

How to repair a broken active optical fiber cable



Article Overview

Repairing a broken optical fiber cable involves locating the fault, preparing the fiber ends, and performing either fusion or mechanical splicing to restore connectivity with minimal signal loss.

Step 1: Identify and Locate the Break

Begin with a visual inspection to check for obvious cuts, kinks, or damaged jackets. For less visible or internal faults, use an Optical Time-Domain Reflectometer (OTDR) to send light pulses through the fiber and pinpoint the exact location of the break or high-attenuation area. A Visual Fault Locator (VFL) can also help detect light leakage from bends or cracks.

Step 2: Prepare the Fiber for Repair

- Excavate or access the cable at the break point carefully to avoid further damage.
- Strip the outer jacket and Kevlar strength members without nicking the fiber core.
- Clean the fiber with alcohol and lint-free wipes to remove contaminants.
- Use a precision fiber cleaver to create smooth, perpendicular fiber ends, which is critical for low-loss splicing.

Step 3: Choose a Splicing Method

- Fusion Splicing: Uses heat to weld the fiber ends together, providing the lowest lo...

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