Virtual BS and MMR-Cell Decomposition

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To introduce the terminologies of V-BS

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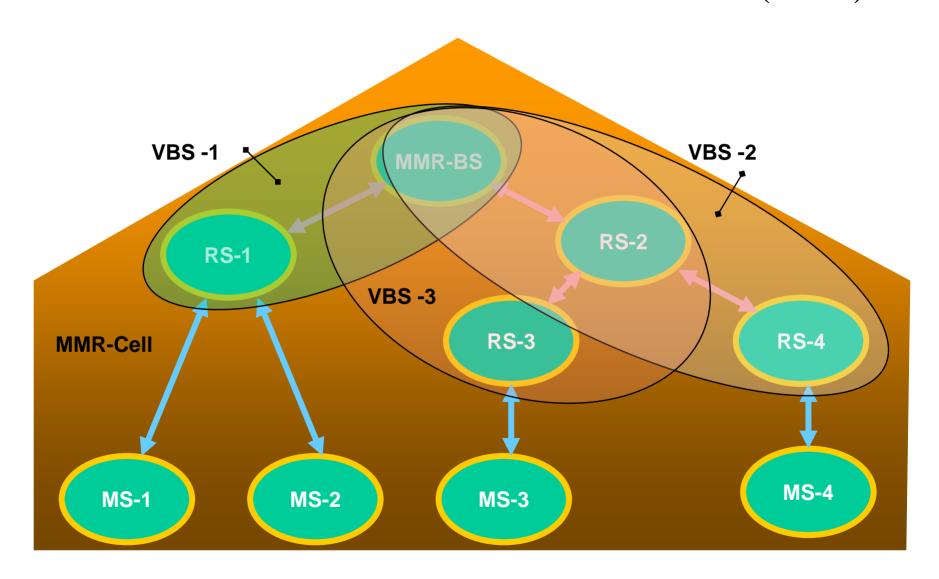
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Introduction

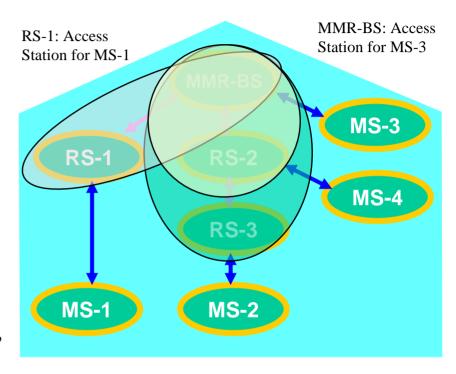
- The 802.16j PAR requires that control functions may be centralized at the base station or distributed among the relay stations with central *coordination* from the base station and the functionality of MS shall not be modified
- From the MS point-of-view, the MMR-BS and associated RS can be treated as an entirety as a virtual BS
- The mapping VBS can simplify the MS operation, in particular
 - Mobility management
 - Connectivity
 - Security
 - QoS

Definition of MMR-Cell and Virtual BS (VBS)



The Construction of VBS

- VBS is a MMR diversity set with build-in relay path topology semantic
- VBS is a logical decomposition of MMR cell
- VBS Creation
 - BS is a VBS
 - If an RS is associated with a VBS, {VBS}+{RS} is a VBS
- VBS Naming
 - Each RS belongs to a VBS
 - After finishing initial ranging and network entry the RS is assigned a 48-bit ID (i.e., BS-ID in 802.16) as VBS-ID



Four VBS : VBS1 = {BS} VBS2 = {BS, RS1} VBS3 = {BS, RS2} VBS4 = {BS, VBS3} = {BS, RS2, RS3}

Impacts of VBS

Organized relay topology

- MMR-cell auto discovery
- Relay path selection and maintenance

RS dual-mode operation

- VBS-ID for RS relay operation
- MS-ID for RS mobility operation

• E2E connectivity management

- CID assigned to VBS for tunnel purpose
- Cooperative relay

Same network entry

Retain the same entry procedure for RS and MS

Seamless Handover

- Same HO anchoring architecture
- Intra-MMR-cell and Inter-MMR-cell handover

Text Proposal

VBS

"VBS consists of a serving MMR-BS and a subset of RSs along the selected relay path between MMR-BS and the designated access RS. VBS provides relay functions including data forwarding, mobility management, connectivity, security and QOS, with central coordination from MMR-BS."

Access Station

"The station at the point of direct access into the network for a given MS. An access station can be a BS, RS, or MMR-BS."