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- This document provides support for the non-transparent relay frame structure proposal in the Huawei contribution C80216j-06_163
- Contents
  - Overview of motivation for Huawei’s non-transparent relay frame proposal
  - Review of the 802.16e TDD frame structure
  - RS topology and frame considerations
  - Illustration and description of the proposed frame structure
  - RS transmission/reception illustration
Motivation for Huawei frame proposal

- Unlike the BS and MSs, an RS may transmit (and receive) in both the uplink and downlink directions
  - From this view, downlink and uplink distinctions are not meaningful from an RS perspective
  - The important distinction is the state of the transceiver; whether it is transmitting (egress) or receiving (ingress)
  - The RS should have the capability to transmit in either direction within one frame as well as the capability to receive in either direction within one frame
  - This allows more flexibility for data to be transmitted at the best time

- RS transmission resources
  - Unlike MSs, non-transparent RSs have the capability to schedule data
  - Unlike the BS, RSs can be point to multipoint in both directions
  - Transmission resource requirements for an RS will be more static than for an MS since they are an aggregate of many MSs resource requirements
  - RS transmission resource allocation can be changed at a slower rate than MSs

The following slides provide more details on these points
802.16e TDD frame structure

- **Frame header**
  - **DL Subframe (BS egress)**
  - **UL Subframe (BS ingress)**

**Frame**

**Frame header**

- **BS egress**
  - **DL Subframe**
    - **FCH**
    - **DLMAP**
    - **DLMAP**
    - **ULMAP**
    - **DL burst #1**
    - **DL burst #2**
    - **DL burst #3**
  - **UL Subframe**
    - **UL burst #1**
    - **UL burst #2**
    - **UL burst #3**

- **BS ingress**
  - **UL Subframe**
    - **Target MS**
    - **Burst location in subframe**
    - **Burst decoding information**

- **For downlink burst, DLMAP provides**
  - **Target MS**
  - **Burst location in subframe**
  - **Burst decoding information**

- **For uplink bursts, ULMAP provides**
  - **Target MS of burst**
  - **Location in subframe where MS can transmit**
  - **Burst encoding information**
RS topology and frame considerations

- RSs are interim nodes between BS and MS
- Since RS schedules data and transmits and receives in both the uplink and downlink directions, uplink and downlink distinctions are not meaningful
- With regard to the frame structure, the important distinction is the state of the transceiver; whether it is transmitting (egress) or receiving (ingress)
RS topology and frame considerations

Example from RS2 view
Example with RS1 and RS2 views together-Relay zone only

- RS transmits to multiple adjacent RSs
- RS receives from multiple adjacent RSs
- RS1 and RS2’s transceiver states must be opposite
- Alternating RSs transceiver states must be opposite

Resource allocation
- An RS transmits to RSs in a point to multipoint fashion
- A transmitting RS uses R-MAP to identify bursts similar to DLMAP
- Each RS is allocated its own resource block for transmission (self-managed resource)
  - An R-FCH points to the location of the resource block for a transmitting RS
  - A receiving RS knows the location of the R-FCH for each adjacent RS
  - If a frame contains an R-FCH for an adjacent RS, a receiving RS checks R-MAP
- RS self-managed resource may be changed using MAC management messages
• RSs only transmit in their allocated resource block
• RS1 checks if R-FCH for MR-BS, RS2, RS3, RS8 are present
• RS1 locates R-MAPs using R-FCHs that are present
• RS1 checks R-MAPs for bursts referencing its address
• Resources for MR-BS, RS2, RS3, RS8 do not overlap resources for RS7 to avoid interference
RS transmission/reception example-RS1 transmitting

- RS1 transmits bursts to MR-BS, RS2, RS3, RS8
- RS1 uses its R-FCH to point to its allocated transmission resource
- RS1 uses its R-MAP to identify the RSs that have data included
- Resources for RS4, RS5, RS6, RS9 do not overlap resources for RS1 to avoid interference