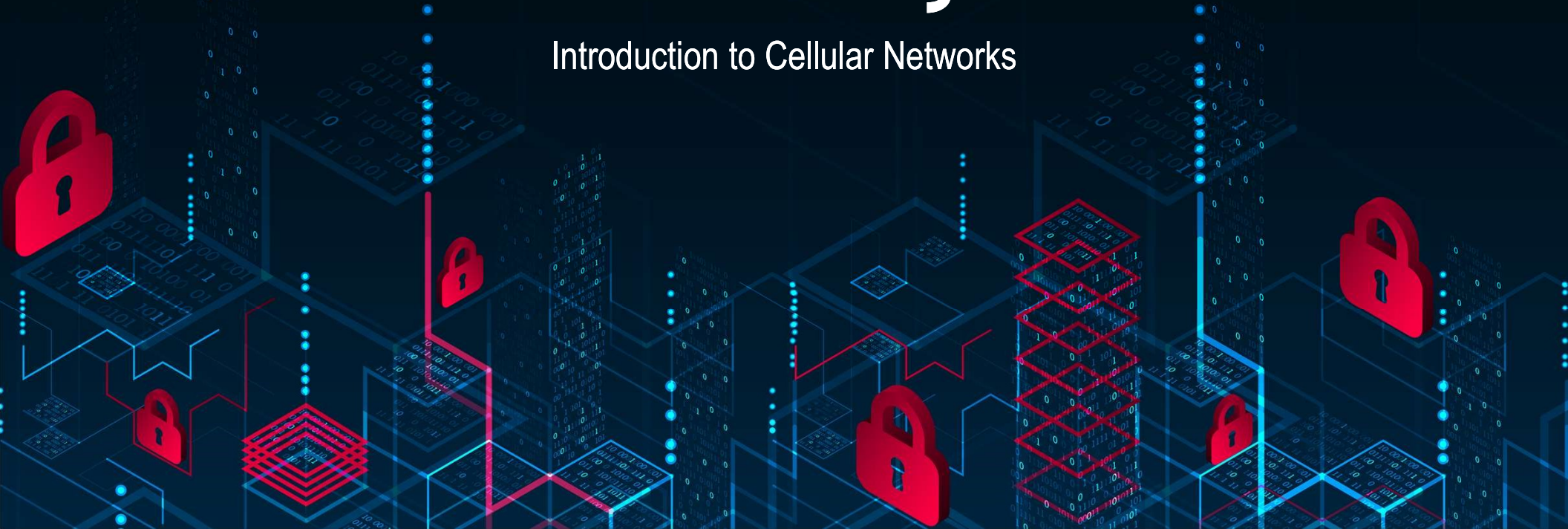


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BASICS OF INFORMATION SYSTEM SECURITY

Wireless, IoT, and Cloud Security

Introduction to Cellular Networks



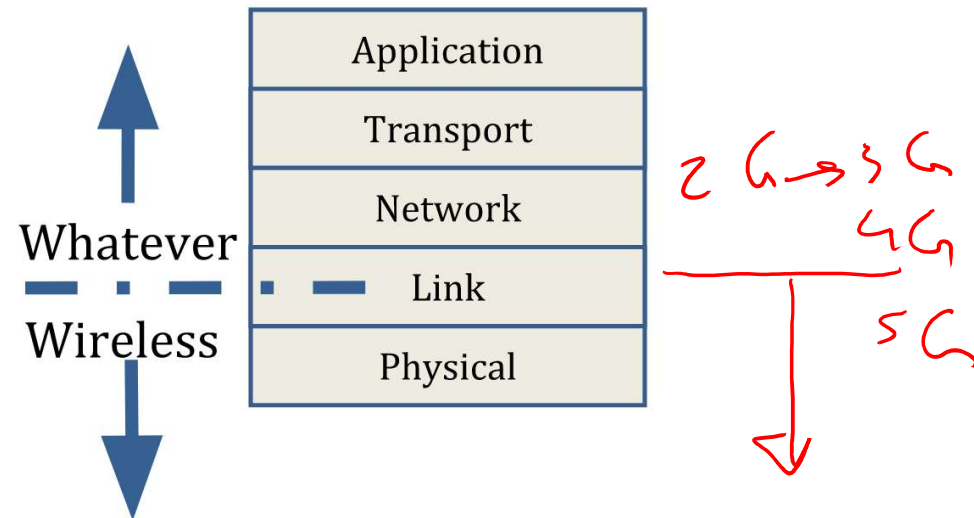
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Layering in Wireless Networks

- Below a certain point, things can be designed for wireless communication
- Above that point, the medium doesn't matter...
 - Or does it?
 - Or should it?



Universal Mobile Telecommunications Service (UMTS) 3G

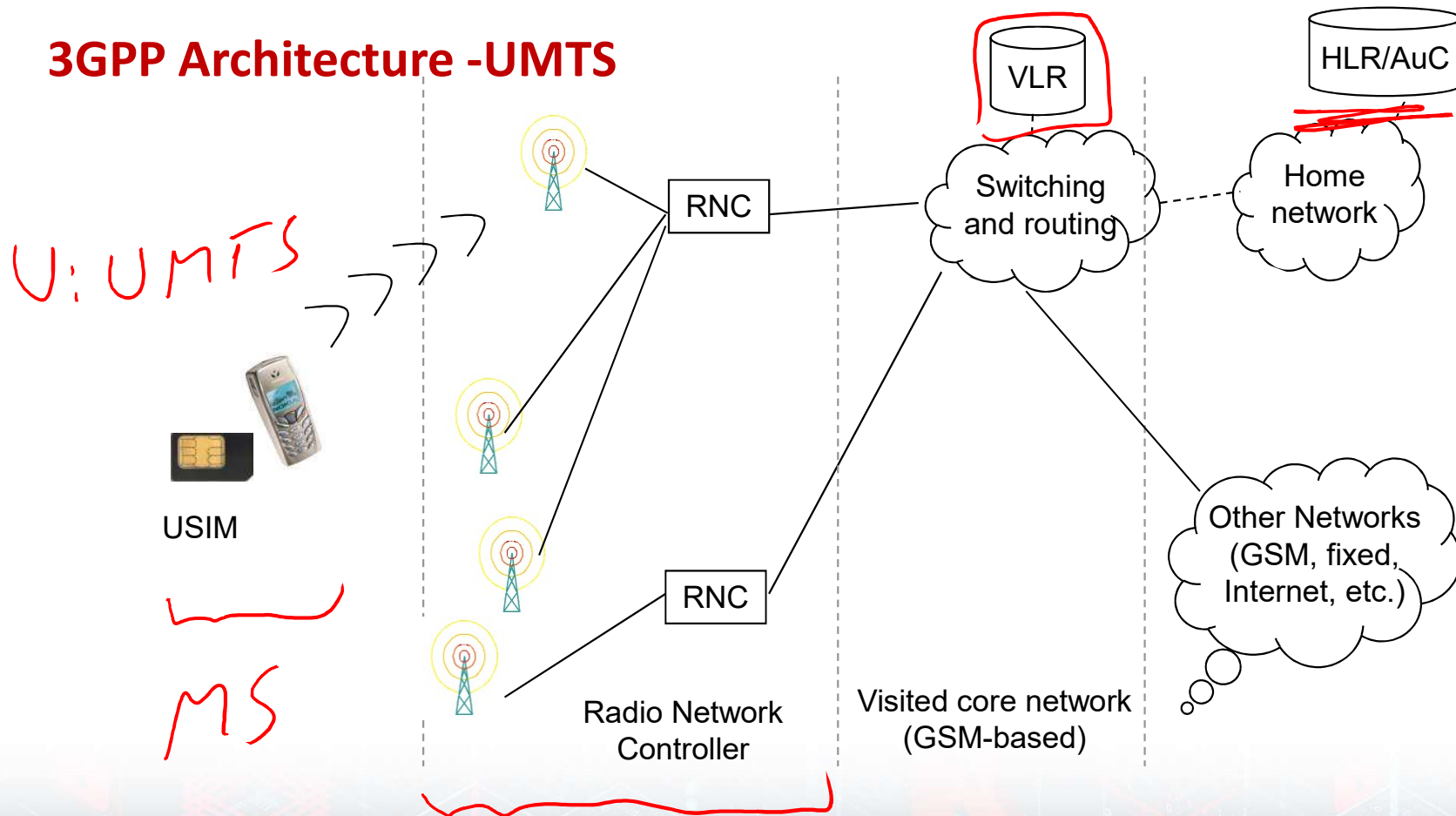
UMTS is a 3G broadband, packet-based transmission of text, digitized voice, video, and multimedia at data rates up to **2 megabits per second (Mbps)**.

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UMTS specifies a complete network system, which includes the radio access network (UMTS Terrestrial Radio Access Network, or UTRAN), the core network and the authentication of users via SIM cards.



3GPP Architecture -UMTS



3G Security Principles

- Reuse of 2G (GSM) Security principles:

- Removable hardware security module, SIM based Authentication

- In GSM: SIM card
- In 3GPP: USIM (User Services Identity Module)

- Radio interface encryption

- Protection of the identity of the end user (especially on the radio interface)



3GPP Security Principles (Cont.)

- Correction of the weaknesses of 2G:

- Possible attacks from a fake base station → Mutual Authentication
- Data integrity not provided → Integrity protection of signalling message
- Weak encryption (short key) → Use of stronger encryption
- Assurance that authentication information and keys are not being re-used → key freshness

Network Access Security

- **User identity confidentiality**
 - User identity confidentiality (GSM)
 - User location confidentiality
 - User intractability

- **Entity authentication**
 - User authentication (GSM)
 - Network authentication

- **Confidentiality**
 - Cipher Alg. agreement
 - Cipher key agreement
 - Confidentiality of user data

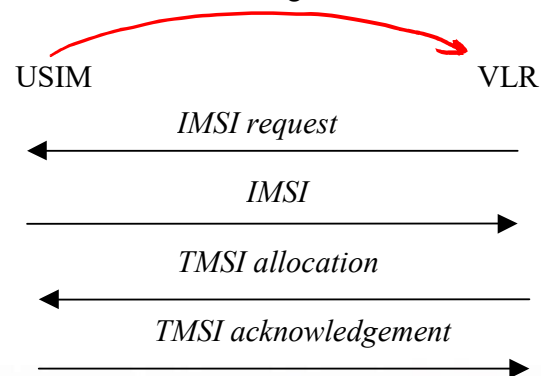
- **Data Integrity**
 - Integrity Alg. agreement
 - Integrity key agreement
 - Data integrity and origin authentication of signaling data

GSM
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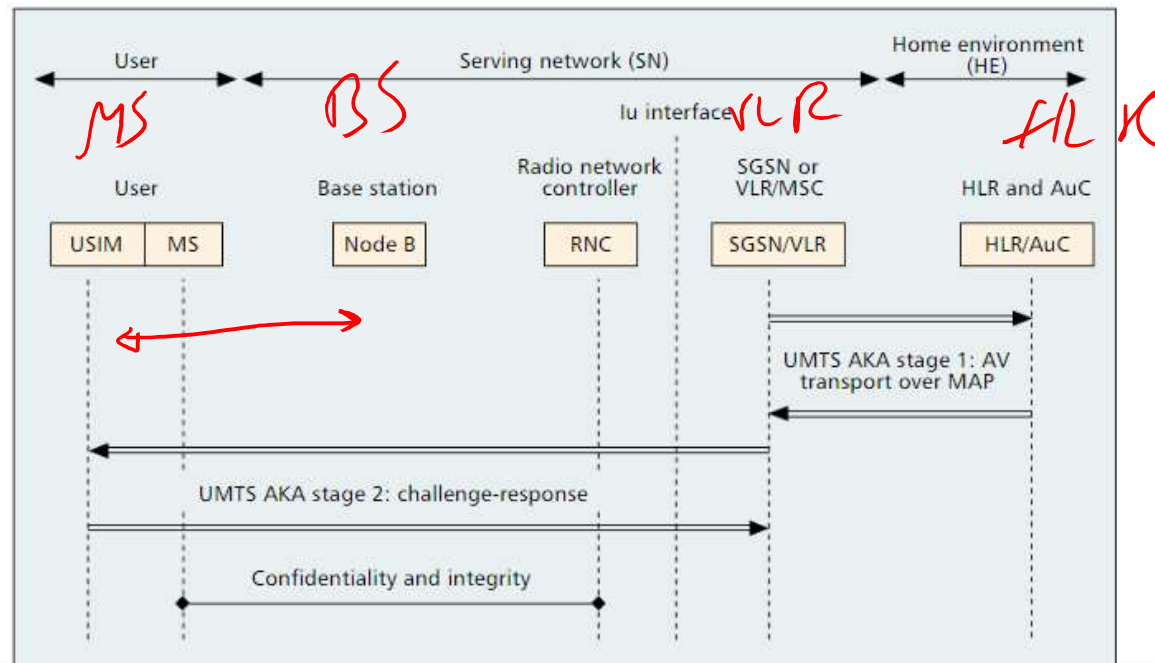


User Identity Confidentiality

- Permanent user identity IMSI, user location, and user services cannot be determined by eavesdropping
- Achieved by use of temporary identity (TMSI) which is assigned by VLR
- IMSI is sent in clear text when establishing TMSI



Basic Access Security Services



UMTS Security Abbreviations

```
Authentication Vector = AV
{
  RAND   :    128-bit;    --- Pseudo-random number, challenge data;
  XRES   :   32-128 bit;  --- Expected Response, answer to challenge;
  CK     :    128-bit;    --- Cipher Key;
  IK     :    128-bit;    --- Integrity Key;
  AUTN   :    128-bit;    --- Authentication Token, challenge data;
}

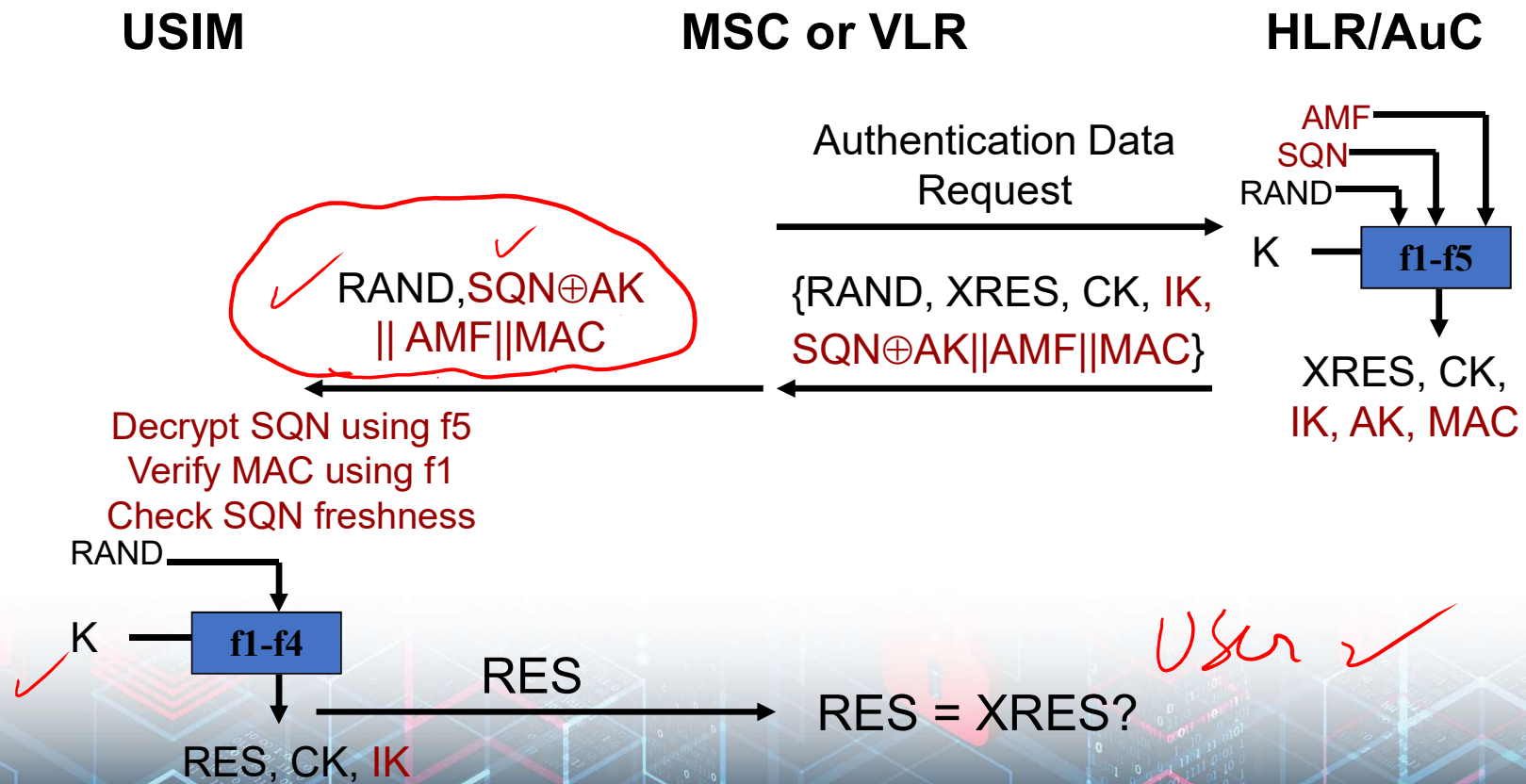
Authentication Token = AUTN
{
  SQN    :    48-bit;    --- Sequence Number;
  AMF    :    16-bit;    --- Authentication Management Field;
  MAC-A  :    64-bit;    --- MAC value used for Authentication;
}
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AK: Anonymity key

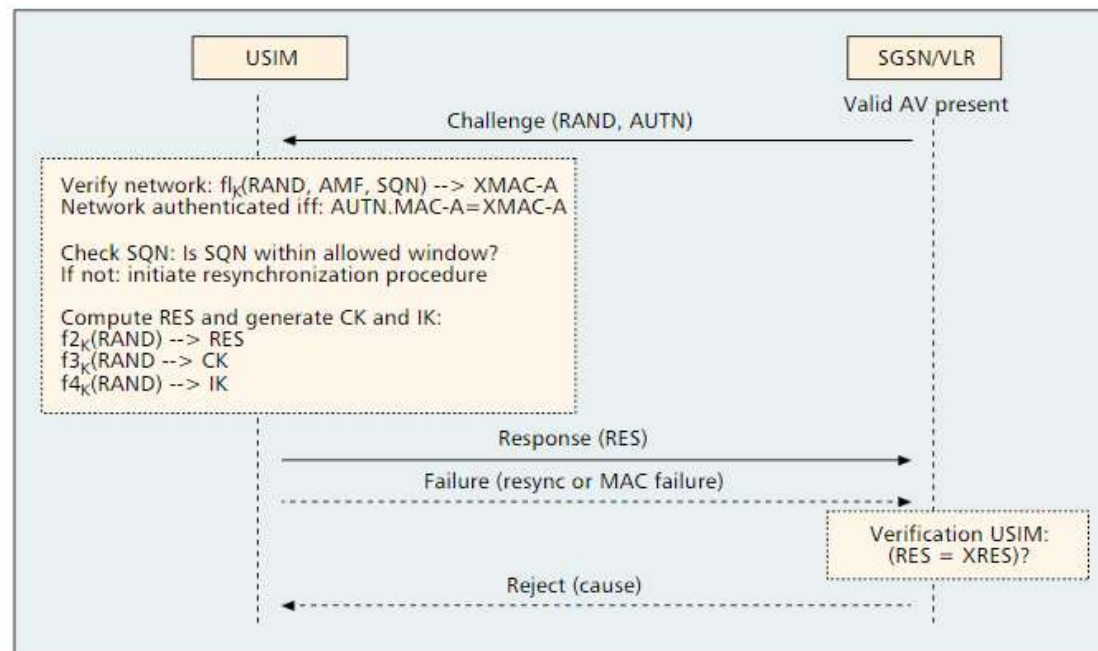
UMTS Security Algorithms

Algorithm	Purpose/usage	O: Operator-specific S: Fully standardized	Location
f0	Random challenge generating function	O	AuC
f1	Network authentication function	O – (MILENAGE)	USIM and AuC
f1*	Resynchronization message authentication function	O – (MILENAGE)	—
f2	User challenge-response authentication function	O – (MILENAGE)	—
f3	Cipher key derivation function	O – (MILENAGE)	—
f4	Integrity key derivation function	O – (MILENAGE)	—
f5	Anonymity key derivation function for normal operation	O – (MILENAGE)	—
f5*	Anonymity key derivation function for resynchronization	O – (MILENAGE)	—
f6	MAP encryption algorithm	S	MAP nodes
f7	MAP integrity algorithm	S	—
f8	UMTS encryption algorithm	S – (KASUMI)	MS and RNC
f9	UMTS integrity algorithm	S – (KASUMI)	—

UMTS Authentication



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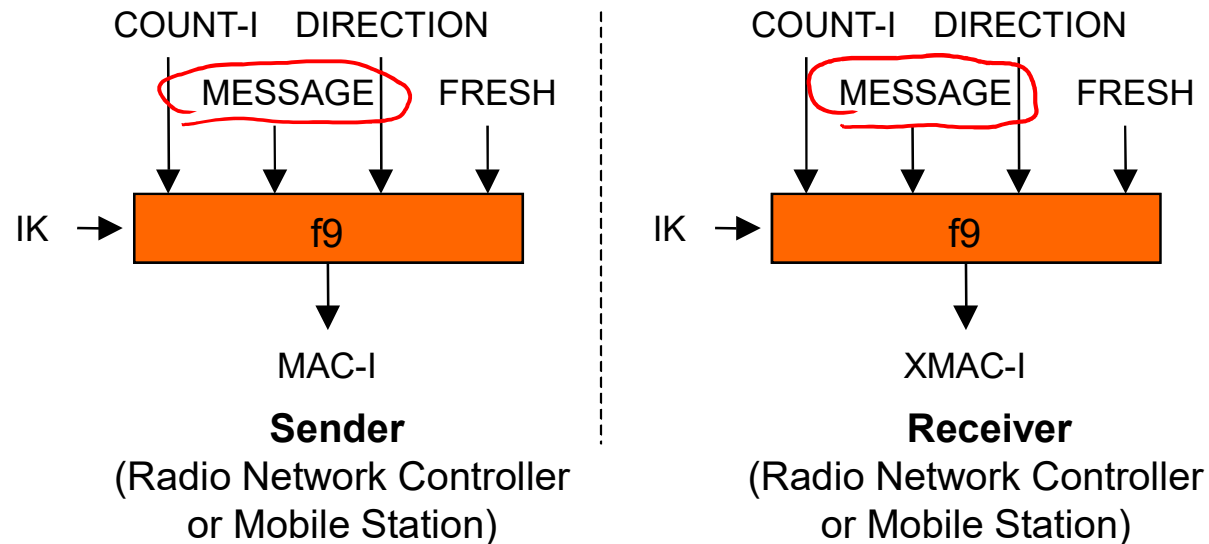


Mutual Authentication in 3G

- Subscriber can authenticate the network by the secret K using $f_1(K, SQN, AMF, RAND)$
- SQN is introduced to prevent replay attacks
- Cipher Key and Integrity Key are generated after the authentication (Key Agreement)



Data Integrity in 3GPP



FRESH: Connection Nonce
COUNT-I: Integrity Sequence Number

Fresh: One value per user throughout the duration of a single connection. It is to protect the network against replay of signaling messages by the user.

Problems with 3G Security

- IMSI is sent in clear text when allocating TMSI to the user
- Hijacking outgoing/incoming calls in networks with disabled encryption is possible. The intruder poses as a man-in-the-middle and drops the user once the call is set-up



Long Term Evolution 4G

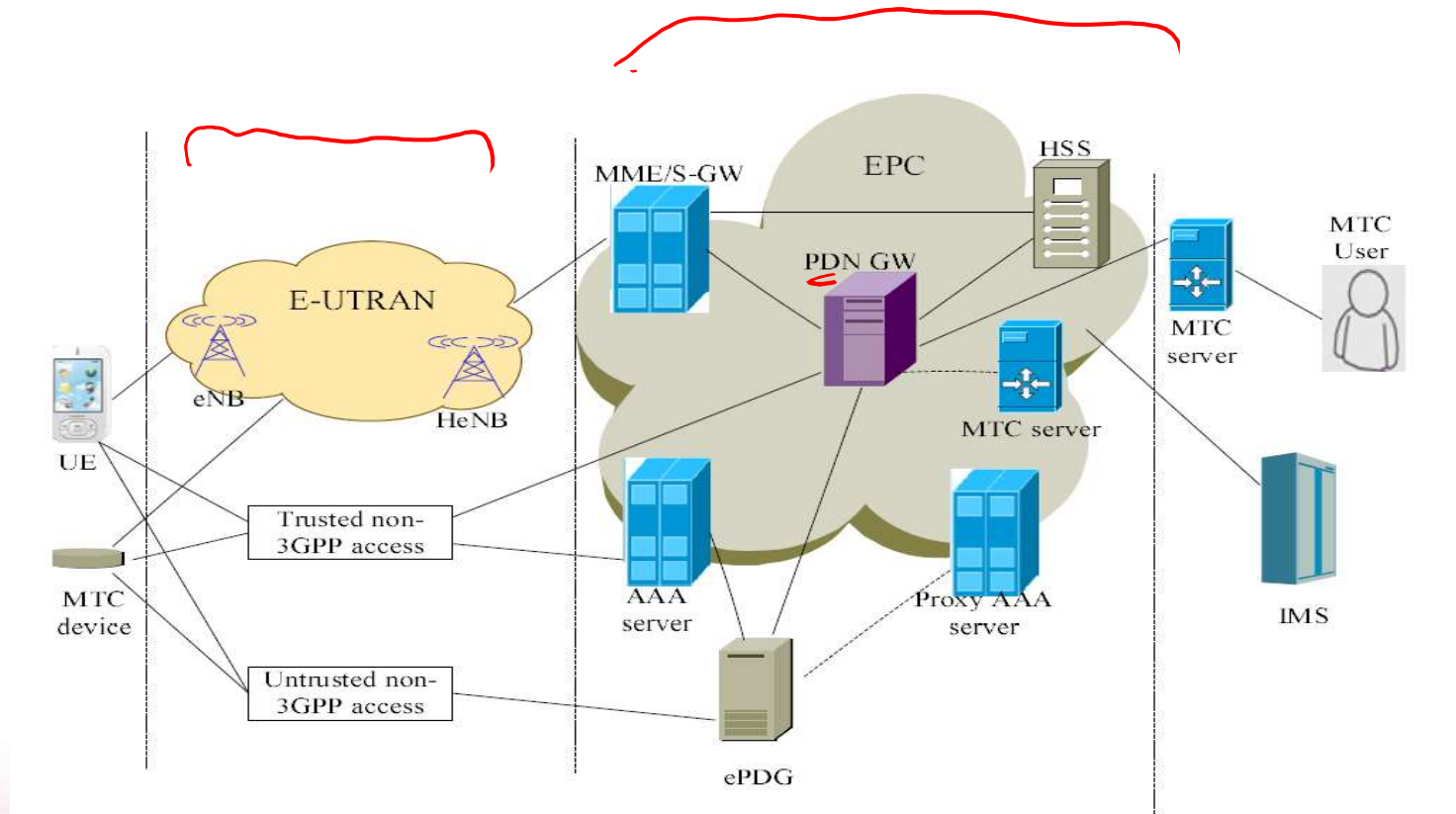
- Long Term Evolution (LTE)
- Long-Term Evolution (LTE) is an emerging radio access network technology standardized by 3GPP and it is evolving as an evolution of 3G.
- It aims to provide seamless IP connectivity between user equipment (UE) and the packet data network (PDN) without any disruption to the end users' applications during mobility.

The Core Network

- EPC is responsible for the overall control of the establishment of the bearers and the UE
- The main logical nodes in the EPC:
 - ✓ • **Home Subscriber Server (HSS)** holds
 - users subscription data,
 - information about the PDNs,
 - dynamic information the identity of the MME
 - **PDN Gateway (P-GW)** is responsible for
 - IP address allocation for the UE,
 - filtering of downlink user IP packets into the different QoS-based bearers,
 - QoS enforcement for guaranteed bit rate bearers

HLR

Long Term Evolution



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