

# **Analyzing the 5G Core**

# **Course Description**

Building on the foundation of 5G System Engineering, this course provides a detailed examination of the 5G Core Network. Key emphasis is placed on the Service Based network architecture, as well as the main network procedures that occur during a mobile's typical interactivity with the 5G network. Analysis of the 5G Registration, PDU Session establishment, PDU Session usage, Policy Control, MEC, 4G Interworking and network slicing will be provided as part of this process.

**Prerequisites:** 5G System Engineering or equivalent knowledge.



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#### This course will contain the following sections:

#### 1. 5GC Service Based Architecture

#### **Topic areas covered include:**

- Positioning the 5G System:
  - The 5G System.
  - Centralized Radio Access Network.
  - C-RAN Impact on the 5G Core.
- 5G Core Network:
  - AMF.
  - SMF.
  - UPF.
  - AUSF.
  - PCF.
  - NEF.
  - UDM.
- Supplementary 5G Core Network Functions:
  - UDSF.
  - NWDAF.
  - NSSF.
  - NRF.
  - CHF.
  - SCP.
  - SMSF.
- 5G Service Based Architecture:
  - SBA Model.
  - SBI Interaction.
  - Virtualization and Cloud Native.
- 5G Service Based Interfaces:
  - SBI Protocol Stack.
  - HTTP/2.
  - Standardization of 5G SBI APIs.

# **5GC Service Based Architecture** (cont.)

- 5GC Protocols:
  - 5GC Protocols Overview.
  - GTPv2-C.
  - GTPv1-U.
  - 5G NAS.
  - NGAP.
  - PFCP.

# 2. 5G Registration Analysis

#### **Topic areas covered include:**

- Network Function Registration:
  - Service Registration.
  - Profile Updates and Heartbeat Mechanism.
  - Service Discovery.
  - NF Deregistration.
  - Status Subscription.
- Device Registration Part 1:
  - Overview.
  - AMF Selection.
  - NAS Registration Request.
  - Interaction with Old AMF.
  - NAS Identification Request / Response.
- Device Registration Part 2:
  - Overview.
  - Security Phase.
  - Registration Status Update.
  - Registering the Subscriber.
- Device Registration Part 3:
  - Overview.
  - Subscriber Data Acquisition.
  - Subscriber Data Subscription.

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# **5G Registration Analysis (cont.)**

- Device Registration Part 4:
  - Overview.
  - AM Policy Association Establishment.
  - PDU Session Reactivation.
  - NAS Registration Accept.
  - NAS Registration Complete.
- Initial Registration and Security.

# 3. 5G Security Analysis

#### **Topic areas covered include:**

- Supporting Security in 5G:
  - 5G Security Overview.
  - Standards bodies.
- 5G Cryptographic Processes:
  - 5G Security Algorithms.
  - Authentication and Key Agreement.
  - AV Generation.
- 5G AKA:
  - Mutual Authentication.
  - High Level 5G AKA Procedure.
  - Generation of 5G-SE-AV.
  - Device Authentication.
  - Authentication Confirmation.
- Key Derivation and Usage:
  - Encryption and Integrity Checking.
  - Key Derivation Process.
- Protecting Service Based Interfaces HTTPS:
  - TLS Overview.
  - TLS Operation.
  - Certificate Exchange.
  - TLS Cipher Suites.
- Protecting the 5G SBA OAuth 2.0:
  - OAuth 2.0 Basic Concept.
  - Access Token Acquisition.
  - Access Token Utilization.
- · Roaming Security:
  - Security Edge Protection Proxy.
  - PRINS.
  - IPUPS.
  - Steering of Roaming Protection.

# 4. PDU Session Establishment Analysis

#### **Topic areas covered include:**

- PDU Sessions Part 1:
  - PDU Session Connectivity.
  - QoS Model for 5G.
- PDU Sessions Part 2:
  - QoS Rules and Packet Detection Rules.
  - QoS Flow Parameters.
- · Application Triggering:
  - Scenario.
  - Procedure.
- PDU Session Establishment Procedure Part 1:
  - Overview.
  - NAS PDU Session Establishment Request.
  - AMF to SMF Create SM Context Request.
  - SM Related Subscriber Data Acquisition.
- PDU Session Establishment Procedure Part 2:
  - Overview.
  - SMF to AMF Session Establishment Response.
  - PDU Session Authentication and Authorization.
  - PDU-CAN Session Establishment.
  - PFCP Session Establishment.
- PDU Session Establishment Procedure Part 3:
  - Overview.
  - PDU Session Establishment Accept.
  - NGAP Initial Context Setup Request.
  - RRC Reconfiguration.
- PDU Session Establishment Part 4:
  - Overview.
  - NGAP Initial Context Setup Response.
  - Finalizing the PDU Session.

# 5. Utilizing PDU Sessions

#### Topic areas covered include:

- QoS Flow Establishment (Session Modification):
  - Scenario.
  - Procedure.
- Utilizing PDU Sessions Service Request:
  - Scenario.
  - Procedure.

## **Utilizing PDU Sessions (cont.)**

- Utilizing PDU Sessions Paging:
  - Scenario.
  - Procedure.
- Releasing the Access Network Resources:
  - Scenario.
  - Procedure.

# 6. 5G Policy and Charging Control

#### **Topic areas covered include:**

- 5G PCC Fundamentals:
  - High Level Concepts.
  - Monetizing Services Using Policy Control.
  - Service Data Flows.
- PCC Architecture:
  - High Level Architecture.
  - Policy Control Function.
  - Binding Support Function.
  - Network Analytics Related Policy Decisions.
- Access and Mobility Related Policy Control:
  - Overview.
  - AM Policy Association Establishment.
  - AM Policy Control Request Triggers.
- UE Related Policy Control:
  - Overview.
  - UE Policy Session Creation.
  - UE Policy Delivery Service.
  - Focus on ANDSP and URSP.
- Session Management Policy Control:
  - SM Policy Association Establishment.
  - SM Related Policy.
- PCC Binding Mechanism:
  - Overview.
  - Session Binding.
  - PCC and QoS Rule Authorization.
  - QoS Flow Binding.
- 5G Charging Concepts:
  - 5G Charging Architecture (Service Based).
  - Nchf API.
  - Converged Charging Example.

# 7. MEC Concepts and Architecture

#### **Topic areas covered include:**

- MEC Deployment:
  - Overview.
  - MEC Application Functions.
  - MEC Example Scenario.
- MEC Key Concepts:
  - Connectivity Models.
  - Local Access to the Data Network.
  - Standardization of MEC.
- ETSI MEC Framework and Architecture:
  - ETSI MEC Framework.
  - ETSI MEC Reference Architecture.
  - 5G and ETSI MEC Integration.
- ETSI MEC Procedural Aspects:
  - Application Package On-Boarding.
  - Application Instantiation.
- 3GPP Edge Computing Architecture:
  - MEC and 3GPP High Level Architecture.
  - Integration with the 5G Core.
- 3GPP Edge Computing Initial Procedures:
  - ECS Discovery.
  - Service Provisioning.
  - Registration.
  - EAS Discovery.
- 3GPP Edge Computing Operational Aspects:
  - EAS Instantiation.
  - Application Context Relocation.

## 8. MEC and 5G Enablers

#### Topic areas covered include:

- 5G Enablers for MEC Local Networks:
  - AF Influenced Traffic Routing.
  - Traffic Steering Control.
  - Local Area Data Networks.
- 5G Enablers for MEC UL CLs and BPs:
  - Uplink Classifiers.
  - 5G Uplink Classifier Addition Procedure.
  - IPv6 Multi-homing (Branching Points).

## **MEC and 5G Enablers (cont.)**

- 5G Enablers for MEC SSC Modes:
  - SSC Overview.
  - SSC Mode 1.
  - SSC Mode 2.
  - SSC Mode 3.
  - UEs and MEC Application Mobility.

# 9. 5G and 4G Interworking

#### **Topic areas covered include:**

- Interworking with LTE:
  - Interworking Key Concepts.
  - Single and Dual Registration Mode.
- Single and Dual Registration Mode Mobility:
  - 5GC to EPC Mobility (Dual Registration Mode).
  - EPC to 5GC Mobility (Dual Registration Mode).
  - Mobility with Single Registration Mode Supported.
- Architectural Considerations:
  - Architecture for 5G and 4G Interworking.
  - N26 Reference Point.
- Idle Mode Mobility Procedures (with N26):
  - 5GC to EPC Mobility (Single Registration, Idle Mode).
  - EPC to 5GC Mobility (Single Registration, Idle Mode).
  - 4G GUTI to 5G-GUTI Mapping.
- 5GS to EPS Handover:
  - Scenario.
  - Procedure.
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  - Scenario.
  - Procedure.
- Fallback Mechanisms:
  - EPS and RAT Fallback.
  - High Level Fallback Procedure.
  - Emergency Services Fallback.

# 10. 5G Network Slicing

#### **Topic areas covered include:**

- Network Slicing Concepts:
  - Driving Factors for Network Slicing.
  - What is a Network Slice?
  - High Level Slice Orchestration.
  - Standardization.
- Network Slice Template:
  - Customer Engagement.
  - Alternative Approaches.
  - Example NEST eMBB with IMS Support.
  - Example NEST Commercial Flight Telematics.
  - Example NEST Industry 4.0 and HMTC.
- Network Slicing Architectural Considerations:
  - High Level Architecture.
  - Network Slice Selection Function.
  - Network Slice Admission Control Function.
  - Slice Analytics.
- Defining a Network Slice:
  - Communication Services.
  - Network Slices, NSI and NSSI.
  - NSSAI (Network Slice Selection Assistance Information).
- Network Slice Orchestration:
  - NSI Lifecycle Management.
  - Slice Instantiation.
  - NSSI Allocation.
- · Utilizing Network Slicing:
  - 5G Registration.
  - PDU Session Establishment.
- Slice Security:
  - Slice Security Options.
  - Slice Authentication and Authorization.







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