

Wireless VPN

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Key value added: Seamless network handover



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What is Session Mobility?

- Mobility layer above layer 3 (above TCP and UDP)
- Uses WTLS for security
- Transparent to applications
- Transparent to network infrastructure

What is Session Mobility?

- New TCP connection after every roaming increases robustness.
- Session approach is independent of network level (WLAN / GPRS / CDPD)
- Authentication and session resume in background
- Seamless roaming between networks with different characteristics

Why Session Mobility

Solves NAT server problems WTLS does not encrypt transport protocol headers

Solves Transport layer problems

Implemented above transport layer - protects applications from connection failures

More efficient compression/optimisations

Session level approach means compression is performed on large data streams

Session resume

WTLS session is automatically resumed after network failures - user remains logged in

Communication stack



What do we mean by security?

- Confidentiality
- Authentication
- Integrity
- Non-repudiation
- Authorization

Hiding of informationProof of identityProof that information is unalteredDenial is made impossibleWhat an entity is allowed to do





Key issues in wireless security

- End-to-end security
- Paradox to combine strong security and convenience
- Slower processors
- Limited memory
- VPN access over Public Network both wireless and wired.

Standardised Security Protocol WTLS – IPSec – SSL - TLS

WTLS is the only security protocol optimised for

- Wireless narrow bandwidth,
- Small processors (ECC Diffie Hellman)
- Limited memory

□ Setup performance, Initial handshake (Master thesis)

