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A receiver centric analysis of the Galileo Open Service Navigation Message Authentication protocol

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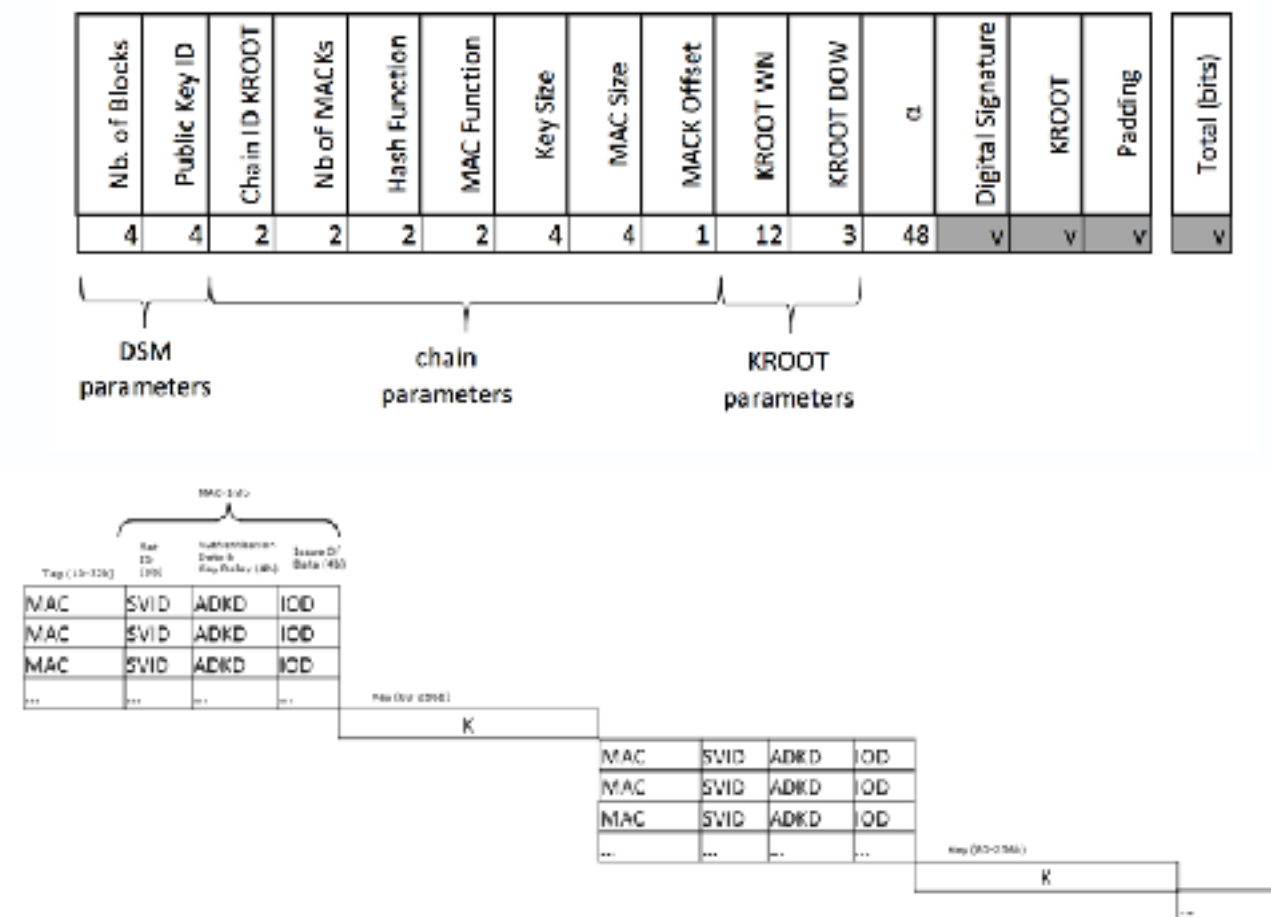
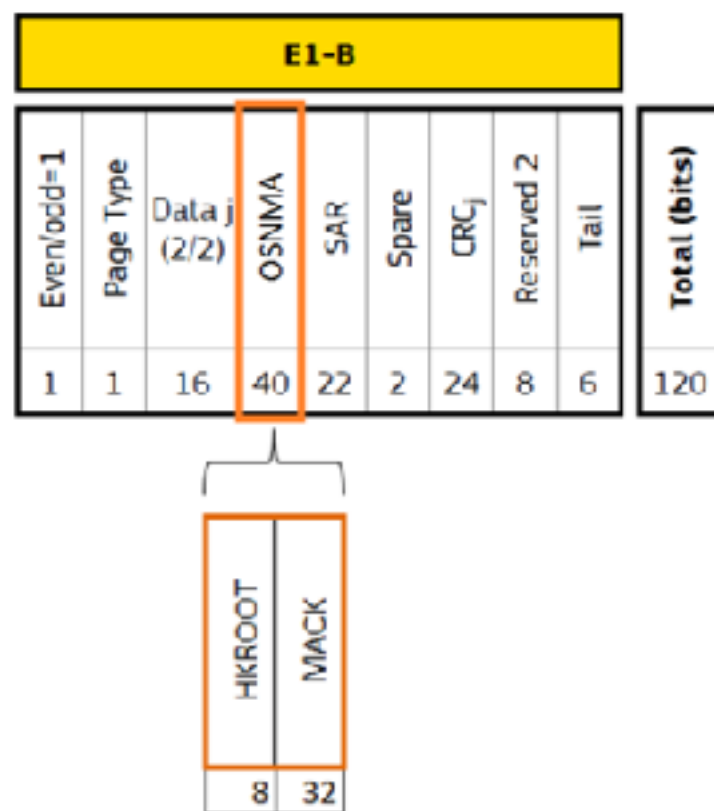
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Goals

- **Analyse the Galileo OSNMA protocol from the point of view of the receiver**
- **Identify potential issues in the areas of**
 - **Performance**
 - **Robustness**
 - **Complexity**
- **Aid future hardware implementations by providing**
 - **Bounds for best / worst case scenarios**
 - **Guidelines for avoiding security risks**

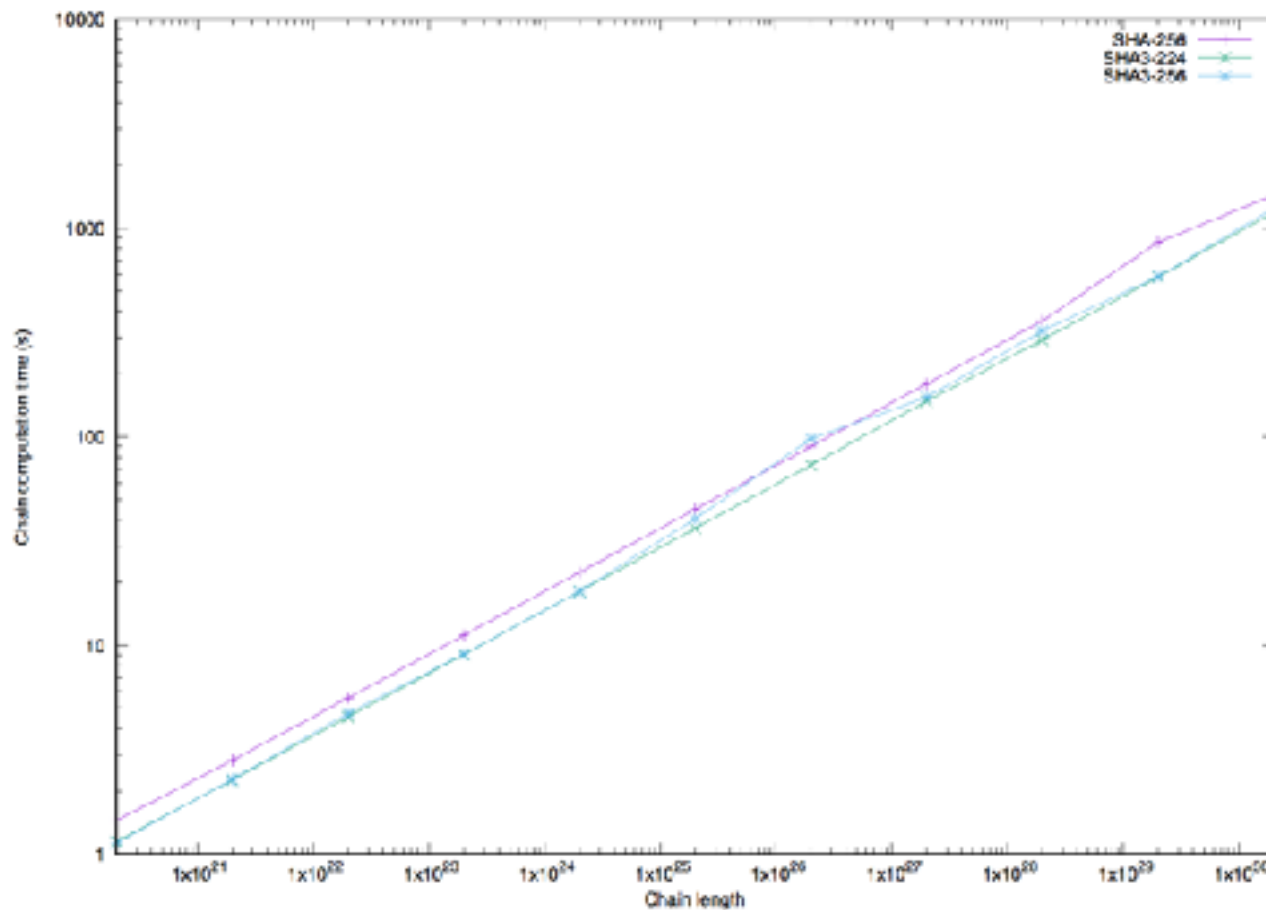
OSNMA Protocol

- Periodically send publicly authenticated root key in DSM-KROOT
- MAC for navigation message
- Key sent right after in the same MACK section
- SLMAC for delayed authentication



How long does it take to receive and authenticate a key against a root key? (worst case)

$$t_{rj} = \frac{50 \cdot 10^3}{230} t_j = 246.30 t_j$$



| Chain size | SHA-256 | SHA3-224 | SHA3-256 |
|------------|----------|----------|----------|
| 2^{20} | 355.88 | 282.14 | 278.22 |
| 2^{21} | 691.54 | 558.24 | 560.78 |
| 2^{22} | 1376.1 | 1116.2 | 1159.3 |
| 2^{23} | 2755.9 | 2226.1 | 2239.3 |
| 2^{24} | 5519.1 | 4473.1 | 4475.3 |
| 2^{25} | 1.1048e4 | 8956.0 | 9929.8 |
| 2^{26} | 2.2127e4 | 1.7793e4 | 2.4075e4 |
| 2^{27} | 4.4199e4 | 3.6502e4 | 3.8056e4 |
| 2^{28} | 8.8459e4 | 7.1796e4 | 7.9306e4 |
| 2^{29} | 2.1065e5 | 1.4355e5 | 1.4436e5 |
| 2^{30} | 3.5531e5 | 2.9374e5 | 3.0714e5 |

~4.5m

~6.7h

Improving bootstrap time with Floating KROOTs

Challenge: calculating the key index

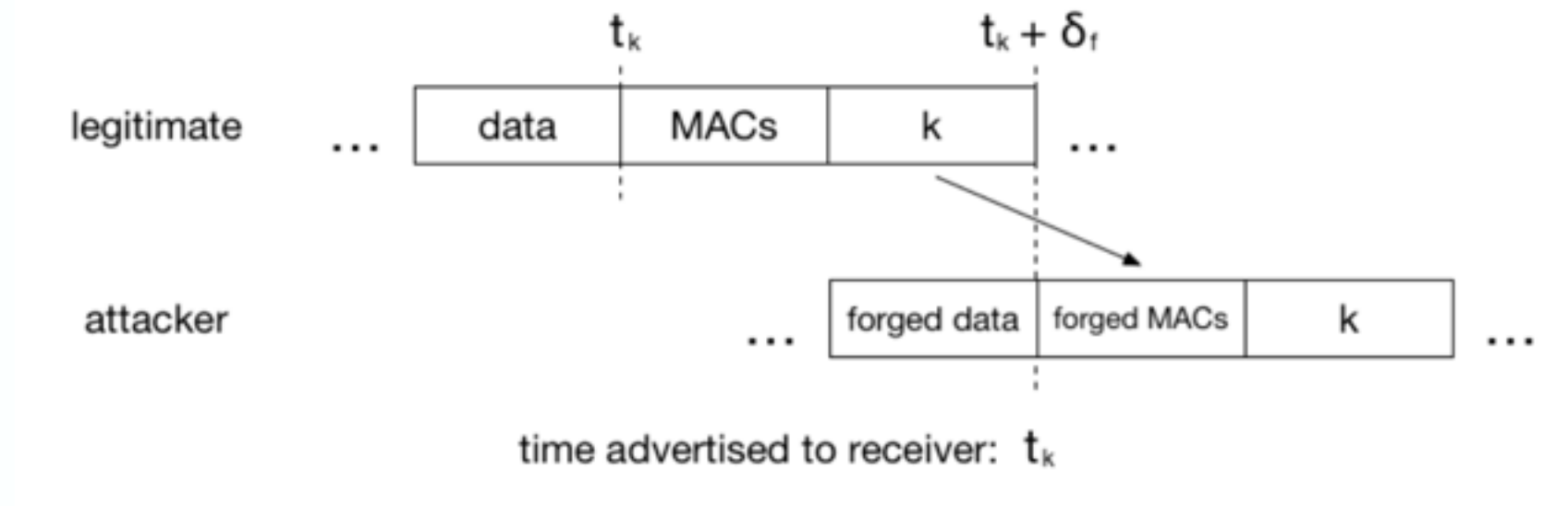
$$\begin{aligned} d &= \frac{(WN_m - WN_j) \cdot 604800 + (TOW_m - DOW_j \cdot 86400)}{30} n_M \cdot NS + l \cdot NS \\ &= \left\lceil \frac{(WN_m - WN_j) \cdot 604800 + (TOW_m - DOW_j \cdot 86400)}{30} n_M + l \right\rceil \cdot NS \end{aligned} \quad (5.8)$$

Time resolution is 1 day, so not all keys can be used as floating KROOTs, but upper bound improves consistently

| Distance from KROOT | Time on Intel Core i5 (s) | Est. time on ARM (s) |
|---------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 103680 | 0.1411 | 34.753 |
| 414720 | 0.5688 | 140.10 |

Attacks against clock synchronisation

Attacker relies on large clock drift to spoof/replay authenticated data



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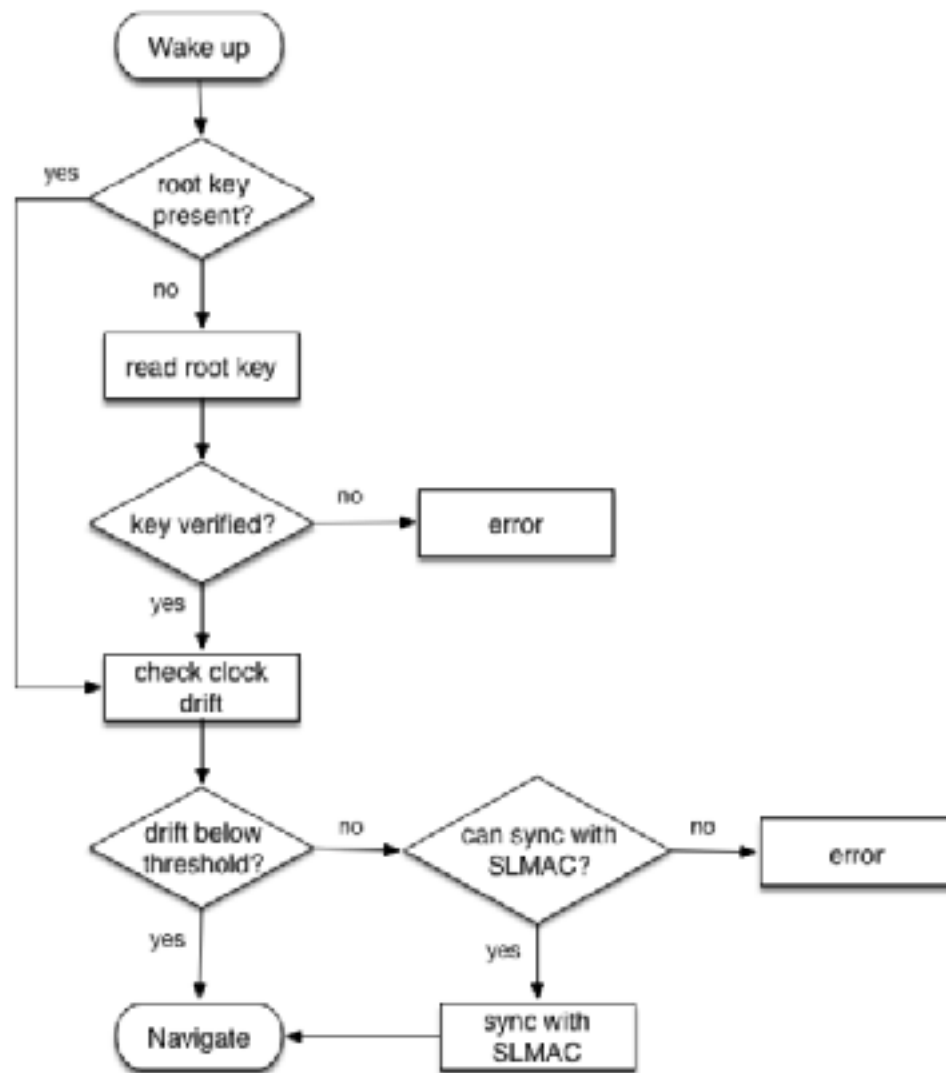
Solution: use SLMAC

Note: inactivity time needs to stay within threshold

$$t_{th} = \frac{\delta_{max} \text{ s}}{86400 \cdot d \text{ ppm}}$$

| | Clock precision [ppm] | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-------|---------------------|
| | 10 | 1 | 0.01 |
| 80bit key, 30s delay | 40.50 | 405.0 | 4050 |
| 256bit key, 30s delay | 53.24 | 532.4 | 5324 |
| 80bit key, 300s delay | 353.0 | 3530 | 3.530×10^4 |
| 256bit key, 300s delay | 365.7 | 3657 | 3.657×10^4 |

Receiver operations



- Analysis of single core, single thread state machine for data processing
- Analysis of memory requirements
- Guidelines for processing data at subframe boundary
- Exception handling

Conclusions

- **Adding authentication has a non-negligible impact on receiver complexity**
- **Worst-case scenarios might not fit common use cases**
- **Design of new generation receivers might change to adapt to new requirements (e.g. multi-core, dedicated crypto chip, better clocks)**

Future work

- **Improvements on the timing for a first authenticated position fix**
- **Treatment of error conditions**
- **Reducing complexity on the receiver**
- **Extended analysis of OSNMA energy footprint**

Thank you