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**5g base stations consume 10
times more power**



Overview

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.

Are 5G base stations more powerful than 4G?

Higher base station density. The average density of 5G base stations is expected to be three times higher than that of 4G. By 2025, the worldwide 5G base station number is anticipated to be 65 million. Table 1 shows the power consumption of typical 4G and 5G macro base stations at 2.6 GHz, as measured by China Mobile in 2019.

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.

Is 5G the world's top-level base station?

Look at this test data, this is already the world's top-level base station, produced by the world's top suppliers, using the most advanced chips from Japan and the United States. 5G base stations consume several times more power than 4G base stations.

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.

Why are 5G base stations being powered off every day?

Selected 5G base stations in China are being powered off every day from 21:00 to next day 9:00 to reduce energy consumption and lower electricity bills. 5G base stations are truly large consumers of energy such that electricity bills have become one of the biggest costs for 5G network operators.

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Power Consumption: 5G Basestations Are Hungry, Hungry ...

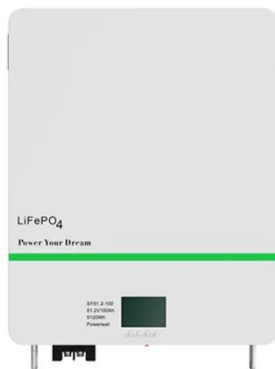
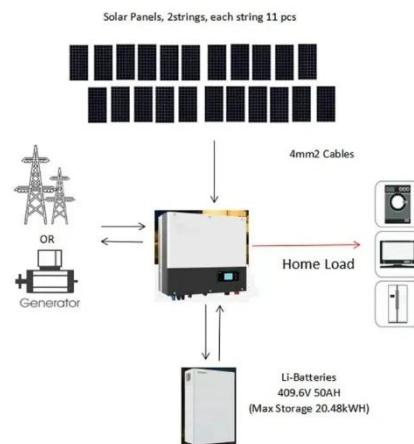
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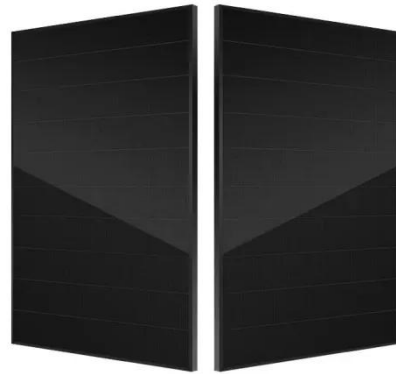
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