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Overview

Can 3GPP reduce base station energy consumption in 5G NR BS?

Aiming at minimizing the base station (BS) energy consumption under low and medium load scenarios, the 3GPP recently completed a Release 18 study on energy saving techniques for 5G NR BSs . A broad range of techniques was evaluated in terms of the obtained network energy saving (NES) gain and their impact to the user-perceived throughput (UPT).

What is the energy consumption of a 5G network?

The energy consumption of 5G networks is one of the pressing concerns in green communications. Recent research is focused towards energy saving techniques of base stations (BSs). BSs are one of the most power consuming elements of a 5G network. It is important to model their energy consumption for analyzing overall energy efficiency of a network.

How does mobile data traffic affect the energy consumption of 5G base stations?

The explosive growth of mobile data traffic has resulted in a significant increase in the energy consumption of 5G base stations (BSs).

Will MIMO increase the energy consumption of 5G base stations?

As a result, there are many more hardware components per base station. Björnson believes this will probably increase the total energy consumption of 5G base stations compared to 4G. But as massive MIMO technology develops, its energy efficiency may also improve over time.



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