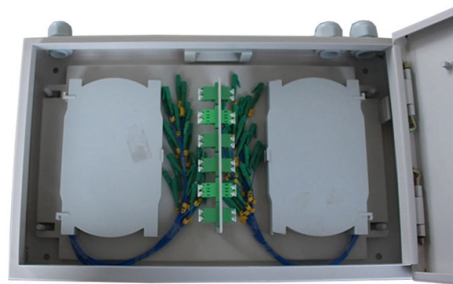


Semi-stripping method for optical cable splicing



AI Overview

The semi-stripping method involves partially removing the protective coating of an optical fiber to facilitate splicing while maintaining mechanical protection and reducing handling damage.

Overview In fiber optic splicing, semi-stripping refers to the technique where only a portion of the fiber's outer coating or buffer is removed, leaving some protective layers intact. This approach is commonly used in both fusion and mechanical splicing to balance ease of alignment with mechanical strength and protection against environmental stress. Unlike full stripping, which exposes the bare glass fiber entirely, semi-stripping minimizes the risk of fiber breakage during handling and reduces microbending losses.

Procedure

Cable Preparation: Begin by cutting the fiber to the desired length and cleaning the outer jacket.

Partial Coating Removal: Using a precision fiber stripper, remove only the coating over the section that will be inserted into the splice holder or fusion machine. Typically, 10–20 mm of coating is removed, leaving the rest of the fiber protected.

Cleaning: Clean the exposed fiber with isopropyl alcohol to remove debris and coating residue.

Splice Alignment: Insert the semi-stripped fiber into the fusion splicer or mechanical splice sleeve. The remaining coating provides support and reduces stress on the fiber during alignment.

Splicing: Perform the splice according to the chosen method:

Fusion Splicing: The exposed fiber ends are fused using an electric arc, producing a permanent, low-loss joint.

Mechanical Splicing: The fibers are aligned in a sleeve with index-matching gel, allowing light to pass through with minimal reflection.

Advantages

Enhanced Mechanical Protection: The remaining coating protects the fiber from microbends and handling damage.

Reduced Splice Loss: Partial stripping allows precise alignment while maintaining fiber integrity, minimizing insertion loss...

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