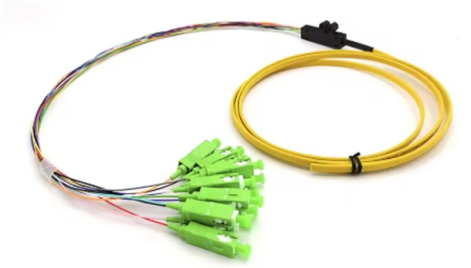
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Key Takeaways

High-capacity optical cables use advanced fiber technologies, including multicore and ultra-high count fibers, to dramatically increase data transmission for submarine networks and hyperscale data centers.Multicore Optical Fibers for Submarine Networks

Recent innovations in multicore optical fiber (MCF) allow multiple light-propagating cores within a single fiber, significantly increasing transmission capacity without enlarging the cable diameter. For example, NTT developed a 192-core submarine cable system that achieves a fourfold increase in transmission capacity compared to conventional fibers, enabling more economical deployment of high-capacity international networks . NEC and other companies have also implemented high-count fiber pairs in submarine systems, supporting terabit-scale bandwidth for global connectivity and long-term reliability at depths up to 8,000 meters . These systems are critical for handling the growing demand for international data traffic, including ultra-high-definition video streaming and cloud services.

Ultra-High Count Optical Cables for Data Centers



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For hyperscale data centers, ultra-high count optical cables are essential to maximize fiber density in limited space. Furukawa Electric has begun mass production of a 13,824-count optical fiber cable using rollable ribbon technology, which connects multiple thin fibers efficiently while keeping the cable diameter under 40mm . This design supports Very Small Form Factor (VSFF) connectors, enabling high-density interconnects for GPU clusters and large-scale AI or cloud computing infrastructures. These cables double the transmission capacity of conventional solutions while maintaining manageable installation and maintenance requirements.

Active Optical Cables (AOCs)

Active Optical Cables integrate fiber-optic transceivers directly into the cable, providing high-speed, low-power, and long-reach connections for data centers, HPC, and storage systems. Amphenol's AOCs support data rates from 12G to 400G, with options like QSFP DD 200G and CXP2 delivering up to 300 Gb/s across multiple channels . These cables are lighter, more flexible, and easier to manage than traditional copper solutions, making them ideal for high-density, high-speed applications.

Key Advantages
• Higher transmission capacity: Multicore and ultra-high count fibers allow multiple simultaneous data streams.

• Space efficiency: Rollable ribbons and VSFF connectors reduce cable diameter and maximize port density.

• Scalability: Systems can be upgraded without replacing existing infrastructure.

• Reliability: Submarine cables are designed for long lifetimes (25+ years) and high resilience.

• Support for emerging technologies: These cables meet the demands of AI, cloud computing, and 5G/6G networks. High-capacity optical cables are therefore central to modern communication infrastructure, enabling both global submarine networks and high-density data center interconnects to handle exponentially growing data traffic efficiently .

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