

# Encryptions in Different Network Layers

- Application Layer
  - Secure Email
- Transport Layer
  - TLS
- Network Layer
  - IP SEC
- Physical Layer
  - IEEE 802.11 WiFi Security
  - 4G/5G Security

**Why do we need security in different layers?**

# Mutual Authentication and Shared Symmetric Key Derivation: Brief History

1. Wired Equivalent Privacy (**WEP**): Designed in 1999, but attacked and hacked in 2001
2. WiFi Protected Access (**WPA1**): **Developed in 2003**, introducing message integrity checks and avoid attacks that allowed a user to infer encryption keys after observing the stream of encrypted messages for a period of time
3. **WPA2 (2004)**: Mandated the use of AES
4. **WPA3 (2018)**: Solve an attack to WPA2 when we reuse a nonce.

# WEP design goals

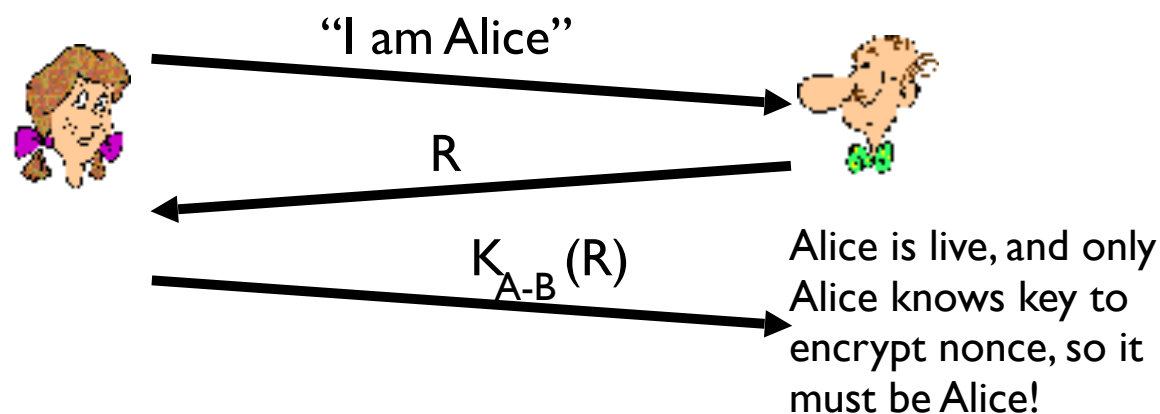


- **Symmetric key crypto**
  - confidentiality
  - end host authorization
  - data integrity
- **Self-synchronizing: each packet separately encrypted**
  - given encrypted packet and key, can decrypt; can continue to decrypt packets when preceding packet was lost (unlike Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) in block ciphers)
- **Efficient**
  - implementable in hardware or software

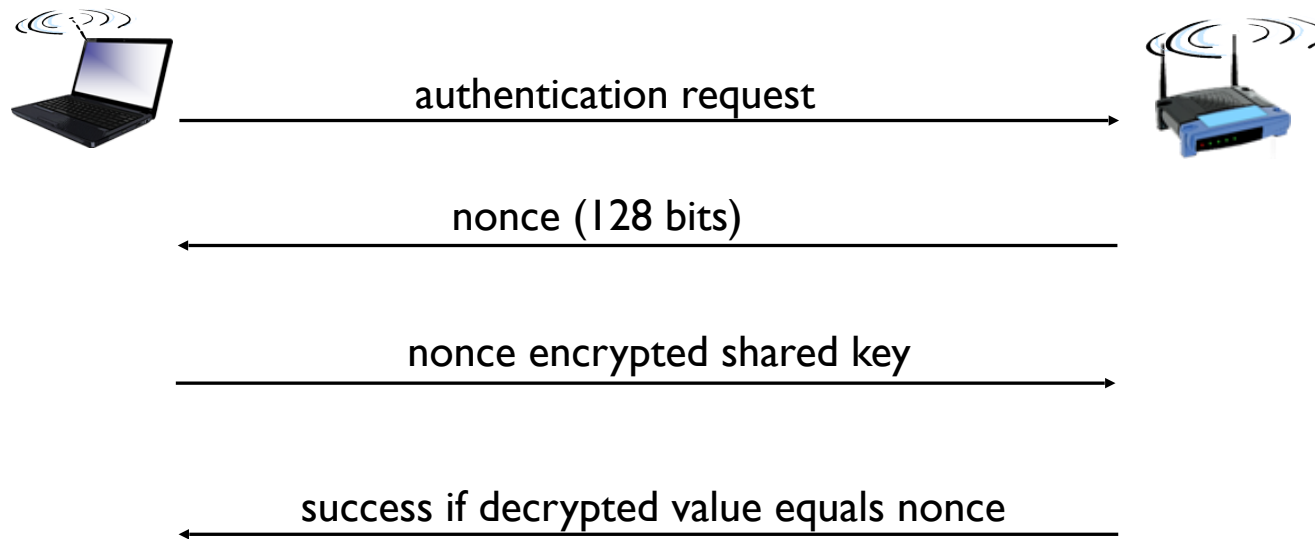
# End-point authentication w/ nonce

*Nonce*: number (R) used only *once* –*in-a-lifetime*

*How to prove Alice “live”*: Bob sends Alice *nonce*, R. Alice must return R, encrypted with shared secret key



# WEP authentication



## Notes:

- ❖ not all APs do it, even if WEP is being used
- ❖ AP indicates if authentication is necessary in beacon frame
- ❖ done before association

# WEP – Access Control

- Before association, the STA needs to authenticate itself to the AP
- Authentication is based on a simple challenge-response protocol:
  - ◇ STA → AP: authenticate request
  - ◇ AP → STA: authenticate challenge ( $r$ ) //  $r$  is 128 bits long
  - ◇ STA → AP: authenticate response ( $e_K(r)$ )
  - ◇ AP → STA: authenticate success/failure
- Once authenticated, the STA can send an association request, and the AP will respond with an association response
- If authentication fails, no association is possible

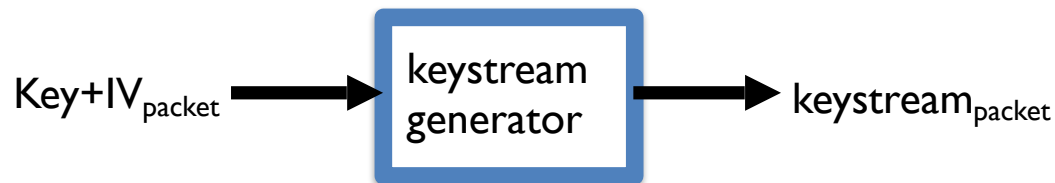
# Review: Symmetric Stream Ciphers



- *combine each byte of keystream with byte of plaintext to get ciphertext:*
  - $m(i)$  =  $i^{\text{th}}$  unit of message
  - $ks(i)$  =  $i^{\text{th}}$  unit of keystream
  - $c(i)$  =  $i^{\text{th}}$  unit of ciphertext
  - $c(i) = ks(i) \oplus m(i)$  ( $\oplus$  = exclusive or)
  - $m(i) = ks(i) \oplus c(i)$
- **WEP uses RC4**

# Stream cipher and packet independence

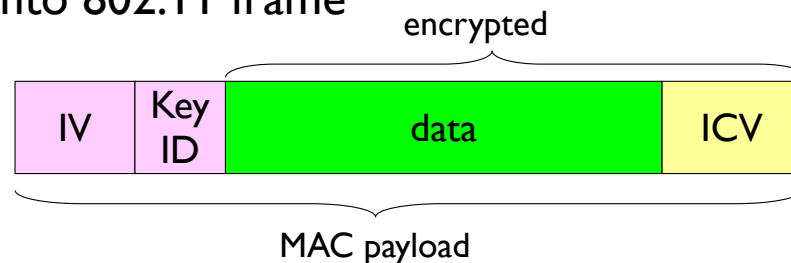
- Recall design goal: each packet separately encrypted
- If for frame  $n+1$ , use keystream from where we left off for frame  $n$ , then each frame is not separately encrypted – need to know where we left off for packet  $n$
- **WEP approach:** initialize keystream with key + new IV for each packet:



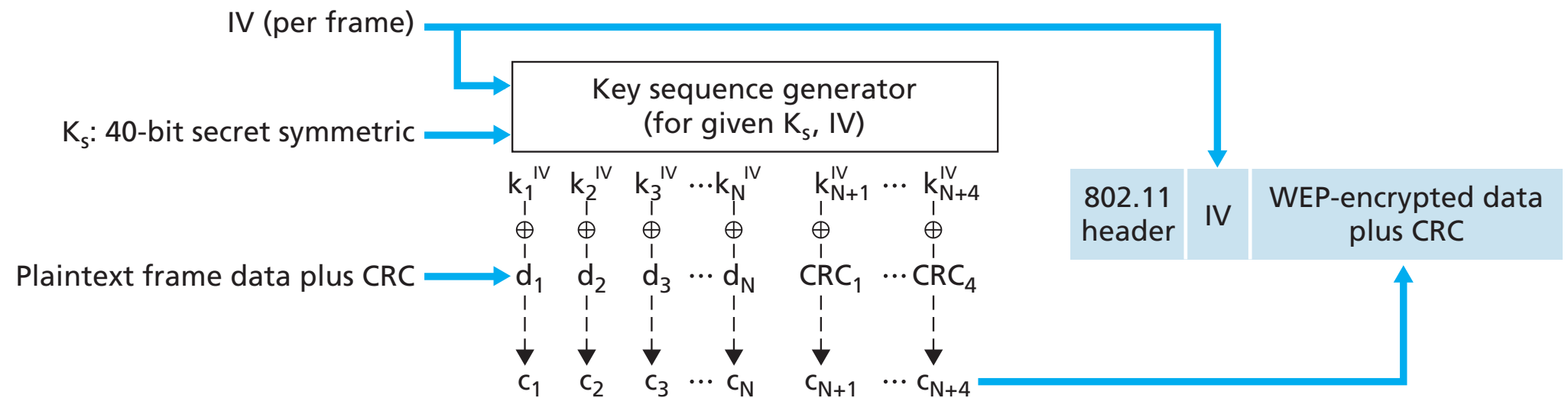


# WEP Encryption (I)

- Sender calculates Integrity Check Value (ICV) over data
  - Four-byte hash/CRC for data integrity
- Each side has 40-bit shared key
- Sender creates 24-bit initialization vector (IV), appends to key: gives 64-bit key
- Sender also appends keyID (in 8-bit field)
- 64-bit key inputted into pseudo random number generator to get keystream
- Data in frame + ICV is encrypted with RC4:
  - Bytes of keystream are XORed with bytes of data & ICV
  - IV & keyID are appended to encrypted data to create payload
  - payload inserted into 802.11 frame

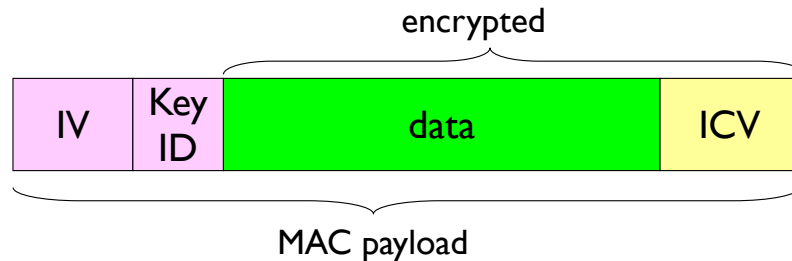


# WEP Encryption (2)



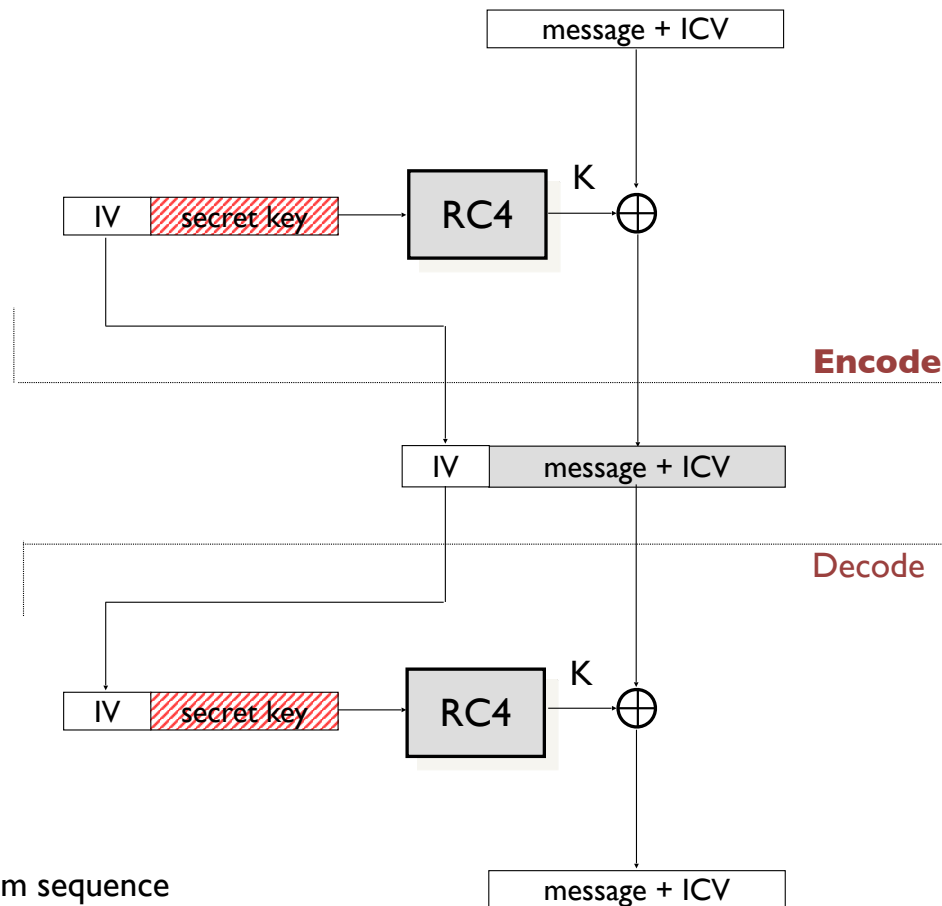
*Note: New IV for each frame*

# WEP decryption overview



- Receiver extracts IV
- Inputs IV, shared secret key into pseudo random generator, gets keystream
- XORs keystream with encrypted data to decrypt data + ICV
- Verifies integrity of data with ICV
  - **Note:** message integrity approach used here is different from MAC (message authentication code) and signatures (using PKI).

# WEP – Message Confidentiality and Integrity



# Breaking 802.11 WEP encryption

## *security hole:*

- 24-bit IV, one IV per frame,  $\rightarrow$  IV's eventually reused
- IV transmitted in plaintext  $\rightarrow$  IV reuse detected

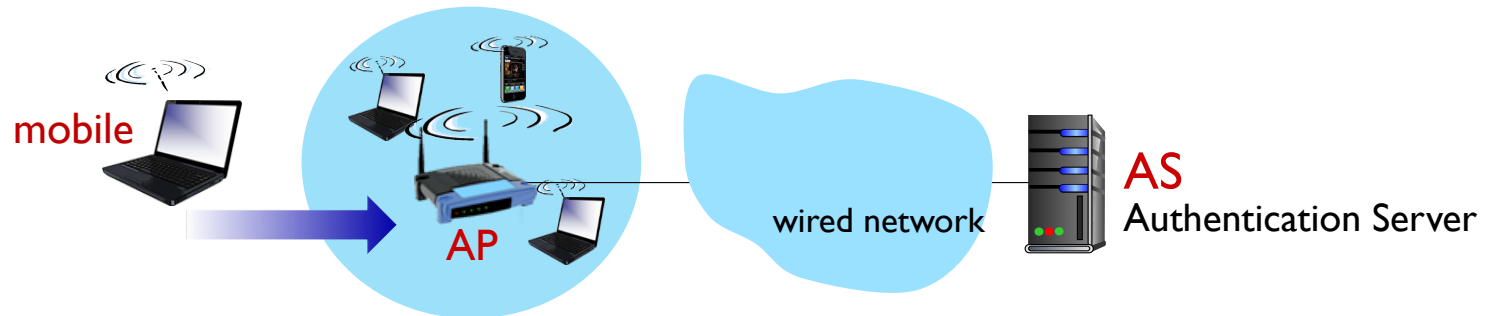
## *attack:*

- Trudy causes Alice to encrypt known plaintext  $d_1 d_2 d_3 d_4 \dots$
- Trudy sees:  $c_i = d_i \text{ XOR } k_i^{\text{IV}}$
- Trudy knows  $c_i$  and  $d_i$ , so can compute  $k_i^{\text{IV}}$
- Trudy knows encrypting key sequence  $k_1^{\text{IV}} k_2^{\text{IV}} k_3^{\text{IV}} \dots$
- Next time IV is used, Trudy can decrypt!

## 802.11i: Improved Security

- Numerous (stronger) forms of encryption possible
- Provides key distribution
- Uses authentication server separate from access point

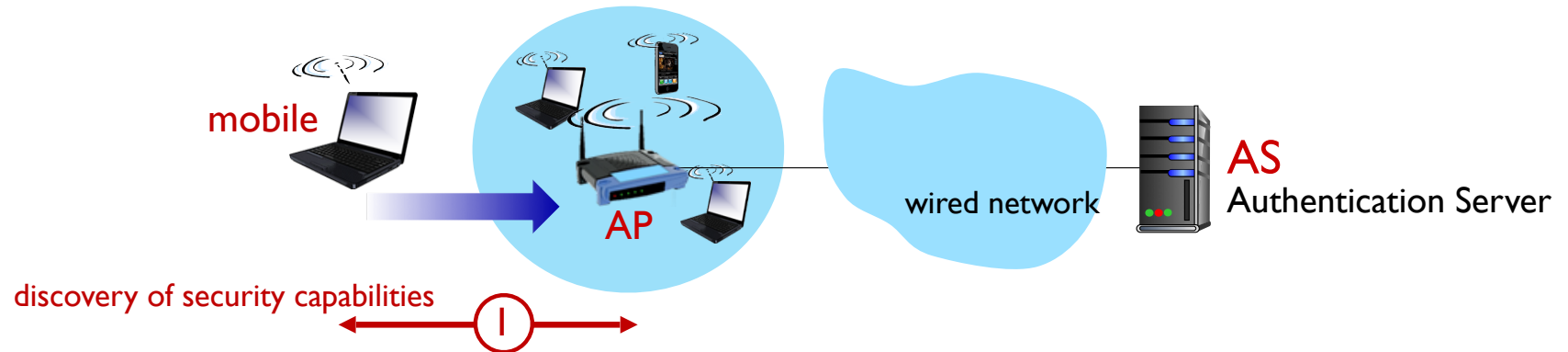
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Arriving mobile must:

- associate with access point: (establish) communication over wireless link
- authenticate to network

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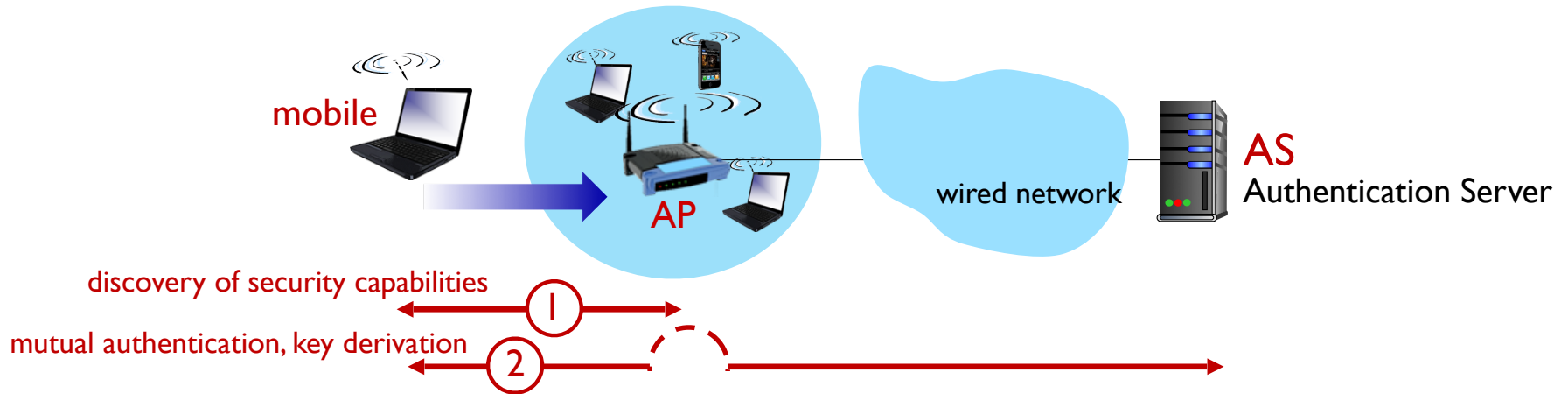
## ① discovery of security capabilities:

- AP advertises its presence, forms of authentication and encryption provided
- device requests specific forms authentication, encryption desired

although device, AP already exchanging messages, device not yet authenticated, does not have encryption keys

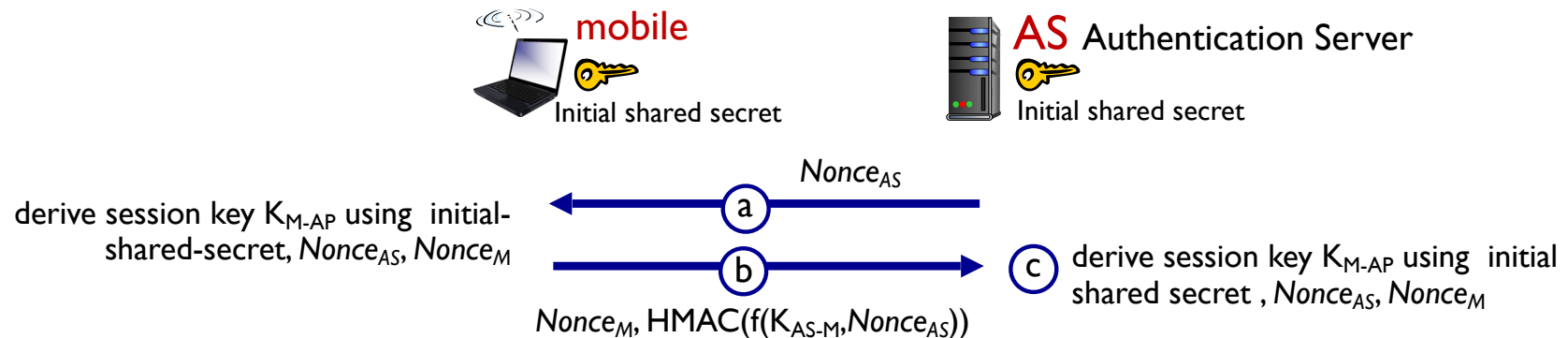


# 802.11: Authentication, Encryption



- ② mutual authentication and shared symmetric key derivation:
- [AS, mobile] already have shared common secret (e.g., password)
  - [AS, mobile] use shared secret, nonces (prevent relay attacks), cryptographic hashing (ensure message integrity) to authenticating each other
  - [AS, mobile] derive symmetric session key

# 802.11:WPA3 handshake



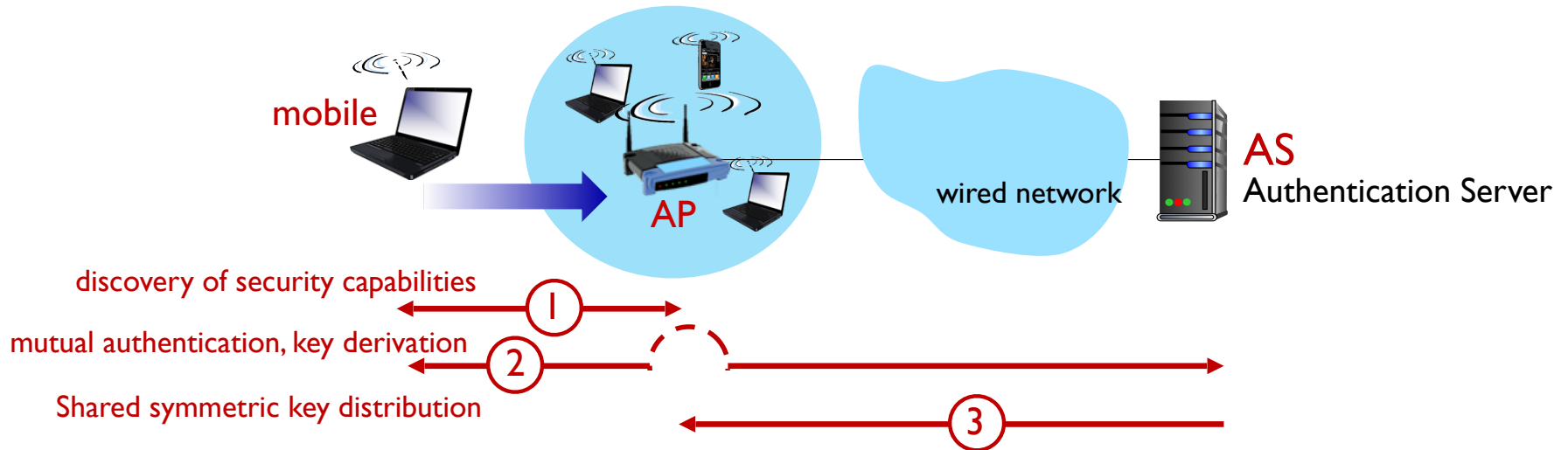
(a) AS generates  $Nonce_{AS}$ , sends to mobile

(b) mobile receives  $Nonce_{AS}$

- generates  $Nonce_M$
- generates symmetric shared session key  $K_{M-AP}$  using  $Nonce_{AS}$ ,  $Nonce_M$ , MAC addresses of mobile and AS, and initial shared secret
- sends  $Nonce_M$ , and HMAC-signed value using  $Nonce_{AS}$  and initial shared secret

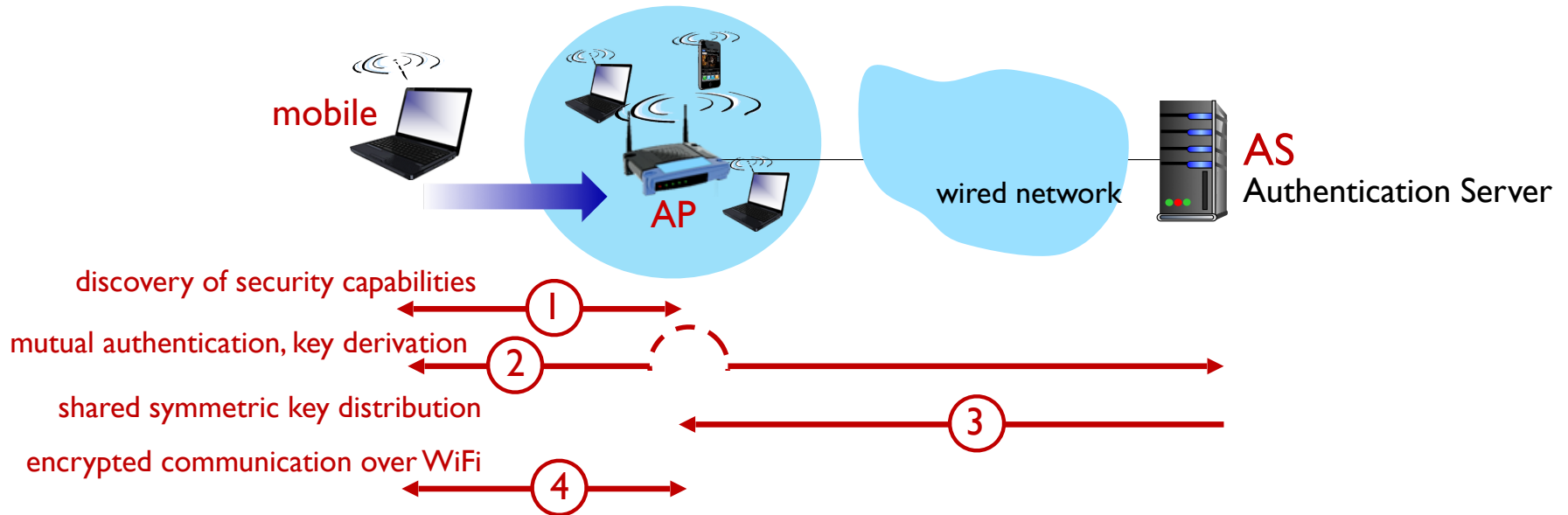
(c) AS derives symmetric shared session key  $K_{M-AP}$

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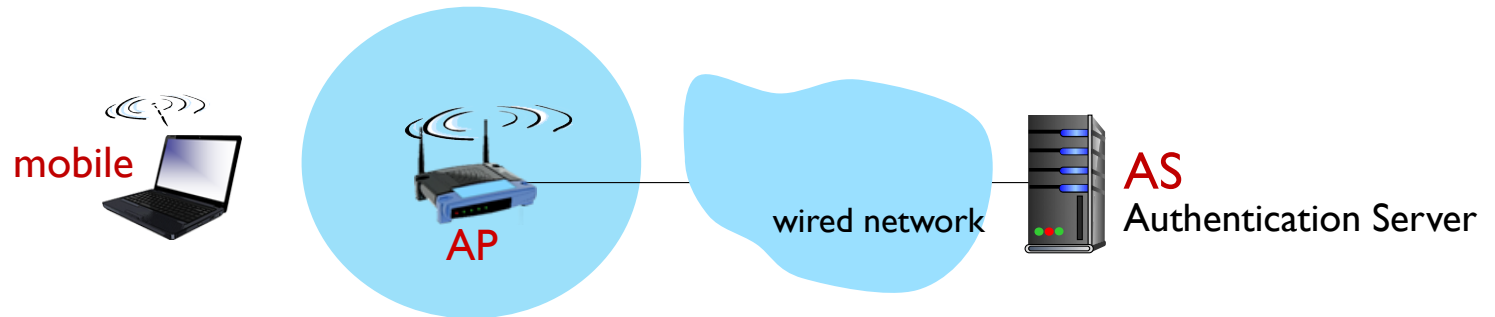
- ③ shared symmetric session key distribution (e.g., for AES encryption)
- same key derived at [mobile,AS]
  - AS informs AP of the shared symmetric session

# 802.11: authentication, encryption



- ④ encrypted communication between mobile and remote host via AP
- same key derived at mobile, AS
  - AS informs AP of the shared symmetric session

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EAP TLS	
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EAP over LAN (EAPoL)	RADIUS
IEEE 802.11	UDP/IP

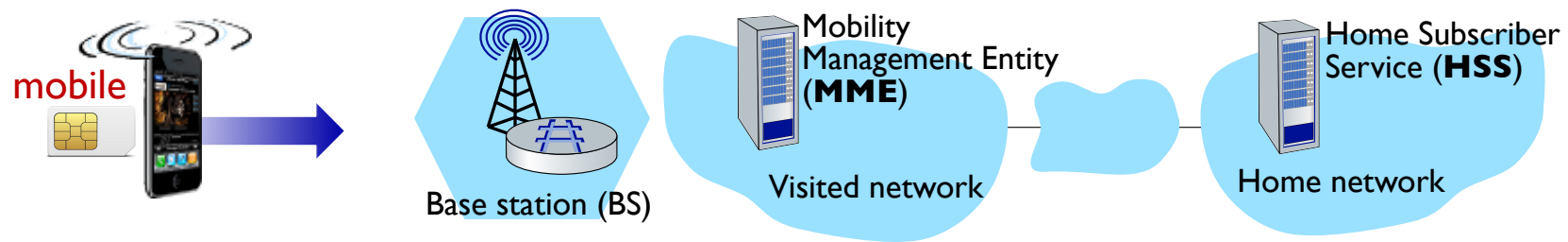
- Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP) [RFC 3748] defines end-to-end request/response protocol between mobile device, AS

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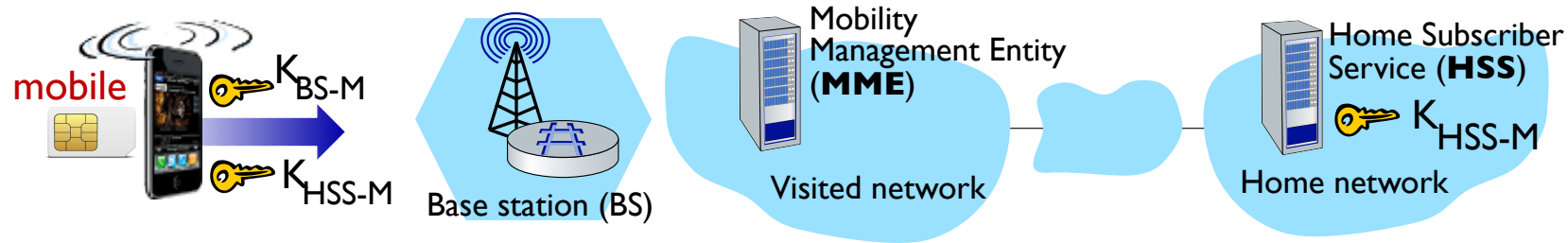
## ■ arriving mobile must:

- associate with BS: (establish) communication over 4G wireless link
- authenticate itself to network, and authenticate network

## ■ notable differences from WiFi

- mobile's SIMcard provides global identity, contains shared keys
- services in visited network depend on (paid) service subscription in home network

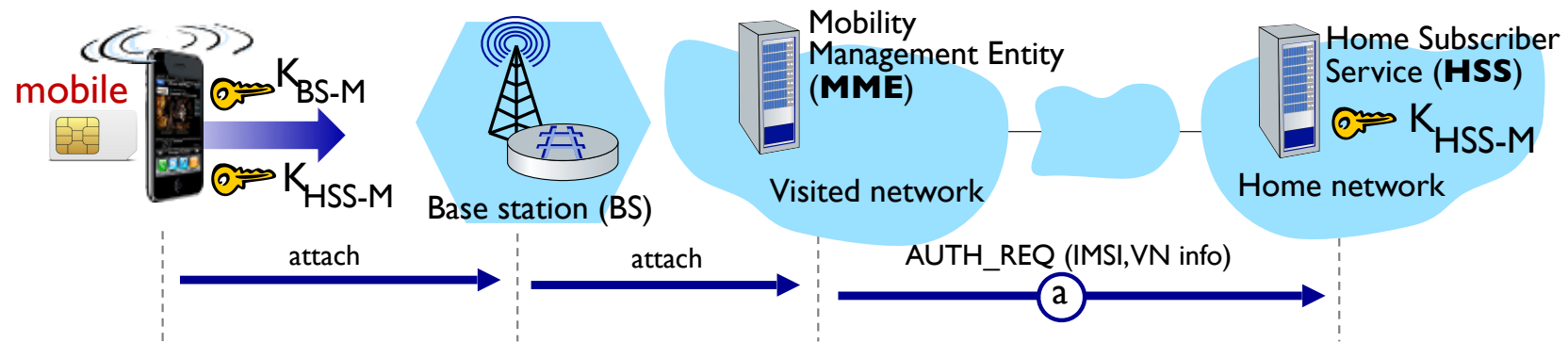
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- mobile, BS use derived session key  $K_{BS-M}$  to encrypt communications over 4G link
- MME in visited network + HSS in home network, together play role of WiFi AS
  - ultimate authenticator is HSS
  - trust and business relationship between visited and home networks



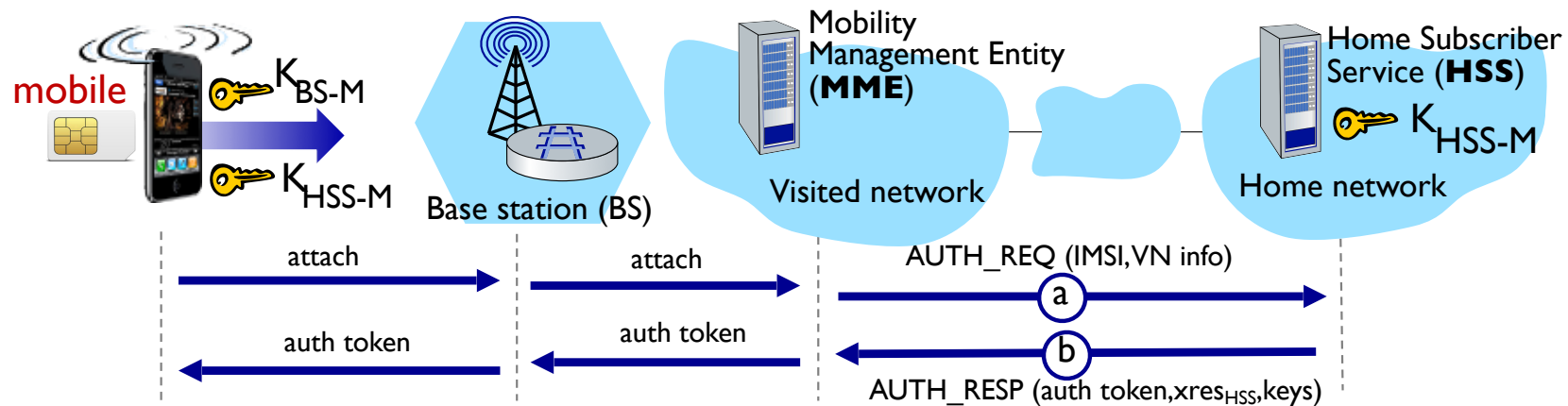
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## ① authentication request to home network HSS

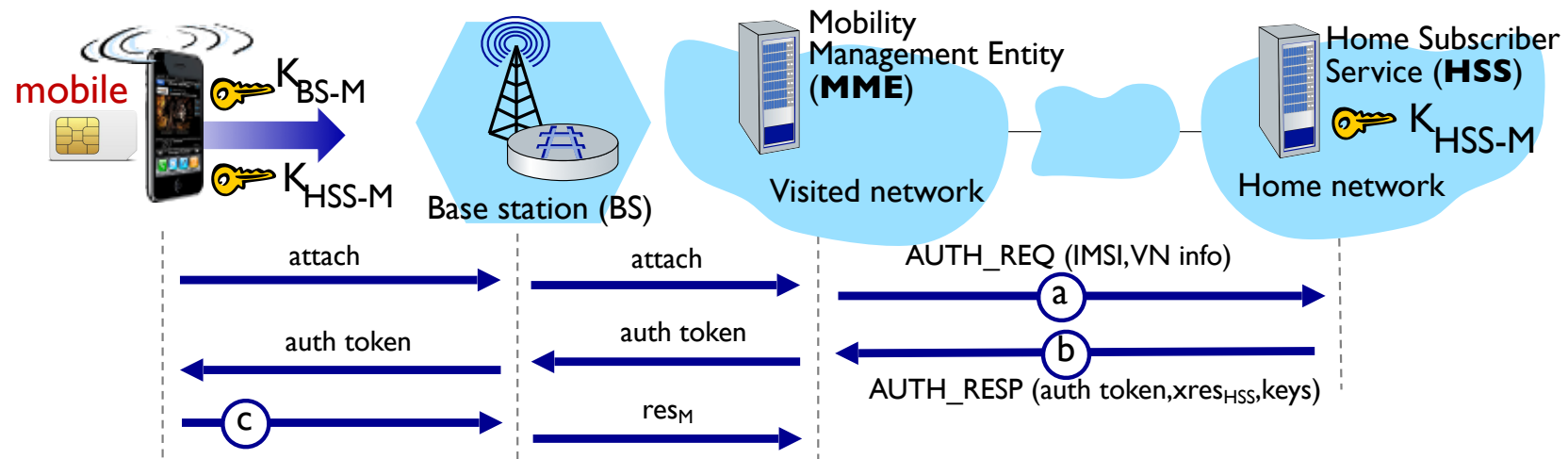
- mobile sends attach message (containing its IMSI, visited network info) relayed from BS to visited MME to home HSS
- IMSI identifies mobile's home network

# Authentication, encryption in 4G LTE



- ② HSS use shared-in-advance secret key,  $K_{HSS-M}$ , to derive authentication token, *auth\_token*, and expected authentication response token, *xres<sub>HSS</sub>*
- *auth\_token* contains info encrypted by HSS using  $K_{HSS-M}$ , allowing mobile to know that whoever computed *auth\_token* knows shared-in-advance secret
  - mobile has authenticated network
  - visited HSS keeps *xres<sub>HSS</sub>* for later use

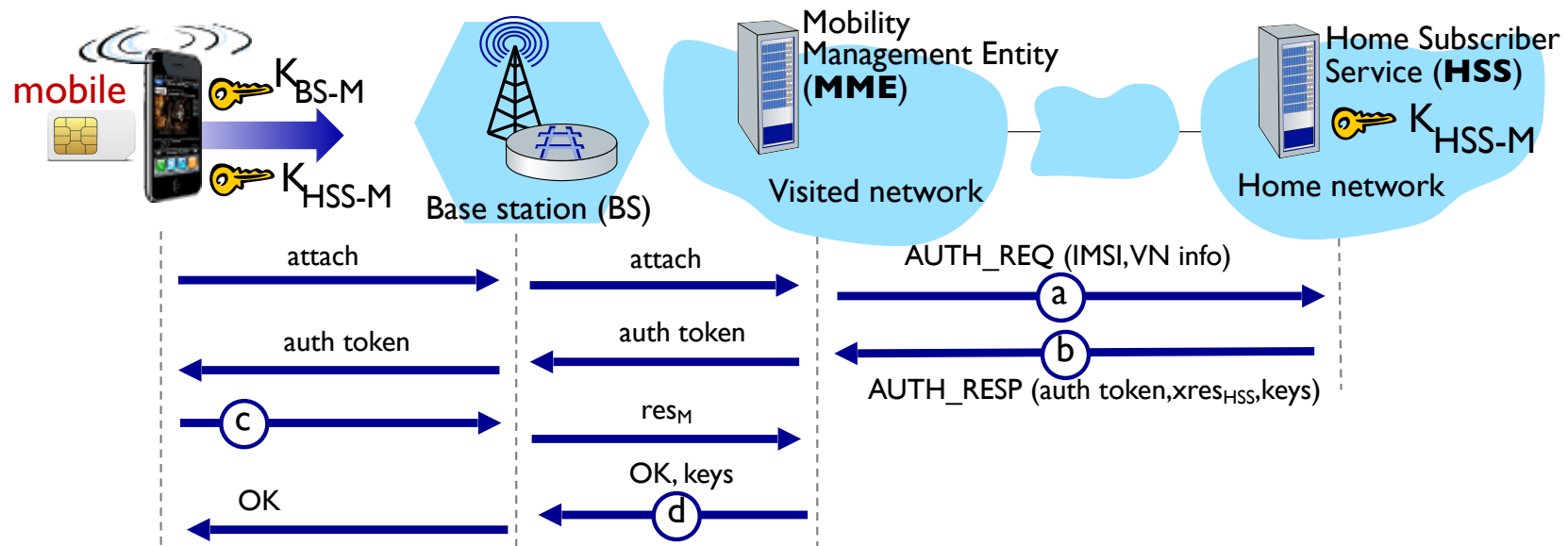
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## © authentication response from mobile:

- mobile computes  $res_M$  using its secret key to make same cryptographic calculation that HSS made to compute  $xres_{HSS}$  and sends  $res_M$  to MME

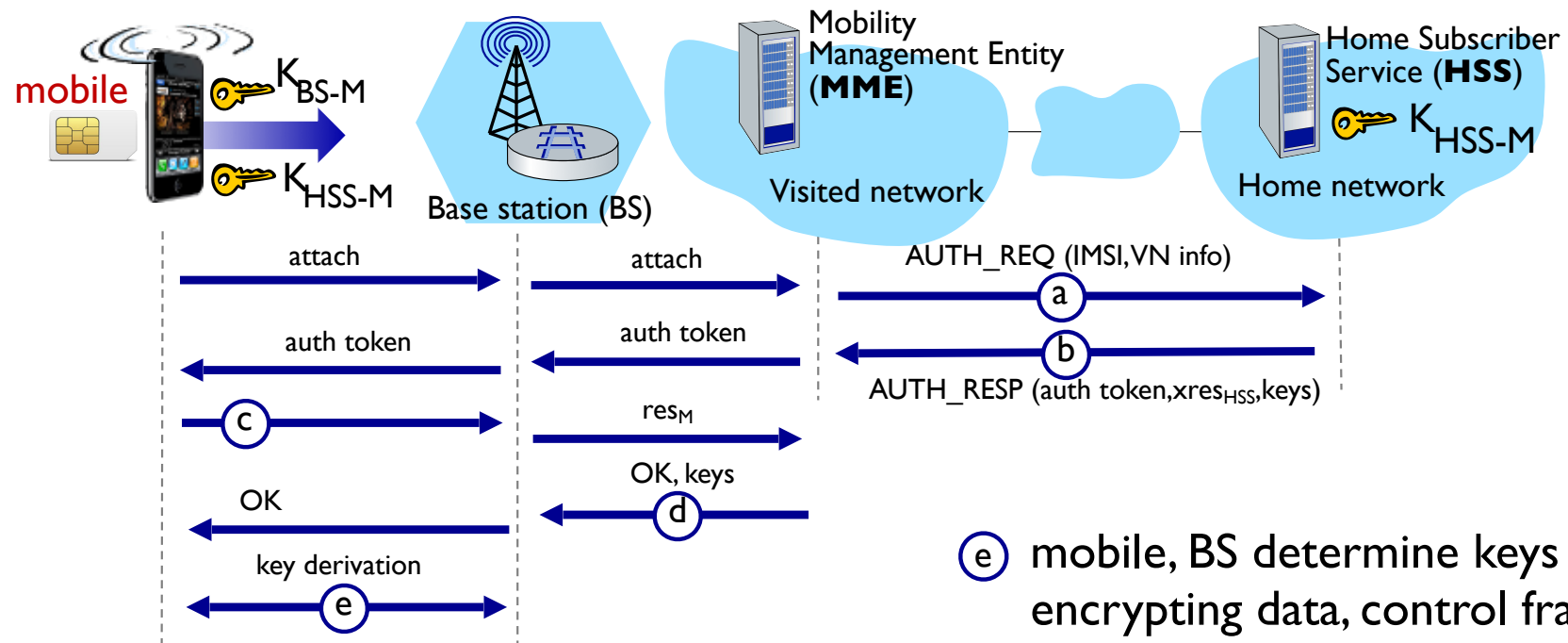
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④ mobile is authenticated by network:

- MME compares mobile-computed value of  $res_M$  with the HSS-computed value of  $xres_{HSS}$ . If they match, mobile is authenticated ! (why?)
- MME informs BS that mobile is authenticated, generates keys for BS

# Authentication, encryption in 4G LTE



- ⑤ mobile, BS determine keys for encrypting data, control frames over 4G wireless channel
  - AES can be used

# Authentication, encryption: from 4G to 5G

- **4G:** MME in visited network makes authentication decision
- **5G:** home network provides authentication decision
  - visited MME plays “middleman” role but can still reject
- **4G:** uses shared-in-advance keys
- **5G:** keys not shared in advance for IoT
- **4G:** device IMSI transmitted in cleartext to BS
- **5G:** public key crypto used to encrypt IMSI