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Multimedia Security within Study Group 16
Past, Presence and Future

Outline of Presentation

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- Study Group 16 Overview
 - ◆ Question G “Multimedia Security”

- Examples of past, present and future MM-security in SG16
 - ◆ Secure H.323-based IP Telephony
 - ◆ H.235 and associated security profiles
 - ◆ H.248 Media Gateway Decomposition Security
 - ◆ Secure H.320 Audio/Video and T.120 Data Conferencing
 - ◆ Emergency Telecommunications Services Security

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Question G “Security of MM Systems & Services”

Study Group 16 - Security-related Questions in the MediaCom2004 project

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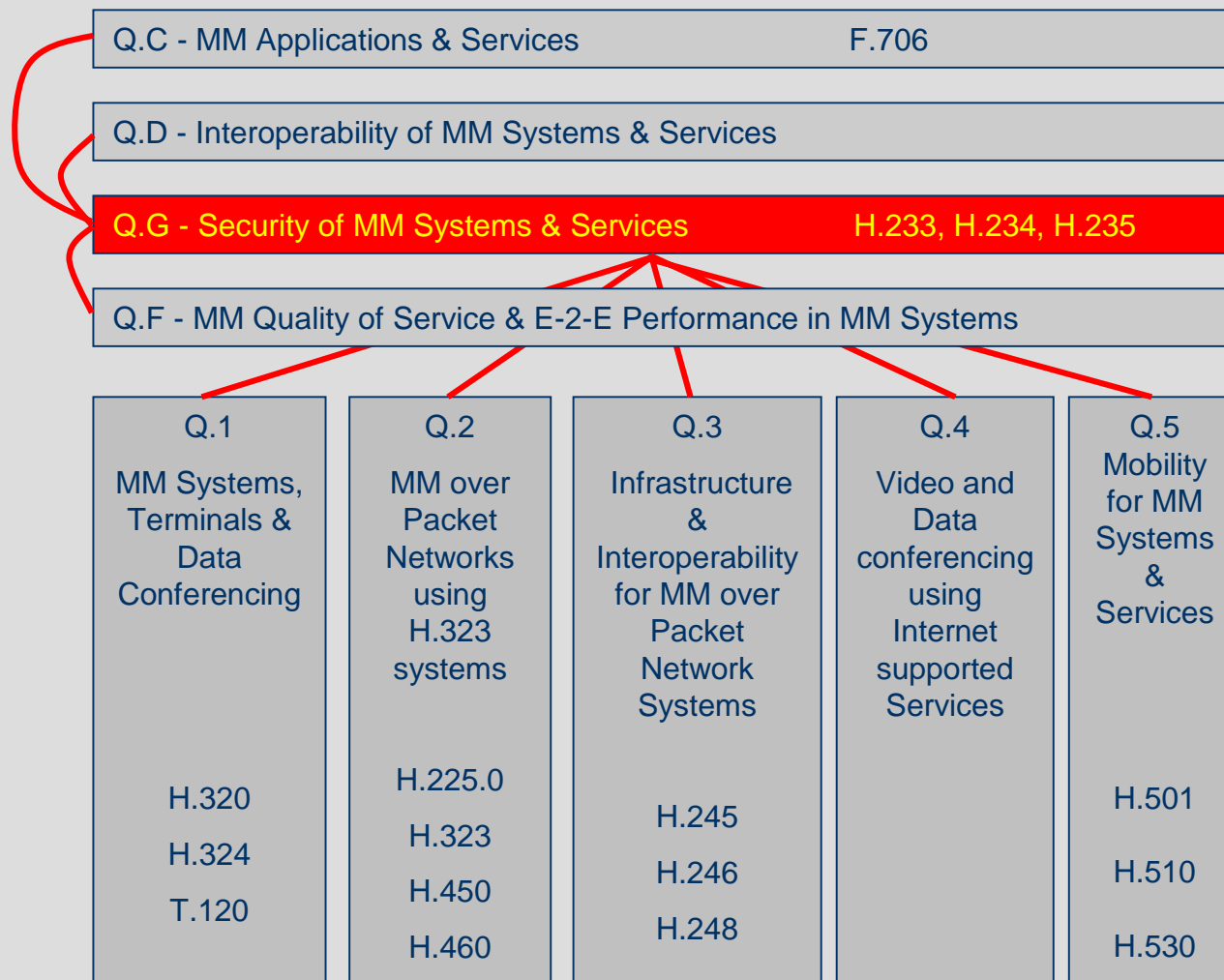
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- A horizontal question with broad focus
- General Responsibilities:
 - Perform threat analysis, analyze security requirements; recommend security services/mechanism for MM applications
 - Build sound security architecture and interface with security infrastructure
 - Realize multimedia communications security, engineer MM security protocols with real-time, group-communication, mobility and scalability constraints
 - Address interdomain security and security interworking
 - Maintain H.233, H.234; progress H.235

For further details on Q.G terms of reference, please see Annex G of the Mediacom2004 project description

<http://www.itu.int/ITU-T/studygroups/com16/mediacom2004/index.html>

Multimedia Communications Security

Some questions to address

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- Secure the signaling for MM applications
- Secure data transport and MM streams
- Protect MM content (authorship, IPR, copy-protection)
- Efficiently integrate key management into MM protocols; interface with security infrastructures (e.g., PKI)
- Negotiate security capabilities securely
- Interact with security gateways and firewalls
- Enable MM security across heterogeneous networks
- Provide scalable security
(small groups, medium sized enterprises, large carrier environments)
- Build future-proof security
(simple and sophisticated security techniques)
- Address the performance and system constraints (SW/HW crypto, smart-cards,...)
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Q.G Work and Study Items

Some Highlights

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- Investigate confidentiality and privacy of all signaling
- Address the concept of a centralized key management for MM systems
- Security for MM Mobility, MM Presence, MM Instant Messaging
- Optimize voice encryption, develop video encryption, consider sophisticated crypto algorithms
- MM security support for emergency services
- Consolidate or develop new security profiles
- Clarify the impact due to lawful interception
- Architect secure, de-composed systems
- Security interworking H.323-SIP
- Interaction with e-commerce and network security
- ...



Target Multimedia Applications with Security Needs

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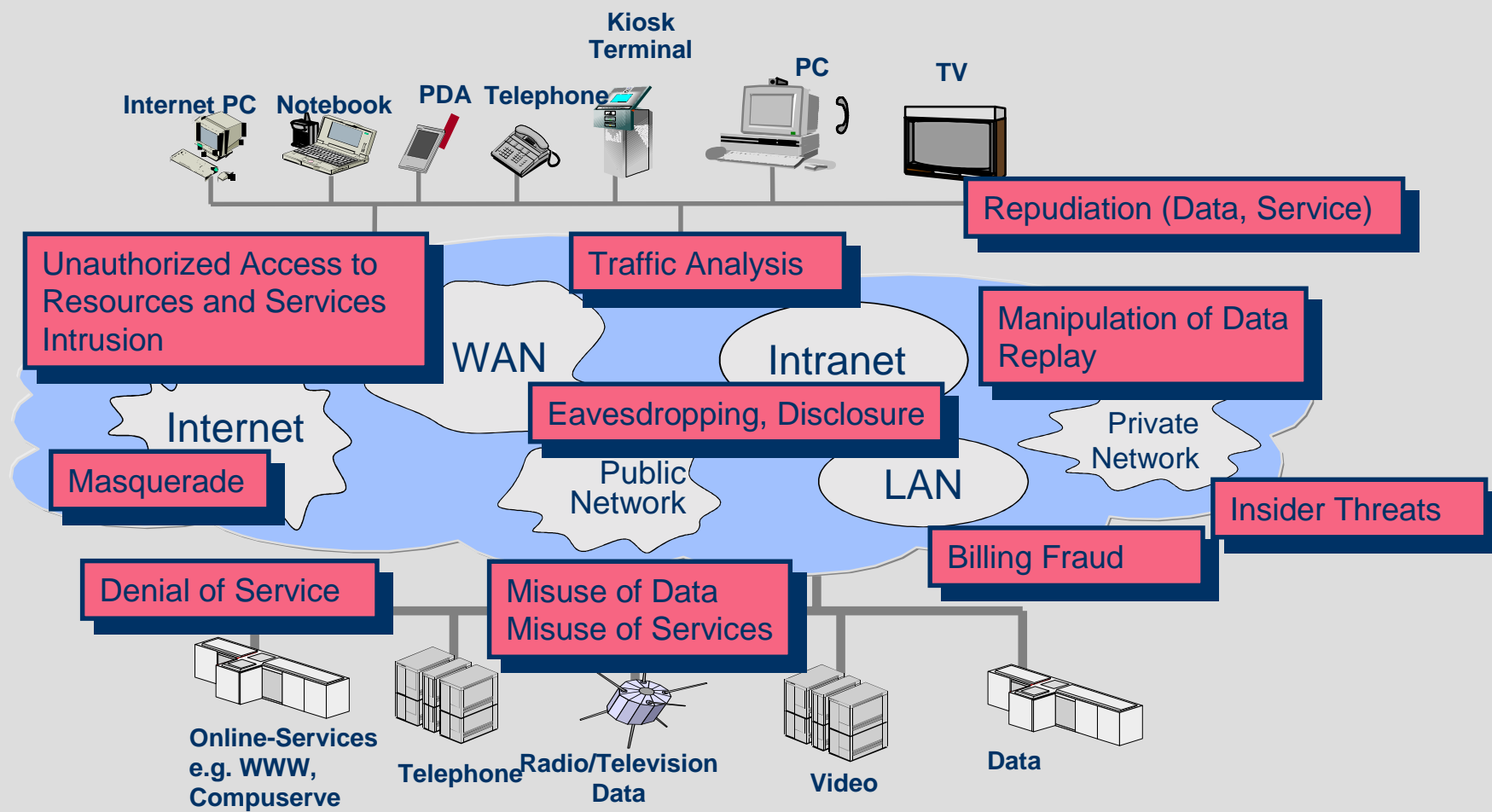
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- Voice/Video Conferencing
- Data Conferencing
- IP Telephony (Voice over IP)
- Media Gateway Decomposition
- Instant Messaging and MM-Presence

Threats to Multimedia Communication



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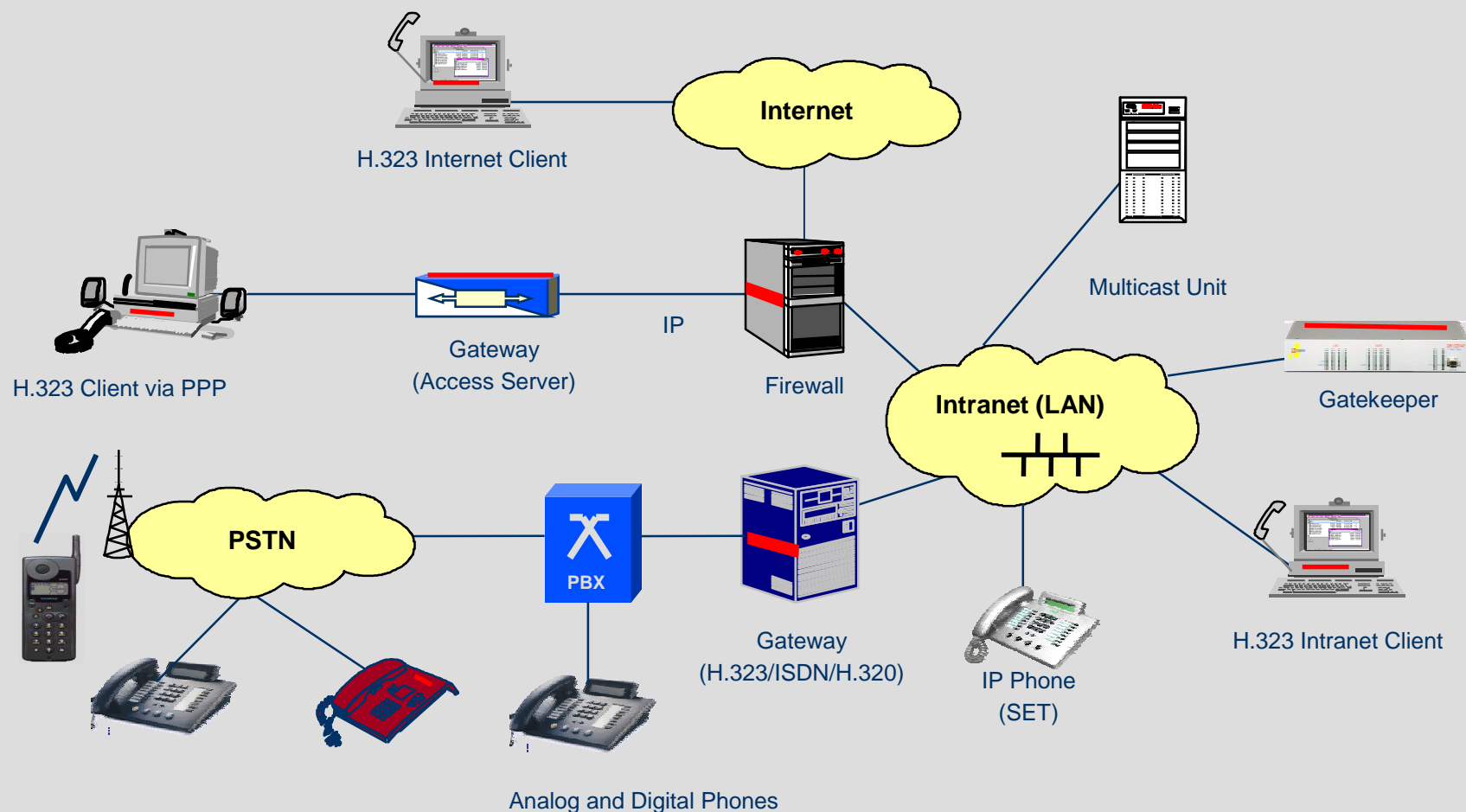
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General H.323 Scenario



IP Telephony - Security Issues

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- User authentication:
 - Who is using the service? (Who am I phoning with?)
- Call authorization:
 - Is the user/terminal permitted to use the service resources?
- Terminal and server authentication:
 - Am I talking with the proper server, MCU, provider? Mobility ...
- Signaling security protection;
 - Protection of signaling protocols against manipulation, misuse, confidentiality & privacy
- Voice confidentiality:
 - Encryption of the RTP voice payload
- Key management:
 - Secure key distribution and key management among the parties
- Interdomain security:
 - Security profile & capability negotiation, firewall traversal

Specific IP Telephony Security Challenges

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- IP Telephony is real-time, point-2-point or multi-point
 - secure fast setup/connect
 - real-time security processing of media data
 - real-time certificate processing
 - IKE security handshakes take too long
- Security measures must be integrated in proprietary platforms and in VoIP stacks
 - security can best be added at application layer
 - tight interaction with voice CODECs and DSPs
 - low overhead for security: small code size, high performance,...
 - “Windows 5000” is not the answer!
- Secure management of the systems
 - secure password update
 - secure storage in databases
- Scalable security from small enterprise to large Telco environments
- Security should be firewall friendly

“Historic” Evolution of H.235

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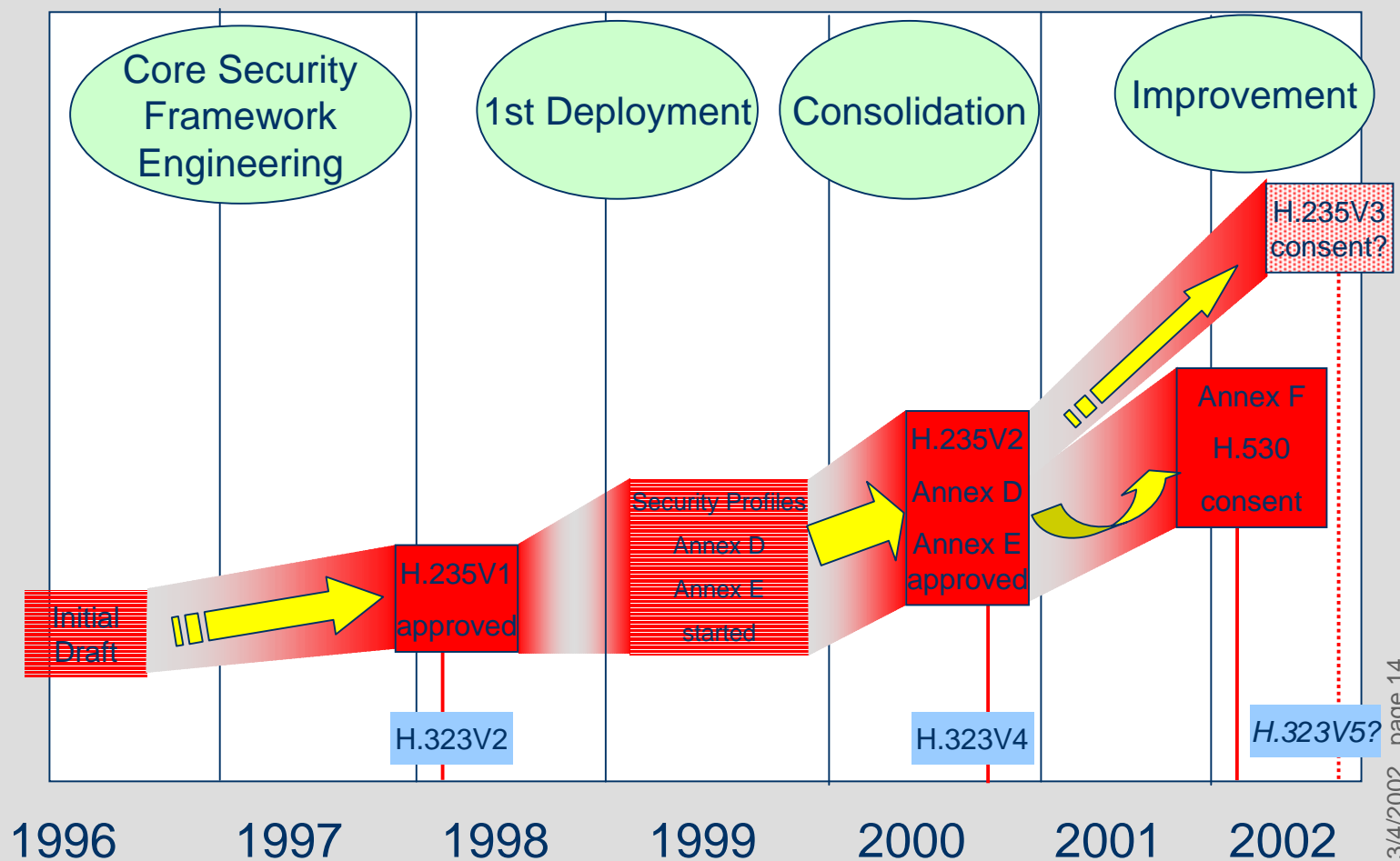
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“Security and Encryption for H.323 and other H.245-based multimedia terminals”

- provides cryptographic protection of control protocols (RAS, H.225.0 and H.245) and audio/video media stream data
- negotiation of cryptographic services, algorithms and capabilities
- integrated key management functions / secure point-to-point and multipoint communications
- interoperable security profiles
- sophisticated security techniques (Elliptic curves, anti-spamming & AES)
- may use existing Internet security packages and standards (IPSec, SSL/TLS)
- Recommendation H.235 version 2 released in 11/2000



H.235 - “H.323 Security” Security Protocol Architecture

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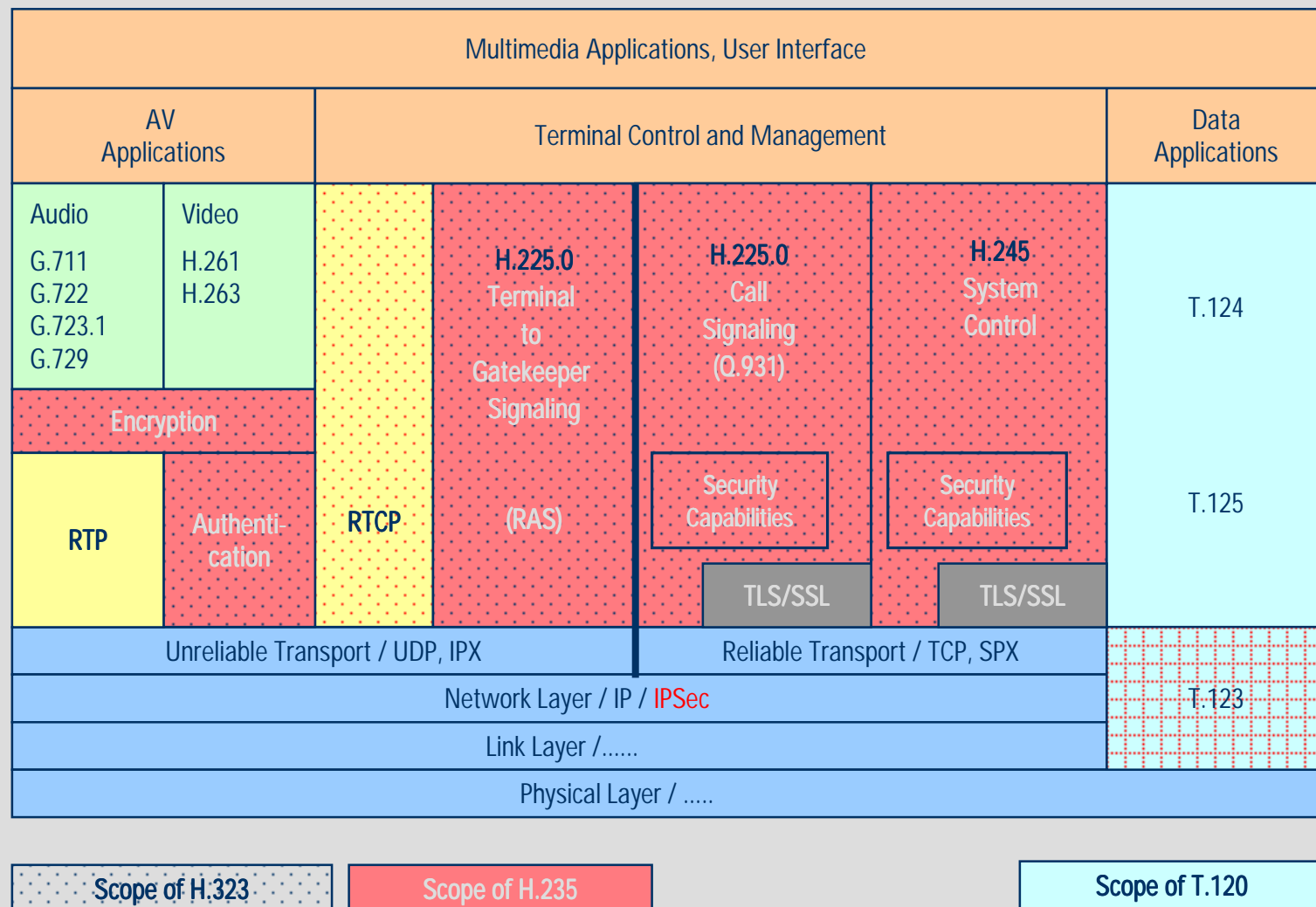
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H.323 Phases with H.235 Security

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H.323 Phases



H.225.0 RAS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.) GK Discovery 2.) Endpoint Registration 3.) Admission and Bandwidth request 4.) Establish Q.931 address 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endpoint identification with DH-key exchange • Endpoint authentication (replay protected pw/certificate) • Access control and call authorization with access tokens • RAS message integrity, replay protection • ...
H.225.0 CS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.) Call remote endpoint by Q.931 2.) Establish H.245 address 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Security port signaling and SSL/TLS secured call signaling • Negotiation of H.245 security channel capabilities • Secured fast connect with key management • ...
H.245 CC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.) Open Control Channel 2.) Negotiate terminal capabilities 3.) Determine Master/Slave relationship 4.) Establish UDP ports for A/V 5.) Open/close logical channels 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SSL/TLS secured H.245 stack • Tunneling via H.225.0 CS Facility Messages • Terminal security capability negotiation • Integrated key management (pairwise/multipoint keys) • ...
H.225.0 Media	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.) Transfer Audio or Video Data within logical channel using RTP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audio/Video payload encryption

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Goal: Select useful, interoperable set of security features of H.235

■ H.235v2:

- ◆ Baseline Security Profile for Authentication & Integrity with shared secrets
- ◆ Signature Security Profile for Authentication/Integrity with certificates and digital signatures
- ◆ Voice Encryption Security Profile for confidentiality with voice encryption

■ H.235 Annex F:

- ◆ Hybrid Security Profile

■ H.530:

- ◆ H.235 Mobility Security for H.510

■ H.323 Annex J:

- ◆ Baseline Security Profile for Simple Endpoint Types

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Baseline Security Profile Background

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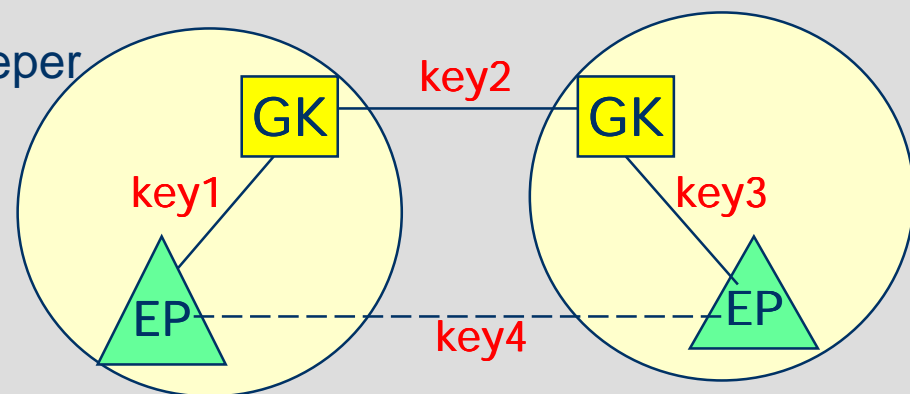
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- Relies on symmetric techniques (shared secrets, passwords)
- Supported scenarios:
 - endpoint to gatekeeper
 - gatekeeper to gatekeeper
 - (endpoint to endpoint)



- Favors GK routed signaling with hop-by-hop security, (direct call model possible but limited)
- Supports secure fast connect with secure H.245 tunneling

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Baseline Security Profile

Security Services	Call Functions			
	RAS	H.225.0	H.245 ^(*)	RTP
Authentication	Password HMAC-SHA1-96	Password HMAC-SHA1-96	Password HMAC-SHA1-96	
Non-Repudiation				
Integrity	Password HMAC-SHA1-96	Password HMAC-SHA1-96	Password HMAC-SHA1-96	
Confidentiality				
Key Management	Subscription-based password assignment	Subscription-based password assignment		

(*) H.245 tunneling, fast connect

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Countered Threats

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Threats and attacks	Countermeasures
Masquerading, man-in-the-middle	Cryptographic authentication
Spoofing, connection hijacking	Authentication, integrity
Replay	Timestamp, sequence number
Message manipulation	Message digest
Denial-of-service	Message digest
Interception of media stream data	Symmetric encryption

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Voice Encryption Profile

Security Services	Call Functions						
	RAS	H.225.0	H.245	RTP			
Authentication							
Non-Repudiation							
Integrity							
Confidentiality				56-bit DES	56-bit RC2-com- patible	168-bit Triple- DES	128-bit AES
Key Management		authenticated Diffie-Hellman key-exchange	Integrated H.235 session key manage- ment (key distri- bution, key update using 56-bit DES/ 56- bit RC2-compatible/ 168-bit Triple-DES)/ 128-bit AES				

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Voice Encryption - Background

- Supports media encryption (RTP payload) end-to-end
- Allows different crypto algorithms and modes
- Allows different key management options
- Tight interaction of encryption function with media codec/DSP possible
- RTP header remains in clear supporting IP/UDP/RTP header compression
- Crypto algorithms, modes and parameters are negotiated by H.245 signaling.

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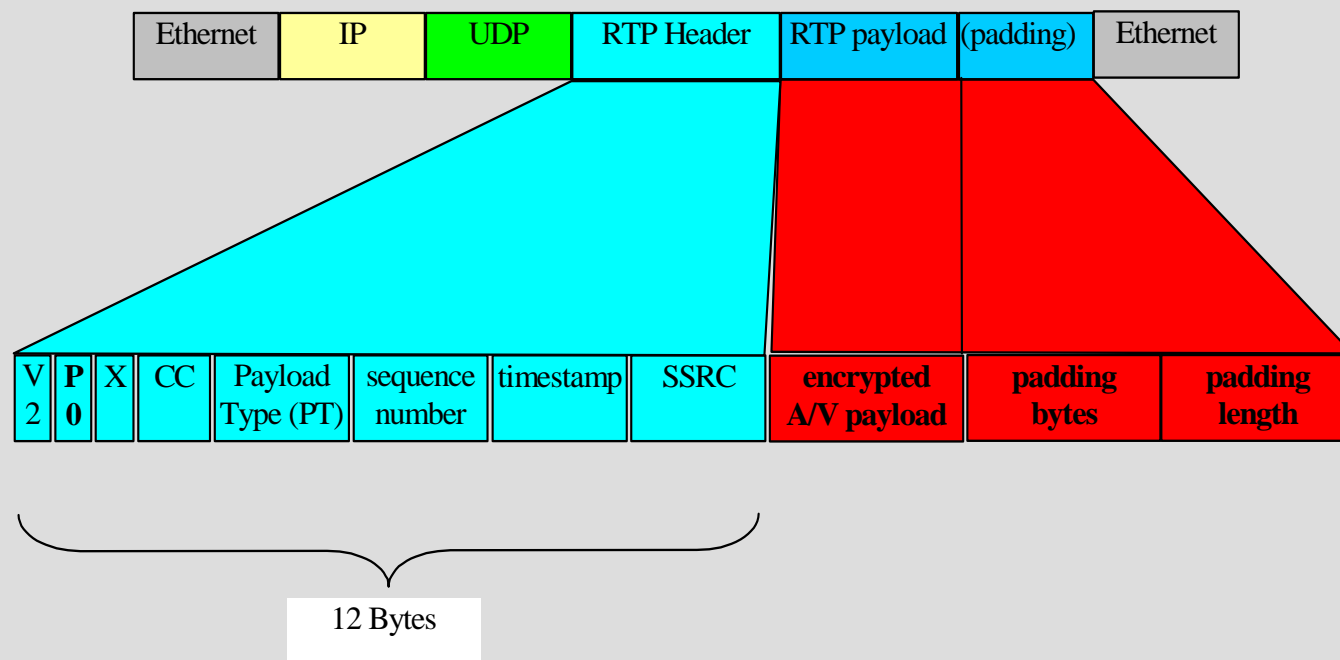
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Signature Security Profile

Security Services	Call Functions						
	RAS		H.225.0		H.245		RTP
Authentication	SHA1/	MD5	SHA1/	MD5	SHA1/	MD5	
	digital signature		digital signature		digital signature		
Non-Repudiation	SHA1/	MD5	SHA1/	MD5	SHA1/	MD5	
	digital signature		digital signature		digital signature		
Integrity	SHA1/	MD5	SHA1/	MD5	SHA1/	MD5	
	digital signature		digital signature		digital signature		
Confidentiality							
Key Management	certificate allocation		certificate allocation				

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Signature Security Profile - Background

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- Relies on asymmetric techniques (digital certificates, public/private keys)
- Supports proxy Gatekeeper (security proxy)
- GK routed signaling and direct call model possible
- Scalable for large, global environments
- Supports non-repudiation and secure fast connect
- Hop-by-hop and end-to-end security possible
- Optional voice-encryption

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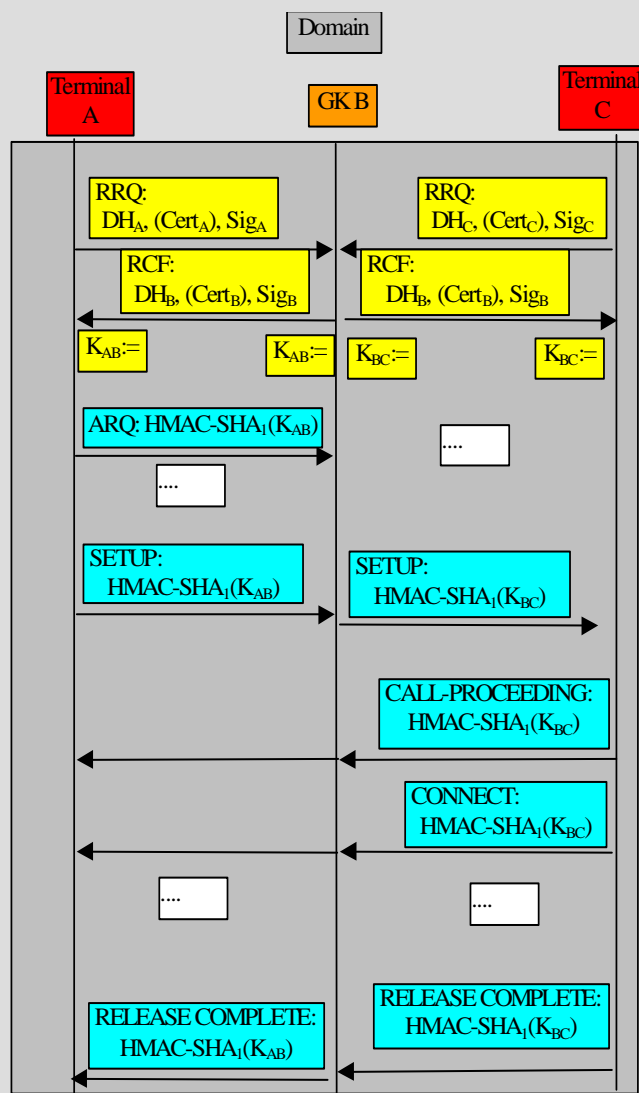
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- Combines symmetric with asymmetric techniques
 - Baseline Security Profile with symmetric cryptography (H.235 Annex D)
 - Signature Security Profile with asymmetric cryptography (H.235 Annex E)
- Provides performance optimized global security
- Interoperates with PKI-based e-commerce environments
⇒ Voice-commerce
- Proposal by TEN Telecom Tiphon (TTT)/VISIONng Project:
Security will be implemented for carrier VoIP field trial

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Hybrid Security Profile



- Asymmetric PKI crypto operations occur only at initial RAS registration
- Digital signature and certificate exchange for “secure RAS registration”
- Negotiated Diffie-Hellman key acts as a dynamic shared secret (replaces the static password)
- Any further RAS, Call signaling and Call Control efficiently secured by symmetric crypto operations
- Works also between Domains
- Includes re-keying and allows channel bundling

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Security Services	Call Functions			
	RAS	H.225.0	H.245	RTP
Authentication	RSA digital signature (SHA1)	RSA digital signature (SHA1)	RSA digital signature (SHA1)	
	HMAC-SHA1-96	HMAC-SHA1-96	HMAC-SHA1-96	
Non-Repudiation				
Integrity	RSA digital signature (SHA1)	RSA digital signature (SHA1)	RSA digital signature (SHA1)	
	HMAC-SHA1-96	HMAC-SHA1-96	HMAC-SHA1-96	
Confidentiality				
Key Management	certificate allocation,	certificate allocation,		
	authenticated Diffie-Hellman key-exchange	authenticated Diffie-Hellman key-exchange		

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Work Items under Consideration

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- Deploying the Advanced Encryption Algorithm (AES) ✓
- Improved and more secure generation of the initial value (IV)
- Interworking with Secure Realtime Transport Protocol (IETF SRTP) and secure RTCP
- IETF MIKEY real-time key management consideration and interworking
- J.170 interworking
- Secure DTMF transport within H.245
- Signaling encryption with H.460.1 (Generic extensibility framework)
- Security for Emergency Telecommunications Services

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The Security Problem of H.323 Mobility

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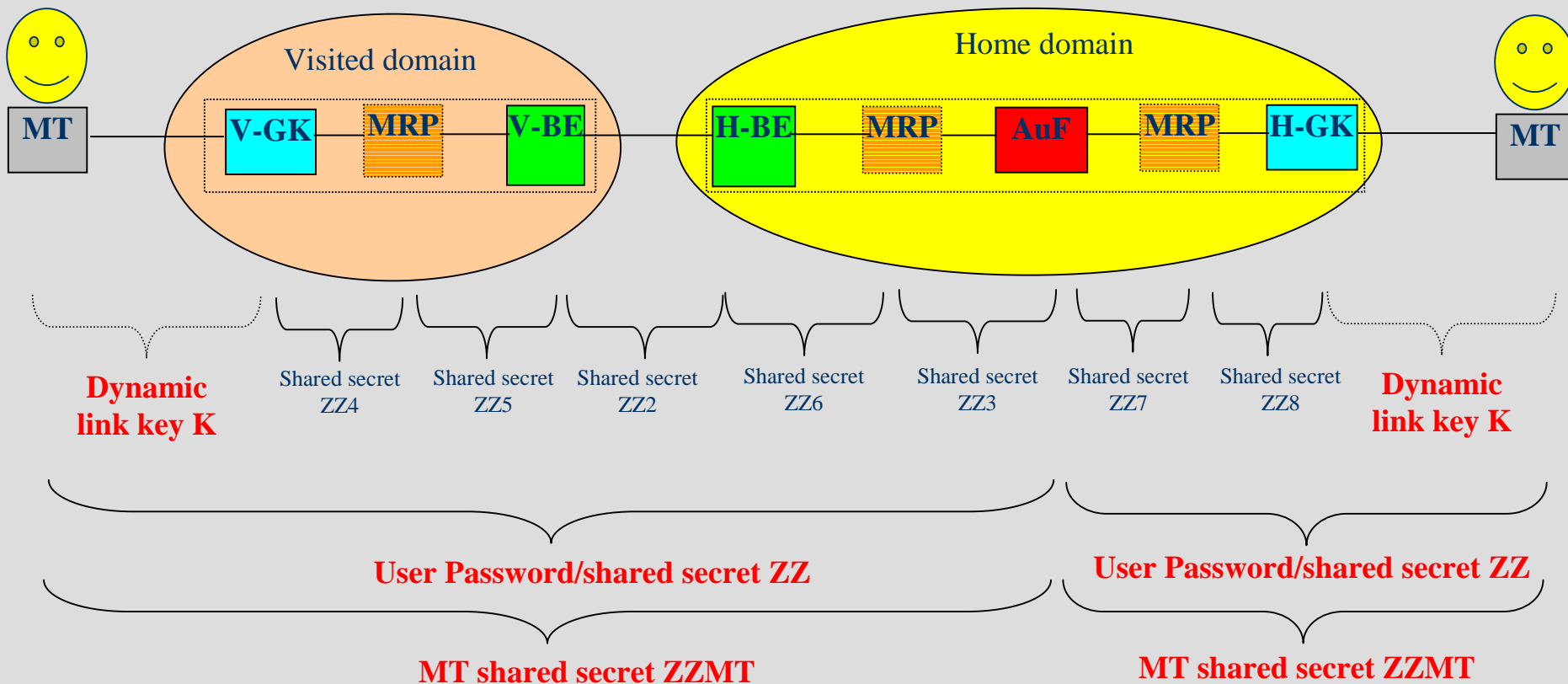
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- Provide **secure** user and terminal mobility in distributed H.323 environments beyond interdomain interconnection and limited GK-zone mobility
- Security issues:
 - Mobile Terminal/User authentication and authorization in foreign visited domains
 - Authentication of visited domain
 - Secure key management
 - Protection of signaling data between MT and visited domain

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Scenario and Security Infrastructure



AuF = Authentication Function

MT = H.323 mobile terminal

**MRP = mobility routing proxy
(HLF, VLF) optional**

**BE = H.501 Border Element
(home/visited)**

**GK = H.323 Gatekeeper
(home/visited)**

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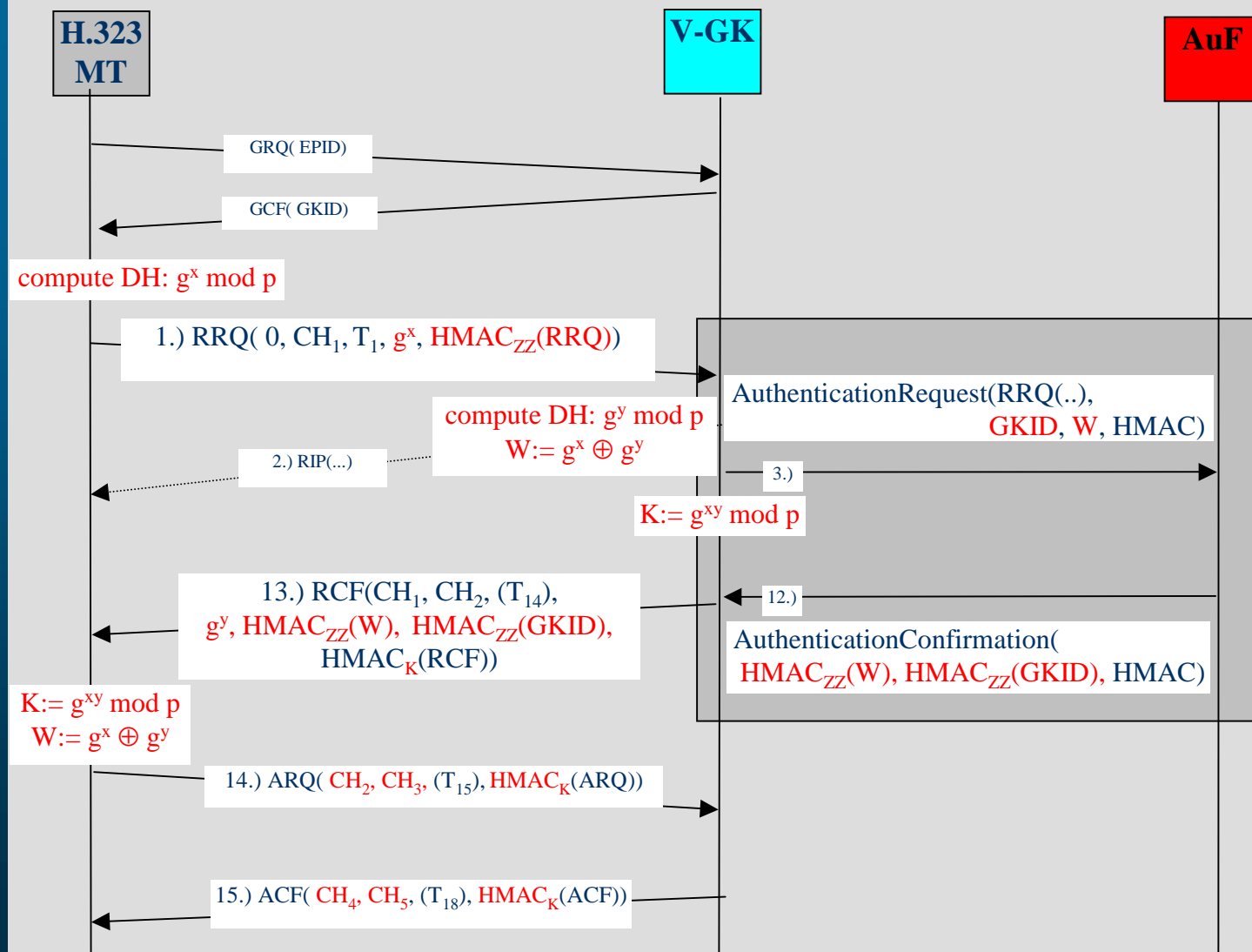
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“Symmetric Security Procedures for H.510 (Mobility for H.323 Multimedia Systems and Services)”

- Works entirely with a shared-secret Security Infrastructure
 - deploys H.235 Annex D (Baseline Security Profile)
 - re-uses H.235 Clear- and CryptoTokens
 - Implementable with H.235 Version 2
 - H.235 and/or IPSEC on hop-by-hop H.501 links between visited domain and home domain and among entities
- Visited domain relays the task of MT/user authentication and authorization to the home domain (AuF)
 - MT authentication/authorization procedure may be executed either at GRQ or RRQ
 - MT authentication may be accomplished piggy-backed in conjunction with user authentication.
 - Having obtained authorization credentials, the visited domain operates “locally” without further interaction with the home domain.
- Does not assume synchronized time between MT and visited domain.
- Works also for the MT in the home domain respectively.
- MRP are optional security proxies (HLF, VLF).

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- V-GK encapsulates received MT registration message, forwards to AuF
- AuF verifies MT registration message (MT authentication)
- AuF creates certified credentials for the MT and performs authorization check
- V-GK receives AuF authorization result, may additionally enforce its own authorization policy
- V-GK and MT establish a dynamic Diffie-Hellman session key
- MT verifies obtained certified credentials
- MT and V-GK apply the established key for message protection using a mutual challenge-response protocol (based on H.235 Annex D)

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- Dynamic session key only available to MT and V-GK, but not to anyone else!
- No encryption usage in the back-end, integrity is fully sufficient there.
- V-GK can not cheat by replay, shortcut attacks (enforced by W)
- Explicit authentication of the MT/user by the AuF
- Implicit authentication between V-GK and AuF relying on mutual trust relationship(s)
- Mutual authentication among MT and V-GK
- Fair session key agreement with Diffie-Hellman
- Guaranteed fresh session key (enforced by W)
- Agreed session key is tested for correctness
- Formal security protocol analysis underway...

Potential H.235 - J.170 Security Inter-working

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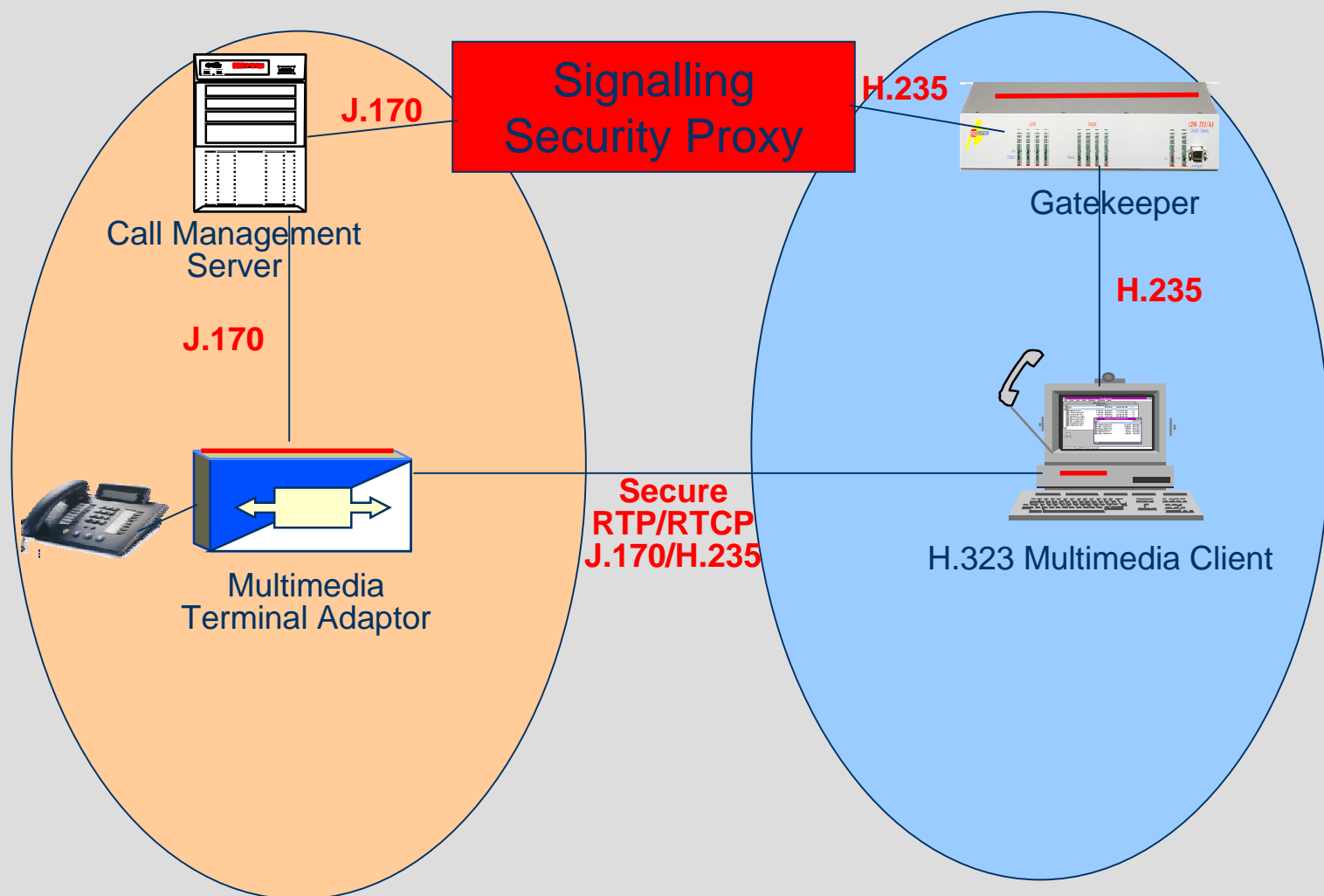
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Media Gateway Decomposition

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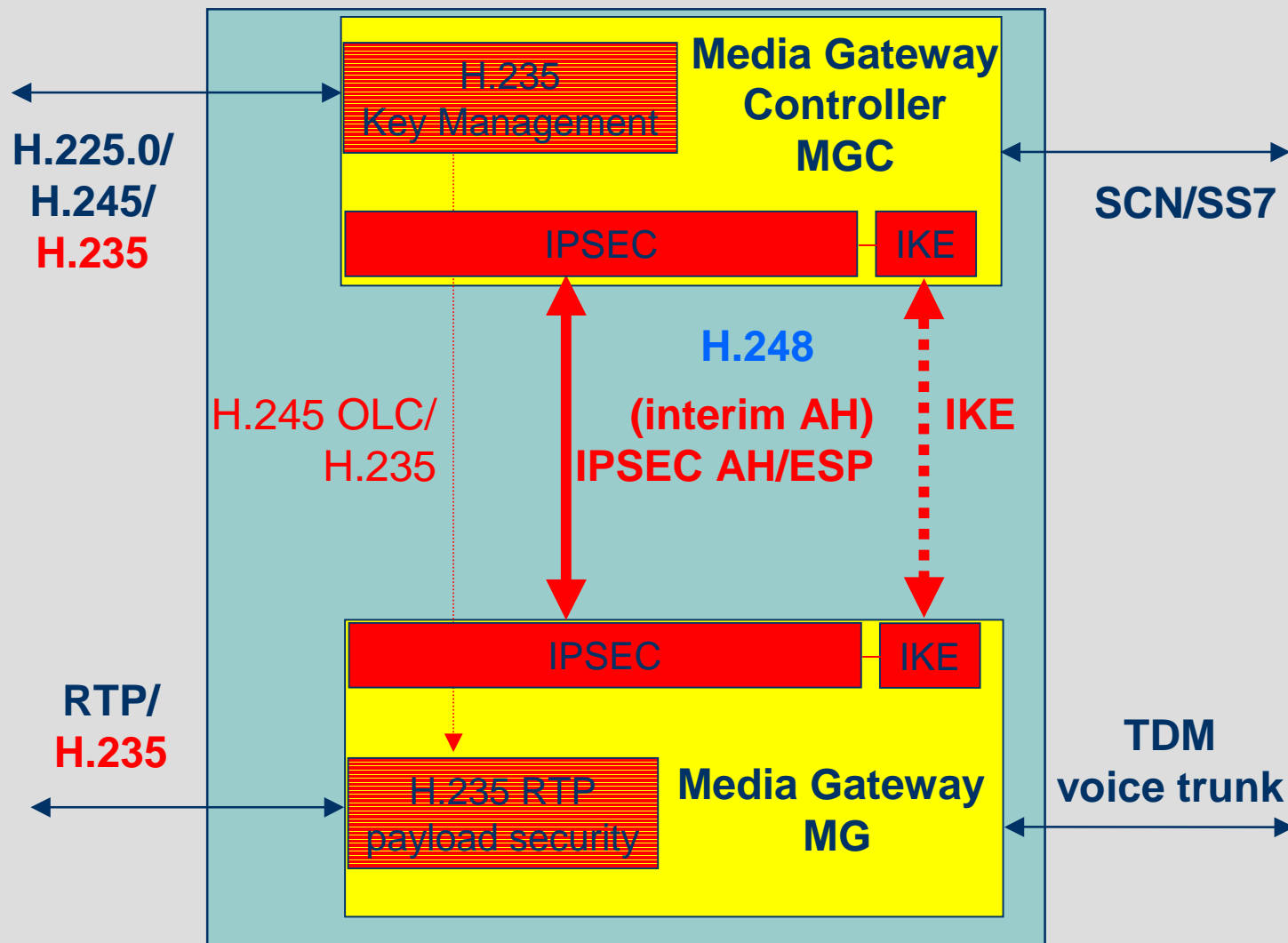
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- H.248 applies IPSEC for protection of MGC-MG signaling
 - ◆ AH for authentication/integrity of H.248 IP packets
 - ◆ ESP for confidentiality/authentication/integrity of H.248 IP packets
- manual keying with administered shared keys mandatory
- IKE for the key management for H.248 session keys recommended (default: RSA)
- an optional interim scheme is defined at application layer with AH in front of the H.248 payload for migration until IPSEC is available.

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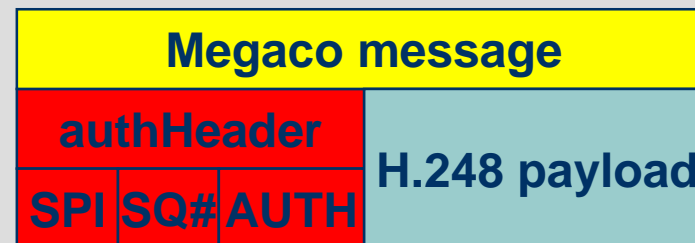
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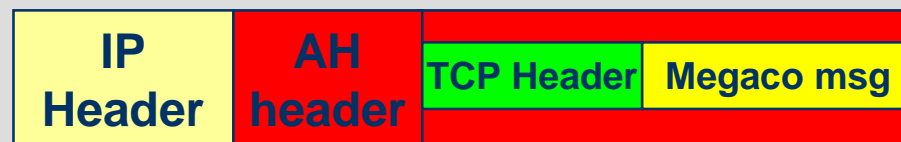
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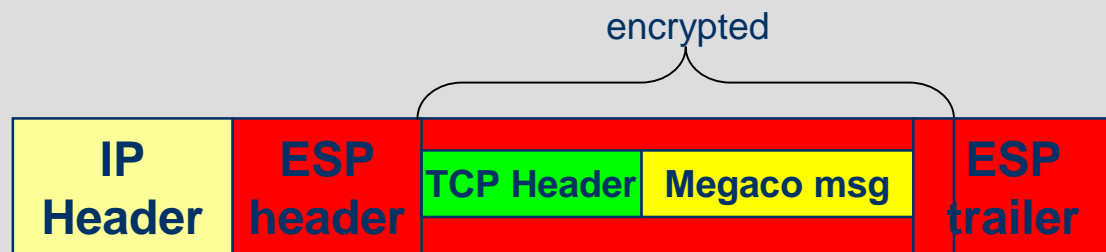


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IPSEC AH:



IPSEC ESP:



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Security for Multimedia Terminals on circuit-switched networks

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- H.233: “Confidentiality System for Audiovisual Services”
 - point-to-point encryption of H.320 A/V payload data by ISO 9979 registered algorithms: FEAL, DES, IDEA, B-CRYPT or BARAS stream ciphers

- H.234: “Key Management and Authentication System for Audiovisual Services”
 - uses ISO 8732 manual key management
 - uses extended Diffie-Hellman key distribution protocol
 - RSA based user authentication with X.509-like certificates by 3-way X.509 protocol variant

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CSCW scenarios:

- Users work in a **virtual office** (Teleworking/Telecommuting from home)
- **collaboration** of users in a tele-conference through a conference system

Security aspects:

- user authentication for granting access to the corporate environment
- telecommuting server can protect out-bound/VPN application data
- secure remote access and management to home office PC
- home office PCs deserve special security protection:
 - ◆ against intruders, viruses
 - ◆ against misuse of corporate services
 - ◆ unauthorized access to local information through application sharing
- point-to-point security may not be optimal in a decentralized multi-party conference

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T.120 and Security

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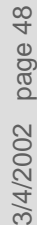
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Secure ETS

- T.120 has very weak information security available (unprotected passwords), common state of the art cryptographic mechanisms are not supported.
- OS security features do not prevent against typical T.120 threats (especially T.128 application sharing vulnerabilities); this problem already arises in simple pt-2-pt scenarios.
- Additional threats exist for group-based multipoint scenarios: insider threats, lack of access control, “write token” not protected, unsecured conference management ,...
 - The T.120 “**virtual conference room**” needs integral and user friendly security protection: for authentication & role-based authorization, for confidentiality, for integrity, and security policy negotiation capabilities.

T.123 profiles



T.123 network profiles with security

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Secure ETS

- Supports network security on a node-to-node basis
 - TLS/SSL
 - IPSEC w/o IKE or manual key management
 - X.274/ ISO TLSP
 - GSS-API
- connection negotiation protocol (CNP) offers security capability negotiation
- secures conference against “out-siders” but does not provide security within a conferences (no access control on applications and GCC conferencing services)
- no support for multipoint/multicast and T.125 MAP
- still relies on “trusted intermediate nodes” but does not offer true end-to-end security across heterogeneous networks



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Secure ETS



- Security objectives:
 - prevent theft of service and denial of service by unauthorized user
 - support access control and authorization of ETS users
 - ensure the confidentiality and integrity of calls
 - provide rapid and user-friendly authentication of ETS users
- H.SETS is the provisional title for a new work item under study within Q.G with the focus on the multimedia security aspects of ETS
- Relationship identified with QoS, network issues, robustness and reliability,...