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6.5 Access link data integrity

6.5.1 General

Most RRC, MM and CC signalling information elements are considered sensitive and must be integrity protected. A message authentication function shall be applied on these signalling information elements transmitted between the MS UE and the SNRNC.

The UMTS Integrity Algorithm (UIA) shall be used with an Integrity Key (IK) to compute a message authentication code for a given message.

All signalling messages except the following ones shall be integrity protected:

- Notification
- Paging Type 1
- RRC Connection Request
- RRC Connection Setup
- RRC Connection Setup Complete
- RRC Connection Reject
- All System Information messages.

6.5.2 Layer of integrity protection

The UIA shall be implemented in the UE and in the RNC.

Integrity protection shall be apply at the RRC layer.

6.5.26.5.3 Integrity algorithm Data integrity protection method

The UIA shall be implemented in the UE and in the RNC.

Figure 6.5.1 illustrates the use of the UIA integrity algorithm f9 to authenticate the data integrity of a signalling message.

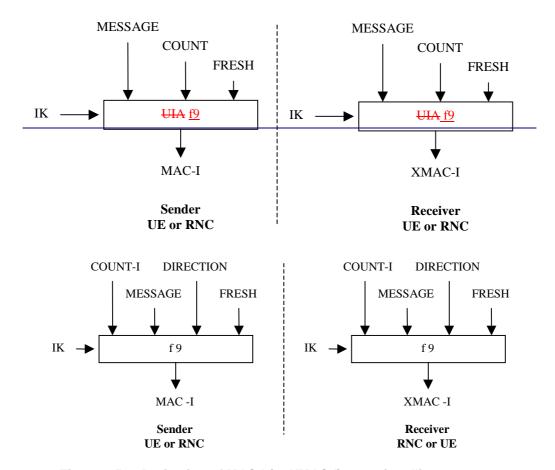


Figure 6.5.1: Derivation of MAC-I (or XMAC-I) on a signalling message

The input parameters to the algorithm are the Integrity Key-integrity key (IK), a time dependent input integrity sequence number (COUNT-I), a random value generated by the network side (FRESH), the direction bit (DIRECTION) and the signalling data (MESSAGE). Based on these input parameters the user computes message authentication code for data integrity (MAC-I) using the UMTS Integrity Algorithm (UIA) integrity algorithm f9. The MAC-I is then appended to the message when sent over the radio access link. The receiver computes XMAC-I on the message received in the same way as the sender computed MAC-I on the message sent and verifies the data integrity of the message by comparing it to the received MAC-I.

6.5.4 Input parameters to the integrity algorithm

6.5.4.1 COUNT-I

The integrity sequence number COUNT-I is 32 bits long.

There is one COUNT-I value per logical signalling channel.

COUNT-I is composed of two parts: a "short" sequence number and a "long" sequence number. The "short" sequence number is the 4-bit RRC sequence number RRC SN that is available in each RRC PDU. The "long" sequence number is the 28-bit RRC hyperframe number RRC HFN which is incremented at each RRC SN cycle.

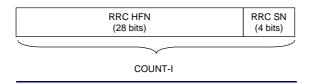


Figure 6.5.2: The structure of COUNT-I

The hyperframe number RRC HFN is initialised by means of the parameter START, which is transmitted from UE to RNC during RRC connection establishment. The UE and the RNC then initialise the X most significant bits of the RRC

HFN to START; the remaining (28-X) LSB of the RRC HFN are initialised to 0. The RRC HFN are incremented independently for each logical channel used for signalling.

Editor's note: The value of X still needs to be added.

Editor's note: The description of how START is managed in the UE needs to be added.

6.5.4.2 IK

The integrity key IK is 128 bits long.

There may be one IK for CS connections (IK_{CS}), established between the CS service domain and the user and one IK for PS connections (IK_{PS}) established between the PS service domain and the user. Which integrity key to use for a particular connection is described in 6.5.6.

For UMTS subscribers IK is established during UMTS AKA as the output of the integrity key derivation function f4, that is available in the USIM and in the HLR/AuC. For GSM subscribers, that access the UTRAN, IK is established following GSM AKA and is derived from the GSM cipher key Kc, as described in 6.8.2.

IK is stored in the USIM and a copy is stored in the UE. IK is sent from the USIM to the UE upon request of the UE. The USIM shall send IK under the condition that 1) a valid IK is available, 2) the current value of START in the USIM is up-to-date and 3) START has not reached THRESHOLD. The UE shall delete IK from memory after power-off as well as after removal of the USIM.

IK is sent from the HLR/AuC to the VLR or SGSN and stored in the VLR or SGSN as part of a quintet. It is sent from the VLR or SGSN to the RNC in the (RANAP) *security mode command*. The MSC/VLR or SGSN shall assure that the IK is updated at least once every 24 hours.

At handover, the IK is transmitted within the network infrastructure from the old RNC to the new RNC, to enable the communication to proceed, and the synchronisation procedure is resumed. The IK remains unchanged at handover.

The input parameter COUNT I protects against replay during a connection. It is a value incremented by one for each integrity protected message. COUNT I consists of two parts: the Hyperframe Number (HFN) as the most significant part, and an RRC Sequence Number as the least significant part. The initial value of the hyperframe number is sent by the user to the network at connection set-up. The user stores the greatest used hyperframe number from the previous connection and increments it by one (see 6.4.5xxx). In this way the user is assured that no COUNT I value is re used (by the network) with the same integrity key.

6.5.4.3 FRESH

The network-side nonce FRESH is 32 bits long.

There is one FRESH parameter value per user. The input parameter FRESH protects the network against replay of signalling messages by the user. At connection set-up the network RNC generates a random value FRESH and sends it to the user in the (RRC) security mode command. The value FRESH is subsequently used by both the network and the user throughout the duration of a single connection. This mechanism assures the network that the user is not replaying any old MAC-Is.

At handover with relocation of the S-RNC, the new S-RNC generates its own value for the FRESH parameter and sends it in a new *security mode command* to the user.

6.5.4.4 DIRECTION

The direction identifier DIRECTION is 1 bit long.

The direction identifier is input to avoid that for the integrity algorithm used to compute the message authentication codes would use an identical set of input parameter values for the up-link and for the down-link messages.

6.5.4.5 MESSAGE

The signalling message itself.

6.5.5 Integrity key selection

There may be one IK for CS connections (IK_{CS}), established between the CS service domain and the user and one IK for PS connections (IK_{PS}) established between the PS service domain and the user.

The data integrity of logical channels for user data is not protected.

Signalling data for services delivered by either of both service domains is sent over common logical (signalling) channels. These logical channels are data integrity protected by the IK of the service domain for which the most recent security mode negotiation took place. This may require that the integrity key of an (already integrity protected) ongoing signalling connection has to be changed, when a new RRC connection is established (with another service domain), or when a security mode negotiation follow a re-authentication during an ongoing connection. This change should be completed within five seconds after the security mode negotiation.

6.5.36 UIA identification

Each <u>UMTS Integrity Algorithm (UIA)</u> will be assigned a 4-bit identifier. <u>Currently the following values have been defined:</u>

"0001₂" : UIA1, Kasumi.

The remaining values are not defined.

Table1 - UIA identifiation

Information Element	Length	Value	Remark
UIA Number	4	00002	Standard UMTS Integrity Algorithm, UIA1
		00012	Standard UMTS Integrity Algorithm, UIA2
		0010 2	Standard UMTS Integrity Algorithm, UIA3
		0011 ₂ to 0111 ₂	Reserved for future expansion
		1xxx ₂	Proprietary UMTS Algorithms