

SolarInnovate Energy Solutions

Electricity cost of a single 5G base station 300 meters



Overview

China Tower is a world-leading tower provider that builds, maintains, and operates site support infrastructure such as telecommunication towers, high-speed rail, subway systems, and large indoor distributed systems. As of June 2019, China Tower boasted a combined 1.954 million sites.

In Hangzhou, the 5G Power solution deployed by China Tower and Huawei supports one cabinet for one site and boasts smart features like intelligent peak shaving, intelligent voltage boosting, and intelligent energy storage.

China Tower and Huawei conducted joint pilot verification in 2018 and found that the 5G Power solution could support effective 5G site deployment without changing the grid, power distribution or cabinets. This in turn could cut retrofitting costs for a single site by more than.

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.

Does 5G BS use a lot of power?

A substantial quantity of power is used by 5G BS. Radio transmitters and processors are a couple of base station components whose power consumption can be optimized with the use of PSO. PSO can assist in lowering the consumption of energy while preserving network performance by modifying parameters like transmission power and duty cycles.

Can photovoltaic energy storage system reduce 5G energy consumption?

It also provides a way to solve the problem of 5G energy consumption. This paper puts forward a scheme to install photovoltaic energy storage system for 5G base station to reduce the power supply cost of the base station, compares it with the energy consumption cost of 5G base station in different situations, and analyzes the economy of the scheme.

How to optimize a base station's energy consumption?

The base station's average energy consumption during a certain time period has been estimated. A range of optimization approaches, namely PSO, ABC, and GA, have been employed to obtain the best possible (optimal) cost for the system.

How much power does a base station have?

At present, the typical power and peak power of a base station are about 6 kW and 9 kW, respectively, and they will increase to 14 kW and 19 kW with the application of the millimetre wave and 5G new technologies in the existing frequency band (Huawei, 2020).

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