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. Propose the path reselection procedures for RSs in IEEE 802.16j specification

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Path Selection & Path Re-selection for RSs

According to [1], a mechanism shall be defined to select, set up and maintain one or more multi-hop paths.

□ Path selection for RSs

- ❖ When a RS first comes to attach to the MR network, path selection is applied to find the most suitable access station.
- ❖ Path selection can be performed during the RS initial network entry.

□ Path re-selection for RSs

- ❖ When the network or an operating RS wants to improve the path and/or network performance, path re-selection can be applied to find the most suitable access station.
- ❖ Path re-selection could be separated from RS network (re-)entry.



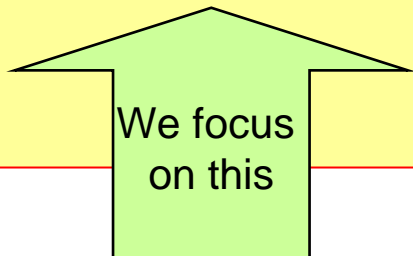
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RS-assisted network-controlled V.S. network-assisted RS-controlled

The methods for path selection and reselection for RSs can be divided into two categories:

❑ RS-assisted network-controlled method [2,4,7,8]

- ❖ RS makes measurements of the MR-BS and/or other RSs and then reports them to the network.
- ❖ Network (MR-BS) makes decision.



❑ Network-assisted RS-controlled method [3,6]

- ❖ Network broadcasts information regarding relay paths to RS.
- ❖ RS makes decision after evaluating the information.
- ❖ Periodic broadcast of path information is needed to support path selection and reselection anytime and this is not efficient.

Proposal

- ❑ **Both path selection and re-selection are needed for RSs in the MR network.**
 - ❖ We propose to add “6.3.25.1 path selection for RSs ” and “6.3.25.2 path re-selection for RSs” in Section 6.3.25 “relay path management and routing”.

- ❑ **The procedures of path selection for RSs may refer to Section 6.3.9.16 “support for network entry and initialization in relay mode”.**

- ❑ **The procedure of path re-selection for RSs is proposed to consist of three steps:**
 - ❖ MR-BS and/or RSs measurements and reporting.
 - ❖ Decision of path reselection and notification.
 - ❖ RS network re-entry.

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