

# **Understanding Fiber Optics**

Buffer

62.5 / 125 microns

Core Cladding

Core

Cladding

## History

In 1870, John Tyndall, demonstrated that light used internal reflection to follow a specific path.

Alexander Graham Bell, in 1880, patented a method of light transfer called "piping liaht"

William Wheeling developed an optical voice transmission system he called the photophone.

Water

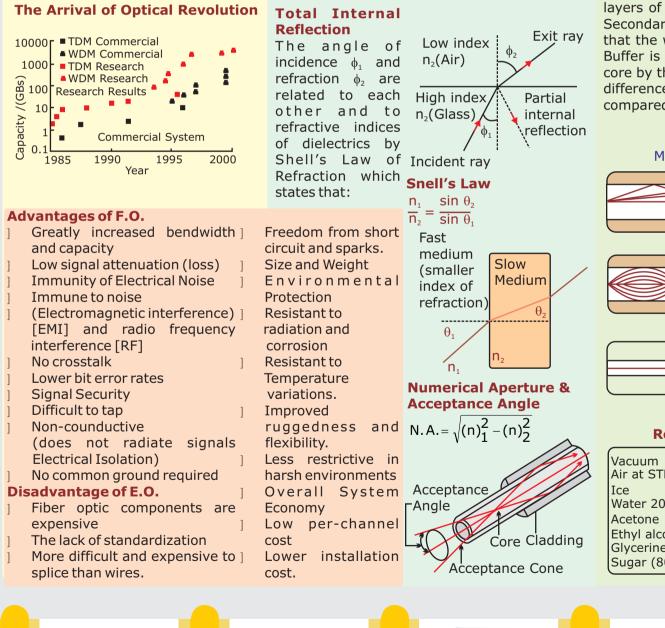
Flowing

## **Light wave Volution**

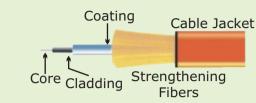
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Fibre-Optic trainer

- 1975 : Coax, 274 Mb/s at 1km repeater spacing
- 1980 : 0.8 um GaAs lasers, MMF, 45 Mb/s @ 10km
- 1987 : 1.3 u, In GaAsP lasers, SMF, 1.7 Gb/s @ 50kM
- : 1.55 um In GaAsP DFB lasers, 1990s SMF, 2.5-10 Gb.s @ 40km
- out or Basin 1990s : WDM, 1.55 um InGaAsP DFB lasers, EDFA, SMF, 2.5-10 Gb.s @ 300-10,000km repeater spacing
- 2002 : 64 WDM chx 10Gbps over 250,000 km span



## F.O. Cable Construction



The simplest fiber optic cable concentric of two concentric layers of transparent materials. The inner portion (the core) transports the light; the outer covering (the cladding) must have a lower refractive index than the core so the two are made of

Light Reflected

Gradually

Light

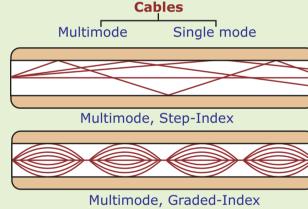
Leaks

out

from surface

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different materials. To provide mechanical protection of the cladding an additional plastic **Fiber is deployed at a rate of 200 miles** layer; the Primary Buffer is added. Some every hour. constructions of optic fiber have additional layers of buffer, which are then referred to as Secondary Buffer. It is vary important of note 1. Attenuation that the whole fiber Core, Cladding & Primary 2. Material Absorption Losses Buffer is solid and the light is confined to the core by the Total Internal Reflection due to the difference in the refractive index of the core compared to that of cladding.

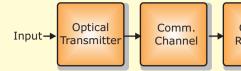


Single mode

## **Refractive Indexing Material**

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Vacuum	1.00000	Glass	1.5
Air at STP	1.00029	Sodium Chloride	1.54
Ice	1.31		1.57-1.75
Water 20°C	1.33	Extra dense	
Acetone	1.36	Flint	
Ethyl alcohol		EDF-	1.7200
Glycerine	1.473	Diamond	2.417
Sugar (80%)	1.49	Sapphire	2.417
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## **F.O. Communication System**



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Format	!	Loss	!	ł
Bandwidth	!	Dispersion	!	I
Protocol	!	4-Wave Mixi	ng!	9
Modulation	!	Boise	!	1
Characteristics	s !	Crosstalks	!	١
Power	!	Distortion		

## Losses in F.O.

- 3. Linear Scattering Losses
- a. Ray Leigh Scatter
- 4. Non Linear Scattering
- 5. Micro Bending and Macro Bending
- 6. Dispersion

a. Inter modal Dispersion b. Intra modal Dispersion

## F.O. Components

**Transmitter** ! LEDs, Laser Diode Receiver

- Cables
- Connectors
- ! Splices
- ! Amplifiers
- Hardware (Installation hardware, patch panels, splice closures, conduit





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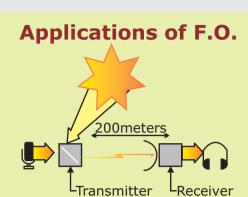
Optical Receiver

cal Regenerator

→Output

- be necessary to the light signal ong distance)
- Bandwidth
- Responsivity
- Sensitivity
- Noise
- Wavelength

b. Mie Scattering



## **Applications-Networks**

- ! Telecom, SONET, ATM, DWDM,
- ! Fiber Amps, CATV
- ! AM vs FM vs Digital HFC, LANs, Ethernet
- ! Token Ring, FDDI, SANs, ESCON, Fiber

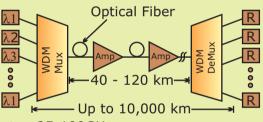
## **Applications-Links**

- ! Video, Security, Broadcast TV, Industrial links
- ! RS-232, RS-422, Wireless Antennas
- ! Utility gnd management, Sensors

## VDM Optical System

Frequency-registered transmitters

Receivers



 $\Delta\lambda = 25-100$ GHz (0.4 or 0.8mm @ 1500nm)

## **Fiber Optics Connectors**

Connector	Insertion Loss	Repeatability	Fiber Type	Applications
	0.50 -1.00dB	0.20 dB	SM, MM	Datacom Telecommuni- cations
and the second se	0.20 -0.70dB	0.20dB	SM, MM	Fiber Otic Network
	0.15 db(SM) 0.10dB (MM)	0.2dB	SM, MM	High Density Interconnection
	0.30 -1.00dB	0.25dB	SM, MM	High Density Interconnection
and the second	0.20-0, 45dB	0.10dB	SM, MM	Datacom
	0.20-0, 45dB	0.10dB	SM, MM	Datacom
J.	Typ, 0.40dB (SM) Typ. 0.50 dB (MM)	Typ, 0.40dB (SM) Typ. 0.20 dB (MM)	SM, MM	Inter/Intra Building, Security, Navy/