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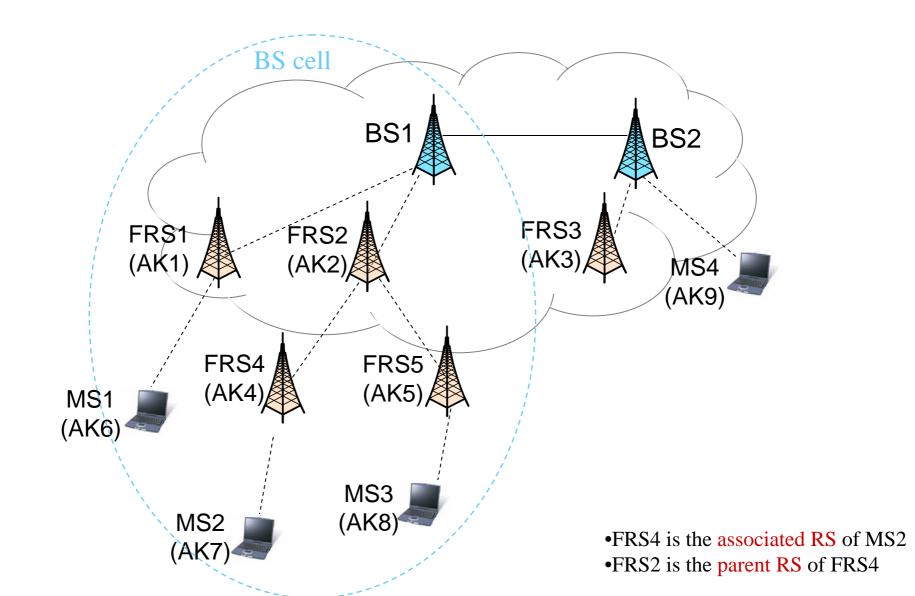
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Network Architecture



Assumptions

- BS knows location of FRSs and the infrastructure topology
- For MS, FRS acts as BS
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- Within a BS cell, all CIDs are assigned and managed by BS
 - The CIDs include basic CID, primary CID, secondary CID, and transport CID
- FRS does not assign CIDs to MS

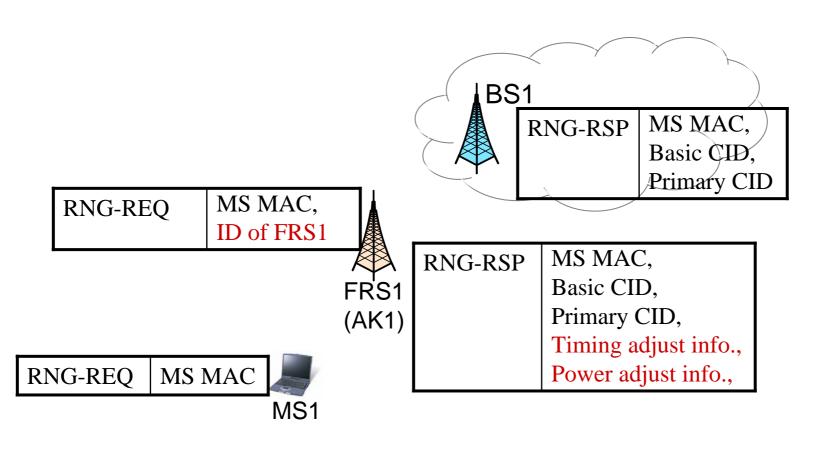
Information Requirement for Mobility Management

Info. of MS Nodes	MAC Address of MS	CIDs assigned to MS	Associated RS	IP address
BS				
Parent RS				
Associated RS				

Principles of the Concept for Mobility Management

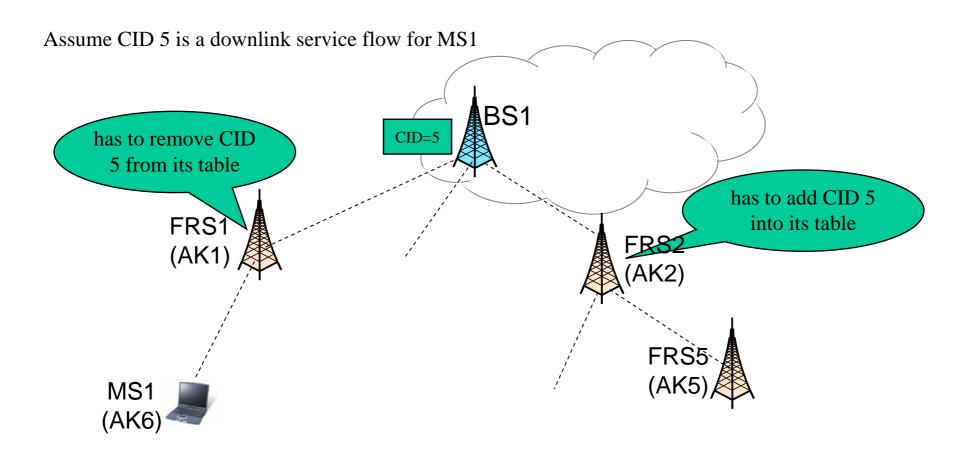
- BS has to record the associated RS of an MSS
 - A newly defined TLV in RNG-REQ needs to be appended to carry the information of the associated RS when it relays the message toward the BS
- The RSs along the branch from BS to MSS have to record the MAC address and the CIDs of MSSs, so that they can relay MSS' messages
- Intra-BS HO, the CIDs of the MSS have not to be updated
 - The RSs along the old branch have to delete the CIDs of the MSS
 - The RSs along the new branch have to obtain and record the MAC address and CIDs of the MSS
- Inter-BS HO, the CIDs of the MSS have to be updated
 - The RSs along the branch in old BS cell have to delete the CIDs of the MSS
 - The RSs along the branch in new BS cell have to obtain and record the MAC address and new CIDs
- RS does not involve the security procedures
 - AK, TEK are still assigned and managed by BS within a BS cell

Example for Ranging Process



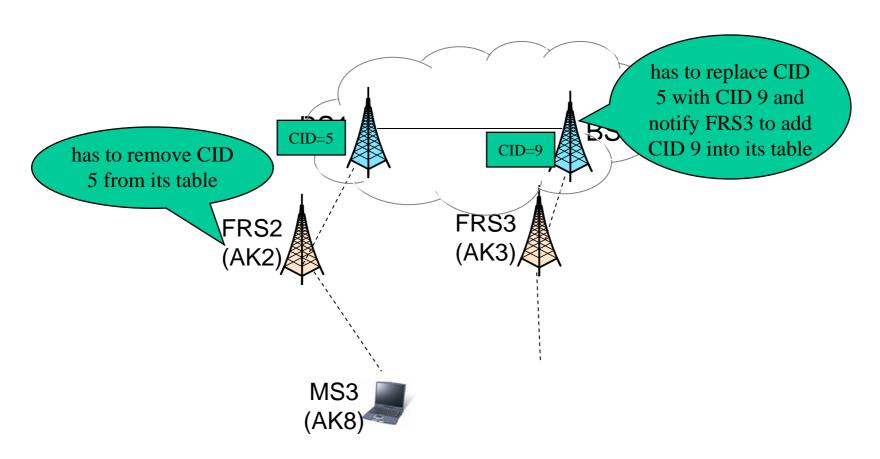
- Conclusion 1: a newly defined TLV should be appended in RNG-REQ msg.
- Conclusion 2: BS1 assigns Basic CID and Primary CID to MS in RNG-RSP msg
- Conclusion 3: FRS1 sends Timing and Power adjust information to MS1

Example for Intra-BS Handoff



- Conclusion 1: The value of CID has not to be changed within a BS cell when HO occurs
- Conclusion 2: a new MAC management message should be defined to trigger FRS 1 to remove CID 5 from its table (temporarily named RLY_DEL)
- Conclusion 3: a new MAC management message should be defined to trigger FRS 2 to add CID 5 into its table (temporarily named RLY_ADD)

Example for Inter-BS Handoff



- Conclusion 1: The value of CID has to be changed when inter-BS HO occurs
- Conclusion 2: RLY_DEL could be reused to trigger FRS 2 to remove CID 5 from its table
- Conclusion 3: RLY_ADD could be reused to trigger FRS 3 to add CID 9 into its table

Other Issues and Conclusions

- Should FRS send MOB_NBR-ADV to broadcast neighboring RS and BS?
- A new TLV should be defined to be in RNG-REQ message
- A new message, RLY_DEL, should be defined to remove leaving CIDs in FRS
- A new message, RLY_ADD, should be defined to add coming CIDs in FRS