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## Introduction

This specification has been prepared by the 3GPP Task Force, and gives a detailed specification of the 3GPP confidentiality algorithm *f8*, and the 3GPP integrity algorithm *f9*.

This document is the first of four, which between them form the entire specification of the 3GPP Confidentiality and Integrity Algorithms:

- **3GPP TS 35.201: "3rd Generation Partnership Project; Technical Specification Group Services and System Aspects; 3G Security; Specification of the 3GPP Confidentiality and Integrity Algorithms; Document 1: *f8* and *f9* Specification".**
- 3GPP TS 35.202: "3rd Generation Partnership Project; Technical Specification Group Services and System Aspects; 3G Security; Specification of the 3GPP Confidentiality and Integrity Algorithms; Document 2: KASUMI Specification".

- 3GPP TS 35.203: "3rd Generation Partnership Project; Technical Specification Group Services and System Aspects; 3G Security; Specification of the 3GPP Confidentiality and Integrity Algorithms; Document 3: Implementors' Test Data".
- 3GPP TS 35.204: "3rd Generation Partnership Project; Technical Specification Group Services and System Aspects; 3G Security; Specification of the 3GPP Confidentiality and Integrity Algorithms; Document 4: Design Conformance Test Data".

The normative part of the specification of the *f8* (confidentiality) and *f9* (integrity) algorithms is in the main body of this document. The annexes to this document are purely informative. Annex 1 contains illustrations of functional elements of the algorithm, while Annex 2 contains an implementation program listing of the cryptographic algorithm specified in the main body of this document, written in the programming language C.

The normative part of the specification of the block cipher (**KASUMI**) on which they are based is in the main body of Document 2. The annexes of that document, and Documents 3 and 4 above, are purely informative.

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## 0 Scope

This specification gives a detailed specification of the 3GPP confidentiality algorithm *f8*, and the 3GPP integrity algorithm *f9*.

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## NORMATIVE SECTION

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# 1 Outline of the normative part

Section 1 introduces the algorithms and describes the notation used in the subsequent sections.

Section 3 specifies the confidentiality algorithm *f8*.

Section 4 specifies the integrity algorithm *f9*.

## 1.1 References

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- [1] 3GPP TS 33.102 version 3.2.0: "3rd Generation Partnership Project; Technical Specification Group Services and System Aspects; 3G Security; Security Architecture".
- [2] 3GPP TS 33.105 version 3.1.0: "3rd Generation Partnership Project; Technical Specification Group Services and System Aspects; 3G Security; Cryptographic Algorithm Requirements".
- [3] 3GPP TS 35.201: "3rd Generation Partnership Project; Technical Specification Group Services and System Aspects; 3G Security; Specification of the 3GPP Confidentiality and Integrity Algorithms; Document 1: f8 and f9 Specification".
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- [7] ISO/IEC 9797-1:1999: "Information technology – Security techniques – Message Authentication Codes (MACs)".

## 2 Introductory information

### 2.1 Introduction

Within the security architecture of the 3GPP system there are two standardised algorithms: A confidentiality algorithm *f8*, and an integrity algorithm *f9*. These algorithms are fully specified here. Each of these algorithms is based on the **KASUMI** algorithm that is specified in a companion document[4]. **KASUMI** is a block cipher that produces a 64-bit output from a 64-bit input under the control of a 128-bit key.

The confidentiality algorithm *f8* is a stream cipher that is used to encrypt/decrypt blocks of data under a confidentiality key **CK**. The block of data may be between 1 and 20000 bits long. The algorithm uses **KASUMI** in a form of output-feedback mode as a keystream generator.

The integrity algorithm *f9* computes a 32-bit MAC (Message Authentication Code) of a given input message using an integrity key **IK**. The approach adopted uses **KASUMI** in a form of CBC-MAC mode.

### 2.2 Notation

#### 2.2.1 Radix

We use the prefix **0x** to indicate **hexadecimal** numbers.

#### 2.2.2 Conventions

We use the assignment operator "=", as used in several programming languages. When we write

$\langle \text{variable} \rangle = \langle \text{expression} \rangle$

we mean that  $\langle \text{variable} \rangle$  assumes the value that  $\langle \text{expression} \rangle$  had before the assignment took place. For instance,

$$x = x + y + 3$$

means

(new value of  $x$ ) becomes (old value of  $x$ ) + (old value of  $y$ ) + 3.

#### 2.2.3 Bit/Byte ordering

All data variables in this specification are presented with the most significant bit (or byte) on the left hand side and the least significant bit (or byte) on the right hand side. Where a variable is broken down into a number of sub-strings, the left most (most significant) sub-string is numbered 0, the next most significant is numbered 1 and so on through to the least significant.

For example an  $n$ -bit **MESSAGE** is subdivided into 64-bit substrings **MB<sub>0</sub>, MB<sub>1</sub>...MB<sub>i</sub>** so if we have a message:

0x0123456789ABCDEFFEDCBA987654321086545381AB594FC28786404C50A37...

we have:

**MB<sub>0</sub>** = 0x0123456789ABCDEF  
**MB<sub>1</sub>** = 0xFEDCBA9876543210  
**MB<sub>2</sub>** = 0x86545381AB594FC2  
**MB<sub>3</sub>** = 0x8786404C50A37...