

Fiber Optic Patch Cord Stripper Principle



Article Overview

Fiber optic patch cord strippers work by precisely removing the protective polymer coatings from optical fibers without damaging the delicate glass core, using mechanical, thermal, or specialized non-contact methods.

Principle of Operation

Fiber optic strippers are designed to expose the bare glass fiber by removing the polymer coatings, such as acrylate, silicone, or polyimide, while maintaining the integrity of the 125 μm glass cladding beneath the coating. The core principle is controlled precision cutting or softening of the coating so that it can be removed cleanly:

- **Mechanical Stripping:** Uses precision-ground blades or notches that match the fiber diameter. The fiber is inserted into the correct slot, and the coating is sliced along its length. The tool ensures the blade only contacts the coating, preventing scratches or nicks on the glass.
- **Thermal Stripping:** Applies controlled heat to soften the coating, allowing it to be peeled away gently. This method is often used for sensitive fibers or in laboratory settings where minimal mechanical stress is required.
- **Non-Contact Methods:** Include chemical or plasma-based stripping, which remove coatings without direct mechanical contact, reducing the risk of microfractures.

Key Components and Features

- **Precision Slots or Notches:** Sized to the fiber's coating diameter to ensure a clean...

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