

5G impact to mobile network energy consumption and GHG emissions

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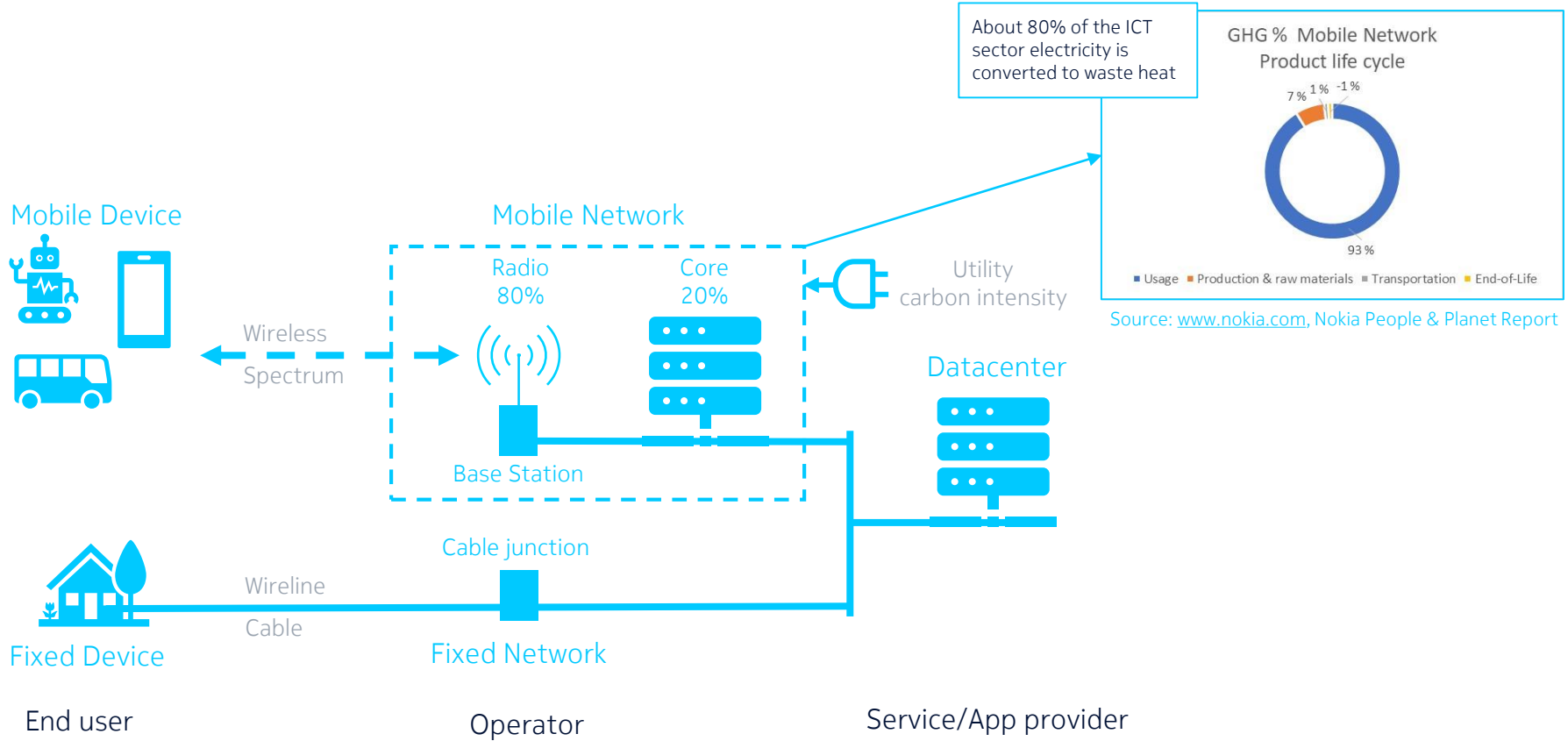
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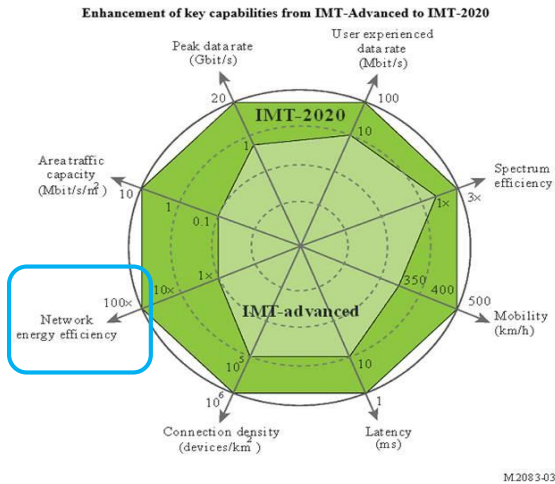


Mobile Network product life cycle GHG emissions



5G design target by International Telecom Union – Radio sector (ITU-R)

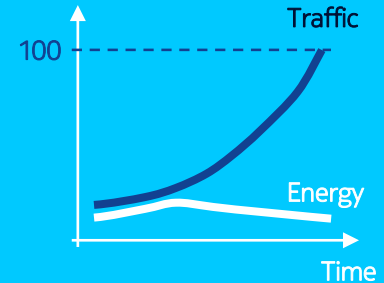
ITU-R targets 100x energy efficiency



100x energy efficiency

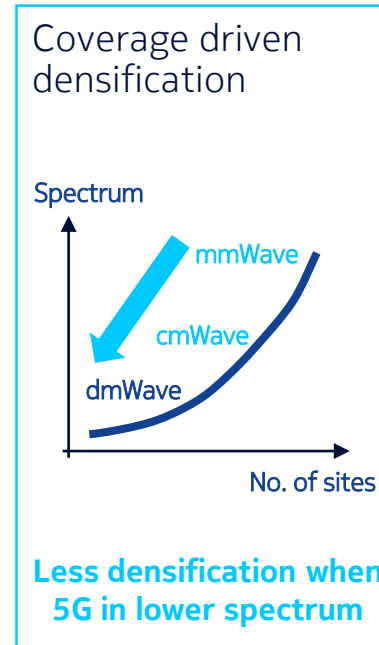
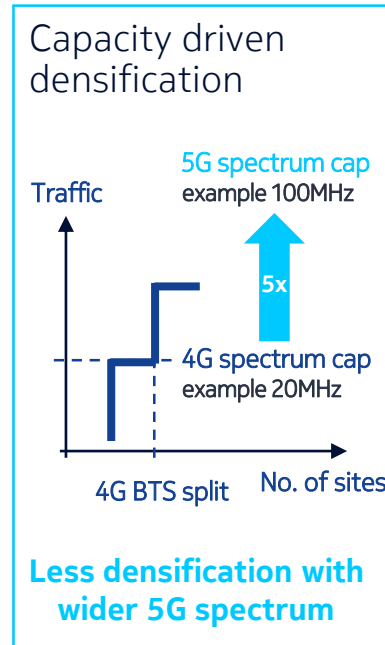
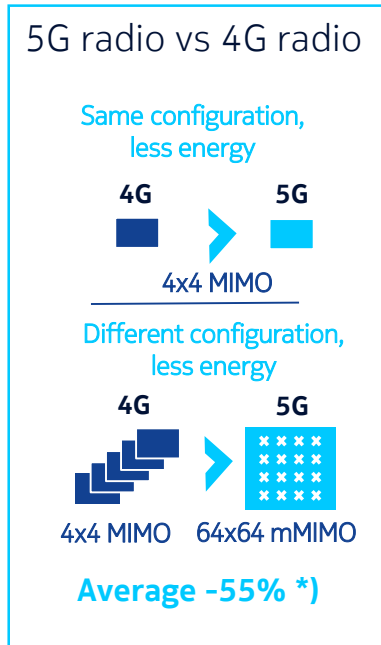
100x Capacity [Gbps]
Same radio energy [Watt]

5G is the only way to decouple energy increase from traffic increase



Source: <https://www.itu.int/rec/R-REC-M.2083-0-201509-1/en>

Radio configurations and spectrum impact to emissions



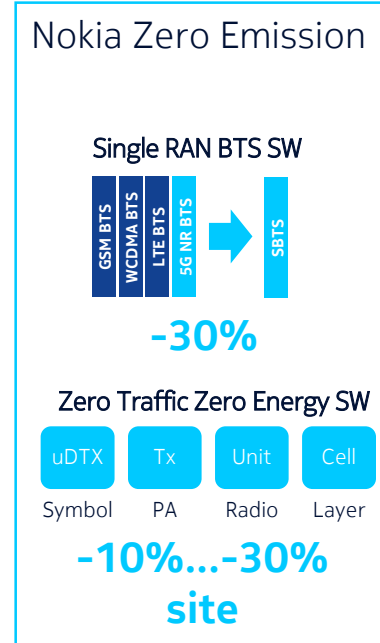
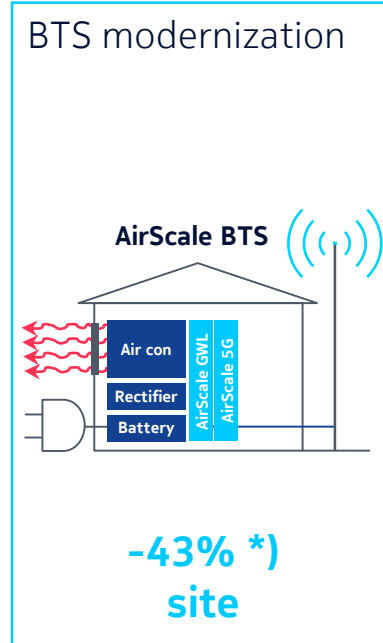
5G radios consume less energy as 4G radios

The more spectrum available for 5G the less densification

The less BTS sites, the lower GHG emissions

* Source: [Nokia 5G Energy Efficiency White paper](#)

5G is incremental, increases BTS site energy consumption

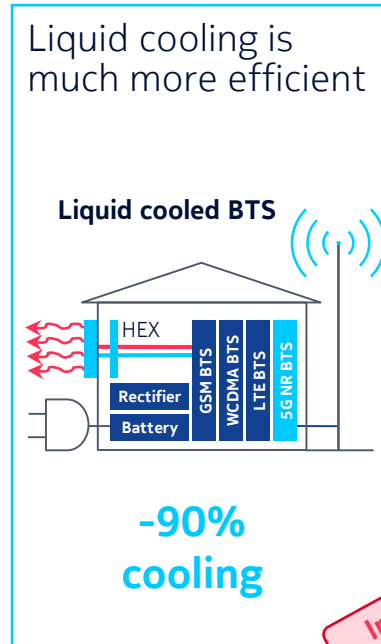
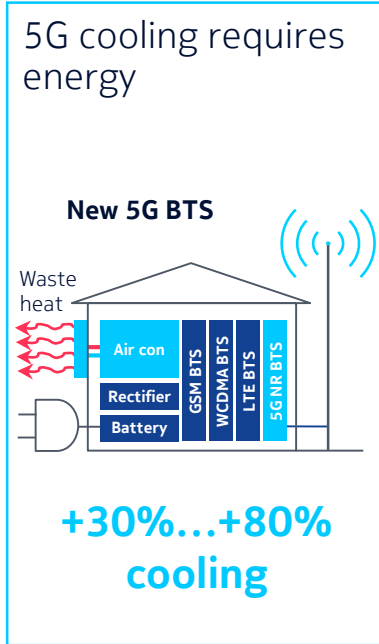


5G can be compensated by BTS HW and SW modernization

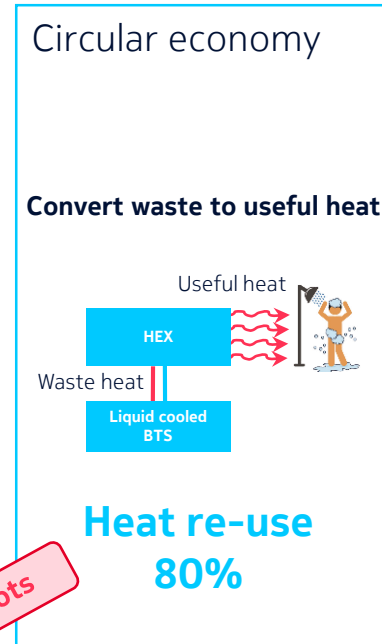
Case Vodafone NZ
5G and modernization total energy -10%

* Source: www.nokia.com, People & Planet Report

5G is incremental, increases cooling energy consumption



In pilots



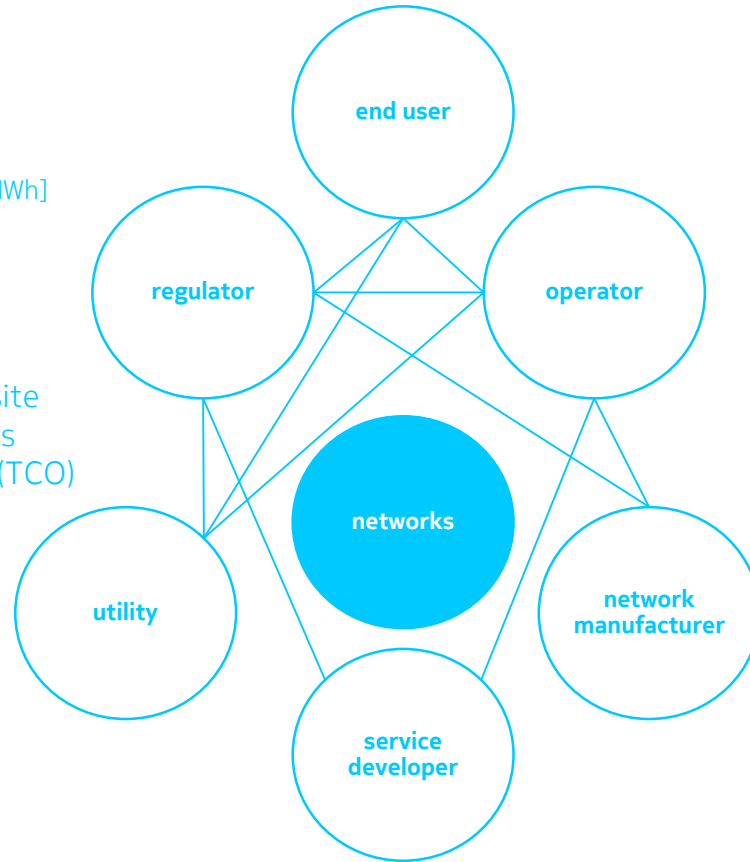
Liquid cooling can reduce needed cooling energy by 90%, and reduce site CO2 emissions by 80%

Source: Nokia World's First Liquid cooled BTS

Radio network carbon economy

Emissions = Energy [MWh] * f_{CO_2} [tonnes/MWh]

- Radio spectrum availability
- Energy efficient HW+SW design
- Modern equipment in field
- Waste heat - cooling and re-use
- Green electricity – production at BTS site
- CO₂ awareness, regulation & incentives
- Positive CO₂ Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)



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Targets set June 2017

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Target
Classification

Well-below
2C



23 September 2019

Nokia steps up commitments to limit global warming to 1.5°C

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