

# A Complete Guide to 5G

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**Abstract:** 5G stands for fifth generation wireless technology. It is the latest iteration of cellular technology that has three main features: greater speed, lower latency, and the ability to connect a lot more devices simultaneously. A commercial 5G wireless network is expected to be deployed by 2020. This paper provides a brief introduction to 5G wireless technology.

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## 1. Introduction

Wireless communication technology has developed and progressed fundamentally throughout the years through exploration and advancement. The opportunity has arrived when we can interface different wireless advancements, networks, and applications at the same time. This most recent technology is called 5G. The fifth generation wireless framework (or 5G for short) is presently the up and coming generation of wireless communication frameworks.

It is the following significant period of mobile telecommunications principles past the current 4G. 5G moves us past networks plan for mobile gadgets alone toward frameworks that associate various sorts of gadgets working at high speeds. The key highlights of 5G incorporate high throughput, improved range effectiveness, decreased inactivity, better portability uphold, furthermore, high connection thickness. It upholds intelligent mixed media, voice, video, Internet, and other broadband administrations. To help expanded throughput prerequisites of 5G, new range has been allocated to 5G in mm Wave groups. 5G will utilize Multiple Input Multiple Output (MIMO) to fundamentally expand network limit. The transition to 5G wireless communication standard is an activity in light of the development of the Internet of Things and the ascent popular for access to video and administrations over wireless broadband [2]. In spite of the fact that 5G isn't normal until 2020, an expanding number of organizations are contributing at this point also, are making 5G items. Advancement of the new mobile wireless standard is being driven by organizations, for example, Intel, Qualcomm, Nokia, Ericsson, BT, Verizon, AT & T, and Samsung.

## 2. Previous Generations

The world of telecommunication has witnessed drastic changes starting from 1G to 2.5G and from 3G to 5G. A new generation is named (often retroactively) when it denotes a significant forward leap in wireless mobile technologies. Previous generations like 3G were a breakthrough in communications. 1G was analog telecommunications standard introduced in the 1970s for voice communications with a data rate up to 2.4 kbps. It used FM and FDMA and a bandwidth of 30 kHz. The major problems with 1G are poor voice quality, poor battery quality, and large phone size. 2G was digital

standard, circuit switched technology introduced in 1980s. It used CDMA, GSM, and TDMA technologies. It could only transmit digital voice at 64 kbps, and not data such as email. Next comes 3G wireless systems, which used Code Division Multiple Access Technique (CDMA). It introduced high speed Internet access. It used technologies such as W-CDMA and HSPA (high speed packet access). It provided IP connectivity for real-time and non-real-time services. The development of 3G was mainly driven by demand for data services over the Internet. 4G works the same as 3G and may be regarded as the extension of 3G but with a faster Internet connection, more bandwidth, and a lower latency. 4G technologies, such as WiMAX and LTE (Long-Term Evolution), claim to be about five times faster than 3G services. It used technologies like Coded Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (COFDM), Multiple Input Multiple Output (MIMO) and link adaptation. There are some challenges that cannot be resolved by 4G; these include spectrum crisis and high energy consumption.

Research is currently on 5G, which will support IPv6. There have been drastic improvements from 1G, 2G, 3G, and 4G to 5G [3-5].



### 3. How does 5G works?

Most operators will initially integrate 5G networks with existing 4G networks to provide a continuous connection.

5G network architecture illustrating 5G and 4G working together, with central and local servers providing faster content to users and low latency applications.

A mobile network has two main components, the 'Radio Access Network' and the 'Core Network'.

The Radio Access Network-consists of various types of facilities including small cells, towers, masts and dedicated in-building and home systems that connect mobile users and wireless devices to the main core network.

Small cells will be a major feature of 5G networks particularly at the new millimetre wave (mmWave) frequencies where the connection range is very short. To provide a continuous connection, small cells will be distributed in clusters depending on where users require connection which will complement the macro network that provides wide-area coverage.

5G Macro Cells will use MIMO (multiple input, multiple output) antennas that have multiple elements or connections to send and receive more data simultaneously. The benefit to users is that more people can simultaneously connect to the network and maintain high throughput. Where MIMO antennas use very large numbers of antenna elements they are often referred to as 'massive MIMO', however, the physical size is similar to existing 3G and 4G base station antennas.



The Core Network-is the mobile exchange and data network that manages all of the mobile voice, data and internet connections. For 5G, the 'core network' is being redesigned to better integrate with the internet and cloud based services and also includes distributed servers across the network improving response times (reducing latency).

Many of the advanced features of 5G including network function virtualization and network slicing for different applications and services, will be managed in the core. The following illustration shows examples of local cloud servers providing faster content to users (movie streaming) and low latency applications for vehicle collision avoidance systems.

### 4. Key Technologies

The development of 5G will not be from scratch but will gradually build on 4G LTE. Major technologies enabling 5G include:

- D2D Communication: Direct connectivity is achieved through device-to-device (D2D) technology. 5G cellular network will implement D2D mm wave communication technology to provide high speed data rate, improve coverage, and offer peer-to-peer services. Much research effort has been invested of characterizing D2D connections as part of LTE [9].
- M2M Communication: While D3D communication targets mobile radios, machine-to-machine (M2M) expands the scope and facilitates ubiquitous connectivity among mobile devices. It is estimated that there will be over 100 billion connected devices using M2M communications in 5G backbone [10].
- MIMO: Multiple-input-multiple-output (MIMO) technology plays a crucial role in 4G and is expected to play an important function in 5G. Massive MIMO extracts the benefits of MIMO on a large scale by increasing the throughput and spectrum efficiency. Other enabling technologies of 5G include mm Wave communication, ultra-dense network (UDN), all-spectrum access (ASA), OFDM (orthogonal frequency division multiplexing), and Internet of things.

### 5. Potential applications of 5G

Some of the significant applications of 5G wireless technologies include:

- Virtual reality / augmented reality / tactile Internet
- Autonomous driving / connected cars
- Wireless cloud-based office / multiple-person videoconferencing Unified global standard for all
- Network availability anywhere anytime Blockchain
- 3D and ultra HD videos Smart grid
- Smart surgery and remote medical examination Mobile security

### 6. Benefits

The main advantages of the 5G are a greater speed in the transmissions, a lower latency and therefore greater capacity of remote execution, a greater number of connected devices and the possibility of implementing virtual networks (network slicing), providing more adjusted connectivity to concrete needs.

#### Greater speed in transmissions

Speed in transmissions can approach 15 or 20 Gbps. By being able to enjoy a higher speed we can access files, programs and remote applications in a totally direct and without waiting. By intensifying the use of the cloud, all devices (mobile phones, computers, etc.) will depend less on the internal memory and on the accumulation of data and it won't be necessary to install a large number of processors on some objects because computing can be

done on the Cloud.

For example, being able to activate software remotely as if it were executed in personal devices, will allow not having installed the mobile applications (APPs) in the terminal and executing them directly from the cloud. Just as it will no longer be necessary to store the information in the memory of the device (photos, videos, etc).

### **Lower latency**

Latency is the time that elapses since we give an order on our device until the action occurs. In 5G the latency will be ten times less than in 4G, being able to perform remote actions in real time.

Thanks to this low latency and the increase of the sensors, it is possible to control the machinery of an industrial plant, control logistics or remote transport, surgical operations in which the doctor can intervene a patient who is at another side of the world with the help of precision instrumentation managed remotely or the complete control of remote transport systems, automated and without driver. Greater number of connected devices With 5G the number of devices that can be connected to the network increases greatly, it will go to millionaire scale per square kilometre.

All connected devices will have access to instant connections to the internet, which in real time will exchange information with each other. This will favour the IOT.

It is anticipated that a common home will have a hundred connected devices sending and receiving information in real time. If we think of industrial plants we would speak of thousands of connected devices.

This greater number of connected devices will allow the smart cities and the autonomous car.

For example, by placing sensors in different points and objects in the city, a large part of it can be monitored. If you share the information of the sensors of the cars and those of the city, and these exchange data you can improve the quality of life of the cities, facilitate the navigation of the autonomous car (choose better routes, reduce the number of accidents, find available parking spaces, etc.)

### **Network Slicing**

The 5G also allows implementing virtual networks (network slicing), creating subnets, in order to provide connectivity more adjusted to specific needs.

The creation of sub networks will give specific characteristics to a part of the network, being a programmable network and will allow to prioritize connections, as could be the emergencies in front of other users, applying for example different latencies or prioritizing them in the connection to the network so that they can't be affected by possible overloads of the mobile network.

## **7. Challenges**

Of course, making that kind of powerful technology a reality comes with some challenges along the way. Here are five that will likely play a prominent role in the dawn of 5G:

### **Frequency bands**

Unlike 4G LTE that already operates on established frequency bands below 6GHz, 5G requires frequencies up to 300GHz. Some bands, better known as mm Waves, can carry far more capacity and deliver a 20-fold increase over LTE's fastest theoretical throughput.

Wireless carriers still need to bid for the higher spectrum bands, as they build and roll out their respective 5G networks. In the U. S., bidding in the 28GHz spectrum alone reached \$690 million (€615 million) by December 2018.

### **Deployment and Coverage**

Though 5G offers a significant increase in speed and bandwidth, its more limited range will require further infrastructure. Higher frequencies enable highly directional radio waves, meaning they can be targeted or aimed - a practice called beam forming.

The challenge is that

5G antennas, although able to handle more users and data, can only beam out over shorter distances.

This means that antennas and base stations will likely be smaller in the 5G era, but more of them would have to be installed on buildings or homes to compensate for their shorter range. Cities will need to install extra repeaters to spread out the waves and extend range, while also maintaining consistent speeds in more densely populated areas. For this reason, it is likely that carriers will continue to use lower-frequency bands to cover wider areas until the 5G network matures.

### **Costs to build and buy**

Building a network is expensive - carriers will raise the money to do it by increasing customer revenue. Much like LTE plans incurred a higher initial cost, 5G will probably follow a similar path. And it's not just building a layer on top of an existing network, it's laying the groundwork for something new altogether.

Total global spending on 5G is set to reach \$88 billion (€78.4 billion) by 2023, according to Heavy Reading's Mobile Operator 5G Capex. Once it becomes truly viable, certain device segments will be connected in entirely new ways, particularly vehicles, appliances, robots and city infrastructure.

### **Device Support**

There's plenty of buzz already generating around 5G-

enabled smartphones and other devices. However, their availability will hinge on how expensive they are for manufacturers to make, as well as how quickly the network rolls out. Some carriers in the U. S., South Korea and Japan have already launched 5G pilots in select cities, and manufacturers have confirmed compatible mobile devices are coming in 2019.

Similarly, autonomous vehicle technology is already in the market in limited forms but fully autonomous vehicles are still years away. They are waiting on 5G deployment, as they would be driving blind without the super-fast network to communicate with.

The concept behind the Internet of Things (IoT) is too predicated on a fast network that can tie devices and services together. That is one of the promises analysts have forecast for 5G's potential, but people will first want to see how much the additional speed will enrich their lives.

### Security and Privacy

Like any data-driven technology, 5G rollout will have to contend with both standard and sophisticated cyber security threats. Though 5G falls under the Authentication and Key Agreement (AKA), a system designed to establish trust between networks, it would currently be possible to track people nearby using their phones or even eavesdrop on live phone calls.

Much like it is now, the onus will be on the carriers and network consortiums to provide a digital safety net for customers.

With data speeds expected to be magnitudes faster than current levels, so too will connectivity increase. It will force cloud-based and data virtualisation services to be as airtight as possible to protect user data and privacy. In the same vein, their users will have to be more careful and vigilant, as stewards of their data.

The rollout of a technology as life-changing as 5G won't be an easy one, and challenges are already starting to come to light as we step in to this new era of connectivity. Even so, the benefits far outweigh the issues, as the rollout of 5G also signals the dawn of autonomous vehicles, next-level smart cities and homes, and more. By building out infrastructure, updating policy, and rethinking the role we play in privacy, we all can do our part to prepare for the 5G era.

### Impact on Economy

5G is driving worldwide development.

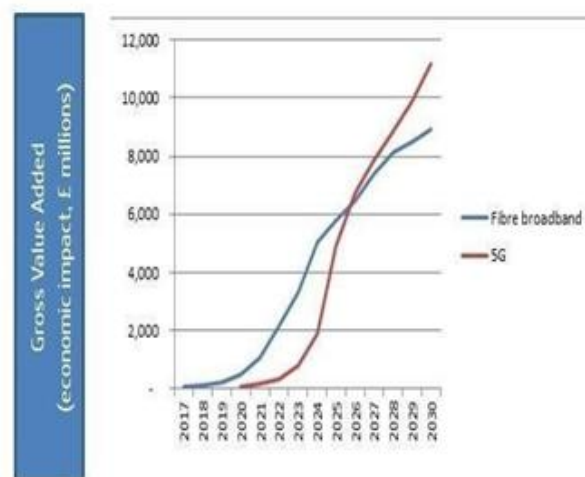
\$13.2 Trillion dollars of worldwide monetary yield

22.3 Million new openings made \$2.1 Trillion dollars in GDP development Through a milestone 5G Economy examination, we found that 5G's full financial impact will probably be acknowledged over the globe by 2030-supporting a wide scope of enterprises and possibly

empowering up to \$13.2 trillion worth of products and ventures.

This effect is a lot more prominent than past system ages. The improvements prerequisites of the new 5G organize are likewise growing past the conventional versatile systems administration players to businesses, for example, the car business.

The investigation likewise uncovered that the 5G esteem chain (counting OEMs, administrators, content makers, application engineers, and purchasers) could alone help up to 22.3 million occupations, or more than one employment for everyone in Beijing, China. What's more, there are many rising and new applications that will even now be characterized later. The truth will surface eventually what the full "5G impact" on the economy will be.



## 8 Conclusion

The 5G wireless technology is a multipurpose wireless network for mobile, fixed and enterprise wireless applications. It incorporates all type of advanced features that makes it powerful and in huge demand in near future. Many tests and trials need to be conducted before implementing 5G. 5G technology is still in development stage. It has a bright future and will be a revolution in the mobile market.

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