

# How to power 5G small base stations



## Overview

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What are the components of a 5G base station?

Baseband Unit (BBU): Handles baseband signal processing. Remote Radio Unit (RRU): Converts signals to radio frequencies for transmission. Active Antenna Unit (AAU): Integrates RRU and antenna for 5G-era efficiency. 2. Power Supply System This acts as the “blood supply” of the base station, ensuring uninterrupted power. It includes::

Do small cell base stations have a power consumption problem?

Abstract: 5G networks with small cell base stations are attracting significant attention, and their power consumption is a matter of significant concern. As the increase of the expectation, concern for the power consumption problem arises. To solve the problem, we propose a new dynamic power management method.

What is a small cell in 5G?

Small cells are a new part of the 5G platform that increase network capacity and speed, while also having a lower deployment cost than macrocells. The compact size of a small cell requires that all components – especially power converters – provide high efficiency, better thermals and eventually the best power density possible.

Will 5G use micro-cells?

Therefore, in 5G networks, high-frequency resources will no longer use macro base stations, micro-cells become the mainstream, and the small base stations will be used as the basic unit for ultra-intensive networking, that is, small base stations dense deployment.

What is the coverage area of 5G high-frequency base stations?

The radius of coverage area of 5G high-frequency base stations will be less than one-tenth of that of 4G base stations, and the coverage area of 5G high-

frequency base stations will be less than one percent of that of 4G base stations. The deployment of macro base stations is difficult and the site resources are not easy to obtain.

How does a small cell base station affect a smartphone's battery life?

When a mobile device is close to a small-cell base station, the power needed to transmit the signal is much lower compared to the power needed to transmit a signal from a cell tower far away, thus extending smartphone battery life.

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