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## **SZK Generation function**

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### **1. Introduction**

This contribution is to specify the SZK generation function and associated algorithm

Within the SRZ which is identified by the SRZ GSA generated by the MR-BS. Following the existing 802.16e PKMv2 principle, MR-BS shall be responsible for the generation of the SRZ. There are two solutions

#### **1.1 Centralized SZK Generation**

MR-BS randomly generated the 128bits of SZK and distributed to each RS when the RS sends the PKM request message during the authentication process. This SZK has unique value that can only be bound to the SRZ. SZK has the characteristics of:

- MR-BS is the only trusted Key distribution Center (KDC) responsible for generating the RGK
- A member join/leave will trigger the updates/refresh of the RGK
- RGK should be re-keyed periodically
- A group member must not have knowledge of keys before it joins the group or after it leaves the group

#### **1.2 EDH SZK Generation**

Compared to the centralized SZK generation, EDH SZK has the attributes of dynamic membership updates and stronger security assurance. In solution 1, because the SZK is centrally generated and distributed to each RS via the air transmission, a single point of attack or eavesdropping will compromise the group's security. Also in order to achieve the mobility in the relay network, a node has to re-key the secrets during the hand-off process, the group where the RS leaves has to update its group key as well. However we can not rely on the RS that is honest enough to inform the MR-BS to update the group key. Therefore, solution with EDH SZK Generation algorithm dictate the following benefits

- Support of dynamic add/delete of members
- Less reliance on the security of the key distribution channel
- Support dynamic re-keying
- Reduce the need to re-key while the intra-roaming
- Diffie-Hellman algorithm provides the assurance of the security
- Against the passive attack
- Against the active attack

### 1.2.1 EDH SZK Algorithm

The notions for the EDH SZK algorithm are as:

- $RS_i$  : denotes the  $i$  RS
- $p$  : A large prime
- $q$  : A prime with  $q|p-1$
- $g$  : A generator of  $G$
- $m$ : the size of the Secure Relay Group
- $r$  : Random integer, chosen by  $RS_i$
- $K_i : g^{r_i} \text{ mod } p$

The process for generating a SZK is :

- Based on Diffie-hellman protocol
- Each RS sends a random number  $r_j$  to MR-BS who is the centralized KDC
- MR-BS generates its own random number  $R$
- The  $SZK = g^{(r_1, r_2, r_3, \dots, r_m)R}$
- MR-BS sends back  $g^{(r_1, r_2, r_3, \dots, r_m R)r_j^{-1}}$  to  $RS_i$

Figure 1 illustrates the key generation process

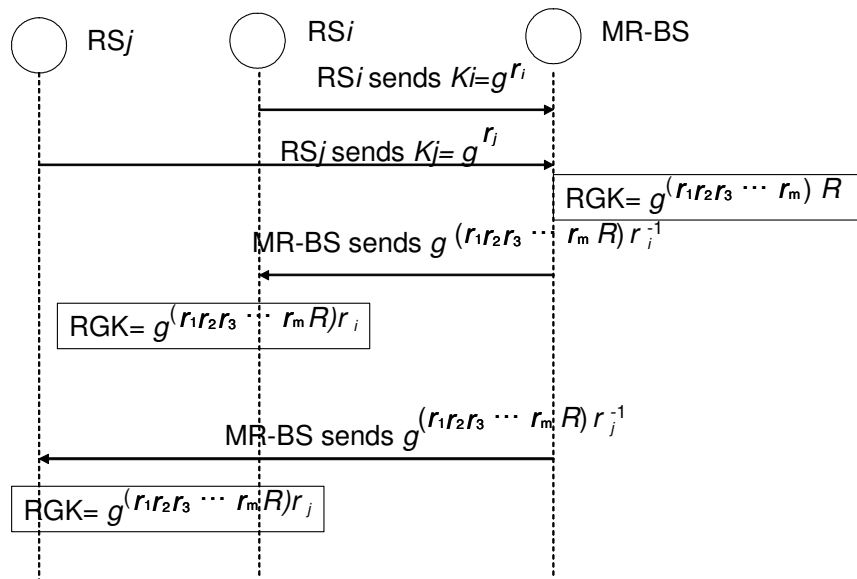


Figure 1 SZK Generation

### 3. Proposed text change

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