

Earliest fiber optic cable



AI Overview

The first practical fiber optic cable for telecommunications was installed in 1977, following decades of research and development in glass fibers and optical transmission.

Early Foundations

The concept of guiding light through a medium dates back to the 19th century. In 1841, Swiss physicist Daniel Colladon demonstrated total internal reflection by directing light through a stream of water, showing that light could follow curved paths with minimal loss, laying the theoretical foundation for fiber optics . In 1957, Lawrence Curtiss developed the first glass-clad fiber, using a high-refractive-index glass core inside a lower-index glass cladding, enabling light to propagate efficiently through the fiber . This innovation significantly reduced signal loss compared to earlier plastic-clad fibers.

Key Technological Advances

The invention of the laser in 1958 by Charles Townes and Arthur Schawlow provided a coherent light source suitable for fiber transmission . In the 1960s, Charles Kao and George Hockham proposed using ultra-pure glass fibers for long-distance communication, identifying impurities as the main cause of signal attenuation . Their work demonstrated that low-loss fibers could make optical communication practical, earning Kao the Nobel Prize in 2009 .

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Narinder Singh Kapany

Narinder Singh Kapany (31 October 1926 – 4 December 2020) was an Indian-American physicist and a pioneer in the field of fiber

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