data has been consumed. The caller should either provide more output buffer space and call `rs_work()` again passing the same `next_in` and `avail_in`, or put the remaining input data into some persistent buffer and call `rs_work()` with it again when there is more output space.

**Parameters:**

***next\_in*** References a pointer which on entry should point to the start of the data to be encoded. Updated to point to the byte after the last one consumed.

***avail\_in*** References the length of available input. Updated to be the number of unused data bytes, which will be zero if all the input was consumed. May be zero if there is no new input, but the caller just wants to drain output.

***next\_out*** References a pointer which on entry points to the start of the output buffer. Updated to point to the byte after the last one filled.

***avail\_out*** References the size of available output buffer. Updated to the size of unused output buffer.

**Returns:**

The `rs_result` that caused iteration to stop.

**See also:**

[rs\\_buffers\\_t](#), [Buffers](#)

## 7.1.2 Field Documentation

### 7.1.2.1 `char * rs_buffers_s::next_in`

Next input byte.

### 7.1.2.2 `size_t rs_buffers_s::avail_in`

Number of bytes available at `next_in`.

### 7.1.2.3 `int rs_buffers_s::eof_in`

True if there is no more data after this.

### 7.1.2.4 `char * rs_buffers_s::next_out`

Next output byte should be put there.

### 7.1.2.5 `size_t rs_buffers_s::avail_out`

Remaining free space at `next_out`.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

- [rsync.h](#)

## 7.2 rs\_stats Struct Reference

Performance statistics from a librsync encoding or decoding operation.

```
#include <rsync.h>
```

### Data Fields

- [char const\\* op](#)  
*Human-readable name of current operation.*
- [int lit\\_cmds](#)  
*Number of literal commands.*
- [rs\\_long\\_t lit\\_bytes](#)  
*Number of literal bytes.*
- [rs\\_long\\_t lit\\_cmdbytes](#)  
*Number of bytes used in literal command headers.*
- [rs\\_long\\_t copy\\_cmds](#)
- [rs\\_long\\_t copy\\_bytes](#)
- [rs\\_long\\_t copy\\_cmdbytes](#)
- [rs\\_long\\_t sig\\_cmds](#)
- [rs\\_long\\_t sig\\_bytes](#)
- [int false\\_matches](#)
- [rs\\_long\\_t in\\_bytes](#)  
*Total bytes read from input.*
- [rs\\_long\\_t out\\_bytes](#)  
*Total bytes written to output.*

### 7.2.1 Detailed Description

Performance statistics from a librsync encoding or decoding operation.

See also:

[rs\\_format\\_stats\(\)](#), [rs\\_log\\_stats\(\)](#)

### 7.2.2 Field Documentation



#### 7.2.2.1 `char const * rs_stats::op`

Human-readable name of current operation.

For example, "delta".

#### 7.2.2.2 `int rs_stats::lit_cmds`

Number of literal commands.

#### 7.2.2.3 `rs_long_t rs_stats::lit_bytes`

Number of literal bytes.

#### 7.2.2.4 `rs_long_t rs_stats::lit_cmdbytes`

Number of bytes used in literal command headers.

#### 7.2.2.5 `rs_long_t rs_stats::in_bytes`

Total bytes read from input.

#### 7.2.2.6 `rs_long_t rs_stats::out_bytes`

Total bytes written to output.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

- [rsync.h](#)

## 7.3 `rs_target` Struct Reference

Description of the match described by a signature.

```
#include <sumset.h>
```

### Data Fields

- unsigned short `t`
- int `i`

#### 7.3.1 Detailed Description

Description of the match described by a signature.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

- `sumset.h`

## 8 librsync File Documentation

### 8.1 rsync.h File Reference

Main public interface to librsync.

#### Data Structures

- struct `rs_stats`  
*Performance statistics from a librsync encoding or decoding operation.*
- struct `rs_mdfour`
- struct `rs_buffers_s`  
*Stream through which the calling application feeds data to and from the library.*

#### Defines

- #define `RS_MD4_LENGTH` 16
- #define `RS_DEFAULT_STRONG_LEN` 8  
*Default length of strong signatures, in bytes.*
- #define `RS_DEFAULT_BLOCK_LEN` 2048  
*Default block length, if not determined by any other factors.*

#### Typedefs

- typedef long `rs_long_t`  
*A long integer type that can handle the largest file offsets.*
- typedef void `rs_trace_fn_t` (int level, char const \*msg)  
*Callback to write out log messages.*
- typedef struct `rs_stats` `rs_stats_t`  
*Performance statistics from a librsync encoding or decoding operation.*
- typedef struct `rs_mdfour` `rs_mdfour_t`  
*MD4 message-digest accumulator.*
- typedef unsigned int `rs_weak_sum_t`
- typedef unsigned char `rs_strong_sum_t` [RS\_MD4\_LENGTH]
- typedef struct `rs_signature` `rs_signature_t`

- typedef struct `rs_buffers_s` `rs_buffers_t`  
*Stream through which the calling application feeds data to and from the library.*
- typedef struct `rs_job` `rs_job_t`  
*Job of work to be done.*
- typedef enum `rs_work_options` `rs_work_options`  
*Bitmask values that may be passed to the options parameter of `rs_work()`.*
- typedef `rs_result` `rs_driven_cb` (`rs_job_t` \*job, `rs_buffers_t` \*buf, void \*opaque)
- typedef `rs_result` `rs_copy_cb` (void \*opaque, off\_t pos, size\_t \*len, void \*\*buf)  
*Callback used to retrieve parts of the basis file.*

### Enumerations

- enum `rs_loglevel` { `RS_LOG_EMERG` = 0, `RS_LOG_ALERT` = 1, `RS_LOG_CRIT` = 2, `RS_LOG_ERR` = 3, `RS_LOG_WARNING` = 4, `RS_LOG_NOTICE` = 5, `RS_LOG_INFO` = 6, `RS_LOG_DEBUG` = 7 }  
*Log severity levels.*
- enum `rs_result` { `RS_DONE` = 0, `RS_BLOCKED` = 1, `RS_RUNNING` = 2, `RS_TEST_SKIPPED` = 77, `RS_IO_ERROR` = 100, `RS_SYNTAX_ERROR` = 101, `RS_MEM_ERROR` = 102, `RS_INPUT_ENDED` = 103, `RS_BAD_MAGIC` = 104, `RS_UNIMPLEMENTED` = 105, `RS_CORRUPT` = 106, `RS_INTERNAL_ERROR` = 107, `RS_PARAM_ERROR` = 108 }  
*Return codes from nonblocking rsync operations.*
- enum `rs_work_options` { `RS_END` = 0x01 }  
*Bitmask values that may be passed to the options parameter of `rs_work()`.*

### Functions

- void `rs_trace_set_level` (`rs_loglevel` level)  
*Set the least important message severity that will be output.*
- void `rs_trace_to` (`rs_trace_fn_t` \*)  
*Set trace callback.*
- void `rs_trace_stderr` (int level, char const \*msg)  
*Default trace callback that writes to stderr.*
- int `rs_supports_trace` (void)  
*Check whether the library was compiled with debugging trace support.*
- void `rs_hexify` (char \*to\_buf, void const \*from\_buf, int from\_len)  
*Convert FROM\_LEN bytes at FROM\_BUF into a hex representation in TO\_BUF, which must be twice as long plus one byte for the null terminator.*
- size\_t `rs_unbase64` (char \*s)

*Decode a base64 buffer in place.*

- void **rs\_base64** (unsigned char const \*buf, int n, char \*out)  
*Encode a buffer as base64.*
- char const\* **rs\_strerror** (rs\_result r)  
*Return an English description of a rs\_result value.*
- void **rs\_mdfour** (unsigned char \*out, void const \*in, int n)
- void **rs\_mdfour\_begin** (rs\_mdfour\_t \*md)
- void **rs\_mdfour\_update** (rs\_mdfour\_t \*md, void const \*, size\_t n)
- void **rs\_mdfour\_result** (rs\_mdfour\_t \*md, unsigned char \*out)
- char\* **rs\_format\_stats** (rs\_stats\_t const \*, char \*, size\_t)  
*Return a human-readable representation of statistics.*
- int **rs\_log\_stats** (rs\_stats\_t const \*stats)
- void **rs\_free\_sumset** (rs\_signature\_t \*)  
*Deep deallocation of checksums.*
- void **rs\_sumset\_dump** (rs\_signature\_t const \*)  
*Dump signatures to the log.*
- rs\_result **rs\_job\_iter** (rs\_job\_t \*, rs\_buffers\_t \*)  
*Run a rs\_job\_t state machine until it blocks (RS\_BLOCKED), returns an error, or completes (RS\_COMPLETE).*
- rs\_result **rs\_job\_drive** (rs\_job\_t \*job, rs\_buffers\_t \*buf, rs\_driven\_cb in\_cb, void \*in\_opaque, rs\_driven\_cb out\_cb, void \*out\_opaque)  
*Actively process a job, by making callbacks to fill and empty the buffers until the job is done.*
- rs\_result **rs\_job\_free** (rs\_job\_t \*)
- int **rs\_accum\_value** (rs\_job\_t \*, char \*sum, size\_t sum\_len)
- rs\_job\_t\* **rs\_sig\_begin** (size\_t new\_block\_len, size\_t strong\_sum\_len)  
*Set up a new encoding job.*
- rs\_job\_t\* **rs\_delta\_begin** (rs\_signature\_t \*)  
*Prepare to compute a streaming delta.*
- rs\_job\_t\* **rs\_loadsig\_begin** (rs\_signature\_t \*\*)  
*Read a signature from a file into an rs\_signature\_t structure in memory.*
- rs\_job\_t\* **rs\_patch\_begin** (rs\_copy\_cb \*, void \*copy\_arg)  
*Apply a delta to a basis to recreate the new file.*
- rs\_result **rs\_build\_hash\_table** (rs\_signature\_t \*sums)
- void **rs\_mdfour\_file** (FILE \*in\_file, char \*result)  
*Calculate the MD4 sum of a file.*
- rs\_result **rs\_sig\_file** (FILE \*old\_file, FILE \*sig\_file, size\_t, size\_t)  
*Generate the signature of a basis file, and write it out to another.*

- `rs_result rs_loadsig_file` (FILE \*sig\_file, rs\_signature\_t \*\*sumset)  
*Load signatures from a signature file into memory.*
- `rs_result rs_file_copy_cb` (void \*arg, off\_t pos, size\_t \*len, void \*\*buf)  
*Default copy implementation that retrieves a part of a stdio file.*
- `rs_result rs_delta_file` (rs\_signature\_t \*, FILE \*new\_file, FILE \*delta\_file, rs\_stats\_t \*)
- `rs_result rs_patch_file` (FILE \*basis\_file, FILE \*delta\_file, FILE \*new\_file, rs\_stats\_t \*)

### Variables

- char const `rs_librsync_version` [] = (PACKAGE " " VERSION)  
*Library version string.*
- char const `rs_licence_string` []
- int `rs_inbufen`  
*Buffer sizes for file IO.*
- int `rs_outbufen`  
*Buffer sizes for file IO.*

### 8.1.1 Detailed Description

Main public interface to librsync.

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#### Version:

librsync-0.9.1

#### Id:

rsync.h,v 1.10 2001/03/18 02:00:08 mbp Exp

See [Introduction](#) for an introduction to use of this library.

### 8.1.2 Define Documentation

#### 8.1.2.1 #define RS\_DEFAULT\_STRONG\_LEN 8

Default length of strong signatures, in bytes.

The MD4 checksum is truncated to this size.

#### 8.1.2.2 #define RS\_DEFAULT\_BLOCK\_LEN 2048

Default block length, if not determined by any other factors.

### 8.1.3 Typedef Documentation

#### 8.1.3.1 typedef long rs\_long\_t

A long integer type that can handle the largest file offsets.

Perhaps this might have to be configured to be 'long long', 'long', or something else depending on the platform.

#### 8.1.3.2 typedef void rs\_trace\_fn\_t

Callback to write out log messages.

**Parameters:**

*level* a syslog level.

*msg* message to be logged.

#### 8.1.3.3 typedef struct rs\_stats rs\_stats\_t

Performance statistics from a librsync encoding or decoding operation.

**See also:**

[rs\\_format\\_stats\(\)](#), [rs\\_log\\_stats\(\)](#)

#### 8.1.3.4 struct rs\_md4 rs\_md4\_t

MD4 message-digest accumulator.

**See also:**

[rs\\_md4\(\)](#), [rs\\_md4\\_begin\(\)](#), [rs\\_md4\\_update\(\)](#), [rs\\_md4\\_result\(\)](#)

#### 8.1.3.5 typedef struct rs\_buffers\_s rs\_buffers\_t

Stream through which the calling application feeds data to and from the library.

**See also:**

struct [rs\\_buffers\\_s](#) , [Buffers](#)

#### 8.1.3.6 typedef struct rs\_job rs\_job\_t

Job of work to be done.

Created by functions such as [rs\\_sig\\_begin\(\)](#), and then iterated over by [rs\\_job\\_iter\(\)](#).

### 8.1.3.7 typedef enum rs\_work\_options rs\_work\_options

Bitmask values that may be passed to the options parameter of rs\_work().

### 8.1.3.8 typedef rs\_result rs\_copy\_cb

Callback used to retrieve parts of the basis file.

#### Parameters:

*pos* Position where copying should begin.

*len* On input, the amount of data that should be retrieved. Updated to show how much is actually available.

*buf* On input, a buffer of at least \*len bytes. May be updated to point to a buffer allocated by the callback if it prefers.

## 8.1.4 Enumeration Type Documentation

### 8.1.4.1 enum rs\_loglevel

Log severity levels.

These are the same as syslog, at least in glibc.

#### See also:

[rs\\_trace\\_set\\_level\(\)](#)

#### Enumeration values:

**RS\_LOG\_EMERG** System is unusable.

**RS\_LOG\_ALERT** Action must be taken immediately.

**RS\_LOG\_CRIT** Critical conditions.

**RS\_LOG\_ERR** Error conditions.

**RS\_LOG\_WARNING** Warning conditions.

**RS\_LOG\_NOTICE** Normal but significant condition.

**RS\_LOG\_INFO** Informational.

**RS\_LOG\_DEBUG** Debug-level messages.

### 8.1.4.2 enum rs\_result

Return codes from nonblocking rsync operations.

#### Enumeration values:

**RS\_DONE** Completed successfully.

**RS\_BLOCKED** Blocked waiting for more data.

***RS\_RUNNING*** Not yet finished or blocked.

This value should never be returned to the caller.

***RS\_TEST\_SKIPPED*** Test neither passed or failed.

***RS\_IO\_ERROR*** Error in file or network IO.

***RS\_SYNTAX\_ERROR*** Command line syntax error.

***RS\_MEM\_ERROR*** Out of memory.

***RS\_INPUT\_ENDED*** End of input file, possibly unexpected.

***RS\_BAD\_MAGIC*** Bad magic number at start of stream.

Probably not a librsync file, or possibly the wrong kind of file or from an incompatible library version.

***RS\_UNIMPLEMENTED*** Author is lazy.

***RS\_CORRUPT*** Unbelievable value in stream.

***RS\_INTERNAL\_ERROR*** Probably a library bug.

***RS\_PARAM\_ERROR*** Bad value passed in to library, probably an application bug.

#### 8.1.4.3 `enum rs_work_options`

Bitmask values that may be passed to the options parameter of `rs_work()`.

##### Enumeration values:

***RS\_END*** End of input file; please finish up.

#### 8.1.5 Function Documentation

##### 8.1.5.1 `void rs_trace_set_level(rs_loglevel level)`

Set the least important message severity that will be output.

##### 8.1.5.2 `void rs_trace_to(rs_trace_fn_t * new_impl)`

Set trace callback.

The callback scheme allows for use within applications that may have their own particular ways of reporting errors: log files for a web server, perhaps, and an error dialog for a browser.

##### Todo:

Do we really need such fine-grained control, or just yes/no tracing?

##### 8.1.5.3 `void rs_trace_stderr(int level, char const * msg)`

Default trace callback that writes to `stderr`.

Implements `rs_trace_fn_t`, and may be passed to `rs_trace_to()`.



**8.1.5.4 int rs\_supports\_trace (void)**

Check whether the library was compiled with debugging trace support.

If this returns false, then trying to turn trace on will achieve nothing.

**8.1.5.5 void rs\_hexify (char \* to\_buf, void const \* from\_buf, int from\_len)**

Convert FROM\_LEN bytes at FROM\_BUF into a hex representation in TO\_BUF, which must be twice as long plus one byte for the null terminator.

**8.1.5.6 size\_t rs\_unbase64 (char \* s)**

Decode a base64 buffer in place.

**Returns:**

the number of binary bytes.

**8.1.5.7 void rs\_base64 (unsigned char const \* buf, int n, char \* out)**

Encode a buffer as base64.

**8.1.5.8 char const\* rs\_strerror (rs\_result r)**

Return an English description of a [rs\\_result](#) value.

**8.1.5.9 char \* rs\_format\_stats (rs\_stats\_t const \* stats, char \* buf, size\_t size)**

Return a human-readable representation of statistics.

The string is truncated if it does not fit. 100 characters should be sufficient space.

**Parameters:**

- stats* Statistics from an encoding or decoding operation.
- buf* Buffer to receive result.
- size* Size of buffer.

**Returns:**

buf

**8.1.5.10 void rs\_free\_sumset (rs\_signature\_t \* psums)**

Deep deallocation of checksums.

**8.1.5.11** void rs\_sumset\_dump (rs\_signature\_t const \* *sums*)

Dump signatures to the log.

**8.1.5.12** rs\_result rs\_job\_iter (rs\_job\_t \* *job*, rs\_buffers\_t \* *buffers*)

Run a `rs_job_t` state machine until it blocks (`RS_BLOCKED`), returns an error, or completes (`RS_COMPLETE`).

**Returns:**

The `rs_result` that caused iteration to stop.

**Parameters:**

*ending* True if there is no more data after what's in the input buffer. The final block checksum will run across whatever's in there, without trying to accumulate anything else.

**8.1.5.13** rs\_result rs\_job\_drive (rs\_job\_t \* *job*, rs\_buffers\_t \* *buf*, rs\_driven\_cb *in\_cb*, void \* *in\_opaque*, rs\_driven\_cb *out\_cb*, void \* *out\_opaque*)

Actively process a job, by making callbacks to fill and empty the buffers until the job is done.

**8.1.5.14** rs\_job\_t\* rs\_sig\_begin (size\_t *new\_block\_len*, size\_t *strong\_sum\_len*)

Set up a new encoding job.

**See also:**

`rs_sig_file()`

**8.1.5.15** rs\_job\_t\* rs\_delta\_begin (rs\_signature\_t \* *sig*)

Prepare to compute a streaming delta.

**8.1.5.16** rs\_job\_t\* rs\_loadsig\_begin (rs\_signature\_t \*\* *signature*)

Read a signature from a file into an `rs_signature_t` structure in memory.

Once there, it can be used to generate a delta to a newer version of the file.

**Note:**

After loading the signatures, you must call `rs_build_hash_table()` before you can use them.

**8.1.5.17 rs\_job\_t\* rs\_patch\_begin (rs\_copy\_cb \* copy\_cb, void \* copy\_arg)**

Apply a [delta](#) to a [basis](#) to recreate the new file.

This gives you back a [rs\\_job\\_t](#) object, which can be cranked by calling [rs\\_job\\_iter\(\)](#) and updating the stream pointers. When finished, call [rs\\_job\\_finish\(\)](#) to dispose of it.

**Parameters:**

*stream* Contains pointers to input and output buffers, to be adjusted by caller on each iteration.

*copy\_cb* Callback used to retrieve content from the basis file.

*copy\_arg* Opaque environment pointer passed through to the callback.

**Todo:**

As output is produced, accumulate the MD4 checksum of the output. Then if we find a CHECKSUM command we can check it's contents against the output.

Implement COPY commands.

**See also:**

[rs\\_patch\\_file\(\)](#)

**8.1.5.18 void rs\_md4\_file (FILE \* in\_file, char \* result)**

Calculate the MD4 sum of a file.

**Parameters:**

*result* Binary (not hex) MD4 of the whole contents of the file.

**8.1.5.19 rs\_result rs\_sig\_file (FILE \* old\_file, FILE \* sig\_file, size\_t new\_block\_len, size\_t strong\_len)**

Generate the signature of a basis file, and write it out to another.

**Parameters:**

*new\_block\_len* block size for signature generation, in bytes

*strong\_len* truncated length of strong checksums, in bytes

**See also:**

[rs\\_sig\\_begin\(\)](#)

**8.1.5.20 rs\_result rs\_loadsig\_file (FILE \* sig\_file, rs\_signature\_t \*\* sumset)**

Load signatures from a signature file into memory.

Return a pointer to the newly allocated structure in SUMSET.

**See also:**

[rs\\_readsig\\_begin\(\)](#)

**8.1.5.21** `rs_result rs_file_copy_cb (void * arg, off_t pos, size_t * len, void ** buf)`

Default copy implementation that retrieves a part of a stdio file.

**8.1.6** Variable Documentation**8.1.6.1** `char const rs_librsync_version[] = (PACKAGE " " VERSION)`

Library version string.

**8.1.6.2** `int rs_inbufen`

Buffer sizes for file IO.

**8.1.6.3** `int rs_outbufen`

Buffer sizes for file IO.

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## 10 Glossary

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### 10.1 delta

A description of changes necessary to bring a [basis](#) file to the new state.

### 10.2 basis

The old version of a file, to which a delta is applied. The delta may use blocks from the basis file to reconstruct the new file.

## 11 rdiff network delta tool

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Foo.

## 12 Todo List

**global `rs_mdffour64(rs_mdffour_t *m, unsigned int *M)`** Recode to be fast, and to use system integer types. Perhaps if we can find an mdffour implementation already on the system (e.g. in OpenSSL) then we should use it instead of our own?

Apparently rsync 2.4 now has a fast MD4 routine. So we should copy that into here.

**global `rs_patch_begin(rs_copy_cb *copy_cb, void *copy_arg)`** As output is produced, accumulate the MD4 checksum of the output. Then if we find a CHECKSUM command we can check it's contents against the output.

Implement COPY commands.

**global `rs_trace_to(rs_trace_fn_t *)`** Do we really need such fine-grained control, or just yes/no tracing?

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