

Power consumption of 10 million 5G base stations





Overview

Do 5G base stations consume a lot of energy?

The energy consumption of the fifth generation (5G) of mobile networks is one of the major concerns of the telecom industry. However, there is not currently an accurate and tractable approach to evaluate 5G base stations' (BSs') power consumption.

How much power does a 5G station use?

The power consumption of a single 5G station is 2.5 to 3.5 times higher than that of a single 4G station. The main factor behind this increase in 5G power consumption is the high power usage of the active antenna unit (AAU). Under a full workload, a single station uses nearly 3700W.

Is 5G more energy efficient than 4G?

Although the absolute value of the power consumption of 5G base stations is increasing, their energy efficiency ratio is much lower than that of 4G stations. In other words, with the same power consumption, the network capacity of 5G will be as dozens of times larger than 4G, so the power consumption per bit is sharply reduced.

Do base stations dominate the energy consumption of the radio access network?

Furthermore, the base stations dominate the energy consumption of the radio access network. Therefore, it is reasonable to focus on the power consumption of the base stations first, while other aspects such as virtualization of compute in the 5G core or the energy consumption of user equipment should be considered at a later stage.

Should power consumption models be used in 5G networks?

This restricts the potential use of the power models, as their validity and accuracy remain unclear. Future work includes the further development of the



power consumption models to form a unified evaluation framework that enables the quantification and optimization of energy consumption and energy efficiency of 5G networks.

How can we improve the energy efficiency of 5G networks?

To improve the energy efficiency of 5G networks, it is imperative to develop sophisticated models that accurately reflect the influence of base station (BS) attributes and operational conditions on energy usage.



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What is 5G Energy Consumption?

The 5G network is a dynamic system that consumes energy continually and responds to spikes in network activity. Over 70% of this energy is consumed by RAN antennas, radio units, and ...

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How Much Power Does 5G Base Station Consume?

Have you ever wondered how much energy our hyper-connected world is consuming? 5G base stations, the backbone of next-gen connectivity, now draw 3-4 times more power than their 4G ...

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What is the Power Consumption of a 5G Base Station?

These 5G base stations consume about three times the power of the 4G stations. The main reason for this spike in power consumption is the addition of massive MIMO and ...

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Modeling and aggregated control of large-scale 5G base stations ...

The limited penetration capability of millimeter waves necessitates the deployment of significantly more 5G base stations (the next generation Node B, gNB) than their 4G ...

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Base station resources are generally unused 75 - 90% of the time, even in highly loaded networks. 5G can make better use of power-saving techniques in the base station part, ...

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Base station power control strategy in ultra-dense networks via ...

Kalita et al. [10] modeled the hibernation process of a 5G base station in four different modes, including two hibernation states, a shutdown state, and a setup state, and ...

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Why does 5g base station consume so much power and how to ...

Why does the base station consume electricity? The following presents the results of professional frontline testing, with the power consumption of Huawei and ZTE 5G base ...

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Front Line Data Study about 5G Power Consumption

The two figures above show the actual power consumption test results of 5G base stations from different manufacturers, ZTE and HUAWEI, in Guangzhou and Shenzhen, by an anonymous ...

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However, there is still a need to understand the power consumption behavior of state-of-the-art base station architectures, such as multi-carrier active antenna units (AAUs), as ...

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5G Base Stations: The Energy Consumption Challenge

Although the energy consumption of 5G base stations is higher than any previous generations, technology and strategy innovations mentioned above would help MNOs stabilize or even ...

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