

## Custom Process for 4-Core Hollow-Core Optical Fiber in IDC Data Centers



### Overview

Instead of guiding light through a solid core, these fibers confine propagation within a core filled with air or gas, reducing latency, nonlinearity, and dispersion. This article describes the technical deployment process and testing methodologies for HCF-based systems. HCF. Hollow-core fibers are reshaping optical technology, combining ultralow latency and unlocking applications in data centers, quantum communications, sensing, and high-power laser delivery. This. Olivier Côté is a Product Specialist at EXFO with experience in optical test solutions. He has contributed to the OTDR and FIP product lines at EXFO, leveraging his strong technical background to support product. The production of optical fiber is a precision-driven process that transforms raw materials like silicon tetrachloride into ultra-thin, high-performance fibers capable of transmitting terabits of data over thousands of kilometers. This manufacturing journey directly impacts the fiber's mechanical. Corning® Multicore Fiber (MCF) is engineered for the next generation of AI-driven data centers, delivering up to 4x the optical pathway density within the familiar 125-micron fiber footprint. However, glass imposes a fundamental physical limitation because light travels through it approximately 30 percent slower

than through air.

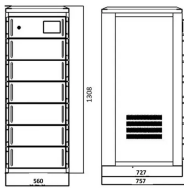
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Table 1: Comparison of Single-Core Fiber, Multi-Core Fiber, Multi-Mode Fiber, and Hollow-Core Fiber for Key Data Center Metrics. MCF stands out in spatial capacity and density, while HCF provides unique ...



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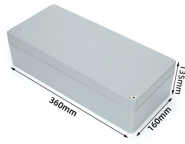
Explore the optical fiber manufacturing steps: preform production (MCVD, OVD) and fiber drawing. Learn how high-purity materials and precision techniques create low-loss fibers for telecom and data ...



As data centres face increasing pressure to support AI-driven data processing, the demand for electric power has emerged as a significant bottleneck. Hollow-core fibre (HCF) technology, however, ...



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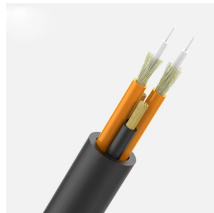
Discover how hollow-core fiber delivers ultra-low latency, higher speed, and stability—reshaping data centers, financial trading, AI, and next-gen networks.



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Technical guide on the deployment and testing of hollow-core fiber (HCF) optical fibers. Learn about their advantages, installation procedures, latency measurement, attenuation, and best practices in ...



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In hollow-core fibers, however, the situation is reversed: the core is filled with air ( $n \approx 1$ ) and the cladding is typically silica glass ( $n \approx 1.45$ ), so the condition for TIR cannot be satisfied. ...

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