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1. Decision/Action Requested

To consider the attached text as content of WI-08004.

The text shows a set of cryptographic functions and how they are applied to achieve the goals described by the authentication framework in 21TD036. An algorithm set exists that implements each of the functions in this paper and is referred to as "Milenage" (use a *French* pronunciation) and is based upon AES which is assumed to be free of IPR restrictions.

2. Definitions and abbreviation and symbols

For the purposes of the present document, the following symbols apply:

	Concatenation
⊕	Exclusive or
f1	Message authentication function used to compute MAC
f1*	Message authentication function used to compute MAC-S
f2	Message authentication function used to compute RES and XRES
f3	Key generating function used to compute CK
f4	Key generating function used to compute IK
f5	Key generating function used to compute AK in normal procedures
f5*	Key generating function used to compute AK in re-synchronisation procedures
K	Long-term secret key shared between the USIM and the AuC

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In addition to (and partly in overlap to) the abbreviations included in TR 21.905 [3], for the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

AES	Advanced Encryption Standard
AK	Anonymity Key
AKA	Authentication and key agreement
AMF	Authentication management field
AUTN	Authentication Token
AV	Authentication Vector
CK	Cipher Key
CKSN	Cipher key sequence number
CS	Circuit Switched
HE	Home Environment
HLR	Home Location Register
IK	Integrity Key
IMSI	International Mobile Subscriber Identity
KSI	Key Set Identifier
KSS	Key Stream Segment
LAI	Location Area Identity
MAC	The message authentication code included in AUTN, computed using f1
MAC	The message authentication code included in AUTN, computed using f1*
ME	Mobile Equipment
MS	Mobile Station
MSC	Mobile Services Switching Centre
PS	Packet Switched
P-TMSI	Packet-TMSI
Q	Quintet, UMTS authentication vector
RAI	Routing Area Identifier
RAND	Random challenge
SAGE	Security Algorithm Group of Experts
SN	Sequence number
SN _{HE}	Individual sequence number for each user maintained in the HLR/AuC
SN _{MS}	The highest sequence number the USIM has accepted
SGSN	Serving GPRS Support Node
SIM	(GSM) Subscriber Identity Module
SN	Serving Network
T	Triplet, GSM authentication vector
TMSI	Temporary Mobile Subscriber Identity
UEA	UMTS Encryption Algorithm
UIA	UMTS Integrity Algorithm
UICC	UMTS IC Card
USIM	User Services Identity Module
VLR	Visitor Location Register
XRES	Expected Response

Authenticatee The entity that is making a claim.

Authenticator The entity that makes the decision that the authenticatee is as claimed

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Claimant See also authenticatee
 Verifier See also authenticator
 Signer See also authenticatee

3. References

3G TS 33.102
 3G TS 33.105

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5. Introduction to 3G security

Figure 1 gives an overview of the complete 3G security architecture (see clause 4 of 3G TS 33.102).

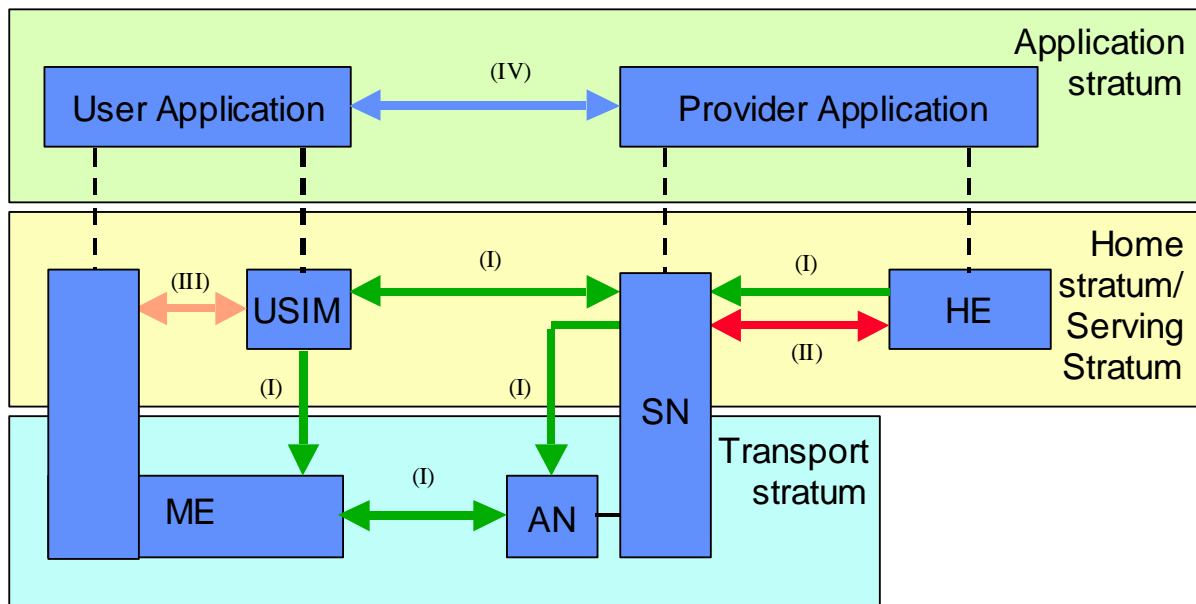


Figure 1: Overview of the security architecture

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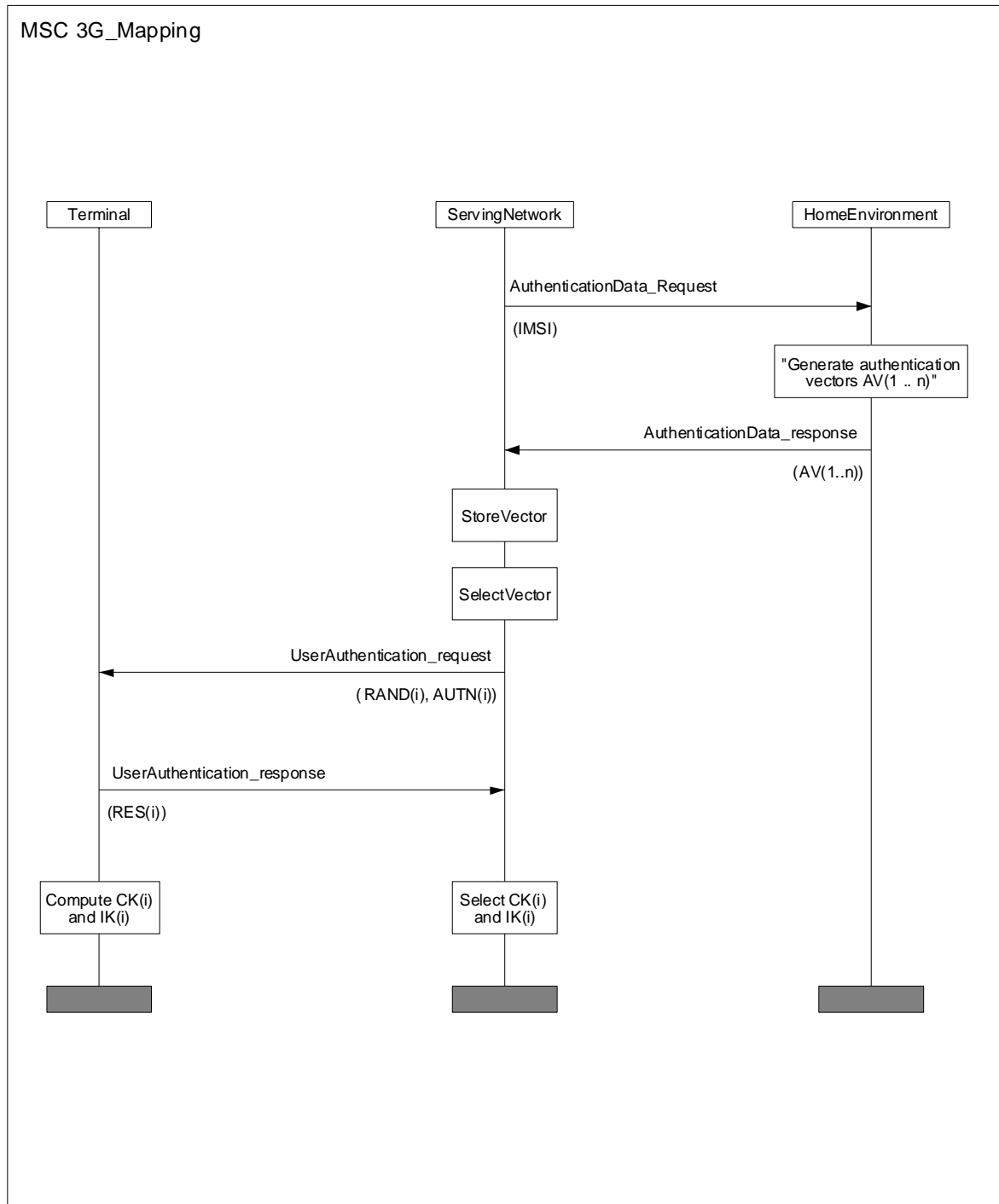
Five security feature groups are defined. Each of these feature groups meets certain threats and accomplishes certain security objectives:

- **Network access security (I):** the set of security features that provide users with secure access to 3G services, and which in particular protect against attacks on the (radio) access link;
- **Network domain security (II):** the set of security features that enable nodes in the provider domain to securely exchange signalling data, and protect against attacks on the wireline network;
- **User domain security (III):** the set of security features that secure access to mobile stations
- **Application domain security (IV):** the set of security features that enable applications in the user and in the provider domain to securely exchange messages.
- **Visibility and configurability of security (V):** the set of features that enables the user to inform himself whether a security feature is in operation or not and whether the use and provision of services should depend on the security feature.

In 21TD036 a number of information flows were identified within the framework. The flows between the serving network registration server and the user's authentication server are mapped to the flows in the 3G architecture from the Home Environment to the Serving Network and identified as Network access security (I) and Network domain security (II).

If we look further into the problem of distribution of security data from HE to SN we can consider adoption of the techniques identified in clause 6.3 of 3G TS 33.102. Parts of the reference document have been copied here to illustrate the convergence.

The overall scheme is shown in the MSC below showing a challenge-response protocol. The 3G specification also describes a number of function to generate the vectors and SAGE have generated an outline framework for these functions based upon AES:



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The authenticating parties in 3GPP are the AuC of the user's HE (HE/AuC) and the USIM in the user's mobile station. The generation of an authentication vector AV by the HE/AuC is shown below.

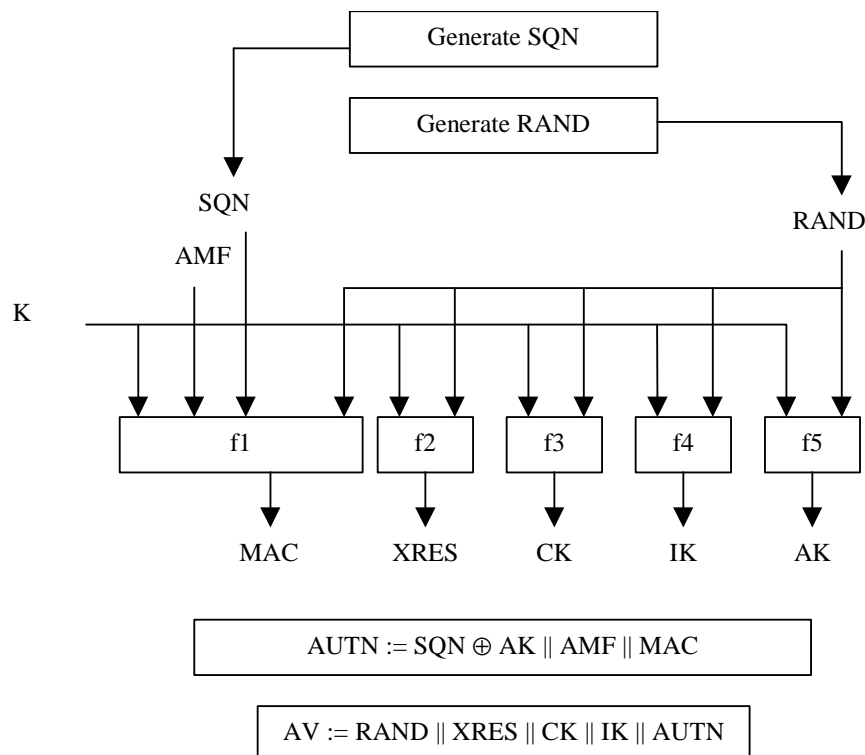


Figure 7: Generation of authentication vectors

The following values are computed by these functions:

- a message authentication code $MAC = f1_K(SQN || RAND || AMF)$ where $f1$ is a message authentication function;
- an expected response $XRES = f2_K(RAND)$ where $f2$ is a (possibly truncated) message authentication function;
- a cipher key $CK = f3_K(RAND)$ where $f3$ is a key generating function;
- an integrity key $IK = f4_K(RAND)$ where $f4$ is a key generating function;
- an anonymity key $AK = f5_K(RAND)$ where $f5$ is a key generating function or $f5 \equiv 0$.

Finally the authentication token $AUTN = SQN \oplus AK || AMF || MAC$ is constructed.

Here, AK is an anonymity key used to conceal the sequence number as the latter may expose the identity and location of the user. The concealment of the sequence number is to protect against passive attacks only. If no concealment is needed then $f5 \equiv 0$ ($AK = 0$).

Upon receipt the user proceeds as shown in Figure 9.

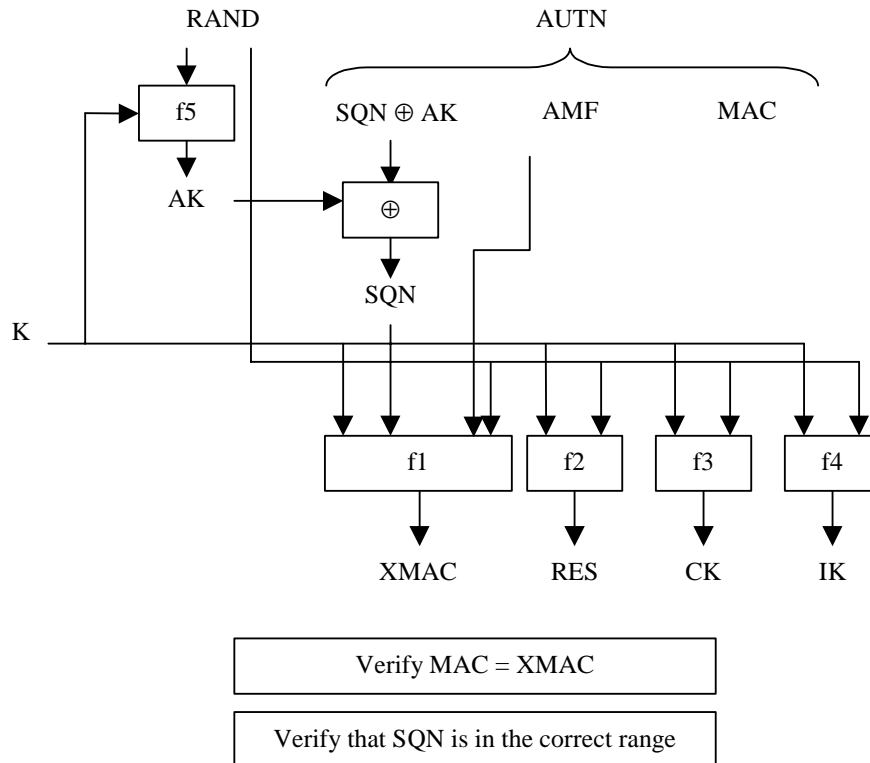


Figure 9: User authentication function in the USIM

Upon receipt of **RAND** and **AUTN** the USIM first computes the anonymity key $AK = f5_K(RAND)$ and retrieves the sequence number $SQN = (SQN \oplus AK) \oplus AK$.

Next the USIM computes $XMAC = f1_K(SQN \parallel RAND \parallel AMF)$ and compares this with **MAC** which is included in **AUTN**. If they are different, the user sends *user authentication reject* back to the VLR/SGSN with an indication of the cause and the user abandons the procedure. In this case, VLR/SGSN shall initiate an Authentication Failure Report procedure towards the HLR as specified in section 6.3.6. VLR/SGSN may also decide to initiate a new identification and authentication procedure towards the user.

Next the USIM verifies that the received sequence number **SQN** is in the correct range.

If the USIM considers the sequence number to be not in the correct range, it sends *synchronisation failure* back to the VLR/SGSN including an appropriate parameter, and abandons the procedure.

The synchronisation failure message contains the parameter **AUTS**. It is $AUTS = Conc(SQN_{MS}) \parallel MAC-S$. $Conc(SQN_{MS}) = SQN_{MS} \oplus f5^*_K(RAND)$ is the concealed value of the counter SQN_{MS} in the MS, and $MAC-S = f1^*_K(SQN_{MS} \parallel RAND \parallel AMF)$ where **RAND** is the random value received in the current user authentication request. $f1^*$ is a message authentication code (MAC) function with the property that no valuable information can be inferred from the function values of $f1^*$ about those of $f1, \dots, f5, f5^*$ and vice versa. $f5^*$ is the key generating

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function used to compute AK in re-synchronisation procedures with the property that no valuable information can be inferred from the function values of $f5^*$ about those of $f1, f1^*, f2, \dots, f5$ and vice versa.

The AMF used to calculate MAC-S assumes a dummy value of all zeros so that it does not need to be transmitted in the clear in the re-synch message.

The construction of the parameter AUTS is shown in the following Figure 10:

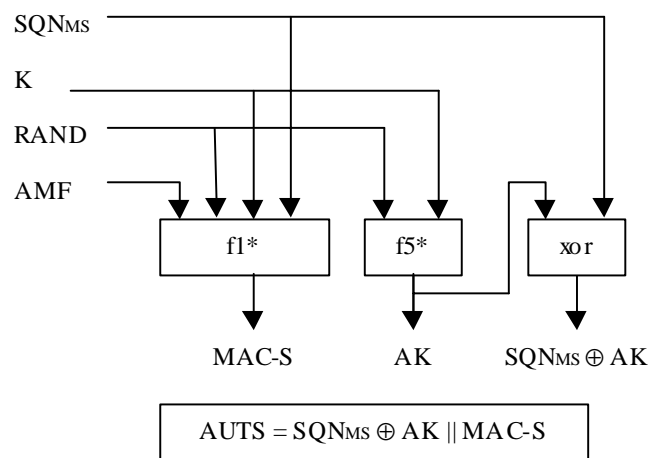


Figure 10: Construction of the parameter AUTS

If the sequence number is considered to be in the correct range however, the USIM computes $RES = f2_K(RAND)$ and includes this parameter in a *user authentication response* back to the VLR/SGSN. Finally the USIM computes the cipher key $CK = f3_K(RAND)$ and the integrity key $IK = f4_K(RAND)$. Note that if this is more efficient, RES, CK and IK could also be computed earlier at any time after receiving RAND. If the USIM also supports conversion function c3, it shall derive the GSM cipher key Kc from the UMTS cipher/integrity keys CK and IK. UMTS keys are sent to the MS along with the derived GSM key for UMTS-GSM interoperability purposes. USIM shall store original CK, IK until the next successful execution of AKA.

Upon receipt of *user authentication response* the VLR/SGSN compares RES with the expected response XRES from the selected authentication vector. If XRES equals RES then the authentication of the user has passed. The VLR/SGSN also selects the appropriate cipher key CK and integrity key IK from the selected authentication vector. If XRES and RES are different, VLR/SGSN shall initiate an Authentication Failure Report procedure towards the HLR as specified in section 6.3.6. VLR/SGSN may also decide to initiate a new identification and authentication procedure towards the user.

