How do we plan for 5G NR network deployments coming in 2019?

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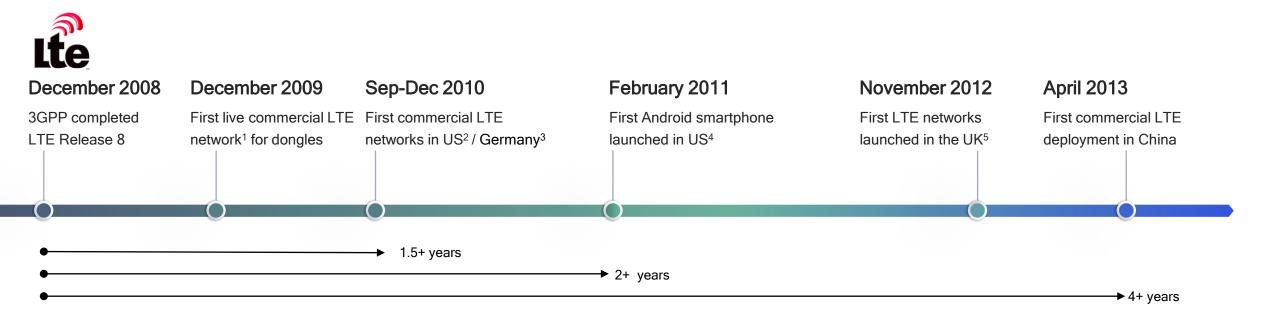
Questions?





Global ecosystem is accelerating 5G NR deployments

A comparison with the global 4G transition



1 By TeliaSonera in Sweden and Norway; 2 September 2010 by MetroPCS in two markets, December 2010 by Verizon in 38 markets; 3 Vodafone Germany in 2 markets; 4 Samsung Galaxy Indulge; 5 EE in 5 cities



5G NR NSA spec. completed in Dec'17

5G NR NSA launches (US) expected in Dec'18
5G NR smartphones supporting sub-6/mmWave expected in 1H'19

5G NR SA spec. completed in Jun'18



5G NR SA launches (China) expected to start in 2H'19

~1 year from standards to commercialization

Making 5G NR mmWave a commercial reality in 2019

















Interoperable global standards End-to-end system prototypes Network and system simulations Interoperability testing and field trials Qualcomm[®] Snapdragon™ X50 5G modem & QTM052 RFFE

Commercial 5G NR mmWave networks and products



World's first 5G NR milestones led by Qualcomm

November 2017

ZTE中兴

World's first interoperable 5G NR sub-6 GHz data connection



December 2017



World's first interoperable 5G NR mmWave data connection



February 2018



Successful multi-band 5G NR interoperability testing



MWC 2018



Interoperable 5G NR sub-6 GHz & mmWave connections with 5 vendors





June 2018



5G NR interoperability testing preparing for the Chinese mass market



2H-2018

Rel-15 5G NR trials based on Snapdragon X50 modem chipset and QTM052 antenna modules



Driving the 5G ecosystem towards 2019 launches in collaboration with 18+ global mobile network operators and 20+ device manufacturers

Multi-Gigabit over mmWave on working Snapdragon X50 silicon

5G NR Interoperability and **field trials** using form factor mobile test device

Providing Qualcomm Reference Design to accelerate commercial devices





Qualcommus snapdragon X50 5G modem



1H 2019



World's first 5G NR modems



5G NR standards compliant



Sub-6 + mmWave



Premium-tier smartphones in 2019

QTM052 5G mmWave antenna module

Rapid miniaturization of mmWave modules to bring 5G smartphones to the World in 2019

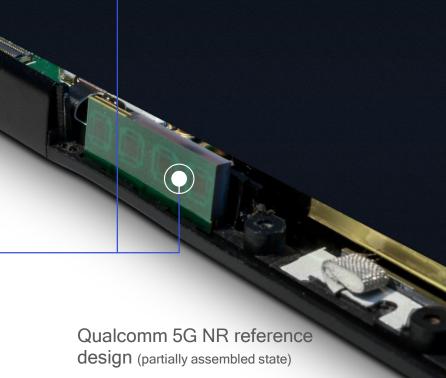


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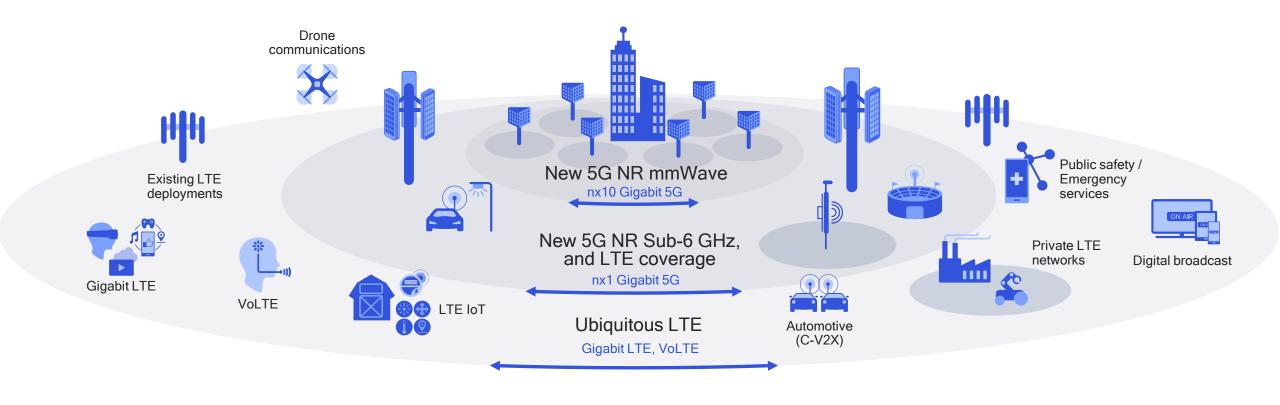




Deploying 5G NR for outdoor networks



Defining 5G NR coverage by co-siting with existing LTE

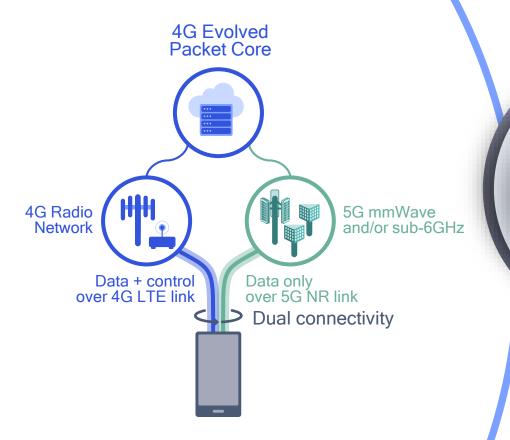


LTE provides ubiquitous coverage and essential services like VoLTE

Gigabit LTE is here now and delivers a virtually seamless 5G mobile experience

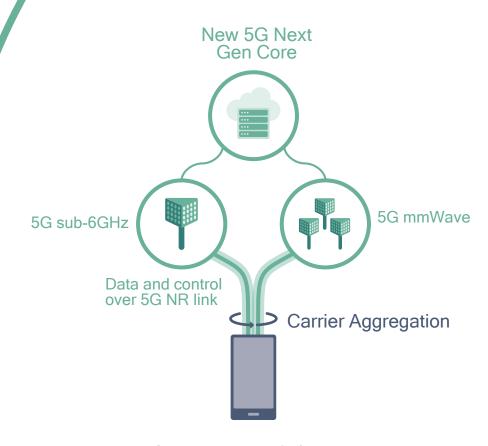
LTE IoT, private LTE, C-V2X are expanding to new industries today

Non-Standalone (NSA) stepping stone to new core



Fast-to-launch | VoLTE & CS voice

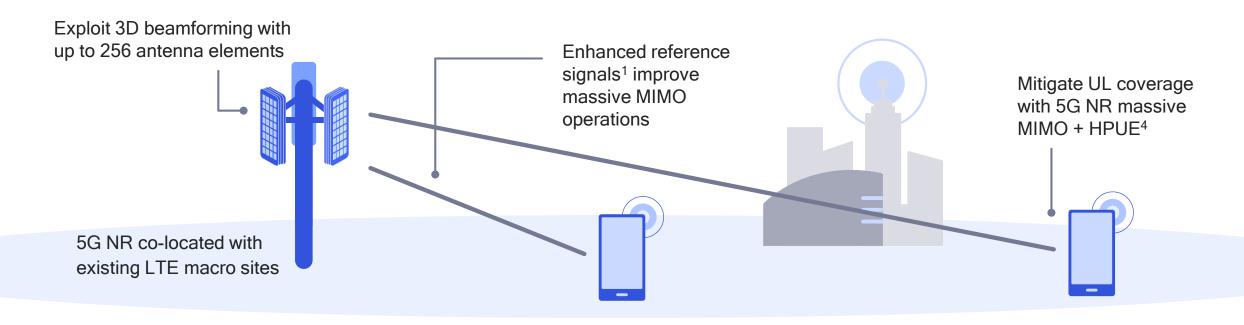
Standalone (SA) for new core benefits



NFV and SDN | VoNR & fallback to VoLTE

5G NR massive MIMO enables the use of higher mid-band

E.g., Co-siting 3.5 GHz with existing lower-band LTE infrastructure



Enabled through an advanced 5G NR end-to-end massive MIMO design (network and device)

Optimized design for TDD reciprocity procedures utilizing UL SRS²

Enhanced CSI-RS³ design and reporting mechanism

Advanced, high-spatial resolution codebook supporting up to 256 antennas

New features, such as CoMP⁵

Deployment of active antenna systems for 3.5 GHz

Active antenna system performance depends on:

of supported sync. & reference signals¹

Users distribution

Infrastructure implementation

Key considerations include:

of elements: more elements enable better beamforming but tradeoff with cost/weight

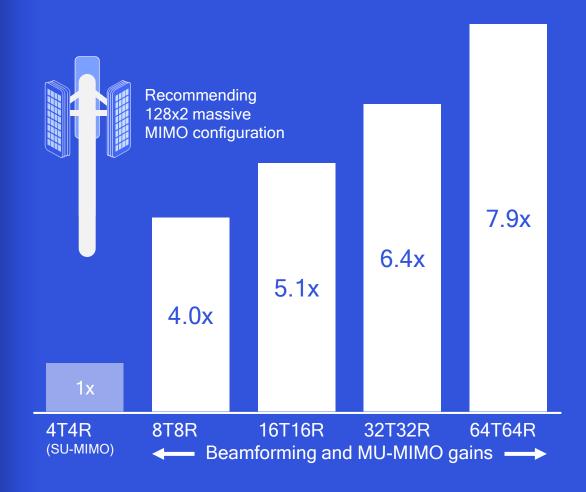
Square-shape: supporting horizontal & vertical traffic distribution

Inter-beam overlap impacts MU-MIMO

Recommendations:

Massive MIMO with 128x2 elements with configuration of $8(h) \times 16(v) \times 2(x-pol.)$ for urban, dense urban deployments

Massive MIMO delivers significant capacity gains



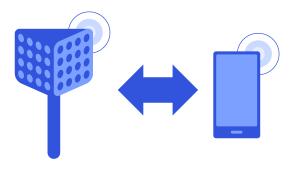
Collaborating with global operators to predict coverage

For 5G NR sub-6 GHz and mmWave



Defining geographic maps and site locations

Selecting dense urban areas of global cities that experience high mobile traffic



Establishing link budget and RF propagation model

Developing link budget for a target cell edge spectral efficiency

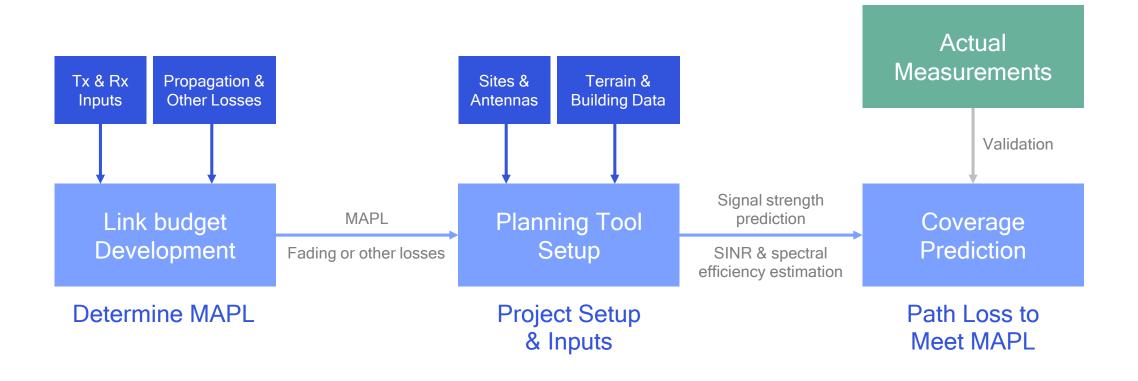


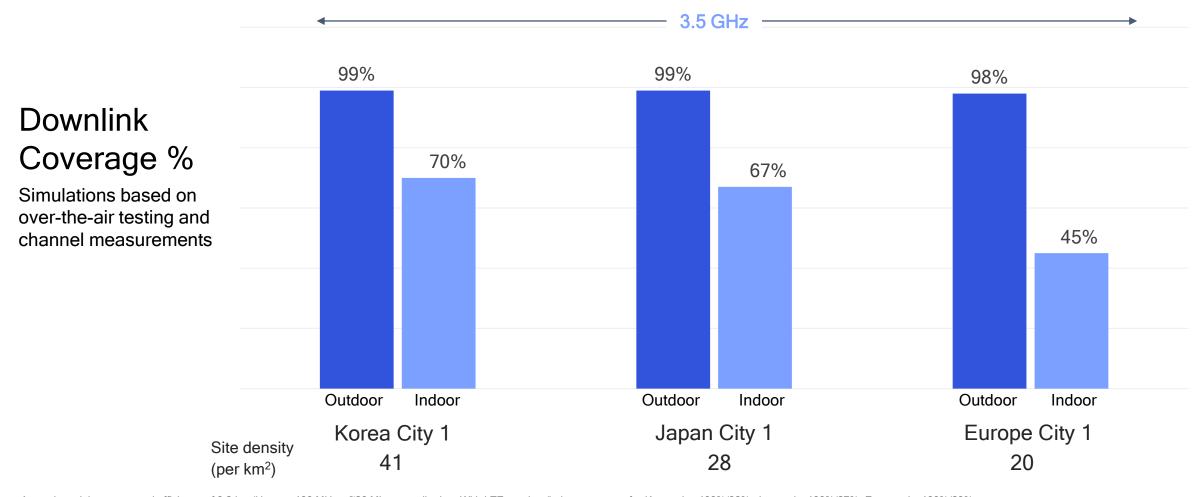
Predicting 5G NR coverage

Using a commercial planning tool to model 5G NR coverage and performance

5G NR coverage prediction methodology

Use of link budget & RF planning tool



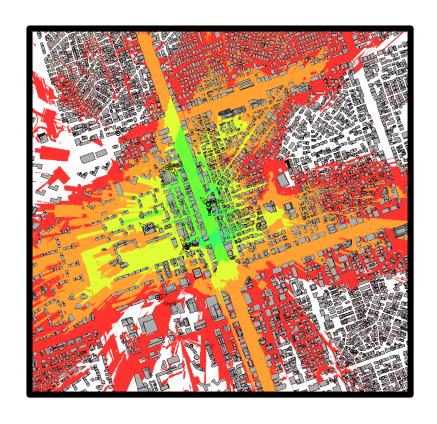


Assuming minimum spectral efficiency of 0.3 bps/Hz over 100 MHz = ~30 Mbps at cell edge; With LTE, outdoor/indoor coverage for Korea city :100%/96%, Japan city 100%/87%, Europe city 100%/80%

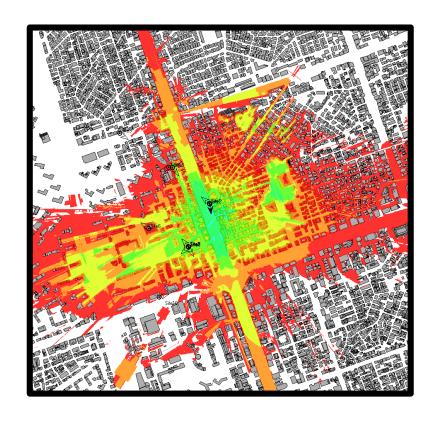
Significant 5G NR 3.5 GHz outdoor & indoor coverage Co-siting 5G NR with existing outdoor LTE cell sites – opportunity to density indoors

Model tuning needed to accurately predict coverage / SINR

Allows accurate beamforming and MU-MIMO estimations at 3.5 GHz







Default model without tuning

Mean error: -1.15 dB

Error sigma: 5.73 dB

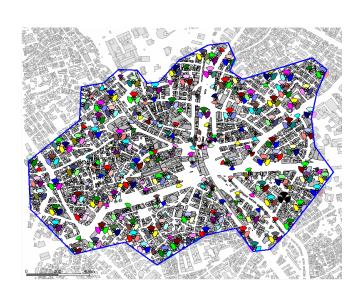
Tuned model for 3.5 GHz

Mean error: 0 dB

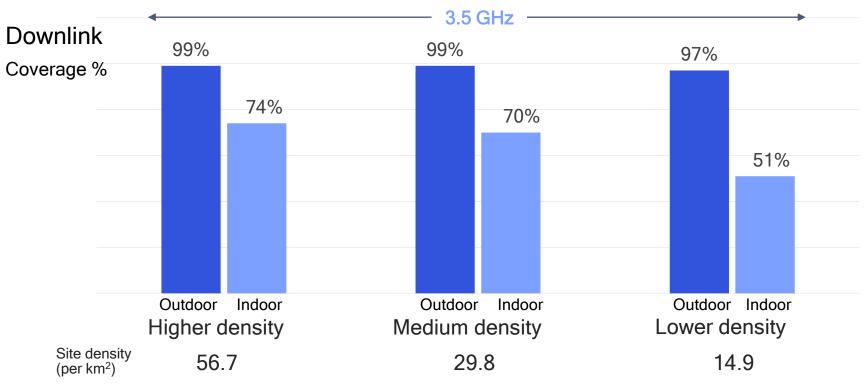
Error sigma: 3.34 dB

Impact of deploying sparse 5G NR in the 3.5 GHz band

Non-co-located LTE/NR may cause near-far effect requiring additional optimization



Analyzing a dense urban cluster with optimization of site azimuths as site density is reduced



Out-to-out coverage is minorly impacted with reduction in sites

Out-to-in coverage is more impacted – opportunity to densify indoors













New indoor opportunities – e.g., connected enterprises







5G NR mmWave will support new and enhanced mobile experiences

- Fiber-like data speeds
- Low latency for real-time interactivity
- Massive capacity for unlimited data
- · Lower cost per bit

A system approach to the mobile mmWave challenge













Cutting-edge R&D

Overcoming numerous challenges to make mmWave viable for mobile use cases



Prototyping while driving standards

Validating mobile 5G NR mmWave technologies, feedback loop to standards



Advanced network and system simulations

Accurately predicting mmWave coverage, capacity, performance using real network models



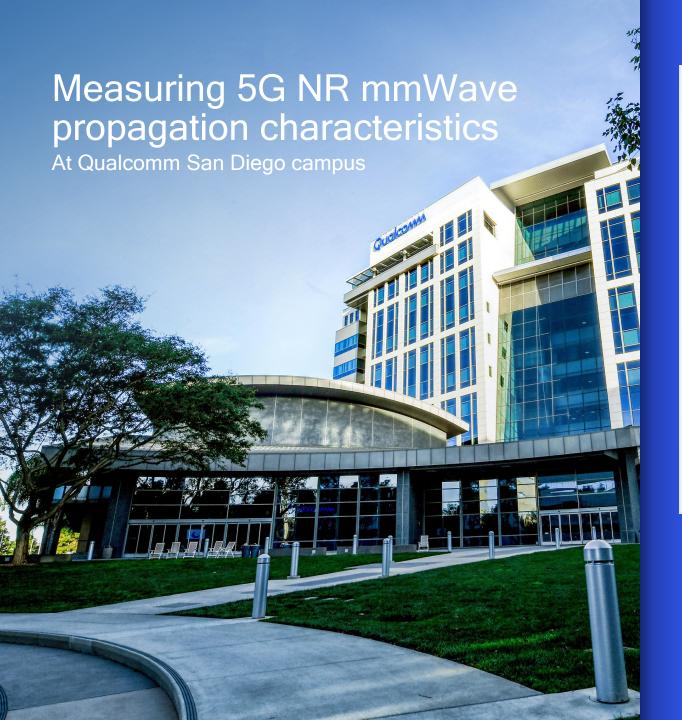
Broad interoperability testing and trials

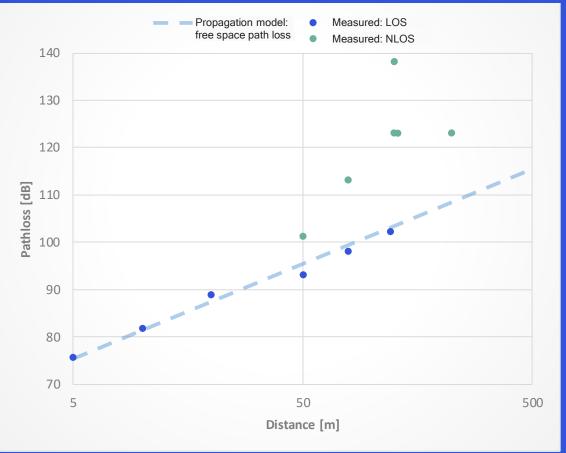
Fully leveraging prototype systems and our leading global network experience



Leading modem and RFFE solutions

Announced the Qualcomm[®] Snapdragon™ X50 5G modem family & QTM052 antenna module





For line-of-sight (LOS), measured pathloss closely follow propagation model

For non-line-of-sight (NLOS¹), measured pathloss shows variations → requiring accurate 3D maps

1. NLOS measurements are at locations experiencing varying obstructions (foliage, body) and reflection losses 21

Accurately predicting 5G NR mmWave coverage

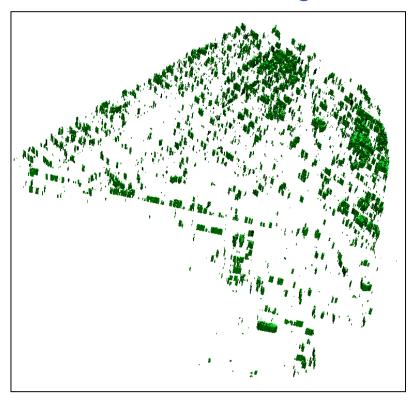
Map of existing LTE sites



3D model of buildings



3D model of foliage



Utilizing geographically accurate 3D models

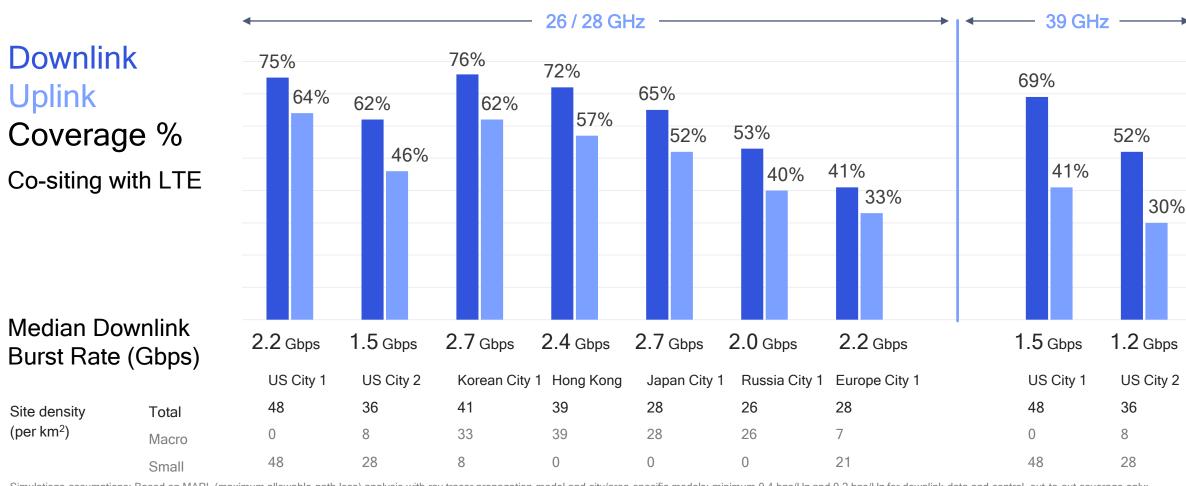
2m x 2m resolution with accurate and upto-date information on buildings/foliage

Co-siting with 4G LTE sites in service today

Macro/small cell sites are used, including exact antenna height/orientation

Establishing baseline with potential to improve

No additional sites used in simulations (e.g., outdoor Wi-Fi) that can further improve coverage

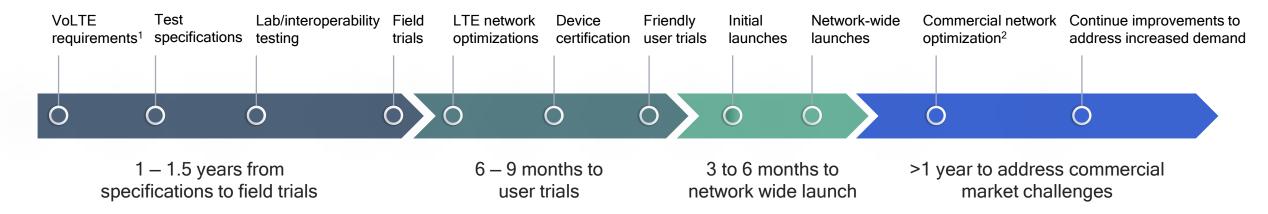


Simulations assumptions: Based on MAPL (maximum allowable path loss) analysis with ray tracer propagation model and city/area specific models; minimum 0.4 bps/Hz and 0.2 bps/Hz for downlink data and control, out-to-out coverage only; Using 800 MHz DL bandwidth and 100 MHz uplink bandwidth with 7:1 DL:UL TDD

Significant 5G NR mmWave outdoor coverage via co-siting Simulations based on over-the-air testing and channel measurements

VoLTE remains to be the 5G voice solution for many years

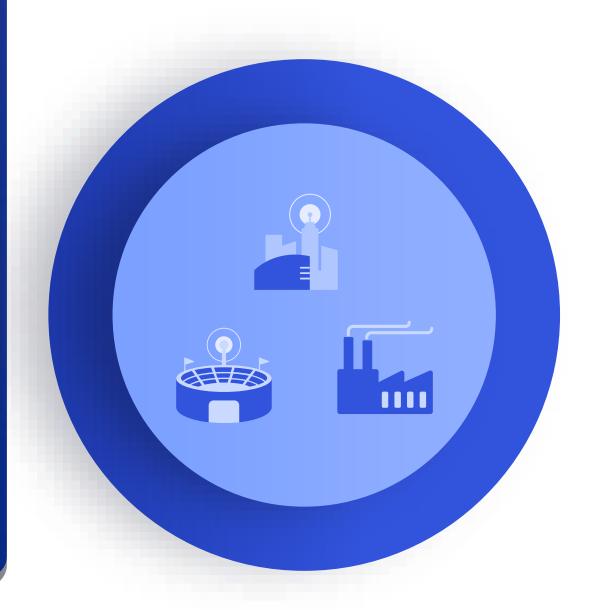
Example VoLTE adoption timeline in the US



1 Including device, RAN, and IMS; 2 Improving accessibility, retainability, voice quality;

Voice over 5G NR is expected to follow similar standardization to commercialization timeline as VoLTE

Supporting new mobile experiences with mmWave







Extending 5G NR mmWave to indoors for new and enhanced experiences

Complementing Wi-Fi deployments



Bringing multi-Gigabit, low-latency, and virtually unlimited capacity



Supporting devices beyond smartphones – tablets, always-connected laptops, XR



Leveraging existing infrastructure – Wi-Fi or cellular – by co-siting small cells













5G NR mmWave for dense venue deployments



Multi-Gigabit speeds with virtually unlimited capacity



Personalized experiences exclusively at the venue



New monetization opportunities during and after the event



Easy and secure access over carrier networks

5G NR mmWave is suitable for venue deployments

For example: using the 28 GHz band

- Better antenna directivity
- Higher spectral efficiency
- Superior beamforming

Excellent capacity solution

- No in-building penetration losses
- Rain & foliage attenuation is not a factor
- Signal decay likely not significant for short ranges

Typical mmWave coverage challenges not of major concern

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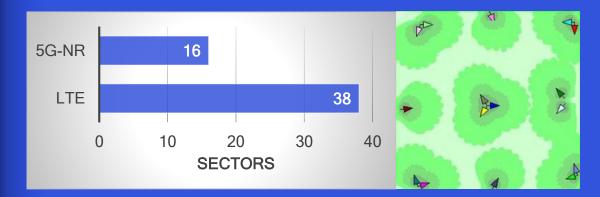
Predicting 5G NR mmWave coverage for

Music Concert Venue

based on actual venue layout and network model



Deploying 5G NR mmWave for dense outdoor venues



95% Outdoor coverage¹ 10x
Increase
in capacity²

233Mbps
Median burst rate²

100x Improvement in throughput²

- Leveraging existing LTE infrastructure that includes LAA small cells for Gigabit LTE
- Initial deployments can deliver significantly higher capacity even with fewer sectors (i.e., mmWave at a subset of LTE sites)
- Enabling new mobile experiences powered by multi-Gbps throughput and ultra-low latency













Enterprise networks: 5G NR mmWave + Wi-Fi

Always connected laptops and tablets¹



Multi-Gigabit speeds with virtually unlimited capacity



Reuse licensed spectrum— in-/outside mmWave isolation



Private 5G NR indoor network with cellular grade security

5G NR mmWave boosts performance in Enterprise networks



Downlink/uplink coverage comparable to Wi-Fi with 1:1 or partial co-site



Realize multi-Gigabit burst rate with wider bandwidths (e.g., 800 MHz)



Complement indoor Wi-Fi deployments

Coverage simulation based on MAPL (maximum allowable path loss) analysis with ray tracer propagation model and measured material and propagation loss; minimum 0.4/0.1 bps/Hz for downlink/uplink data and control; 2 Maximum Allowable Path Loss; DL: 115 dB, UL 117 dB 3 Using 800 MHz DL bandwidth and 100 MHz uplink bandwidth with 7:1 DL:UL TDD



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