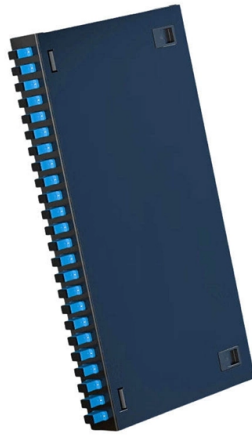


Weakly Reflective Fiber Bragg Gratings



AI Overview

Weakly reflective Fiber Bragg Gratings (FBGs) are optical fiber structures with very low reflectivity, designed to enhance distributed sensing performance while minimizing signal distortion.

Overview

Fiber Bragg gratings (FBGs) are periodic variations in the refractive index of an optical fiber core that reflect specific wavelengths of light while transmitting others, functioning as inline optical filters or wavelength-specific reflectors. Weakly reflective FBGs, often referred to as ultra-weak FBGs (UWFBGs), have reflectivities much lower than conventional FBGs, typically in the range of 0.01% to 1%, which allows them to be used in high-density sensing arrays without causing significant interference between adjacent gratings.

Fabrication Techniques

Several advanced methods are used to inscribe UWFBGs:

- Drawing Tower Grating Method: Gratings are inscribed during the fiber drawing process, enabling continuous production of low-reflectivity gratings.
- Ultraviolet (UV) Exposure through UV-Transparent Coating: UV light is used to induce small refractive index changes in the fiber core without removing the protective coating, allowing precise control of reflectivity.
- Femtosecond Laser Direct Writing: Ultrashort laser pulses create localized refractive index changes in the fiber core, enabling high-precision gratings that are thermally...

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