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| Abstract | This contribution describes the remedy and required messages to clarify for MS handover procedure among access stations with same preamble/FCH/MAP defined in IEEE 802.16j-06/026r4. | |
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Remedy of MS Movement among access stations with same preamble/FCH/MAP

1. Problem Statement

In [1], subclause 6.3.22.5.2 specifies two operation modes for MS movement among access stations with same preamble/FCH/MAP where the access stations forms a Virtual RS group defined in subclause 6.3.9.16.3.1. However there are two major ~~problems~~ issues to be clarified.

- ~~How to configure which mode and reporting scheme with regarding to~~ The messages required for the configuration of RS regarding to the reporting modes and the corresponding parameters ~~would be used during RS's operation have~~ are not been addressed clearly defined.
- ~~Besides, after selecting a new target RS, how to notify original serving RS and new target RS about the decisions to release and take over associated MS~~ The notification of the change of access RS for the original serving RS and the new target RS is not specified.

2 Suggested Remedy

To resolve these problems, following remedies are proposed in this contribution.

Remedy 1: Configuration of Reporting Mode & Parameters

The configuration of the reporting mode ~~will be~~ is done during RS network entry and initialization. MR-BS shall use RS_Config-REQ message ~~may be transmitted by MR-BS~~ to configure the reporting mode and ~~employed the related~~ parameters of the RS.

Remedy 2: Handover ~~Target~~ Notification

A new message VGHO-RSP is defined for MR-BS to notifying handover results within a Virtual RS group. MR-BS shall transmit this message to original access RS and new target RS individually. Original access RS (new target RS) will ~~be indicated to release the responsibility of data~~ stop (start) relaying data for the specified MS ~~and new target RS will be recommended to perform data relaying for this MS at the specified time.~~ To confirm the notification correctly received, original access RS and new target RS shall response a VGHO-ACK message.

3 Proposed Text Change

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[Adopt the following modifications into the P802.16j baseline document]

~~4. Abbreviations and acronyms~~

~~[Insert the following at the end of section 4]~~

~~VG—Virtual RS group~~

6.3.22.5.2 MS Movement among access stations with same preamble/FCH/MAP

In this case, MS is not aware of the HO. Therefore, RS and MR-BS shall perform measurement of MS signal quality to assist MS movement among stations (RSs, MR-BS) that share the same preamble/FCH/MAP.

The stations (RS or MR-BS) which share the same preamble/FCH/MAP form a virtual RS group~~(VG)~~. All stations (RSs and MR-BS) in the virtualRS group~~VG~~ shall measure the signal quality (RSSI, CINR) and the Timing Adjust (TA) for each active MS served by this virtualRS group~~VG~~ to support MS mobility within the virtualRS group~~VG~~. All RSs shall use MOB_RSSCN-REP to provide MR-BS with the selected report metrics (RSSI and/or CINR and TA) for each active MS when needed.

The MOB_RSSCN-REP is sent to the MR-BS using the reporting modes specified by MR-BS. Two reporting modes shall be supported by RSs. [The reporting mode and related reporting parameters is configured in RS Config-REQ in subclause 6.3.2.3.67](#)

~~<Section note: the configuration of the reporting mode is specified by MR-BS during RS initiation. This is TBD.>~~

[MR-BS may select a new target RS based on the measurement results and use RNG-RSP to adjust the timing and the power level of the MS, in order to fulfill the handover procedure. To update the access stations, MR-BS shall send VGHO-RSP message to notify an RS the changes of data forwarding status for specified MSs. VGHO-ACK message shall be responded by the RS to confirm the received VGHO-RSP.](#)

6.3.22.5.2.1 Mode 1

In Mode 1, the access RS shall automatically report its measurement result to MR-BS in an event-triggered or periodic way.

For event-triggered reporting, the access RS shall report its measurement results if [at least one of](#) power, [CINR](#), or timing requirement for the specific MS is not satisfied. The access RS may use the RS bandwidth request and allocation mechanism defined in section 6.3.6.7 to request uplink resource for sending MOB_RSSCN-REP. For periodic reporting, the access RS shall send MOB_RSSCN-REP every REP_INT [which is specified in RS Config-REQ message](#) and the MR-BS shall periodically allocate uplink resource for the access RS to report the latest measurement result for each active

MS.

~~<Section note: REP_INT is the reporting interval specified in the RS configuration. This is TBD.>~~

In Mode 1, non-access RSs shall report their measurement results only if MOB_RSSCN-RSP message is received. The MR-BS shall send MOB_RSSCN-RSP message to request all or part of RSs in the same virtualRS group~~VG~~ to report their measurement results for a specific MS. The MR-BS shall allocate uplink resource for the selected non-access RSs to send their MOB_RSSCN-REPs at the frame specified in MOB_RSSCN-RSP.

6.3.22.5.2.2 Mode 2

In Mode 2, all RSs (access RS and non-access RSs) in the same virtual RS group~~VG~~ shall automatically report the measurement results to MR-BS in an event-triggered way. Each RS shall send an MOB_RSSCN-REP to MR-BS if the measured RSSI/CINR going-up cross $T_ADD[i]$ ($i=0,\dots,max$), or going-down cross the $T_DEL[i]$ ($i=0,\dots,max$), or the difference between the current measured TA and the previous reported TA exceeds TA_DIFF where $T_ADD[i]$, $T_DEL[i]$ ($i=0,\dots,max$), and TA_DIFF are specified in the RS Config-REQ message during RS initiation. The RS may use the RS bandwidth request and allocation mechanism defined in section 6.3.6.7 to request uplink resource for sending their MOB_RSSCN-REP. The MR-BS shall maintain the measurement reports for each active MS and use those information to speedup optimal target access station selection.

~~<Section note: $T_ADD[i]$, $T_DEL[i]$ ($i=0,\dots,max$), and TA_DIFF are threshold values specified in the configuration of the reporting mode during RS initiation. This is TBD.>~~

~~MR-BS may select a new target RS based on the measurement results and use RNG-RSP to adjust the timing and the power level of the MS, in order to fulfill the handover procedure.~~

6.3.2.3.67 MR-BS configuration Request message

Table 183f-RS_Config-REQ message format

| Syntax | Size | Notes |
|---|--------|--|
| RS_Config_REQ format { | | |
| Management message type = 67 | 8 bits | |
| Configured_para_type | 8 bits | b0= 1: preamble configuration is included; b1= 1: remove multicast RSID to disassociate from the RS group; b2 = 1: Unicast RSID is included; b3 = 1: Multicast RSID is included; b4 = 0; Do not transmit preamble; 1: transmit the assigned preamble. b5 = 1: R-amble configuration is included <u>b6 = 1: Belong to a Virtual RS group</u> b6 —b7: reserved |
| If (b0 of Configured_para_type == 1) { | | |
| Preamble_index | 8 bits | Assign a preamble index value to the potential RS |
| } | | |
| If (b2 of Configured_para_type == 1) { | | |
| Unicast RSID | 8 bits | Unicast RSID |
| } | | |

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| If (b3 of Configured_para_type == 1) { | | |
| Multicast RSID | 8 bits | Multicast RSID as the RS Group ID |
| ↓ | | |
| If (b6 of Configured_para_type == 1) { | | The configuration for Virtual RS group |
| Reporting configured type mode | 1-8 bit | Indicate reporting mode during VG-operations. 0b0b0=0: mode 1 0b1b0=1: mode 2 b1=0: event-triggered reporting for access RS in mode 1 b1=1: periodic reporting for access RS in mode 1 b2~b7: reserved |
| Padding | 7 bits | |
| If (Reporting mode == 0b0 of Reporting configured type == 0) { | | Model configurations |
| Reporting type | 1 bit | Indicate reporting type in mode 1. 0b0- event triggered reporting 0b1- periodic reporting |
| Padding | 7 bits | |
| If (Reporting type == 0b0 of Reporting configured type == 0) { | | Access station RS perform event-triggered reporting. |
| RSSI threshold | 8 bits | Indicate The access RS shall report the measurement result of a MS if the RSSI of the MS exceeds the RSSI threshold. for triggering the reporting. The value shall be interpreted interpreted as an unsigned byte with units of 0.24dB, such that 0x00 is interpreted as -103.75 dBm, an RS shall be able to report values in the range -103.75dBm to -40 dBm |
| CINR threshold | 8 bits | The access RS shall report the measurement result of a MS if the CINR of the MS exceeds Indicate access RS the CINR threshold. for triggering the reporting. CINR threshold shall be interpreted as a single value from -16 dB to 47.5dB in units of 0.5dB. |
| Timing TA DIFF threshold | 32 bits | The access RS shall report the measurement result of a MS if the TA difference of the MS exceeds TA DIFF threshold. Indicate access |

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| | | RS the timing threshold for triggering the reporting. The range and units of TA_DIFF threshold are the same as specifications of Tx timing offset adjustment (signed 32-bit). The amount of time required to adjust MS transmission so the bursts will arrive at the expected time instance at the MR BS or RS. Units are PHY-specific (see 10.3) |
| } | | |
| else { | | Access station RS performs periodic reporting. |
| REP_INT | 8 bits | This value specifies the reporting interval for periodic reporting, in unit of frame. |
| } | | |
| } | | |
| else { | | Mode 2 configurations |
| Selected triggered metrics | 3 bits | Bitmap indicating certain metrics is used for event triggered: Bit 0: enable RSSI-based event-trigger Bit 1: enable CINR-based event-trigger Bit 2: enable TA-based event-trigger |
| If (selected triggered metrics[Bit0]==1){ | | |
| N_RSSI_T_ADD_DEL | 8 bits | Number of reporting add/delete thresholds for RSSI |
| For (i=0; i<N_RSSI_T_ADD; i++){ | | |
| RSSI_T_ADD [i] | 8 bits | This RSSI value specifies the add threshold to trigger reporting |
| RSSI_T_DEL [i] | 8 bits | This RSSI value specifies the delete threshold to trigger RS reporting |
| } | | |
| } | | |
| If (selected triggered metrics[Bit1]==1){ | | |
| N_CINR_T_ADD_DEL | 8 bits | Number of reporting add/delete thresholds for CINR |
| For (i=0; i<N_CINR_T_ADD; i++){ | | |
| CINR_T_ADD [i] | 8 bits | This CINR value specifies the add threshold to trigger reporting. The CINR value shall be interpreted from -16 dB to 47.5dB in units of 0.5dB. |

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|--|------------------|---|
| <u>CINR_T_DEL [i]</u> | | |
| } | | |
| } | | |
| <u>If (selected triggered metrics[Bit2]==1){</u> | | |
| <u>TA_DIFF</u> | <u>8-32 bits</u> | <u>The access RS shall report the measurement result of a MS if the TA difference of the MS exceeds TA_DIFF threshold. The range and units of TA_DIFF threshold are the same as specifications of Tx timing offset adjustment (signed 32-bit).This value specifies the TA difference threshold for stations triggering the reporting</u> |
| } | | |
| } | | |
| } | | |
| If (b5 of Configuration_para_type == 1) { | | |
| R-amble_index | 8 bits | R-amble index |
| } | | |
| TLV Encoded Information | Variable | TLV specific |
| } | | |

6.3.2.3.79 MOB_RSSCN-REP message

[Change the first paragraph in subclause 6.3.2.3.79 as follows.]

RS in virtual RS group ~~VG~~ may use MOB_RSSCN-REP message to report the measurement results to MR-BS. The message shall be transmitted on the Basic Management CID of the RS.

[Change the text in Table 183t as indicated:]

Table 183t—MOB_RSSCN-REP message format

| Syntax | Size | Notes |
|--------------|--------|--|
| MS CINR mean | 8 bits | <Note: The range and encoded value of CINR is TBD> <u>MS CINR mean shall be interpreted as a single value from -16 dB to 47.5dB in units of 0.5dB.</u> |

6.3.2.3.80 MOB_RSSCN-RSP message

[Change the first paragraph in subclause 6.3.2.3.80 as follows.]

If the reporting Mode 1 is used, an MR-BS shall transmit MOB_RSSCN-RSP message to request all or part

of RSs in the same [virtual RS group](#)^{VG} for reporting their measurement results. This message shall be transmitted by multicast manner for all RSs in the same [virtual RS group](#)^{VG}.

[Change the text in Table 183u as indicated:]

Table 183u—MOB_RSSCN-RSP message format

| Syntax | Size | Notes |
|----------------|-------|--|
| RS_Report_Type | 1 bit | “0”: Part of RSs in the same virtual RS group ^{VG} shall report “1”: All RSs except for the access RS in the same virtual RS group ^{VG} shall report |

6.3.2.3.91 Virtual RS group handover response message

This message is used to notify handover result within a [virtual RS group](#)^{VG} to RS. This message is transmitted by MR-BS with using the RS’s basic CID.

Table xxx-VGHO-RSP message format

| <u>Syntax</u> | <u>Size</u> | <u>Notes</u> |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--|
| <u>VGHO-RSP format {</u> | | |
| <u>Management message type = xx</u> | <u>8 bits</u> | |
| <u>N MS</u> | <u>8 bits</u> | <u>Number of MSs needed to be update its data forwarding status</u> |
| <u>For (j=1; j<=N MS; j++) {</u> | | |
| <u>CID</u> | <u>16 bits</u> | <u>MS basic CID</u> |
| <u>Start_Frame</u> | <u>7 bits</u> | <u>The action time of status changes for this MS</u> |
| <u>Status_changes</u> | <u>1 bits</u> | <u>0b0=0: this RS does not forward data for this MS</u> <u>0b0=1: this RS forwards data for this MS</u> |
| <u>}</u> | | |
| <u>}</u> | | |

6.3.2.3.91 Virtual RS group handover acknowledge message

The VGHO-ACK message shall be transmitted to MR-BS in response to VGHO-RSP. The message format is shown in Table XX.

Table xxx-VGHO-ACK message format

| <u>Syntax</u> | <u>Size</u> | <u>Notes</u> |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| <u>VGHO-ACK format {</u> | | |
| <u>Management message type = xx</u> | <u>8 bits</u> | |

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|-----------------|---------------|--|
| <u>ACK type</u> | <u>1 bits</u> | <u>0b0-0: this RS receives correctly the VGHO RSP message</u> <u>0b0-1: this RS does not receive correctly the VGHO RSP message</u> |
| <u>1</u> | | |
| <u>1</u> | | |

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