

Loss of the direct connector of the butterfly-shaped drop cable



Article Overview

Loss at the direct connector of a butterfly-shaped FTTH drop cable typically arises from misalignment, contamination, or mechanical stress, and can be measured and mitigated using OTDR or OLTS testing.

Understanding the Butterfly-Shaped Drop Cable

The butterfly-shaped drop cable is designed for FTTH deployments with a cross-section resembling a butterfly, featuring non-metallic or metallic strengthening cores on the sides and optical fibers in the center. This design provides small bending radius, lightweight structure, superior bend resistance, and easy end connections in terminal boxes or distribution points. The direct connector at the cable end is critical for maintaining low insertion loss and high return loss.

Causes of Connector Loss

Loss at the direct connector can occur due to several factors:

- **Contamination:** Dust, oil, or debris on the ferrule can increase insertion loss and reduce return loss, sometimes exceeding -35 dB.
- **Misalignment:** Improper mating of connectors or poor polishing can cause signal attenuation.
- **Mechanical Stress:** Sharp bends, excessive pulling tension, or improper installation can induce microbends or macrobends near the connector

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Conclusion: Butterfly-shaped optical fiber optic cables are an essential component of communication networks, and the

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5 — Connector mismatch, poor mating, or wrong polish type Symptom: unusual reflectance, higher-than-expected insertion loss after

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