

How do base stations affect mobile cellular network power consumption?

Base stations represent the main contributor to the energy consumption of a mobile cellular network. Since traffic load in mobile networks significantly varies during a working or weekend day, it is important to quantify the influence of these variations on the base station power consumption.

What is a base station power consumption model?

In recent years, many models for base station power consumption have been proposed in the literature. The work in [1] proposed a widely used power consumption model, which explicitly shows the linear relationship between the power transmitted by the BS and its consumed power.

What is the largest energy consumer in a base station?

The largest energy consumer in the BS is the power amplifier, which has a share of around 65% of the total energy consumption. Of the other base station elements, significant energy consumers are: air conditioning (17.5%), digital signal processing (10%) and AC/DC conversion elements (7.5%).

Do small cell base stations consume more power?

Base line small cell base station In cellular networks, to meet the increasing demand of high-data-rate for wireless applications, small cell BSs provide a promising and feasible approach but that consumes more power. The base line of small cell BSs is shown in Fig. 1.

How much energy does a 5G base station consume?

Because it is estimated that in 5G, the base station's density is expected to exceed 40-50 BSs/ Km². The energy consumption of the 5G network is driving attention and many world-leading network operators have launched alerts about the increased power consumption of the 5G mobile infrastructure.

Is there a direct relationship between base station traffic load and power consumption?

The real data in terms of the power consumption and traffic load have been obtained from continuous measurements performed on a fully operated base station site. Measurements show the existence of a direct relationship between base station traffic load and power consumption.

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