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# Foreword

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# 1 Scope

The present document specifies the 3GPP confidentiality and integrity algorithms known as UEA2 and UIA2.

# 2 References

The following documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of the present document.

- References are either specific (identified by date of publication, edition number, version number, etc.) or non‑specific.

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[1] 3GPP TR 21.905: "Vocabulary for 3GPP Specifications".

[2] ETSI TC SAGE Specification: "Specification of the 3GPP Confidentiality and Integrity Algorithms UEA2 & UIA2; Document 2: SNOW 3G specification" version 1.1, 2006‑09‑06.

NOTE: Reference [2] is available via <http://www.etsi.org/WebSite/OurServices/Algorithms/3gppalgorithms.aspx> and is subject to licensing conditions described at this site.

# 3 Definitions, symbols and abbreviations

## 3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in TR 21.905 [1] and in the SAGE Specification [2] apply. A term defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same term, if any, in TR 21.905 [1].

## 3.2 Symbols

For the purposes of the present document, the symbols defined in the SAGE Specification [2] apply.

## 3.3 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations given in TR 21.905 [2] and in the SAGE Specification [2] apply. An abbreviation defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same abbreviation, if any, in TR 21.905 [1].

# 4 Technical provisions

The technical provisons of the current document are contained in the SAGE Specification [2].

Annex A (informative):  
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| 2006-03 | SP-31 |  |  |  | For information to TSG SA. Document not provided due to limitations arising from export controls. | 0.1.0 | 1.0.0 |
| 2006-03 |  |  |  |  | 3GPP Support Team recast of document to refer to SAGE Specification | 1.0.0 | 1.1.0 |
| 2006-06 | SP-32 | SP‑060422 | - | - | Approved at SA #32 | 1.1.0 | 7.0.0 |
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| 2009-12 | - | - | - | - | Update to Rel-9 version (MCC) | 8.0.0 | 9.0.0 |
| 2010-12 | SP-50 | SP-100724 | 001 | 1 | Correction of reference | 9.0.0 | 9.1.0 |
| 2011-03 | - | - | - | - | Update to Rel-10 version (MCC) | 9.1.0 | 10.0.0 |
| 2012-09 | - | - | - | - | Update to Rel-11 version (MCC) | 10.0.0 | **11.0.0** |
| 2014-09 | - | - | - | - | Update to Rel-12 version (MCC) | 11.0.0 | **12.0.0** |
| 2016-01 | - | - | - | - | Update to Rel-13 version (MCC) | 12.0.0 | **13.0.0** |
| 2017-03 | SA#75 | - | - | - | Promotion to Release 14 without technical change | 13.0.0 | **14.0.0** |
| 2018-06 | - | - | - | - | Update to Rel-15 version (MCC) | 14.0.0 | **15.0.0** |
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