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# Tech Talk

**Fiber Optic Cable Selection**  
**February 24, 2021**

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- **Tech Talks**

- **Building Faceplates in View ME/SE**

March 10<sup>th</sup> @ 10 AM

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- **Networking Update with Panduit**

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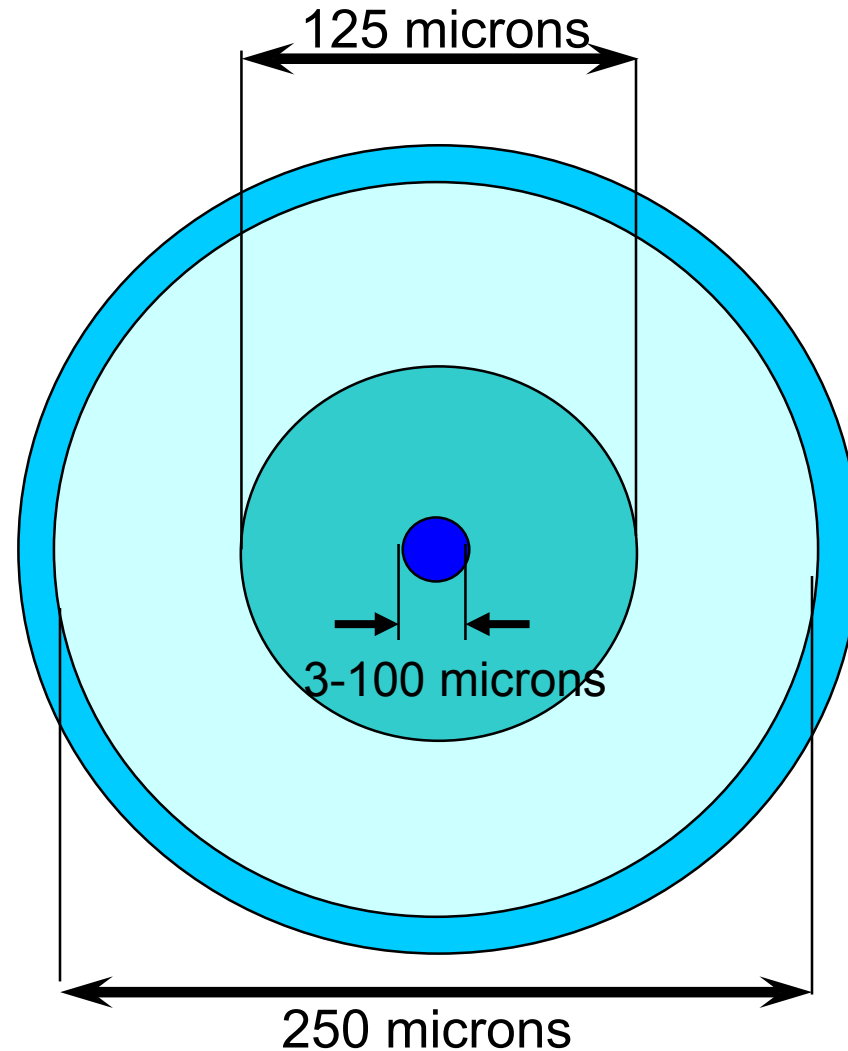
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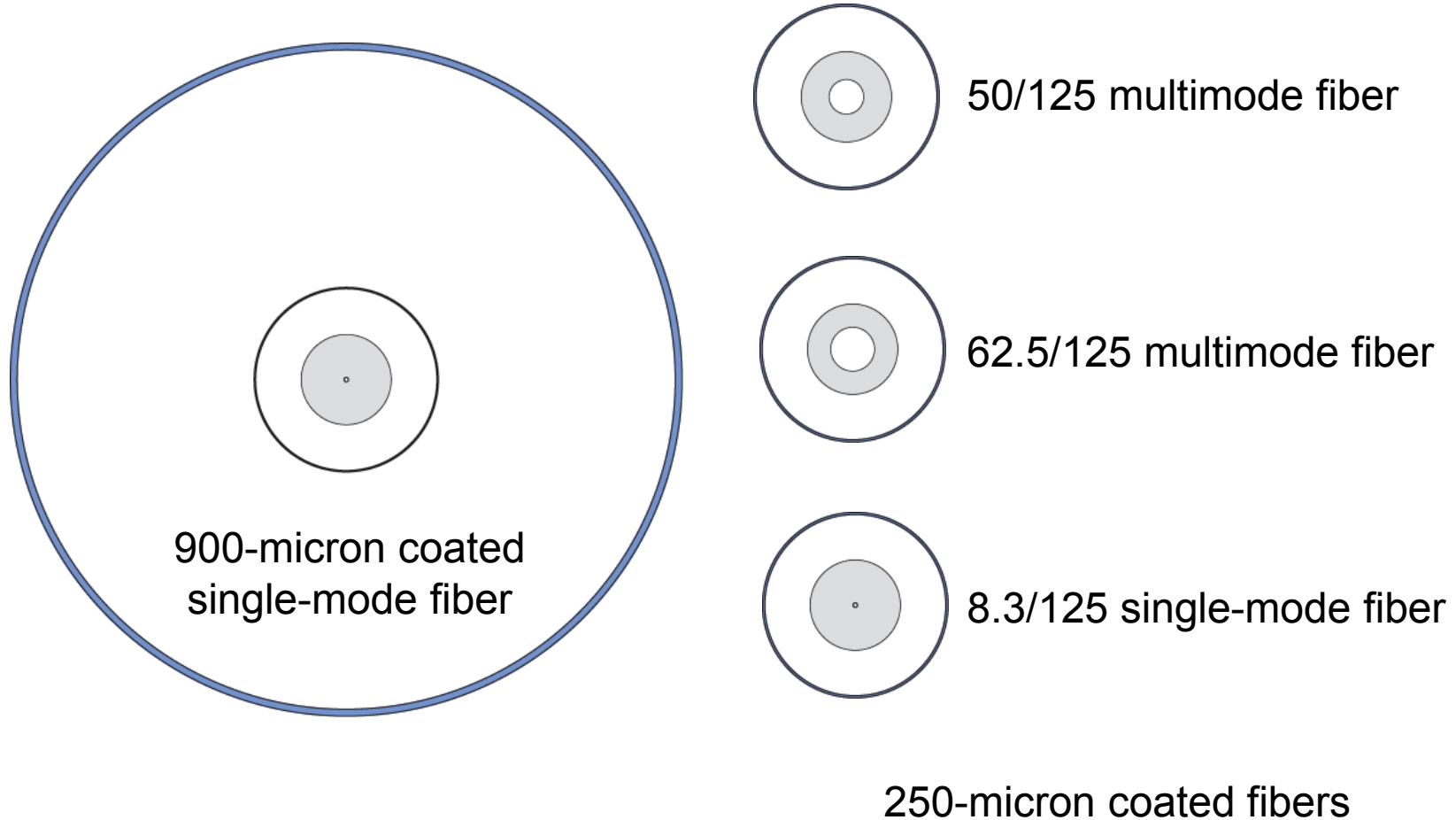
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# Fiber Structure

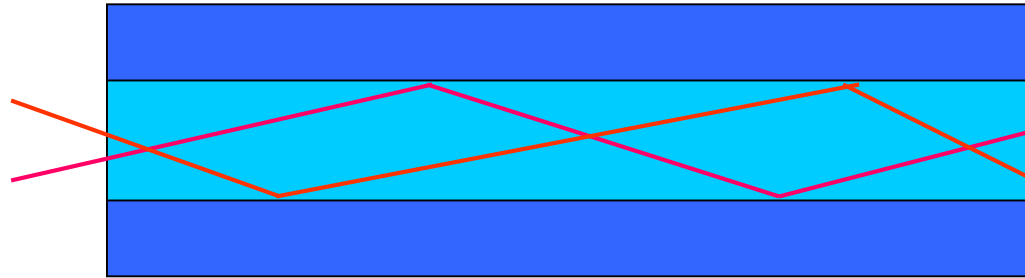
- Core—center of an optical fiber and contains dopants to change speed of light
- Cladding—outer layer of glass to contain light with different refractive index
- Coating—cushions and protects fibers (primary buffer)



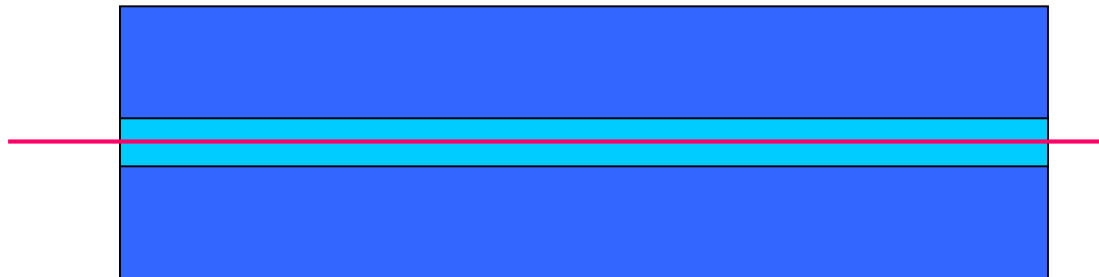
# Fiber Comparison



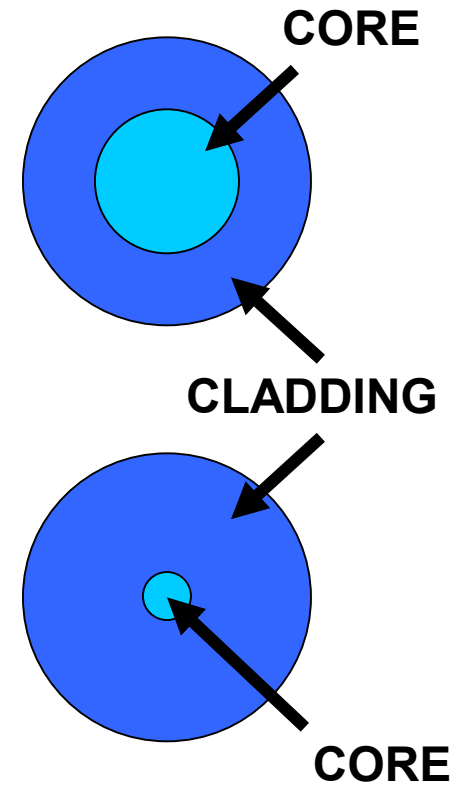
# Light Path Within Optical Fiber



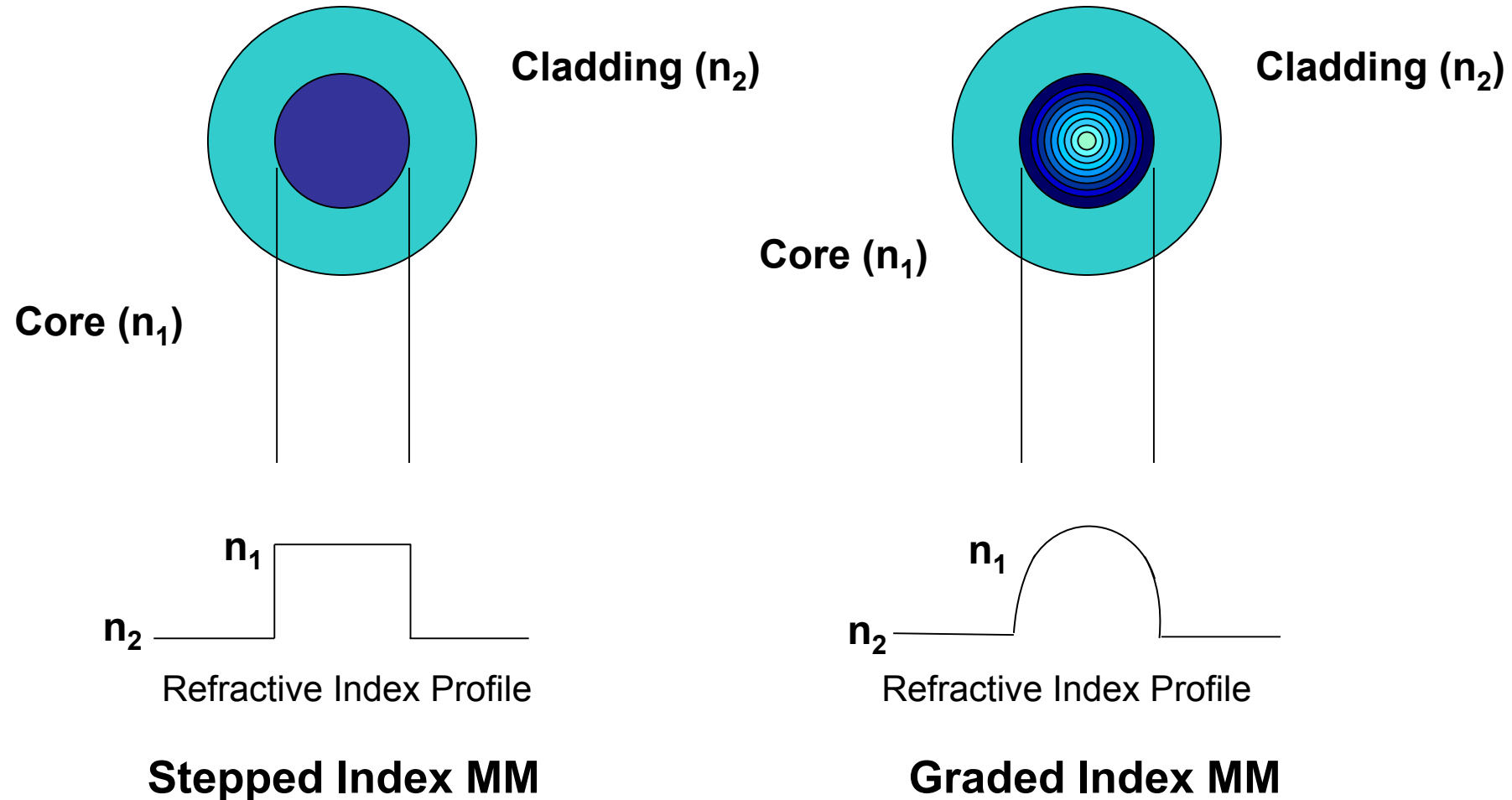
**Multimode Optical Fiber**



**Single-mode Optical Fiber**

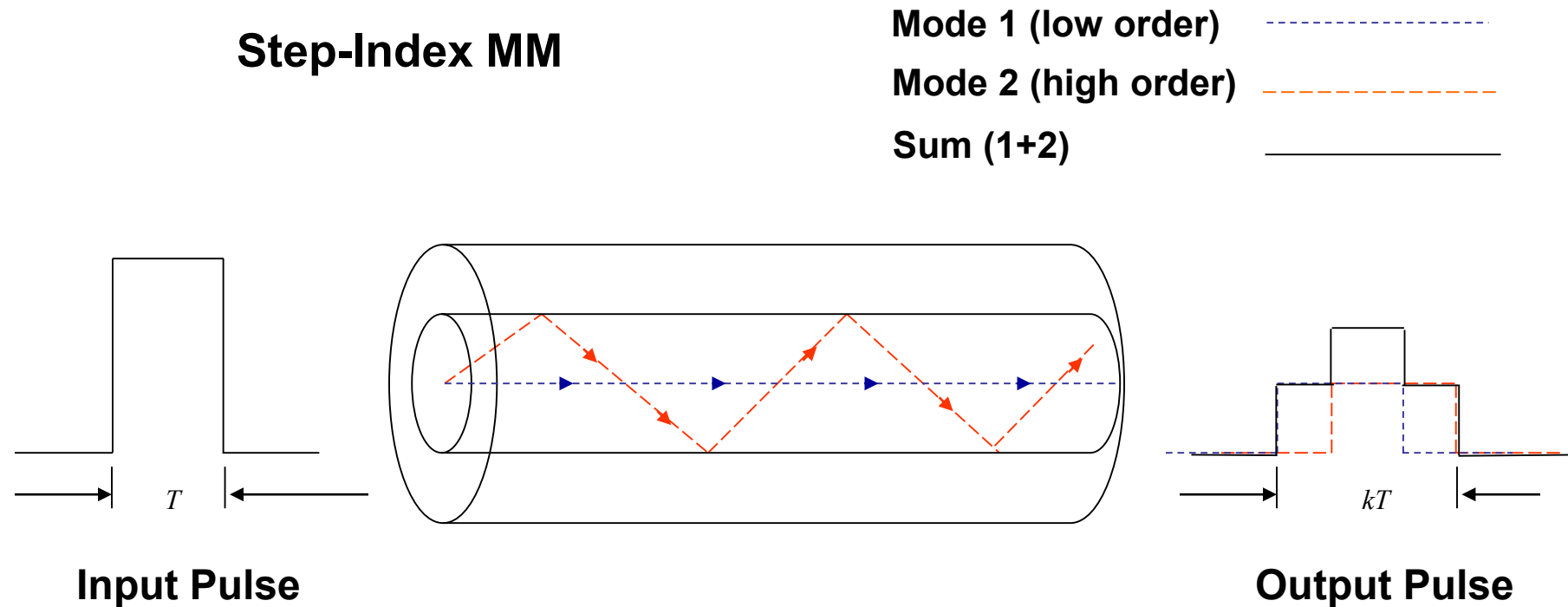


# Index Profile of Multimode Fibers





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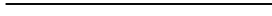
**The modes in a step-index multimode fiber arrive at different times causing pulse spreading.**

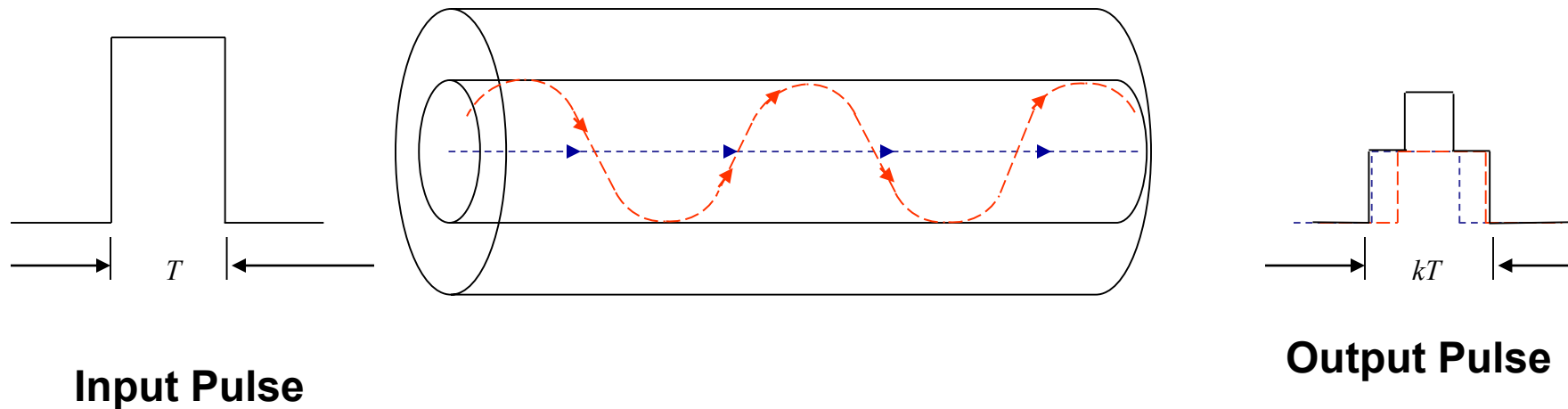
**Note:** In multimode fibers, there may be as many as 1,000 modes.



# Index of Multimode Fibers

## Graded-Index MM

Mode 1 (low order)   
Mode 2 (high order)   
Sum (1+2) 

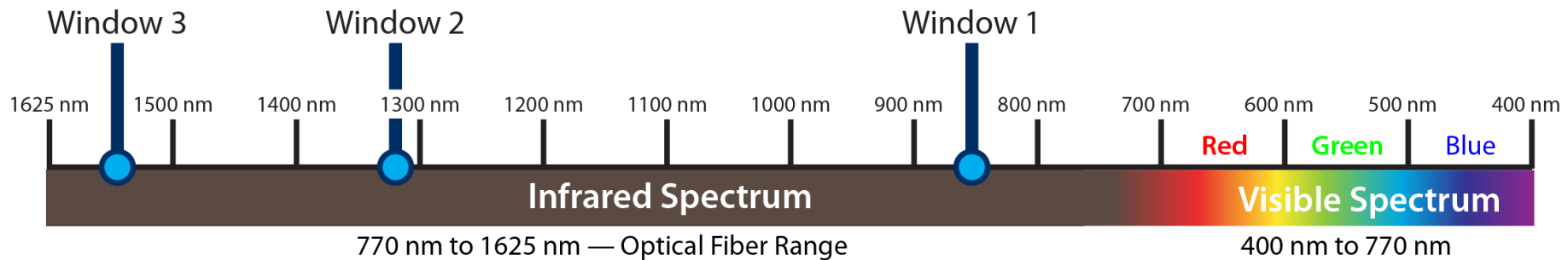


The modes in a graded-index multimode fiber arrive at different times causing pulse spreading but not as severe as stepped-index.

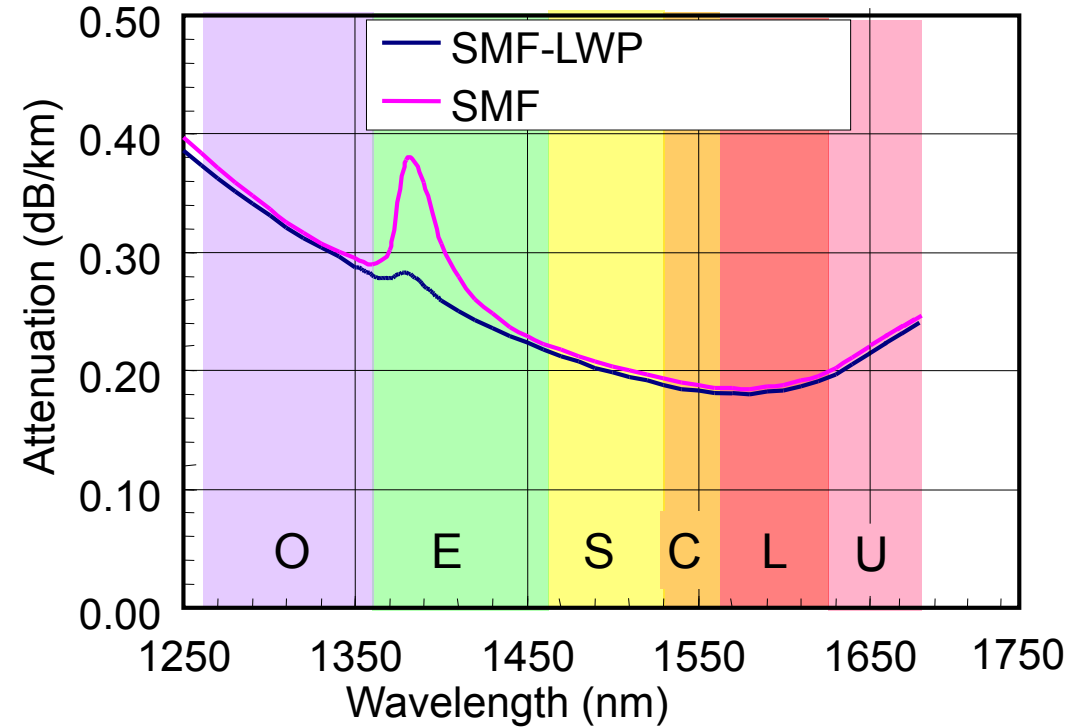
# Standard Wavelengths

- Single-mode fiber
  - 1310 nm and 1550 nm
- Multimode fiber
  - 850 nm and 1300 nm

**Note:** All transmission wavelengths for optical fiber operate in the infrared spectrum of light. Thus, the light is not visible.



# Single-mode Wavelength Bands

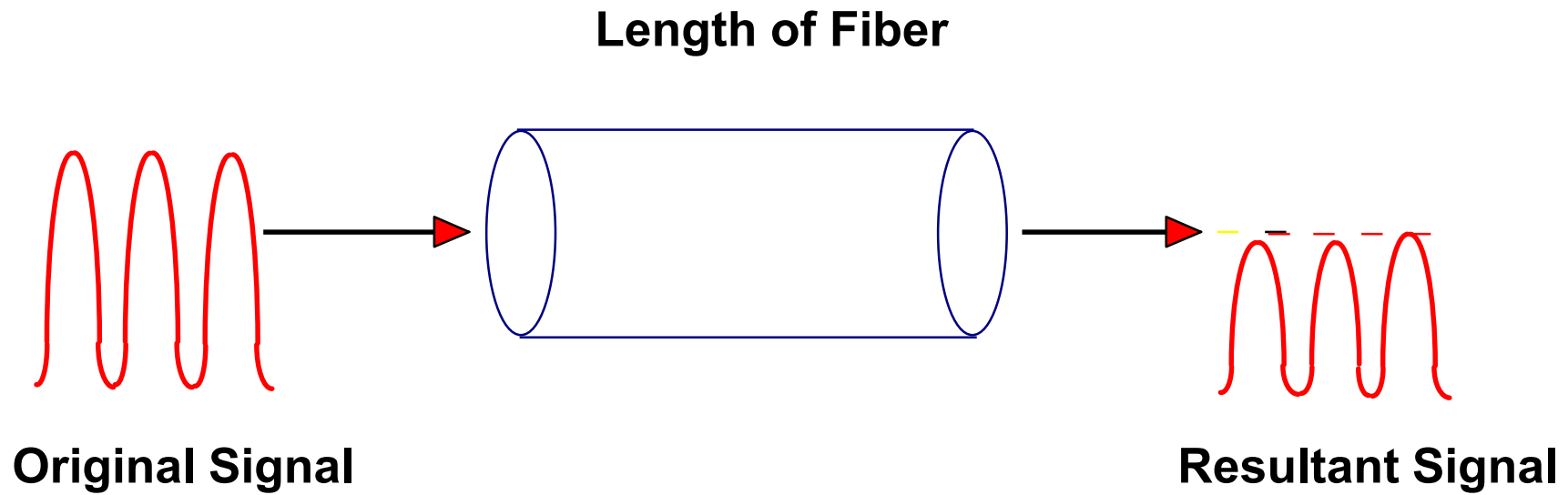


<b>O band</b>	original	1260–1360 nm
<b>E band</b>	extended	1360–1460 nm
<b>S band</b>	short wavelengths	1460–1530 nm
<b>C band</b>	conventional (“erbium window”)	1530–1565 nm
<b>L band</b>	long wavelengths	1565–1625 nm
<b>U band</b>	ultra long wavelengths	1625–1675 nm

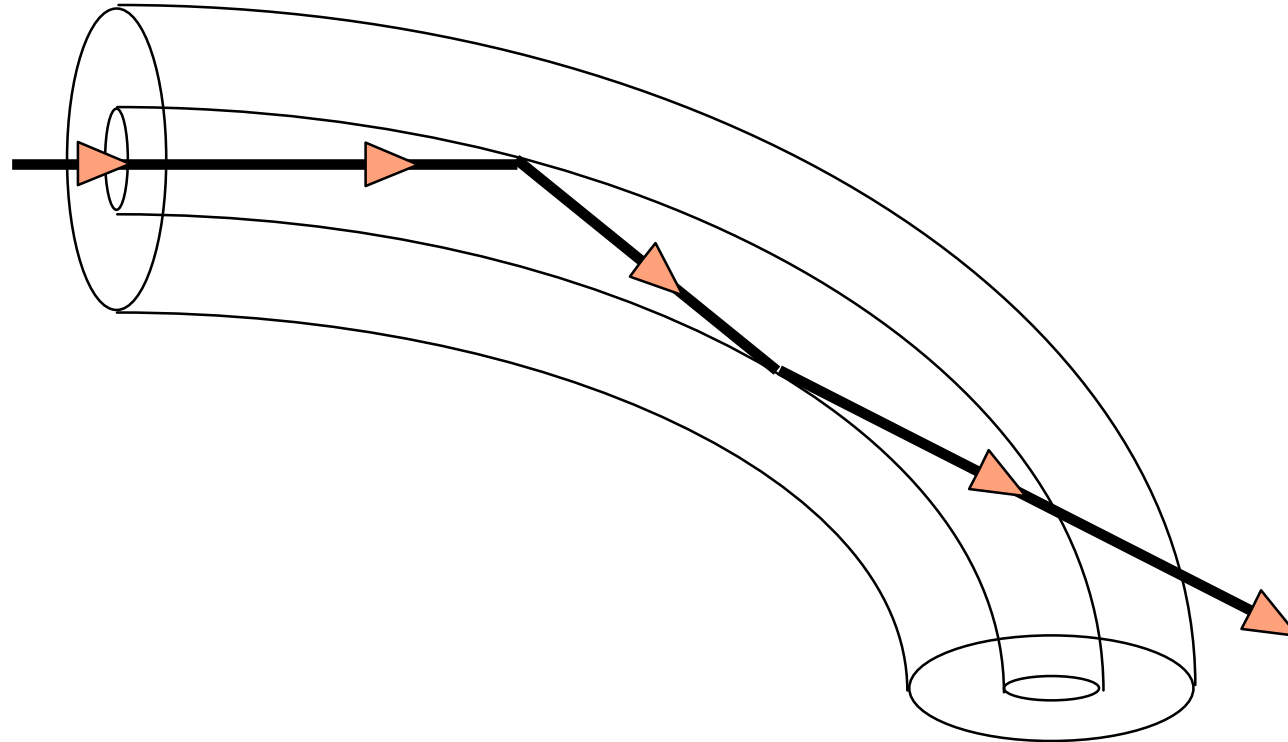
# Attenuation

- Decrease in optical power
- Measured in decibels (dB)
- Limits the distance the signal travels
- Some attenuation inherent in glass
- Some attenuation can be induced by people and environment

# Attenuation

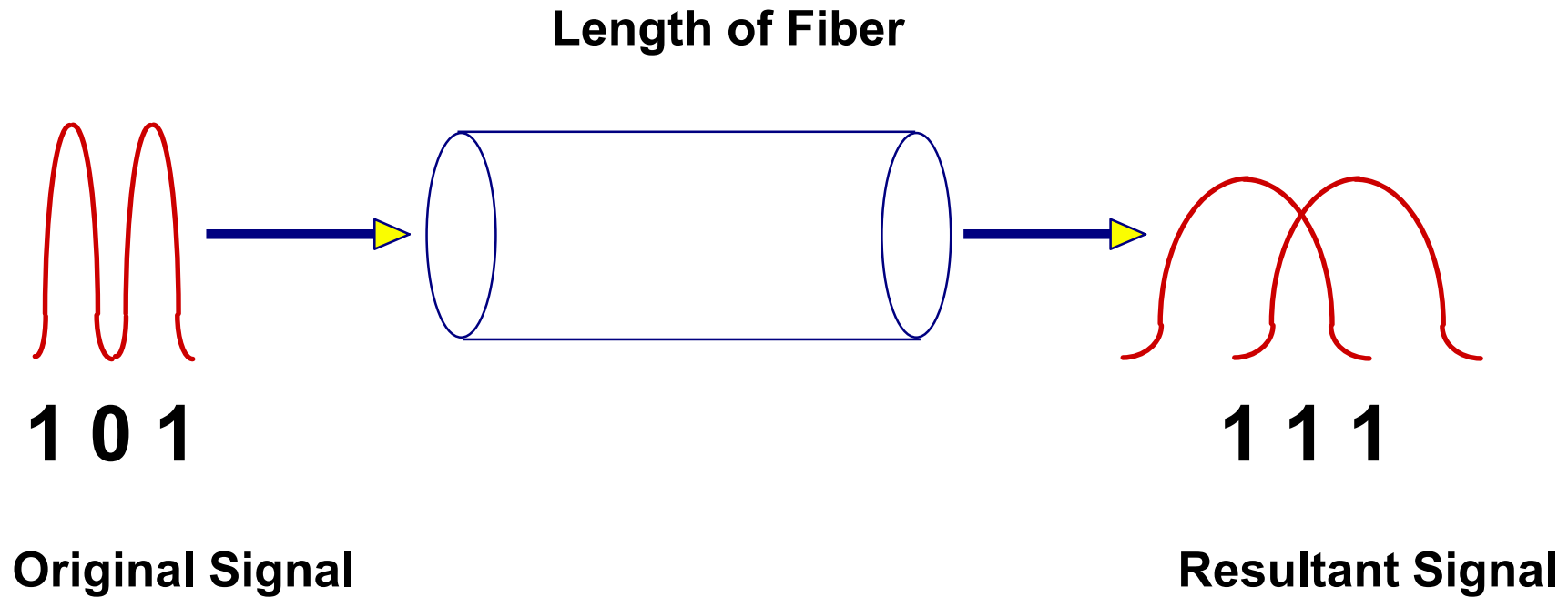


# Extrinsic Attenuation—Macro-bend



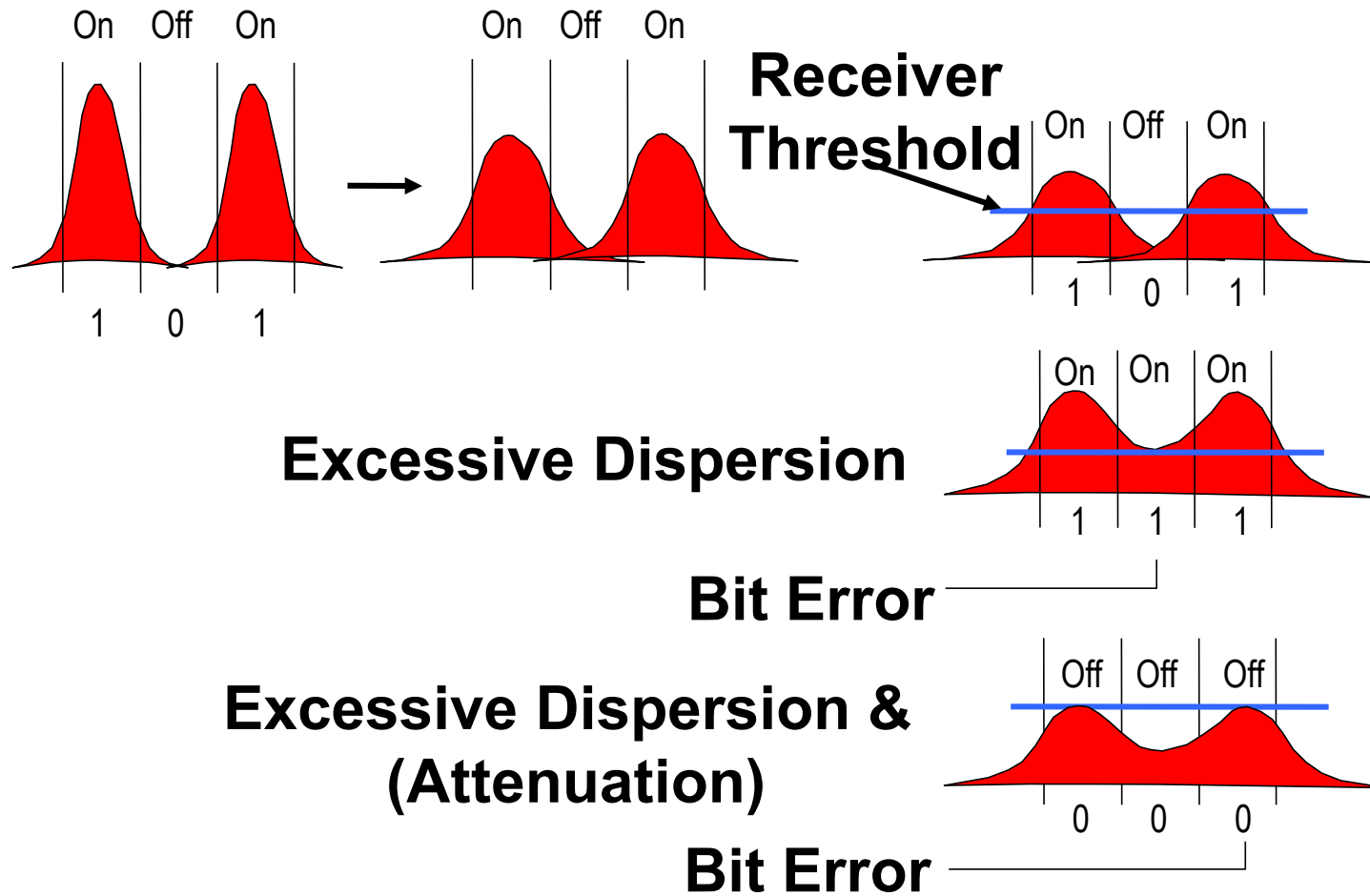
# Dispersion

- Dispersion—Pulse spreading over distance










# (Simplified) Signal Transmission



# Environmental Focus – M.I.C.E.

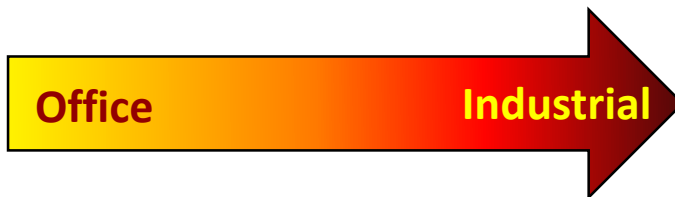
OSI Layer 1- Physical Layer



<b>Mechanical</b> Shock Vibration 	M <sub>1</sub>	M <sub>2</sub>	M <sub>3</sub>
<b>Ingress</b> Water Dust 	I <sub>1</sub>	I <sub>2</sub>	I <sub>3</sub>
<b>Climatic</b> <b>Chemical</b>  	C <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>3</sub>
<b>Electro magnetic</b> 	E <sub>1</sub>	E <sub>2</sub>	E <sub>3</sub>

- M.I.C.E. provides a method of categorizing the environmental classes for each plant Cell/Area Zone.
- The MICE environmental classification is a measure of product robustness:
  - Specified in ISO/IEC 24702
  - Part of TIA-1005 and ANSI/TIA-568-C.0 standards
- This provides for determination of the level of “hardening” required for the network media, connectors, pathways, devices and enclosures.
- Examples of rating:
  - 1585 Industrial Ethernet Media : M<sub>3</sub>I<sub>3</sub>C<sub>3</sub>E<sub>3</sub>
  - M12: M<sub>3</sub>I<sub>3</sub>C<sub>3</sub>E<sub>3</sub>
  - RJ-45: M<sub>1</sub>I<sub>1</sub>C<sub>2</sub>E<sub>2</sub>

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# Select best media for your needs

## OSI Layer 1- Physical Layer

<b>UTP vs. STP</b>	<b>Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP)</b>	<b>Shielded Twisted Pair (STP)</b>
	Costs less	Excellent immunity from EMI and RFI noise
	Installs faster	Can locate cable close to source of noise
	Smaller diameter, more flexible	Well suited for more rigorous environments
<b>CAT5e vs. CAT6a</b>	<b>CAT5e</b>	<b>CAT6a</b>
	Costs Less	Higher signal to noise ration; performance margins
	Suitable for speeds of less than a Gbps	Designed to deliver Gbps performance
<b>Copper vs. Fiber</b>	<b>Copper</b>	<b>Fiber</b>
	Termination and installation is faster	Cost of fiber transceivers is higher
	Less fragile	Use when excessive EMI noise is present
	Distances of less than 100m	Use when distance is a factor (over 100m)
<b>Multi-mode vs. Single-mode Fiber</b>	<b>Multi-mode</b>	<b>Single-mode</b>
	For distances of up to 550m @ 1Gbps and 2km @ 100 Mbps	Longer distances (up to 40km)
	Lower cost transceivers, connectors and installation	High bandwidth capabilities
	Higher fiber cost, but lower total system cost	Lower fiber cost, but higher total system cost

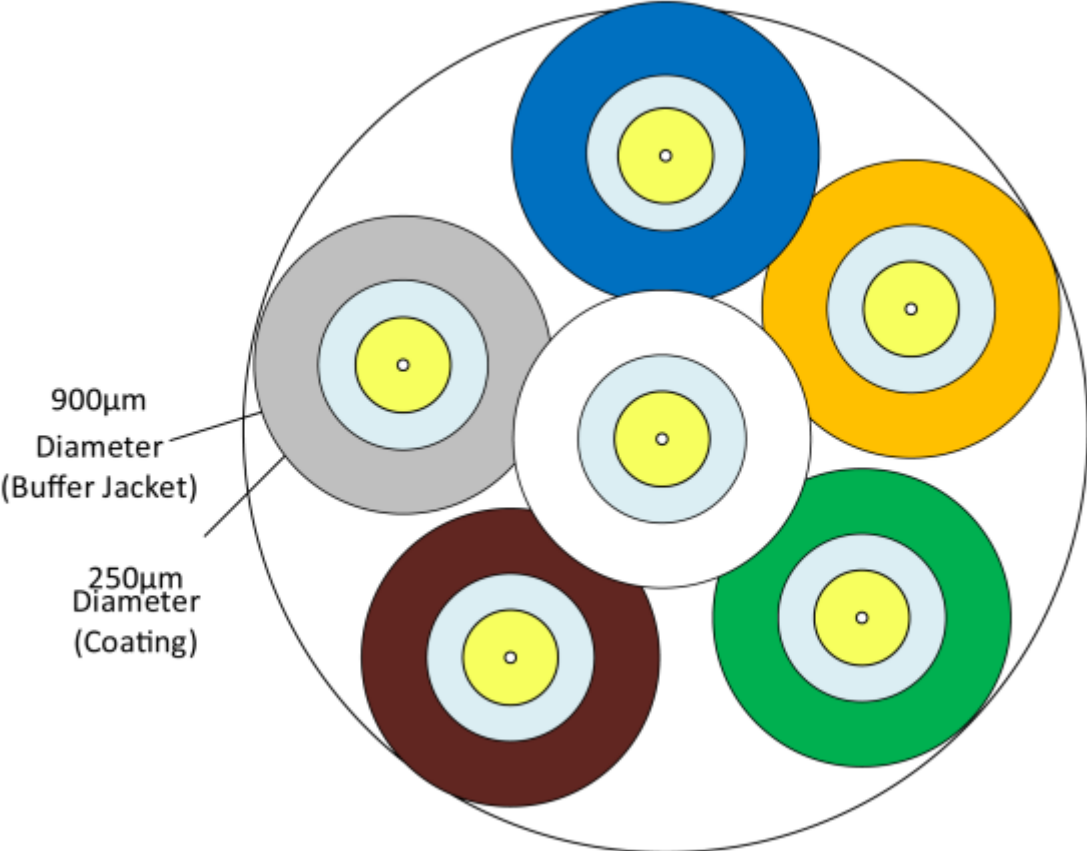
# Fiber Types

Table 1 Maximum Distance for Currently Used Fiber Types and Designations

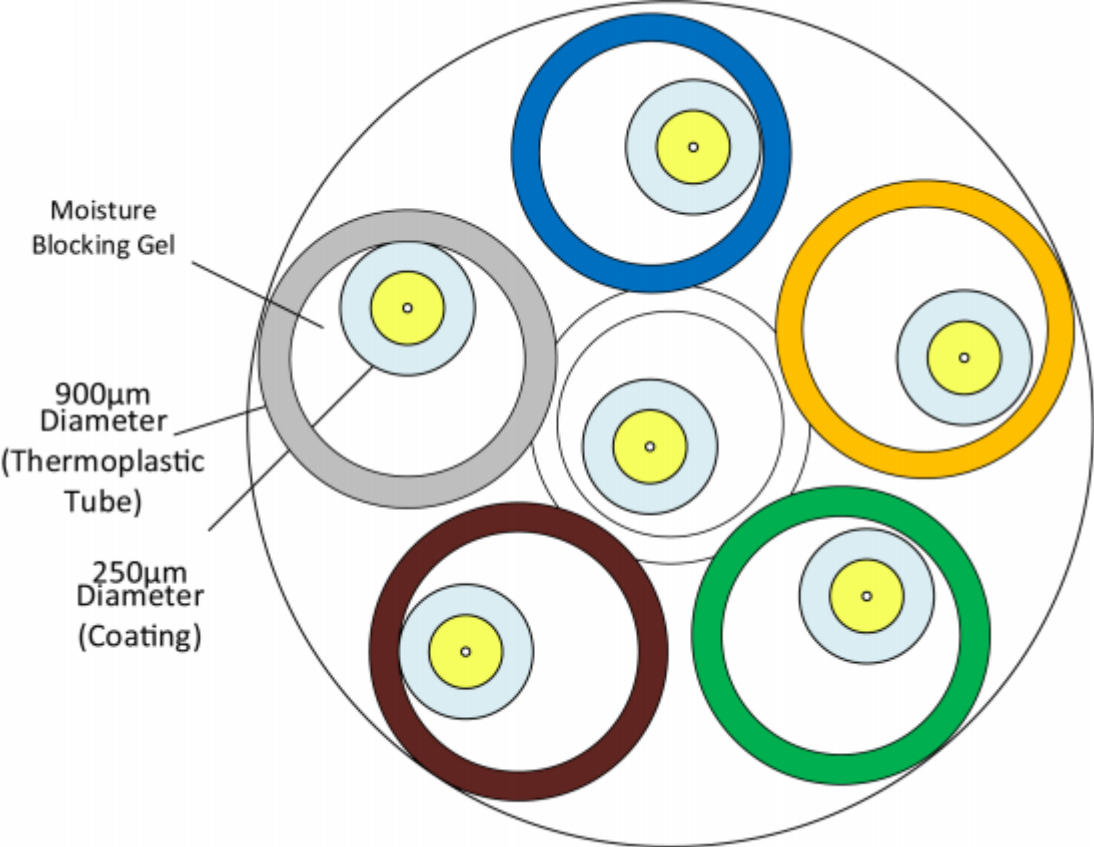
Designation	Core/Cladding Diameter	Fiber Type	100 Mbps Maximum Distance	1 Gbps Maximum Distance
OM1	62.5/125 $\mu$ m	Multimode	2000m	220m
OM2	50/125 $\mu$ m	Multimode	2000m	275m
OM3	50/125 $\mu$ m	Multimode	>2000m	500m
OM4	50/125 $\mu$ m	Multimode	>2000m	550m
OS2	9/125 $\mu$ m	Singlemode	10km	10km

# Buffer Type

## Tight Buffered

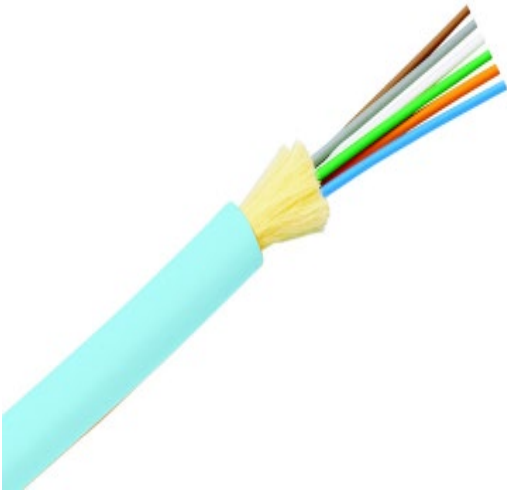


## Loose Tube



# Multi Fiber Types

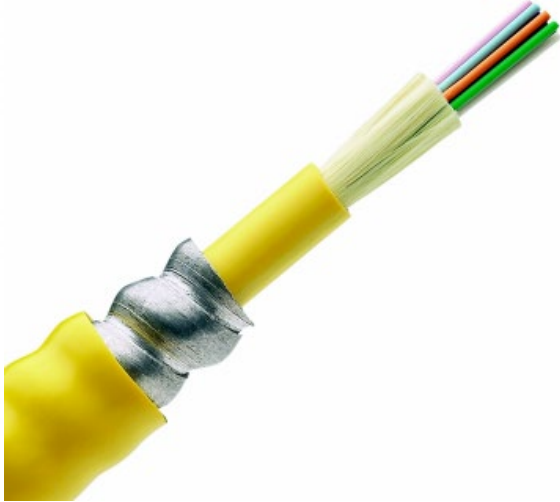
Distribution  
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IP-rated  
Fiber Optic  
Cabling



Armored  
Fiber Optic  
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Dielectric  
Conduited  
Fiber Optic  
Cabling



# Loose Tube Fan-Out




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Used to terminate high density, small OD cables into multiple terminations



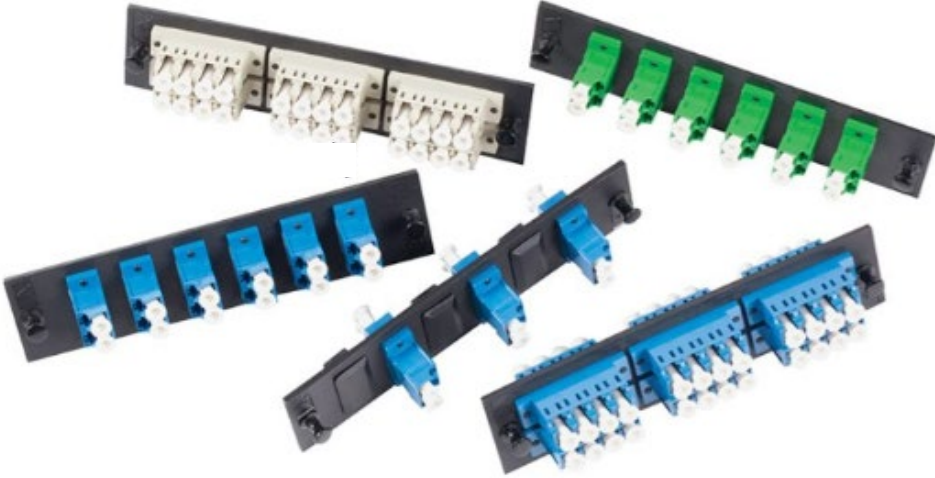


# Connectors

	LC	SC	ST
Image			
Connector Name	Lucent or Little (LC)	Square or Subscriber (SC)	Straight Tip (ST)
Coupling Type	Snap	Snap (Push-Pull)	Bayonet
Connector Outside Dimensions, mm	4.5 x 4.5	9.0 x 8.3	Diameter 8.6
Ferrule size, mm	1.25	2.5	2.5
TIA Standard	TIA-604/FOCIS - 10	TIA-604/FOCIS - 3	TIA-604/FOCIS -2
IEC Standard	IEC 61754-20	IEC 61754-4	IEC 61754-2
Duplex Type	Yes, with duplexing clip	Yes. Connector can mate	No

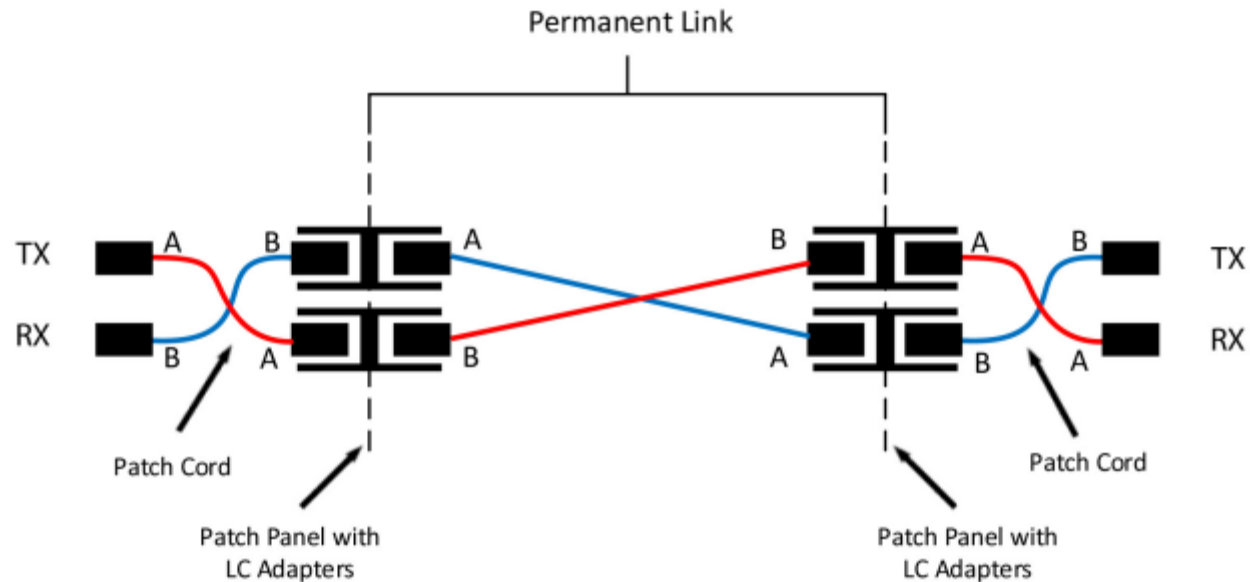


# Patching



# Connection Options

- Direct patch cable
  - Select a cable to connect directly to each end device
- Patch cable to patch panel
  - Select a patch cable to connect to first end device and the local patch panel
  - Select the bulk cable to connect the patch panels together
  - Select a patch cable to connect the second end device to the other patch panel



# What is the limiting factor

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## Deciding factors on fiber patch cable selection

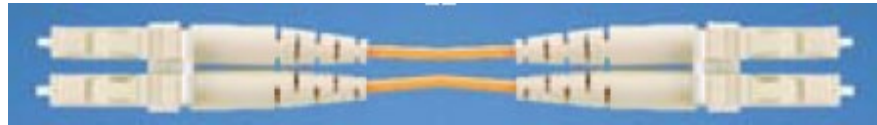
- Speed
- Length
- Embedded SFP (sets speed/fiber type/wavelength)
- Available fiber type in patch panel

## Deciding factors on fiber back haul cable selection

- Speed
- Length
- End Device limitations
- Available fiber type in patch panel
- Environment that the fiber will be passing through
- Conduit, fiber duct, direct exposure

# Examples

## Etap to Stratix Switch



### Etap

- Multimode
- LC
- 1310nm
- 100mb

### Fiber

- LC on both ends
- Multimode

### SFP

- LC
- Must also match
- Multimode
  - 1310nm
  - 100mb

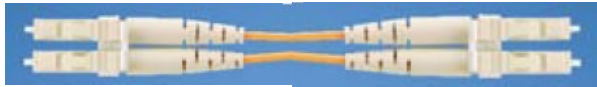
# Examples

## Etap to Stratix Switch With patch panel



### Etap

- Multimode
- LC
- 1310nm
- 100mb



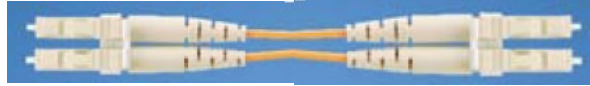
### Fiber

- LC on Etap end
- Multimode
- OM3



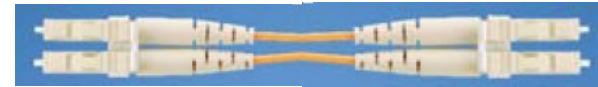
### Patch panels

- Connection type can be various
- OM3 rating is required based on existing cable



### Fiber

- LC on SFP end
- Multimode
- OM3



### Fiber

- Existing OM3



### SFP

- LC
- Must also match
- Multimode
  - 1310nm
  - 100mb







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