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1 Scope

The present document specifies the stage 3 protocol and data model for the Nlmf Service Based Interface. It provides stage 3 protocol definitions and message flows, and specifies the API for each service offered by the LMF.

The 5G System stage 2 architecture and procedures are specified in 3GPP TS 23.501 [2] and 3GPP TS 23.502 [3].

The Technical Realization of the Service Based Architecture and the Principles and Guidelines for Services Definition are specified in 3GPP TS 29.500 [4] and 3GPP TS 29.501 [5].

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[1] 3GPP TR 21.905: "Vocabulary for 3GPP Specifications".

[2] 3GPP TS 23.501: "System Architecture for the 5G System; Stage 2".

[3] 3GPP TS 23.502: "Procedures for the 5G System; Stage 2".

[4] 3GPP TS 29.500: "5G System; Technical Realization of Service Based Architecture; Stage 3".

[5] 3GPP TS 29.501: "5G System; Principles and Guidelines for Services Definition; Stage 3".

[6] IETF RFC 4776: "Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCPv4 and DHCPv6) Option for Civic Addresses Configuration Information".

[7] IETF RFC 5139: "Revised Civic Location Format for Presence Information Data Format Location Object (PIDF-LO)".

[8] 3GPP TS 29.571: "5G System; Common Data Types for Service Based Interfaces; Stage 3".

[9] 3GPP TS 33.501: "Security architecture and procedures for 5G system".

[10] IETF RFC 6749: "The OAuth 2.0 Authorization Framework".

[11] 3GPP TS 29.510: "Network Function Repository Services; Stage 3".

[12] IETF RFC 7540: "Hypertext Transfer Protocol Version 2 (HTTP/2)".[13] IETF RFC 8259: "The JavaScript Object Notation (JSON) Data Interchange Format".

[14] OpenAPI Initiative, "OpenAPI 3.0.0 Specification", https://github.com/OAI/OpenAPI-Specification/blob/master/versions/3.0.0.md.

[15] IETF RFC 7807: "Problem Details for HTTP APIs".

[16] 3GPP TR 21.900: "Technical Specification Group working methods".

3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1] and the following apply. A term defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same term, if any, in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1].

3.2 Abbreviations

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LMF Location Management Function

4 Overview

The Location Management Function (LMF) is the network entity in the 5G Core Network (5GC) supporting the following functionality:

- Supports location determination for a UE.
- Obtains downlink location measurements or a location estimate from the UE.
- Obtains uplink location measurements from the NG RAN.
- Obtains non-UE associated assistance data from the NG RAN.

Figure 4-1 provides the reference model (in service based interface representation and in reference point representation), with focus on the LMF:

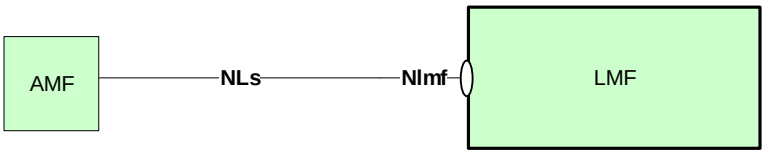

Figure 4-1: Reference model – LMF

5 Services Offered by the LMF

5.1 Introduction

The LMF offers to other NFs the following services:

- Nlmf_Location

5.2 Nlmf_Location Service

5.2.1 Service Description

The Nlmf_Location service enables an NF to request location determination (current geodetic and optionally civic location) for a target UE.

5.2.2 Service Operations

5.2.2.1 Introduction

The service operations defined for the Nlmf_Location service are as follows:

- DetermineLocation: It provides UE location information to the consumer NF.

5.2.2.2 DetermineLocation

5.2.2.2.1 General

The following procedures are defined, using the "DetermineLocation" service operation:

- Retrieve UE Location

5.2.2.2.2 Retrieve UE Location

This procedure allows a consumer NF to request the location information (geodetic location and, optionally, civic location).

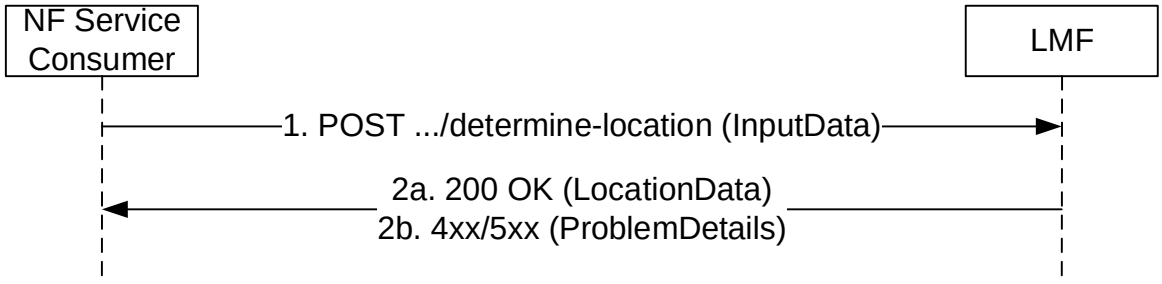

Figure 5.2.2.2.2-1: DetermineLocation Request

1. The NF Service Consumer shall send an HTTP POST request to the resource URI associated with the "determine-location" custom operation. The input parameters for the request (external client type, LCS correlation identifier, serving cell identifier, location QoS, supported GAD shapes….) shall be included in the HTTP POST request body.

   If UE LCS Capability is received in the request indicating LPP is not supported by the UE, the LMF shall not send LPP messages to the UE in subsequent positioning procedures.

2a. On success, "200 OK" shall be returned. The response body shall contain the parameters related to the determined position of the UE (geodetic position, civic location, positioning methods…).

2b. On failure, one of the HTTP status code listed in Table 6.1.4.2.2-2 shall be returned. For a 4xx/5xx response, the message body shall contain a ProblemDetails structure with the "cause" attribute set to one of the application error listed in Table 6.1.4.2.2-2.

6 API Definitions

6.1 Nlmf_Location Service API

6.1.1 API URI

The Nlmf_Location service shall use the Nlmf_Location API.

The request URI used in HTTP request from the NF service consumer towards the NF service producer shall have the structure defined in clause 4.4.1 of 3GPP TS 29.501 [5], i.e.:

{apiRoot}/<apiName>/<apiVersion>/<apiSpecificResourceUriPart>

with the following components:

- The {apiRoot} shall be set as described in 3GPP TS 29.501 [5].
- The <apiName> shall be "nlmf-loc".
- The <apiVersion> shall be "v1".
- The <apiSpecificResourceUriPart> shall be set as described in clause 6.1.3.

6.1.2 Usage of HTTP

6.1.2.1 General

HTTP/2, as defined in IETF RFC 7540 [12], shall be used as specified in clause 5 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [4].

HTTP/2 shall be transported as specified in clause 5.3 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [4].

HTTP messages and bodies for the Nlmf_Location service shall comply with the OpenAPI [14] specification contained in Annex A.

6.1.2.2 HTTP Standard Headers

6.1.2.2.1 General

6.1.2.2.2 Content type

The following content types shall be supported:

- JSON, as defined in IETF RFC 8259 [13], shall be used as content type of the HTTP bodies specified in the present specification as indicated in clause 5.4 of 3GPP TS 29.500 [4].
- The Problem Details JSON Object (IETF RFC 7807 [15]). The use of the Problem Details JSON object in a HTTP response body shall be signalled by the content type "application/problem+json".

6.1.2.3 HTTP custom headers

6.1.2.3.1 General

The following HTTP custom headers shall be supported:

- 3gpp-Sbi-Message-Priority: See 3GPP TS 29.500 [4], clause 5.2.3.2.2.

This API does not define any new HTTP custom headers.

6.1.3 Resources

6.1.3.1 Overview

The structure of the Resource URIs of the Nlmf_Location service is shown in figure 6.1.3.1-1.

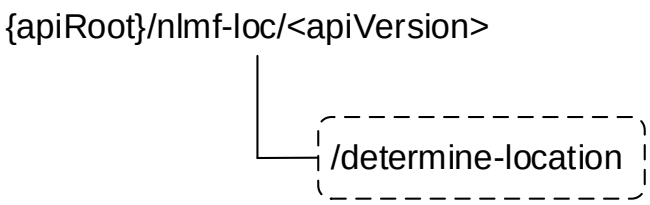

Figure 6.1.3.1-1: Resource URI structure of the Nlmf_Location API

Table 6.1.3.1-1 provides an overview of the resources and applicable HTTP methods.

Table 6.1.3.1-1: Resources and methods overview

Resource name	Resource URI	HTTP method or custom operation	Description
DetermineLocation (Custom operation)	{apiRoot}/nlmf-loc/<apiVersion>/determine-location	determine-location (POST)	

6.1.4 Custom Operations without associated resources

6.1.4.1 Overview

Table 6.1.4.1-1: Custom operations without associated resources

Custom operation URI	Mapped HTTP method	Description
{apiRoot}/nlmf-loc/<apiVersion>/determine-location	POST	

6.1.4.2 Operation: determine-location

6.1.4.2.1 Description

This sublause will describe the custom operation and what it is used for, and the custom operation's URI.