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SIP Tutorial

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Introduction: Who We Are

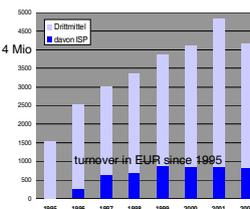
“Technologie-Zentrum Informatik”



- ◆ **Founded 1995**
- ◆ **Non-Profit organization**
- ◆ **Part of the Dept. of Computer Science
Universität Bremen, Germany**
- ◆ **~100 Scientists (11 University Professors)**
- ◆ **Main focus is on technology transfer
→ Tech consulting, studies, workshops,
cooperative projects, ...**



- ◆ **2002 turnover > € 4 Mio**



Research Group for Computer Networks

Architectures, Protocols and Interfaces for computer-supported communication and collaboration

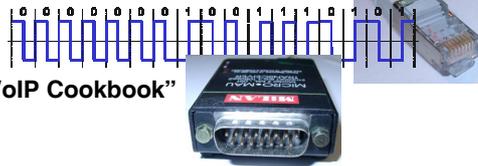
◆ Research Activities

- Multimedia-Conferencing, Media Transcoding
- Data Distribution (Unicast/Multicast)
- Content Transformation, XML Technologies
- Call Signaling, Presence
- Security in distributed systems
(focus on secure real-time multimedia)



◆ Standardization Activities

- IETF: MMUSIC, RoHC, (SIP)
- TERENA: Task Force "Mobility", "VoIP Cookbook"
- Past: ITU-T (H.323)



→ Continuous work on MM Conferencing from early 1990s

Prerequisites

◆ Basic knowledge about computer networks

- packet switching, circuit switching
- Some specific networking technologies
such as Ethernet, serial, ATM

◆ Familiarity with IP networks

- Internetworking "Architecture", Internet Principles
- Network Layer Protocols: IP, ICMP, ...
- Transport Protocols: UDP, TCP, ...
- Service Protocols: DNS, DHCP, ...
- Security Basics

◆ Inclination to ask questions...

◆ Stamina :-)

This Week...

Today	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
SIP Tutorial	Status and Impact of SIP	SIP for small enterprise systems	Instant Messaging & Presence
	SIP Deployments	SIP Security	Public Safety
	SIP – PSTN Interconnection	Mobile Networks	Application Building
The Real-World Impact of SIP		SIP Services	Charging & Billing

This Tutorial...

◆ Proposed Schedule:

1000 – 1100	IP Multimedia, SIP Intro, Basics
1100 – 1120	Morning Break
1120 – 1230	Basic Call Flows, Registration, Location
1230 – 1400	Lunch Break
1400 – 1515	Security, SIP Building Blocks
1515 – 1545	Afternoon Break
1545 – 1700	Telephony, Deployment Issues, (3GPP)
1700 – 1730	The Real-World Impact of SIP

◆ We know that there is nothing like a 20min coffee break – but please let's try anyway...

Tutorial Overview

- ◆ **Internet Multimedia Conferencing Architecture**
- ◆ **Packet A/V Basics + Real-time Transport**
- ◆ **SIP Introduction, History, Architecture**
- ◆ **SIP Basic Functionality, Call Flows**
- ◆ **SIP Security**
- ◆ **SIP Service Creation**

- ◆ **SIP in Telephony**
- ◆ **SIP in 3GPP**

 **You are here**

IP Multimedia Applications (1)

- ◆ **Packet multimedia experiments since 1980s**
 - A/V tools + protocols for A/V over IP
 - Conference control protocols

Internet broadcasting (Mbone)

- ◆ **First IETF Audiocast (1992)**

- ◆ **Broadcasts of IETF WG sessions**
 - audio + video + whiteboard (transparencies)
 - enables remote participation (even talks)

- ◆ **Broadcasting special events**
 - talks, concerts, NASA shuttle missions, ...

- ◆ **Broadcasting “radio” and “television” programs**
 - numerous channels available today

IP Multimedia Applications (2)

Teleconferences

- ◆ **Traditional Internet focus: large groups**
- ◆ **Small groups supported as well**

- ◆ **Audio + video + data (whiteboards, editors, ...)**
- ◆ **Multimedia gaming sessions**

- ◆ **Examples:**
 - seminars and lectures
 - project meetings
 - work group meetings between IETFs

- ◆ **Gatewaying where needed (PSTN, ISDN, cellular, ...)**

IP Multimedia Applications (3)

IP Telephony

- ◆ **“Special case” of teleconferences**
 - point-to-point + conference calls

- ◆ **Gatewaying to PSTN / ISDN / GSM**
 - also H.323, MGCP, MEGACO

- ◆ **Include “Supplementary Services”**
 - what users are used to from their touch tone phone or PBX environment

- ◆ **Include “Intelligent Network (IN)” services**
 - To some degree trivial in an IP environment

IP Multimedia Applications (4)

Multimedia retrieval services

- ◆ "Video on demand"-style
 - including "VCR controls": pause/restart/cue/review
- ◆ Access to multimedia clips from web browsers
 - Commercial examples: RealAudio/RealVideo, IP/TV, Microsoft
- ◆ Often: Internet- / web-based access to live streams
 - "Big Brother", concerts, etc.
- ◆ Option: recording multimedia information

Common Requirements

Network infrastructure

- ◆ Multicast routing
- ◆ Real-time-capable packet forwarding
- ◆ Resource reservation

Transport protocols

- ◆ Real-time (audio / video) information
- ◆ Non-real-time (data / control) information

Media encoding standards

Security

Specific requirements

Control protocols

- ◆ Setup / teardown of communication relationships
- ◆ Call (and conference) control
- ◆ Remote control of devices (e.g. media sources)

Naming and addressing infrastructure

User (and service) location

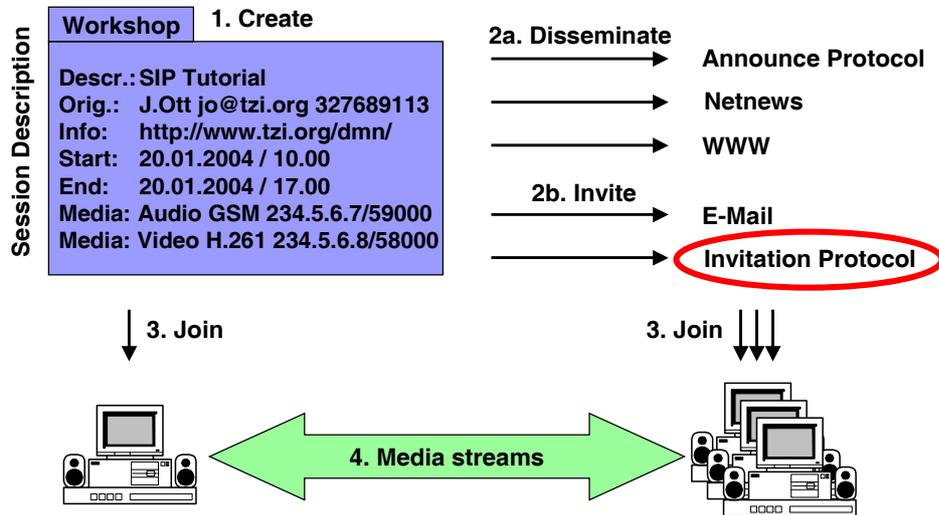
Billing and accounting (and policing)

(Legal requirements)

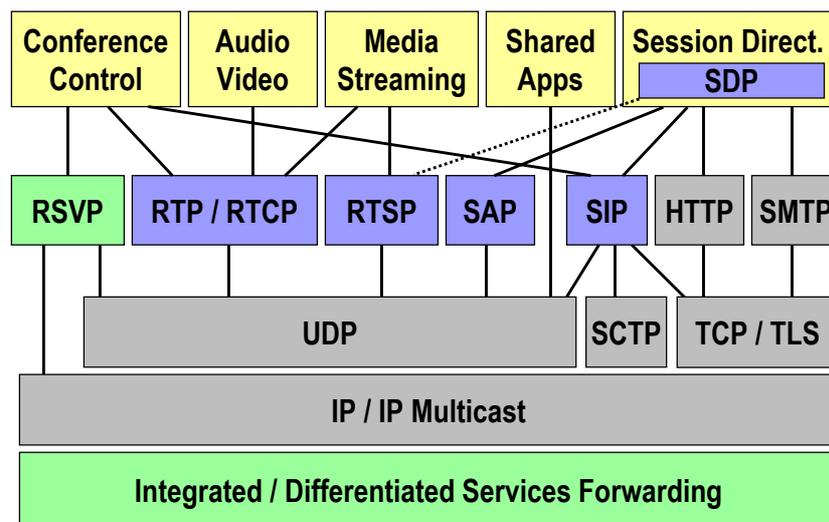
Traditional IETF Conferencing Concept

- ◆ **Multicast-based**
- ◆ **Loosely-coupled conferences**
 - no membership control
 - inexact information about participants
 - ◆ provided on a voluntary basis
 - security by encryption
- ◆ **Public announcements and invitations**
 - Convey session parameters, then get out of the way
 - ◆ Session Announcement Protocol (SAP)
 - ◆ Session Initiation Protocol (SIP)
- ◆ **Conference control**
 - Some need perceived; limited success over many years

Conference Establishment



IETF Conferencing Architecture



Conference Description

Session Description Protocol (SDP, RFC 2327)

- ◆ **All you need to know about a session to join**
 - who? — convener of the session + contact information
 - what about? — name and informal subject description
 - when? — date and time, rep
 - where? — multicast addresses, port numbers
 - which media? — capability requirements
 - how much? — required bandwidth
 - ...
- ◆ **Grouped into three categories**
 - 1 x session, m x time, n x media

Conference Discovery

Session Announcement Protocol (SAP)

- ◆ **Advertise conference description regularly**
 - announcement frequency depends on distribution scope
- ◆ **Originally: avoid conflicts in multicast addresses**
 - simple multicast address allocation (224.2.0.0/16)
- ◆ **Optional security support**
 - authentication header and encrypted payload

Alternatives

- ◆ **Use conventional means**
 - e-mail (SMTP), web servers (HTTP), Netnews (NNTP)
 - MIME type defined for SDP specification: “application/sdp”
- ◆ **Session Invitation Protocol (SIP)**

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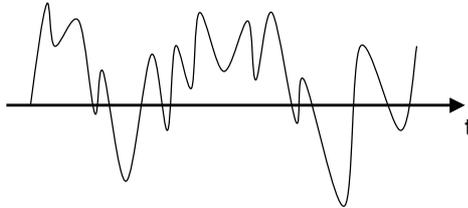
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Real-time Media over Packets

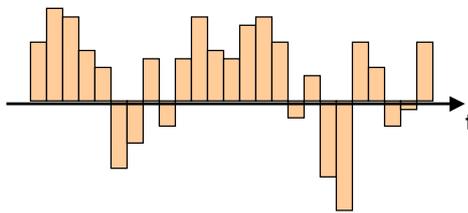
- ◆ Audio / Video are continuous media
- ◆ Packet networks transport discrete units
 - digitize media
 - compression
 - packetization
- ◆ No additional multiplex (beyond UDP/IP) needed:
 - no separate lines, bit allocations, etc.
 - transport different media in different packets
 - can give different quality of service to different media
 - allows different sites to receive different subsets
- ◆ **Issue:** Variable, partially unpredictable **delay...**

Real-time Media over Packets (2)

1) analog input signal

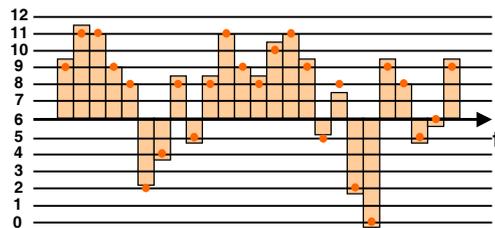


2) sampled input signal
(implicit compression)

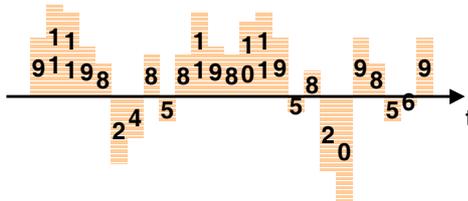


Real-time Media over Packets (3)

3) Quantization
(another step of
implicit
compression)

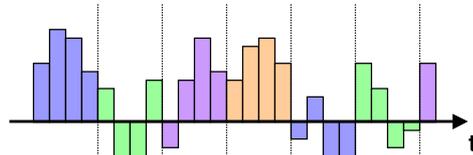


4) Digital data stream

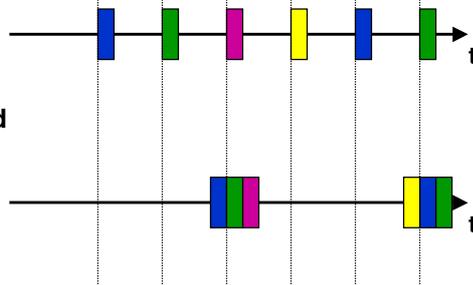


Real-time Media over Packets (4)

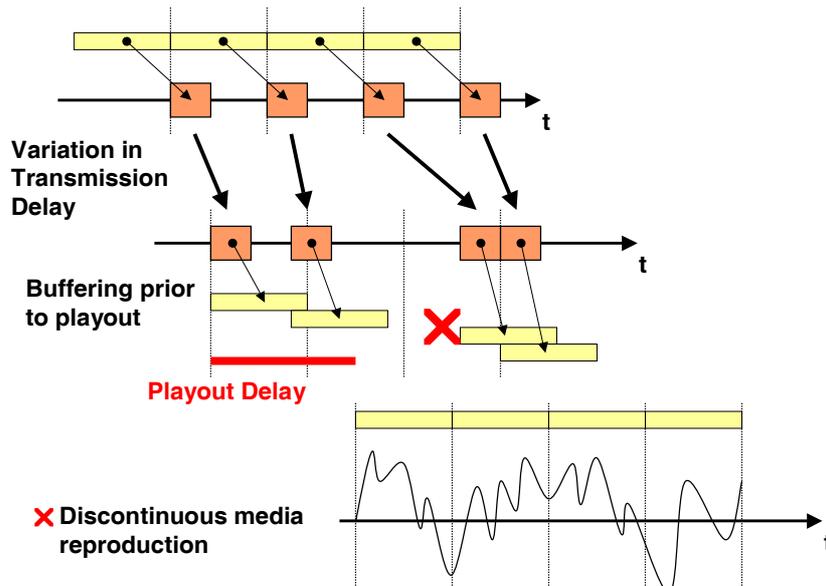
5) optional further
compression yields
small discrete frames



6) multiple frames
or samples are collected
to form packets



Real-time Media over Packets (5)



Sources of Delay

◆ Sender

- Capturing / digitizing delay (+ operating system)
- Encoding / compression delay
- Packetization delay

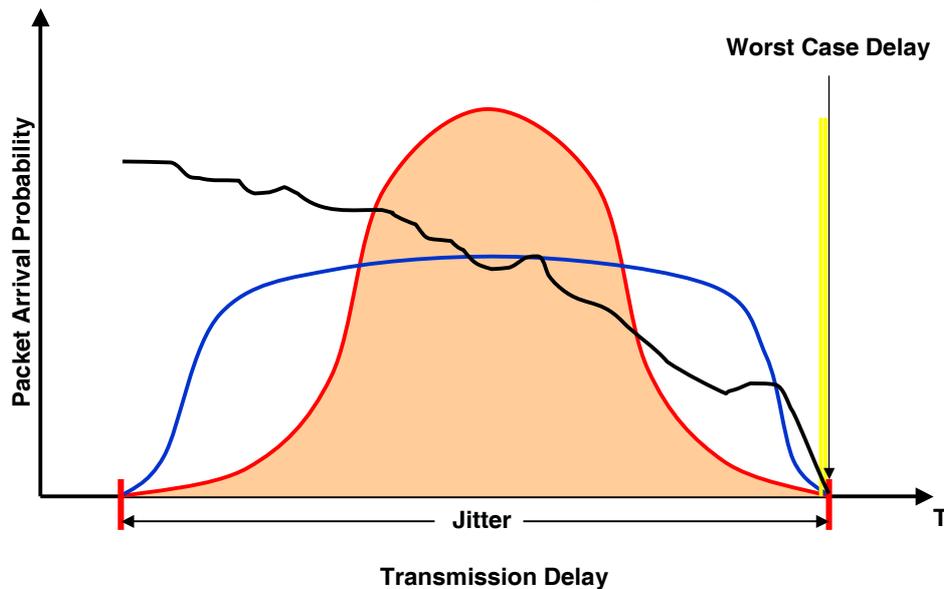
◆ Network (potentially highly variable!)

- Link propagation delay (order of speed of light)
- Serialization delay
- Queuing delay

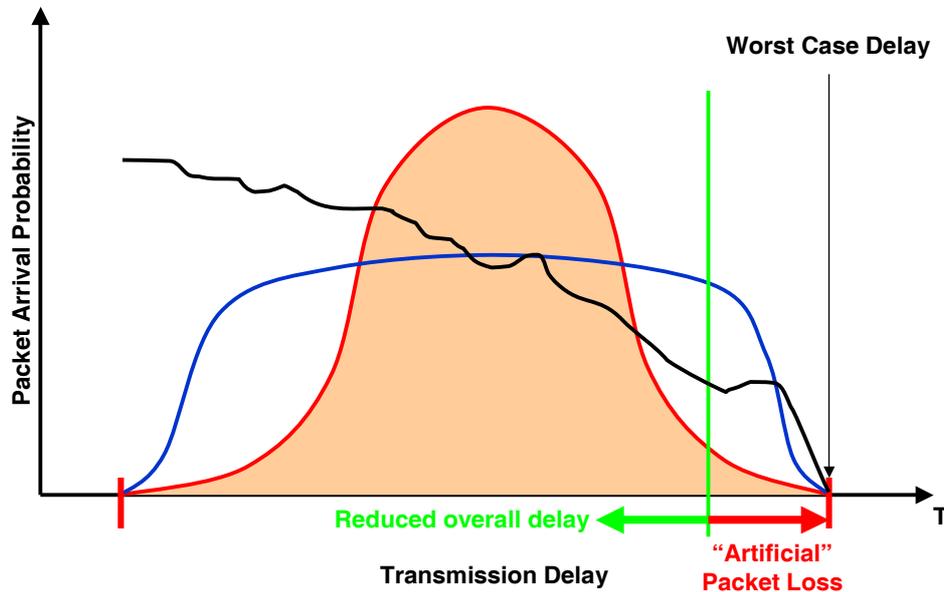
◆ Receiver

- buffering delay + potential delay for repair
- decoding / decompression delay
- rendering / replay delay (+ operating system)

Jitter vs. Delay



Artificial Upper Bound on Delay



Real-time Media over Packets (6)

Little help needed from transport protocol:

- ◆ Retransmission would take too long (interactivity!)

End systems must buffer before playout!

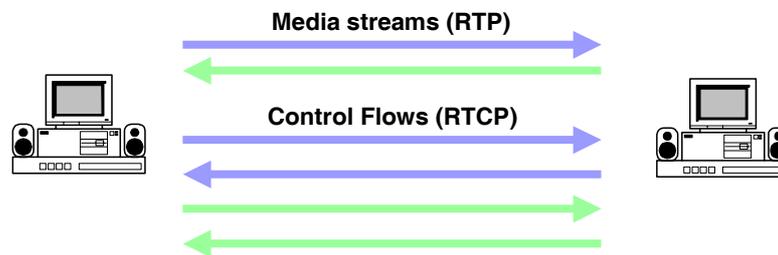
- ◆ Jitter in transmission delay due to queueing
- ◆ Packet A/V rule #1:
 - jitter is never a problem,
 - worst-case delay is!
- ◆ Need a timestamp in packet to be able to play at right time
 - intra-stream timing
 - optionally correlate for inter-stream timing (e.g. lip-sync)

Real-time Transport Protocol (1)

◆ RTP Functionality (RFC1889)

- framing for audio/video information streams
- preserve intra- and inter-stream timing
- mechanisms for awareness of others in a conference

→ RTP sessions



Real-time Transport Protocol (2)

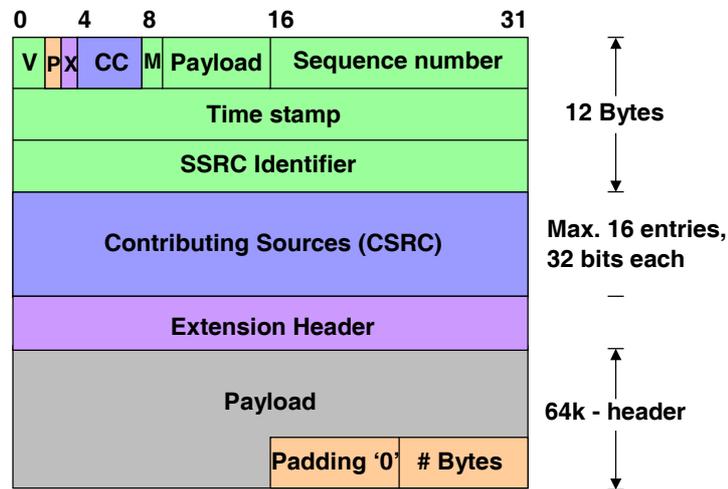
◆ Mechanisms

- detect packet loss, cope with reordering
 - ◆ sequence number per media stream
- determine variations in transmission delays
 - ◆ media specific time stamp (e.g., 8 kHz for PCM audio)
 - ◆ allows receiver to adapt playout point for continuous replay
- source identification
 - ◆ possibly mixed from several sources
- payload type identifier

◆ Standard RTP packet header

- independent of *payload type*
- possibly seconded by *payload header*

RTP Header



RTP Header Fields (1)

- V: Version** — version 2 defined in RFC 1889
- P: Padding** — indicates padding
bytes indicated in last byte
- X: eXtension bit** — extension header is present
- Extension header** — single additional header (TLV coded)
- CC: CSRC count** — # of contributing sources
- CSRC: contributing sources** —
which sources have been “mixed”
to produce this packet’s contents

RTP Header Fields (2)

M: Marker bit	—	marks semantical boundaries in media stream (e.g. talk spurt)
Payload type	—	indicates packet content type
Sequence #	—	of the packet in the media stream (strictly monotonically increasing)
Timestamp	—	indicates the instant when the packet contents was sampled (measured to media-specific clock)
SSRC: synchronization source	—	identification of packet originator

Real-time Transport Control Protocol

Mechanisms:

- ◆ **Receivers constantly measure transmission quality**
 - delay, jitter, packet loss
- ◆ **Regular control information exchange between senders and receivers**
 - feedback to sender (receiver report)
 - feed forward to recipients (sender report)
- ◆ **Allows applications to adapt to current QoS**
- ◆ **Overhead limited to a small fraction (default: 5 % max.) of total bandwidth per RTP session**
 - members estimate number of participants
 - adapt their own transmission rate

Obtaining sufficient capacity: outside of RTP!

RTP Payload Types

- ◆ **7-bit payload type identifier**
 - some numbers statically assigned
 - dynamic payload types identifiers for extensions – mapping to be defined outside of RTP (control protocol, e.g. SDP “a=rtpmap:”)

Payload formats defined for many audio/video encodings

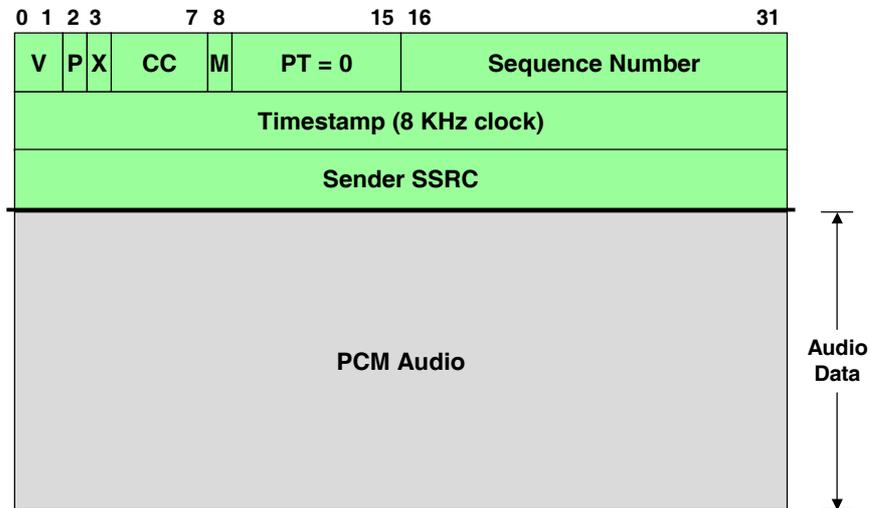
- ◆ **Conferencing profile document RFC 1890**
 - audio: G.711, G.722, G.723.1, G.728, GSM, CD, DVI, ...
- ◆ **In codec-specific RFCs**
 - audio: Redundant Audio, MP-3, ...
 - video: JPEG, H.261, MPEG-1, MPEG-2, H.263, H.263+, BT.656, ...
 - others: DTMF, text, SONET, ...
- ◆ **Generic formats**
 - generic FEC, (multiplexing)

Media Packetization Schemes (1)

General principle:

- ◆ **Payload specific additional header (if needed)**
- ◆ **Followed by media data**
 - packetized and formatted in a well-defined way
 - trivial ones specified in RFC 1890
 - RFC 2029, 2032, 2035, 2038, 2190, 2198, 2250, 2343, 2429, 2431
RFC 2435, 2658, 2733, 2793, 2833, 2862, 3016, 3047, 3119, 3189
RFC 3190, 3267, 3389, and many Internet Drafts
 - Guidelines for writing packet formats: RFC 2736
- ◆ **Functionality**
 - enable transmission across a packet network
 - allow for semantics-based fragmentation
 - provide additional information to simplify processing and decoding at the recipient
 - maximize possibility of independent decoding of individual packets
 - **Typically, little to do for audio!**

Audio over RTP: PCM



Video over RTP: H.261

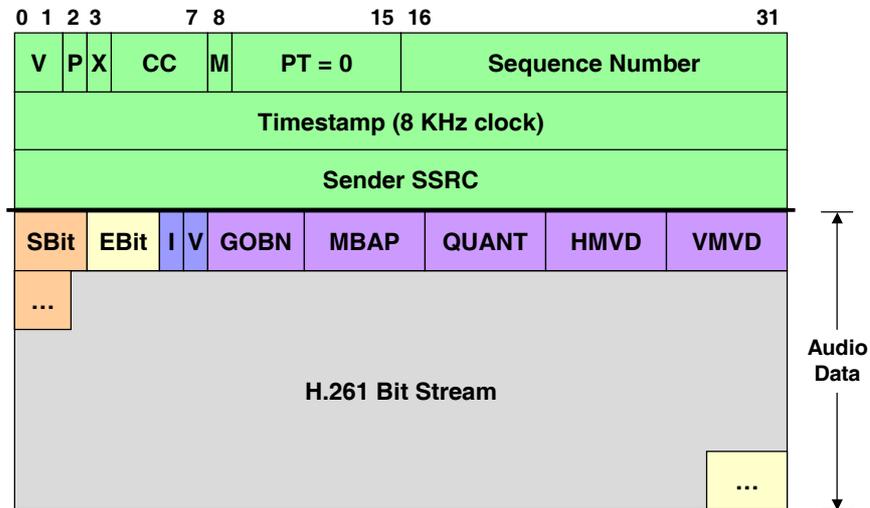
Additional payload-specific header precedes payload

- ◆ To avoid expensive bit shifting operations
 - Indicate # invalid bits in first (SBit) and last (EBit) octet of payload
- ◆ Indicate Intra encoding (I bit)
- ◆ Indicate the presence of motion vector data (V bit)
- ◆ Carry further H.261 header information to enable decoding in the presence of packet losses

Further mechanisms for video conferencing (in RTCP)

- ◆ **FIR: Full Intra Request**
 - Ask sender to send a full intra encoded picture
- ◆ **NACK: Negative Acknowledgement**
 - Indicate specific packet loss to sender

Video over RTP: H.261 (2)



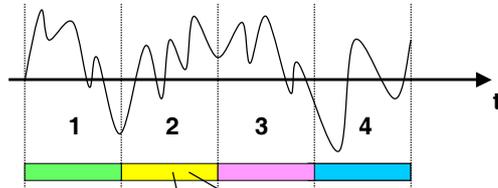
Audio Redundancy Coding (1)

- ◆ **Audio Packets are small!**
 - have to be because of interactivity
(avoid large packetization delay)
 - packet loss primarily depends on packet rate
(rather than packet size)

- ◆ **Payloads for multiple time slots in one packet**
 - send redundant information in packet n
to reconstruct packets $k, \dots, n-1$ in packet n
 - redundant information typically sent at lower quality
 - details defined in RFC 2198
 - uses dynamic payload type

- ◆ **Format specification, e.g. using SDP**
 - `m=audio 20002 RTP/AVP 96 0 0 0`
 - `a =rtptime:96 red/8000/1`

Audio Redundancy Coding (2)



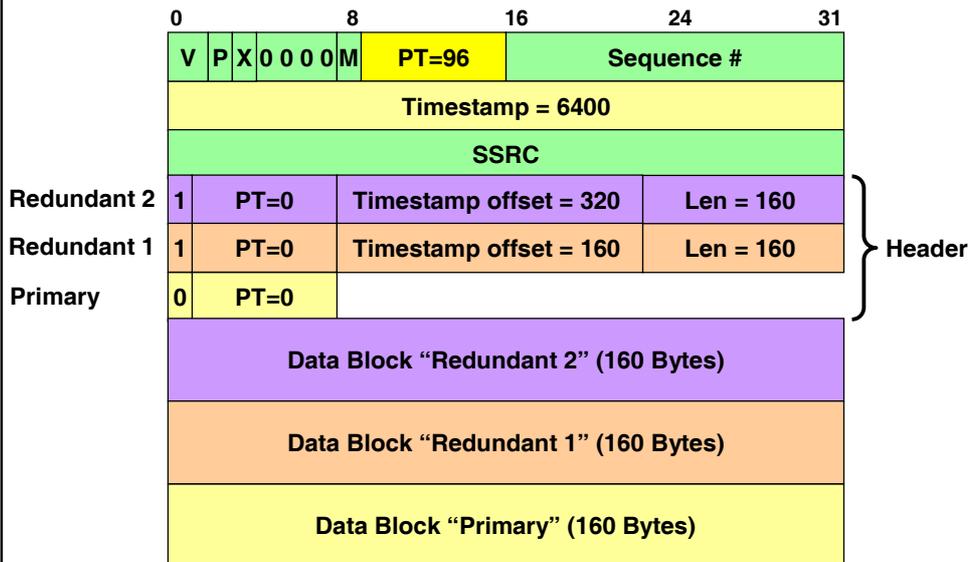
Primary Encoding: PCM

Secondary Encoding: GSM

Packet #1 ...



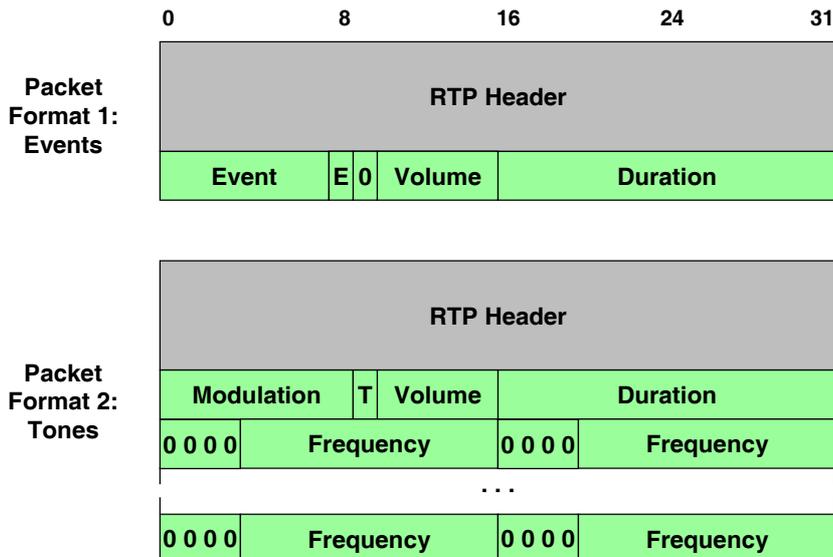
Audio Redundancy Coding (3)



DTMF over RTP (1)

- ◆ **DTMF digits, telephony tones, and telephony signals**
 - two payload formats
 - 8 kHz clock by default
 - audio redundancy coding for reliability
- ◆ **Format 1: reference pre-defined events**
 - 0 - 9 * # A - D Flash [17]
 - modem and fax tones [18]
 - telephony signals and line events [43]
 - ◆ dial tones, busy, ringing, congestion, on/off hook, ...
 - trunk events [44]
 - specified through identifier (8-bit value), volume, duration
- ◆ **Format 2: specify tones by frequency**
 - one, two, or three frequencies
 - addition, modulation
 - on/off periods, duration
 - specified through modulation, n x frequency, volume

DTMF over RTP (2)



Media Packetization Schemes (2)

Error-resilience for real-time media

- ◆ **Input: Observation on packet loss characteristics**

- ◆ **Generic mechanisms (RFC 2354)**
 - Retransmissions
 - ◆ in special cases only (interactivity!)
 - Interleaving
 - **Forward Error Correction (FEC)**
 - ◆ **media-dependent vs. media-independent**
 - ◆ **Generic FEC: RFC 2733**
 - ◆ **Audio Redundancy Coding (RFC 2198)**

- ◆ **Feedback loops for senders**
 - based upon generic and specific RTCP messages
 - adapt transmission rate, coding scheme, error control, ...

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SIP: Session Initiation Protocol

From HTTP and Session Invitation
to Setup and Control for Packet-based
Multimedia Conferencing

History of Mbone conference initiation

Session Invitation Protocol

(Handley/Schooler)

- Participant location
- Conference invitation
- Capability negotiation during setup

Simple Conference Invitation Protocol

(Schulzrinne)

- Participant location
- Conference invitation
- Capability negotiation during setup
- Changing conference parameters
- Terminate/leave conference



Session Initiation Protocol

Session Initiation Protocol (SIP)

First draft in December 1996

- ◆ Joint effort to merge SIP and SCIP
- ◆ IETF WG **MMUSIC**
(Multiparty Multimedia Session Control)

Application-layer call signaling protocol:

- ◆ Creation, modification, termination of teleconferences
- ◆ Negotiation of used media configuration
- ◆ Re-negotiation during session
- ◆ User location → personal mobility
- ◆ Security
- ◆ Supplementary services

RFC 3261
– June 2002
– obsoletes **RFC 2543**

SIP and Conferencing over Time...

- ◆ Origin: MMUSIC: **Multiparty Multimedia Session Control**
- ◆ From Invitation... to initiation, modification,
and termination
- ◆ From Multiparty... to point-to-point-focused
- ◆ From Multimedia... to voice-centric

Now: Multiparty & multimedia rediscovered

But: Don't believe in multicast (anymore)!

Timeline: 1996

Initial Internet Drafts:
Session Invitation Protocol (SIP) – M. Handley, E. Schooler
Simple Conference Invitation Protocol (SCIP) – H. Schulzrinne

**SIP: Setup +
Caps Negotiation**

**SCIP: Setup + Caps
Modify + Terminate**

**Presentations
at 35th IETF,
Los Angeles**

**Merged Draft:
SIP -01**

**Main Features set:
TCP/UDP, Forking,
Redirection, addrs
INVITE,CAPABILITY
From: To: Path:**

22 Feb 1996

4-8 Mar 1996

2 Dec 1996

Timeline: 1997

Draft SIP -02

**Formal syntax
CAPABILITY →
OPTIONS**

**Path: → Via:
Ideas for Alternates:**

**IETF Action: Split SIP into
base spec and extensions**

Draft SIP -04

**CONNECTED → ACK
UNREGISTER
Sequence: → CSeq:
Call-Disposition:
Require:**

Draft SIP -03

**SIP URL: sip://jo@...
CONNECTED, BYE,
REGISTER
Call-ID: Sequence:
Allow: Expires:**

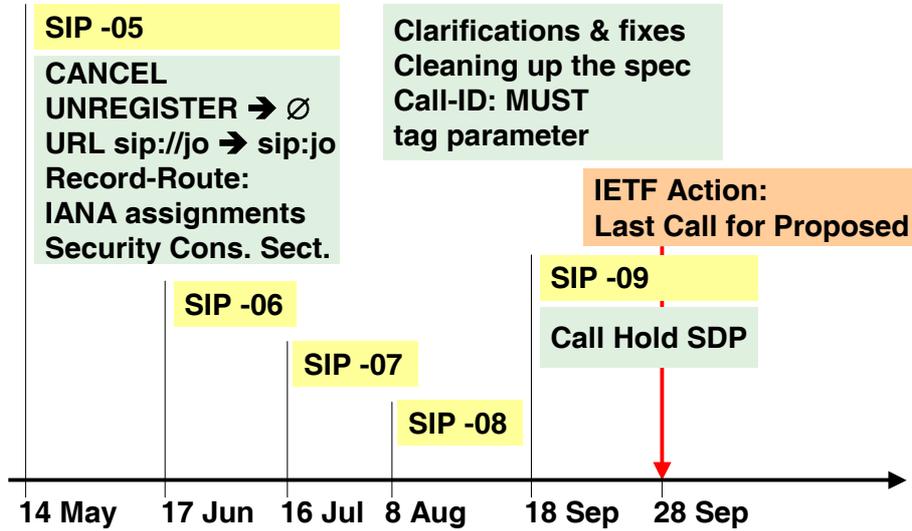
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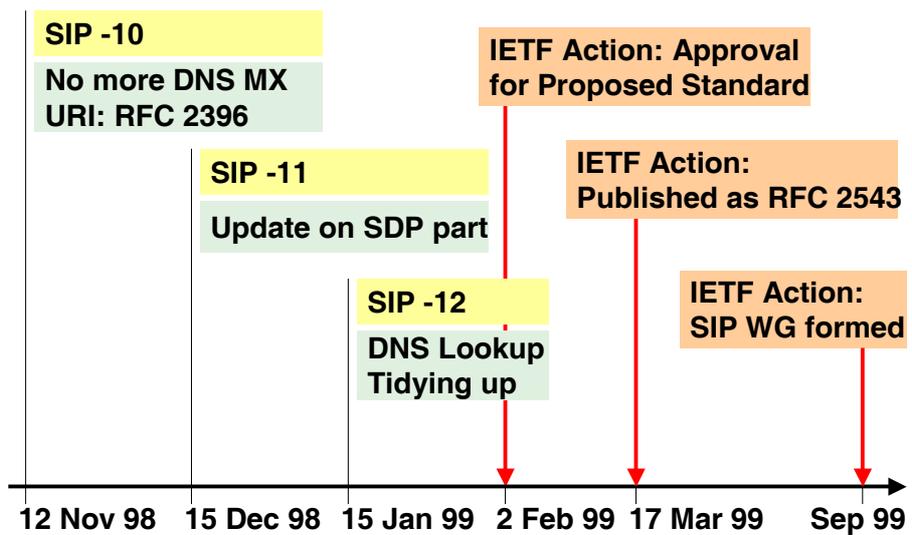
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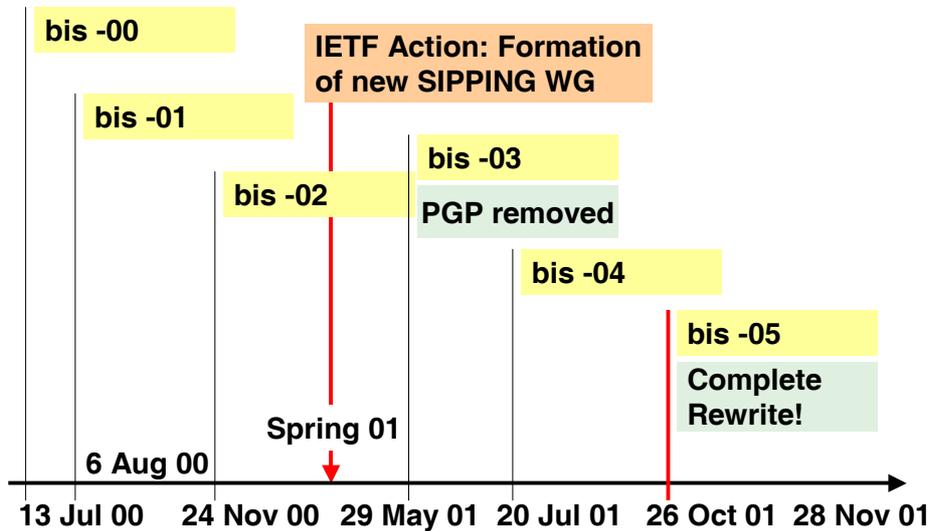
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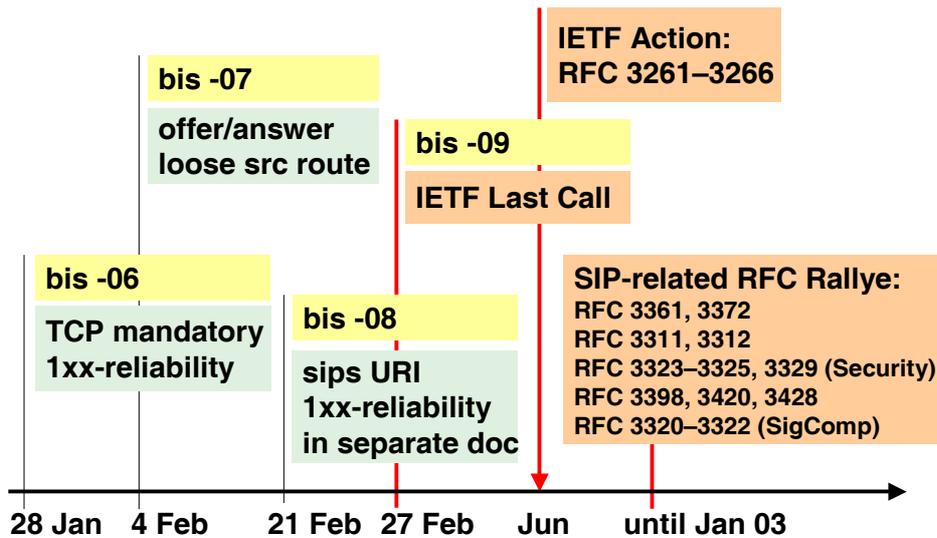
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Timeline: RFC2543bis (2000/2001)



Timeline: RFC2543bis, RFC3261 (2002)

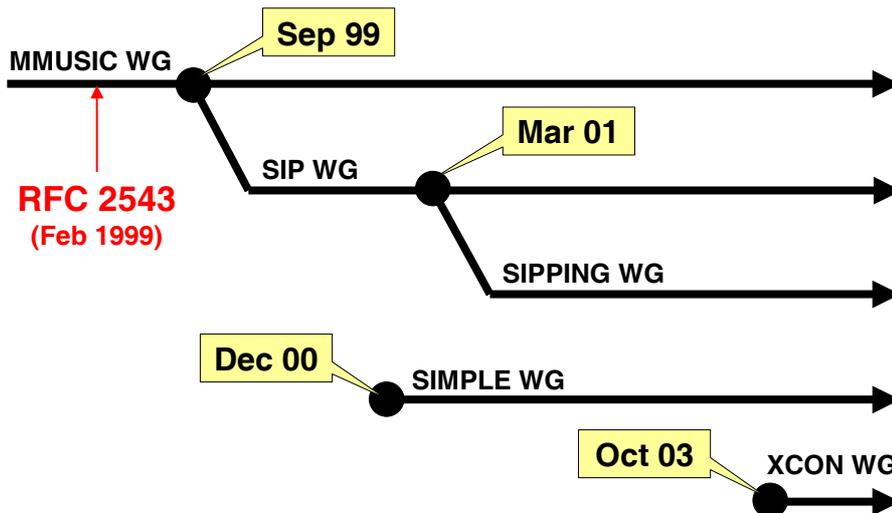


RFCs related to SIP

**Plus some 150+
Internet Drafts**

- ◆ **Base spec**
 - RFC 3261: SIP: Session Initiation Protocol
 - RFC 3263: Locating SIP Servers
 - RFC 3264: An Offer/Answer Model with SDP
- ◆ **Extended Features**
 - RFC 2976: The SIP INFO Method
 - RFC 3262: Reliability of Provisional Responses in SIP
 - RFC 3265: SIP-specific Event Notification
 - RFC 3311: SIP UPDATE Method
 - RFC 3326: Reason Header
 - RFC 3327: Registering Non-Adjacent Contacts
 - RFC 3428: Instant Messaging
 - RFC 3485, 3486: SIP Compression
 - RFC 3487: Requirements for Resource Priority
 - RFC 3515: SIP REFER Method
 - RFC 3581: Symmetric Message Routing
- ◆ **Security**
 - RFC 3323: A Privacy Mechanism for SIP
 - RFC 3325: Private Extension for Asserted Identity in Trusted Networks
 - RFC 3329: Security-Mechanism Agreement for SIP
 - RFC 3603: Proxy-to-Proxy Extensions
- ◆ **Others**
 - RFC 3665, 3666: SIP Call Flows
 - RFC 3312: Integration of Resource Management and SIP
 - RFC 3361: DHCP Option for SIP Servers
 - RFC 3608: Service Route Discovery
 - RFC 3398, 3578: ISUP and SIP Mapping
 - RFC 3420: Internet Media Type message/sipfrag
 - RFC 3427: SIP Change Process
 - RFC 3455: Header Extensions for 3GPP
 - SDP, RTP, ENUM, CMS, AKA, ...

IETF SIP-related Working Groups (1)



IETF SIP-related Working Groups (2)

- MMUSIC WG** →
 - SDP extensions
 - SDPng
- SIP WG** →
 - SIP core spec maintenance
 - SIP protocol extensions
- SIPPING WG** →
 - Requirements for SIP
 - Specific SIP application services
- SIMPLE WG** →
 - SIP for Presence and Instant Messaging
- XCON WG** →
 - Centralized Conferencing

SIP is not ...



- ◆ **Intended for conference control by itself**
 - No floor control
 - No participant lists
 - No policies, voting, ...
- ◆ **Designed for distribution of multimedia data**
 - Some extensions allow for carrying images, audio files, etc.
- ◆ **A generic transport protocol!**
- ◆ **Another RPC mechanism**
 - SIP has no inherent support for distributed state information
- ◆ ...
- ◆ **(but proposals for “misuse” show up again and again)**

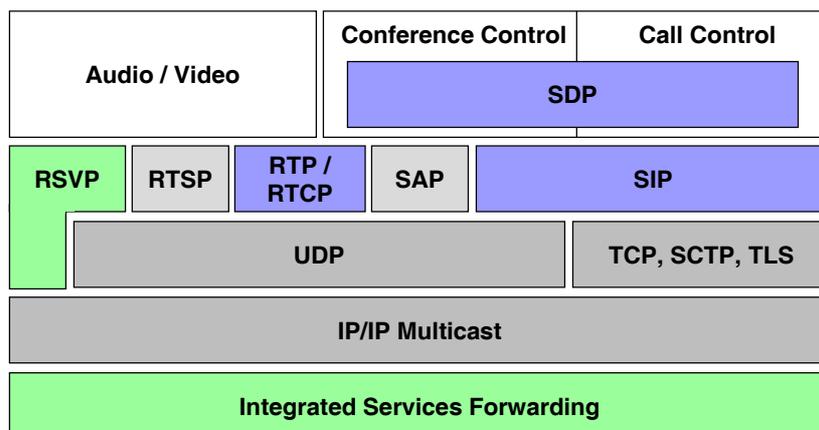
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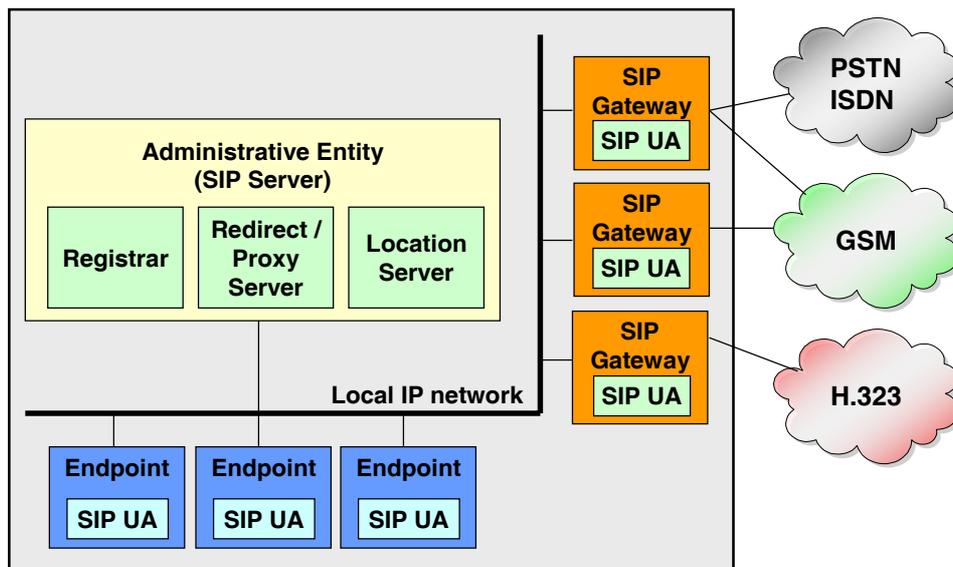
SIP and the Multimedia Conferencing Architecture



Base Terminology

- ◆ **User Agent Client (UAC):**
 - Endpoint, initiates SIP transactions
 - ◆ **User Agent Server (UAS):**
 - Handles incoming SIP requests
- } **User Agent**
- ◆ **Redirect server:**
 - Retrieves addresses for callee and returns them to caller
 - ◆ **Proxy (server):**
 - UAS/UAC that autonomously processes requests
→ forward incoming messages (probably modified)
 - ◆ **Registrar:**
 - Stores explicitly registered user addresses
 - ◆ **Location Server:**
 - Provides information about a target user's location
 - ◆ **Back-to-Back User Agent (B2BUA)**
 - Keeps call state; more powerful intervention than proxy

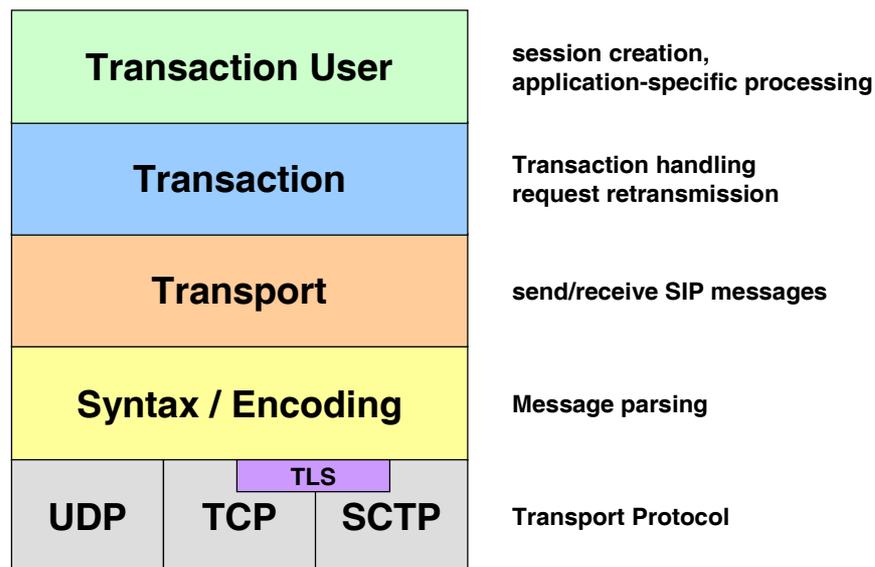
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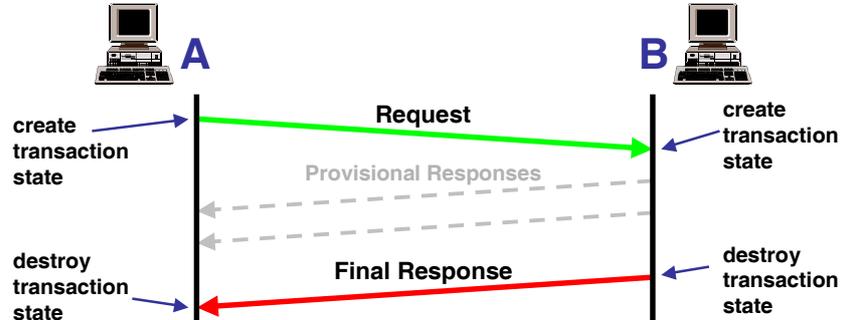
Protocol Characteristics

- ◆ **Transaction oriented**
 - Request–response sequences
- ◆ **Independent from lower layer transport protocol**
 - Works with a number of unreliable and reliable transports
 - ◆ UDP, TCP, SCTP
 - ◆ Secure transport: TLS over TCP, IPsec
 - Retransmissions to achieve reliability over UDP
 - Optionally use IP multicast → anycast service
- ◆ **Independent of the session to be (re-)configured**
- ◆ **Re-use syntax of HTTP 1.1**
 - Text-based protocol (UTF-8 encoding)
- ◆ **Enable servers maintaining minimal state info**
 - Stateless proxies
 - Transaction-stateful proxies
 - Dialog (call) state in endpoints (optional for proxies)

Functional Layers



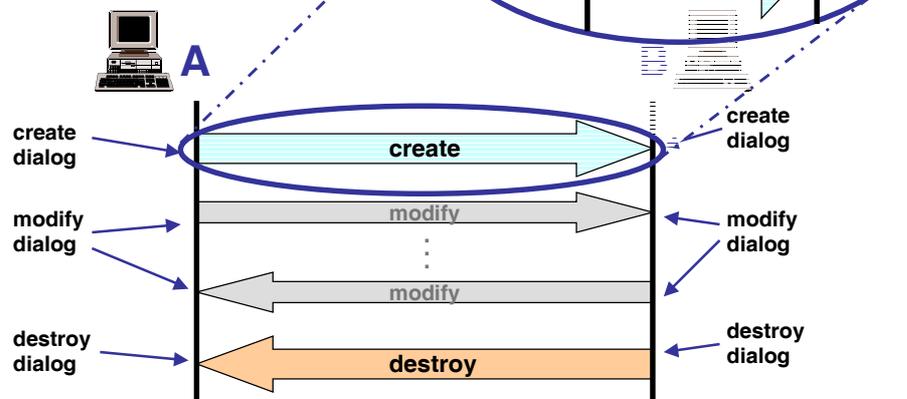
SIP Transactions



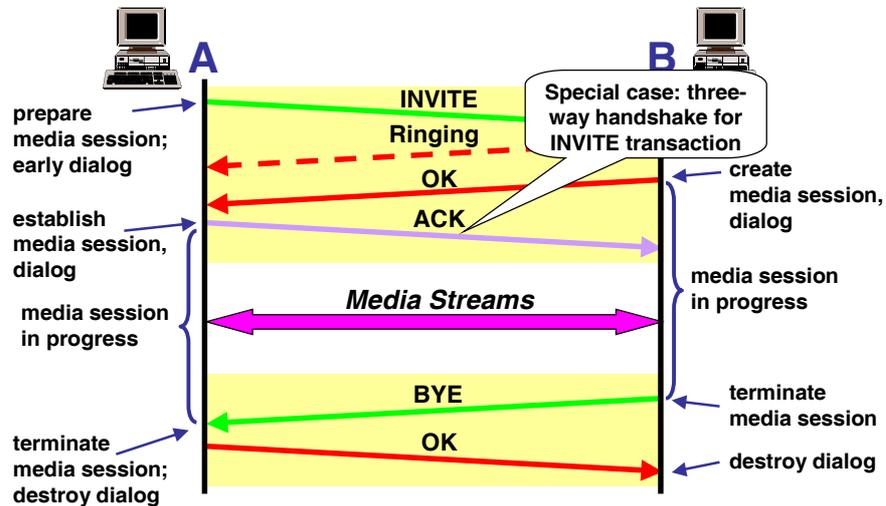
- ◆ **RPC-like approach:**
 - Initial request
 - Wait for final response
- ◆ **Provisional responses:**
 - Additional status information
 - May be unreliable
- ◆ **Unique identifier (transaction id)**
(originator, recipient, unique token, sequence number, ...)
- ◆ **Independent completion**

Dialogs

- ◆ **Signaling vs. media session**
- ◆ **Distributed state between endpoints**
 - State change if transaction succeeds
 - No change on error
- ◆ **Unique dialog identifier**



Dialog Example: Media Sessions



SIP Message Syntax: Request

Start line

```
INVITE sip:user@example.com SIP/2.0
```

Message headers

```
To: John Doe <sip:user@example.com>
From: sip:jo@tzi.uni-bremen.de;tag=4711
Subject: Congratulations!
Content-Length: 117
Content-Type: applicaton/sdp
Call-ID: 2342344233@134.102.218.1
CSeq: 49581 INVITE
Contact: sip:jo@134.102.224.152:5083
;transport=udp
Via: SIP/2.0/UDP 134.102.218.1;
branch=z9hG4bK776asdhds
```

Message body (SDP content)

```
v=0
o=jo 75638353 98543585 IN IP4 134.102.218.1
s=SIP call
t=0 0
c=IN IP4 134.102.224.152
m=audio 47654 RTP/AVP 0 1 4
```

SIP Message Syntax: Response

Start line	}	SIP/2.0 200 OK
Message headers		To: John Doe <sip:user@example.com>;tag=428 From: sip:jo@tzi.uni-bremen.de;tag=4711 Subject: Congratulations! Content-Length: 121 Content-Type: applicaton/sdp Call-ID: 2342344233@134.102.218.1 CSeq: 49581 INVITE Contact: sip:jdoe@somehost.domain Via: SIP/2.0/UDP 134.102.218.1; z9hG4bK776asdhds
Message body (SDP content)	}	v=0 o=jdoe 28342 98543601 IN IP4 134.102.20.22 s=SIP call t=0 0 c=IN IP4 134.102.20.38 m=audio 61002 RTP/AVP 0 4

SIP URI Addressing Scheme

sip: / sips:

- ◆ Separating names (permanent) and addresses (temporary)
 - Basic mobility support
- ◆ Two roles reflected in SIP
 - Naming a user; typically `sip:user@domain`
 - Contact address of a user; typically contains host name or IP address, port, transport protocol, ...
- ◆ URIs may carry additional parameters

'sip:' [user [':' passwd] '@'] host [':' port] params ['?' headers]

params ::= (';' name ['=' value])*

headers ::= field '=' value? ['&' headers]

- ◆ URIs may also identify services

SIP Addressing Examples

`sip:tzi.org`

`sip:192.168.42.1`

`sip:john@example.com`

`sip:john@example.com:5060`

`sip:foo@example.com:12780`

} Registration domain
or IP address

} Userinfo + domain/host
optional port number

URI parameters may carry detailed
information on specific URI components:

`sip:john@Example.COM;maddr=10.0.0.1`

`sip:+1555123456@tel-gw.myitisp.com;user=phone`

Use URI scheme 'sips' to request secure transmission.

Service Description

Encapsulation

`sip:sip%3Ajo%40192.168.42.5%3Bmaddr=134.102.3.99@example.com`

Need to encode reserved characters

Service indication example

`sip:voicemail.reply=ab1x817m@media-engine;msgid=78`

Additional header fields (line breaks inserted for readability)

`sip:sales@warehouse.com;method=INVITE \`
`?Subject=gw%20c2661&Call-ID=c239xa2-as921b%40warehouse.com`
`sip:jo@example.com?Replaces=abcd@example.com%3B \`
`from-tag%3D28%3Bto-tag%3D234ab1&Accept-Contact= \`
`%3Csip%3Ajo%40134.102.218.1%3C%3Bonly%3Dtrue`

Separator characters

Further Common URI Schemes

Telephony (RFC 2806)

```
tel:+1-555-12345678
tel:7595;phone-context=+49421218
```

ITU-T H.323 Protocol

```
h323:user@example.com
```

Instant Messaging

```
im:user@example.com
```

Presence

```
pres:user@example.com
```

URIs in Header Fields

URI-parameters vs. header parameters

```
Contact: sip:bob@p2.example.com:55060
        ;methods="NOTIFY"
        ;expires=3600
```



→ angle brackets:

```
Contact: < sip:bob@p2.example.com:55060
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```



URI parameter

Header parameter

Required if

- URI contains comma, question mark or semicolon
- The header field contains a display name

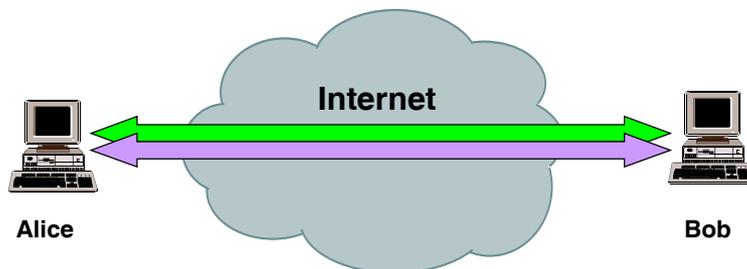
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Application Scenario 1: Direct Call UA-UA

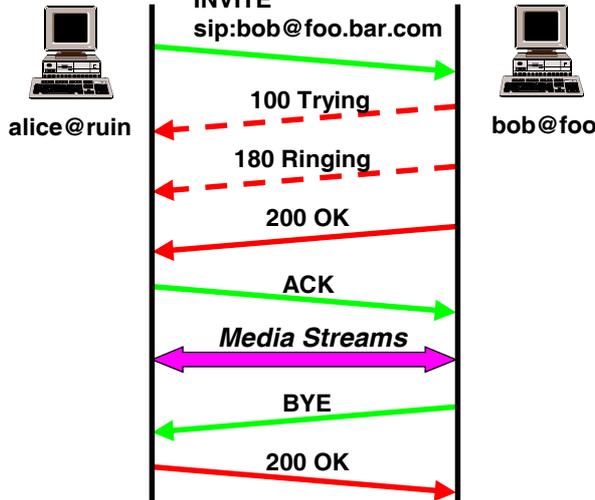


- ↔ Call signaling
- ↔ Media streams

Direct Call

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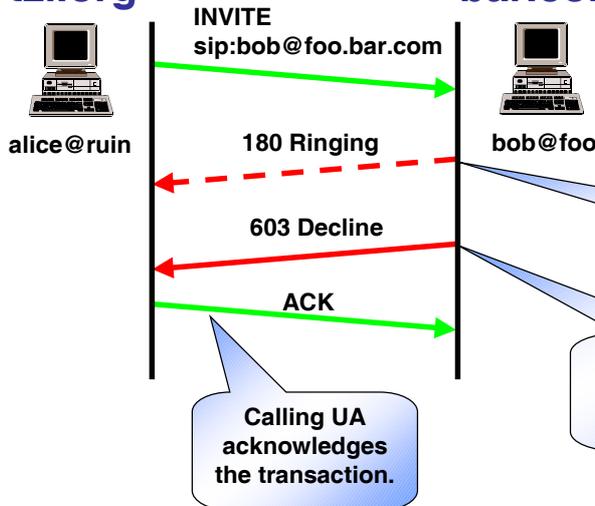
Note:
Three-way handshake is performed only for INVITE requests.

- Caller knows callee's hostname or address
- Called UA reports status changes
- After Bob accepted the call, OK is signaled
- Calling UA acknowledges, call is established
- Media data are exchanged (e. g. RTP)
- Call is terminated by one participant

Callee Declines Call

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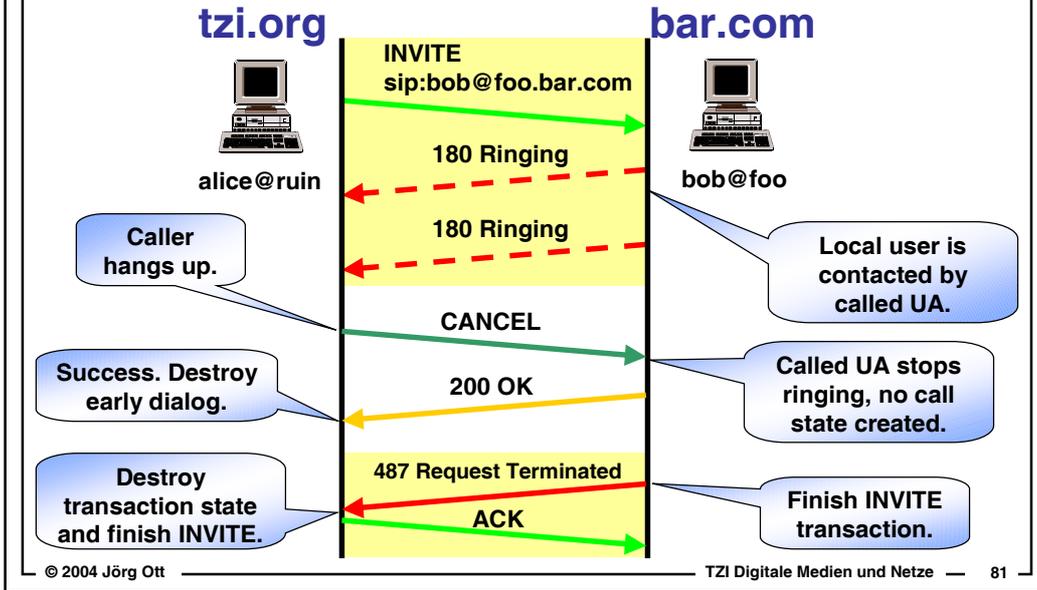


Local user is contacted by called UA.

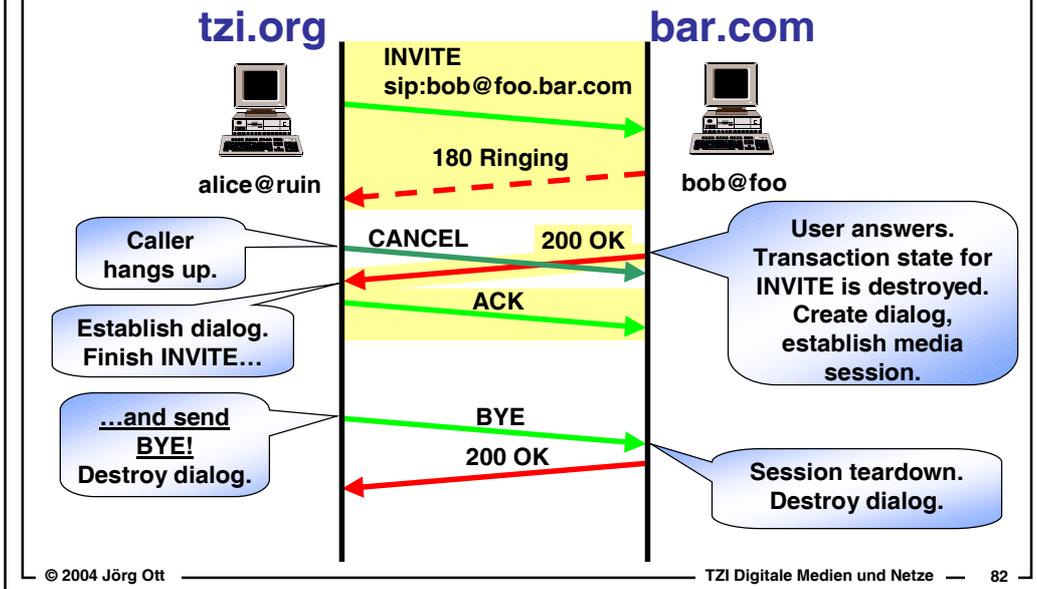
User clicks on "deny". UA returns error response.

Calling UA acknowledges the transaction.

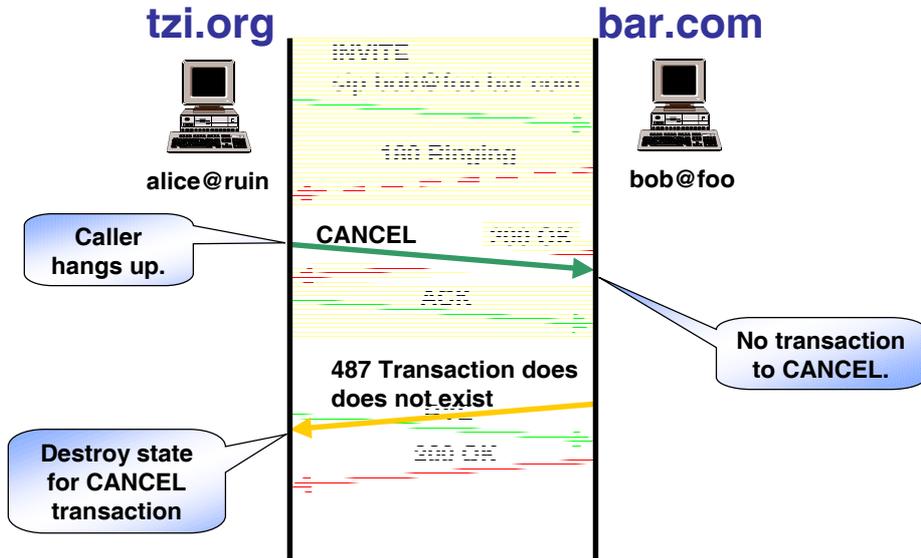
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Caller Gives Up While Call Established



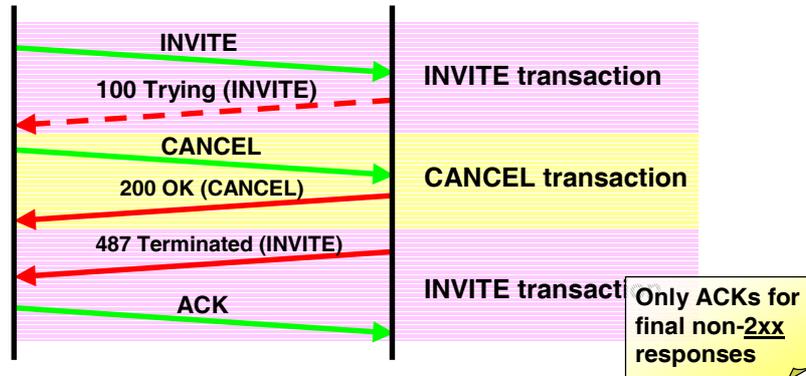
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Atomic Transaction Processing

Transactions:

- Created by initial (i.e. not retransmitted) requests
- Terminated by final response to initial request
- Identified by Method, Request-URI, To:, From:, Call-ID:, CSeq: and topmost Via:



Transactions always complete independently!

How to Find The Callee?

- ◆ Direct calls require knowledge of callee's address
- ◆ SIP provides abstract naming scheme:

sip:user@domain

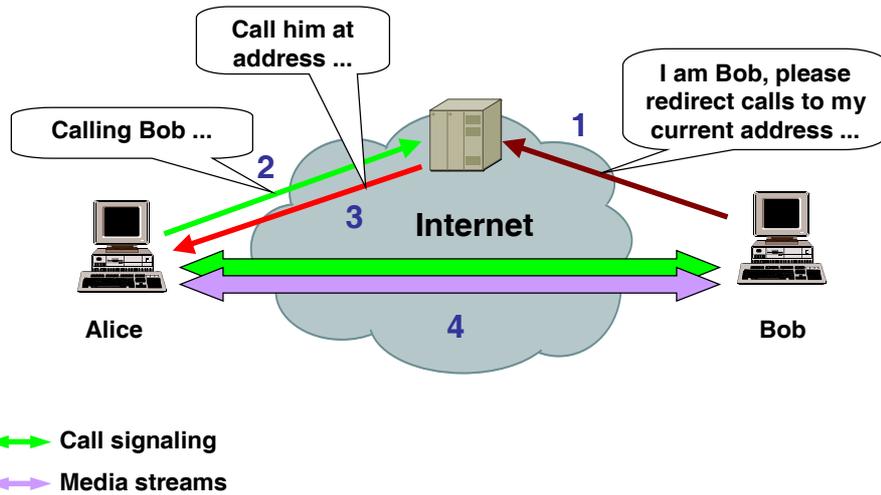
- Define mapping from **SIP URI** to real locations:
 - Explicit registration:
UA registers user's name and current location
 - Location service:
Use other protocols to find potentially correct addresses
- ◆ Caller sends **INVITE** to any SIP server knowing about the callee's location
- ◆ Receiving server may either redirect, refuse or proxy

Finding the Next Hop

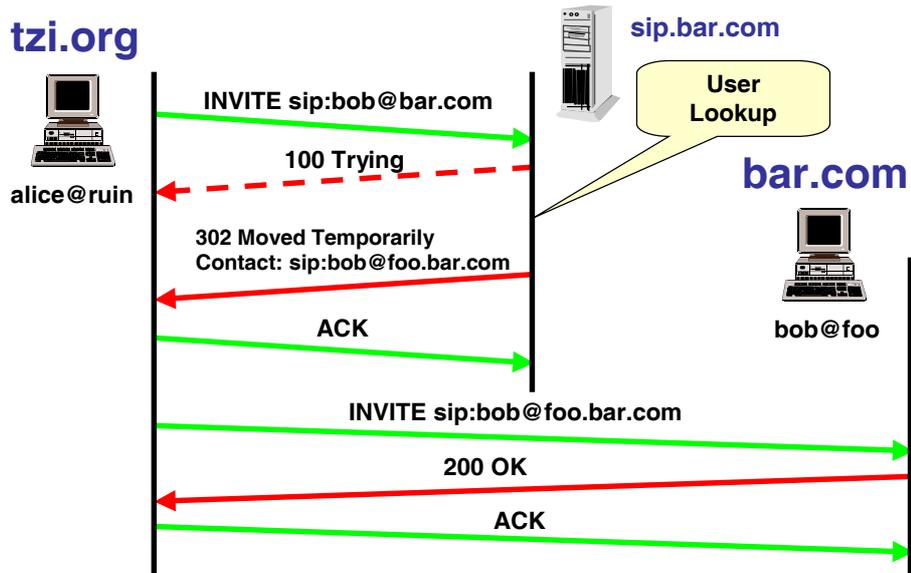
- ◆ UAC may use a (manually) configured outbound proxy
 - Outbound proxy may also have be learned upon registration
- ◆ If request URI contains IP address and port, message can be sent directly
- ◆ Otherwise, determine far-end SIP server via DNS
 - Optionally use NAPTR RR
eventually get ordered list of protocol, IP address, port
 - Query for SRV RR: `_sip._udp`, `_sip._tcp`
 - If entries found, try as specified in RFC 2782
- ◆ Last resort: query A or AAAA records
 - For specified domain name
 - (Deprecated: For specified *sip.domain*)

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TLS	5061

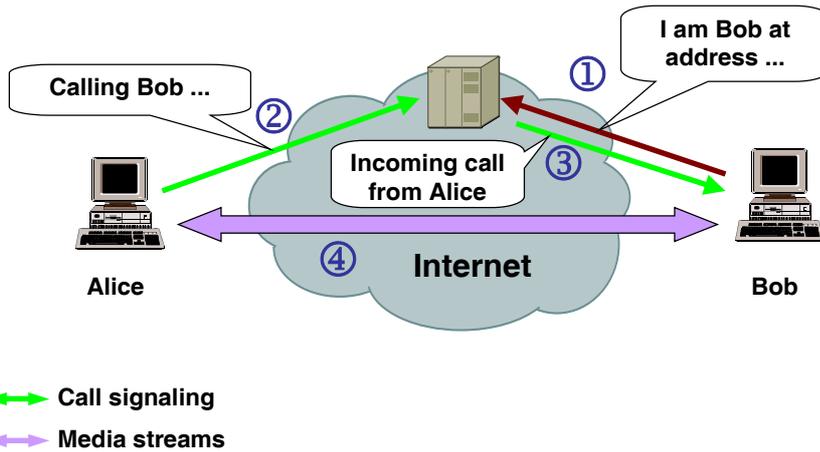
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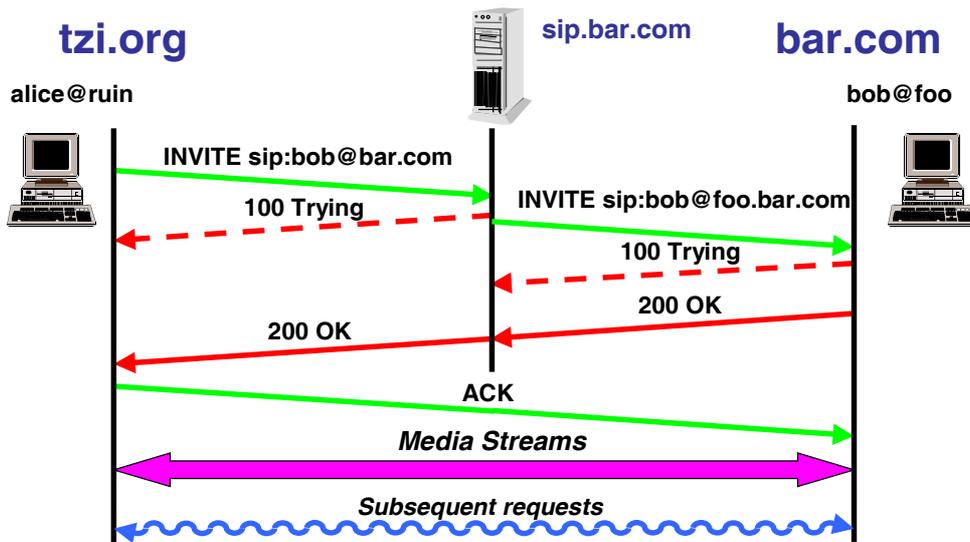
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Application Scenario 3: Proxied Call



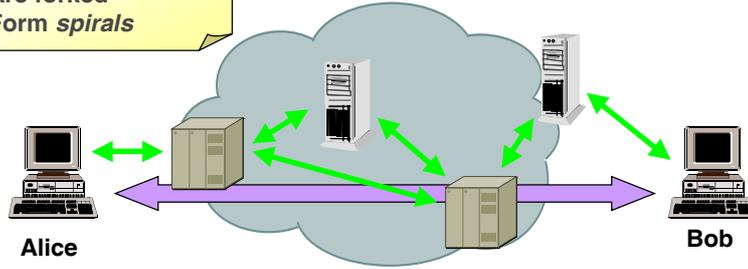
Proxied Call



Application Scenario 4: Proxied Call (Real World)

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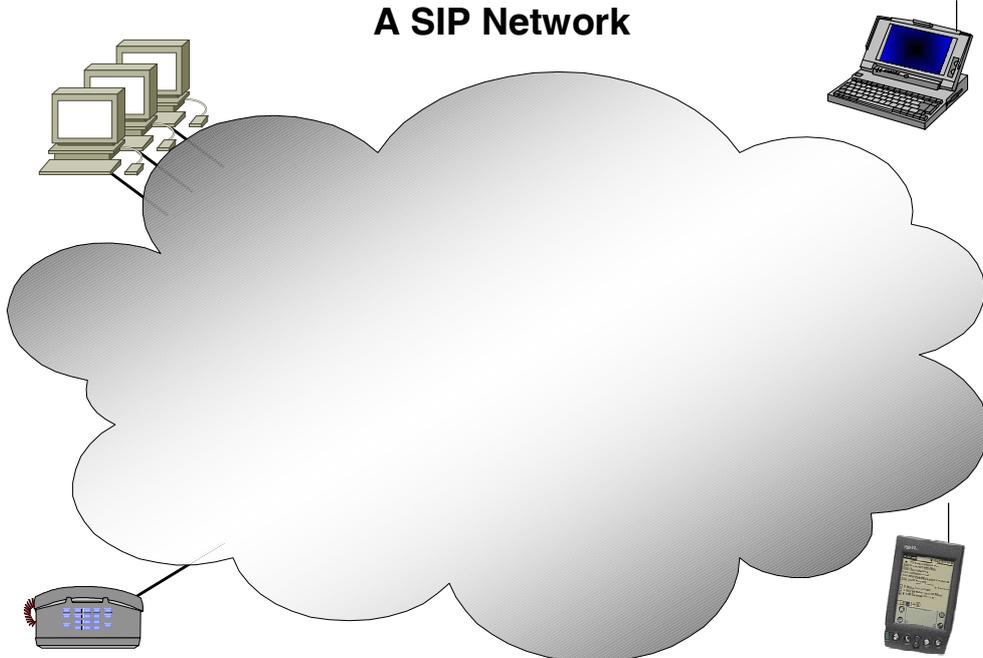
- Take different paths
- Are forked
- Form spirals



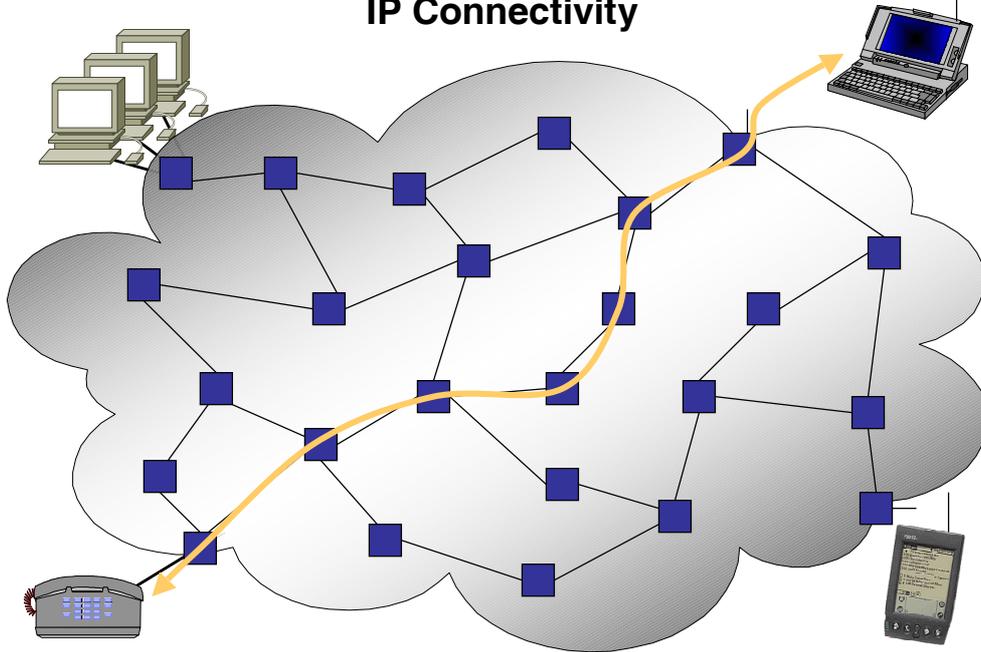
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↔ Call signaling
↔ Media streams

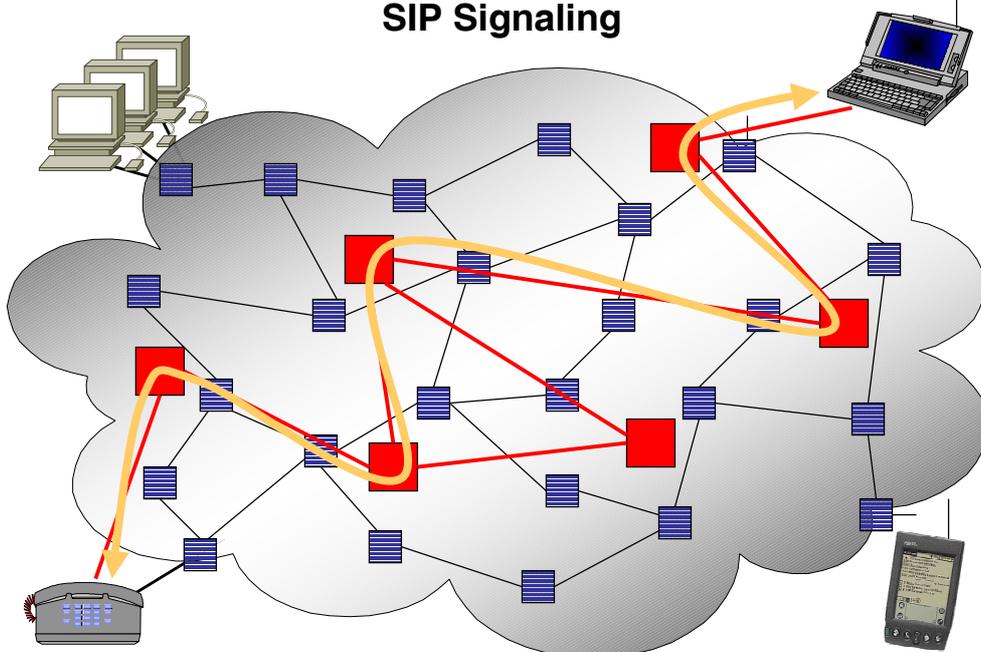
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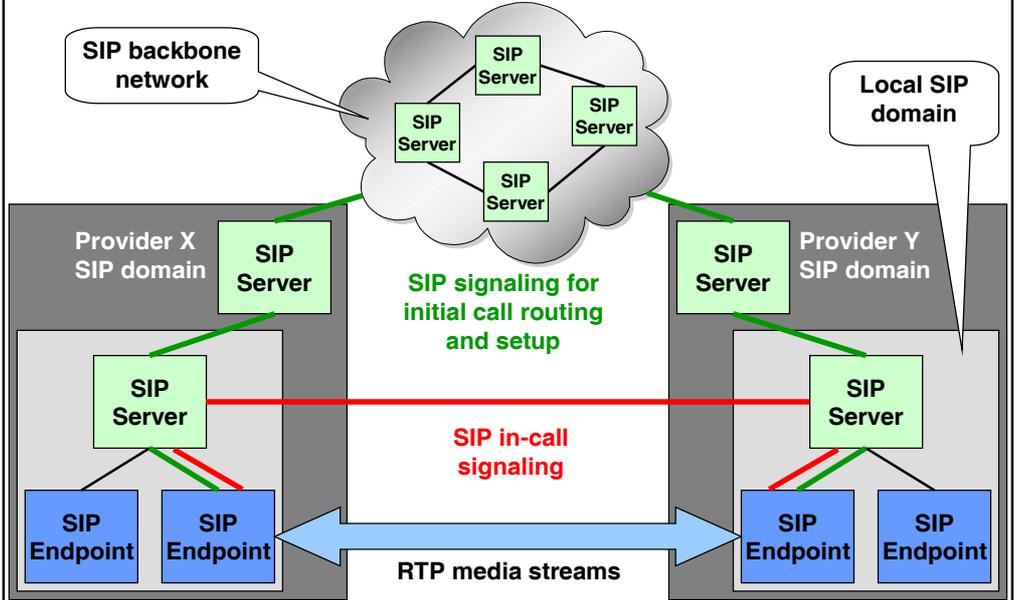
IP Connectivity



SIP Signaling



Global SIP Architecture



SIP (Proxy) Server Functionality

- ◆ **Stateless vs. stateful**
 - Stateless: efficient and scalable call routing (backbone)
 - Stateful: service provisioning, firewall control, ...

Some roles for proxies

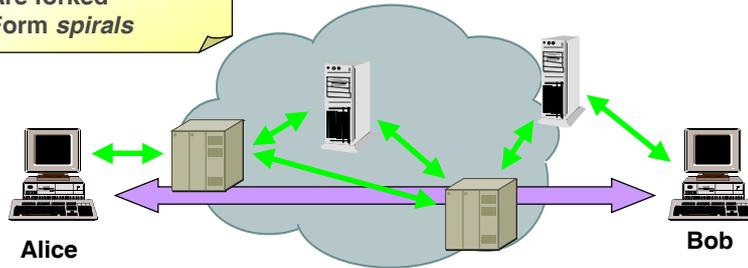
- ◆ **Outbound proxy**
 - Perform address resolution and call routing for endpoints
 - Pre-configured for endpoint (manually, DHCP, ...)
- ◆ **Backbone proxy**
 - Essentially call routing functionality
- ◆ **Access proxy**
 - User authentication and authorization, accounting
 - Hide network internals (topology, devices, users, etc.)
- ◆ **Local IP telephony server (IP PBX)**
- ◆ **Service creation in general...**

More elaborate functions provided by Back-to-Back User Agents (B2BUAs)

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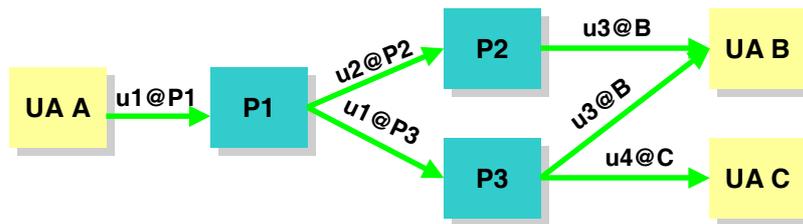
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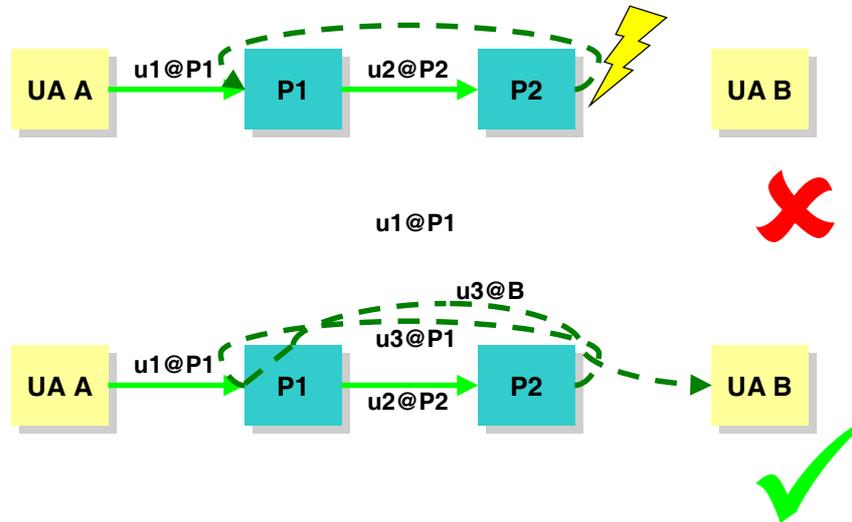
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Request Routing



- ◆ Every server determines next hop
- ◆ Several destination may be tried in parallel
 - Mark outgoing messages with **branch tag**
 - Use **z9hG4bK** to indicate unique branch tag
- ◆ Multiple requests can arrive at a single UAS
 - UAS tags To:-header to identify user presence
 - RFC3261: From:-tags mandatory for request merging at UAS

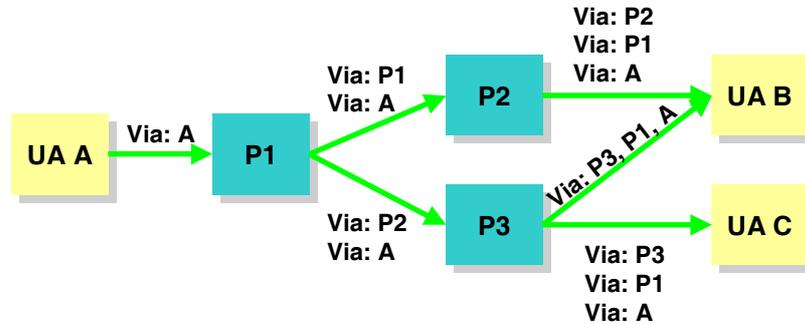
Loops vs. Spirals



Response Path

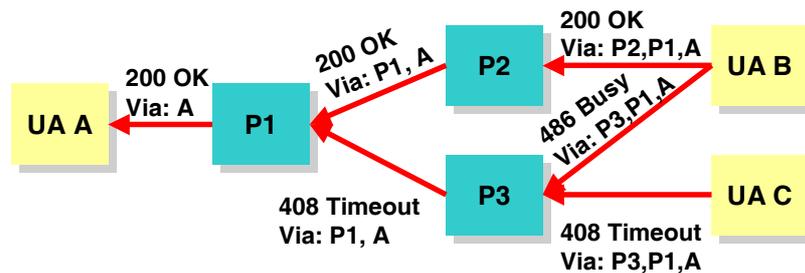
- ◆ **Proxies may collect state for pending transactions**
 - TCP connections
 - Accounting information
 - Parallel search
- **need response to clean up**
- ◆ **Insert *Via*-header when forwarding request**
- ◆ **Send response along reverse path of originating request**
- ◆ **Subsequent requests may take different path!**

Creation of Via-path



- ◆ Send outgoing responses to first Via-entry
- ◆ UAS drops responses with different first Via entry
- ◆ Add **branch**-tag to distinguish different search paths

Response Merging

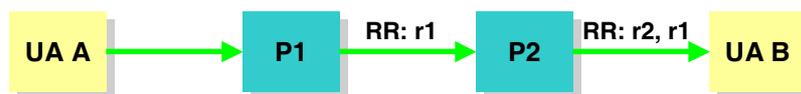


- ◆ Proxy gathers incoming responses until
 - No requests are pending, or
 - Request timers have expired
 - A user-initiated final response arrives (6xx or 2xx)
- ◆ Best response is returned to caller, others may be discarded or aggregated (“repairable errors”)
- ◆ OK-responses are returned whenever received

Record-Route

- ◆ **Proxies might depend on getting every request of established call**
 - Update state information for accounting, call distribution, ...
 - Firewalls and NATs
- ◆ **Record-Route and Route headers for request routing**
 - Prepend globally reachable request URI with proxy's address to Record-Route entries
 - Receiving UAS copies contents into response
 - **Route** header may be initialized with pre-existing route set
- ◆ **Subsequent requests for this call will contain *source route* created from initial Record-Route header**

Constructing the Route

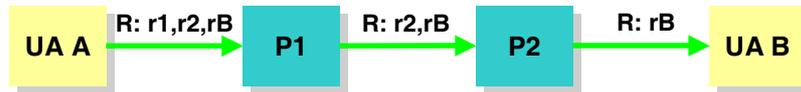


- ◆ UA A sends request for UA B to P1
- ◆ P1 and P2 add request URIs to Record-Route header
- ◆ UA B stores recorded route for later use



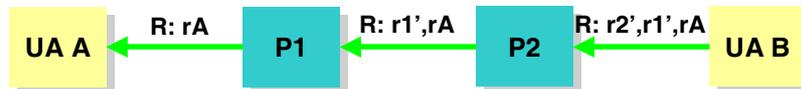
- ◆ UA B literally copies record route of request into response

Using a Recorded Route



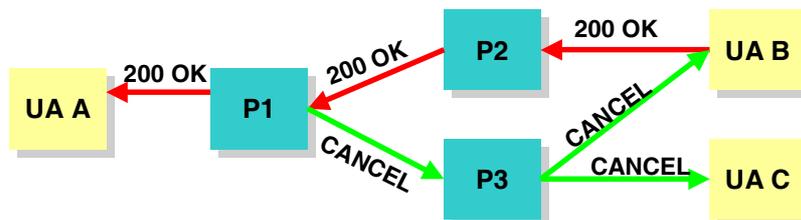
- UA A creates new request to B with *reversed* contents of Record-Route from received response in Route-header
- UA A appends B's contact from former response
- Every proxy forwards request according to Route

Significant
change from
RFC 2543



- UA B does not reverse ordering
- Request URIs for proxies are changed to UA A's contact

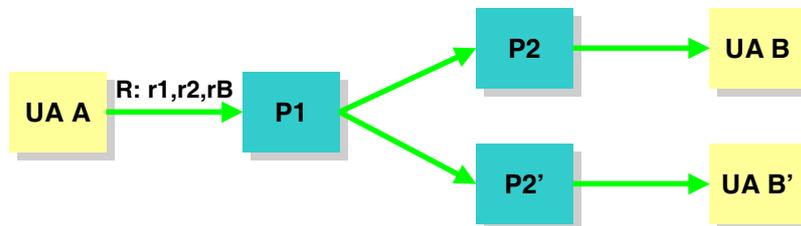
Cancelling requests



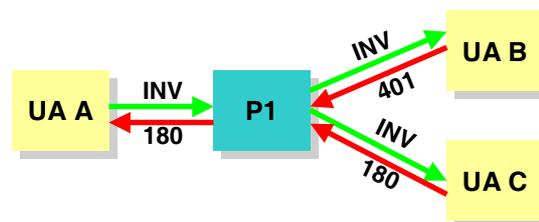
- Cancel a previous request
- Does not affect complete transactions
 - UAS does nothing if final response was already sent
- Used by forking proxies to prune search tree if OK response arrived (see P1)

Pre-loaded Routes

- Requests may contain pre-existing **Route** set
→ default outbound proxy, CFs in 3GPP
- **Loose source routing:**
Forwarding proxy may ignore topmost Route entry
- **Route entry rewriting:**
In a response Proxy may rewrite his own Route URI
- Deal with forked routes (due to DNS lookups):

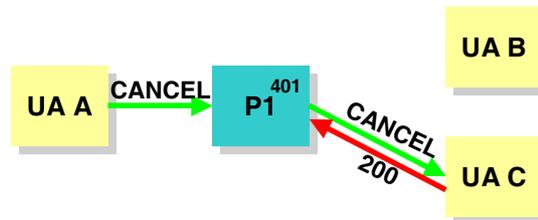


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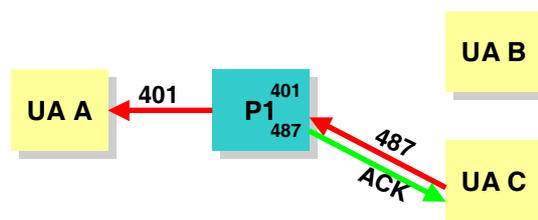
- ◆ **P1 forks INVITE request**
 - UA B stays silent and solicits “401 Unauthorized”
 - UA C begins Ringing (180)
- ◆ **Provisional response 180 is forwarded upstream**
 - UAC sees ringing indication
- ◆ **No handling for 401 response possible at this time**

Heterogeneous Error Response Forking Problem (HERFP) 2



- ◆ No answer from C hence A hangs up → CANCEL

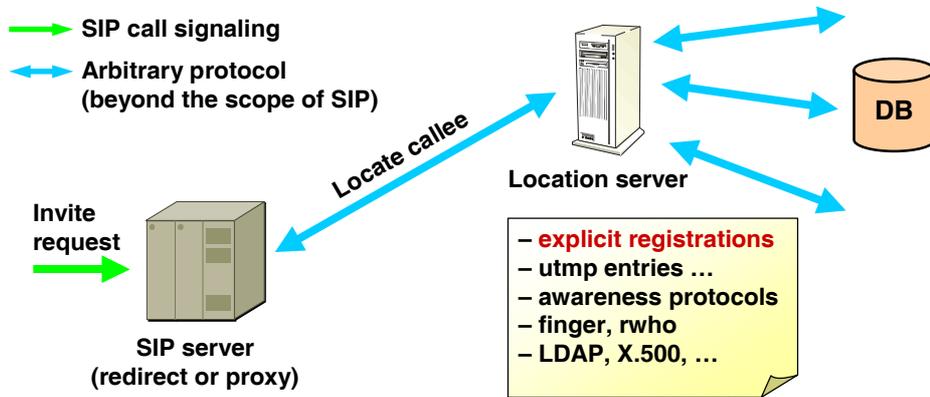
Heterogeneous Error Response Forking Problem (HERFP) 3



- ◆ P1 forwards best response (401) to A
 - Resubmit INVITE with appropriate credentials for B
- ◆ Drawbacks:
 - C will ring again
 - large call-setup delay
 - Forked non-INVITE must be idempotent for sequential search

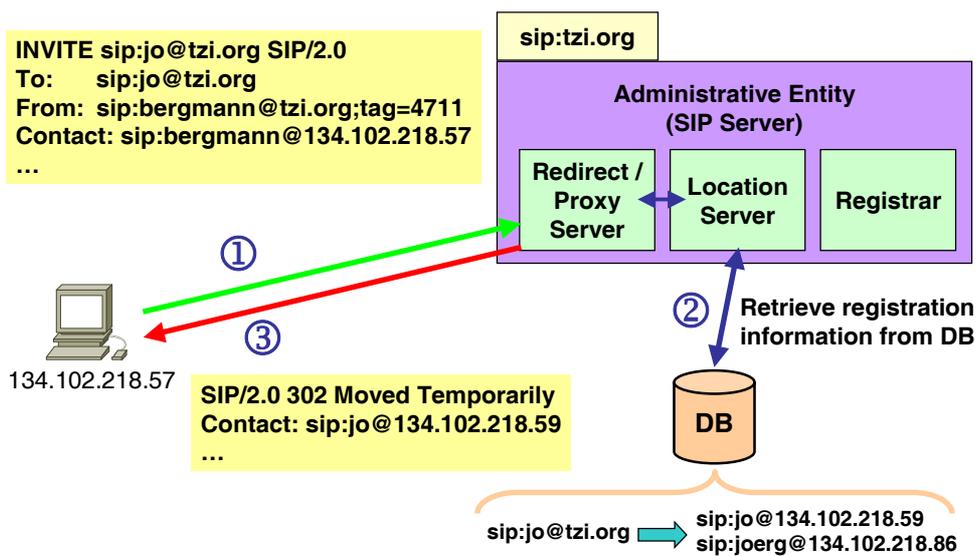
→ Heterogeneous error responses cause problems

User Location

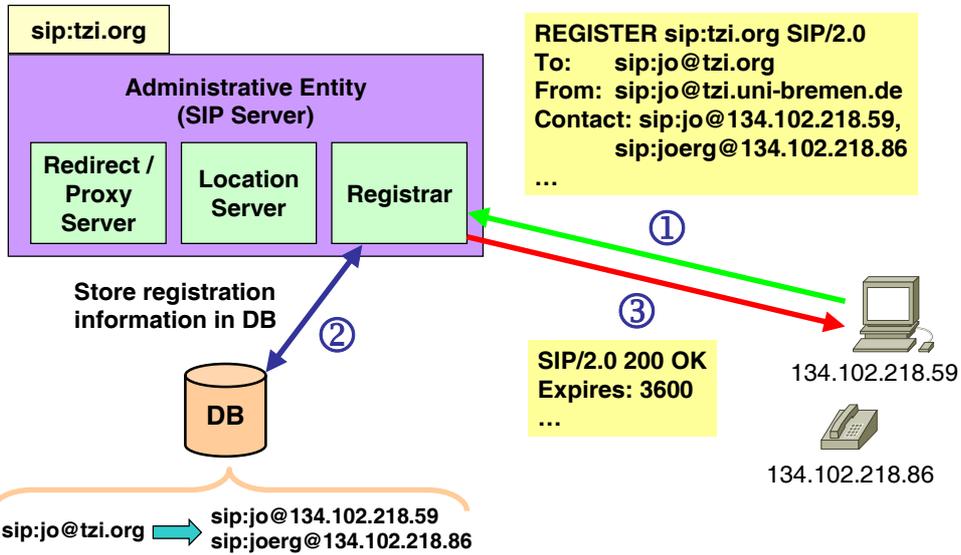


- ◆ SIP server asks location server where to find callee
- ◆ Location server returns list of contact addresses
- ◆ SIP server proxies or redirects request according to address list

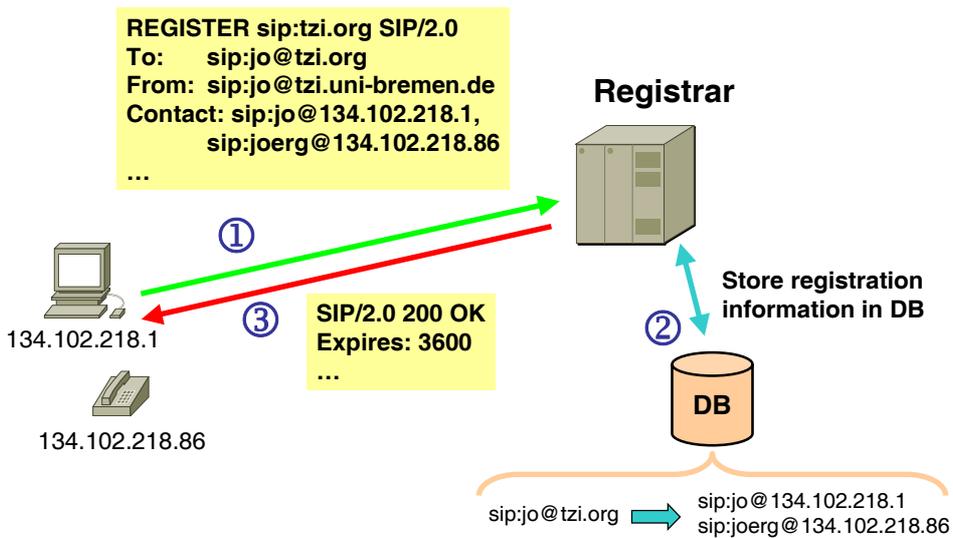
User Location



User Registration



User Registration (1)



User Registration (2)

- Send REGISTER request to registrar
- Request URI **sip:domain**
→ registrar may refuse requests for foreign domains
- **To:** canonical name for registered user (usually **sip:user@domain**)
- **From:** responsible person (may vary from To: for third party registration)
- **Contact:** contact information for the registered user
→ address, transport parameters, redirect/proxy, capabilities
- Specified addresses are merged with existing registrations
- Registrar denotes expiration time in **Expires:** header
- Client refreshes registration before expiry

```
REGISTER sip:tzi.org SIP/2.0
To: sip:jo@tzi.org
From: sip:jo@tzi.uni-bremen.de
Contact: sip:jo@134.102.218.1,
        sip:joerg@134.102.218.86
...
```

Registration Expiry

- ◆ **Client requests lifetime**
 - Contact:-header parameter **expires**
 - SIP message header field **Expires:**
 - Relative duration (seconds) or absolute date (RFC 1123, only GMT)
 - Default if no expiry time requested: 3600 seconds
- ◆ **Registrar may use lower or higher value, indicated in OK response**
 - Registrar must not increase expiry interval, may decline request with “423 Registration Too Brief” and **Min-Expiry:** header
- ◆ **After expiration, registrar silently discards corresponding database entries**

Add/update Registration Entries

- ◆ Retrieve all entries for **user@domain**
(specified in To:-header) from database

- ◆ Compare with Contact:-addresses according to scheme-specific rules:
 - Add addresses for which no entries exist
 - Entries being equal to a contact address are updated

- ◆ Otherwise return 200 OK response
 - Include all entries for user@domain

Lookup and Delete

- ◆ Lookup entries:
 - No Contact:-header in request
→ Current registrations are returned in OK response
 - For further processing:
 - ◆ Client uses q-parameter to determine relative order

- ◆ Delete entries:
 - Expires: 0
 - ◆ Delete URIs specified in Contact:-Header from database
 - ◆ Delete all entries for user: Contact: *

Extended Registration Functions (1)

- ◆ Registrar is the initial point of contact for a UA
- ◆ Idea: provide (user-specific) configuration and other information in REGISTER response
 - Allows for centralized control using standard SIP mechanisms

1. Service Route Discovery

- ◆ Dynamically configure “home service proxies” for UAs
 - Proxies to be traversed first for outbound requests
 - Routing of incoming requests can be enforced by infrastructure
 - Routing of responses implied from Via: headers
- ◆ Simple extension header returned by registrar
 Service-Route: <sip:sp1.example.com;lr>, <sip:sp2.example.com;lr>
 - Syntax similar to Route: header
- ◆ May be used by UA subsequently for loose source routing
 - Included in Route: header

Extended Registration Functions (2)

2. Globally Routable UA URI (GRUU)

- ◆ Users may be registered at multiple UAs
- ◆ Incoming SIP requests may be forked to all UAs
- ◆ May need to direct a request to a particular UA
 - Examples: Call Transfer, Conferencing, Presence
- ◆ Additional parameter in Contact: header from registrar
 Contact: <sip:jo@client-42.tzi.org>;gruu="sip:dsiah-0=@tzi.org"
 - Valid for the lifetime of this UA's registration
 - Local proxies ensure proper routing to the right UA
- ◆ UA may place GRUU in Contact: header in later requests
 - UA uses **grid** parameter to distinguish individual uses of a GRUU
- ◆ Remote UAs will use GRUU to send messages
 - **grid** parameter will be returned in the Request-URI from remote UA

Finding a Local Registrar Server

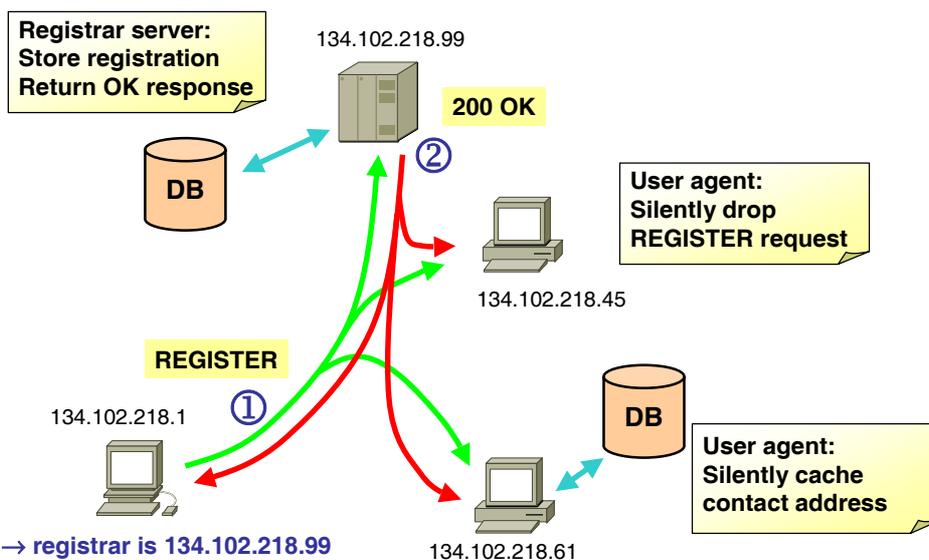
- ◆ **Multicast REGISTER request**
 - Send link-local request to sip.mcast.net (224.0.1.75)
 - Use address of first server that responds with OK
 - If other OK responses, use sender addresses as fallback

- ◆ **Alternatively, use configured registrar address**

Other mechanisms out-of-scope of core spec. Examples:

- ◆ **DHCP**
 - DNS SRV lookup on domain name obtained via DHCP
 - If no SIP server found, query A or AAAA record
- ◆ **Service Location Protocol (SLP)**
- ◆ ...

Link-local Multicast Registration



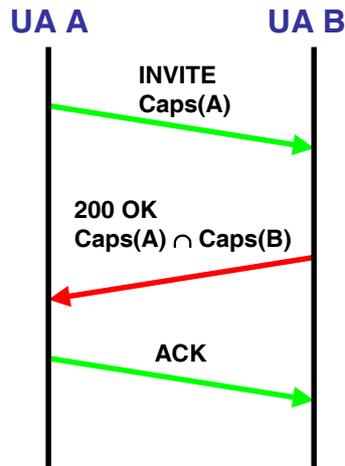
Media Session Setup Between Endpoints

Capability Negotiation

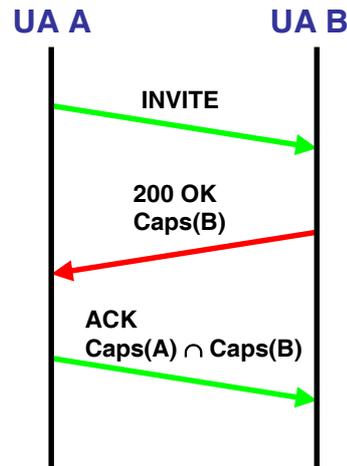
- ◆ **SDP: Session Description Protocol, RFC 2327**
- ◆ **Caller includes SDP capability description in INVITE**
 - Time information may be set to “t=0 0” or omitted
 - For RTP/AVT, use of *rtptime* mappings is encouraged
- ◆ **For each media stream (*m*-part of SDP message), callee returns own configuration in response**
 - Indicate destination address in *c=*-field
 - Indicate port and selected media parameters in *m=*-field
 - Set port to zero to suppress media streams
- ◆ **UA may return user’s capability set in 200 OK response when receiving an OPTIONS request**

Media Negotiation During Call Setup

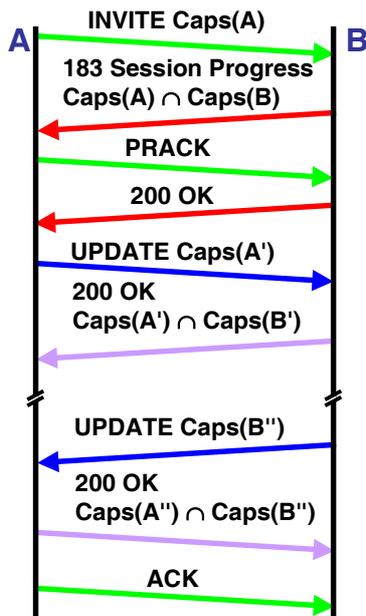
“Normal” operation



Delayed description



Use of UPDATE in Offer/Answer Model



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SDP Example

SDP Version

```
v=0
o=llynch 3117798688 3117798739 IN IP4 128.223.214.23
s=UO Presents KWAX Classical Radio
i=University of Oregon sponsored classical radio station KWAX-FM
u=http://darkwing.uoregon.edu/~uocomm/
e=UO Multicastors multicast@lists.uoregon.edu
p=Lucy Lynch (University of Oregon) (541) 346-1774
t=0 0
a=tool:sdr v2.4a6
a=type:test
m=audio 30554 RTP/AVP 0
c=IN IP4 224.2.246.13/127
a=ptime:40
```

Session
Level

Media
Level

SDP Example

Originator + version

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SDP Example

Media Name and Transport Address

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SDP Example

Connection Information

(In SIP: address where originator wants to receive data)

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SDP in SIP Applications

alice@192.168.1.1

bob@192.168.1.2



INVITE sip:bob@192.168.1.2

Audio session with a set of alternatives

Additional media session

```
v=0
o=alice 7595 1 IN IP4 192.168.1.1
s=Hello again
e=alice@example.com
t=0 0
c=IN IP4 192.168.1.1
m=audio 46000 RTP/AVP 96 97 98
a=rtpmap:96 G729/8000
a=rtpmap:97 GSM-EFR/8000
a=rtpmap:98 PCMU/8000
m=audio 46002 RTP/AVP 99
a=rtpmap:99 telephone-events
```

SDP in SIP Applications

alice@192.168.1.1

bob@192.168.1.2



INVITE sip:bob@192.168.1.2

200 OK

Only one audio format supported

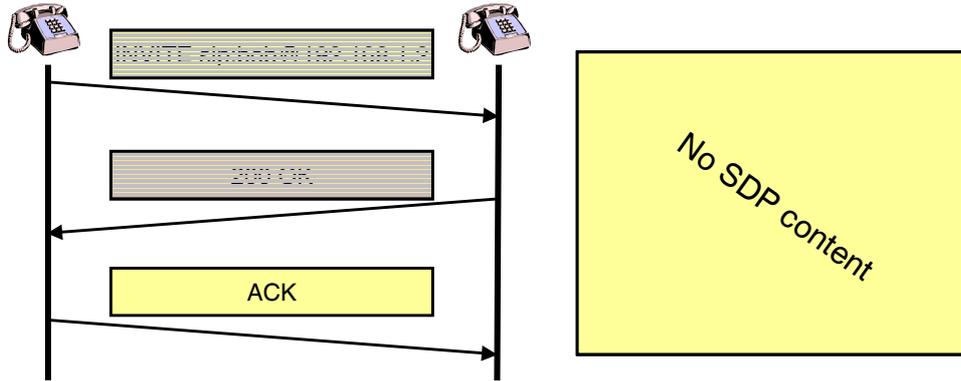
Second media session not supported

```
v=0
o=bob 5160 1 IN IP4 192.168.1.2
s=Hello again
e=bob@example.com
t=0 0
c=IN IP4 192.168.1.2
m=audio 32000 RTP/AVP 98
a=rtpmap:98 PCMU/8000
m=audio 0 RTP/AVP 99
a=rtpmap:99 telephone-events
```

SDP in SIP Applications

alice@192.168.1.1

bob@192.168.1.2



Example SDP Alignment

```

v=0
o=jo 7849 2873246 IN IP4 ruin.inf...
s=SIP call
t=0 0
c=IN IP4 134.102.218.1
m=audio 52392 RTP/AVP 98 99
a=rtpmap:98 L8/8000
a=rtpmap:99 L16/8000
m=video 59485 RTP/AVP 31
a=rtpmap:31 H261/90000
    
```

```

v=0
o=cabo 82347 283498 IN IP4 dmn.inf...
s=SIP call
t=0 0
c=IN IP4 134.102.218.46
m=audio 49823 RTP/AVP 98
a=rtpmap:98 L8/8000
m=video 0 RTP/AVP 31
    
```

Resulting configuration:



Send/Receive Only

- ◆ **Media streams may be unidirectional**
 - Indicated by *a=sendonly*, *a=recvonly*
- ◆ **Attributes are interpreted from sender's view**
- ◆ **sendonly**
 - Recipient of SDP description should not send data
 - Connection address indicates where to send RTCP receiver reports
 - Multicast session: recipient sends to specified address
- ◆ **recvonly**
 - Sender lists supported codecs
 - Receiver chooses the subset he intends to use
 - Multicast session: recipient listens on specified address
- ◆ **inactive**
 - To pause a media stream (rather than deleting it)

Change Session Parameters

- ◆ **Either party of a call may send a re-INVITE that contains a new session description**
 - Use other connection address, port
 - Add/remove codecs
 - Append new media streams at the message's end
 - ◆ **Recipient re-aligns session description with current values**
 - Change media parameters
 - Delete media streams (port has zero-value)
 - Add new streams
- Gateways may use re-INVITE when session parameters are unknown during call setup

UPDATEs for Session State (RFC 3311)

- ◆ **UPDATE** as generic mechanism to modify session state
 - Align different proposals: early media, resource reservation, ...
 - Issues with heterogeneous error responses (HERFP) addressed
 - Even useful to establish security associations
 - **Dialog state vs. session state**

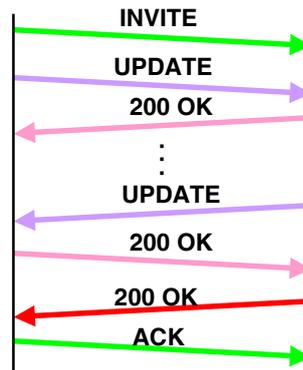
◆ Offer/Answer-Model

Request dialog state update

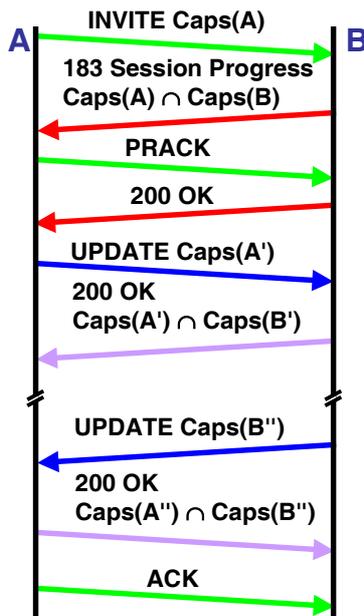
Request session state update

Multiple O/A cycles possible
No overlapping offers
O/A in 183, PRACK etc. allowed
→ Tight relationship between offer and answer necessary

Finish dialog state update



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SIP and Security

SIP entities are potential target of a number of attacks, e.g.

- ◆ Spoofing identity
- ◆ Eavesdropping
 - Media streams
 - Call signaling
- ◆ Traffic analysis
- ◆ Theft of service
- ◆ Denial of service (DoS)

Typical threats for
distributed applications
using the public Internet

Some countermeasures:

- ◆ Client and server authentication
- ◆ Request authorization
- ◆ Encryption
- ◆ Message integrity checks + replay protection

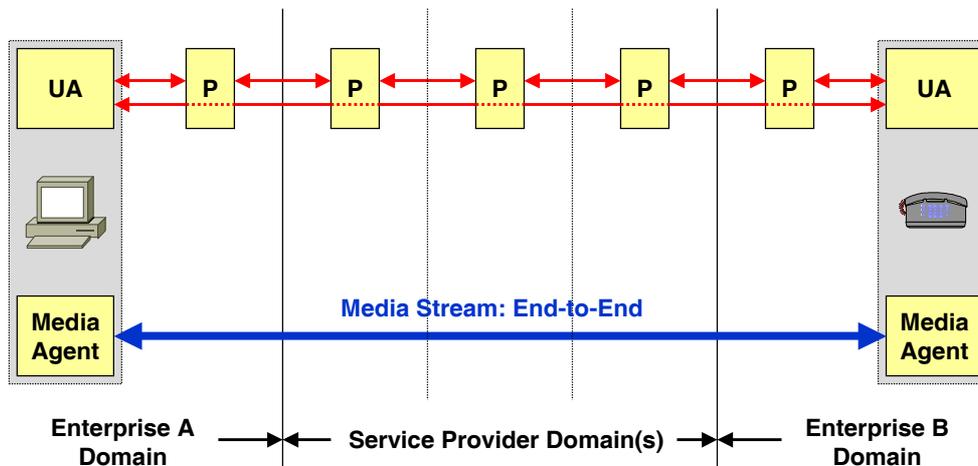
Reuse existing
security
mechanisms.

Why SIP Security?

- ◆ **Ensure privacy**
(media encryption, anonymous calls, personalized services, ...)
- ◆ **Billing and accounting**
(probably pay for services, assured bandwidth, etc.)
- ◆ **Regulatory requirements**
 - Call id blocking
 - Prosecute abuse (call tracing facility)
 - Emergency call service
 - Multi-Level Priorization and Preemption

SIP Security Overview

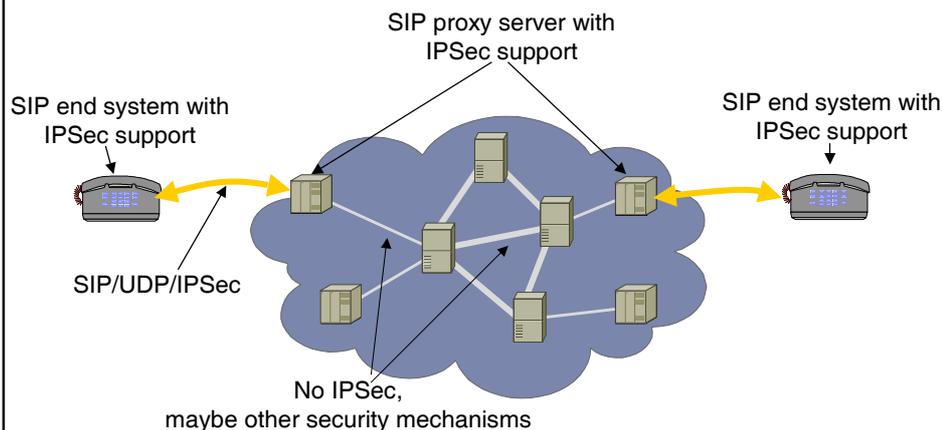
Call Signaling: Hop-by-Hop, End-to-End



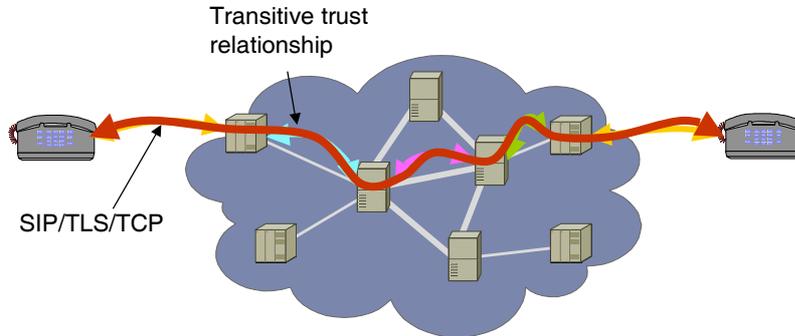
Hop-by-hop Encryption of SIP Messages

- ◆ **Lower layer mechanisms**
 - Applicability depends on link layer technology
- ◆ **VPN-like tunnel using IPSec**
 - Suitable e.g. for coupling sites of a company
 - Need OS-support (required for IPv6 anyway)
- ◆ **SIP over TLS (Transport Layer Security)**
 - Access to outbound proxy
 - Call routing to ITSP
 - Call routing between neighboring ITSPs (agreements!)
 - In most cases, only servers have certificates
- ◆ **Chain of trust: suitable also for authentication**
 - e.g. in trusted networks

Hop-by-hop encryption with IPSec



- ◆ **Possible deployment scenario**
 - IPSec between hosts inside an administrative domain
 - Established trust relationships, pre-shared keys
- ◆ **Security functions independent of SIP layer**



- ◆ **Hop-By-Hop security**
 - TLS secures connections between SIP entities
 - TCP only!
- ◆ **Useful for hosts with no pre-existing trust association**
- ◆ **Usage of TLS is coupled with SIP**
 - Needs to be signalled, e.g. in Via headers
 - MUST be implemented by proxy servers, redirect server and registrars
- ◆ **Basic model**
 - A UA establishes a trust association with his outbound proxy (TLS connection)
 - The proxy build trust associations with other proxies/UAs
 - ◆ May require certificate exchange and validation
- ◆ **Problems**
 - Call setup delays
 - Resources for open TLS connections

End-to-End Encryption of SIP Messages

- ◆ **Impossible for entire message: proxies do call-routing**
- ◆ **Use SIP message bodies to carry confidential information**
 - Can be used to achieve end-to-end encryption
 - ◆ E.g., when the network cannot be trusted or other mechanisms are not available
 - Does only protect the message body, not the header fields
- ◆ **S/MIME**
 - Allows to encapsulate arbitrary content for security purpose
 - Encryption and digital signature
- ◆ **Issue: Key distribution problem *prior to call***
 - No global PKI
 - Certificates for SIP proxies, typically not for users
 - Typically no shared secrets
 - Validation of end user certificates will have to rely on public key infrastructures (or pre-configured certificates)

SIP and S/MIME for End-to-End Encryption

- ◆ **Carry (partial) SIP messages in S/MIME body**
 - **Content-Type: message/sipfrag** (or: **message/sip**)
 - **Apply MIME security to message body**
 - **Use multipart/mixed if necessary**
 - ◆ e.g. to also carry SDP bodies

- ◆ **Include confidential headers in message body**
 - E.g. **From:**, **Contact:**, **Subject:**

- ◆ **Keep headers required for routing “outside” in the clear**
 - Some outer header fields remain visible
 - ◆ **To, From, Call-ID, Cseq, ...**
 - Some mandatory headers may be populated with dummy values
 - Some outer header fields may also be changed in transit
 - ◆ **Request-URI, Via, Record-Route, ...**

- ◆ **May also be used for end-to-end authentication**

SIP Media Privacy

- ◆ **Encryption of (RTP) media streams**
 - use old RTP encryption scheme
 - use **Secure RTP (SRTP) profile**
 - ◆ Currently finalized within the IETF

- ◆ **Secure key distribution between endpoints *in a call***

- ◆ **Original SDP allows only for one per media key field (“k=“)**

- ◆ **SDP extensions for better keying support**
 - Requires encrypted SDP in SIP message body
 - Requires protected communication path

- ◆ **Further SDP extensions for secure media keying**
 - **MIKEY** allows for end-to-end negotiation of keys
 - Protection of the exchanged information within SDP

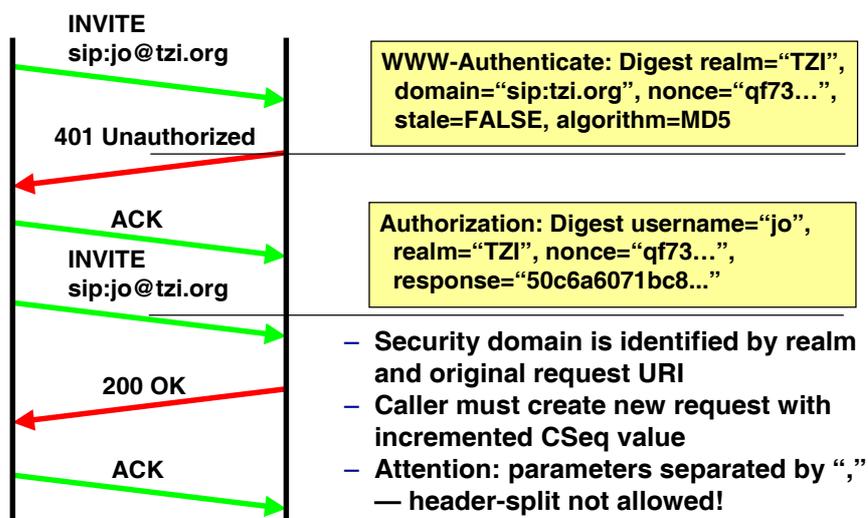
Simple SIP Authentication

- ◆ HTTP *digest* authentication
 - basic authentication deprecated

- ◆ Challenge with **WWW-Authenticate**: header field

- ◆ **Authorization**: header field
 - End-to-end authentication of UAC
 - Digitally sign message body and header fields following the *Authorization*: header
 - Use canonical form
 - Fields to be changed must precede *Authorization*

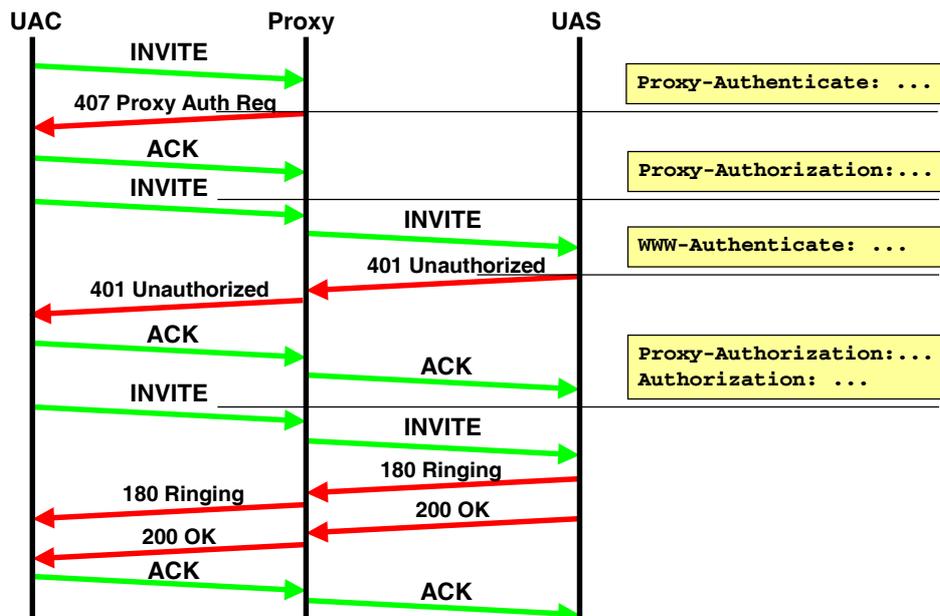
Authentication: Example Call Flow



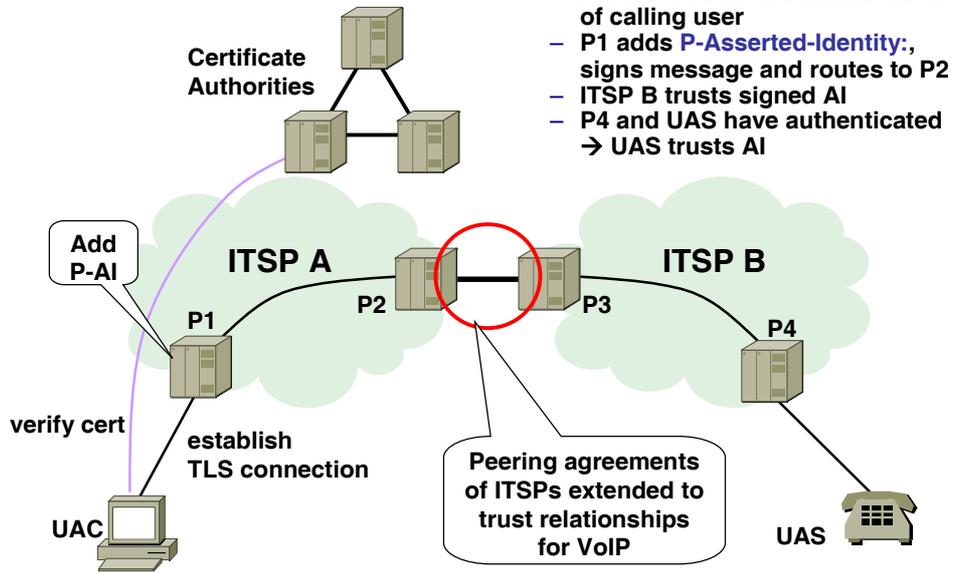
Authentication for Proxies

- ◆ Similar to endpoints (HTTP Digest)
- ◆ Proxy rejects client request with “407 Proxy Auth required”
 - Proxy-Authenticate: header
 - Multiple proxies along the path may challenge
- ◆ Client resubmits request with credentials for Proxy
 - in Proxy-Authorization: header
 - Multiple headers with credentials may need to be included

Multiple Authentication Steps



Transitive Trust Relationships



Privacy of Calling Party Information

- ◆ Option-tag **privacy** to enforce treatment at proxies
- ◆ Extension header **Privacy**:
 - Initiator can specify a required level of privacy
 - Typically, intermediary has to obscure certain header fields → B2BUA
 - Different types of privacy information (header, session, user)
- ◆ Use asserted identity mechanism if authentication required → need trust relationships between ITSPs

SIP and S/MIME for End-to-End Authentication

- ◆ **Header fields are included in a signed S/MIME message body**
 - Idea similar to encryption: **message/sip, message/sipfrag**
 - Include enough headers to prevent replay
 - ◆ **From:, Date: Contact: (To:, Call-ID:, CSeq:)**
- ◆ **UA may sign the message itself: straightforward**
 - Workable -- but receiver has to obtain UA's certificate
 - Work in progress to locate Certificate servers per domain
- ◆ **UA may have an authentication server sign on its behalf**
 - Requires (local) trust relationship between UA and auth server
 - Requires only auth server's certificate to be known
- ◆ **Authenticated Identity Body (AIB)**
 - Third party ensures receiver about sender identity
 - UA prepares and includes the above message body
 - Asks auth server to sign
 - Indicated by: **Content-Disposition: message/aib**

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Basic Extension Mechanisms

- ◆ **Proxies forward unknown methods and headers**
 - ◆ **UAS' ignore unknown headers, reject methods**

 - ◆ **Feature negotiation**
 - Headers: **Require, Proxy-Require, Supported**
 - Option tags for feature naming (see below)
 - Error responses:
 - ◆ 405 Method not allowed
 - ◆ 420 Unsupported
 - ◆ 421 Extension Required
- } UAC and UAS/proxy must agree on common feature subset
-
- ◆ **Option tags**
 - Identified by unique token
 - Prefix reverse domain name of creator
 - IANA: implicit prefix *org.ietf*.

Some Current SIP Extensions

- ◆ **Reliable provisional responses**
- ◆ **Session Timers**
- ◆ **Early Media**
- ◆ **Adjusting session state: UPDATE**
- ◆ **INFO method**
- ◆ **REFERing peers to third parties**
- ◆ **SIP for subscriptions and event notifications**
- ◆ **Instant messaging**
- ◆ **SIP for presence**
- ◆ ...

- ◆ **Addressed later today where appropriate...**

Reliable Provisional Responses

- ◆ **Signaling Gateways, ACD systems etc. may depend on provisional responses**
 - Such as **180 Ringing**

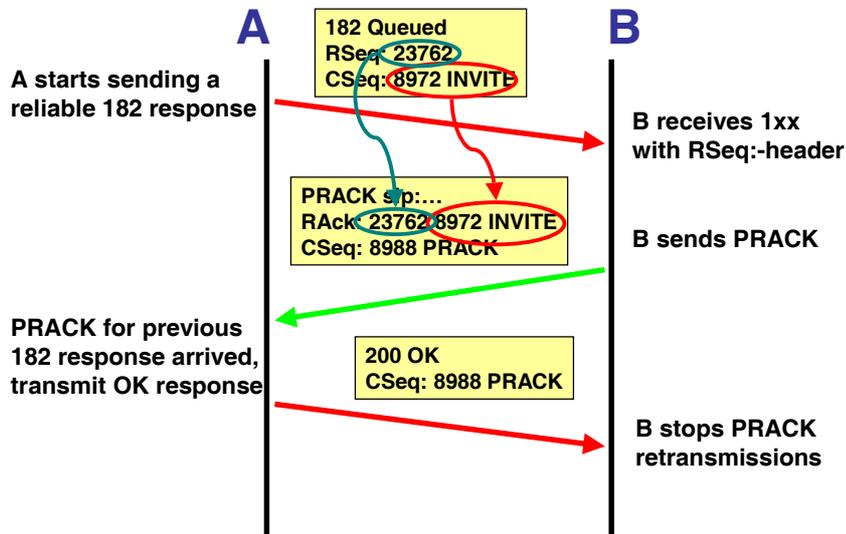
→ **need optional reliability**

- ◆ **Option tag 100rel:**
 - End-to-end reliability of provisional responses > 100
 - Retain order of reliable responses
- ◆ **Implementation:**
 - Windowing: **RSeq/RAck** headers
 - Explicit acknowledge: **PRACK** request

Use of PRACK

- ◆ **Insert RSeq:-header with random integer value**
 - new responses must increment RSeq: by 1
- ◆ **Retransmit with exponential backoff**
- ◆ **No subsequent reliable provisional responses until first PRACK**
 - enables re-ordering at receiver side
- ◆ **PRACK request**
 - **RAck:** contains RSeq: and CSeq: values to acknowledge
 - May contain body with additional information

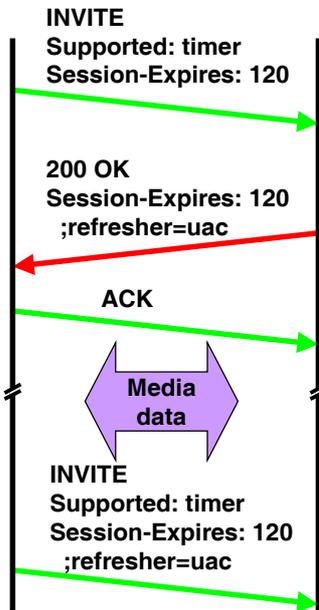
Example Call Flow: PRACK



Session Timers

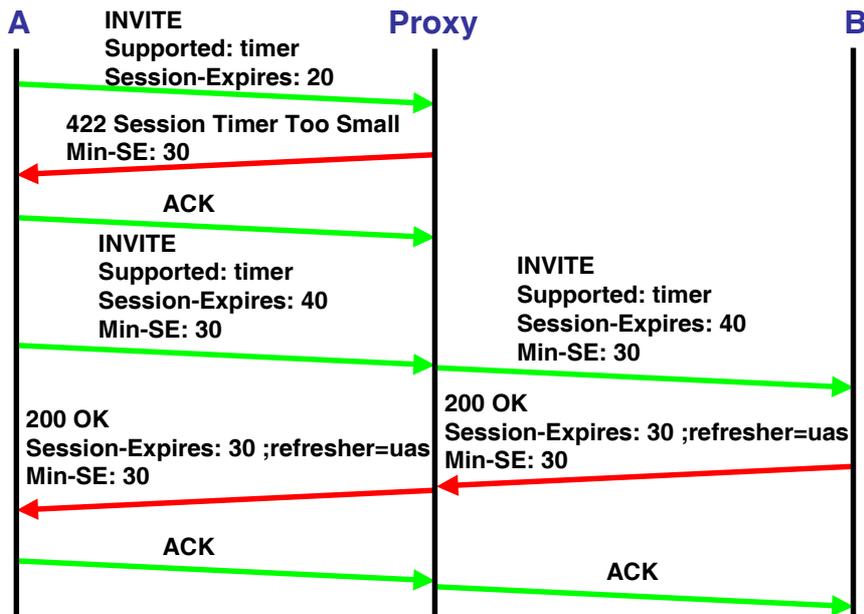
- ◆ **No keep-alive mechanism for SIP calls**
 - Proxies may preserve outdated state information
 - Close dynamically created holes in firewalls
 - Need timeout-mechanism to perform cleanup
- ◆ **SIP Extension for Session timers**
 - Option tag **timer**
 - Negotiation mechanism for expiry time and refresh responsibility
 - ◆ **Session-Expires:** duration and role
 - ◆ **422** response with **Min-SE:** lower bound for expiry interval
 - **Responsible UA** sends re-INVITE before timer expires
- ◆ **Session is terminated if no re-INVITE/UPDATE arrives in time**
 - **Responsible UA** sends BYE
 - Proxies silently drop state information

Example: Keep-alive



- Caller indicates support of session timers in INVITE
- Propose initial timer value
- Called UA supports timers, accepts proposed value, asks the caller to send refresh
- Setup complete, media streams are established
- After $n/2 \cdot \text{timer}$ calling party sends re-INVITE
- Call continues after 200 OK and ACK

Example: Interval Negotiation



Event Notifications

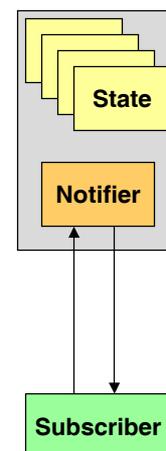
- ◆ **Need for flexible event notification**
 - Enable presence information
 - Better support for mobile SIP applications
 - Feedback about progress of other calls, conference state, etc.
 - **NOTIFY** method, **Event:**-header

- ◆ **Event subscription**
 - **SUBSCRIBE**, **Event:**
 - Events may be call-related or third-party generated
 - Security issues: Sensitive Events
 - ◆ Privacy
 - ◆ Authentication

- ◆ **Used for personal presence applications**
 - Used with **PUBLISH** method to update presence state
 - Augmented by **MESSAGE** method for Instant Messaging

Event Concept

- ◆ **Piece of state information S**
 - Identified by some name (“package”)
- ◆ **SIP entities interested in S**
 - Query for the current state
 - ◆ “polling”
 - Be notified about changes to S
 - ◆ **SUBSCRIBE**
 - Subscriptions may be created implicitly
 - ◆ By means of other (SIP or non-SIP) protocol activity
- ◆ **Information about S carried in message body**
 - **NOTIFY**
 - Formats to be defined specific to S
- ◆ **Protection of S**
 - Keep control of who gains access, who has access; for how long



SUBSCRIBE

- ◆ **SUBSCRIBE used to registered interest in a piece of state**
 - **Event:** identifies the state information to be retrieved
 - ◆ **489 Bad Event**
 - ◆ **Syntax reflects package concept:**
*package ('.' template)** → e.g. "Event: presence.winfo"
 - **Allow-Events:** used to indicate which event packages are supported
 - **Expires:** how long to subscribe
 - ◆ Subscriptions are soft-state; need to be refreshed periodically
 - ◆ May be shortened or lenthened by server
 - **Expires: 0**
 - ◆ Poll the state information once; do not establish a subscription
 - ◆ Terminate a subscription
 - **Body** may indicate desired notification policy (filters)
- ◆ **Each SUBSCRIBE triggers at least one NOTIFY**
 - May contain no (useful) information if access not yet authorized

SUBSCRIBE Response

- ◆ **SUBSCRIBE Responses**
 - **200 OK:** Everything's fine: event understood, client authorized, etc.
 - **202 Accepted :** Request received, working on a final result
 - **401, 603, ...** if applicable
 - **Acceptance or rejection to be reported in NOTIFY**
- ◆ **Accepting / rejecting subscription requests**
 - Automated e.g. through configured black / white list
 - Ask user if acceptance cannot be determined automatically
- ◆ **Watcher Info package used to monitor one's own presence**
 - Generates notifications for subscription requests
 - User then needs to authorize subscription
 - ◆ Through arbitrary means (e.g. web page)

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- ◆ **155 Update Request**
 - Typically for authorization instead of 401
- ◆ **Initiate dialog after receiving 155 or 2xx response**
 - Mid-dialog SUBSCRIBE and UPDATE to refresh subscription

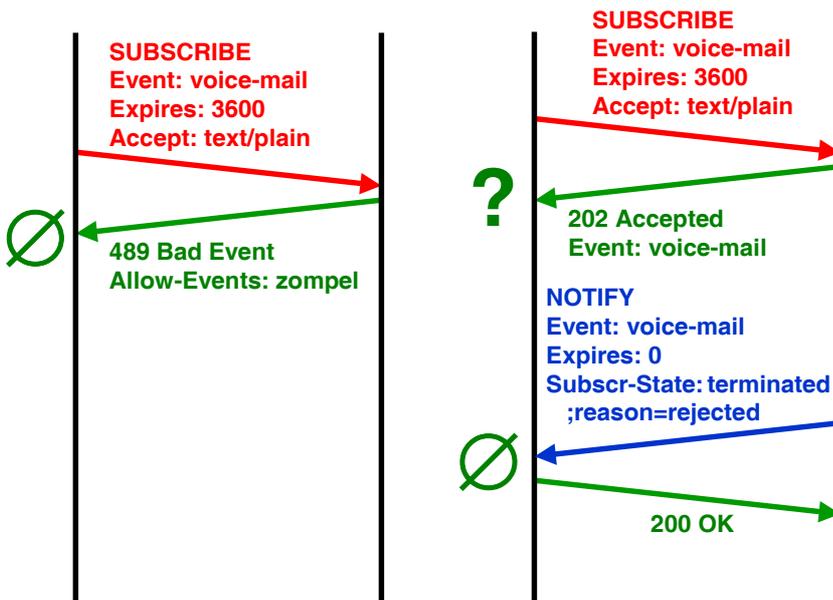
NOTIFY

- ◆ **NOTIFY carries state information in message body**
 - Format depending on **Accept:** header from SUBSCRIBE
 - Full state vs. state deltas
 - **Subscription-State:** active/pending/terminated
- ◆ **NOTIFY indicates acceptance or rejection of SUBSCRIBE**
 - If no immediate response could be supplied
- ◆ **NOTIFY may be used to terminate subscriptions**
 - Initiated by the notifier
 - Includes reason code parameter
- ◆ **NOTIFY may be sent without SUBSCRIBE**
 - Implicit subscription
- ◆ **Response to NOTIFY**
 - **200 OK** vs. **481 Subscription does not exist**
- ◆ **Notification rate: risk of network congestion**
 - Event throttling to be specified in event packages

Example: Successful SUBSCRIBE



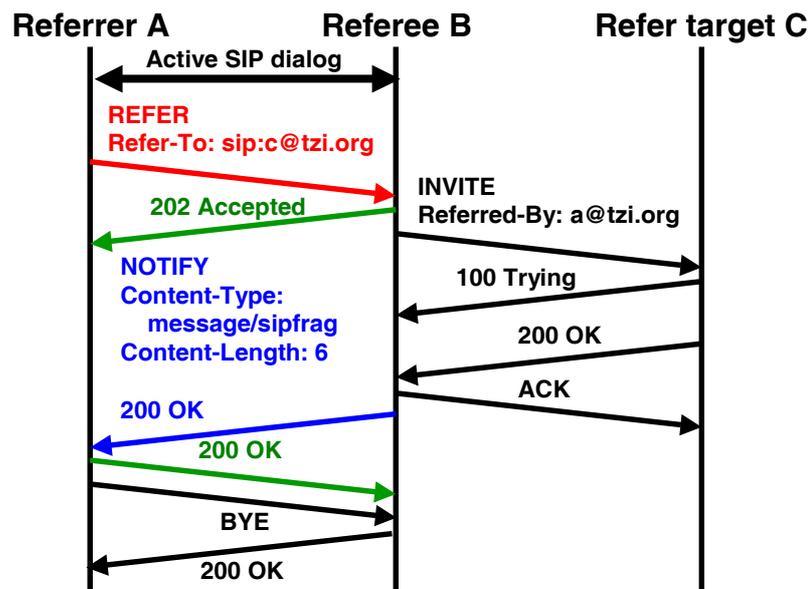
Example: Unsuccessful SUBSCRIBE



REFER Method

- ◆ **Original motivation: Call Transfer**
- ◆ **General idea: make a SIP entity contact a third party**
- ◆ **Originator sends REFER method to peer**
 - indicates *refer target* in **Refer-To:** header
- ◆ **Referred party accepts or declines immediately**
 - **202 Accepted** or uses some SIP error code
 - Accepting establishes an *implicit subscription* on the new dialog
- ◆ **Contacts *refer target* in an entirely independent dialog**
 - May indicate who caused the call in **Referred-By:** header
 - New **INVITE** – **200 OK** – **ACK** sequence, unrelated
- ◆ **Reports outcome of new call to originator**
 - (exactly) one **NOTIFY**
 - Message body contains SIP message fragments from new call, e.g.
 - ◆ **200 OK** **486 Busy Here** **503 Service unavailable**

REFER Example



Securing REFER

- ◆ **Refer Target C receives a request from Referee B**
 - May be indistinguishable from any other request from B
 - May be acceptable to C only if A is known as initiator
 - Need to provide authentication information in the request
- ◆ **Referred-By: header provides first indication**
 - But may be faked by B
- ◆ **Extension to securely pass information from A to C**
 - Include signed S/MIME message body in REFER request
 - ◆ Content-ID: <sip-message-id>
 - To be copied by Referee into target request
 - Optional cid= parameter of Referred-By: points to signed body
 - ◆ Referred-By: <sip:referrer@example.com>;cid="<sip-message-id">
- ◆ **Refer target may refuse message without proper Referred-By**
 - 429 Provide Referrer Identity

REFER Semantics?

- ◆ **Refer-To: supports arbitrary parameters**
 - Including method= and response=
 - May populate various headers of a message
 - Enables remote control of a SIP UA
- ◆ **Default: INVITE method for SIP URIs**
 - Inside dialog: call transfer
 - Outside dialog: click-to-dial
- ◆ **But generalized command: Apply <method> to <URI>**
 - “Force” a remote UA to do something
 - In principle broad applicability but only little semantics “defined”
 - ◆ Fetch the content at http:// ...
 - ◆ Subscribe to a certain resource
 - ◆ Send a certain reply to a request
 - Handle with care...

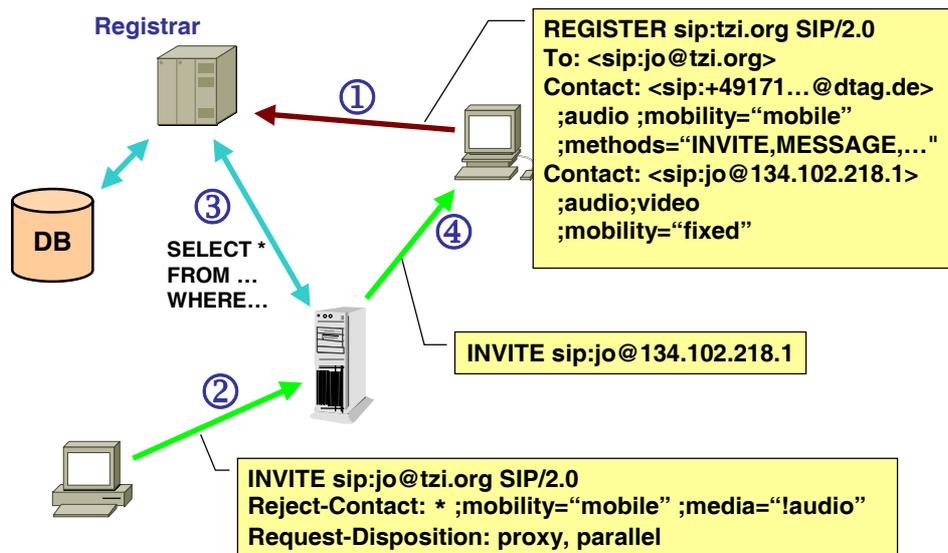
Caller Preferences / Callee Capabilities

- ◆ Caller may provide preferences for request routing
 - URI-based Proxy or redirect
 - Refuse particular URIs
 - Forking
 - Recursive search
 - Parallel or sequential search

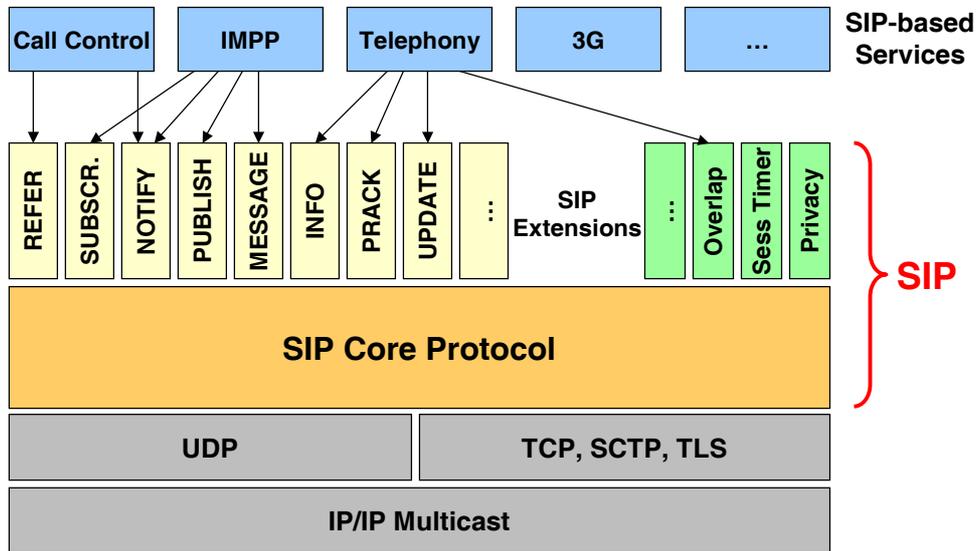
- ◆ SIP Extensions
 - Request-Disposition: Request routing in SIP servers
 - Accept-Contact: Change address ordering
 - ◆ Parameters: require, explicit
 - Reject-Contact: Reject particular URIs
 - Implied predicates from SIP method, events

 - Additional parameters for Contact: headers in REGISTER

Preference/Capability Matching



SIP Service Creation Model



Call Processing Language (CPL)

- ◆ **Per-user configuration of server behavior**
 - Idea of flexible service configuration (as on a PBX)
 - Specification of call-related actions
 - No side-effects
 - No loops or recursion
- ◆ **Graphical representation, stored as XML document**
- ◆ **CPL scripts are associated with user's URI**
 - registration; upload
- ◆ **Design goals**
 - Light-weight: minimal use of server's resources
 - Safety: do not break running server
 - Extensibility: add features without breaking existing scripts

Language Features

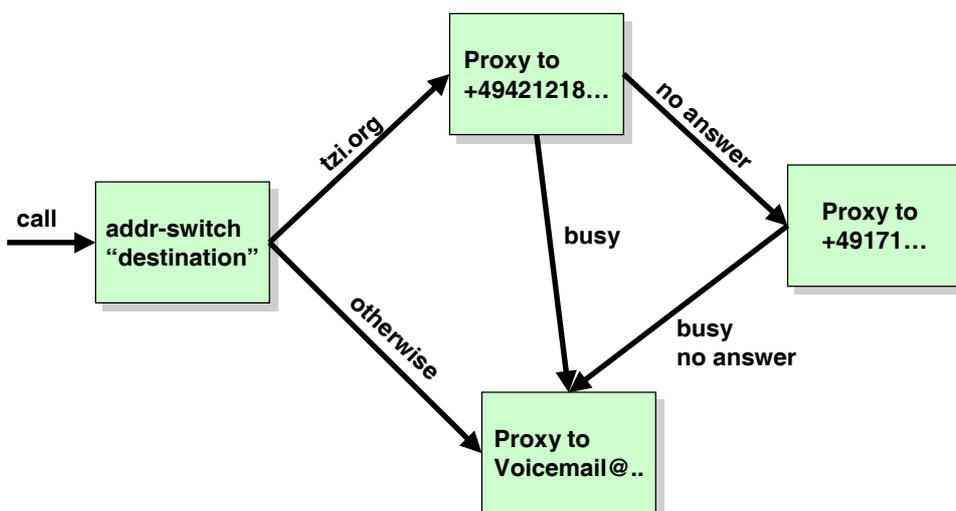
◆ **Server provides information about incoming message**

- Destination
- Originator
- Caller preferences
- Contents of several important header fields
- Media description
- Security parameters
- ...

◆ **CPL scripts can specify several actions to take**

- Reject, redirect or proxy incoming message
- Set timeout values for actions
- Context-dependent choice of different actions
- Perform location lookups
- ...

Example CPL Script



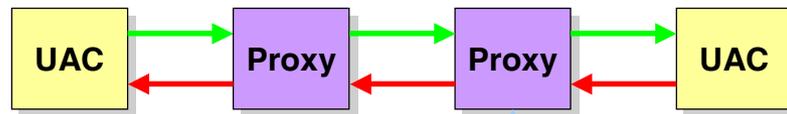
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<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<cpl>
  <subaction id="vm">
    <location url="sip:voicemail@dmn.tzi.org">
      <proxy />
    </location>
  </subaction>
  <incoming>
    <address-switch field="destination" subfield="host">
      <address_subdomain-of="tzi.org">
        <location url="tel:+49421218...">
          <proxy timeout="10">
            <busy> <sub ref="vm" /> </busy>
            <noanswer>
              <location url="tel:+49171...">
                [...]
              </noanswer>
            </proxy>
          </location>
        </address>
      </address-switch>
    </incoming>
  </cpl>
    
```

Service Creation

- ◆ Flexible processing of SIP messages in *proxy*
 - Rapid development of supplementary services
 - Pass incoming requests to external script for processing
- SIP Common Gateway Interface (CGI)
 - Adaptation of HTTP CGI
 - Support SIP's idiosyncrasies:
 - ◆ Transport protocols UDP, TCP
 - ◆ Central role of proxy servers
 - ◆ Persistent transaction state
 - ◆ Registrations
 - ◆ Request forking, recursive search, timeouts
 - ◆ ...

SIP CGI Architecture



- Fork script on incoming messages
 - ◆ Pass message on STDIN
 - ◆ Provide additional information in environment vars
- Process commands from script's STDOUT
 - ◆ Message forwarding
 - ◆ Create new messages
 - ◆ Add/delete message headers
- Use cookies to preserve state information

Script is invoked for subsequent messages of same transaction only if explicitly requested.

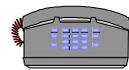
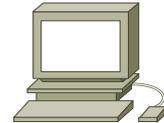
SIP for Presence and Instant Messaging

(a somewhat brief introduction)

A Role for Presence in “VoIP”

Awareness of other users: availability, location, ...

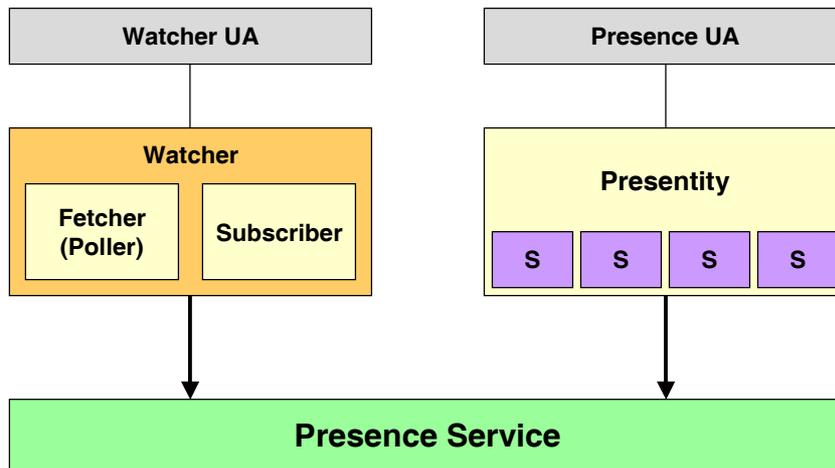
- ◆ **To perform existing functions**
 - User location, call routing, follow-me, ...
- ◆ **To improve existing services**
 - Call completion ratio
 - Indicate availability
- ◆ **To enable new services**
 - Presence per se: Simplify meeting people
 - Messaging per se: “SMS”
 - Presence and Messaging as basis for other applications
 - Location-based services
- ◆ **To rescue the “VoIP” industry...**



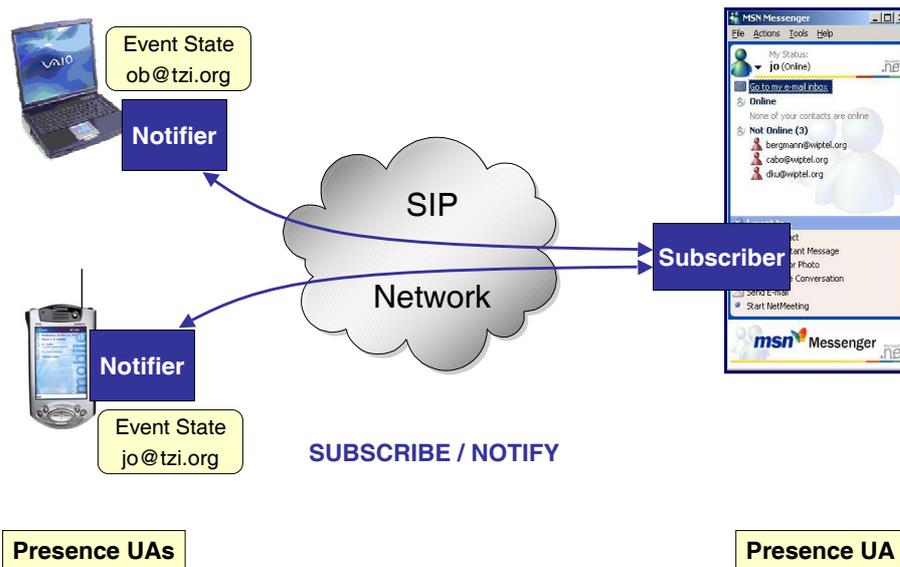
SIP: Personal Presence and Instant Messaging

- ◆ **“Buddy Lists + Chat”**
- ◆ **Idea: re-use SIP infrastructure**
 - Maintain user locations
 - Route messages
 - Contact users
- ◆ **SIP Event package for “presence”**
 - SUBSCRIBE / NOTIFY fit well
 - Define presence format
- ◆ **Define a new method for Instant Messaging**
 - MESSAGE
 - Define basic message content format (text/plain)

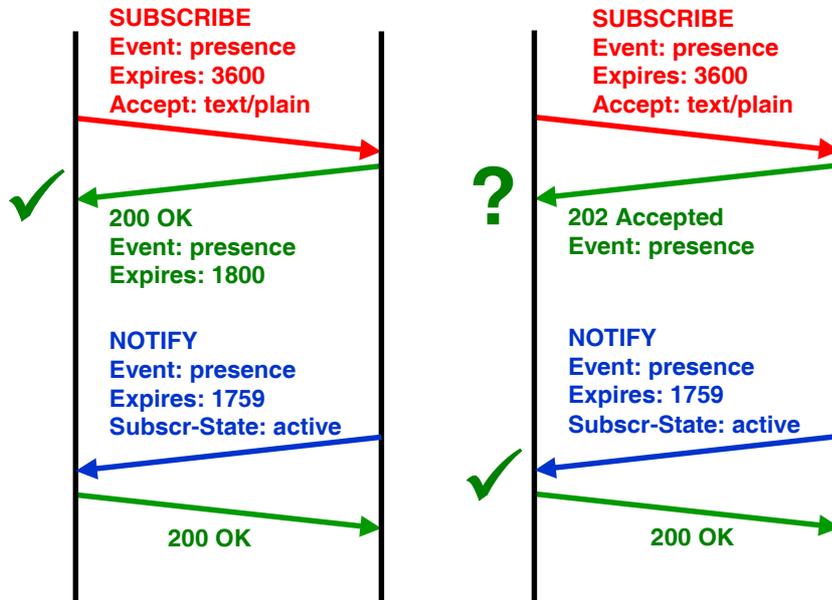
IMPP Presence Model



SIP Entities for Presence (1)



Example: SIP for Presence



SIP Presence Notification (PIDF)

```
<presence ... entity="pres:jo@tzi.org">
  <tuple id="mobile-im">
    <status>
      <basic>open</basic>
    </status>
    <contact priority="0.8">im:jo@sms-gw.tzi.org</contact>
    <note xml:lang="en">Don't Disturb Please!</note>
    <note xml:lang="fr">Ne dérangez pas, s'il vous plaît</note>
    <timestamp>2003-01-14T10:49:29Z</timestamp>
  </tuple>
  <tuple id="interactive-mm">
    <status>
      <basic>closed</basic>
    </status>
    <contact priority="1.0">sip:jo@tzi.org</contact>
  </tuple>
  <note>I'll be in Paris next week</note>
</presence>
```

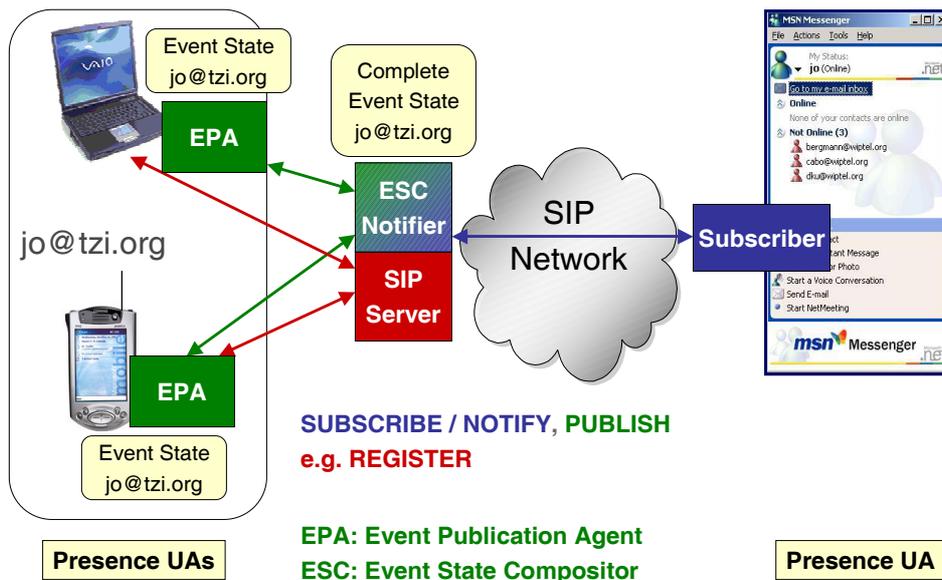
Rich Presence Information Data Format (RPID)

- ◆ **Introduces additional (more descriptive) elements**
 - Ideally to be derived automatically from user activity
 - Organized in tuples
 - May be grouped into classes

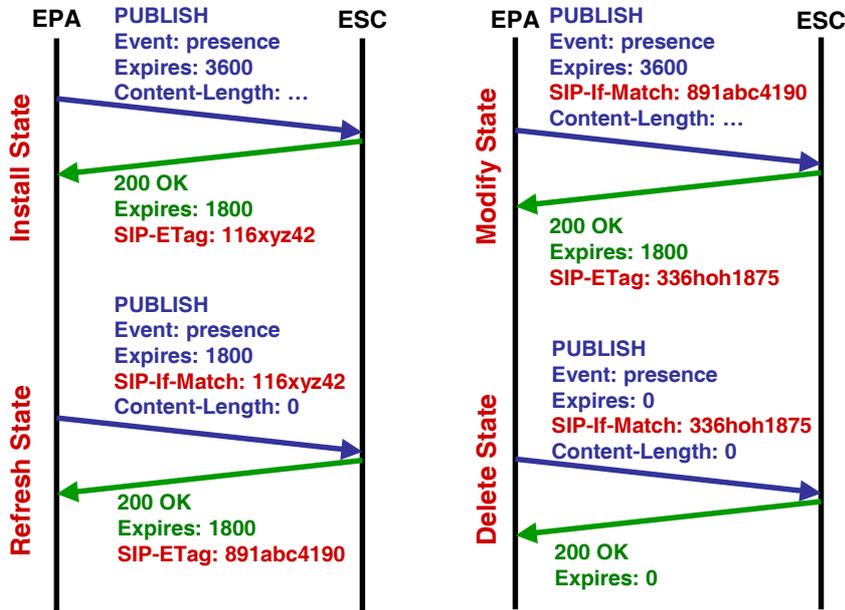
Elements and value examples:

- ◆ **Activity:** on-the-phone, away, meeting, travel, vacation, ...
- ◆ **Contact-Type:** device, in-person, services, ...
- ◆ **Idle:** inactivity time of a user (e.g. not typing)
- ◆ **Place:** home, office, public, street, train, ...
- ◆ **Privacy:** public, private, quiet

SIP Entities for Presence (2)



Example: PUBLISHing State



SIP for Instant Messaging (IM)

◆ UAs may send and receive messages

- Similar model to Presence

◆ Receivers indicate support when registering

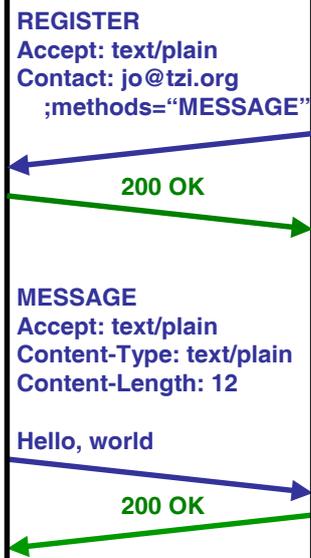
Contact: sip:jo@tzi.org;methods="MESSAGE"

◆ Senders just send

- Use sip: or im: URLs
- Congestion control is important!

◆ For longer "chat sessions"

- Create a persistent IM session
 - ◆ Just another media type
- May not be able use TCP or TLS
- Use SIP-based session instead?
 - ◆ Lightweight SIP just as transport protocol



Presence & IM Security

- ◆ **Authentication of (Subscription) Requests**
 - Standard SIP mechanisms: 401/407 responses

- ◆ **Authorization: Users must stay in control of subscriptions**
 - May subscribe to their own subscription state (“watcher info”)
 - Receive notifications for every subscription attempt
 - May authorize each subscription
 - May cancel existing subscriptions
 - May retrieve lists of subscribers

- ◆ **Authentication of Instant Messages**
 - May include contents to be automatically acted upon
 - User / system needs to validate originator

- ◆ **Meta-issue: end-to-end authentication**

Issue: Congestion Control

- ◆ **PUBLISH, NOTIFY: Throttling of events**
 - Keep event rate under control: one PUBLISH / NOTIFY per RTT
 - To be defined on a per-package basis

- ◆ **MESSAGE: Message frequency**
 - Only one outstanding message: one MESSAGE per RTT
 - ◆ But: messages are stand-alone; no dialog context to check against

- ◆ **MESSAGE: Large messages**
 - UDP is an acceptable transport for SIP: no congestion control
 - Endpoints can't see beyond next hop

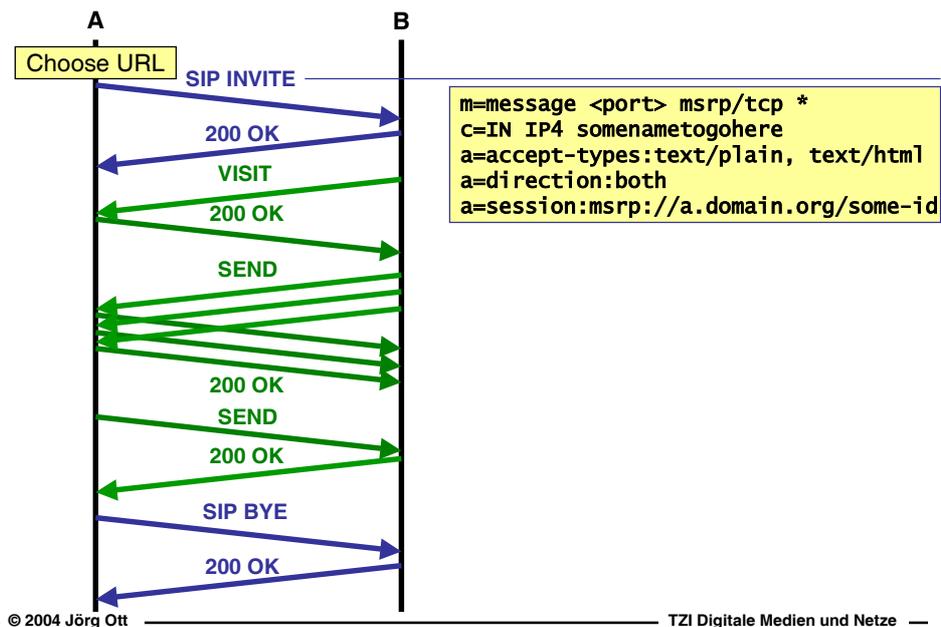
 - Artificial limit on message size?
 - Request end-to-end congestion control?
 - Content indirection: convey only pointers (URLs) to contents in message?

- ◆ **Approach: Message Session Relay Protocol (MSRP)**

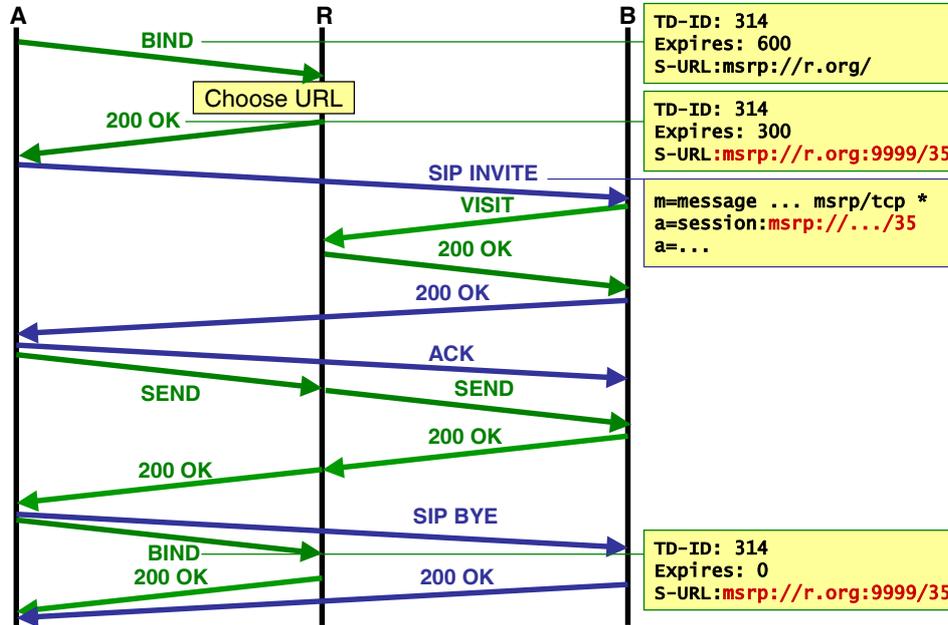
Message Session Relay Protocol (MSRP)

- ◆ **Protocol for Messaging Sessions**
 - Uses TCP or another reliable and congestion controlled transport
 - Message encoding similar to SIP and HTTP
- ◆ **Just another media protocol**
 - Messaging sessions require explicit setup and teardown
 - MSRP URLs to identify sessions
 - SDP to describe sessions (**m=message**)
 - Uses SDP Offer/Answer to convey parameters
 - ◆ e.g. in SIP INVITE / 200 OK / ACK
 - **VISIT** method to establish session
 - **SEND** method to convey messages
 - Session termination out of band (e.g. SIP BYE)
- ◆ **Two modes of operation**
 - Direct communication between peers (simple case)
 - Communication via relays (NATs, firewalls, policy)
 - ◆ **BIND** method to work with relays

Direction Communication between Peers



Communication via a Relay



Tutorial Overview

- ◆ Internet Multimedia Conferencing Architecture
- ◆ Packet A/V Basics + Real-time Transport
- ◆ SIP Introduction, History, Architecture
- ◆ SIP Basic Functionality, Call Flows
- ◆ SIP Security
- ◆ SIP Service Creation
- ◆ **SIP in Telephony** ← You are here
- ◆ SIP in 3GPP

SIP for Telephony

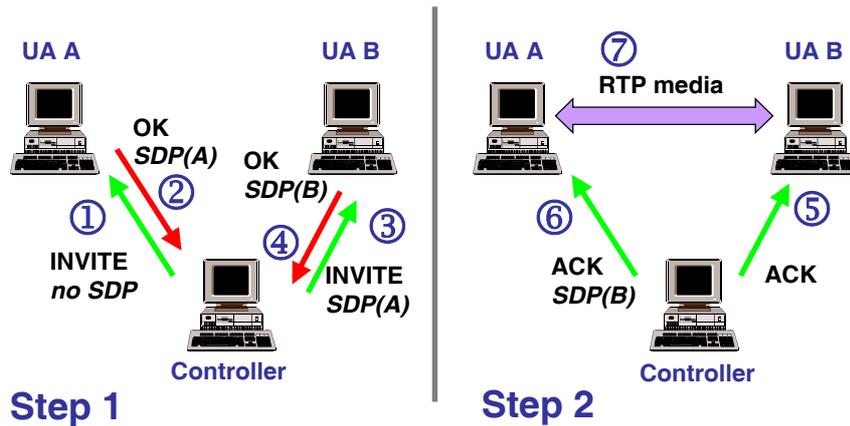
...yet another set of SIP services...

“Supplementary Services”

- ◆ **Call Diversion**
 - Intrinsic support (**301/302** redirection)
- ◆ **Call Park & Pickup**
 - Distributed state of user agents; embed call state in cookies
- ◆ **Call Hold and Retrieve**
 - User agents sends re-INVITE to mute other parties (**a=inactive**)
- ◆ **Call Waiting**
 - Implemented in endpoints
- ◆ **3rd party call control**
- ◆ **Call transfer**
 - Use new **REFER** method to indicate a party to place a call to
- ◆ **Message waiting**
 - Specific event package: **message-summary**
- ◆ **Conferencing**
 - Various extensions; supports base and enhanced SIP UAs

Third-Party Call Control (3PCC)

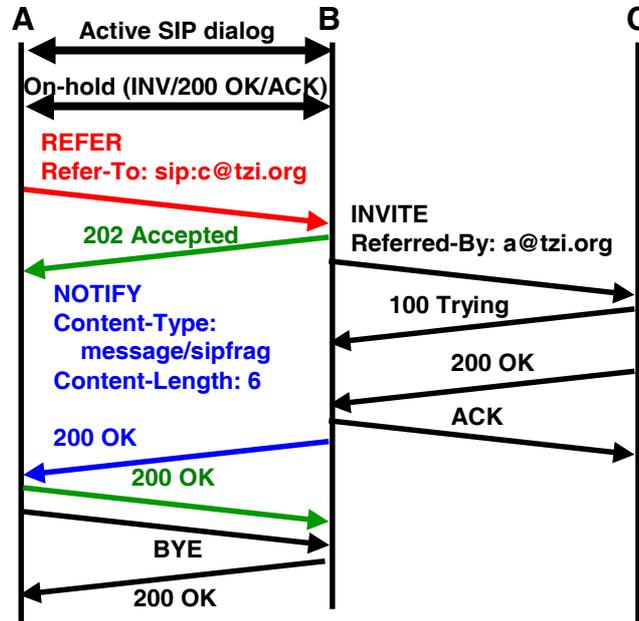
- ◆ Examples: “Click-to-dial”, conference bridge control, ...
- ◆ Several approaches with different advantages / drawbacks
- ◆ Simplest call flow:



Call Transfer

- ◆ Part of Call Control Framework
- ◆ Uses basic SIP protocol features and extensions
 - REFER method to invoke another (INVITE) transaction
 - NOTIFY (with implicit subscription) to indicate success or failure
 - New Replaces: header to indicate substitution of an existing call
- ◆ Supports numerous variants
 - Attended
 - Unattended
 - Intermediate three-way calling
 - Optional protection of transfer target

Simple Unattended Transfer



Message Waiting Indication

- ◆ **Asynchronously notify endpoint(s) about messages**
 - Voice, video, image, text, ...
- ◆ **Define a new SIP event package**
 - Subscribe to one or more mailboxes
 - Results from many sources may be merged
- ◆ **Content-Type: application/simple-message-summary**
 - General indicator for new messages
 - Message type followed by new/old and (new-urgent/old-urgent)
 - Encoding as plain text
- ◆ **Example:**

```
Messages-Waiting: yes
Voicemail: 4/8 (1/2)
Email: 238/42116 (0/1)
```

SIP Conferencing

- ◆ **Motivators: n-way calling, video conferencing, ...**
 - Tightly coupled conferences
- ◆ **Different conferencing models preserved**
 - Except for “fully meshed” conference: complexity just not worth it!
- ◆ **Terminology**
 - Trying to avoid already overloaded terms as much as possible
- ◆ **Functional entities in a “system model”**
 - Plus implementations examples
- ◆ **Set of protocols**
 - Definition of basic building blocks (SIP and other)
 - Sample combinations to implement conferencing services

Conference Participants

- ◆ **MUST work with basic SIP support only**
 - No awareness of conference
 - Just a point-to-point call with minimal means for control
 - Possibly augmented by out-of-band control (e.g. HTTP)
- ◆ **Member types (SIP UA)**
 - **Conference-unaware:** plain-old SIP device
 - **Conference-aware:** supports conferencing features

 - **Focus:** (one) center of a conference

 - **Anonymous:** Visible but unidentified participant
 - **Invisible:** Participant whose presence is not known

Conferences

◆ Conference types

- **Basic:** just plain SIP, no further means for control
- **Complex:** some conferencing features provided
- **Cascaded:** several foci concatenated in a conference
- **Sidebar:** conference as (logical) part of another

◆ Focus

Signaling center of a conference

◆ Conference URI

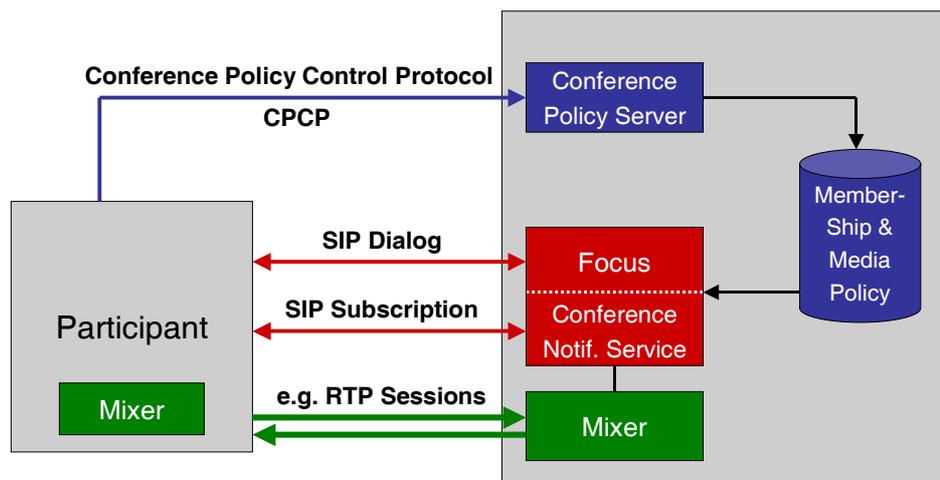
Identifies a focus
(**isFocus** parameter may indicate this)

◆ Factory URI

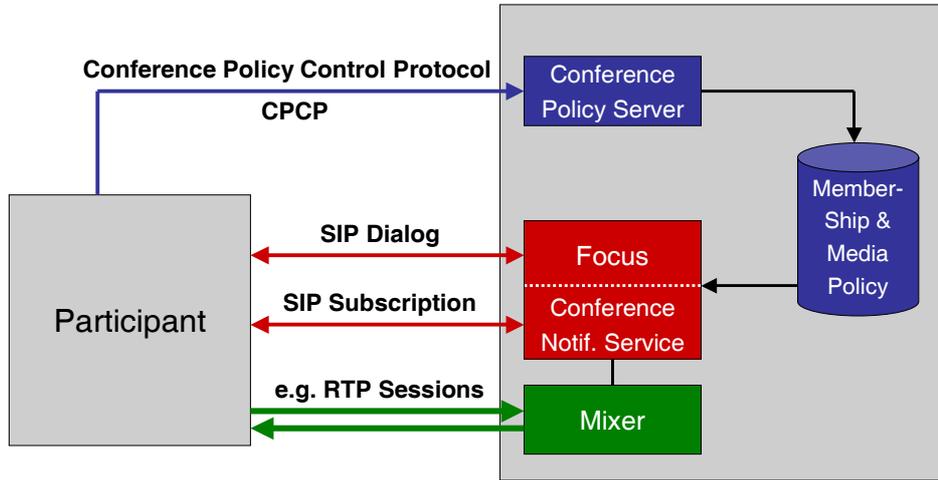
for automated conference creation

- Yields a dynamically generated conference URI in return

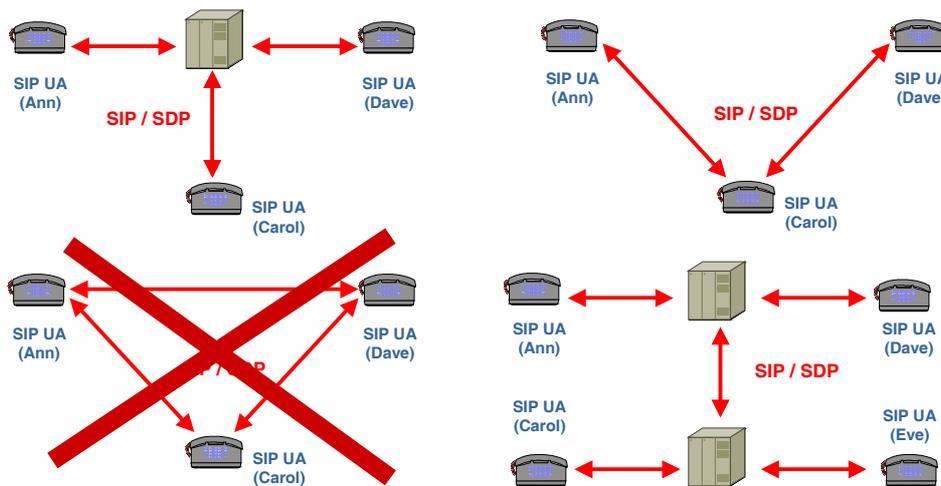
Terminology and Model



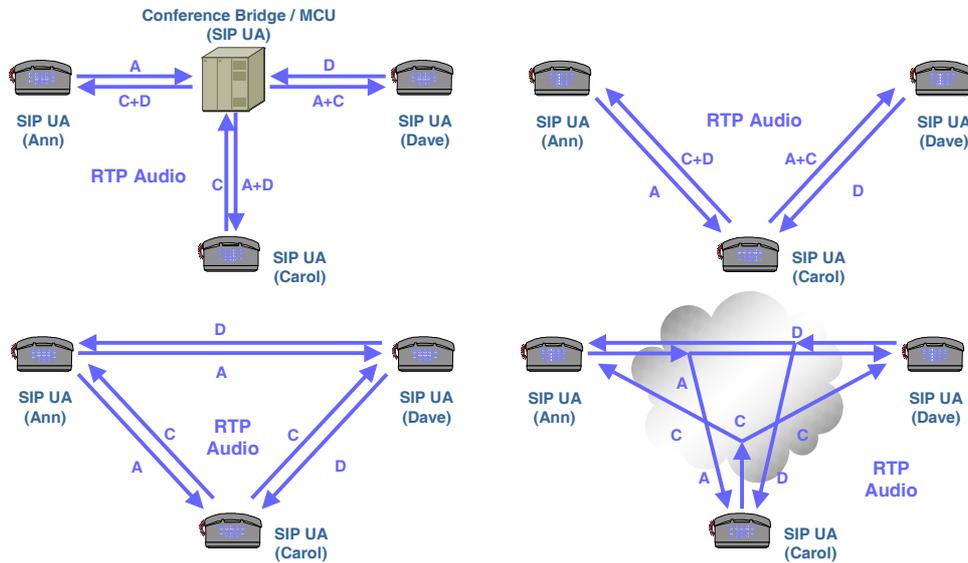
Terminology and Model



SIP Signaling Relationships



(RTP) Media Sessions



Conferencing Scenarios (1)

- ◆ **Simple conferencing scenarios**
 - Plain SIP only (RFC 3261, 3264)
- ◆ **Extend point-to-point call**
 - Works only with local focus; otherwise, new call required
- ◆ **Ad-hoc conference**
 - Automated creation at focus
 - IVR / DTMF for control
 - Audio for information about the conference and its members
- ◆ **Reserved conference**
 - Same as ad-hoc
 - Use external means for reservation and configuration (e.g. web)

Conferencing Scenarios (2)

- ◆ **Advanced conferencing scenarios:**
 - Support for Call Transfer
 - Support means to communicate information from focus to UA
 - Optional: means to manipulate conference and media policy

- ◆ **Extend point-to-point call**
- ◆ **Join / create a conference based upon an existing dialog**
- ◆ **Ad-hoc conference**
- ◆ **Reserved conference**

- ◆ **Make use of additional conferencing features**

Sample Conferencing Features

- ◆ **Invite participants (dial-in, dial-out), expel participants**
- ◆ **Authenticate new participants by members**
- ◆ **Obtain conference and media policy information**
- ◆ **Manipulate membership policy**
 - Participant privileges, participant management (black list, white list)
 - Floor control
- ◆ **Explicit media control (media policy)**
 - Configure media distribution
 - Add / remove media sessions
- ◆ **Create, control, and terminate sidebars**
 - Separate conference vs. media policy
- ◆ ...

Membership Policy

Define, retrieve/notify, modify, and act upon...

- ◆ **Formal rules for the conference**
 - Conference creation, termination, (policy) modification
 - Access control: black list, white list, rules for authentication
 - Privileges of individual participants
 - Visibility of the conference and its members
 - Access to floor and media policy (defined separately)
- ◆ **General conference attributes**
- ◆ **Participant management**
 - Invite, expel
- ◆ ...

Media Policy

- ◆ **Mixer model**
 - Input switch: collecting & selecting input streams from participants
 - ◆ Possibly transcoding and other per-media functions
 - Mixing topologies describing mixing policies
 - Output switch: selecting & distributing output streams to participants
 - ◆ Possibly transcoding and other per-media functions
- ◆ **Mixer may be centralized or not**
- ◆ **Media policy defines how incoming streams are processed, combined, and then distributed**
 - Individual mixing functions may be defined per participant
 - Common mixing functions may be defined for the conference
 - Mixing function may take into account “events” from other components

SIP Signaling Building Blocks

◆ Membership control

- Initiation of conferences: INVITE
- Inviting / adding to conferences: INVITE, REFER
- Leaving a conference: BYE
- Expelling from a conference: REFER (method="BYE")

◆ Conference control

- State change notifications: SUBSCRIBE / NOTIFY
 - ◆ Dialog package, conference package, ...
- Conference / media policy control
 - ◆ Might use data manipulation framework discussed in SIMPLE context

◆ Other

- Determine focus URI OPTIONS
- ...

◆ Augmented by other protocols (CPCP for conference control)

Signaling Building Blocks using other Protocols

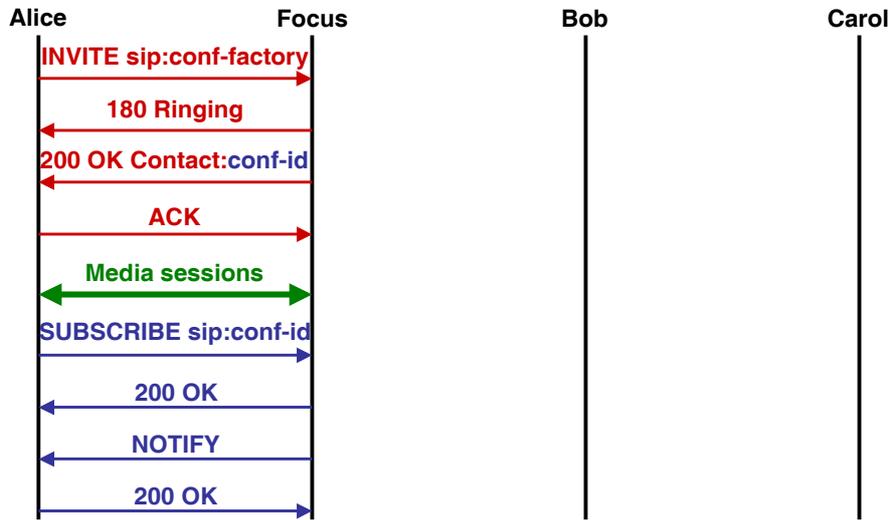
◆ Conference Policy Control Protocol (CPCP)

◆ Floor control protocol

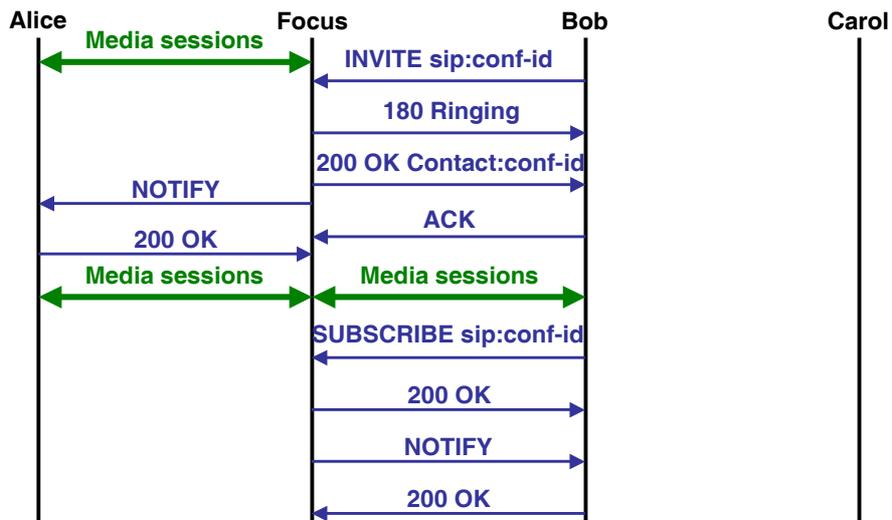
◆ Common baseline:

- Request-response protocol (RPC-style)
- May be strictly client – server
- Asynchronous notifications provided by SIP
- HTTP/HTML access to a web page for human interaction
- SOAP RPCs e.g. over HTTP

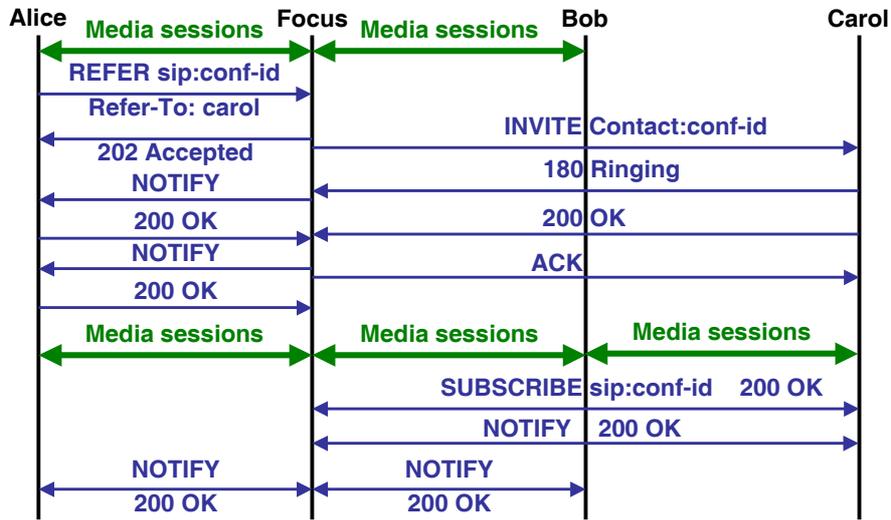
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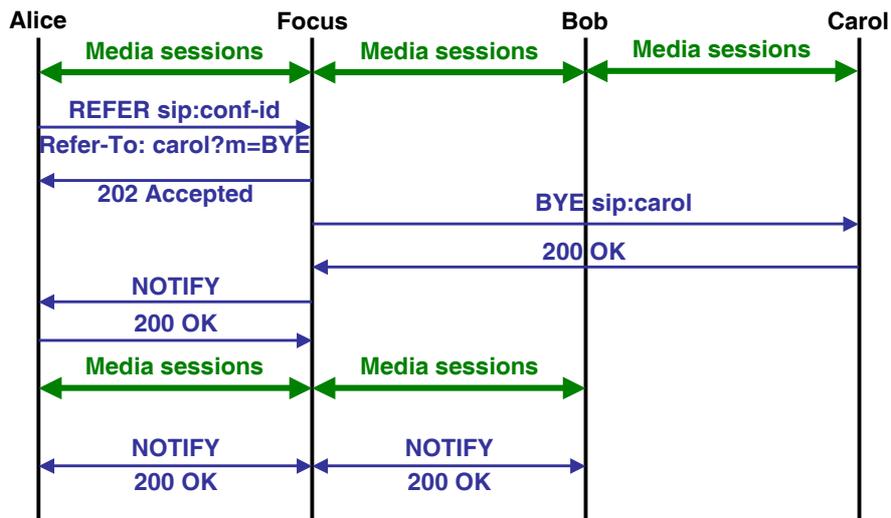
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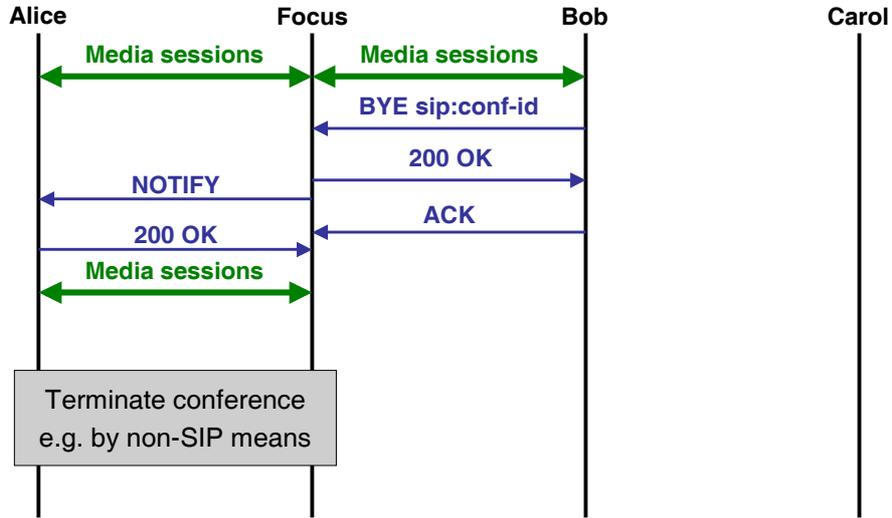
Call Flow Example: Adding a User



Call Flow Example: Removing a User

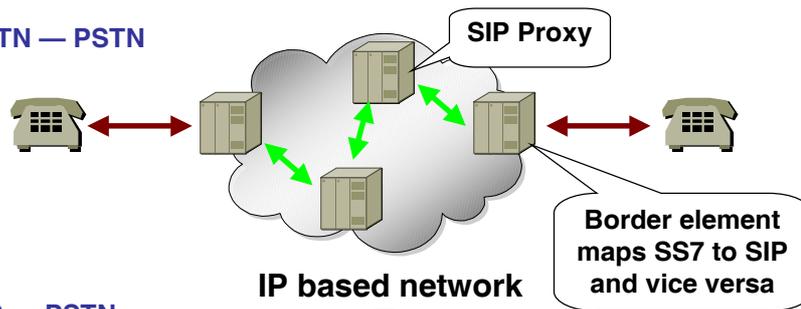


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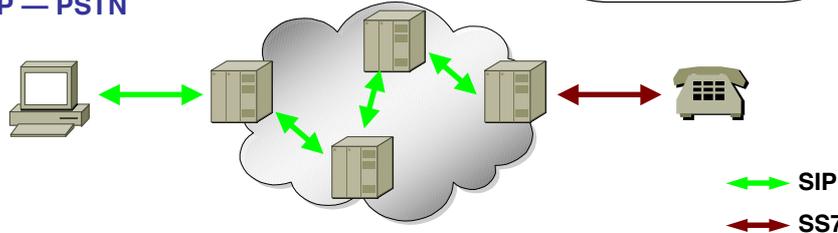


Interfacing to the PSTN

1. PSTN — PSTN



2. SIP — PSTN



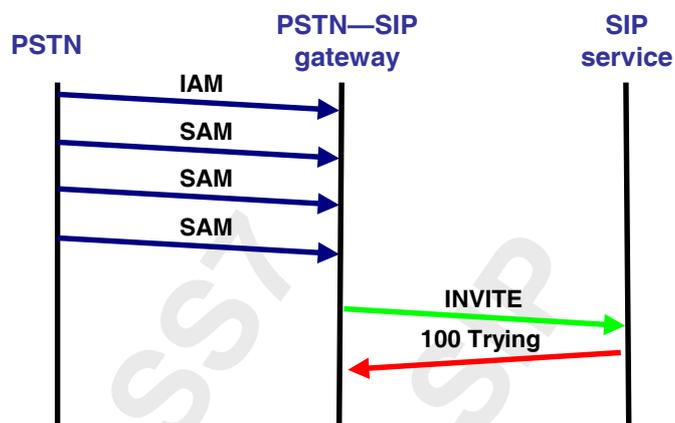
↔ SIP
↔ SS7

Interfacing to the PSTN

- ◆ **Interface to the PSTN**
- ◆ **Preserve feature transparency**
 - transport **SS7** information (**ISUP** MIME type)
 - Eventually convert between different ISUP versions
- ◆ **Provide enough routing information to find callee**
 - (partially) translate ISUP to SIP
- ◆ **Support for tel:-URLs to indicate Called Party Number**
 - Address resolution using **ENUM** or **TRIP**
- ◆ **Convey additional information during call**
 - PSTN – SIP – PSTN case
 - **INFO** method (RFC 2976)
- ◆ **SIP to PSTN mapping**
 - Call flows for basic interoperation (RFC 3666)
 - Support for *Overlap Sending*

Example for SIP and Overlap Sending (1)

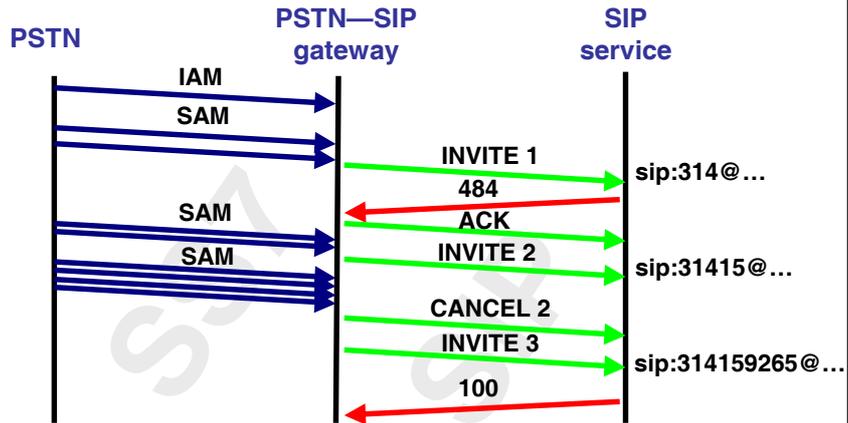
- ◆ **Approach 1: Collect digits in gateway**
 - Use timeout
 - collect minimal number of digits



Example for SIP and Overlap Sending (2)

◆ Approach 2: Send multiple INVITES

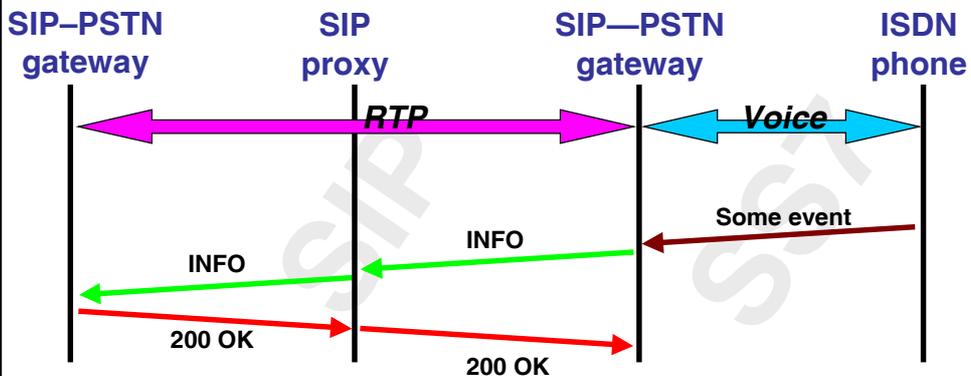
- Use timeout, possibly collect minimal number of digits
- Wait for feedback from the SIP network
- CANCEL obsolete INVITES



INFO Method

◆ Transmit application-layer information during call

- Use SIP signaling path of current session
- Information is carried in message headers or body
- No change of (SIP-related) call state



183 Session Progress Message

- ◆ INFO not applicable *before* call is established
- ◆ ISUP mapping requires inband data prior to final response

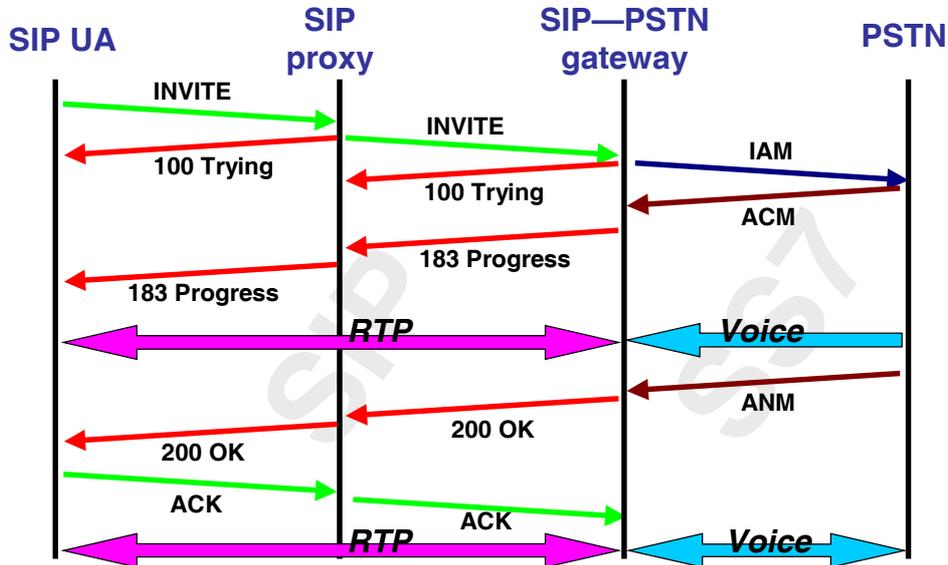
→ provisional response 183

- ◆ Additional information in message body
- ◆ **Session:-header**
 - Indicate reason: **media**, **qos**, **security**
- ◆ **Optionally made reliable (100rel)**
 - PRACK message to confirm receipt of 183

Early Media Support

- ◆ **Early media during call setup (SIP INVITE)**
 - One-way transmission to report progress
 - Announcements, specific dial tones, ...
 - No charge
 - Inhibit local alerting at calling user agent
- ◆ **Problem: Media negotiation**
 - Send SDP message in provisional response
 - *fast setup*
 - Create SDP from initial INVITE's capability set
 - What if not suitable for early media session?
 - Calling UA will establish *early* media session
 - Cannot decline session or change codecs

SIP—PSTN Call With In-band Alerting



Quality of Service

- ◆ **Best-effort quality potentially too poor for IP telephony**
→ need support for resource reservation in SIP
- ◆ **Some applications need multi-phase call-setup**
 - Resource reservations to assure certain QoS
 - Establish particular security relationships
 - ◆ Extend security services to media channels
 - ◆ Avoid fraud and theft-of-service
- **Establish call only if preconditions are met**
 - ◆ No charge for defect calls
 - ◆ No inconsistent state of involved endpoints
(alert user only if resource reservation succeeded, ...)
 - ◆ Fallback options: e.g. use codecs with lower bandwidth

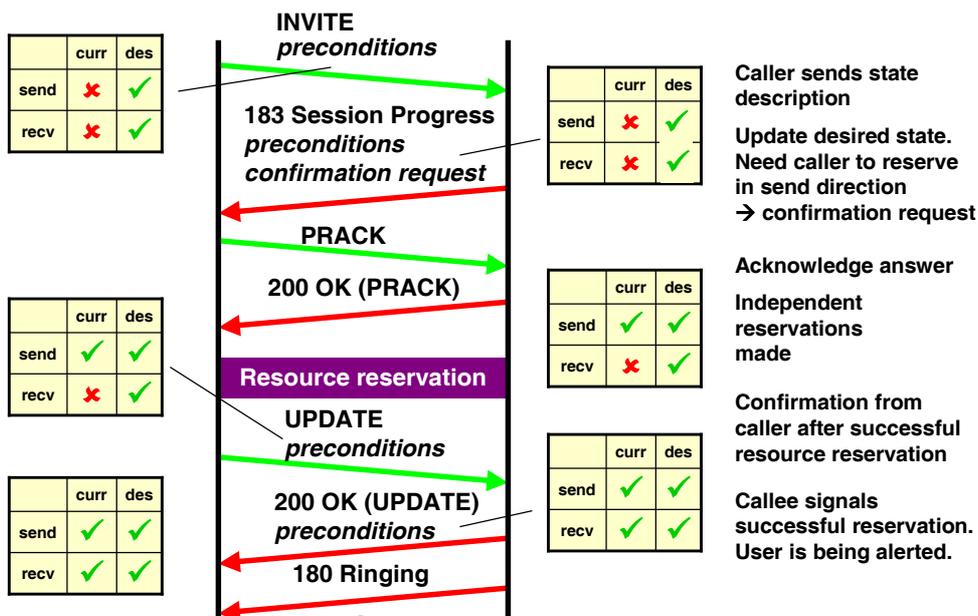
SIP Preconditions (RFC 3312)

- ◆ SDP extension handles negotiation of QoS parameters
 - SDP attributes describe preconditions to be met
 - Current status (**curr:**) vs. desired status (**des:**)
 - Either party may request confirmation on current state (**conf:**)

```
'a=curr:' type status direction
'a=des:' type status strength direction
'a=conf:' type status direction
```

- ◆ Offer/answer to create common view on both UAs state
 - Typically INVITE, UPDATE, PRACK
 - Option tag **precondition**
 - New response code **580 Precondition Failure**
 - Mark failed and unknown preconditions in SDP answer

QoS Parameter Negotiation (Overview)



Example Negotiation of QoS Parameters

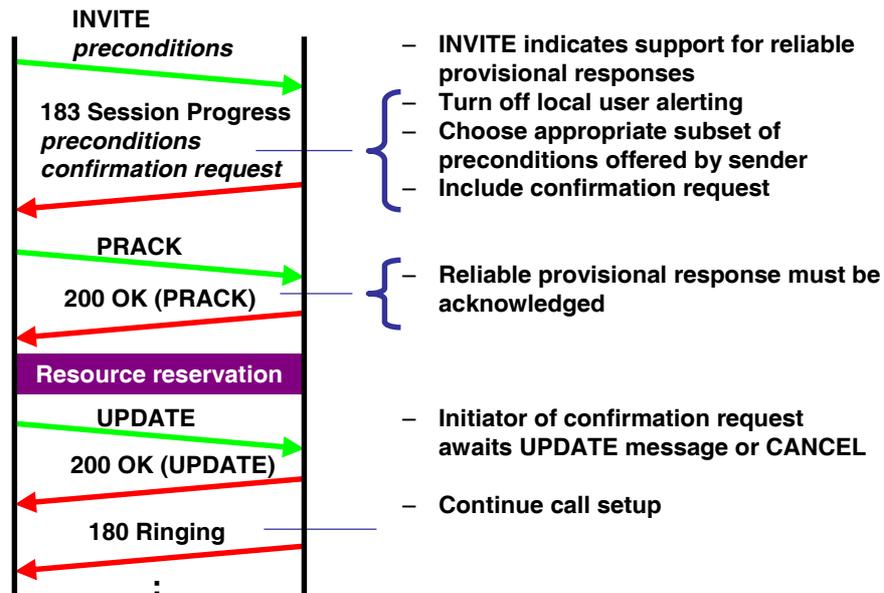
Confirmation request

```
v=0
o=jo 7849 2873246 IN IP4 ruin.inf...
s=SIP call
t=0 0
c=IN IP4 134.102.218.1
m=audio 52392 RTP/AVP 98 99
a=rtpmap:98 L8/8000
a=rtpmap:99 L16/8000
a=curr:qos e2e none
a=des:qos mandatory e2e sendrecv
m=video 59485 RTP/AVP 31
a=rtpmap:31 H261/90000
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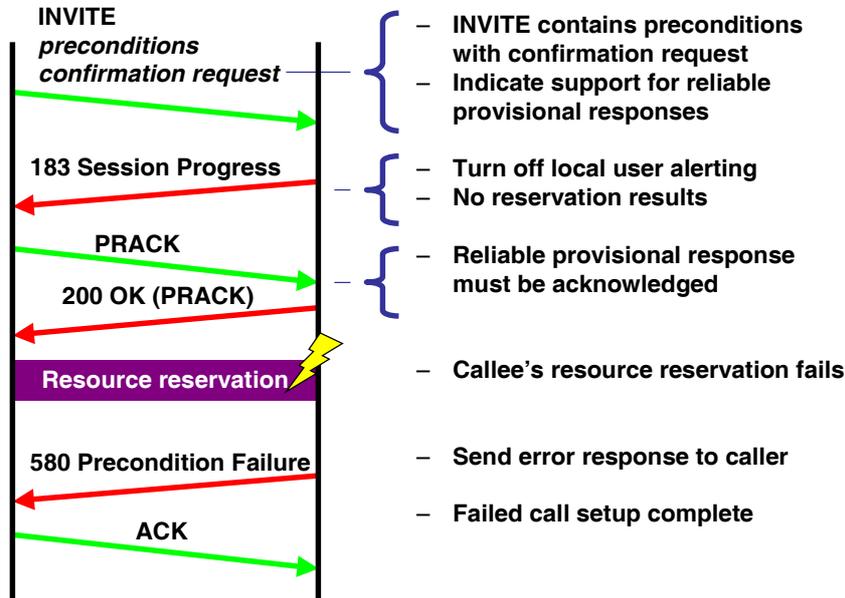
Confirmation response

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v=0
o=cabo 2552 892834 IN IP4 dmn.inf...
s=SIP call
t=0 0
c=IN IP4 134.102.218.46
m=audio 50239 RTP/AVP 98 99
a=rtpmap:98 L8/8000
a=rtpmap:99 L16/8000
a=curr:qos e2e none
a=des:qos mandatory e2e sendrecv
a=conf:qos e2e recv
m=video 56112 RTP/AVP 31
a=rtpmap:31 H261/90000
a=curr:qos local none
a=curr:qos remote send
a=des:qos failure local sendrecv
a=des:qos optional remote sendrecv
```

Successful Reservation



Failed Reservation



Interaction with Application Services

- ◆ **Traditional PSTN / PBX services often controlled via DTMF**
 - Stimulus signaling with semantics defined by the application
 - Assumes that signaling and media paths are identical
- ◆ **Does not apply to SIP**
 - Media and signaling may go separate paths
 - Application servers may be on neither path
- ◆ **SIP defines Application Interaction Framework**
 - Taxonomy for interactions between users and application servers
 - Focus on stimulus-based signaling
- ◆ **KPML Approach** → Thursday
 - SUBSCRIBE to register interest of an application server in user input
 - XML document to describe input expected from user
 - NOTIFY to inform server about key events

Operational Issues

- ◆ Regulatory Stuff → Friday
- ◆ Deployments → Wednesday, Thursday
- ◆ Accounting / Billing → Friday
- ◆ NATs / Firewalls → Thursday
- ◆ Devices → ...

Regulatory Issues

- ◆ **Public telephony networks must fulfill certain functions**
 - Legal interception
 - Prohibit abuse or malicious use
 - Availability for disaster recovery

 - → Need feature transparency in hybrid networks

- ◆ **Multilevel Priorization (MLP)**
 - Increase probability for call-setup on overloaded networks
ISUP IAM precedence parameters and calling party category
→ Resource-Priority: header in SIP
 - Avoid abuse
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 - Make resources available for high-priority traffic
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 - Legal issues in many countries

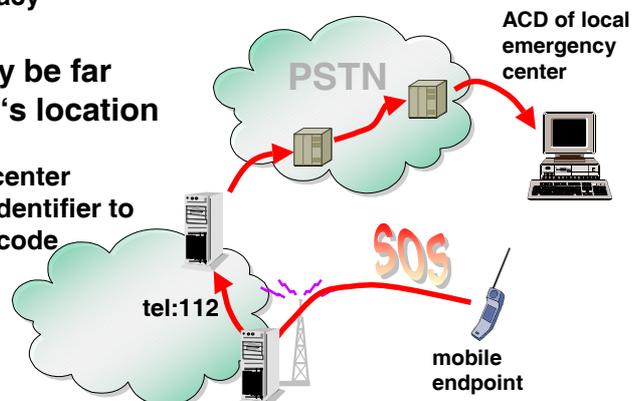
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e.g.: E.106,
GETS, GTPS

SOS Calls

- ◆ **Emergency calls for individuals**
 - No calling party categorization
 - Geographic location of caller
 - Prohibit abuse: authentication, no CLIR possible
 - Need to respect privacy
- ◆ **Access network may be far away from endpoint's location**
 - Find geographically nearest emergency center
 - Map symbolic SOS-identifier to suitable emergency code
 - Add geographic info



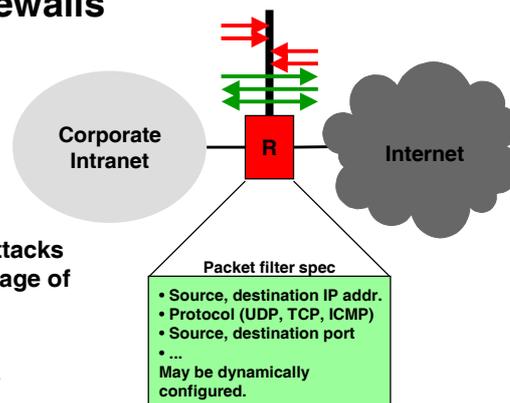
Firewalls, Proxies, NATs

- ◆ **Intermediate devices in the Internet
(aka *Middle Boxes*)**
 - Can be transparent or non-transparent to hosts
- ◆ **Different functions:**
 - Packet-filters (firewalls)
 - Application layer gateways (proxies)
 - Network address translators (NATs)

⇒ [Middlebox communication](#)

Firewalls

- ◆ **Packet filters, enforcing packet filtering/forwarding policies**
- ◆ **Usually transparent to hosts and applications**
- ◆ **Different motivations**
 - Security: protect a network from attacks
 - Resource management: restrict usage of the network
- ◆ **Different filtering criteria**
 - Source and Destination IP address
 - Protocols: ICMP, TCP, UDP etc.
 - TCP and UDP port numbers (applications)
- ◆ **Filter specification**
 - Usually statically configured
 - Most configurations disallows packets for “non-standard ports”



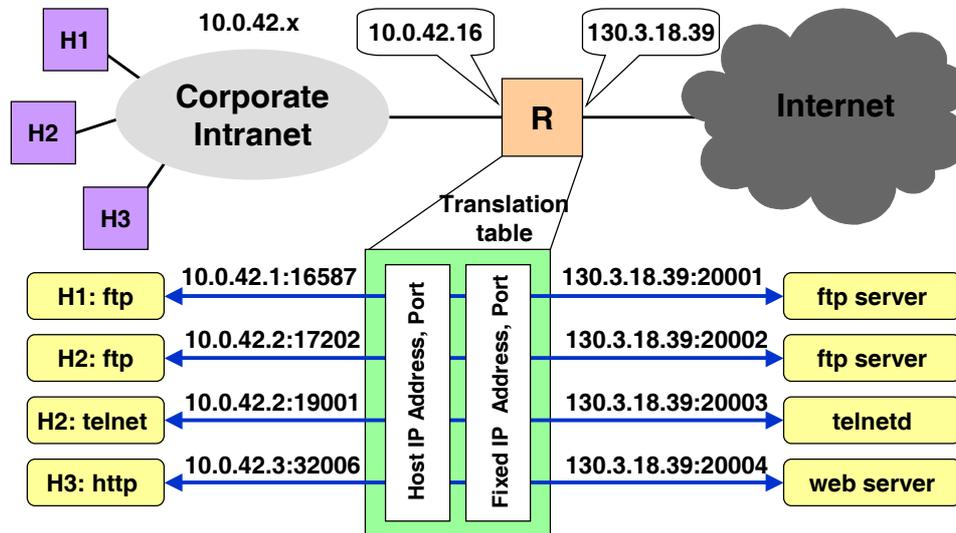
Firewalls and SIP

- ◆ **Default configuration of many firewalls:**
 - Allow outbound TCP and outbound UDP for DNS
 - Allow inbound TCP for well-known TCP ports only (e.g. HTTP)
- ◆ **SIP communication disallowed in most cases**
 - Port 5060 (UDP, TCP)
 - Relatively easy to fix: re-think filter firewall policy and update filter spec. to allow port 5060
 - ◆ Still a problem with SIP communication on other ports...
- ◆ **The real problem:**
 - Media sessions
 - Transport parameters are signalled by SIP messages
 - ◆ Negotiable, not known in advance
 - ◆ Different transport mechanisms for different applications
- ◆ **Solution approaches**
 - Have firewalls be controlled by ALGs  [SIP proxy server](#)
 - Adapt SIP to make it more firewall-friendly  [SIP firewall traversal](#)
 - Define firewall-control protocols to open firewalls dynamically
 - ◆ Issues: Authentication and authorization  [MIDCOM](#)

Network Address Translators

- ◆ **Intermediate systems that can translate addresses (and port numbers) in IP packets**
 - Often used to map global addresses to address/port number combination of hosts in a corporate network
- ◆ **Different motivations**
 - Security
 - ◆ Make internal host inaccessible from the public Internet
 - Efficient usage of address space
 - ◆ Share one globally unique address
- ◆ **NATs create address/port number mappings**
 - Mappings are usually created dynamically, e.g. on connection setup
 - Static configurations also possible
 - Works best with connection oriented communication
 - Most common case: TCP connection from client-server sessions
 - ◆ Client in private address space, server in public Internet
 - NATs have to keep state for mappings that are tied to connections

Network Address Translators



NAT Traversal for SIP

- ◆ **Network Address and Port Translators**
 - Temporary address and port mappings
 - Private IP addresses for SOHOs (e.g. multiplexing single dialup-connection)
 - First line of defense in common firewall configurations
- ◆ **Problems**
 - Violation of the Internet's end-to-end-principle
 - NATs break many existing protocols
- ◆ **Solutions**
 - Midcom: control protocol for *middle boxes* (long term)
 - ALG-functionality in NATs (unlikely for most protocols)

→ Solution: **ICE**

SIP Devices

Sample SIP Phone Functionality

- ◆ **Somewhat resemble a phone**
 - More or less futuristic design
 - Two-line to color graphics display
 - Sometimes line power
- ◆ **Basic SIP functionality**
 - Registrations, voice calls (G.711, G.729, G.723, ...)
- ◆ **Expected “supplementary services”**
 - Address book, short dials
 - Several “lines”, speaker
 - Call hold, call transfer, conferencing, ...
 - N-way conferencing for a few participants (local mixing)
- ◆ **Some kind of CTI support**
 - APIs, 3rd party call control, ...
- ◆ **HTTP server for manual user configuration**
- ◆ **Sometimes web browsers**
- ◆ **Autoconfiguration: DHCP, (t)ftp, ...**

Autoconfiguration / Administration

- ◆ Key to large scale SIP deployments in enterprises
- ◆ Key to real plug & play products & broad deployment
- ◆ Aspects include
 - IP layer management
 - **User and Device Profile Management**
 - Software updates
- ◆ SIP Device Config Framework
 - Locate profile provisioning server
 - Register (authenticate) and retrieve user / device profiles
 - Receive notification of updates to profiles
- ◆ SIP Device Requirements
 - Collects expected functionality and behavior
 - Users, service providers, network admins, manufacturers, integrators
 - Representation of configuration data

Some SIP Phones from our Lab



Tutorial Overview

- ◆ Internet Multimedia Conferencing Architecture
- ◆ Packet A/V Basics + Real-time Transport
- ◆ SIP Introduction, History, Architecture
- ◆ SIP Basic Functionality, Call Flows
- ◆ SIP Security
- ◆ SIP Service Creation

- ◆ SIP in Telephony
- ◆ **SIP in 3GPP** ← You are here

SIP and 3G

SIP Support for Mobility

Personal Mobility

- ◆ SIP URIs
- ◆ SIP registration and authentication
- ◆ SIP call routing
- ◆ SIP routing to services

Terminal Mobility

- ◆ Ubiquitous IP connectivity (+ roaming)
- ◆ Mobile IP (orthogonal to SIP)
- ◆ Dynamic SIP session re-routing
- ◆ 3G link layer roaming mechanisms

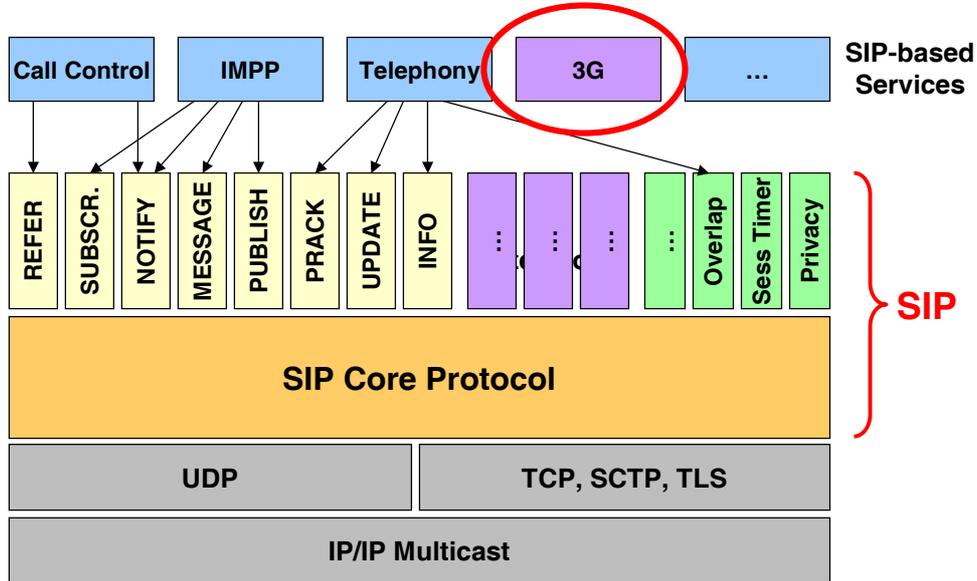
Service Mobility

- ◆ Dynamic SIP session re-routing
- ◆ 3G Hand-off procedures

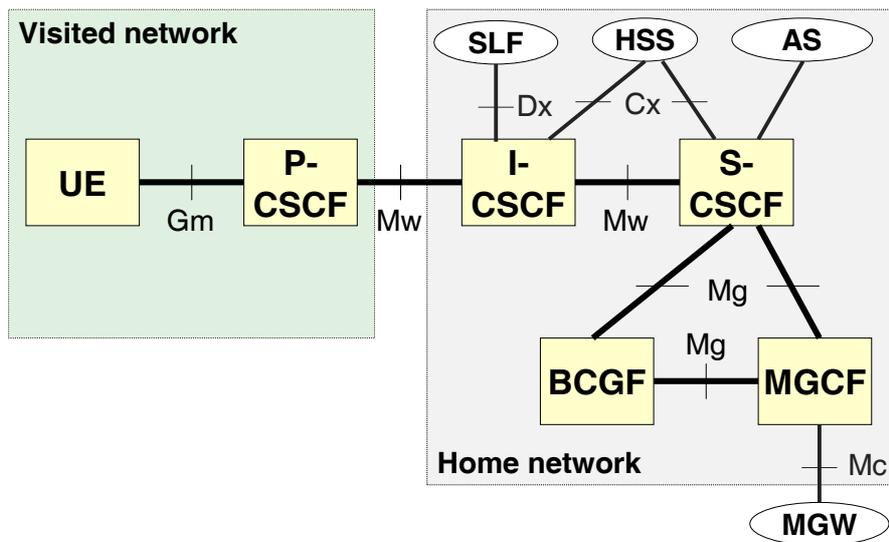
SIP and 3GPP

- ◆ **3G networks offer two modes of operation:**
 - circuits and packets
- ◆ **Multimedia functionality based on packets**
 - IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS) in the Core Network (CN)
 - (exception: H.324 used for video telephony)
- ◆ **IMS uses SIP for signaling**
 - one piece out of a number of IETF protocols
- ◆ **In the long run, all services shall converge to IP**
- ◆ **Release 5: SIP-based multimedia calls**
- ◆ **Release 6: Further SIP services to come (e.g. Presence, IM)**

SIP and 3G



SIP-related Components in 3GPP



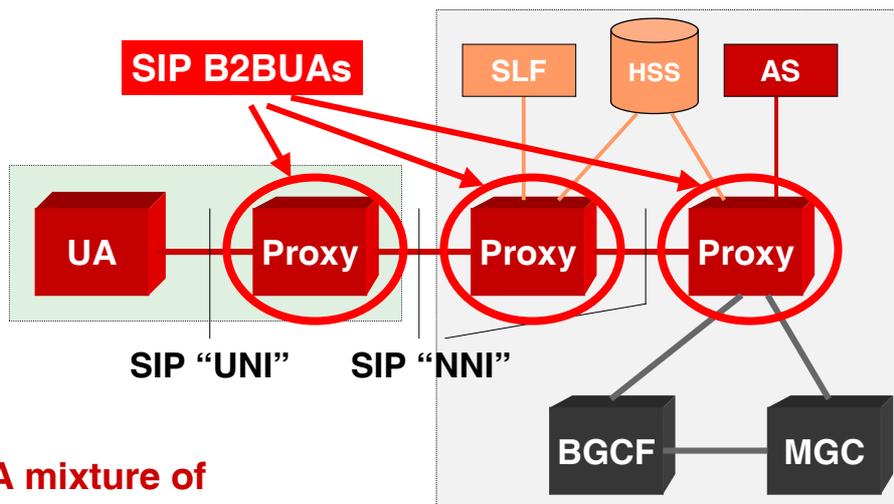
A Collection of Acronyms

- ◆ **UE** **User Equipment**

- ◆ **P-CSFC** **Proxy Call Session Control Function**
- ◆ **I-CSFC** **Interrogating Call Session Control Function**
- ◆ **S-CSFC** **Serving Call Session Control Function**
- ◆ **HSS** **Home Subscriber Server**
- ◆ **AS** **Application Server**
- ◆ **SLF** **Subscription Locator Function**

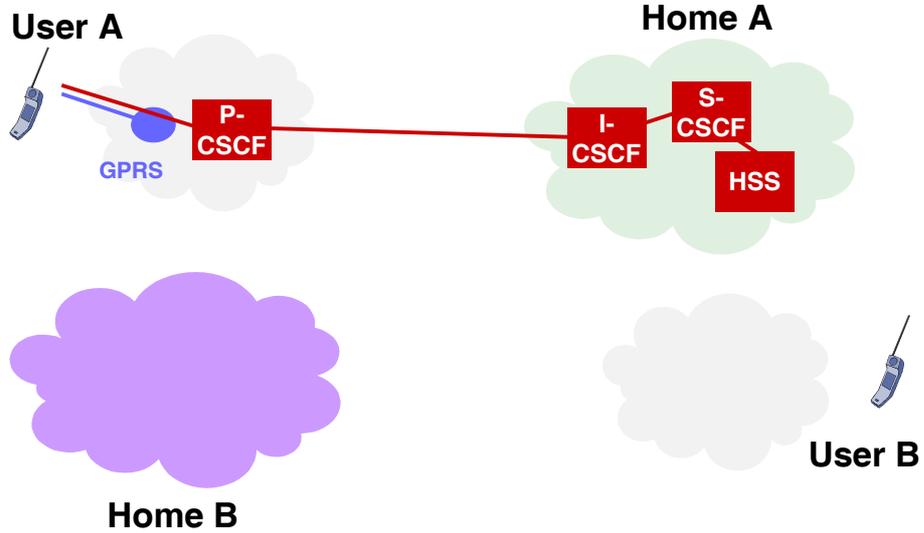
- ◆ **BGCF** **Breakout Gateway Control Function**
- ◆ **MGCF** **Media Gateway Control Function**
- ◆ **MGW** **Media Gateway**

SIP Components in 3GPP

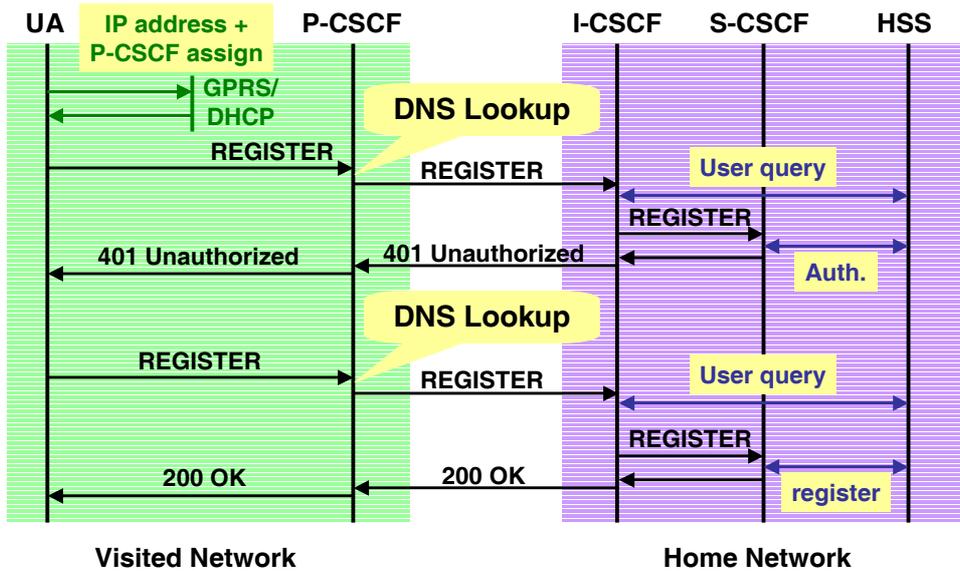


**A mixture of
SIP and MEGACO...**

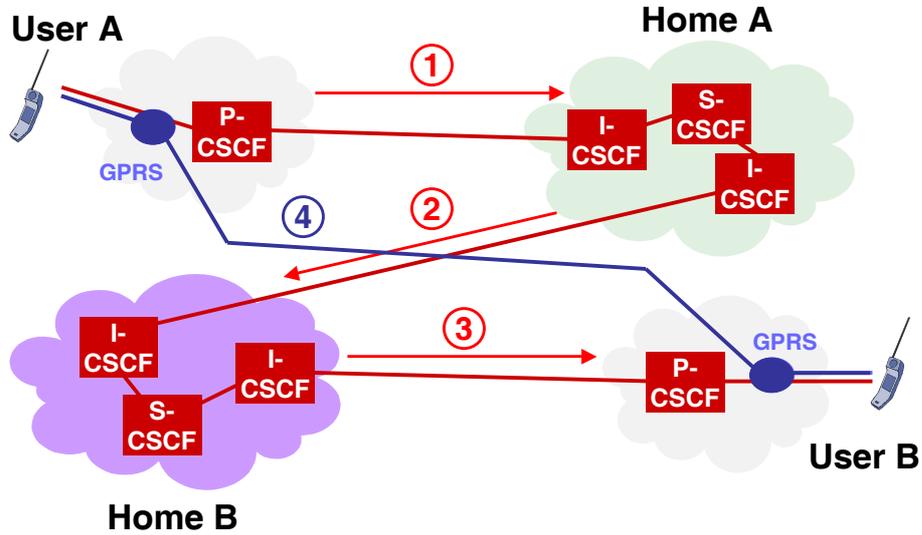
3G Roaming Scenario: Registration



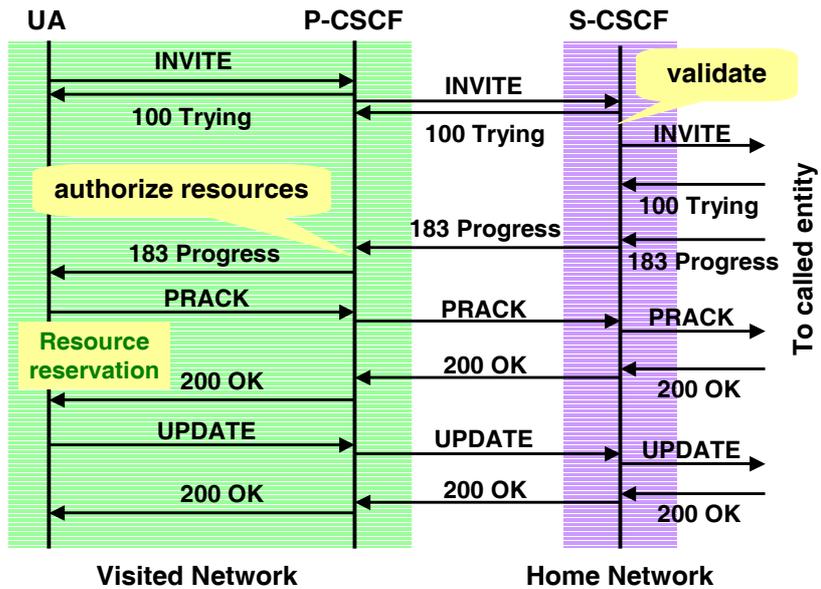
SIP Registration of a Mobile Node



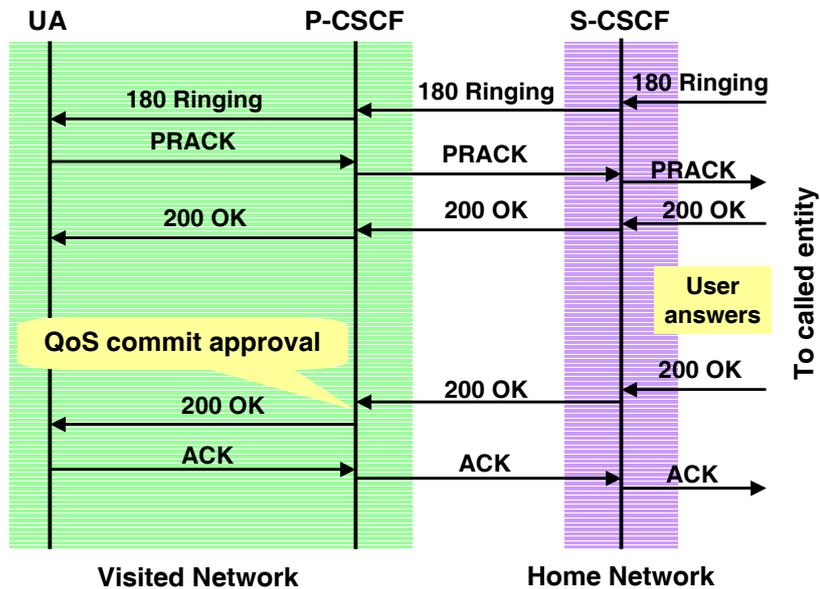
3G Roaming Scenario: Simple Call



Simple SIP Call: Caller Side (1)



Simple SIP Call: Caller Side (2)



Some further 3G Signaling

- ◆ **Called side: pretty much the same**
- ◆ **Call termination by either endpoint: straightforward**
 - Simple two-way handshake: BYE – 200 OK
 - Release associated GRPS resources
 - Accounting in S-CSCF/HSS: e.g. generate Call Detail Record (CDR)
- ◆ **Call termination by “network”**
 - S-CSCF generates SIP BYE requests to called and calling UA
- ◆ **Terminal de-registration by user**
 - Simple two-way SIP handshake: REGISTER – 200 OK
- ◆ **Terminal de-registration by “network”**
 - Uses SIP NOTIFY mechanism to inform the UA

SIP Features used in 3G

- ◆ SIP Base Spec (RFC 3261)
- ◆ Reliable Provisional Response (PRACK) (RFC 3262)
- ◆ Session Description Protocol (RFC 2327)
- ◆ SDP Offer/Answer Scheme (RFC 3264)
- ◆ SUBSCRIBE / NOTIFY method (RFC 3265)
- ◆ SDP extensions for IPv6 (RFC 3266)
- ◆ UPDATE method (RFC 3311)

- ◆ Resource reservation extensions (“manyfolks”)
- ◆ Authentication and privacy

... among others ... + ... a number of extensions ...

Service Routing Extensions in 3G

- ◆ P-CSCF and S-CSCF perform central functions for UAs
 - Calls need to pass (at least) through both of them
 - to ensure all services are available
- ◆ Configure P-CSCF as outbound proxy
 - Address obtained during link layer initialization
- ◆ Record proxy chain to be traversed during registration
 - SIP extension for recording proxies to be traversed en-route
 - **Path:** header
 - Used together with loose source routing from S-CSCF to UA
- ◆ Learn about S-CSCF in REGISTER response
 - SIP extension for service routing
 - **Service-Route:** header
 - Used together with loose source routing (as defined in RFC 3261)

Some SIP Security in 3G

- ◆ **Basic Approach: closed network infrastructure**
 - Transitive trust (and secure communications) within the network

- ◆ **SIP Digest Authentication for registration**
- ◆ **Stateful network infrastructure**
 - Only registered users can place calls
 - Ingress nodes (P-CSCFs) validate UA requests
 - S-CSCF additionally check validity per request

- ◆ **P-Asserted-Identity: header**
 - May contain network-generated (anonymized) identifier
- ◆ **Privacy: header to select CLIP/CLIR**
 - User id may be removed per user request when leaving the network

Further 3G Extension Headers

- ◆ **P-Associated-URI:**
 - URIs allocated by service provider returned in REGISTER response

- ◆ **P-Called-Party-ID:**
 - To indicate original request URI to the called party

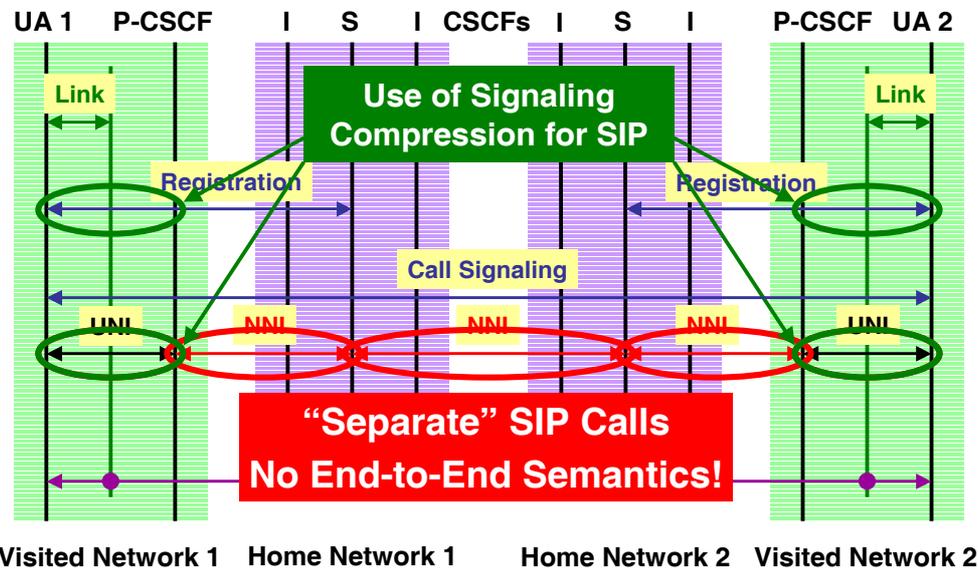
- ◆ **P-Visited-Network-ID:**
 - Conveys the identifier of the currently visited network

- ◆ **P-Access-Network-Info:**
 - Reports information about the currently used access radio link

- ◆ **P-Charging-Function-Addresses:**
 - Indicates where to report charging information (e.g. CDRs) to

- ◆ **P-Charging-Vector:**
 - Enable correlation of charging information across the network

Summary: Signaling and Media Flows in 3G



Service Creation in 3GPP

- ◆ **Standardized functional building blocks in the network**
 - services to be created on top of those
 - Partially standardized services
- ◆ **“APIs” for service providers**
- ◆ **SIP for interfacing to Application Servers**
- ◆ **Service creation in the network**
 - “closed” environment
 - potential for limited outside access
- ◆ **But: No real end-to-end signaling**
 - Header fields may be removed by P-CSCF
 - New methods may not be passed through
- ◆ **No / limited end user or third party innovation possible**

Conclusion: SIP and 3G

3G is partially built the *old* way – the telephony way...

- ◆ **Breaks the (S)IP end-to-end model**
 - **built-in limitation of innovation**
- ◆ **Enforces net-centric service creation**
 - **built-in protection against newcomers**
- ◆ **Closed architectural model**
 - **built-in gateways even to external SIP devices**

(obvious economic motivations for the above)

- ◆ **Many boxes, many lines, many interfaces**
 - **High degree of complexity? (! KISS)**

Further Information

<http://www.ietf.org/html.charters/sip-charter.html>

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