Report of RAN2-RAN3-SA2 joint meeting on 3GPP System Architecture Evolution and Evolved UTRA and UTRAN (RP-050352)

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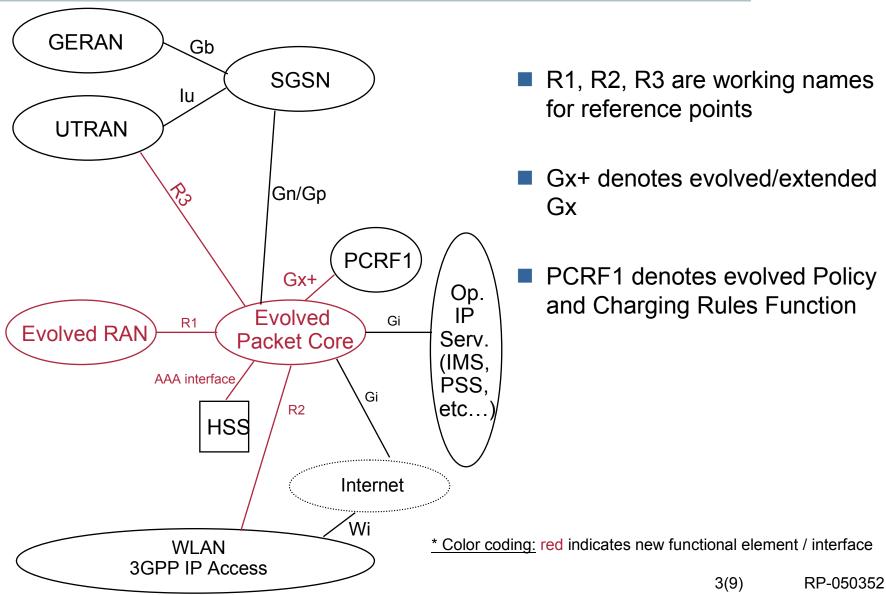
what, where, when, etc.



- RAN2 RAN3 SA2 joint sessions held on 2005-05-11 afternoon in Athens during regular SA2 and RAN WG meeting week
- large attendance
- Goal was to identify a list of topics and key issues to be addressed during the joint sessions.
 - RAN and SA2 WI rapporteurs presented current status
 - 2 SA2 Architectural options (drafted the day before) were presented
 - 17 company contributions presented and shortly discussed
 - key issue list presented by chairmen and rapporteurs
 - meeting schedule reviewed and endorsed (Montreal, London, Tallin)
- ⇒ joint work on topics common for both the LTE and SAE Feasibility Studies has been started and will be continued (at least) until a function split is defined.

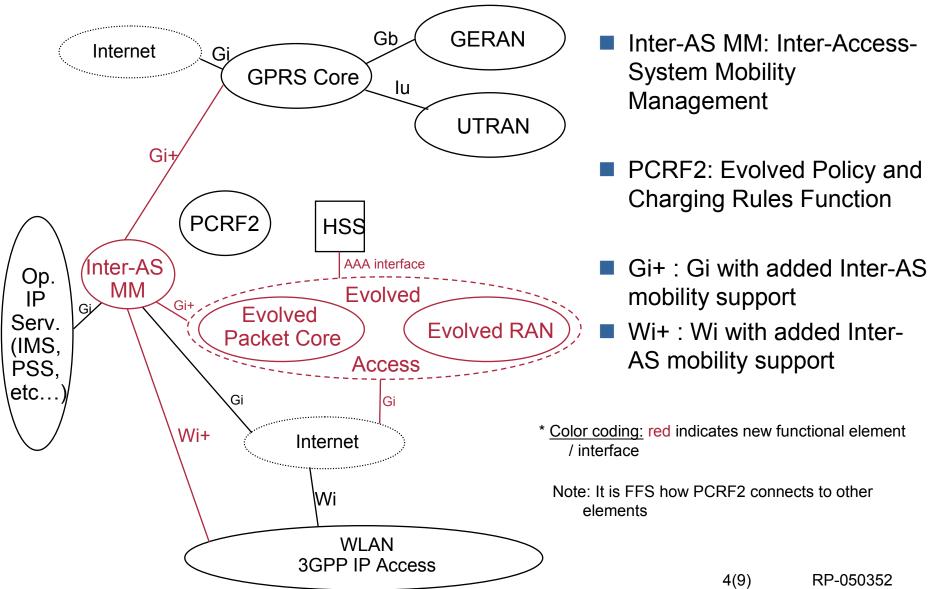
SA2 architectural Options (1) (SRJ050023)





SA2 architectural Options (2) (SRJ050023)





list of identified topics (1) (SRJ050026)



- Consolidating Requirements Latency for overall System
 (U plane delay, U plane jitter, C plane latency)
- How to achieve an increased system performance (high bitrate, low latency for U and C-plane, reduce call/data session setup, low RTT etc.)
- How to support various Access Systems?
 (Interworking existing 3GPP evolved 3GPP RATs, required mobility mechanisms, CRRM)
- (Review of existing) Mobility Mechanisms
 (number of anchor points, optimising mobility procedures, mobility states, involved protocols)
- Does the current functional split between AS / NAS (/IMS) serve the needs for SAE/E-UTRAN ?
 - ⇒ Request to Review C-plane in general (SM, GMM, RRC, RANAP, ...)

list of identified topics (2) (SRJ050026)



- Review / (Re-)Define RAN CN functional Split
- How to support various types of IP services in an optimum way ?
 (VoIP, IP data, etc.) consider QoS aspects
- Migration to SAE/LTE + evolution of legacy system
 Q: How much effort should be spent on making the legacy system benefits from SAE/LTE ? This needs to be discussed on TSG level.
- backwards compatibility to legacy systems
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- impact / support of different types of UEs (dual mode, dual radio, simultaneous radio)
 - e.g. Voice handover from E-UTRA/UMTS to GSM. If this assumes the use of SA 2's voice call continuity WID, then this assumes that the UE can simultaneously tx and rx on GSM and E-UTRA or UMTS.
- AAA issues

(among others: UE identification, ...)

list of identified topics (3) (SRJ050026)



- How to achieve a simple and robust Architecture ?
- "last mile" issue backhaul costs
- Is the evolved system envisioned to work on new and/or existing frequency band?
- Distributed or centralised RNC?
 (this imposes requirements on the number of RNC changes that are visible to the CN nodes, U plane encryption, and other security issues.)

Draft Agenda for RAN3-SA2 meeting in Montreal



- 0. Welcome
- 1. Agenda
- **2. Overall Architecture** (Tuesday pm)
 - 2.1 Architecture Requirements and Principles
 - 2.2 Refining the Architecture Options defined at SA2#46
 - Mobility Aspects
 - Roaming Aspects
 - Migration Scenarios
- 3. RAN CN related aspects (Wednesday pm + Thursday am)
 - 3.1 UP Latency Analysis/enhancements "end to end"
 - 3.2 AS / NAS horizontal division
 - 3.3 Signalling delay analysis /enhancements
 - 3.4 AS NAS & RAN CN allocation of functions
- 4. AOB
- 5. Close of Meeting

Draft Agenda for RAN2 Adhoc in Sophia A.



- 1. What are the main issues that need to be resolved?
- 2. Vision on evolution of the radio interface protocol architecture
 - potential modified layering
 - transport channels for the new L1
 - evolution of the existing protocols (new functionnalities, areas for optimisation)
 - including the aspect on SHO/selection combining. This is to understand company views from a radio architecture point of view, in addition to RAN1 discussions on a similar topic from physical layer perspective
- 3. Handover principles, with a special focus on measurements
- 4. UE capability
- Expected outcome:
 - Identification of areas of work for RAN2
 - expression of company view
 - view whether applicability of topics to evolutions of legacy system is given