

Fiber optic cable as transmission medium



Overview

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Summary of Content

Fiber optic cables transmit data using light signals, offering high-speed, high-bandwidth, and interference-resistant communication over long distances.

How Fiber Optic Transmission Works

Fiber optic cables consist of thin strands of glass or plastic called optical fibers, which guide light signals from a transmitter to a receiver. Light pulses, generated by lasers or LEDs, carry information through the fiber via total internal reflection, allowing the signal to travel long distances with minimal loss and high fidelity. The fiber acts as a waveguide, maintaining signal strength and reducing attenuation compared to electrical signals in copper cables.

Advantages of Fiber Optics

- **High Bandwidth and Speed:** Fiber optics can transmit data at speeds from 1 Gbps to over 100 Tbps using techniques like Wavelength Division Multiplexing (WDM), which allows multiple light wavelengths to carry data simultaneously.

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Transmission Media in Computer Networks

Optical Fiber Cable is a guided transmission medium that transmits data in the form of light signals through a glass or

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Fiber optics vs. other transmission media

Optical fiber, unlike traditional transmission media such as copper cable, uses thin glass or plastic wires to transmit

Optical Fiber Light Transmission

Fiber Optic Cable: A collection of optical fibers bundled together within the protective sheath used for data

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Fiber Optics as a Medium of Transmission in Telecommunications

Why is Fiber Optics a Medium of Signal Transmission? Fiber optics is an ideal medium for signal transmission due to

Optical Fiber Transmission

Because of their low loss and wide bandwidth capabilities, optical fibers have the potential for being used wherever twisted wire pairs

Fiber-optic communication

Optical fiber is used by telecommunications companies to transmit telephone signals, Internet communication and cable television

Optical Fiber Transmission

Fiber-optic technology is the backbone of the modern internet carried by high-speed communication and data networks including

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