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Abstract	This contribution proposes additional operations required for a RS, such as path selection operation, operation parameter configuration.
Purpose	To incorporate the proposed text into the P802.16j Baseline Document (IEEE 802.16j-06/026r1)
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RS Initial Network Entry and Re-entry

1 Introduction

When a relay station initially enters or re-enters a network, most of network operations are the same as MS does. However, some additional operations may be required for a RS, such as path selection operation and operation parameter configuration. Those operations are special to RS and shall be defined in the standard.

2 RS initial network entry and re-entry proposal

2.1 RS initial network entry

We propose the RS initial network entry as shown in Figure 1. The RS initial ranging procedure shall be the same as MS initial ranging procedure as defined in Section 6.3.10. The RS shall indicate it is an RS during the initial ranging procedure [The exact scheme is TBD]. Compared with MS initial network entry, two operation steps are added and four original steps are removed. The new operations are:

- Access point attachment (path) negotiation
This procedure enables a RS and the MRBS to negotiate the access point attachment of this RS. This operation happens after registration and before RS operation parameter configuration. During this operation a relay station is allowed to report to the MRBS the radio environment measurements. The MRBS is allowed to make final decision regarding the access point attachment selection (e.g., serving station selection). In order to support this operation, we suggest either reuse RNG-REQ/RSP message with a new TLV added in RNG-REQ message or introduce a new message called as RS_path request/response.

To assist access station selection by the RS, an access station or serving MR-BS may optionally broadcast information related its end-to-end path quality. [The detailed definition of the broadcast information related to path quality is TBD]

- Relay station operation parameter configuration
This procedure allows a RS to obtain necessary operation configuration parameters that must be configured over-the-air. One example of such parameters is the frame beginning preamble (802.16e preamble) configuration since the configuration of such parameters usually requires radio environment measurement of a RS. To enable this procedure, we suggest to introduce a new MAC management message – RS configuration request /response message (RS_Config-REQ/RSP).
- The removed steps from the MS network entry include IP connectivity, establish time of day, transfer operational parameters and establish provision connection.

The reason for the removal of these steps is that these procedures are used for network layer's application and RS doesn't have its own packets from network.

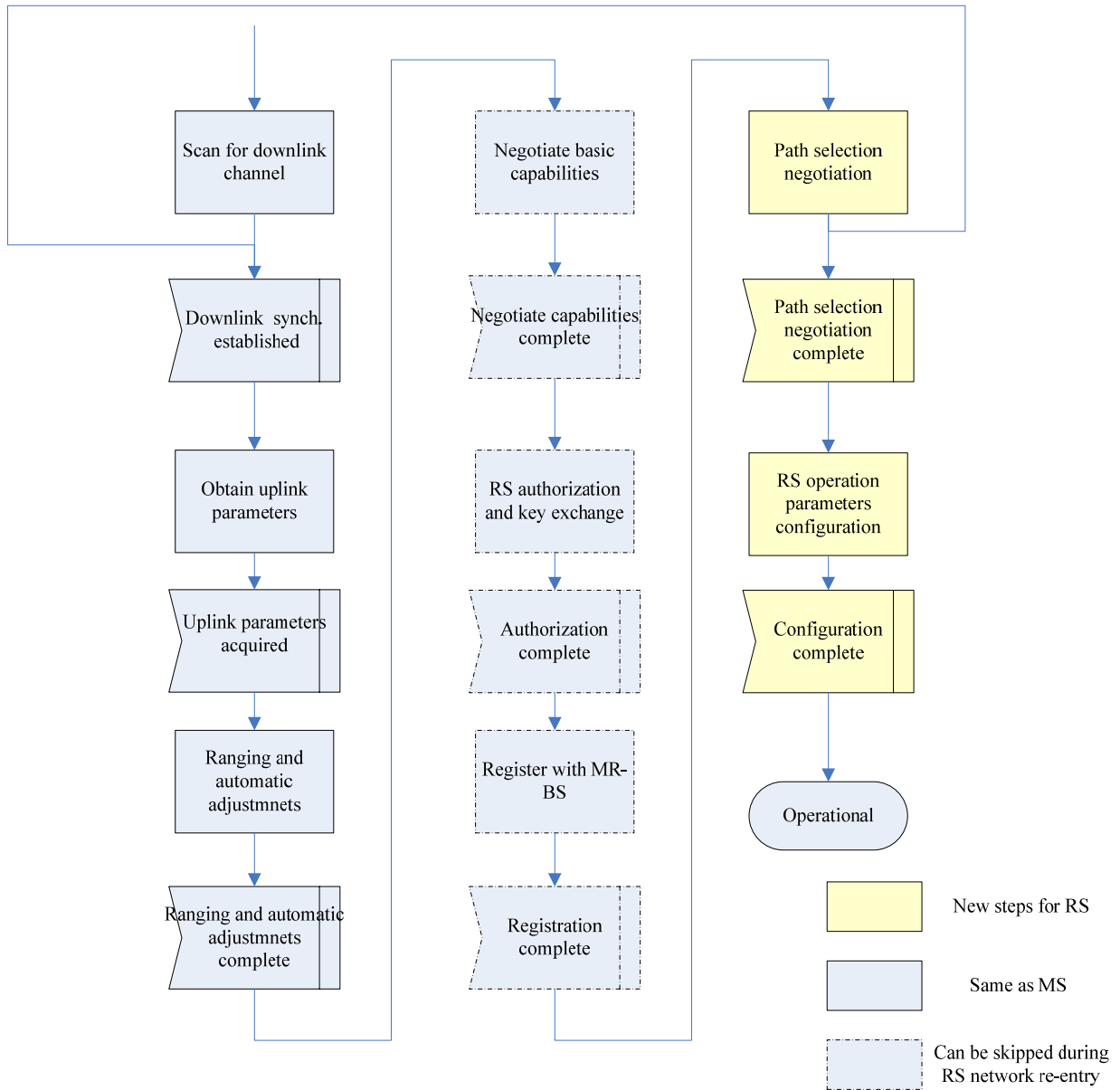


Figure 1. Proposed RS network entry.

2.2 RS network re-entry

The usage of RS network re-entry is when the network or an operating RS wants to perform path optimization for improving the path and/or network performance. Compared with the RS initial network entry, some of the steps can be skipped in the RS network re-entry as shown in Fig. 1 in order to speed up the

process. In our design, this can be achieved by checking the RS network re-entry optimization parameters which are indicated in the RS_Path response message.

3 Proposed text change

We propose the following modifications to 802.16e standard

3.1 RS initial network entry and re-entry description

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[Add the following section]

6.3.9.16 Network entry and initialization

6.3.9.16.1 RS network (re)-entry and initialization

RS network (re)-entry procedure is shown in Figure xxx.

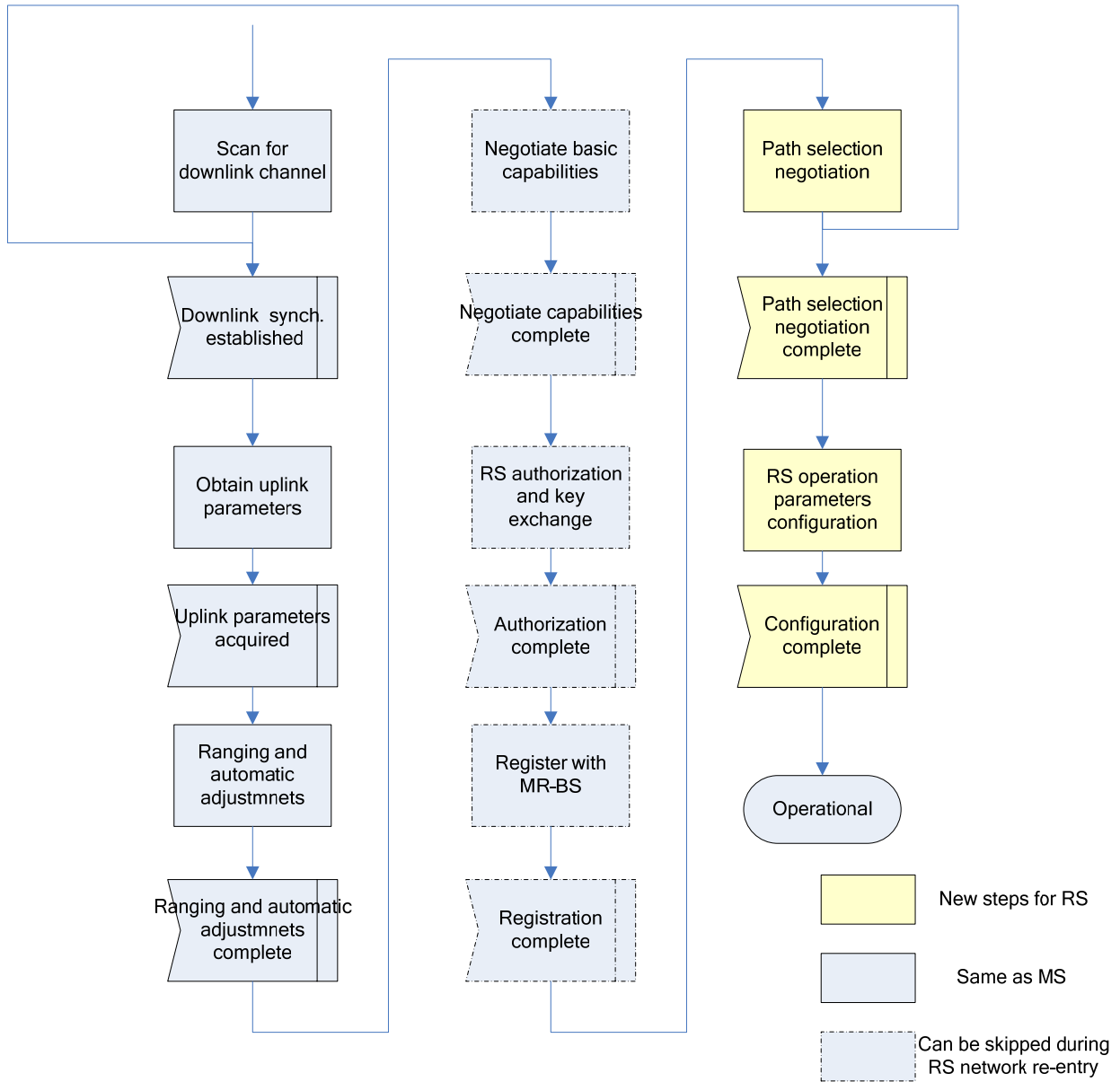


Figure XXX RS network (re)-entry

From this figure, two new procedures are added to RS network (re)-entry procedure. They are path selection negotiation, relay station operational parameters configuration.

The RS initial ranging procedure shall be the same as MS initial ranging procedure as defined in Section 6.3.10 .

6.3.9.16.1.1. Path selection negotiation

This procedure enables a RS and the MR-BS to negotiate the path selection of this RS. This operation happens after registration and before RS operation parameter configuration. During this operation a relay station shall report to the MR-BS the radio environment measurements. The MR-BS shall make final decision regarding the path selection (e.g., serving station selection). RS-path-REQ/RSP message shall be used for this operation. A RS shall send RS_path-REQ message to report its radio environment measurements to its associated MR-BS. The MR-BS shall determine the path of this RS based on the reported radio measurements and other information such as path loading and indicates the path selection for this RS using RS_path-RSP message. In the RS_path-RSP message, the selected access station ID and RS network re-entry optimization parameters will be given to assist the network (re)-entry process.

To assist access station selection by the RS, an access station or serving MR-BS may optionally broadcast information related its end-to-end path quality. [The detailed definition of the broadcast information related to path quality is TBD]

6.3.9.16.1.2. Relay station operational parameter configuration

This procedure allows a RS to obtain necessary operational configuration parameters that must be configured over-the-air. One example of such parameters is the frame start beginning preamble index (802.16e preamble) configuration since the configuration of such parameters usually requires radio environment measurement of a RS. During this procedure, RS and MMR-BS shall use RS configuration request /response message (RS_Config-REQ/RSP) to negotiate the configuration. A RS shall send RS_Config-REQ message to suggest parameter configuration(s) to its associated MMR-BS. The MMR-BS shall determine the parameter configurations and indicate to the RS using RS_Config-RSP message. The message exchange may happen more than one time. The parameters configured during this procedure include:

- 802.16e frame start preamble index for a relay station which is configured to transmit 802.16e frame start preamble

3.2 Introduction of RS configuration message (RS_Config-REQ/RSP)

[Modify the last row in Table 14 in page 46 as follows]

Type	Message name	Message description	Connection
62-255-67	<u>RS_Config-REQ</u>	<u>RS configuration request message sent by RS</u>	<u>Basic</u>
<u>68</u>	<u>RS_Config-RSP</u>	<u>RS configuration response message sent by MMR-BS</u>	<u>Basic</u>
<u>69-255</u>		<u>Reserved</u>	

[Add new sections 6.3.2.3.62 and 6.3.2.3.63 after section 6.3.2.3.61 in page 172]

6.3.2.3.62 RS configuration request message

This message may be transmitted by a RS to request some physical layer operation parameters. A RS may use this message to report information to facilitate the determination of a MMR-BS on configuration of RS operation parameters.

Table XXX. RS Config-REQ message format.

Syntax	Size	Notes
<u>RS Config-REQ format {</u>		
<u>Management message type = 67</u>	<u>8 bits</u>	
<u>Configured para type</u>	<u>8 bits</u>	<u>b0 = 1: preamble configuration is included;</u> <u>b1 – b7: reserved</u>
<u>If (b0 of Configured para type == 1) {</u>	<u>8 bits</u>	
<u>Preamble index }</u>	<u>7 bits</u>	<u>Preamble index</u>
<u>TLV</u>	<u>Variable</u>	
<u>}</u>		

Configuration para type

The first bit is used as preamble index indicator to indicate the preamble index field appearance in this message

Preamble index

This field is used to indicate the preamble index

6.3.2.3.63 MR-BS configuration response message

This message shall be transmitted by a MMRBS for the purpose of RS configuration. A MMR-BS shall use this message to set operation parameters for a RS. MMR-BS can transmit this message as a response to RS Config-REQ or as a unsolicited message.

Syntax	Size	Notes
<u>RS Config-RSP format {</u>		
<u>Management message type = 68</u>	<u>8 bits</u>	
<u>Configured para type</u>	<u>8 bits</u>	<u>b0 = 1: preamble configuration is included;</u> <u>b1 – b7: reserved</u>
<u>If (b0 of Configured para type == 1) {</u>	<u>8 bits</u>	
<u>Preamble index }</u>	<u>7 bits</u>	<u>Preamble index</u>
<u>TLV</u>		
<u>}</u>		

Configuration para type

The first bit is used as preamble index indicator to indicate the preamble index field appearance in this message

Preamble index

This field is used to indicate the preamble index assigned by MMR-BS

3.3 Introduction of RS path selection message (RS_path-REQ/RSP)

[Modify the last row in Table 14 in page 46 as follows]

Type	Message name	Message description	Connection
62-255 67	<u>RS_path-REQ</u>	<u>RS path selection request message sent by RS</u>	<u>Basic</u>
68	<u>RS_path-RSP</u>	<u>RS path selection response message sent by MMRBS</u>	<u>Basic</u>
69-255		<u>Reserved</u>	

[Add new sections 6.3.2.3.62 and 6.3.2.3.63 after section 6.3.2.3.61 in page 172]

6.3.2.3.62 RS path selection request message

This message may be transmitted by a RS to report its radio environment measurement.

Table XXX. RS_path-REQ message format.

Syntax	Size	Notes
<u>RS_path request format {</u>		
<u>Management message type = 67</u>	<u>8 bits</u>	
<u>Number of reports</u>	<u>2 bits</u>	
<u>For (i=0;i< Number of reports; i++) {</u>		
<u> Station ID</u>	<u>24 bits</u>	<u>LSB 24 bits of Station ID present in DL-MAP</u>
<u> CINR mean</u>	<u>8 bits</u>	
<u> }</u>		
<u>}</u>		

Number of reports

This field indicates the number of measurement reports in this message

Station ID

This field indicates identity of the station (MR-BS or RS) to which a RS may access. The BSID includes the 24 LSB of Station ID present in DL-MAP of this station.

CINR mean

The CINR mean parameter indicates the CINR in dB measured at the RS on the downlink signal of a particular station with BSID in BSID field. The value shall be interpreted as a signed byte with the resolution of 0.5dB. The measurement shall be performed on subcarriers of the frame preamble that are active in the particular station's segment and averaged over the measurement period.

6.3.2.3.63 RS path selection response message

This message shall be transmitted by a MMR-BS to a RS as a response to the RS_path request message. MMR-BS use this message to indicate the serving station the RS shall access to.

Table XXX. RS_path-RSP message format.

Syntax	Size	Notes
<u>RS_path response format {</u>		
<u>Management message type = 67</u>	<u>8 bits</u>	
<u>Station ID</u>	<u>24 bits</u>	<u>LSB 24 bits of Station ID present in DL-MAP</u>
<u>RSID</u>	<u>8 bits</u>	<u>RSID assigned to the requesting RS by the MMR-BS.</u>
<u>RS network re-entry optimization</u>	<u>8 bits</u>	<u>For each bit location, a value of '0' indicates the associated reentry management messages is required, a value of '1' indicates the reentry management message is omitted. Bit #0: Omit SBC-REQ/RSP management messages if set to '1' Bit #1: Omit PKM Authentication phase except TEK phase if set to '1'. Bit #2: Omit PKM TEK creation phase if set to '1'. Bit #3: Omit REG-REQ/RSP management if set to '1'. Bit #4~7: Reserved</u>
<u>}</u>		

Station ID

This field indicates identity of the station to which a RS shall access. The Station ID includes the 24 LSB of Station ID present in DL-MAP of this station.

RSID

This field indicates the assigned RSID to the requesting RS.

RS network re-entry optimization

For each bit location, a value of '0' indicates the associated reentry management messages is required, a value of '1' indicates the reentry management message is omitted.

Bit #0: Omit SBC-REQ/RSP management messages if set to '1'.

Bit #1: Omit PKM Authentication phase except TEK phase if set to '1'.

Bit #2: Omit PKM TEK creation phase if set to '1'.

Bit #3: Omit REG-REQ/RSP management if set to '1'.

Bit #4~7: Reserved

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