

Principle of Fiber Optic Microbending Pressure Sensor



Article Overview

Fiber optic microbending pressure sensors operate by converting applied pressure into microbends in an optical fiber, causing measurable light attenuation that correlates with the pressure magnitude.

Working Principle

The core principle of a fiber optic microbending pressure sensor is based on microbending loss in optical fibers. When an optical fiber is subjected to small, controlled bends perpendicular to its axis, some of the guided light in the fiber core escapes into the cladding due to changes in the angle of total internal reflection. This results in a reduction of transmitted light intensity, which is directly proportional to the applied pressure or force (microbending severity) .

Sensor Structure

A typical microbending sensor system consists of:

- **Optical Fiber:** Usually multimode fibers are preferred for higher sensitivity to bending . The fiber may have its cladding partially etched to enhance sensitivity .
- **Bending Mechanism:** The fiber is placed between deformable elements, such as corrugated plates or a mode scrambler, which induce periodic or point-specific bends when pressure is applied .
- **Light Source:** A stable light source, such as a laser diode or LED, injects light into t...

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