OpenSSL support for AEAD additional authenticated data and tags

I've added support to OpenSSL::Cipher to support AEAD modes of operation. AEAD modes allow for plaintext additional authentication data to be combined with a ciphertext to generate a "tag" (e.g., a MAC). This tag can then be verified during decryption to ensure the secret key, nonce (IV), additional authentication data, ciphertext, and tag have not been changed or manipulated.

Usage can be inferred through documentation and tests.

```ruby
cipher = OpenSSL::Cipher.new('aes-256-gcm')
cipher.encrypt
cipher.key = 'key'
cipher.iv = 'iv'
cipher.aad = 'aad'
ct = cipher.update('plain')
tag = cipher.gcm_tag

cipher.reset
cipher.decrypt
cipher.key = 'key'
cipher.iv = 'iv'
cipher.gcm_tag = 'tag'
cipher.aad = 'aad'
cipher.update(ct) + cipher.verify + cipher.final # => 'plain'

cipher.reset
cipher.decrypt
cipher.key = 'key'
cipher.iv = 'iv'
cipher.gcm_tag = 'tag'
cipher.aad = 'aad'
cipher.update(ct[0..-2] << ct[-1].succ) + cipher.verify + cipher.final # => OpenSSL::Cipher::CipherError
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Associated revisions

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History

#1 - 09/05/2012 04:14 AM - stouset (Stephen Touset)
- File openssl_aead_ciphers.patch added

Sorry, patch included unintentional whitespace changes. Reuploaded without whitespace changes.

#2 - 09/05/2012 05:46 AM - MartinBosslet (Martin Bosslet)
- Status changed from Open to Assigned
- Assignee set to MartinBosslet (Martin Bosslet)
- Target version changed from 1.9.3 to 2.0.0

#3 - 09/05/2012 07:39 AM - stouset (Stephen Touset)

=begin
I'm not necessarily happy with a GCM-specific (gcm_tag), and an (unimplemented but hypothetical) (ccm_tag) et al. But having a single (tag) method that probed for which mode it was currently in seemed too magical. I'm open to ideas.
=end

#4 - 10/25/2012 08:27 AM - stouset (Stephen Touset)
I take it given the recent feature freeze that this will not make it into 2.0?

#5 - 10/27/2012 07:35 AM - ko1 (Koichi Sasada)
Marin, how about this ticket?

#6 - 11/14/2012 11:07 AM - MartinBosslet (Martin Bosslet)
This would definitely be on my list for 2.0. Sorry for not having been more responsive. I talked with nahi at RubyConf about the tickets that are still open at the moment. I will ask if it is possible to extend the feature freeze for some of the items, there might be a chance. I, too, would like to see this make it into 2.0!

#7 - 11/24/2012 10:39 AM - mame (Yusuke Endoh)
- Priority changed from Normal to 5

Please commit it before preview2, i.e., in this month, and make sure that it causes no problem.

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Yusuke Endoh mame@tsg.ne.jp

#8 - 12/20/2012 03:03 PM - Anonymous
- Status changed from Assigned to Closed
- % Done changed from 0 to 100

This issue was solved with changeset r38488.
Stephen, thank you for reporting this issue.
Your contribution to Ruby is greatly appreciated.
May Ruby be with you.

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#9 - 12/20/2012 03:10 PM - MartinBosslet (Martin Bosslet)
Thanks again, Stephen! I changed the interface a bit to make it possible to support CCM mode as well once it will be available through the EVP interface. Instead of Cipher#gcm_tag, it is now called Cipher#auth_tag. Because of this change, I also made it Cipher#data=, to indicate that both belong together conceptually.

I also omitted the additional Cipher#verify method, since tag verification will be performed during the call to Cipher#final. I didn't want to introduce an additional method - this way the overall Cipher interface stays coherent.

Files

| openssl_aead_ciphers.patch | 13.2 KB | 09/05/2012 | stouset (Stephen Touset) |
| openssl_aead_ciphers.patch | 5.83 KB | 09/05/2012 | stouset (Stephen Touset) |