Open RAN推進分科会 -Maturation of Open RAN-

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Agenda

1: Open RAN Integration

2 : Integration Support Program

Integration and Quality Assurance of O-RAN

High quality and low cost, but integration has become more complex. Establishment of efficient integration methods and quality assurance methods are needed.





O-RU test

Combination of 3GPP RF Testing and O-DU Simulator Introduced at Plug Fest



O-RAN Fronthaul E2E test

Combination of UE and Core Simulator, Fronthaul Latency Considered



vRAN RU/DU Performance Test

All vDUs in a server are put under load from UE and Core simulator to verify virtualization.



vRAN CU Performance Test

O-RUs can accommodate multiple O-DUs, and O-RUs can also accommodate multiple O-RUs, the pattern increases. 1 O-CU accommodates more than 100 O-RUs, so simulators including O-RUs are needed.



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Basic Components of Beyond 5G Network

O-RAN and MEC, including RIC, are considered in the basic components of Beyond 5G Network stated by Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications in Japan.



図表 15 Beyond 5G ネットワークの基本構成要素(方向性)

Reference: https://www.soumu.go.jp/main_content/000822641.pdf

Beyond 5G – Rakuten Mobile's Focus Area

Rakuten Mobile NW is taking into account the future NW configuration set forth by O-RAN ALLIANCE and MIC.



Domestic and Global Expansion Support

New lab in India as a R&D center for Open RAN-based cloud-native mobile network was established. The domestic lab also provide partner support programs.



Industry/Academia/Government Collaboration through **Open Innovation Lab Program**

Research related to Open RAN already On going.

Process for incorporating into Rakuten Mobile's co-creation to expand industry-government-academia

collaboration

Reference: https://corp.mobile.rakuten.co.jp/innovation/partner/project/

Status of Industry/Academia/Government Collaboration

○ NICT [Beyond 5G R&D Promotion Program] ^LJoint research with Tokyo Institute of Technology

^L Joint research with the University of Tokyo, etc.



Image from: YRP

Institute of Technology

Image from: the University of Tokyo

Joint R&D with various institutions centered in Tokyo On going



Joint R&D with Partners for Beyond 5G

Depending on the partner's demonstration, not only remote testing, but also joint R&D by installing Rakuten Mobile's O-RAN and related equipment in the partner's environment.



※ Part of this work was done as part of the Beyond **5G** R&D Promotion Project (#00101) of NICT.

Examples of Edge Cloud Computing Demonstrations

Change 5GC placement with Virtual version of Landslide for more effective low latency



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Example of SpaceMobile Demonstrations

For Space Mobile demonstration in vRAN configuration, provide wireless environment Partner environment to be augmented according to research themes



Example of O-RAN Integration Support various types of O-RAN testing remotely, including E2E testing, if

vendor's equipment to be tested is brought in the lab.



