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Introduce to 5GC



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## About me

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### What's Core Network?

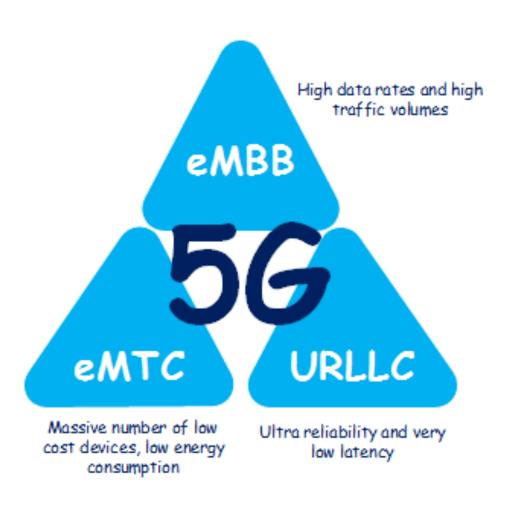
Core Network is powerful back-end software in 5GS.

- Subscriber's information management
- QoS (Quality of Service) management & enforcement
- User's mobility/session/connection management
- Responsible for user's packets delivery to/from DN (Data Network)

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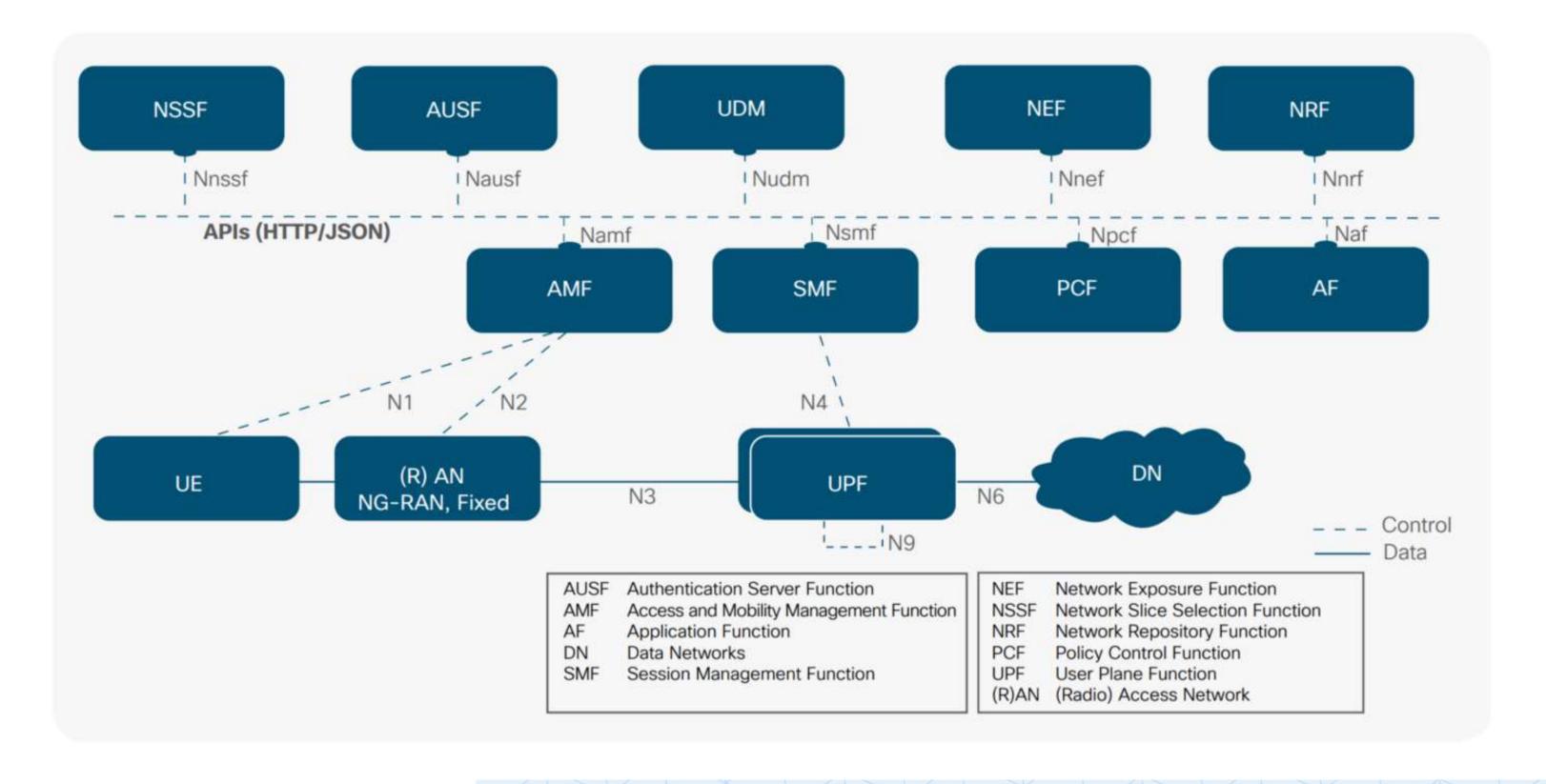
#### New concepts in 5GC

- Service Based Architecture
- Network Slicing
- Multi-access Edge Computing (MEC)
- Main targets
  - enhanced Mobile BroadBand (eMBB)
  - massive Machine-Type Communication (mMTC)
  - Ultra-Reliable and Low-Latency Communication (URLLC)



## What's Core Network?

Let's get a look into architecture of 5GS!



#### Access and Mobility Management Function (AMF)

- 4G-5G or 5G-5G Handover
- UE reachability
- SMF selection (based on TAC, Slice or DNN)
- Network Slicing (collaborate with NSSF)
- C-loT Optimization



#### Session Management Function (SMF)

- Session Management
- Maintain the channel between AN and UPF
- IP Allocation for UE
- Sends the QoS rules to UPF for QoS enforcement

#### User Plane Function (UPF)

- Packet buffering, forwarding
- IP allocation for UE
- QoS enforcement
- Usage report for charging function



#### Authentication Server Function (AUSF)

- Keys storage (used for ciphering & integrity protection)
- EAP authentication server for security procedures (with AMF)
  - Support both 3GPP & non-3GPP access.

#### Network Repository Function (NRF)

- Service discovery
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#### Network Slice Selection Function (NSSF)

- Select a proper slice set for serving UE
- Determine the allowed NSSAI & configured NSSAI
- Base on subscription data & location to select the AMF set for serving UE

#### Unified Data Management (UDM)

- Responsible for generate the 3GPP AKA auth credentials
- Storage and management of SUPI for each subscribers.
  - Be used to authentication procedure with AUSF
- Subscription management



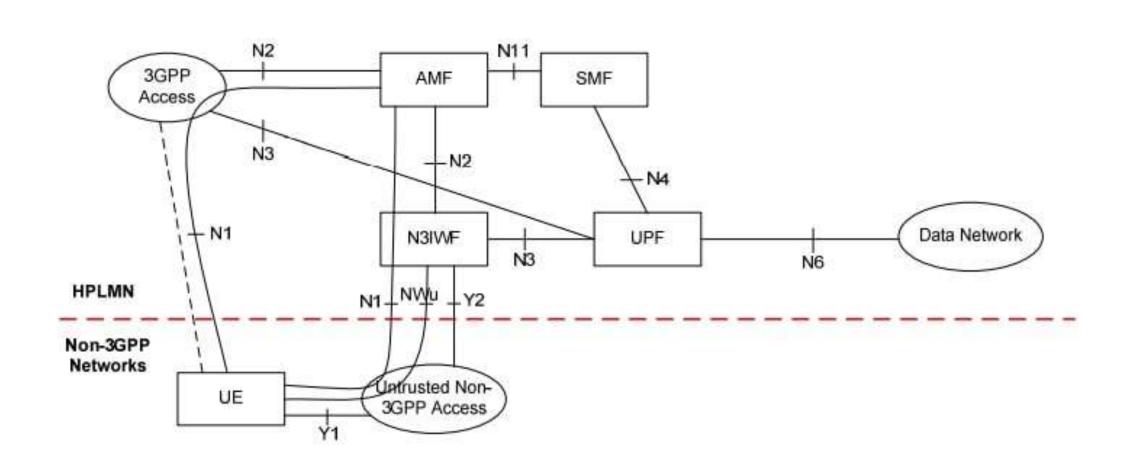
#### Unified Data Repository (UDR)

- Data Access Provider
  - Subscription data
  - Policy data
  - Structured data for exposure
  - Application data
- Consumed by:
  - UDM
  - PCF
  - NEF



#### Non-3GPP Interworking Function (N3IWF)

- Provides non-trusted 3gpp access, e.g. wifi
- NAS/NGAP message processing
- Encapsulation/decapsulation on N3 and IPsec packets.
- IPsec tunnel establishment

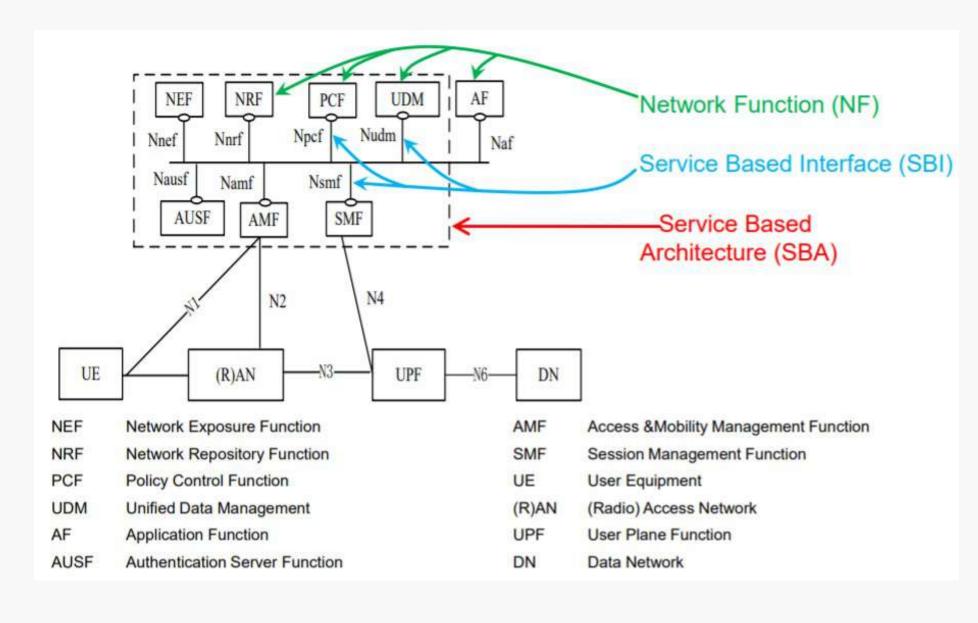


#### Policy Control Function (PCF)

- Supplies policy rules to control plane function
  - Access subscription info from UDR
  - AM policy control (Service Area, Restrictions...)
  - SM policy control (PCC rules, QoS policy, Charging policy...)

# SBA & Reference points

Lots of protocol used in 5GS...



. N1: NAS

. N2: NGAP (SCTP base)

. N3: GTP-U (UDP base)

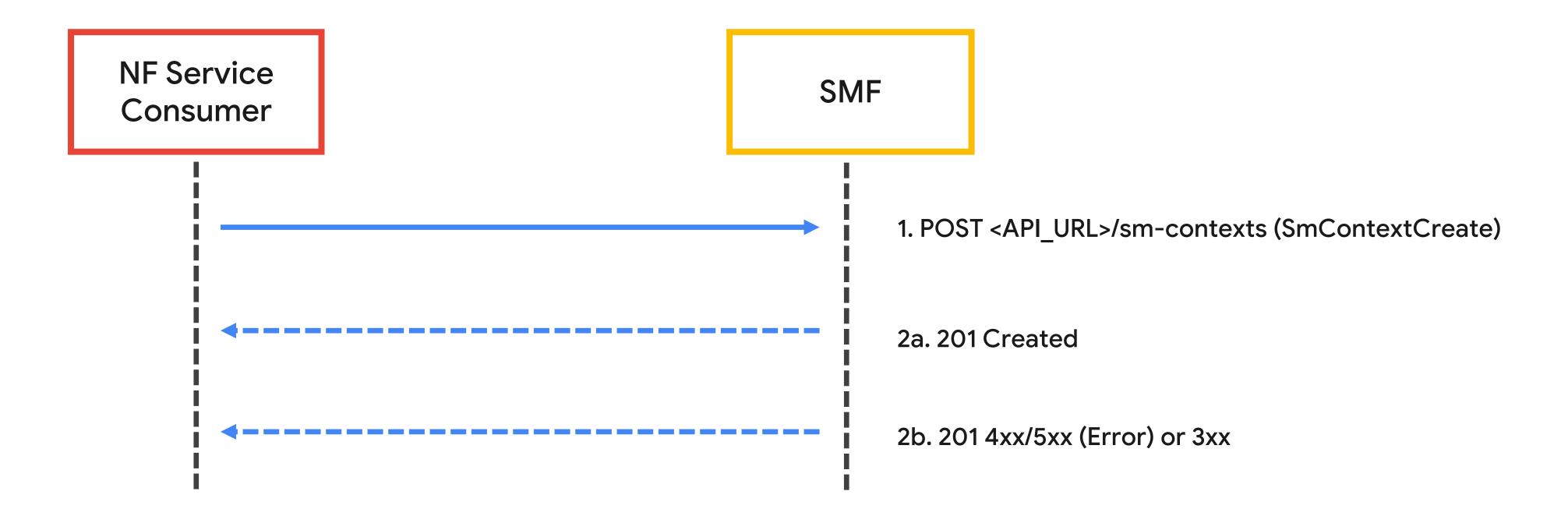
. N6 & N9: 5G UP encapsulation

. SBI: http2

Ref: https://github.com/ianchen0119/Introduce-to-5GC/wiki/Service-Based-Interface

## SBA & Reference points

Example of SBI service





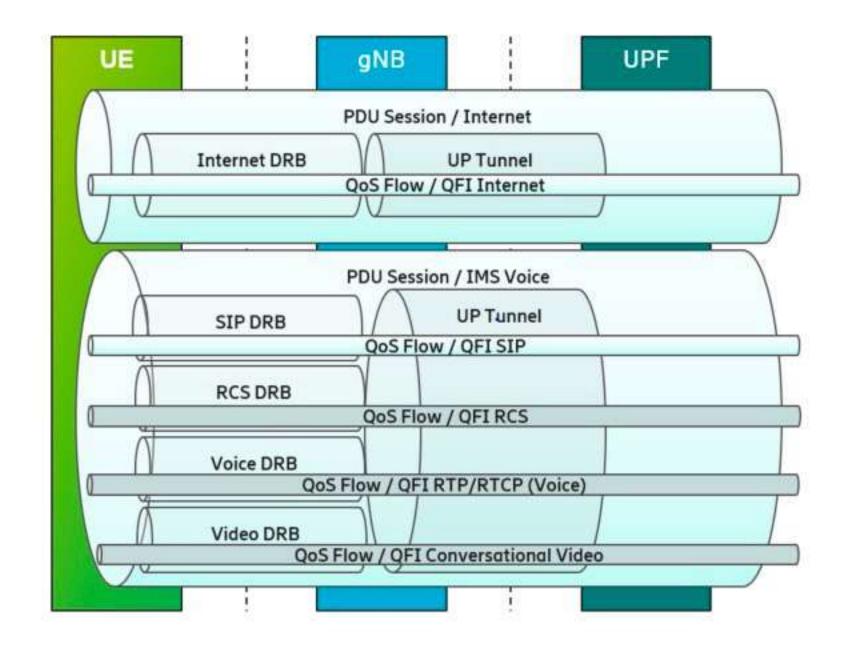
#### Registration

- Initial registration
- Periodic registration
- Mobility registration
- Emergency registration



#### Session Management

- PDU Session enables UE connect to Data Network.
- PDU Session Procedures:
  - Establishment
  - Modification
  - Release



#### Handover

- UE mobility & reachability
- QoS assurance
- Example: Inter Xn handover
  - Also has n2 handover...

..... XnAP: XnSetupRequest 0. XnAP: XnSetupResponse UE is Registered and RRC Active with DL and UL Data Session Handover Decision 2. XnAP: HandoverRequest Handover Admission 3. XnAP: HandoverRequestAcknowledge 4. RRCReconfiguration (HO Command 5. XnAP: SNStatusTransfer Deliver buffered data Downlink Data Forwarding Buffered User Data from Source 6. RACH on Target 7. RRCReconfigurationComplete 8. NGAP: PathSwitchRequest Uplink Data End Marker **4**..... 9. NGAP: PathSwitchRequestAcknowledge Downlink Data 10. XnAP: UEContextRelease Downlink/Uplink Data Downlink/Uplink Data

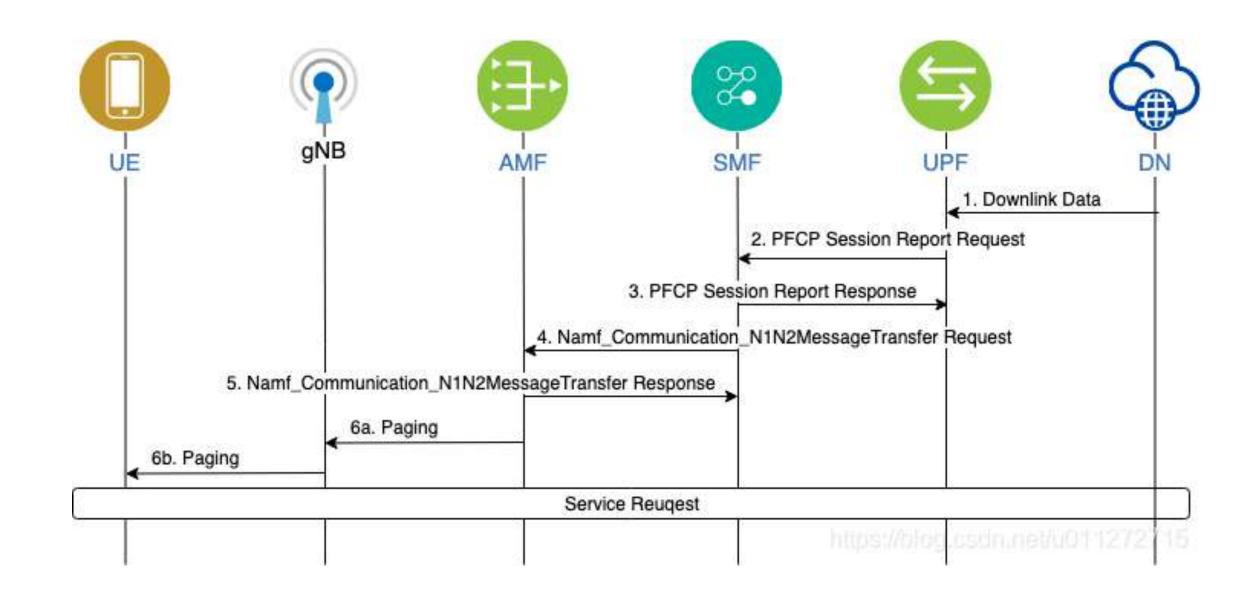
RACH: UE to aquire Uplink Synchronization and obtain specified ID for the radio access communication.



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#### Paging

When UE is in CM-Idle, but 5GC has buffered data need to send to UE. 5GC will initiates paging request in order to trigger Service Request.



## free5GC Introduction

an open-source project for 5g mobile core networks

Can be installed in:

- . Virtual Machine
- . PC
- . Docker container (free5gc-compose)
- . Kubernetes (towards5GS-helm)



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### How to contribute?

#### Maybe you're interested in 5GC after this talk...

- All the Network Functions in free5GC were written in Golang
- UPF (User Plane part) is a Linux kernel module (gtp5g)
- free5gc-compose is developed by using docker & docker-compose
- Any technical issue & pull request is welcome!!
- Last but not least...
  - o Pls don't forgot to give a star to my project: Introduce to 5GC

#### Introduce to 5GC

Online resource:

Introduce to 5G Core Network written in Traditional Chinese.

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# Thanks for your listening...

#### Any further questions?

By the way, if you're...

- Also Interested in IT 邦幫忙鐵人賽, please contact me later.
- Want be have a connection with me, this is my LinkedIn profile:

