

Debugging Methods and Procedures for Interferometric Fiber Optic Sensors



Summary of Content

Effective debugging of interferometric fiber optic sensors involves a combination of signal interrogation, error analysis, calibration, and software-based demodulation techniques to ensure accurate and reliable measurements.

Common Sources of Errors

Interferometric fiber optic sensors, including Fabry-Perot, Mach-Zehnder, Michelson, and Sagnac types, are highly sensitive to external perturbations such as temperature, strain, and vibration. Common issues that require debugging include spurious jumps in wavelength tracking, phase ambiguities, and systematic errors in signal demodulation caused by curve-fitting inaccuracies or environmental noise. These errors can lead to incorrect readings and reduced sensor resolution.

Signal Interrogation and Monitoring

A key procedure in debugging is the use of digital signal processing (DSP)-based interrogation systems. These systems transmit a modulated light signal to the sensor, demodulate the returning interferometric signal using techniques such as synthetic-heterodyne detection, and relay control and signal data to a PC for analysis. By monitoring the sensor response in real time, engineers can identify anomalies in amplitude, phase, or frequency that indicate potential faults.

Calibration and Reference Procedures

Calibration is essential for accurate sensor operation. Procedures typically involve:

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This paper aims to review and categorize fiber optic interferometric sensors according to their operating principles,

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