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C-RAN is preferred as deployment method

5G Network Deployment Guideline: C-RAN as the recommendation from the very beginning of 5G

- Elaborate cost analysis conducted to verify the benefits of C-RAN in 5G era
 - D-RAN 4G + D-RAN 5G
 - D-RAN 4G + C-RAN 5G
 - C-RAN 4G (requiring N/W reconstruction) + C-RAN 5G
 - 4G and 5G with C-RAN is the most cost effective
 - ~13% CAPEX reduction, mainly due to saving on transport equipment
 - ~20% OPEX reduction mainly due to power consumption saving
 - Optimal scale of centralization is around 10-15 BS



Cost saving on transport equipment per site

- * Note: Exact cost number is removed for confidentiality
- ~3.6 Billion USD TCO saved for 5 years, assuming a C-RAN 5G network of 200,000 BS with centralization scale of 10 (BS) and adoption of passive WDM FH solution

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Potential challenges & requirements

 Major concern still on the fiber consumption: 14 fiber strands needed for single 4G/5G co-existing site even with Bi-Di

	Fraguanay	# of RRU/AAU	# of fiber strand	
	Frequency		Dark fiber	Bi-Di
5G	2.6G (100M)	3	6	3
	2.6G (160M)		12	6
4G TDD	1.9G (F)	3	6	3
	2.6G (D)	3	6	3
4G FDD	900M	3 (cascade)	2	1
	1800M	3 (cascade)	2	1

- Other requirements
 - Bi-Di should be supported for the sake of synchronization
 - Manageability is critical given the large scale of C-RAN network
 - Industrial level temperature requirement: -40°C~+85°C
 - Protection is preferred;



Open-WDM as potential solution

Open-WDM is a semi-active system with simplified management and control functions

- AAU side: colored optical modules and passive Bi-Di WDM.
- DU side: active WDM equipment.



PoC being developed with industry partners with target at field trial by early 2020



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