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# Quality of Service for Next Generation Networks

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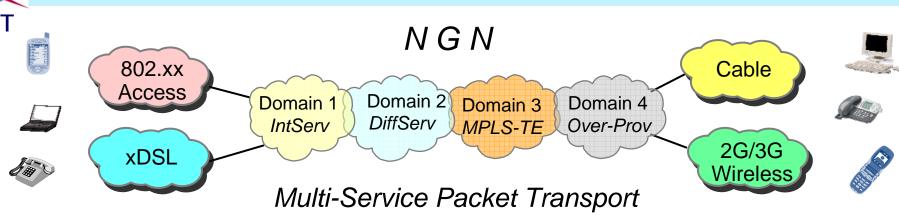


## **Outline**

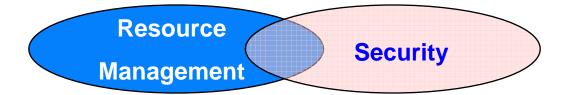
- Drivers and basic requirements
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## Why?



- Dynamic support for a variety of applications (e.g., Web services, VoIP, and IPTV) with very different performance needs
- Enabling providers to control end user experience in a heterogeneous environment in a consistent and secure fashion
- Allowing fast introduction of performance-demanding applications

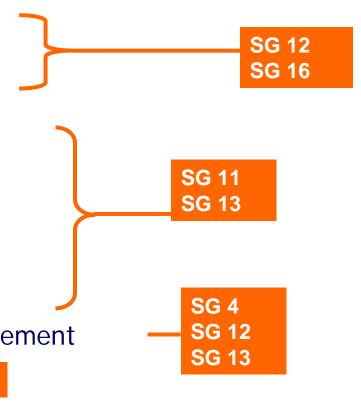




## Key QoS Topics under Study in ITU

- Performance objectives, including
  - Network performance classification
  - Network performance allocation
- Dynamic QoS controls, including
  - Negotiation of QoS requirements
  - Resource and admission control
  - Interworking of QoS mechanisms
  - Inter-domain considerations
  - Frameworks and guidelines
- Performance measurement and management
- o Performance prediction

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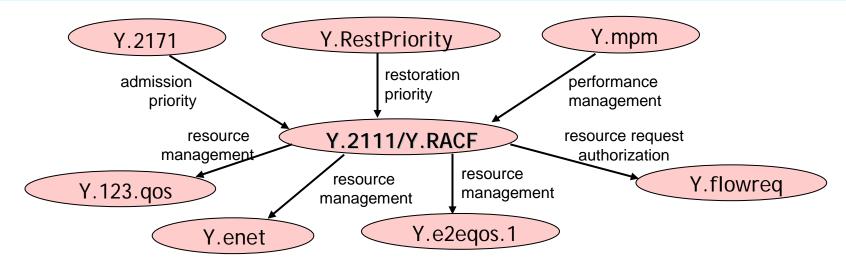


Related efforts are underway in other SDOs

A major goal is to develop a comprehensive QoS solution that allows incremental deployment



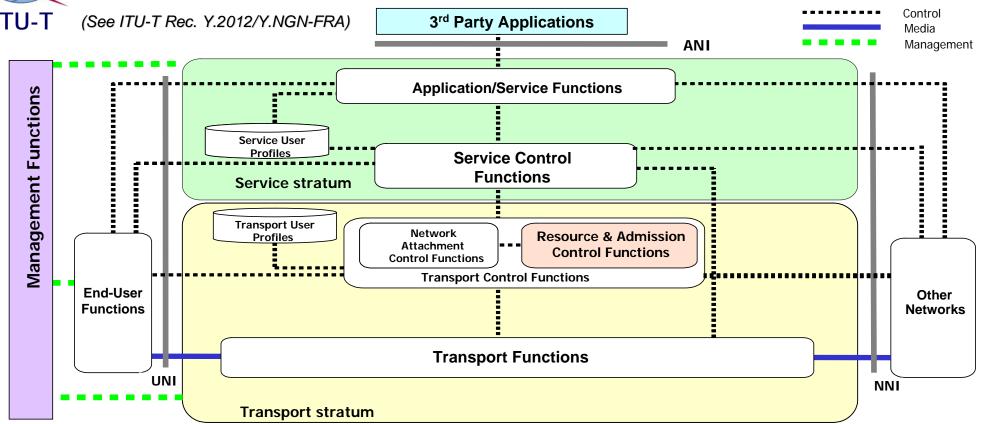
### NGN QoS Activities in Q.4/13



R e c o m m e n d a tio n	Title	Target for Consent
Y .2171	Admission control priority levels in NGN	07-2006
Y .2 1 1 1	Resource and admission control functions in NGN	07-2006
Y .1 2 3 .q o s	A QoS control architecture for Ethernet-based IP access networks	0 4 - 2 0 0 7
Y . e n e t	Ethernet QoS control for NGN	04-2007
Y.m p m	Management of performance measurement for NGN	0 4 - 2 0 0 7
Y .e 2 e q o s .1	Requirements and framework for end-to-end QoS in NGN	1 2 - 2 0 0 7
Y.RestPriority	Restoration priority levels in NGN	0 4 - 2 0 0 7
Y .flo w re q	Requirements for the support of stateful flow-aware transport technology in NGN	0 4 - 2 0 0 7



#### **Resource and Admission Control Functions**



Resource and Admission Control Functions (RACF)

- Provide application-driven, policy-based resource management
- Bridge service control and packet transport to dynamically guarantee QoS and enforce certain network security measures



### **ITU-T RACF Architecture**

(See ITU-T Rec. Y.2111/Y.RACF) Service Control Functions (IMS or non-IMS) Service Stratum Rs (Diameter) **Transport Stratum** Other NGNs 🖳 Rd (Diameter) Rp PD-FE Ru **Network Attachment** Ri **Control Functions** TRC-FE Rt (Diameter) **RACF** intra-Rc (COPS, SNMP) Rw\(H.248, COPS, Diameter) domain inter-TRE-FE **Transport** PF-FF domain **Functions** 

#### Policy Decision Functional Entity (PD-FE)

- Authorizes resource requests based on policy
- Configures the transport to enforce policy

#### Transport Resource Control Functional Entity (TRC-FE)

- o Tracks resource usage & network topology
- Makes resource-based admission decision

#### Policy Enforcement Functional Entity (PE-FE)

 Enforces policy for NAPT, gating, rate limiting, packet marking, etc. service-facing, transport-independent

> service-independent, transport-dependent, segment-specific

typically part of border transport elements (e.g. edge router and border gateway)

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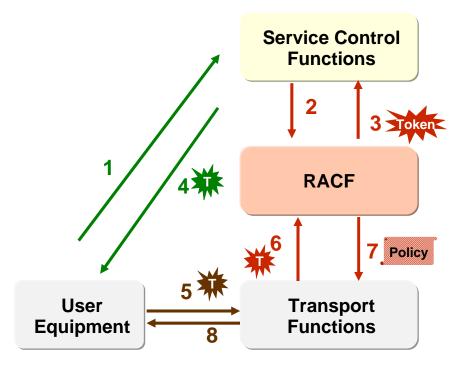
## **More RACF Specifics**

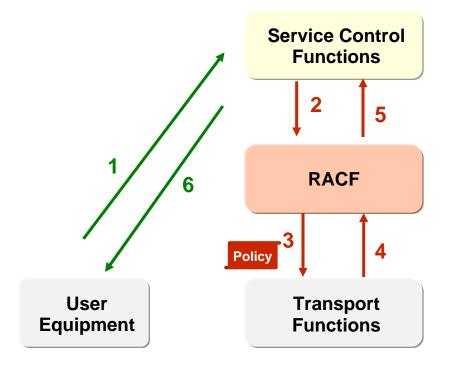
## Support for

- Relative and absolute QoS, including priority
- Endpoints of varied QoS control capabilities
- Push and pull modes for policy control
- Various resource management methods based on accounting, measurement and reservation
- Existing and emerging transport QoS mechanisms



### Push and Pull Modes





### Pull Mode

Push Mode

(Token-free operations are also possible.)

**RACF Control** Transport QoS Signaling **Application Signaling** 



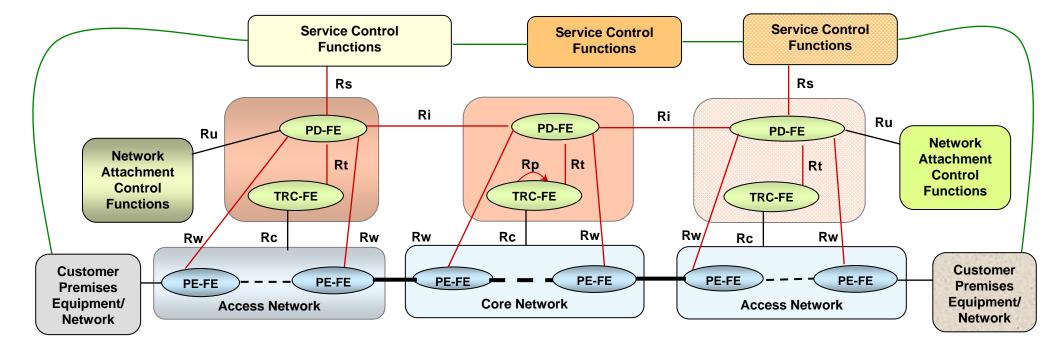
### **Options for Admission Control in TRC-FE**

Depending on operator policy and network specifics:

- NULL (such as in over-engineered core networks)
- o Accounting-based
  - Keep track of the consumed resources from a resource pool
- o Measurement-based (in-band or out-of-band)
  - Audit resource use in the transport periodically via SNMP, or
  - Measure directly network performance edge-to-edge(or end-to-end) via RTCP or active/passive probes
- Part of native transport admission control
  - For example, MPLS routers/switches track resource use and LSP map
- In conjunction with native transport resource reservation
  - Trigger native transport resource reservation and make admission decision based on the reservation result
- A combination of the above
  - Different solutions according to services and/or network domains



## **A Configuration Example**



The PE-FE can reside in the

- o Gateway GPRS Support Node
- o Packet Data Serving Node
- o Cable Modem Termination System

- Access Node
- o Edge Node
- o Border Gateway



## Summary

- NGN QoS is an active standardization area in the ITU-T
- RACF for dynamic, application-driven resource management plays a central role
  - Y.2111/Y.RACF (on the architecture and requirements for Release 1) and Y.2171/Y.CACPriority about to be approved
  - RACF protocols are under development in SG 11
  - Draft new Recommendations Y. 123. qos and Y. enet address the application of RACF to Ethernet environments
- Other aspects are addressed by new draft Recommendations underway (Y.mpm, Y.e2eqos.1, Y.flowreq, Y.RestPriority, etc.)
- Close cooperation among relevant SDOs is essential to the development of consistent and interoperable standards
- Discussion of the impacts of Grids is in order